

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 October Calendar

Wed October 19th 5:30pm—7pm: Social Hour

Wed October 19th 7pm: General Meeting

**Sat October 22nd 10am—Noon:
Writing Group.**

**Sat October 22nd 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

President	Chuck Chamberlain
Past-President	Bill Haines
Vice President	Kent MacDonald
Treasurer	Sher Brown
Recording Secretary	Jan Shepler
Membership Secretary	Dianna Emerson
Corresponding Secretary	Marcy Cousino
Librarian	Sharlene Thuma
Web Maintenance	Sherry Copenhaver
Publicity	Joy Black
Computer Chair	John Evans
Council Delegate	Jim Collins

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Open Room Hours: Tues-Thurs 10am-2pm

Membership: Dianna Emerson

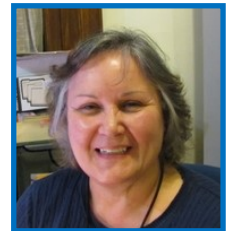
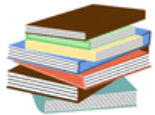
As of September 20, 2016, the ECGS has 142 paid memberships (160 people including spouses)

New September members are Linda L Jane from Charlotte and Raymond Sleater from Clawson, MI.

Welcome

See our [Membership](#) page for 2016-2017 membership dues and on-line application.

As a special membership deal, folks who sign up as a member for 2017 will also be a member for the remainder of 2016. Please email me if you have questions at ecgsmembership@gmail.com.

Librarian: Sharlene Thuma

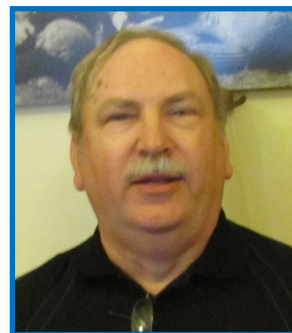
- Dorothy Bennett- **ZIMMERMAN** Book #3; **WRIGHTs** Book #2 (each book includes the **HUBBARD** family and many photos, obituaries, vital records, etc.
- David F. Doss- autograph book of Nellie L. **BRACKETT** of Charlotte, MI.
- Bob Phillips- *Official Rural Farm Directory 1969: Calhoun Co., Michigan*, by the Mio Directory Service Co., 52 pp.
- Anonymous- *New York Family History Research Guide and Gazetteer*, published 2014 by the New York Genealogical and Biographical Society, 839 pp.
- Rhoda Tennis- 1947 Munson School group photo, Eaton Twp., Eaton Co., MI, surnames: **BRADLEY, WOLLPERT, THOMAS, LARDER, WHITE, NEVINS, BARNHILL, TENNIS, SMITH, THUROW**, and **COMBS**.
- Unknown- 1994 Eaton Commemorative Poster (animated, colorful and not to scale) for Charlotte, Grand Ledge, and Eaton Rapids, backside has a list of events, organizations, and a map of Eaton Co.
- Charles Klaiss- bound newspapers of the *Charlotte Tribune/Republican*, Aug. 1899-July 1900, July 1906-July 1908, July 1911-Aug. 1912, 1917-1919, and 1930.
- Courthouse Square Association- black & white, 8" x 10", photo of Homer **CRANDALL** and family (eight children), c.1930s-1940s.

Printing To Our ECGS Canon Printer

By John Evans

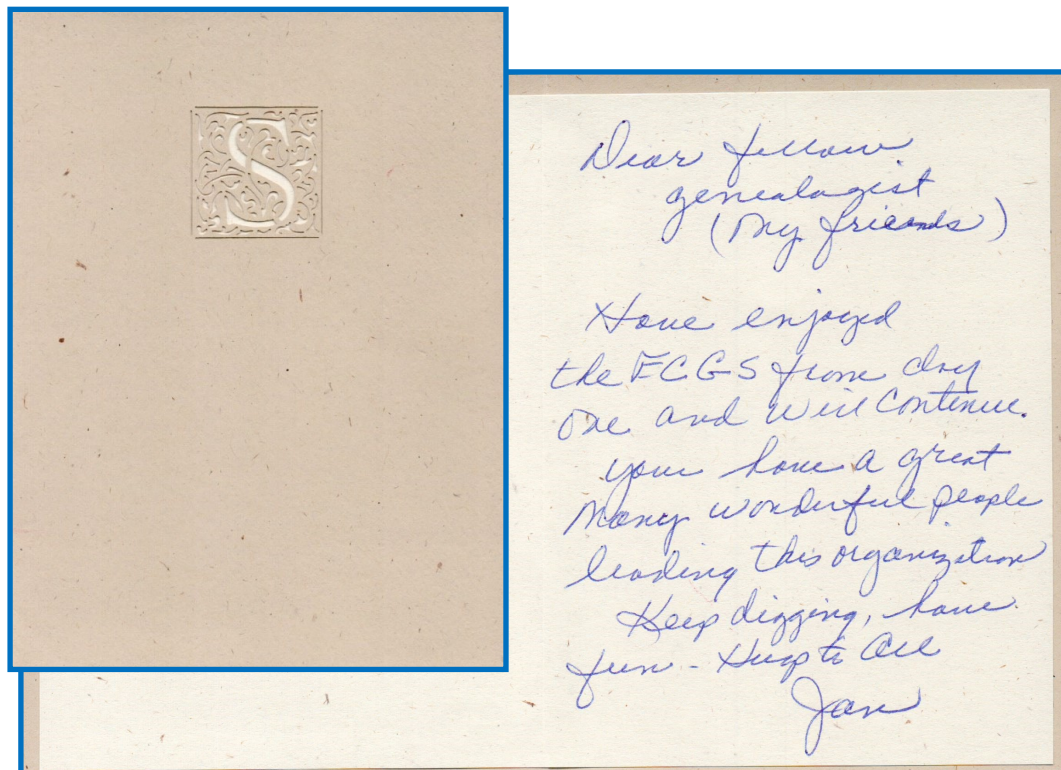
Basic steps for printing to Canon printer in ECGS library room from an Android smartphone:

