

Eaton County Genealogical Society

Located in the 1885 Eaton County Historical Courthouse

100 W. Lawrence Ave., P.O. Box 337, Charlotte, MI 48813-0337

[Members]



Would you like to share your family history? Would you like to place a query in our newsletter? Perhaps someone who reads our newsletter may know something about your ancestors!

Submit your information to P.O. Box mailing address above, or email to ecgsnews@gmail.com.

2016 June Calendar

Sat June 11 10:00am—Noon: Writing Group

Wed Jun 15 5:30pm—7pm: Social Hour (Feel free to bring sack supper.)

Wed Jun 15 7:00pm: General Meeting

Sat June 25th 10am—2pm: Open for research.

Every Tuesday Afternoon:

Probate Packet Scanning (any time during 12-5)

2016 Calendar

Monthly Meetings:

Wed Mar 16 General Meeting

Wed Apr 20 General Meeting

Wed May 18 General Meeting

Wed Jun 15 General Meeting

Wed Jul 20 General Meeting

Wed Aug 17 General Meeting

Wed Sep 21 General Meeting

Wed Oct 19 General Meeting

Wed Nov 9 General Meeting

See our online [Calendar of Events!](#)

Regular Projects:

Each Tuesday noon—5pm:

Probate Packet Scanning

Officers Jan 1, 2016 through Dec 31, 2016

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Officer & Committee Reports

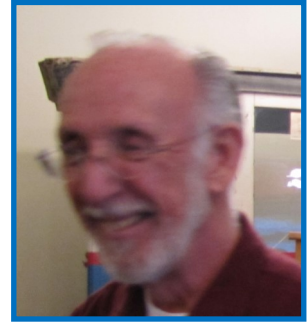
President: Chuck Chamberlain

Hi everyone, summer is beginning and ECGS is in full swing.

Last month Gail Junion-Metz gave a wonderful presentation on Family Search and Research Tips. The meeting was very well attended and we're very excited to help our members with the tools to expand their own genealogy.

This next month we will again have Jeff Mason making a presentation. His topic will be "Breaking Through Brick Walls and Reawakening Dead Ends". The last time Jeff was with us he did a fantastic job discussing DNA. You will be in for a real treat as he is a master of making genealogy research come alive.

Be sure to mark your calendars for June 15th and join us for an enjoyable evening of sharing and education.



Trustee: Liz Jones

Newsletter article ROOTSTECH 2016

Can't go to a conference? Need a free pep talk? Want to learn new things?

Rootstech is a national conference sponsored by Family Search and held annually in February in Salt Lake City. To get some benefits from this conference at little or no cost, type Rootstech.org in your browser. When this is activated, click on Rootstech 2016. The next screen shows all the sessions you can watch. These are free to watch. One of the speakers is Amy Johnson Crow who is the main speaker at the Abrams Seminar in July.



RootsTech 2016 Video Archive

Another conference with some freebies is the Southern California Genealogical Societies Jamboree in early June. They are live streaming about 15 sessions on June 3-5, 2016. To watch these sessions, you must sign up before the conference starts. Be aware that the times given are PDT, which is 3 hours different from EDT. These are all free. Check these out at genealogyjamboree.com.

California 2016 Jamboree Live Feeds

Officer & Committee Reports

Membership: Dianna Emerson

New Members

Bonnie Bennett and Gail Junion-Metz



See our [Membership](#) page for 2016 membership dues and on-line application.

**Eaton County Genealogical Society BAKE SALE FUNDRAISER - FRONTIER DAYS**

Each year during Frontier Days in Charlotte, Michigan, the ECGS has a bake sale inside the 1885 Courthouse. This year's sale will be held September 9, 10 and 11, 2016 (Friday 11-6, Saturday 9-6, and Sunday Noon-5 or when all the items are sold). The money from this annual fundraiser covers important expenses for the Society.

I spoke to the woman who has been the "baking machine" for the past several years and she is going to cut back considerably on baking this year. She is still going to volunteer at each of the three sale days because she enjoys the event so much. (She generally filled two freezers full in preparation for the sale.) Therefore, the Eaton County Genealogical Society needs volunteers to help out with providing items for this popular event in Charlotte.

The master chef told me what items are popular sellers: Fudge, peanut butter no bakes, chocolate with peanut butter no bakes, brownies with or without nuts, cookies of all sorts, caramel corn, cakes and pies. Coffee and pop are also sold. The bakery items and candy, etc., are sold individually or as a plate full. I think I intend to make some Key Lime pies as well as other items.



Please mark this important event on your calendar. We need three kinds of people to make this successful - bakers, sellers and buyers - or be all three.

