

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.

2017 Calendar

Monthly Meetings:

Wed Mar 15 General Meeting

Wed Apr 19 General Meeting

Wed May 17 General Meeting

Wed Jun 21 General Meeting

Wed Jul 19 General Meeting

Wed Aug 16 General Meeting

Wed Sep 20 General Meeting

Wed Oct 18 General Meeting

Wed Nov 8 General Meeting

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

Regular Projects:

Each Tuesday noon—5pm:

Probate Packet Scanning

2017 January Calendar

General meetings will resume in March, 2017.

Writing Group: Saturday, January 14th, 10am-Noon

Every Tuesday Afternoon:

Probate Packet Scanning (any time during 12-5)

Officers Jan 1, 2017 through Dec 31, 2017

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

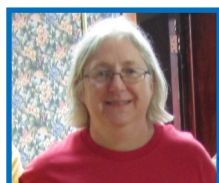
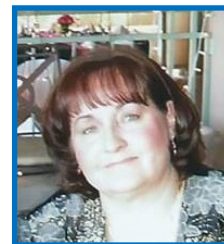
Membership: Dianna Emerson

Welcome to 2017! Members and volunteers are important factors in the Society's success. Please renew or start a membership today. The password access to the Members Section of the ECGS will change on March 1, 2017.

Two new members - Audrey Martini and Chris Larsen

For 2017 there are a total of 10 members. The end of 2016 has 144 membership plus 20 spouses for a total of 164.

Check out the membership form on www.miegs.org.



Eaton County History Newspaper Project By Marcy Cousino

We received this wonderful note that validates our efforts we make working on this project. Thanks so much for taking the time to write and send your note!

A wonderful
thank-
you note!

Ms. Marcy Cousino,
I am Devon Mayse, a student researcher in the Olivet College Archives. In my years working in the Archives, the Olivet Optics have been one of my favorite collections, and sources as a writer for our own college newspaper. So when I heard of your involvement with the Eaton County Digital Newspaper Project, along with the Capital Region Community Foundation grant application, I was personally grateful for including us and the Olivet Optics. I would also like to thank you on behalf of our OC archives staff for helping us preserve one of our greatest resources.
Thank you for your support,
Devon Mayse class of 2017



See our Newspaper Project website at www.echnp.org.

Your Ancestors

If you could see your ancestors all standing in a row,
Would you be proud of them? Or don't you really know?
Strange discoveries are often made, in climbing the family tree.
Sometimes one is found in line who shocks the progeny.

If you could see your ancestors all standing in a row,
Perhaps there might be one or two you wouldn't care to know.
Now turn the question right about and take another view.
When you shall meet your ancestors, will they be proud of you?

Author Unknown

www.ancestryprinting.com

Librarian: Sharlene Thuma



Phyllis Whidden- soft cover book: 1976 Robinson's Charlotte, MI City Directory.

Purcellville Library Advisory Board via N. Reaves- original Bible family record pages: taken from the George A. **BROWN** 1854 Family Bible. Surnames: **BUCKLIN, DONOVAN, WHEATON, KENT, KEECH, BERRY, and VANDERBUILT.**

Family of Joyce (Burlison) Bodell via Krystal Simpson- 2 Eatonian yearbooks, 1927 & 1948 (Eaton Rapids High School).

Susannah K. Fritzler- soft cover book: *History of Sandusky County, Ohio 1820-1889*, by Henry Howe, publ. 1981, abt. 43 pp.; 1 packet of the **OVERMYER** family & 1 packet of the **McDONALD & COVEY** family (both contain photos, pedigree charts, etc.); 7.5"H x 9.625"W framed photo of the Francis M. & Belinda Overmyer family & their residence of 622 W. Lawrence Ave., Charlotte, MI.

Robert Phillips- 4 printouts: Descendants of James David **PHILLIPS** (2 pp.),Gray Phillips (2 pp.),Robert Gray Phillips (1 p.),Robert Ryan Phillips (1 p.). Other surnames: **GRAY, SCOTT, RENTZ, AND SEAMAN.**

Laura L. (Hill) Druker- four Vermontville High School yearbooks, 1952, 1953, 1955, and 1957.

Thanks to all! We at ECGS appreciate all the donations that have been given to benefit our research library. Happy 2017!

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Charlotte Lions Club

The DIGEST



Bi-Weekly Publication of the
LIONS CLUB
of Charlotte, Michigan
Judson E. Richardson, Jr., Editor