1. Download "Canon Print Service" from the Google Play Store.
2. Connect to the ECGS WiFi.
3. On your Android phone, go to Settings>Printing>turn ON the Canon Print Service.
4. Your phone should now be able to 'see' the "Canon iR1025" printer. Select this printer.
5. When printing, be certain that the paper size is set to "Letter". If incorrect, the printer will error.



Enjoy! **Print from Android Phone**

A Card From Jan Shepler:



Sher Brown, Treasurer

\$2,644.49 Checking Account

\$2,218.09 Snack Account

\$4,499.33 CD

\$3,210.78 Undesignated Donations

Frontier Days:

\$1,451.02	Income
\$ 252.29	Expenses

\$ 1,198.73	Net Profit



**Treasurer
Report**

Recent Invoices Paid: Bus Trip final balance: \$750
Copy machine maintenance agreement—\$320

October 2, 2016

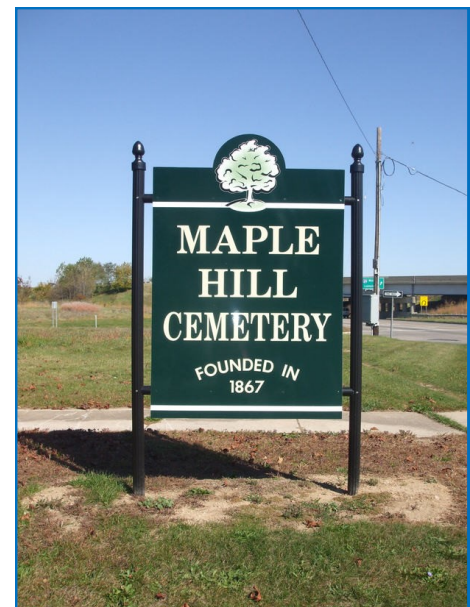
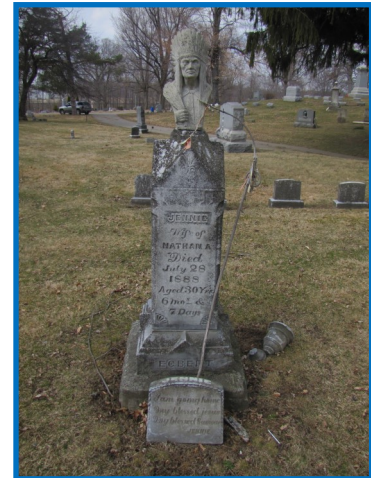
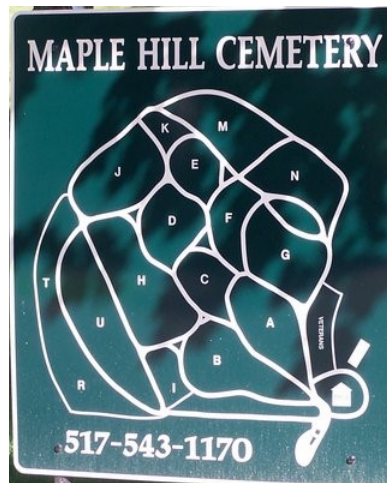
Annual Cemetery Tours

When: Sunday, October 2nd. Tours Beginning at: 2pm and 4pm

Where: Maple Hill Cemetery 801 Tully Brown Dr, Charlotte, MI 48813

Hosted By: Eaton County Historical Commission, 1885 Courthouse, Charlotte, MI

This year's theme for the Cemetery tours is significant and unique tombstones. Tours begin at 2pm and 4pm. Please arrive a few minutes before as we will be starting promptly at 2pm and 4pm. If you have any questions please contact the Historical Commission at 543-6999 or email us at csamuseum@yahoo.com.



Celebrate

Local & Family History



Lansing's Founding Fathers in Lansing's Historic Cemeteries (Teens & Adults)

Join The Friends of Lansing's Historic Cemeteries for a fascinating visual tour of Lansing's prominent citizens who currently reside at Mt. Hope Cemetery.

Saturday, Sept. 17 • 1-1:30 p.m.

Meet the Author: Tom Carr

Learn about some of Michigan's most infamous murders from the 1700s to the present from the author of *Blood on the Mitten*. Books will be available for sale and signing.

Saturday, Oct. 15 • 1-2 p.m.

Family History Hunt Live Results Show

It's Family History Month! Share your family history research with our librarians and get suggestions on where to go next. Then come to hear some select results live in a Genealogy Road Show-inspired finale. Pick up a research questionnaire at CADL South Lansing Library, or print one at cadl.org/events. **Questionnaires must be submitted to us by Friday, Sept. 23.**

Sunday, Oct. 23 • 2-4 p.m.

Family Tree Talk (Teens & Adults)

We meet every month for lively discussion of family history stories and resources you can use to find more. We welcome all levels of family researchers. 3rd Saturdays • 2-3 p.m.