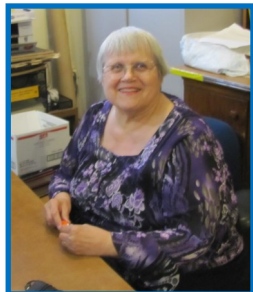
Dianna Emerson
ECGS

*September 2016*

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Our May General Meeting

Social Hour



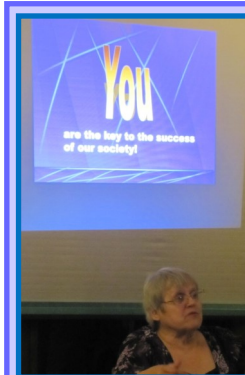
Shirley Hodges presented a wonderful photo montage of the history of our society during the social hour. She had photos of some of the early meetings, events, trips right up to our current probate packet scanning project we currently do every Tuesday now. It was very fun and interesting to hear what the society did in the past!



ECGS Photo History



Thank you Shirley for a wonderful look back at our society's history! It surely brought back memories for some, and was fun for others to



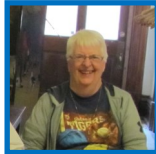
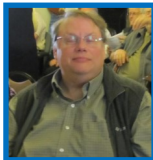
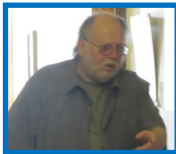
This was a great ending to the presentation: You are the key to the success of our society!

Our May General Meeting

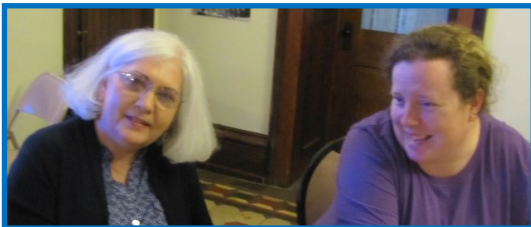
Gail Junion-Metz presented an excellent program on tips for using Family Search! Even for many of us who use Family Search on a regular basis, she introduced new techniques for searching and how Family Search works.



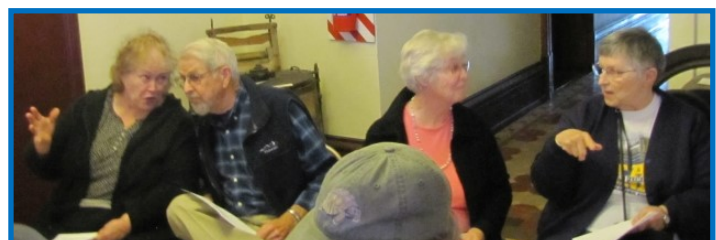
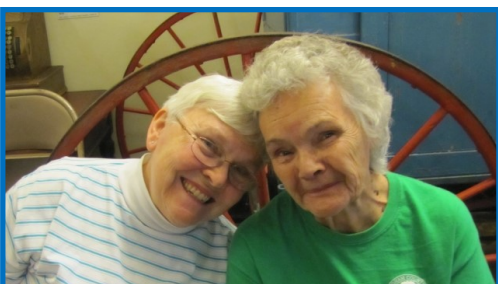
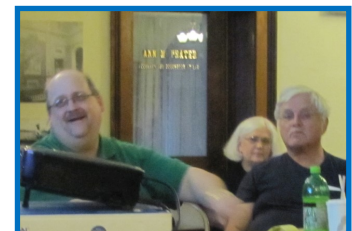
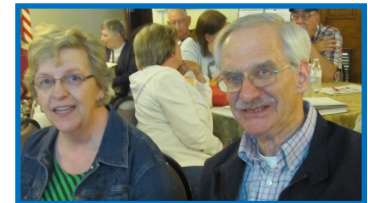
Becky Kendall is our new Greeter and she is greeting Diane, from the Ingham County Genealogical Society, who is attending our meeting for the first time.



Gail challenged us to write five things we remember from this in the next few days. Here are some: Find & Search. Merge option. Use lower case when searching. One common tree for all people & unique identifier for each. Standard dates & places. Look at several pages of results before stopping.



WELCOME to all of the new people who came tonight and of course, to everyone who comes on a regular basis!





2016 Midwest Regional Meeting — Towne Family, Cousins and Friends

On Saturday, July 30, 2016, in Sunfield, Michigan, at the Welch Museum, there will be a special one day reunion primarily for descendants of William Towne and Joanna Blessing Towne. This family is famous because three of their daughters were accused of being witches in Old Salem Village (now Danvers), Massachusetts, in 1692. There are several Eaton County people related to the Towne family. The event begins at 10 a.m. with Shirley Hodges as the morning speaker and runs until 4:30 p.m. The museum is a wonderful venue and a buffet lunch will be served. The cost is \$19 per person.

