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COME ONE! COME ALL!

Civic Center
Parlors A and B

May 28 - 8:00 p.m.

ANNUAL MEETING The annual meeting of the Society will be held in the Civic Center on May 28. An amended constitution and by-laws will be submitted for consideration and adoption. Committee reports will be given.

The annual address of the President, Mrs. John Adamson, will keynote the program. The usual social hour will follow, under the chairmanship of Mrs. V. M. Curry and Miss Virginia Ford.

PLEASE BRING CONSTITUTIONS TO MEETING Members are requested to bring to the meeting copies of the proposed constitution mailed them recently.

This request is made to facilitate the discussion of changes and to clarify the exact wording to be adopted.

THANK YOU OFFICERS The Crier calls the list of the 1958-1959 PTO's (Post-term officers). To them all the Society expresses its deep thanks for their constructive leadership during the past year.

Because of their collective efforts, the Society has continued its steady progress towards the objectives for which it was founded. A number of valuable materials and other gifts have been given to the Society for safe-keeping.

NOMINEES FOR OFFICERS The following persons have been nominated as officers of the Historical Society of Greater Lansing for the year 1959-1960.

President Mr. Robert Clark
Lansing
Vice President . . Mr. R. Darwin Burroughs
East Lansing
Secretary- Miss Kathryn E. Hubbard
Treasurer Holt

Trustees, 1959 - 1961

Mr. John Fuller Lansing
Mr. Rollin H. Baker East Lansing
Miss Marion McClench Lansing

Nominations may also be made from the floor at the annual meeting.

Members of the Nominating Committee are John Curry, Chairman; Mrs. Esther Fohl; Dr. Joseph Druse; and Mrs. Helen Wallin.

DISPLAY OF MEDICAL AND SURGICAL INSTRUMENTS Instruments used 100 years or more ago by doctors and surgeons will be on display. The exhibit was prepared by the Michigan Hospital Service for the Ingham County Medical Society and is loaned by them for this meeting of the Society.

The instruments are from a collection gathered for the University of Michigan Medical Center, Ann Arbor, under the direction of Dr. Frederick A. Collier.

The TOWN CRIER calls - with this issue

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Historical Society of Greater Lansing

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May 5, 1959

To All Members:

Enclosed is a copy of the proposed revision of the Constitution and By-Laws of the Historical Society of Greater Lansing. It was submitted to the Executive Board of the Society on April 23, and brought before the Society at its regular meeting on April 30 by the report of the Revisions Committee.

FINAL ACTION will be taken at the annual meeting on May 28.

The Committee hopes you will feel there is nothing sacred about this draft now sent to you for consideration. This is YOUR Constitution, and insofar as is reasonably possible we want to incorporate all the objectives and goals of the Society. So please share your reactions and criticisms with the Committee, and not entirely with each other.

All suggestions received from members will be grouped in the section to which they pertain, mimeographed, and submitted to the membership at the opening of the annual meeting, so that you will have time to consider them before voting on the adoption. Unless so requested, names of persons making these suggestions will not be quoted.

To allow time for this compilation, ALL SUGGESTIONS SHOULD BE SUBMITTED IN WRITING, and should be MAILED TO THE HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF GREATER LANSING, P.O. Box 515, Lansing, Michigan, NOT LATER THAN MAY 18, 1959.

Committee on Constitution Revision

John Gray

Madison Kuhn

Marion McClench

Evelyn Bumgarner, Chairman

BY-LAWS

ARTICLE I: Fiscal Year

The fiscal year shall run from June 1st to and including May 31st of the following year. The membership year shall correspond to the fiscal year.

ARTICLE II: Membership and Dues

There shall be the following classes of membership with corresponding dues:

1. Active membership - - - - - \$2.00*
2. Contributing membership - - - \$5.00*
3. Life membership - - - - - \$100.00
4. Organizational membership - - \$25.00

Each membership disclosed on the Secretary's records shall be entitled to and allowed but one vote.

*A joint membership with the Michigan Historical Society is available by adding \$3.00 to the amounts specified.