Sept. 17: Funeral Homes and Family History; They Are Dying to Meet You!, presented by Daniel Earl

Oct. 15: Genealogical Research, presented by Michigan State University Archives staff

Nov. 19: Field Trip to the Library of Michigan

SOUTH LANSING BRANCH

3500 S. Cedar Street, Lansing
517-272-9840



Capital Area District Libraries

Everything...right here.

cadl.org

DUCK LAKE AREA

LOCAL HISTORY AND GENEALOGY GROUP

NEXT MEETING

SUNDAY OCTOBER 9, 2016
1:00 P.M.

CLARENCE TOWNSHIP HALL
27052 R DRIVE NORTH
DUCK LAKE, MICHIGAN

We meet on the second Sunday of every month at various locations. This month we return to our regular meeting place at the Clarence Township Hall at Duck Lake on Sunday September 11, 2016. Our meetings at 1 PM after the doors are opened and everyone gets settled. The meeting usually lasts about two hours.

We are a group of individuals who are interested in the genealogical connections of the people and the history of the area. There are no dues and our only request is to attend as often as you can. We usually have coffee and volunteer refreshments at some of our meetings.

Our meetings are pretty informal and everyone gets a chance to tell us about their research and interests in the area with our 'Two Minute' introductions. Attend to get meet others with an interest in research. Use your two minutes to ask questions or make suggestions.

Meeting Topics for October

- Two minute introductions.
- Genealogy 107 – Basic Data for Genealogy
- Local News – Births, Marriages, Deaths

Next Meetings

Sunday November 13, 2016 1 PM – Clarence Township Hall
Sunday December 11, 2016 1 PM – Clarence Township Hall
January 2017 – No Meeting



EATON COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY
PRESENTS
A BUS TRIP TO
ALLEN COUNTY LIBRARY
FORT WAYNE, INDIANA

DATE: Saturday, 5 November 2016

FROM: 7 am to 9:30 pm

PLACE OF ORIGIN: 1885 Courthouse, 100 W. Lawrence Avenue, Charlotte, MI.

COST: \$30.00

Deadline for signing up: 24 October 2016

The bus will leave the 1885 Courthouse promptly at 7:00 am. There will also be a pick-up at the "park & ride" in Marshall and one at Coldwater. Lunch is on your own. We will leave Fort Wayne about 5:15 pm and will stop enroute for dinner at the Golden Corral.*

Reservations will be taken on a first-come, first-serve basis. Mail your check made out to *Eaton County Genealogical Society* to ECGS Bus Trip, P.O. Box 337, Charlotte, MI 48813-0337. Cancellation(s) will receive a full refund with replacement only.



NAME: _____ PHONE: _____

ADDRESS: _____

E-MAIL ADDRESS: _____

4 SURNAMES YOU ARE RESEARCHING: _____

WHAT DO YOU HOPE TO ACCOMPLISH ON THIS TRIP: _____

I will be getting on the bus at Charlotte _____ Marshall _____ Coldwater _____

***Please note: Because of liability issues everyone has to leave the bus when we stop for dinner. People cannot stay on the bus while we are having dinner.**

Any questions contact the ECGS office or Shirley Hodges at (517) 629-2345 or genealogyshirl@hotmail.com
ECGS 5 November 2016 Trip Contact Person

A BIG Thanks for Donation of Scanners!

We have done so very many scans since we began scanning with the portable auto feed scanners with feeder docks about 3 years ago with the Probate Packets. Not only have we been scanning probate packets, but we scanned for the rural school

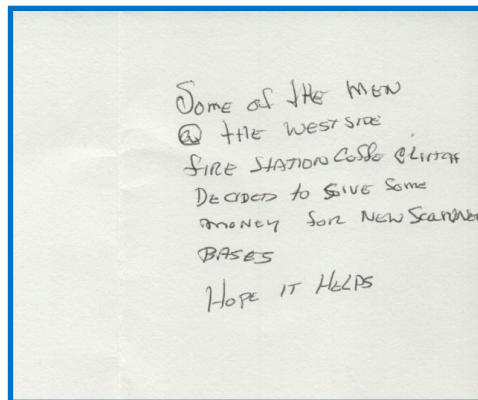
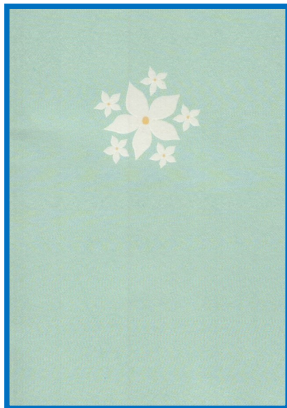


project, we scan as people bring things in, and we have been scanning our genealogy collection. We have accumulated at least a dozen plus

scanners over this time and they have scanned probably over 3 million documents. While the actual scanners have not failed, some of the feeder docks have failed. We posted these on Facebook recently to see if anyone might look at them to see if they could be repaired and to our delight, Neil Klaiss said he would look at them! He did look at them, he could see what is wrong with them and could also see they cannot be repaired; at least not for a price that we cannot purchase new ones for. These are not that expensive and they sure do a fine job!

Neil Klaiss
Electronic equipment
consulting & installation
Volunteer Fireman
517.231.2318
"Every Day is Saturday"

Neil called and let us know they could not be fixed, and we were not surprised. However, we were surprised and thrilled when we received this card from the West Side 9 O'clock Coffee Meeting of the "Old Guys" (Neil's words!!!) with a cash donation to purchase new scanners!