TOWNE FAMILY REUNION JULY 30



SAD NEWS...

Please join me in remembering a great icon of the entertainment community. The Pillsbury Doughboy died yesterday of a yeast infection and trauma complications from repeated pokes in the belly. He was 71..

Doughboy was buried in a lightly greased coffin. Dozens of celebrities turned out to pay their respects, including Mrs.. Butterworth, Hungry Jack, the California Raisins, Betty Crocker, the Hostess Twinkies, and Captain Crunch. The grave site was piled high with flours.

Aunt Jemima delivered the eulogy and lovingly described Doughboy as a man who never knew how much he was kneaded. Doughboy rose quickly in show business, but his later life was filled with turnovers. He was not considered a very smart cookie, wasting much of his dough on half- baked schemes. Despite being a little flaky at times, he still was a crusty old man and was considered a positive roll model for millions.

Doughboy is survived by his wife Play Dough, three children: John Dough, Jane Dough and Dosey Dough, plus they had one in the oven. He is also survived by his elderly father, Pop Tart.

The funeral was held at 3:50 for about 20 minutes.

If this made you smile for even a brief second, please rise to the occasion and take time to pass it on and share that smile with someone else that may be having a crumby day and kneads a lift.



Thanks to Jim Kendall for bringing this in!



Eaton County History Newspaper Project

EXCITING NEW PROJECT!!!

Have you heard about the Eaton County History Newspaper Project?

Genealogists and historians alike have long struggled with finding information trapped on the celluloid world of microfilm. How many fruitless hours have you spent in front of a microfilm reader struggling to focus a rickety old machine? Wouldn't it be beyond amazing and wonderful to instead search all Eaton County's microfilmed newspapers at once at a computer screen? Imagine the treasures that await us!

Currently there are microfilmed newspapers for The Bellevue Gazette, The Olivet Optic and a few other early Olivet newspapers, The Sunfield Sentinel, The Vermontville Echo, The Maple Valley News and various Charlotte and Eaton County Newspapers that have been microfilmed to varying dates in time. These newspapers are the focus of this project.

At the present time, The Grand Ledge Independent has been digitized and is now available on the Grand Ledge Library website for all to enjoy. Potterville-Benton Township Library and The Dorothy Hull—Windsor Township Library have both digitized their home town newspapers. These are available to be viewed on site.

Although ours is a very ambitious goal, it is actually, in reality, an obtainable one. We have found someone who has many years of experience in converting microfilm to digital for optical character recognition searching. Not only that, he does this work as a hobby. He is very happy to help us succeed in this project for a very reasonable compensation.

It is true that the better the quality of film, the better the searching capability. ECHNP cofounders, Sue Thompson and Marcy Cousino are in the process of evaluating the available county microfilm. At this time, we have determined that 31 reels of the Charlotte/Eaton County microfilms will need to be replaced before digitizing. This was not a surprise. These films are the oldest films in the county and they have had many years of hard use. They are very scratched, dirty, faded, brittle and some are even torn into pieces. We also know that 12 reels of Olivet films will need to be purchased. Central Michigan University's Clark Library has these films and we have been unable to locate these reels locally to borrow them. At \$50 a reel, we can afford these! Although we have not examined all the other films yet, we believe that they will be in very good shape because they are fairly new copies found in infrequently used libraries.

How would we share these newspapers with the public? We would supply searchable pdfs to all participating libraries and societies in Eaton County. We hope in the future to have them hosted to a local website, but in the meantime, our amazing newspaper digitizer offers to put Eaton County Historic Newspapers on the internet with the huge collection of newspapers that he already has shared with the world.

As you can see, right now, your donations, big or small, can achieve great things for all of us. Please consider a tax deductible donation to the Eaton County History Newspaper Project.

Thank you.

See www.echnp.org for more details!

Sherry Copenhaver Sue Thompson Marcy Cousino

Memory Time With Drouscella

By Shirley Hodges

The Social hour was very special when D was able to stop by and chat for a few minutes. D was our first President and has always been very active. She was the editor of the Quest for several years.



I really enjoyed being able to introduce some of our newer members to Dru. They seemed to enjoy hearing about the past. They really enjoyed hearing about her election as President. She said during the first meeting she left the room for a few moments and when she came back in, they told her she had been elected as President. I am sure this is true since over the years some have stated that similar things have happened to them. Sher Brown has always claimed that she came to a meeting on Cloud 9 because she had just bought a new computer. Somehow she ended up with a position. Strange how those things happened.