MEETINGS EVERY OTHER WEDNESDAY EVENING AT 6:30, ODD FELLOWS DINING HALL, B THEATRE BUILDING

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Dr. Clinton J. Sevensen, M. D.	- - - - -	Capt. Med. Corp., U. S. Army			King, Grover	Electrician	517 N. Clinton	181	
Arthur D. Steward, Jr.	- - - - -	U. S. Army			Klaiss, Don	Electrician	801 S. Main	809	809
Eldon E. Wolfe	- - - - -	U. S. Army			Kloko, Harold W.	Office Manager	222 N. Cochran	113-W	76
					LePage, Edward	Food Sales	Grand Rapids		
					Lipsey, John S.	Agriculturist	R. F. D. No. 6	7149-F3	
					Locky, Harold T.	Machinist	R. F. D. No. 6	7158-F4	485
					Marsh, Frank R.	Radio Mfg.	239 S. Sheldon	716	485
					Masters, Harold A.	Auto Access.	121 S. Oliver	180-W	330
					McDougall, D. B.	Equip. Operation	420 W. Lovett	1121-W	420
					McKay, Norman	Radio Mfg.	1 Fenn Ct.	1167	485
					Mead, Earl V.	Manual Arts	455 Horatio	1009	163
					Miller, Paul	Veterinarian	432 Prairie	820	123-W
					Moore, Harry	Contracting	Lansing Road	916	
					Mulholland, Chas. P.	Ret'l. Clothing	241 N. Clinton	848	190
					Nicol, Roy O.	Mechanic	109 W. Stoddard	729	420
					Parish, Ottie A.	Plumber	224 N. Bostwick		
					Peck, Everett C.	Law Enforcement	326 E. Lovett	522	32
					Pray, Myron E.	Furn. & Undertaking	405 W. Seminary	535	54
					Reed, Robt B.	Whise. Gas & Oil	121 W. Seminary	907	570
					Richardson, Judson E.	Accounting	419 W. Lovett	1160	
					Ripley, James M.	Auto. Repairing	637 N. Cochran	558	558
					Root, Arthur N.	Farmer	R. F. D. No. 6	7149-F13	
					Rowe, Reuben J.	Druggist	138 S. Clinton	356	51
					Rupe, Paul S.	Elect. Appliances	312 W. Lawrence		347
					Sevensen, Dr. Clinton J.	Surgeon	5400 via Corona, Los Angeles		
					Sevensen, Dr. L. G.	Physician-Surg.	608 W. Stoddard	61	144
					Sheldon, Von A.	Lumber & Coal	228 S. Cochran	259	63
					Sleater, Richard B.	Blue Printing	307 Pleasant	345-W	
					Starr, Wilbur	Carpenter	423 McClure	444-W	444-W
					Townsend, Robert W.	Groc'y. Mgr.	235 S. Sheldon	446	
					VanDyk, Rev. F. J.	Ministry	404 E. Lovett	600	
					Wilson, Maurice	Farm Implements	716 Lansing	120	198
					Wolfe, Eldon	Food Inspection	United States Army		
					Wright, George R.	Railway Exp.	415 W. Harris	585	8
					Wright, J. Leland	Radio Repair	602 S. Cochran	288	288
					Ziegler, Albert F.	Mfg.	750 N. Sheldon	81	992

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Volume 5 - The Charlotte Lions Club Digest, Wednesday, October 31, 1945 - Number 9

THIS WEEK One of our newer members, Volney Arnold will bring to the club the Rev. Miles of Eaton Rapids. Volney will not disclose the subject but we may be sure that it will be good.

What ever else may happen will be strictly up to the T-T and he had not reported as we went to press, or where ever this goes.

LAST MEETING Some of the boys had a ride in a plane at the Beach Airport, one or two their very first. Paul Gay and the staff from the flying field were present at dinner to tell of the development of flying and the plans for Charlotte's field. Immediate Past Chief Lion Earl Mead is entitled to a good deal of credit for presenting such an interesting meeting.

Melvin Jones contest awards for January 1945 were presented. This may be a reminder to get that new member now for the 1946 contest so that you too may win a prize. The member you suggest now will just about have time to get approval and into the club during January. Don't delay.

A.W.O.L. Bilbie, Bottonley, Bouska, Colbridge, Edson, Edwards, James, Linsey, Locke, McDougall, Mulholland, Reed, Zierler and McKay who made up his absence at the last Directors meeting. Too many absentees but you who have missed only this meeting since the beginning of the fall contest may go to Lansing Tuesday noon or to Kalamazoo Tuesday night and get credit so that you will not miss that 100% button next spring.

CARDS OF APPRECIATION The Secretary has cards from Bob Townsend and Mrs. Glen Jones thanking the club for remembering them.

PROPOSED FOR MEMBERSHIP Chairman Masters of the Membership Committee reports that his committee has approved the name of Dudley Miller who lives on S. Sheldon and is the operator of the S.W.O.C. station on Lawrence at Clinton. This name was presented by Lion Bottonley and any objection should be given immediately to the secretary.

Postponed
to
Kalamazoo

To save the hands of RANDFIELD, RUPE, COLLINS, WILSON, RIPLEY, & COX when this matter was suggested at the last meeting. Any others who will plan to go to Kalamazoo for the big Regional meeting and FUN NIGHT should call Secretary Maurice Wilson IMMEDIATELY. He is arranging transportation. This will be a fine party, Stag, \$1.50, 7:PM at the Park American Hotel. Better give Maurice a ring now.

HOMER International Counsellor Wendall Doty's splendid talk on cooperation and the influence of Lions clubs in making our country and community a better place in which to live as ample payment for the trip to Homer on last Monday evening. President Jim and our wives accompanied your editor. Rev. Schue as toastmaster was his usual delightful self and a fine chicken dinner made the evening complete.

STATE SECRETARIES MEET On November 4 the secretaries of the various clubs in Michigan will meet in the Olds Hotel beginning at 10 AM in a round table conference. Other interested Lions are welcome. The state Board will meet on this same day and at the same place. DDG Jud and Secretary Maurice will represent the club.

DOCTOR CLINTON Secretary Maurice reports a fine letter for Lion Clinton who asks that we retain him on our roll. Maybe we can print that next time.

STATE CONVENTION GRAND RAPIDS JUNE 8-9-10, 1946.

While in the city this week your editor visited with Secretary Frank Whitman of the Grand Rapids Lions Club who is also Convention Manager for the city. Frank reminded us that reservations are now pouring in for that event and ours, which was first on the book last year, should be submitted promptly. If you have any thoughts of going to this convention, report that fact to Maurice Wednesday night so that he may reserve your room. Let's have at least a dozen couples there. Frank told us that the city of Grand Rapids and his club would spare nothing to make this the finest convention of Michigan Lions. And that is saying a lot and taking on a big job when we stop to compare some of the highly successful past meetings.