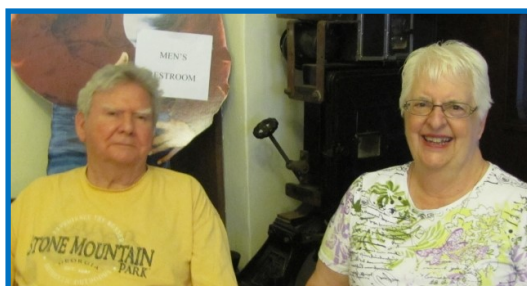
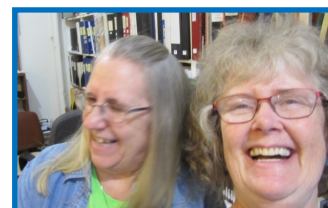


Because of some great prices on Ebay that we happened to catch, we were able to buy 5 new scanners. We have received two of them so far and the other three are on their way! Thank you so much guys!!



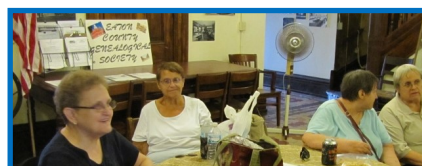
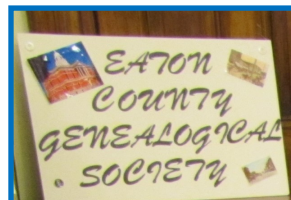
Our September General Meeting

Cynthia Grostick presented a very informative and enjoyable program about New England's Colonial Period. On top of that, she spent her birthday with us

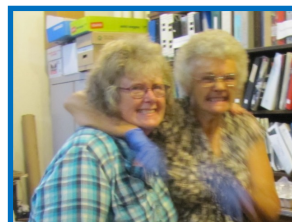


Our 2016 Bake Sale

We had many people bring in their baked goods for our bake sale and we THANK YOU! Our chairmen, Shirley & Phyllis, did a fantastic job running this event and they were there every minute!



Phyllis wants to strangle Sherry for taking her picture so many times!



Sherry's family visits after the parade.



Bake Sale, Continued



A sincere THANK YOU to everyone who donated baked goods and/or worked the bake sale!

Phyllis has some family visit!



Thanks so much to Bob & Janet Phillips, who donated a lot of baked goods over the entire weekend!



We have a new member! Welcome!



Kaden helps distribute flyers every year!



Two tired gals, still with smiles on their faces, can now go home and relax! Thank you Shirley and Phyllis!



TJ & Wilson helped clean up!



Eaton Rapids Senior Center Presented:

A Cemetery Tour Of Oakwood Cemetery



The Dearly Departed...

G. Elmer and Laura McArthur
1819-1873

Thomas Favorite
1831-1923

Rebecca and Charles Colestock
1842-1914

Thomas Favorite
1822-1899

Lavinnia and Richard Kikendall
1865-1921

Today, We Will Be Visiting:

Joel Latson (Paul Malewski)
1819-1873

George Booth Noble (Keith Harrison)
1845-1929

Thomas Favorite (Chris Allen)
1831-1923

Rebecca Colestock (Pam Colestock)
1842-1914

Huldah Hale Lake (Dorothy Stankiewicz)
1822-1899

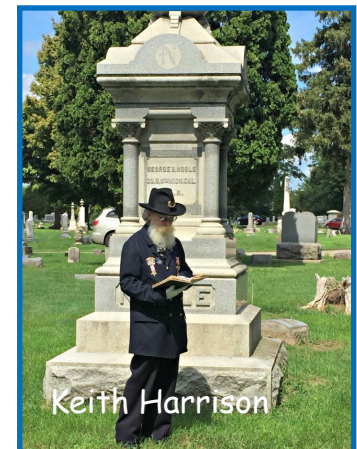
Lavinnia Kikendall (Bethel Kikendall)
1865-1921

G. Elmer McArthur (Don West)
1871-1970

Your guide: Deb Malewski

IN MEMORIAM

Held
on
Aug 28,
2016



Join the Eaton Rapids Senior Center Membership. \$15/year
Receive our newsletter, join a great group of new friends, and get active!

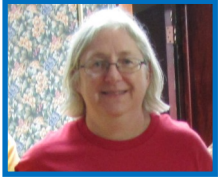
Thanks to our committee and to all our volunteers who work so hard to bring events like this to the community!

-The Stories Behind the Stones-
Historic Cemetery Tour
Oakwood Cemetery
Spicerville Rd., Hamlin Township
Aug. 28, 2016
1:00 pm
OAKWOOD CEMETERY

The Eaton Rapids Senior Center Presents

Cemetery Tour
Oakwood Cemetery
Spicerville Road
Eaton Rapids
August 28, 2016
1 & 3 pm





Eaton County History Newspaper Project

By Marcy Cousino

We now have ALL of the Bellevue newsletter microfilms digitized and these are now available at our library to search. Barb Madry, from the Bellevue Historical Society sent this note:

We in Bellevue want to thank Sherry Copenhaver for the email saying all of our Bellevue Gazettes have been digitized. We now need to get our committee together to learn (again) how to search our papers on the external drive.

Sherry said she would notify us when we will be able to search our papers online. Thank again to the Eaton County Newspaper Project. Secretary, Barb Madry



GENEALOGY POX

WARNING: VERY CONTAGIOUS TO ADULTS

SYMPTOMS: Continual complaint of a need for names, dates and places. The patient has blank expression and strange, far-away look in eyes. They are sometimes deaf to their spouse and children, and tend to mumble to themselves. They have no taste for work of any kind, except for feverishly looking through records at libraries and courthouses. They have a compulsion to write letters, and get angry at the mailman when he doesn't leave mail. They frequent strange places, such as cemeteries, ruins and remote country areas.