When the society formed, our office was on the 2nd floor. When it was determined that we needed more room we moved to the ground floor.

It was nice to talk with D about the seminars we have held in the past. We have had some of the top speakers in the U.S. and Canada: Dr. George Schweitzer, John Colletta, Jean White, Rick Roberts, and Fawne Stratford Devai. The highlight of my speaking career was being able to share the stage with Dr. Schweitzer on the two occasions he did seminars for us. I can honestly say that he is one of the finest human beings I have ever had the chance to meet.

Dru was there in the early days when we first started working with the probate packets. What a thrill to be able to share the news with her on the current probate packet scanning project. I can remember being threatened with tar and feathering when I said it would be nice if we could index all the names in the packets. Our current work crew is digitizing them and they are already working on the M's.

What a joy it was to let Dru know that we are trying our best to continue the work that she and others started.



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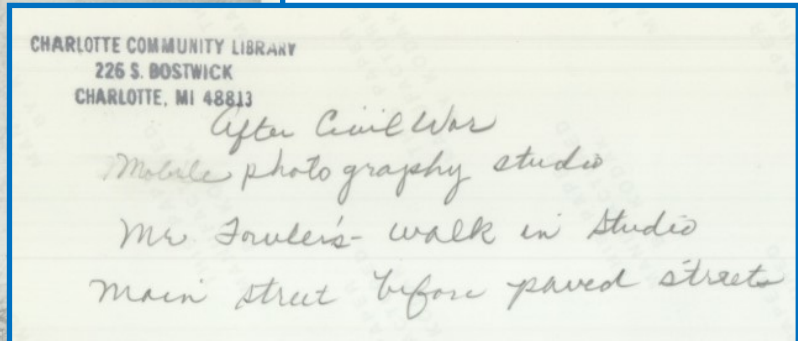


Eaton County Military Special Interest Group

While we have not resumed Military SIG meetings, we are still very interested in honoring our veterans and collecting and sharing that information.

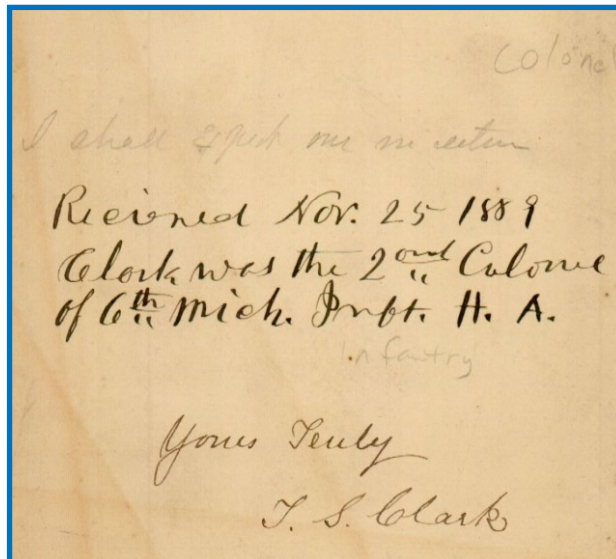
These photos were scanned from the Charlotte Community Library and the originals are available there in the Michigan Room.

(Note: May not be military.)



Above: Back of photo.

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An on-line [Veteran Form](#) is available for people to complete, for either themselves or other veterans, and submit. The purpose of this form is to obtain information about veterans, such as when they served, and load the veteran into our Military Database.

If a [printed Veteran Form](#) is preferred, please click on the printed Veteran Form link, fill out the form and mail to us. Feel free to share this form!

Visit our Military website at www.miegs.org/MilitarySIG.shtml.

The ECGS Writing Special Interest Group

May Meeting

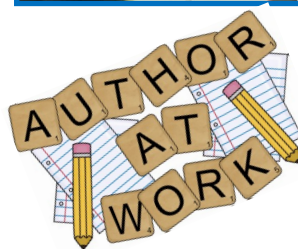
*Shirley Hodges,
our fearless
leader!*



We had a great time at our meeting! Shirley, Clarence, Cynthia, Dave & Nancy, Ramona, Chris, Pat, John & Sherry attended. Some people brought things they have worked on or are working on now, such as books and scrapbooks.

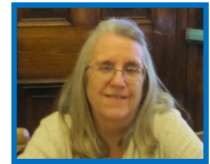
Shirley asked the question "If you had a fire, what would you grab?" She then showed us a priceless scrapbook her family had made for her with their memories of her. We talked about how it is not so important about how you write your memories; it is important that you write them! Sherry uses a scrapbook method and more pictures than narrative to tell her stories.. There is no right way or wrong way.