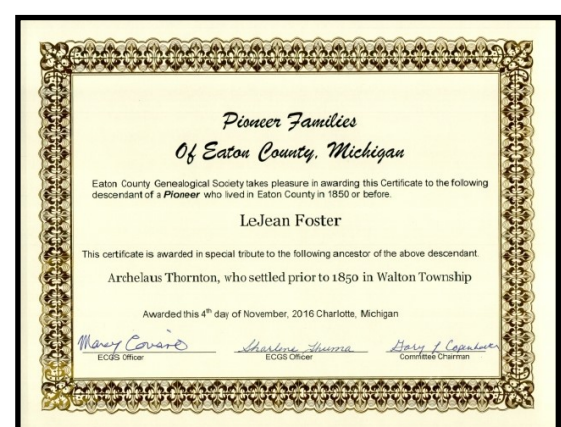
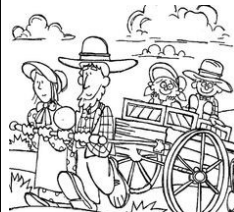
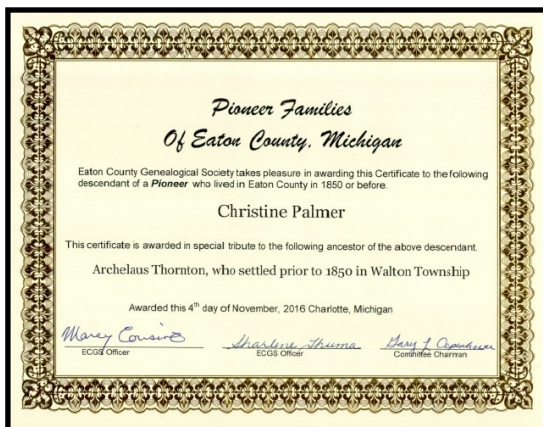
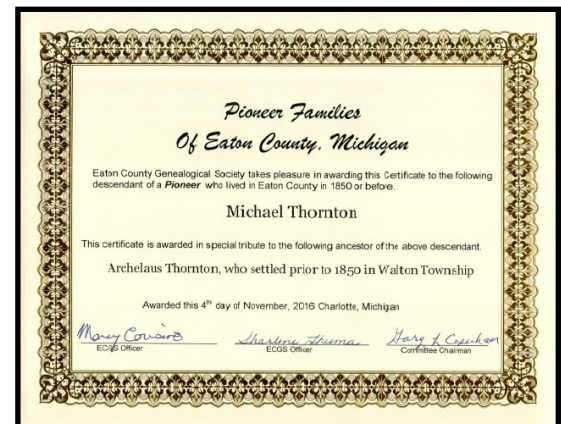
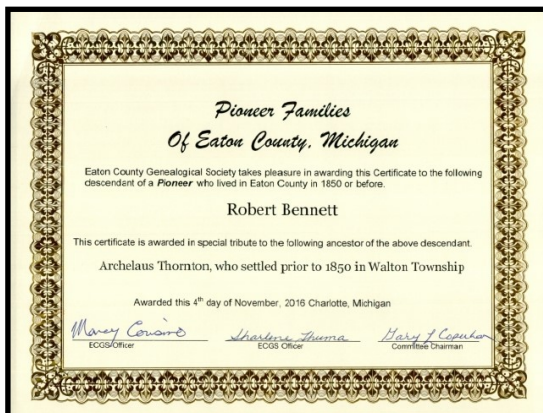
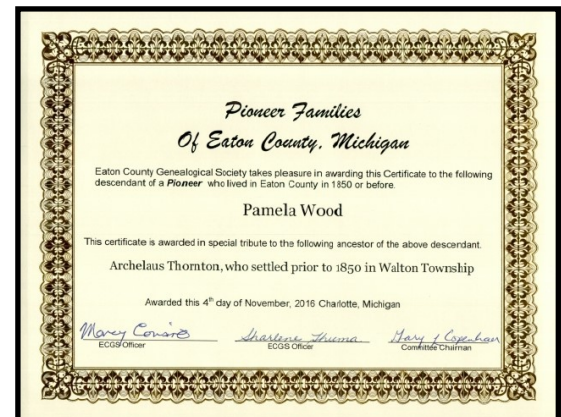
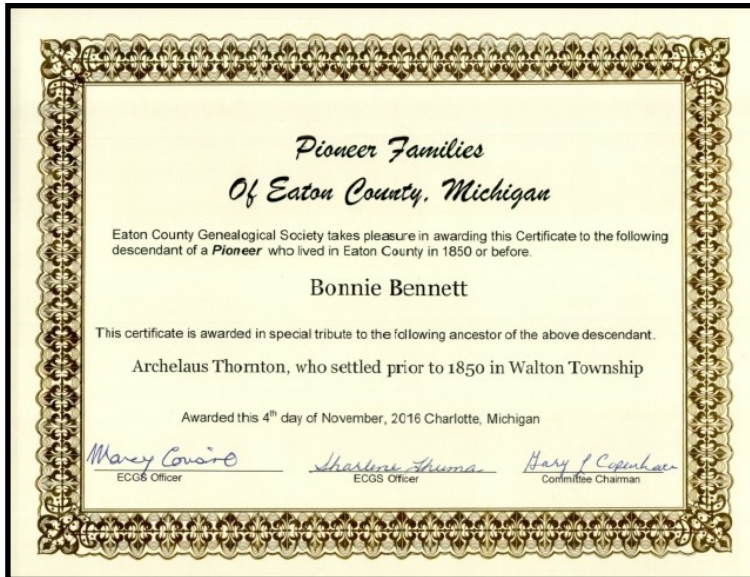
VICTORY BONDS Let's Finish the Job VICTORY Now we can enjoy it BUY VICTORY BONDS The Victory Loan drive begins on October 29 and will continue through November. The job is not done until the bill is paid. Let's buy all we can and sell to all who can buy. Lions will again be asked to aid in the canvas of Charlotte under the direction of City Chairman Al Cox. Every Lion Will Surely Do His Part In This Last Big Push on the Home Front

Pioneer Family Certificate

Gary Copenhagen



Bonnie Bennett sent in a Pioneer Family Certificate application for her ancestor Archelaus Thornton and ECGS was pleased to send out these to her. She requested several copies for family members.