TREATMENT: Medication is useless. Disease is not fatal, but gets progressively worse. Patient should attend genealogy workshops, subscribe to genealogy magazines and newsletters, and be given a quiet corner in the house where he, or she, may be alone.

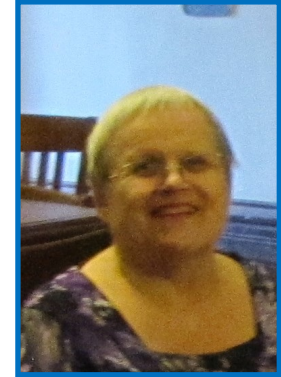
REMARKS: The unusual nature of this disease is...the sicker the patient gets, the more he, or she, enjoys it!

- Submitted by ELIZABETH A. FLEMING
31 Juniper Ave.
Salem, MA 01970

The ECGS Writing Special Interest Group

September Meeting

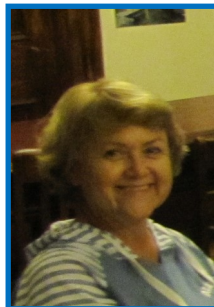
We had a small and productive group this month! Shirley, Clarence, Chris, Pat & Sherry explained where they are in their writing processes. Shirley passed out forms and instructions on documenting our family heirlooms... Thanks Shirley! Our next meeting will be the 4th Saturday again: **October 22nd, 2016.**



Chris updated us on the project with writing his mom's story, which is difficult for her at times, but Chris is making progress!



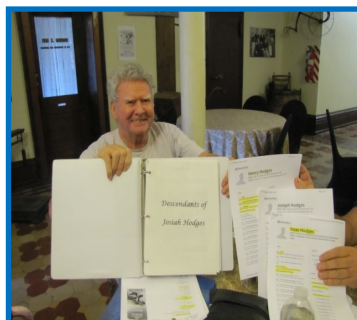
Pat told how she is breaking her life story into her years birth through 18 with a goal of completing that this October. She has been using a software online called My Publisher.



Sherry talked about the life story using scrapbook pages that has been in progress for a few years now. After hearing how Pat is separating her book, that gave her the goal of deciding to separate hers too and finish one book now, then continue with the rest of the book or books!



Clarence shared the book he has created about his ancestors so far and he has some additions to add to it. He has a narrative written of memories, etc. that need to be typed.



Ebook Questions from August: Software to create? Who owns? Shirley & Sherry were here this month and Shirley did not bring her materials and Sherry did not get a chance to look this up other than to have a question about losing control over who owns the rights to the ebook.

The ECGS Writing Special Interest Group, Continued

Heirloom Documentation Form

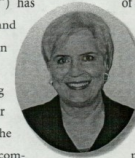
Name of heirloom	Date obtained by our family
<p>(Attach a close-up photo of item here. Trim photo to fit space.)</p>	Obtained in our family by whom
	Obtained by our family how and where
	Price paid when our family obtained the item
	Current monetary value
Description	Heirloom's current location
The story behind the item (include sentimental/historical value, how the item has passed through the family, etc.)	To whom I want this item to go when I give it to the next owner and why
Person filling out this form	Date form last updated

☐ Continued on back

The forms that Shirley shared with us was from Patricia A. Kuentz, who has compiled and written personal and family history books for more than six years. The form we talked about at our meeting was the Heirloom Documentation Form and it is an excellent form to not only detail a great deal of information about it, but to designate who you

About the Author

Patricia A. Kuentz (known by her friends and acquaintances as "Patsy") has compiled and written personal and family history books for more than six years. With a background in nursing and management and a long career in medical clinic management, she switched gears several years ago to combine her love for interviewing and writing to create her business, Recollections – A Portrait of a Life. Patsy is a member of the Association of Personal Historians, an international professional organization for personal historians, and currently serves on its Board as Treasurer. She has interviewed more than 75 people over the last 20 years. Every one of them had a story.



About author Patricia A. Kuentz.
Click for entire page.

More than any monetary amount
we could ever place on them, our heirlooms are most valuable
because they remind us of the family members
who obtained them, treasured them,
and then, ever so thoughtfully, passed them along to us.

PATSY KUENTZ



Notes

Back of form
above: Notes

List of Documented Heirlooms

Index page to
keep track of
multiple
heirlooms.

Bob Phillips happened to stop by during our meeting and we asked him if he framed heirlooms and if he uses archive save materials. He does! Also, Shirley asked if he laminates larger size papers and he laminates up to 36" by 60" - one or both sides! We asked him to provide a list of services he provides to include with our newsletter. Thank You Bob!

Click on the form to see the entire flyer.

Click for entire form.

Johnson's
Picture Framing Square



At Courthouse
Square

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- ✓ Some services are available "same day".
- ✓ Many other items and services

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By Sherry
Copenhaver

Keith & Shirley Eldred



Keith & Shirley Eldred came into the Courthouse Square Museum one Tuesday to donate a rug and I happened to talk with them out in the room while they were waiting for CSA to come downstairs. While talking with them about their family, Keith had a question about how John Eldred was related in his family. I invited them to come back on Thursday to have Gary help him with his question and when Shirley said they had photos, I said I would love to scan them.



They did come back in on Thursday and Gary found that John was a brother to Keith's Great grandfather Aaron Eldred. I spent a delightful day with Shirley scanning many photos (way too many to put in here!) and document while Keith worked with Gary.



