

Grant County Historical Society
November 19, 2014

Our general membership meeting on October 15, 2014, opened at 7 pm. President Sue Israel introduced Jeanie Regan-Dinius who presented a program on the underground railroad in Indiana, including Weaver settlement in Grant County.

The November 19 board meeting met from 6.15 to 7.20 pm with Day Dougherty, Jim Dougherty, Margaret Wilson, Joni Riddle, Bob Miller, PJ Culley, Sue Israel and Sally Bancroft present.

Minutes were read with Kay Dougherty moving to approve and PJ Culley seconding. The Treasurer's report was read with Sally Bancroft moving to approve and Bob Miller seconding.

It was decided to give an honorarium for guest speakers of \$50, as per the by-laws. Mileage will be the State's set fee of \$.44 per mile.

A big thank you to Joni Riddle for her work on the Society website.

Joni Riddle and Sally Bancroft will continue to provide light refreshments for general meetings.

Thank you to the program committee for finding the excellent speaker for the Oct. meeting.

At the January 21, 2015, meeting, Sue Israel will present a program on the Lake Galatia Mammoth. PJ Culley will bring her family dinosaur artifacts.

The program committee has confirmed George Ironstrack of Miami University as the speaker for the April dinner.

It was suggested Juanita Rapp be asked to present Frances Slocum at the next winter meeting.

There was discussion of a change in the by-laws, it being recommended the following wording be deleted from Article V-Board, Section 3 – "one appointment by the Marion City Council, and one appointment by the Grant County Commissioners to serve one-year terms." This motion was made by PJ Culley and seconded by Jim Dougherty, voted on and passed.

With the Board's approval, the present members of the Nominating Committee are appointed to continue: Kay Dougherty, Stan Steiner and Juanita Rapp, with Sue Israel, ex-officio as president.

Janet E. Wilkins has sent several more items from historical Marion from her family home at 405 N. Washington. They have been given to the museum in the Marion Library.

Mr. and Mrs. Mike McCarty have given a large collection of news articles and correspondence concerning the Grant County Junior Historical Society. The Society will retain these items. Mr. and Mrs. McCarty will receive our newsletter.

There was discussion of 'digitizing' Society material in storage at the Israel's home.

The material should be 'backed up' for safety.

Sue Israel will see to PR for the January meeting.

The January 21, 2015, general meeting opened at 7 pm. There were 35 present. Ken Israel introduced Sue Israel who introduced her technical support Brian Israel, and guests Omer Leisure and Jodi Hutcheson. Sue presented a program on the mammoth skeleton discovered in 1904 in Lake Galatia, ENE of Fairmount.

Stan Steiner announced the April annual dinner and a meeting of the Jewish Society on April 19, with Bill Munn the speaker.

Respectfully submitted,
Sally Bancroft, Secretary