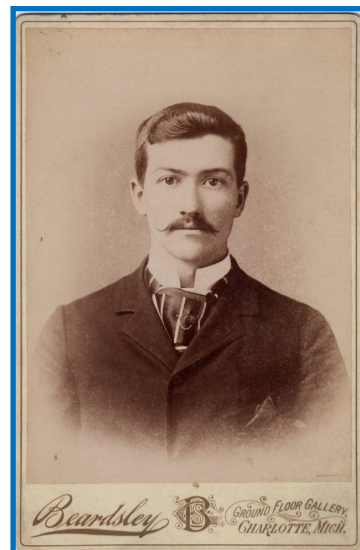


To see more information about the Pioneer Family Certificate process, see the [Certificates](#) section on our website

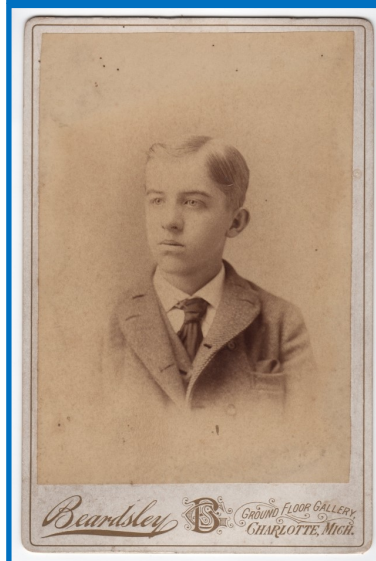
Various Photo Groups

Rod Weaver has been working with ECGS to scan and restore some of the photographs in our collections.

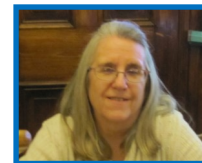
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These photos come from the P.651 Collection. The people are unidentified and if you know who they are, please let us know by contacting us at ecgsnews@gmail.com.



Mulliken Cookbook



Thanks Sue Thompson for sharing this with us!

Piggies In Blankets



PIGGIES IN BLANKETS

- 1 large head of cabbage
- 1 cup uncooked rice
- 1-1/2 pounds raw hamburger
- 1 quart tomatoes

Place cabbage in large kettle with enough water to steam good. Steam until leaves are slightly soft (about 15 minutes).

Mix well in a large bowl, rice, hamburger, tomatoes, 1 teaspoon salt, and 1/4 teaspoon pepper. Remove cabbage head from kettle.

Cut or break one leaf at a time, away from the head. Place a large spoonful (more or less according to the size of the leaf) in the stalky end of the cabbage leaf, and start rolling the leaf toward the thin edge, turning in the edges as you roll it. Repeat until all the meat and rice mixture is used up. Place cabbage rolls (piggies in blankets) back in the water the cabbage was steamed in, preferably on a rack to keep from scorching. Will not hurt to stack them on top of each other. Add enough water so you can see it coming up along the sides of the kettle, cover and let cook 45 minutes, or until rice is done. For those who like mutton or lamb, either one, ground, substituted for the hamburger, is delicious. The amounts shown, plus mashed potatoes, bread and butter, and beverage. Make a very filling, complete meal, for 6.

Dorothy M. Dankenbring

Dorothy M. Dankenbring
Box 8,
Mulliken, Michigan.

Stuffed Pork Chops



STUFFED PORK CHOPS

Mix together:

- About 6 cups bread crumbs
- 1 medium onion, grated or 'chopped fine
- 1 tablespoon chopped parsley (optional)
- 1 tablespoon poultry seasoning
- 1/2 teaspoon salt, dash of pepper

Add 1/4 cup melted butter or margarine

1/4 cup warm milk (just enough to dampen dressing slightly)

Brown 4 pork chops (about 1/2 inch thick)

Press dressing on both sides of each pork chop. Place in shallow pan. Add 1 cup hot milk and bake in moderate oven (350 degrees F.) 3/4 to 1 hour, until dressing is browned but not dried out, and milk is absorbed by the dressing.

Arline Van De Velde,
Mulliken, Michigan.

Arline Van De Velde

The ECGS Writing Special Interest Group

Writers Group by Shirley Hodges



At January's Writing Group on 14 January we will be discussing what we can do for our loved ones for next year. I know that some of you will have some success stories about things you gave for Christmas. Please plan on sharing them with us. HOPE TO SEE YOU THEN!!!!

I really enjoy encouraging people to write their Family Stories. I love this because we can help encourage the participants to save their family stories. Their stories are the only link the family may have to their past. The stories may be lost if we don't collect and write them. We write for future generations who may one day wonder about family traditions. You don't need to be rich or famous to have your life, your family or your friends remembered! You can choose what you wish to write about. You might decide that you want to preserve your memories, experiences, family history, creative works or anything that you choose to save.



If you have been thinking of collecting family stories for your children and grandchildren, then this group is for you.

Now is the time to write your life storywe can help!

"And what, you ask, does writing teach us? First and foremost, it reminds us that we are alive and that it is a gift and a privilege, not a right."

— Ray Bradbury, Zen in the Art of Writing

I have been successful probably because I have always realized that I knew nothing about writing and have merely tried to tell an interesting story entertainingly.

— **Edgar Rice Burroughs**

Exercise the writing muscle every day, even if it is only a letter, notes, a title list, a character sketch, a journal entry. Writers are like dancers, like athletes. Without that exercise, the muscles seize up.

— **Jane Yolen**

"Unless we tell stories about ourselves, which is all that theater is, we're in deep trouble."