The Family Homestead of Wesley Eldred: In 1854, Wesley purchased 80 acres and worked for 1 year to cut in a road. In 1862, he built a log house "Bachelor Hall", and bought another 40 acres for a total of 120 acres. In 1863, he married Sara Church.

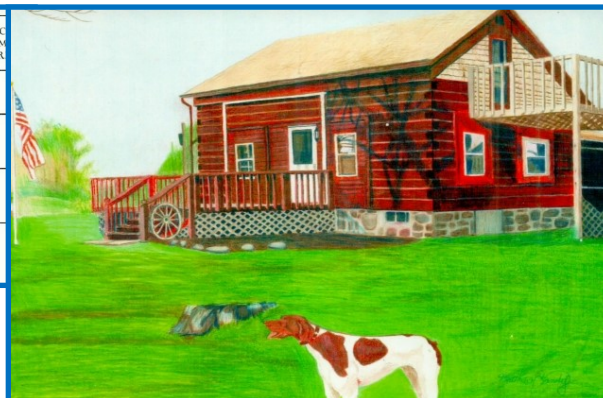
This house was a copy of his family home in Medina County, Ohio, 100 acres, belonging to his father Aaron Eldred. Wesley's home was known as the Eldred Farm, although he wanted it changed to "Evergreen", as he planted so many of these trees, cutting wood to build his huge new barn from his maple (or cedar) grove after a furniture company backed out of a deal for the wood.



KEITH AND SHIRLEY ELDRD'S HOME
This house was built in 1836. It was the 2nd house built in Eaton Township, Eaton County Michigan.

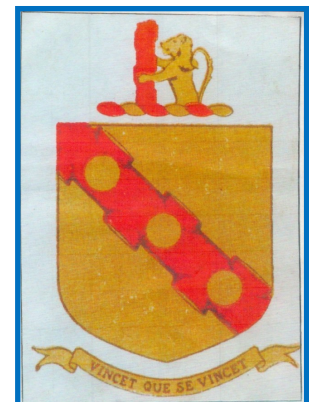
Keith & Shirley's Home. The house was built in 1836. It was the 2nd house built in Eaton Township, Eaton County, Michigan.

Martha Ward is a talented pencil artist that creates drawings of Michigan surrounding in its colorful, vibrant landscape. These works of art of the beautiful Great Lakes area help bring history alive and the traditions to life. We hope to remind all of us how precious our history and culture is within Michigan and the Great Lakes.



Eldred barn under construction

Eldred Family Crest



Eldred Farm ca. 1918



Keith & Shirley Eldred, continued

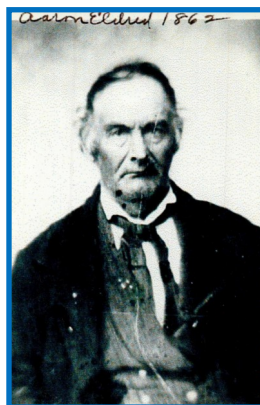


Lamphere
& Eldred
Family
Group



Eldred
Family
Group

Note: Wesley Eldred helped build Grand River road from Grand Ledge to Lansing.



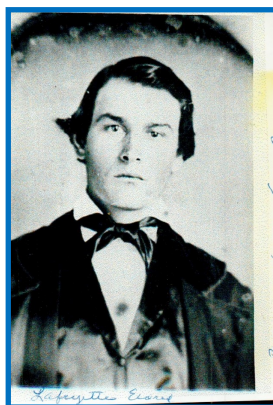
Aaron Eldred 1862



Wesley Eldred



Wesley Eldred 1921

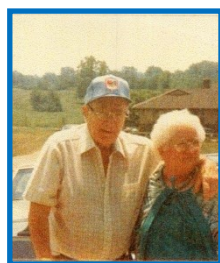


Lafayette Eldred



Martha Eldred

Keith's Parents:
Owen & Edith Eldred



Not in order:
RJ Eldred, Viola,
Sada, Keith, Harry
Potter.

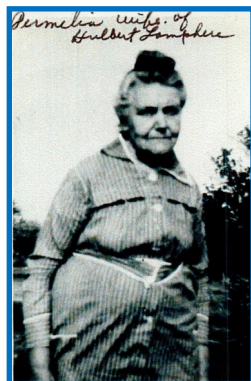
Shirley's Parents:
Al & Edith Carmody



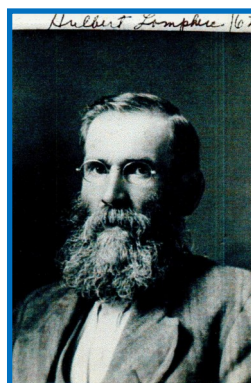
Wesley Lamphere



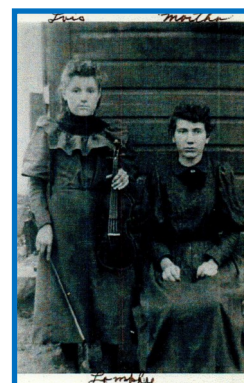
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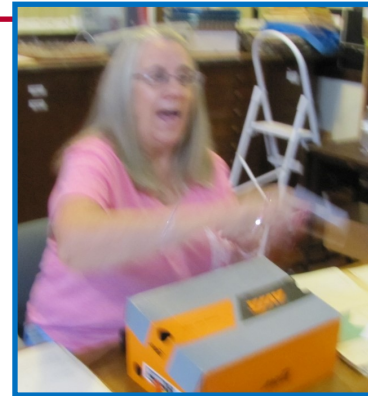
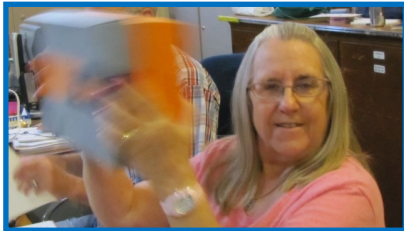
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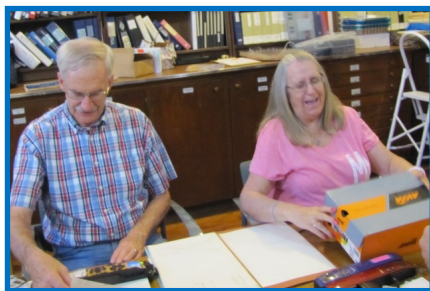
Probate Packets

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 12,000 names that are scanned and we are scanning the "N" and "O" files.