Family Stories



Mulliken Cookbook

Thanks Sue Thompson for sharing this with us!



MOLDED MEAT LOAF

1 tablespoon unflavored gelatin
 1/4 cup cold water
 1 tablespoon minced onion
 1 stalk celery, chopped
 2 cups well seasoned stock
 2 cups diced cooked veal
 1/3 cup canned pimientos, diced
 1/2 cup cooked peas, drained
 1-1/2 tablespoons lemon juice
 Soften gelatin in cold water 5 minutes. Cook onion and celery with stock 5 minutes. Strain and pour over gelatin. After mixture begins to stiffen, add remaining ingredients. Pour into cold water, rinsed mold. Chill.



Laura June Dalrymple,
 Mullikin, Michigan.

VEGETABLE MEAT LOAF

Grind through food chopper:
 2 medium onions
 2 medium potatoes
 2 medium carrots
 1 stalk celery
 Mix with:
 2 pounds hamburger
 2 cups cracker or bread crumbs
 1 cup milk
 1 egg, well beaten
 Salt and pepper to taste



Bake in large baking dish or bottom of roaster. Do not cover. Bake 40 to 60 minutes in moderate oven.

Maggie Lyons,
 Sunfield, Michigan.

PORCUPINE ROLLS

1 pound hamburger
 Salt and pepper
 1 egg
 4 tablespoons of cooked rice
 Mix all together. If not moist enough add a little tomato juice. Shape in balls (not cakes). Put into baking dish partly covered with tomatoes. Bake about 1 hour. Baste occasionally with juice.



Mrs. Lott Wellman,
 Mulliken, Michigan.

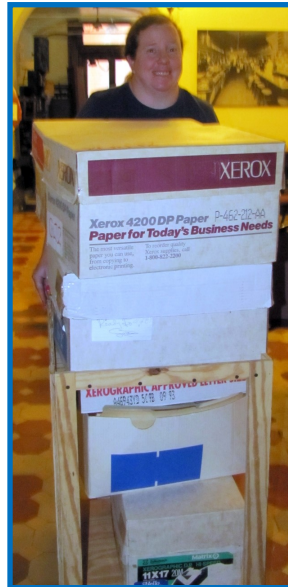


Probate Packets

The website is updated about once a month or so with the list of probate packets that have been scanned (www.miegs.org/Files/ProbatePacketScanned.pdf). There are now about 11,026 names that are scanned and we are scanning the "M" files.



Phyllis received this sand rose rock from her son for Mother's Day. These are naturally formed in deserts.



Chris and Becky helped take five boxes of completed scanned probate packets back to vault 3. Thanks Becky & Jim!



Sue sorts most of the boxes of packets back into alphabetical order once they are all scanned before we take them back to vault 3.

This has been the thickest probate packet we have had so far! It was for a McNamara and this was an inventory.

Jim stayed overtime one Tuesday to finish a probate packet. Thanks Jim!



If you believe there is a scanned probate packet you want to look at and you are a member, email us at ecgsboard@gmail.com and request access to the files.

The files are stored on the cloud and members may request a link to the cloud site. The pdf files are stored alphabetically. (Note: While we are now scanning the M files, there are a few scattered files that begin with later letters because of misfiled folders or requested scans.)

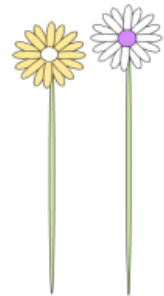
Join us on Tuesday afternoons when you can!

The Wilson's Research

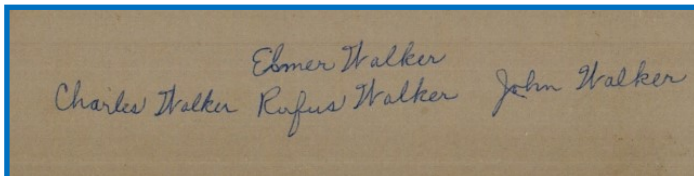
Leonard & Mary Wilson have been visiting our library for several months to pour through the Springport newspaper microfilms. Mary usually looks through the microfilm and Leonard looks through our library books. Mary has found multiple articles and information about their family members by scrolling through the microfilm, page by page! That certainly takes a lot of patience! They often come 2 or 3 times a week.



Their family names are:
SINE—German
WALKER—Brookfield Twp.
TOWNS
BECK—Barry County
POWERS—Brookfield Twp.



*John
Walker,
Rufus &
Clinton
Walker*



Mary's father is Rufus Walker and his father is Charles Walker, and his father is John



We have helped Mary with other research. For example, she did not know where her parents were married and we found that they had been married in Charlotte. She was happy to find that information!