--**Alan Rickman**

**"WRITING
IS THE
PAINTING
OF THE
VOICE!"**
VOLTAIRE

Probate Packets

The website is updated about once a month with the list of probate packets that have been scanned (www.miegs.org/Files/ProbatePacketScanned.pdf). There are now about 12,480 names that are scanned and we are scanning the "P" probate packet folders.

*Welcome Back
Janet!*



*Frank is working
away, preparing
a probate packet
for scanning!*



*Marcy
draws the
winning
ticket!*



--- YAY ---

*We had a
Volunteer
Drawing this
month. And ---
- Chris was the
winner!*



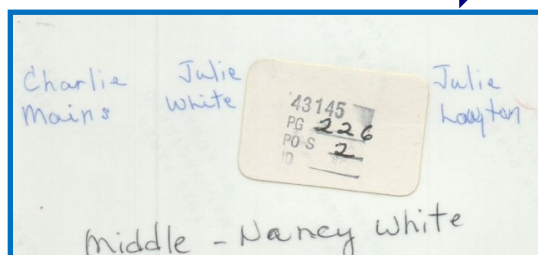
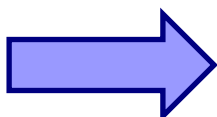
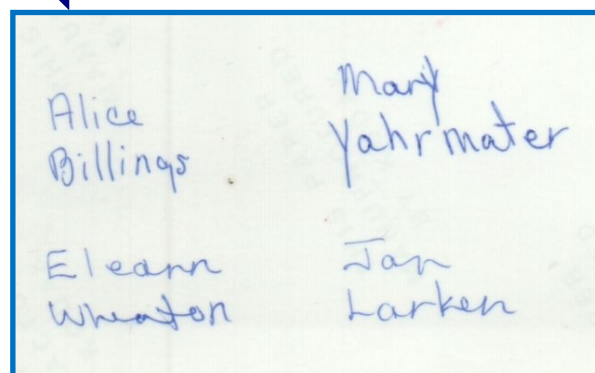
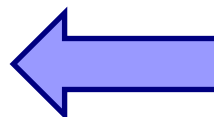
If you believe there is a scanned probate packet you want to look at and you are a member, email us at ecgsboard@gmail.com and request access to the file or files.

Join us on Tuesday afternoons when you can!

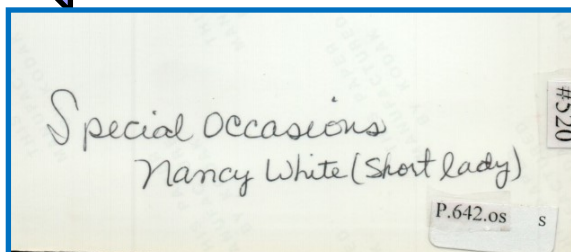
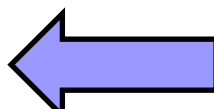
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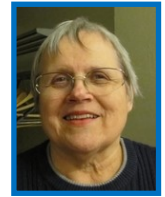
Probably Between
1983-1986.



*Special Occasions was
in the Charlotte Plaza.*



ECGS History by Shirley Gage Hodges



At a couple of our meetings we have discussed some of ECGS' history. I would like to share some of this with you.

The Eaton County Genealogical Society began with an overwhelming response to an Everton's Genealogical Workshop in April of 1988, hosted by the Eaton County Historical Commission. The society held its first meeting May 18, 1988. The Historical Commission, located in the Old Eaton County Courthouse, had accumulated many historical books and records. They allowed the Society to use these books and provided a room in the Old Courthouse for housing these records and a space for research. There were also a lot of documents and books that had been stored in various areas of the courthouse. They were sorted, cataloged, and placed in the fireproof vault in the ground floor of the courthouse. Many of our current members can remember working on these projects.

Drouscella Halsey was elected the first president in January 1989.



Back Row l to r; Mary Jean Baker, Nancy Jourdan, Debby Eddy, Bob Haight,
Front row l to r; Drouscella Halsey, Joyce Liepens

This a picture of one of the very early meetings of the society.



ECGS History by Shirley Gage Hodges (continued)

Our early members pitched in whenever and wherever we needed help. We owe a lot to these early members.



Betty Goostrey

Nancy Jourdan,
Barb Puffenbarger,
Droucella Halsey



Sandra Mick
and Gary
Copenhaver

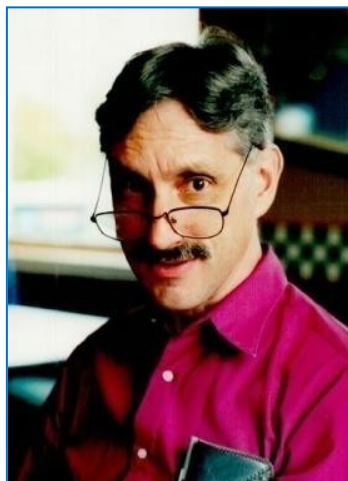
Clarence
Hodges



We have had a lot of seminars with nationally known speakers. They were very well received and we enjoyed doing them. Some of our speakers were:



George Schweitzer



John Colletta



Fawne Stratford Davai

ECGS History by Shirley Gage Hodges (continued)

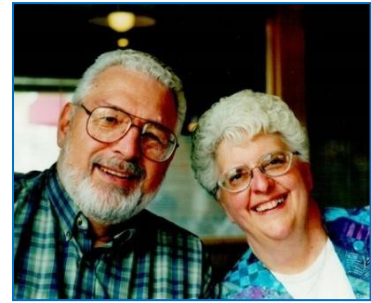
Without our worker bees, we would not be able to accomplish all the things that we do. Everyone chips in and helps.



Phyllis Widden



Sharlene Thuma



Barb and Steve Smith



Jan Sedore,
Sherry
Copenhaver,
Shirley
Hodges

Some of our other
early presidents
have been:



Vicki Dukes



Sue Polhamus



Shirley Hodges



Jeff Warren



Sher Brown,
Pres. with
Mary Jane
Baker

For those of us who have been involved for a number of years, it brings us real joy when we can look back and see what the society has accomplished. If you would like to see more about the society's history, let us know and we will share some more on the subject.