We held a volunteer drawing this month and after shaking the tickets a long time in a shoe box, Sue drew her own name!

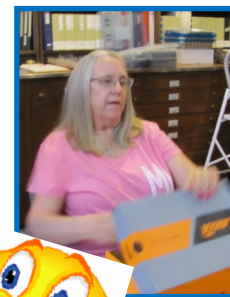


After laughing at drawing her own name, she left it out and shook the tickets some more....

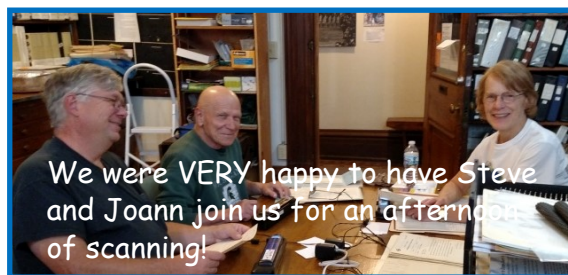
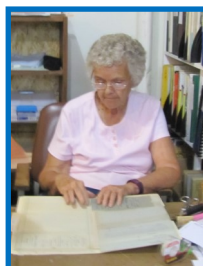
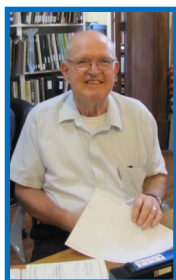
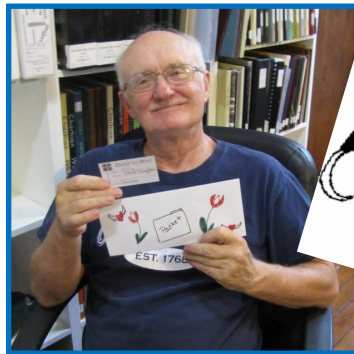


She drew another ticket and this time she drew:

Her husband Frank's name!



Congratulations Frank!



We were VERY happy to have Steve and Joann join us for an afternoon of scanning!



We had a new scanner join us this month — Thanks Pat! We really appreciate it!

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.

We will be changing the cloud storage where we store the Probate Packets. We will provide more information in the future when we know more.

Join us on Tuesday afternoons when you can!

Our Probate Packet Scanner Walkers

Some of our regular Probate Packet Scanning volunteers walk in charity walks and on September 24 Joann DePeel and Phyllis Whidden participated in one of these walks. They dedicated this walk to Steve DePeel, who is being treated for cancer.

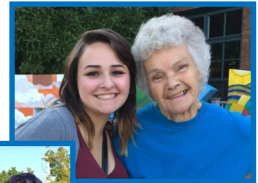


*Congratulations
Phyllis & Joann!*

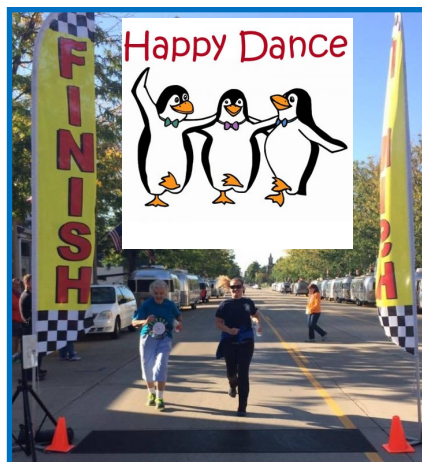


Phyllis made this sign, seen on the front of her shirt, and many of us from the Eaton County Genealogical Society and Ingham County Genealogical Society signed this in support of Steve.

Phyllis was here with some of her family!



Finish!



GAR Civil War Discovery Camp

The Grand Army of the Republic Memorial Hall and Museum in Eaton Rapids sponsored the 3rd Annual Civil War Discovery Camp in August. It was held at the GAR Island Park in Eaton Rapids, where our GAR ancestors met for their annual encampments, and also in the GAR Museum. The campers got to experience some of what Civil War soldiers went through, including what they wore, what they ate, how they trained, how they fired their muskets, and finally--a mock battle, the highlight of the event. For more information, visit www.garmuseum.com

Michigan's Grand Army of the Republic Memorial Hall & Museum

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Eaton Rapids GAR



Mulliken Cookbook



Thanks Sue Thompson for sharing this with us!

Yorkshire Pudding with Roast Beef

YORKSHIRE PUDDING WITH ROAST BEEF



1 cup flour
1/2 teaspoon salt
1 cup milk
2 eggs

Janet Bancroft

Put flour, salt, milk, and eggs together in a bowl. Beat well. Four drippings to depth of 1 inch in shallow pan. Have drippings hot and pour mixture quickly. Bake 1/2 hour in hot oven (400-425 degrees F.). The pudding may then be placed under the trivet that holds roast beef and left 15 minutes to catch the

gravy that flows from the roast.