Leonard & Mary are active members of the Duck Lake Genealogy Group.

The Eaton County School Database Project



We always welcome school materials to add to the School Database! If you have school information you would like to share, we can scan your items on Tuesday afternoons (noon-5pm) or you may contact us at ecgsschool@gmail.com to send your information and/or to arrange a time to meet.

This month we have a 1927 Olivet Commencement Exercises Program that Courthouse Square Association has in their museum and shared with us to scan for our records.

Olivet College

PROGRAM

March (From Tannhauser) - - - - - Wagner
Olivet College Orchestra
(Pedro Paz, Conductor)

Invocation - - - - - Dr. John Humfreys

Address - - - - - Dr. Thomas William Nadel
President of Drury College

Allegro con fuoco (From New World Symphony) - Dvorak:
Orchestra

Conferring of Degrees and Presentation of Certificates and
Diplomas - - - - - Dr. A. E. Vestling
President of the College

Presentation of Candidate for Honorary Degree
Dr. Ernest Bournier Allen

Announcements

Benediction

CANDIDATES FOR DEGREES AND CERTIFICATES

State Life Certificates in Primary and Kindergarten

Melba Pauline Fisher	Adele Irene Miller
Dorothy Mary Kempton	Mary Jane Sell
Dorothy H. Kline	Vernice B. Smith
Virginia E. Lawniczak	Pauline Swift
Donis McCormack	Marian Frances Tinkler
Mildred Irene Marshall	Florence Walker

State Certificate in Public School Art

Helen Allerton

Diploma in Commercial Art

Queen Robinson

Bachelor of Music

Julia Louise Ross

Bachelor of Science

Rupert Earl Avery
*Maurice P. Edmonds


Richard Bell Saltonstall
**Raphael A. Stafford

Bachelor of Arts

Larmon R. Abbott
*Mildred E. Allen
(*) **Raymond N. Baker
*Sidney Sears Bird
*Thelma Elaine Bowes

Ronald M. Maxwell
**Julius Michel
James Grant Moore
*Millicent Donovan Moyer
*Carl Raymond Nelson

THE
SIXTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL
COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES
OF
OLIVET COLLEGE
CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH



MONDAY, JUNE 13, 1927
10:00 A. M.



Irene Boyles	Eunice Helen Niles
*Ralph Ellsworth Brant	**Martin Franklin Palmer
Byron Phillip Brown	George Paxson
*Robert C. Burns	*Mary E. Pennington
Francis James Coykendall	**Alleatha Fern Persons
**Leda Lucille Cross	*Frances Geraldine Roat
Helen Davis	**Harold Henry Rogers
*Winifred E. Davis	*Amos J. Sampson
*Maynard Hamilton	Eleanor Jean Struthers
Grace Hampton	*Marian Louise Swift
*Mary E. Hartley	**William J. Wacławski
*Gwendolyn Judd Kelley	Clyde H. Wilcox
**Mildred Hicks Lignian	*Maybelle Adelaide Young
*Dorothy N. Manning	*Irene Edythe Zemke

*These persons have also been awarded the State College Limited Certificate.
**These persons will receive their degrees on the completion of their work at the end of the summer session.
***These persons have been awarded the State Life Certificate.

The Commencement Banquet will be served in Shipherd Hall Dining Room at 12:30 P. M.



Eaton County Historical Commission Rural School Project

The Rural School of Eaton County book, with more than 300 pages and a computer DVD of photos and stories may be purchased from the Eaton County Historical Commission by mailing a check (PO Box 411, Charlotte, MI 48813) or stopping by the Courthouse Square Association. Contact them by email at csamuseum@yahoo.com or phone 517-543-6999 for more information.

A Few Businesses from the past

These are some photos from our P.642 collection.



Kurt Johnson at Gambles



1919

Origins, History & Meanings of Female Names

1920

Lyle French donated these newspaper clippings to ECGS from a newspaper series on the origins, history, and meaning of girl's names series published in 1919 and 1920. They are stored in VF.470. Since I am not sure in what order they were published, I will publish the last of the four that had the by-line headings in this issue. There are a total of 63 names. The rest of the names will be published alphabetically.



"What's in a Name?"

By MILDRED MARSHALL.

Facts about your name; its history; its meaning; whence it was derived; its significance; your lucky day and lucky jewel.

REGINA.

The Queen of Heaven, Maria, has votaries called by the Italians Regina or Reina. Rein was found more frequently in Florence. In France, Regina became Reine and Reinette, the former also being a favorite in Germany. All, of course, are translated to mean queen.

