

**April 20, 2016**

**The Grant County Historical Society members and guests met for the Annual Meeting and Dinner at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, April 20, 2016, at First United Methodist Church, 624 South Adams Street, Marion, Indiana.**

**President Kay Dougherty welcomed those attending and led the Pledge of Allegiance.**

**The First United Methodist Church JOY class served a delicious dinner: Chicken with apricot glaze, green beans, twice-baked potato, coleslaw, homemade rolls, angel food cake with strawberry topping, and choice of beverage. A moment of reflection was observed before the meal in thankfulness for our many blessings. Following dinner, gratitude was expressed by applause to those who prepared the meal.**

**A short business meeting followed. President Kay presented a report of the past year's activities, including the Indiana Bicentennial project of preparing a handout concerning the Indiana Historical Bureau markers in Grant County. This handout is available in the Indiana Room at Marion Public Library. Two markers need to be painted, and arrangements will be made in cooperation with the Indiana Historical Bureau for Boy Scouts to accomplish this task.**

**Minutes by Secretary Sally Bancroft and finance report by Treasurer Margaret Wilson were approved by consensus.**

**The following slate of Board members was unanimously approved and elected for the 2016-2019 term: P. J. Culley, Steve Sharon, Margaret Wilson, and Juanita Rapp. Jonie Riddle is the Marion Public Library appointee for 2016-2017. Sue Israel will continue as Society Historian, and Juanita Rapp will continue as Society Researcher. A Certificate of Appreciation was presented to David Wright for his past service as a Board member.**

**Board officers will be elected at the May 2016 Board meeting.**

**Bill Munn, Grant County Historian, presented the program on "The Story of the Jewish Community in Grant County." The significant role of Grant County's Jewish community in the development of our area's social, economic and political institutions was reviewed in the context of our area's history. A question and answer session followed the program. Appreciation was expressed to Mr. Munn for his detailed and interesting presentation.**

**Respectfully submitted,**

**Sally Bancroft  
Secretary**