ARTICLE III: Duties of Officers

Section 1. The President shall preside at all meetings of the Society and of the Executive Board. He shall appoint all standing and special committees and serve thereon as a member without vote. Although he shall name the members of the Nominating Committee, he shall not serve as a member thereof. He shall perform such other duties as pertain to the office of president.

Section 2. The Vice-President shall perform the duties of the President in the absence of the President.

Section 3. The Secretary-Treasurer shall keep a record of the proceedings of the Society and the Executive Board. He shall conduct all correspondence of the Society. He shall keep an account of all receipts and disbursements and

report to the Executive Board and to the Society at each meeting and at the annual meeting. He shall draw checks for payment of accounts as authorized by the Executive Board.

ARTICLE IV: Vacancies in Office

A vacancy in office shall be filled for the balance of the term for which the person was elected by majority vote of the Executive Board.

ARTICLE V: Standing Committees

There shall be the following standing committees: Finance, Hospitality, Membership, Program, Publications, Publicity, and such others as the Executive Board may designate.

ARTICLE VI: Amendment

These By-Laws may be amended in the manner prescribed for the amendment of the Constitution of this Society.

C O N S T I T U T I O N

ARTICLE I: NAME & OBJECTIVES

The name of this organization shall be THE HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF GREATER LANSING.

The objects of the Society shall be to compile, collect, and preserve such manuscripts, photographs, records, books and other historical data pertaining to the history of the community as may be deemed worthy of preservation and to make any of the foregoing available to interested individuals in accordance with usual library and archival procedures. It shall be a further object of the Society to stimulate a personal and community interest in the history of the Greater Lansing area.

The organization may receive gifts and may become the trustee of manuscripts, photographs, books and articles of historical interest. It may receive donations of money to be used for the furtherance of the forementioned objectives.

ARTICLE II: Membership

Membership in the Society shall be composed of persons having an interest in the objectives of the Society, who have requested entry of their names upon the Society's roster of membership and paid dues for the current fiscal year. There shall be such classes of membership as may be established in the By-Laws.

ARTICLE III: Officers

The officers of the Society shall be a President, a Vice-President, and Secretary-Treasurer. They shall be elected at the annual meeting for a term of one year and shall continue until their successors shall have been duly elected.

Except for the Secretary-Treasurer, no officer or trustee may serve successive terms.

ARTICLE III: continued

The officers, the immediate Past-President, and the Trustees shall constitute the Executive Board.

ARTICLE IV: Trustees

There shall be eight (8) Trustees serving a two-year staggered term. Four Trustees shall be elected at each annual meeting.

At the first annual meeting after the adoption of this Constitution, the four Trustees whose terms expire in 1960 shall continue in office. Four additional Trustees shall be elected for the two-year term 1959-1961.

The Trustees shall serve with the officers to direct the affairs of the Society.

ARTICLE V: Meetings

The annual meeting of the Society shall be held in May at such time and place as shall be designated by the President. Regular meetings of the Society shall be held at such time and place as shall be designated by the Executive Board.

ARTICLE VI: Quorum

Ten members of the Society shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, provided due notice has been given of the time, place, and purpose of the meeting.

Seven members of the Executive Board shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business of the Executive Board.

ARTICLE VII: Amendments

This Constitution may be amended at any regular meeting at which a quorum is present provided that the proposed amendment has been submitted in writing to all members of the Society at least 10 days in advance of the meeting.

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July 13, 1959

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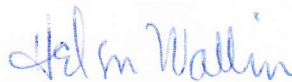
Dear Miss Dunnebacke:

Mr. Robert Clark of the Lands Division of the Michigan Department of Conservation, who has been elected president of the Historical Society of Greater Lansing for the 1959-60 season, has given me your name as a member of the Publications Committee.

Along with you will be Miss Marion McClench and Mr. John Gray. He has asked me to serve as chairman of the committee.

I hope you can join in the work of this committee. Please call me at the Office of Information and Education, Michigan Department of Conservation, Telephone IV58144, Extension 566.

Very truly yours,



Mrs. Helen Wallin