The natural conclusion would be that the name Regina is merely the Latin word for queen given a capitalized initial letter, but another explanation of its origin, and one most generally accepted, is that it is one of the many evolved from the Latin rego, meaning to rule. If such is the case it has a history as full of adventure as an Arabian Nights and is indeed an heroic name for a woman to bear.

The first Ragnar was that hardy soul who, after ravaging France, was put to death in England, whereupon his fierce sons in revenge swept England with merciless devastation. His name therefore became a dread one and in some manner was changed to Rene. At once Renee became popular as a feminine name since the younger daughter of Louis XII of France bore it. When she married into the House of Este, her name was changed to Renata, a form which is very pleasing to the Spanish and Italian. The old Dutch form, Renira, is quaint and quite pretty. The Teutonic influence makes itself evident in Reigl and Regl.

The aquamarine is, Regina's jewel. Much superstition centers about this stone and it has therapeutic value, since by its paling color, it gives evidence of the bodily weakening of its wearer. It is even held that its own color will stain the flesh against which it is worn as indication of some physical derangement. Thursday is Regina's fortunate day and 7 her lucky number. The violet is her flower.

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ADELE.

Derived from the Teutonic Adilo, which also is the root of Adelaide, the name Adelez is one of the most ancient known to students. The significance of the name is of the heroic character and it was a favorite with the ruling houses of the various German principalities as far back as the tenth and eleventh centuries. The name in its earliest beginnings was very much the same in form and even spelling as it is today. Adele is probably the widest variation in the course of centuries.

The name was widely adopted in France, as well as in England and Italy under different forms from Adalaida to Adeline.

The jewel associated with persons bearing the name Adele is the turquoise. The turquoise is held to have peculiar properties of protecting the person wearing it from harm and warning them of approaching danger by breaking. Friday is Adele's most fortunate day and her lucky number is six.

Adele

Regina



What's IN A NAME?

Our Family Genealogies Section

Our research library contains a valuable section known as *Family Genealogies*. As time permits, we will scan the *Family Genealogies* and post excerpts from them in the newsletter.

If you haven't submitted your family genealogy to our library yet, you are welcome to do so. This is so helpful to researchers that may be researching your family name!

Family Genealogy 900.HU.06—. The description is: Brown- A Good Place To Raise A Family. A Biography of Peter Brown of Ohio and Michigan. 1847 to 1931. Published August 2006 By Peter Brown Reunion Committee. Donated by Chris Brown, May 2016.

Brown Genealogy

Chris Brown & Sue Thompson are cousins. This shows the wedding that connects them..



Lawrence Rupert Brown married Bethel (Betty) C. Root on the 4th of July 1932.

Lawrence & Betty Brown Wedding
Back left to right: Henry Brown, Frances Thome, Art Thome
Sitting left to right: Herman Brown, Lawrence Brown, Bethel (Root), Marjorie Gibson, Lucille Berg



Brown reunion committee

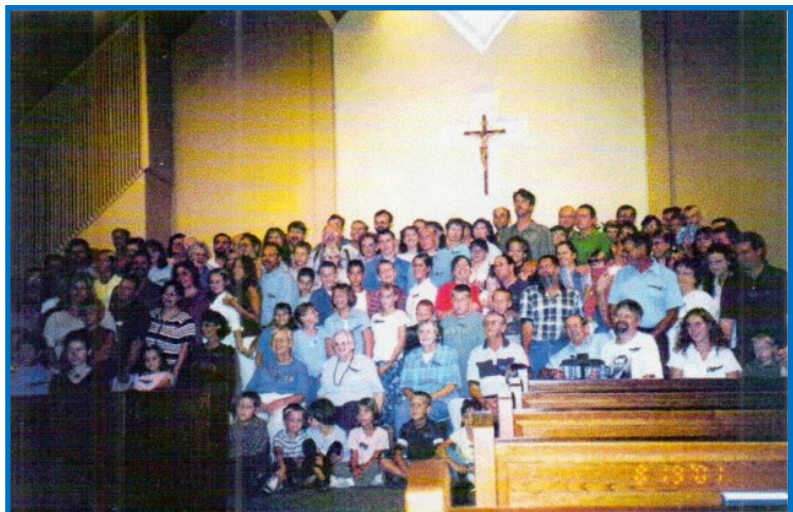
Chris Brown's family.



The family of Lawrence Brown at their 60th Wedding anniversary in 1992
Also E. Brown collection

Chris was part of the committee that organized a reunion in 2006 that drew over 1,000 descendants of Peter Brown together.