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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.

Cora

CORA.

Charmingly youthful is Cora, modern derivative of ancient Greek. Many female names in Greece were merely names with a feminine termination in 'e', irrespective of their meaning, as is true of Cora, which, quaintly enough, signifies maiden.

However she is derived, Cora is the feminine of names and was given to some of the most alluring heroines of romance. Originally the name was taken from Peone's title, "Kore," a maiden, the Boeotian poetess who won a wreath of victory at Thebes. Corinna was the next step in the evolution of Cora and she came about through the literary habit of reviving Greek names, a fetish with enterprising writers in search of a fresh title for a heroine.

Madame de Stael named her brilliant heroine after the Boeotian poetess, as mentioned, and that established her favor in France, where she has been handed down from one French maiden to another through generations of poetic fancies. In Italy she becomes Corinne through the pen of the English poet, Lord Byron makes her Cora in his famous poem and through him her vogue is unquestionably established in England and America.

Modern writers favor her, both as Cora and Cora. She is the captivating heroine of many a modern story, the most memorable example perhaps being the Cora of Booth Tarkington's "The Flirt." Poets have never neglected her, especially the poets of the pastoral, for her significance and the youthful charm invariably associated with her through evolution, made her almost a synonym for rural maidens, just as Sylvia is a general term for shepherdess. "When my Cora goes a-Maying" is one of the charming lyrics of that age and fame.

Cora's jewel is the diamond, which gives her protection from danger. Saturday is her lucky day and 3 her lucky number. The daisy, signifying innocence is the flower assigned to her.

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Cynthia

CYNTHIA.

Of Greek mythological origin is Cynthia, most charming of feminine names. Originally it was the title given to Artemis, or Diana, the moon goddess, since she and her brother Apollo, the sun god, are fabled to have been born upon Mount Cynthus in Delos. In poetic nomenclature, Cynthia became the synonym of the moon.

Milton employs the term frequently:

"While Cynthia checks her dragon yoke,
Gently o'er the accustomed oak."

Since Diana or Cynthia was the virgin goddess of Greek mythology, England's virgin queen, Elizabeth, was often alluded to as Cynthia in the literature of her time. The name was therefore very popular in Great Britain as a mark of honor toward royalty, but its real vogue is in America, where it has had especial prominence.

The musical quality of the name, combined with its poetic origin, has always made it popular among the arts. One of the loveliest pictures of the art world is called "Cynthia" and personifies the goddess of the night as a strikingly beautiful woman veiled in mysterious shadowy draperies.

The hyacinth, which breathes forth its greatest fragrance at night, is Cynthia's flower. But the relationship of the flower and the name is even more closely and romantically expressed in the legend of the hyacinth's origin; the flower sprang from the blood of hyacinthus, a beautiful youth, beloved by Apollo, and killed by the latter through an unlucky throw of the discus; it bears upon each petal the letters "Ai," the Greek exclamation of grief.

"The hyacinthine boy, for whom
Morn well might break and April bloom."

It is fitting therefore that Cynthia should have the hyacinth, of hyacinth for her talismanic jewel. But the maid who bears the name is more than ordinarily fortunate, for she has another lucky gem, the moonstone. The deep blue hyacinth protects her from danger of accident or disease, while the moonstone with its milky opalescence promises her true love and the power to read the future in relation to love, if she places the stone in her mouth when the moon is full. Sunday is her lucky day and 3 her talismanic number.



What's IN A NAME?



Obituary Book—1890s and early 1900s

This is an obituary scrapbook that Sheila Mott began putting together before her death and Judy Chamberlain completed it, including the index for the Index System.

01

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Brown of Marshall were guests of Mr. and Mrs. M. Dedrick a few days last week.

December 20, 1894

M. Dedrick grinds feed occasionally.

August 10, 1899

Mr. Wm. McCotter will clerk for M. Dedrick this winter.

November 23, 1899

H. J. Weddle says Marengo is place to go to get buck wheat ground, for he took a load there for M. Dedrick last Friday.

December 14, 1899

Mrs. M. Dedrick is quite ill at this writing.

February 15, 1900

Mrs. M. Dedrick, who has been very ill for the last few weeks, is slowly on the gain.

March 8, 1900

Lee Center.

Mrs. M. Dedrick, who has been very sick is much improved at present writing.

June 21, 1900

Miss Daisy Carver, of Marshall, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Dedrick.

Mrs. M. Dedrick and Miss Mamie Wood attended the Partello W. C. T. U. meeting at Mrs. Jewett's Thursday, and report an excellent time.

July 26, 1900

M. Dedrick, of Lee Center, will put a new smoke stack on his saw mill at once and soon be ready to commence sawing.

January 16, 1902

Mrs. M. Dedrick is quite sick at the present writing.

January 16, 1902

Mrs. M. Dedrick, who has been very ill, is gradually recovering.

February 27, 1902

Miss Mattie VanOrman is working for Mrs. M. Dedrick.

August 21, 1902

Mr. M. Dedrick, of Lee Center, would kindly call your attention to the new goods which he is receiving every day. He has a full line of Mittens and Gloves, Decorated China, and Christmas Goods.

Mr. Dedrick

Would kindly call your attention to the New Goods which he is receiving every day. He has a full line of—

**Mittens, Gloves,
Decorated China,**

—AND—

Christmas Goods.

December 11, 1902

Mrs. Effie Dedrick is on the sick list.

January 29, 1903

Mr. Martin Dedrick has a squash which weighs 48 pounds. How's that for squash?

October 29, 1903

Lee Center

Mart Dedrick is on the sick list.