Janet Bancroft,
Mulliken, Michigan.



HAMBURGER PIE

1 medium sized onion, chopped
2 tablespoons fat
1 pound ground beef
Salt and pepper
1/2 pound cooked green beans or No. 2 can
or 2-1/2 cups, drained
1 10-1/2 ounce can condensed tomato soup
5 medium sized potatoes, cooked
1/2 cup warm milk
1 beaten egg, if desired
1/2 to 1 teaspoon salt and pepper

Hamburger Pie



Brown onion in fat, add meat and seasoning, brown. Add beans and soup. Pour into greased casserole. Mash potatoes, add milk, egg, and seasoning. Spoon to form mounds over meat mixture. Bake in moderate oven (350 degrees) for about 30 minutes.

Mrs. Erma Ramey,
214 North Street,
Mulliken, Michigan.

Mrs. Erma Ramey



Cheese Fondue

CHEESE FONDUE

Mix:
1 cup scalded milk
1 cup bread crumbs
1/4 pound soft cheese, cut in small pieces
1 teaspoon butter
1/2 teaspoon salt
Add yolks of 3 eggs, beaten stiff. Pour in buttered pan and bake 20 minutes in moderate oven.



Mrs. Gene Doolittle

Mrs. Gene Doolittle,
Mulliken, Michigan.



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.

Beatrice

BEATRICE.

Scores of lovely women have answered to the name of Beatrice. It comes from the old verb beo, meaning to make happy or bless, but because the Beatrices of history have invariably been extraordinarily beautiful does not signify that they have been happy, nor that their loveliness has given pleasure to beholders, for some of them have been the wickedest women of their time and brought suffering and destruction wherever they went. So it seems rather curious that the name should have such an auspicious and indeed ecclesiastical beginning.

The Church first used the word beo to apply to her departed members who were gathered together somewhere on the Isle of the Blest, and in time it was bestowed on living members. There was even a St. Beatus of Beat, who was an anchorite near Vendome in the fifth century. The original Beatrice, called then Beatrix, is said to have been borne by a Christian maiden who in Diocletian's time persecution drew the murdered bodies of her brothers from the Tiber and buried them. She afterward shared their fate and her relics were enshrined in a church in Rome.

But lovely and estimable as this maiden was, it is not she who is remembered so vividly as the exquisite Beatrice Portinari, love of Dante's youth, whom he immortalized in verse and who represents, with him, one of the famous loves of history. Dante has set a standard for feminine beauty in all subsequent Beatrices when he says:

"One charm remark, peculiarly hers—
An elegance unmatched with modesty combined;
'And would you see it in a living proof,'
Says Thought to me, 'attend well to thy mind,
When, with a lady elegant and fair
Harmoniously conjoined, she moves along;
Then as the brilliant stars seem chased away,
By greater brightness of the advancing sun,
So vanish other charms when hers are viewed."

Unfortunately for the world, the "habits of virtue and of loyalty" of which Dante also sings are not to be found in some of the Beatrices of early centuries. Beatrice de Cenci, for instance had a heart as black as her face was lovely.

The French have adopted Beatrix and added to it Benoite, deriving the latter from benus, an adjective taken from the same beo and meaning good. From the same source comes the Italian Benditta, Betta, and Bettina, which is usually and erroneously considered a diminutive of Elizabeth. Spain has contributed Benita and Germany gives us Benedikta and Benedictine. It remained for America to evolve the good old chorus favorite, "Trixie."

It is impossible to overestimate the effect of color in determining the supposed influence of gems upon the fortunes and health of their wearers. For that reason, every Beatrice should include a bit of basalt among her jewels to insure the immunity from evil which the talisman promises. While she wears it, Saturday should be her lucky day and 4 her potent number.

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Bridget

BRIDGET.

The quaint name of Bridget, so often in modern times associated with domestics, is in reality one of the most poetic of feminine names, emerging from a romantically and religiously splendid epic. It is said to come from Brigh, meaning strength, and had its origin with Brighid, the daughter of the fire-god and the Erse goddess of wisdom, song and poetry.

"Bride was their Queen of Song, and unto her,
They prayed with fire-touched lips."

Brighid has been a favorite in Ireland since early times and was one of the first few Keltic names to find popularity in Europe. Her vogue there is explained through the story of the maiden who was brought up by a bard and afterward became a pupil of St. Patrick and from a solitary recluse at Kildare, became head of 500 nuns and was consulted by a synod of bishops. She was highly revered and did much good work and when she died a copy of the Scriptures, too beautiful to have been written by mortal hands, was found in her cell. The ancient Bridget's Bell which used to ring in church towers, was so called in honor of her, but the title was suppressed by Henry V. However, she has always been a patron of Ireland, and Saint Bride's or Bridget's churches are common in England and Scotland. Bridewell was once the place of St. Bride and after it became a prison, its name was used as an equivalent for all jails.

Portugal has a Dona Brites, which it honors as St. Bridget and Sweden claims a St. Bridget or Brigetta. One Swedish Brigetta a lady of noble birth; who founded an order of Brigett in nuns and made a pilgrimage to Rome, gave Bridget vogue throughout Scandinavia. There is a popular Norse song called "Brighi dinn Ban mo stor" (Bridget, my white treasure) and another Bridget is preserved in romance since her blind lover is said to have recognized her by the touch of her hand after twenty years.

Bridget's jewel is amber, which preserves her bodily health and gives her immunity from contagion. Friday is her lucky day and 2 her lucky number.

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What's IN A NAME?



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.

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