Reunion



Ed Brown descendants

Free Research and Tips Links

These are a few of the many free websites that offer research and/or genealogy research tips. Some. If not all, of these are most likely familiar to you. There is room for more to add on the list. If you know of another one (or more), please email the information at ecgsnews@gmail.com.

Amy Johnson Crow	Professionals Genealogy Services: Provides practical advice and <i>provides email newsletter</i> .
Ancestral Findings	Provides some free lookups and also <i>provides email twice-weekly newsletter with genealogy tips and family fun</i> .
Canada Library & Archives	Official archives of Canada, census records and more.
Canadian Census	Automated Genealogy: Indexes of Canadian census.
Castle Garden	An educational project of The Battery Conservancy; 11 million immigrants from 1820 through 1892.
Chronicling America	America's historic newspaper pages from 1836-1922. U.S. Newspaper Directory of papers published 1690-present.
Cyndi's List	Your free genealogy research site for more than 20 years. 330,000+ Links.
Dead Fred	Genealogy photo archive.
Ellis Island	Explore the vast database of 51 million+ passenger records plus much more about Ellis Island.
Family History Daily	Free search to quickly locate documents on wide variety of large research sites. (Note: Some could lead to a fee.)
Family Search	Nonprofit family history organization dedicated to connecting families across generations.
Find A Grave	Volunteers post photos and/or information of headstones and people and cemeteries.
FreeCEN	Transcribed census records from the UK.
FreeReg	Baptism, marriage & burial records from parish registers of UK.
Fulton History	Historical newspapers from US and Canada.
Gendis	Death record transcriptions from 1867-1890.
Google News Archive	Google Newspapers archived.
National Archives	U.S. Nation's repository for historic documents such as Military, land patents, photographs, etc.
RootsWeb	Large genealogy community.
Seeking Michigan	Death records/certificates from 1897-1952.
US GenWeb Project	Resource directory by US State & County.
WikiTree	Enormous collaborative family tree.
World GenWeb Project	Resources by country & region.

Capital Area District Library Flyer

Please see our neighbor Capital Area District Library's flyer about a four-day teaching camp for children 8-12 for learning genealogy. This sounds like a fantastic opportunity if you have a child that is interested!

Shaking the Family Tree Genealogy Camp



Monday, July 25 - Thursday, July 28
1 - 4:45 p.m.

Tackle the mystery of your family history in a four day-long genealogy camp led by an experienced genealogist. An adult must attend with the child at the first session and ideally for the whole series. Ages 8-12, plus parent/grandparent.

***Registration is required; register online at
www.cadl.org or call 517-272-9840 x 211.**

SOUTH LANSING BRANCH

3500 South Cedar Street, Lansing
517-272-9840



Capital Area District Libraries

Everything...right here.

cadl.org

This newsletter is created from information members have submitted. **Anyone is welcome (and encouraged!) to submit** Eaton County family history information or articles. Please email these to ecgsnews@gmail.com and designate the information you would like included, such as your location and/or email address. Your submission must be signed. Pictures are welcomed!

While the newsletter is available for all to read from our ECGS website, only members may post queries and member happenings.

All digital newsletter issues will be available on our website with a target date of posting them on the 1st of each month. See the www.miegs.org/Newsletters.shtml.

Note: Some clipart used in our newsletter was provided by [MyCuteGraphics](http://MyCuteGraphics.com).

Ways You Can Help to Volunteer at (or for) ECGS

Please note: We appreciate any help we receive! We will never pressure you to help us! We only ask if you have volunteered for room duty and you cannot make it, call (phone numbers provided) us and let us know to get coverage.

Room Volunteers: Room volunteers are here to help people who come in to research. While some of our room volunteers actually help do the research, this is not a requirement. The main tasks are to answer the phone and guide the researchers to our various areas they can research.

Probate Packet Scanning: This is an on-going project that meets regularly at the ECGS room to scan probate packets on Tuesday afternoons. However, anyone can scan when the room is open.

Indexing and/or proofreading at home: Using scanned images, we can show you how to index and/or proofread at your own leisure at home.

Mini Take-Home projects: This is a brand new type of project we are trying. People have taken home several projects and we will see how that goes.

Special Projects: Possibly set up an area in our room that will have special projects that you can work on when you come in. Again... new idea to try! More to come on this.

Every effort is made to present authentic material; the Eaton County Genealogical Society cannot be held responsible for the accuracy or the publishing rights of material furnished by contributors.

Thank You!

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Maple Hill Cemetery (Eaton Twp.), indexed as of 2009	\$20.00	
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Please note: We plan to address publications in the next year and hopefully will be adding more to our selection. Also, we plan to offer these through the website using PayPal.