March 31, 1904

Miss Ella Young is keeping house for Mrs. M. Dedrick for a few weeks.

September 8, 1904

Lee Center Reading Circle met at the home of M. Dedrick Saturday Jan. 14. Meeting was led by W. A. Sloan, who is teaching at the Center. Those present, were Nellie and Grace Walker, Augusta Miller, Jennie Cox and Herbert Murrey. The first three chapters of Social Spirit in America was

January 19, 1905

Martin Dedrick was in Marshall Monday.

January 26, 1905

M. Dedrick will start his saw mill soon. The mill yard is filling up fast with logs.

February 2, 1905

Martin Dedrick and Chas. Wortz were in Charlotte last Thursday.

February 23, 1905

Martin Dedrick attended the Masonic banquet Monday evening at Bellevue.

March 2, 1905

Obituary Book—1890s and early 1900s (continued)

02

Winnie Miller is again at Mr. M. Dedrick's.

October 29, 1903

Mrs. M. Dedrick spent Monday with Mrs. W. H. Thomas.

M. Dedrick was in Charlotte Friday.

February 2, 1905

Mr. Dedrick went to Battle Creek Monday.

Mr. Martin Dedrick was in Marshall Wednesday.

March 2, 1905

Mrs. M. Dedrick was out paying visits among her friends recently.

March 9, 1905

Mr. and Mrs. Martin Dedrick were Sunday guests at Mr. and Mrs. Ed Greenfield's.

Martin Dedrick and Alonzo Smith were in Marshall Friday.

Martin Dedrick was in Charlotte Saturday.

March 23, 1905

Mrs. M. Dedrick was out calling here recently.

M. Dedrick called upon Joseph Woods of Battle Creek one day last week.

April 13, 1905

Mr. M. Dedrick and wife went to Marshall on Saturday, where they took the interurban car for Battle Creek to spend Sunday with Mrs. Dedrick's brother, W. O. Wood and family.

May 11, 1905

Lee Center.

M. Dedrick drove to Battle Creek Friday afternoon, returning Saturday.

May 18, 1905

The L. A. S. met with Mrs. Ed Greenfield last Thursday for their annual election of officers, and transact such other business that might come before the meeting. The officers chosen for the ensuing year are Mrs. Martin Dedrick, president; Mrs. Ed Greenfield, vice president; Mrs. Stanley Wood, secretary; and Mrs. Bosworth, treasurer.

November 2, 1905

M. Dedrick went to Springport Monday.

February 22, 1906

Mr. and Mrs. Martin Dedrick were Sunday guests at Dr. and Mrs. H. A. Shurtleff's.

March 15, 1906

Mr. Martin Dedrick and wife spent Sunday at Mr. E. Wood's.

April 12, 1906

Mr. Martin Dedrick and wife were Sunday guests at Stanley Woods'.

M. Dedrick closed his store Saturday.

April 26, 1906

Mrs. Martin Dedrick, who has been quite sick, is gaining rapidly.

May 3, 1906

Mr. and Mrs. M. Dedrick are calling on old friends and neighbors before their departure for Minnesota.

August 9, 1906

Mrs. Martin Dedrick, of Castle Rock, Minn., but recently of Lee, in writing to have the OPTIC sent to her new address, sends us the following item: Olivet friends will be pleased to learn Mr. E. H. Wood, a brother of Nelson Wood, of Lee, is recovering from his recent serious illness. Mr. Wood welcomes the OPTIC each week as a friend from Olivet.

September 6, 1906

Mr. and Mrs. Mart Dedrick are visiting their old friends and neighbors in Lee after an absence of over a year.

December 5, 1907

Mr. and Mrs. Martin Dedrick are now residents of Urbandale, a suburb of Battle Creek, having purchased a home and two acres of ground. They have rural delivery No. 4, are a block from the street car line and expect to like the new place exceedingly well.

March 26, 1908

Mr. and Mrs. Mart Dedrick spent the past week calling on their old friends and neighbors of Lee.

