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JANUARY – JUNE 2010 MEETING SCHEDULE

10:00 A.M. – 12:00 P.M. Detroit Public Library, Main Branch
Meetings will be held in the Old Fine Arts Room unless otherwise noted

Saturday, January 2 - 2010

Part 1: Breakthroughs & Discoveries: Members share recent research findings

Part 2: State Clubs Breakout Sessions Presenters: Regional Club Facilitators

Society members share findings and tips with members conducting research in the same states.

Saturday, February 6 - 2010

10:00 A.M. – 1:00 P.M., Old Fine Arts Room, DPL

Annual African American History Month Program

The First International Black Genealogy Summit: Reconnecting the Lost Links

Society members lead a roundtable discussion of their "Reflections of the Summit." Handouts and Q & A included.

Presenters: DeWitt S. Dykes, Jr., Doris Ray and Maurice Sanders

Saturday, March 6 - 2010

Women's History Month Program

Elizabeth's Story: Triumphant Against the Odds

Learn about the compelling courage and determination of Elizabeth (Lisette) Denison Forth, an African American born into slavery in Michigan. Discover how she succeeded against the odds.

Presenter: Rochelle Danquah

Saturday, March 20 - 2010

2010 Michigan in Perspective: The Local History Conference

Detroit's Near Eastsiders - A Journey of Excellence Against the Odds

The book, written by Justine Wylie, chronicles stories from the Black Bottom and Paradise Valley neighborhoods (c.1920s -1960s) including kids on the block like Joe Louis and Diana Ross – and although homes, churches, businesses and cultural institutions were torn down to make way for freeways, many still stand and are being used even now...

Moderator: Leslie C. Williams Panel Facilitator: Council Cargle

Saturday, May 8 - 2010

Annual Meeting & Elections

Review of the "Beginning Genealogy Handbook"

Learn about the Society's latest book project designed for budding genealogists.

Presenters: Dr. Dennis Woods, Chairperson, with Peggy Sawyer Williams

Saturday, June 5 - 2010

Day Trip, (Details TBA)

The Annual Karl Hamilton Field Trip

Location: Allen County Public Library, Fort Wayne, Indiana, Day Trip

All Meetings are free and open to the public.
Free parking on Saturday in the library's Putnam Street parking lot