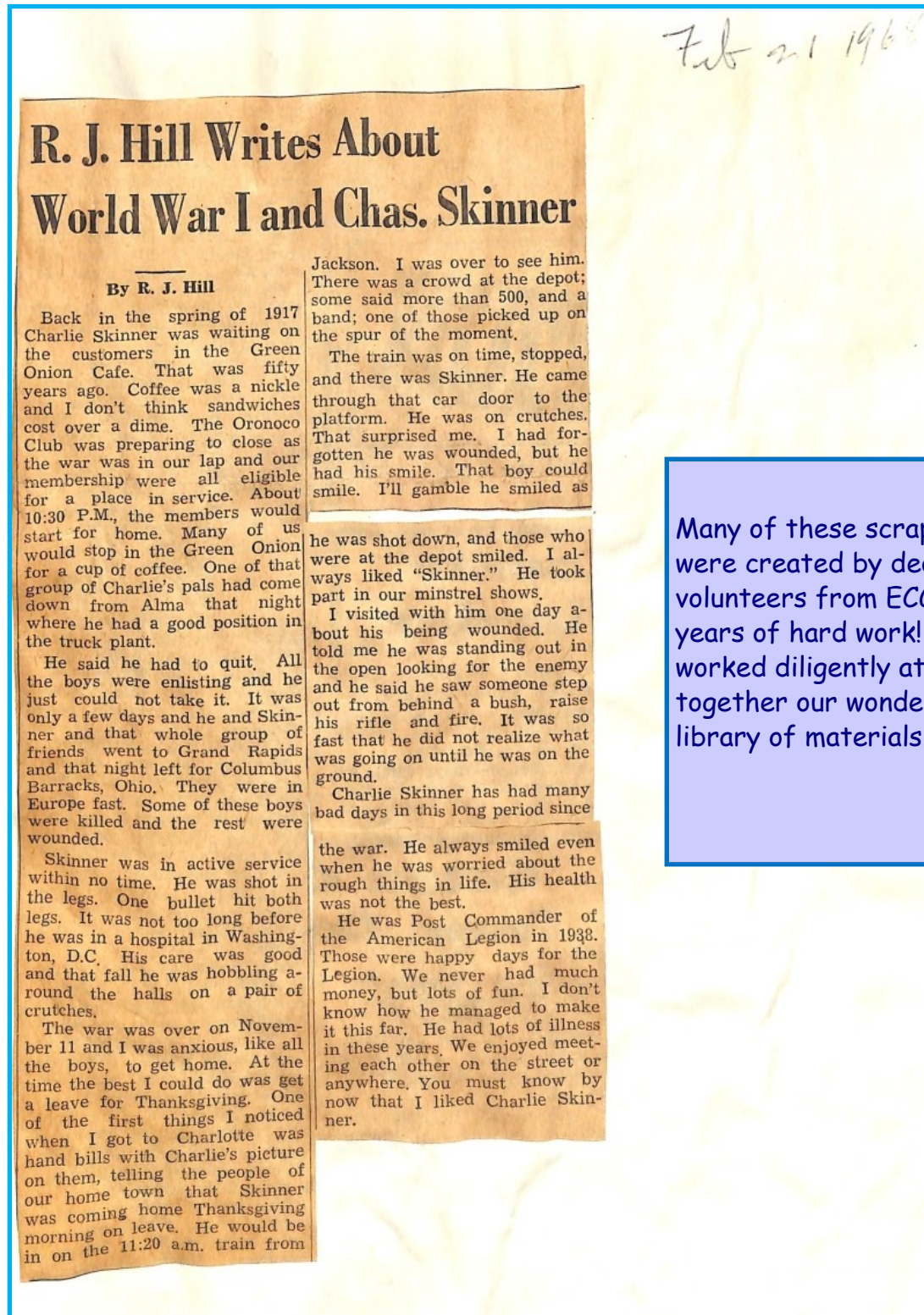
December 31, 1908

Mrs. M. Dedrick of Battle Creek spent New Year's with Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Bosworth.

January 7, 1909

ECGS Scrapbook.26.v2

Most of the scrapbooks we have in our library have been indexed and people who are researching can find these when looking up names. However, it has just been this past year that these scrapbooks have been scanned. Here are a couple of pages from one of these scrapbooks.



Many of these scrapbooks were created by dedicated volunteers from ECGS's 25+ years of hard work! They worked diligently at putting together our wonderful library of materials!

ECGS Scrapbook.26.v2 (continued)

Horace S. Maynard
2805 Woodward Ave., Apt. B
Bloomfield Hills, Mich. 48013
November 30, 1967

Charlotte Republican-Tribune
Charlotte, Michigan
Mr. Editor:

A note from my sister, Mrs. Willis (Vera Maynard) Osborn of Atlanta, Georgia, might be of interest to readers of R. J. Hill's recollections. It reads as follows:

"I knew every word of Orlo's bridal lament, and can still hear and see him in the wedding outfit with the withered bouquet. Do you recall that I was his accompanist in that memorable scene? He wanted it played in a lower key, and Aut Clemons told him I could transpose. I really did not know that there was any trick in transposing, which I did by ear, of course. If you could play it in one key, why not play it in any other key? It was as simple as that, and lots of fun, in Orlo's case."

Reminiscently yours,
H.S.M.

R. J. Hill Writes About The North Eaton Band

It was just about two years ago when I was writing stories for the Republican-Tribune that I got the idea of writing a story about the North Eaton Band. That was a band organized of farmers out in Eaton township. I inquired and hunted for three months before I found that there was an old gentleman out near the Royston school who had been in the band. He was Earl D. Stoner. My wife took me out there and we found him home. She sat in the car and knit. Mr. Stoner was sitting in the shade out in his yard, and I sat with him for a nice visit. He played with the band for years. "Hi" Martin was building a granary and the members asked him to put a second story on the building which they could use for a place to gather and practice. He agreed and the members each contributed to pay for the lumber. Each member brought his own chair and they were all different.

Mr. Stoner was 90. His wife had died about seven years ago. She was born on the farm and lived there all her life. My friend was in good health at 90, walked a bit feebly, but his eyes and hearing were good and his memory was wonderful. He was a delightful man. I got a good story in our visit. He was pleased to know a story about the North Eaton Band was going to be in the paper.

It took considerable time and I was wondering how my wife was getting along. She did all right because she not only accomplished some knitting, but had been amused by a huge swarm of bees that were going in and out of a small hole in the siding up near

the roof of the house; no telling how many. Those bees are still there. They are wild and vicious and mean to be left alone.

I had to return to Mr. Stoner's a few days later to see if he had a photo of the old band. He did and I could borrow it. It was hanging on the wall upstairs. I was younger so went up and looked for bees before I got the picture. It was a good picture of the group and helped my story. I took it back all cleaned up and put it where it belonged. I did not see him again until today. I went to his funeral. He had spent about all of this year in the local hospital and the County Medical Facility. His relatives were few but he had plenty of friends.

Mr. Stoner was educated at Ferris Institute. That school must have been pretty young at that time. He also attended college at Valparaiso and Grand Rapids. He taught school at the Fast School and was a strict disciplinarian; a broad hand or a light switch. Both were available.

Mr. Stoner loved his music. He was at the Oldsmobile long before General Motors was established. He directed a band for them and before he left he was signing all the checks of the big auto company. Of course, this was many years ago.

His death made me think of our short friendship. What a pleasant gentleman. I just could not let the day go by without letting acquaintances know of a man I got to meet who was 90 and still so good in many ways. It was so nice that he could have good care in his last year when his friends really paid attention to his need. "Good-bye, Mr. Stoner."

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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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