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BAY COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY VOLUME 17 NO 3 MAY 1995

JUNE MEETING

We will meet Tuesday, June 6th at the South End Branch Library at 6:30. There will be the annual election and installation of officers. We give a hearty thank you to our present officers for their commitment to the organization during this past year. There will be a report on the Michigan Death Records Project.

APRIL AND MAY MEETINGS

There was no March meeting due to inclement weather which forced the closure of the Bay City Public Schools. When those conditions exist our meeting is automatically cancelled.

Our speaker who was scheduled for March, Mr. Michael Butts, was able to make his presentation at our April meeting. He is the president of the Covenant Cemetery Services in Flint. This organization has revitalized Gracelawn Community Cemetery, a very old cemetery in that city and recently acquired Green Ridge Cemetery in Bay City. Mr. Butts is vice president of the Michigan Cemetery Association and he and his family (father and grandfather) have been involved in cemetery and related employment most of his life. He and his group have an interest in maintenance of death records and other historical information in regards to those buried in those cemeteries along with the physical upkeep of cemetery property.

He advised us of five basic types of cemeteries each of which is quite well described by its name. They are: Municipal, Religious, Family, For Profit and Non Profit. Cemeteries in most cases are expected to maintain 15% of their income in an escrow fund for upkeep of the cemetery. There are occasions where an annual fee has been charged but this has not always been successful. Some municipalities are privatizing their cemeteries to avoid using tax money for upkeep. Many family cemeteries have been abandoned due to shortage of funds along with scattered families and poor or no administration of them. Green Ridge is a non profit pre civil war cemetery which started as a family cemetery.

Mr. Butts has planned to computerize the records of Green Ridge (formerly called Eickmeyer) Cemetery. This task will take some time and will be assisted by volunteers. He will keep us posted on progress, needs etc. He would like any historical information, obits and/or pedigree sheets on people who have been interred at Green Ridge. The society members in attendance indicated appreciation as well as support for Mr. Butt's plans.

Our May program was a video, Michigan's Capitol, A Symbol Renewed, which outlined the history of our capitol building in Lansing from the beginning to the recent restoration and was well received by the membership.

Green Ridge Cemetery Association sponsored its first (hopefully annual) Planter's Day on 13 May 1995. About a dozen people came to help beautify the grounds. This took place between 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. Many leaves were raked, some trimming was done and some flowers were planted. The Association furnished pizzas and beverages for those in attendance. You are invited to visit Green Ridge at the corner of Columbus and Tuscola to see the results of this day's activity. Come help us make it bigger and better next year!

SOCIETY BUSINESS

During the June meeting the election of officers for the 1995-96 year will occur. Anyone with suggestions for individuals for the positions of: President, Vice-President, Secretary or Treasurer please be ready with your nominations.

Several of our members attended the dedication of The Butterfield Memorial Library on 11 May at the Bay County Historical Museum. A ribbon cutting ceremony was done by members of the Butterfield Families followed by a reception and a display of Butterfield donated legal and financial items. The displays were coordinated by Ms Pat Drury and Ron Bloomfield, Curator.

The Bay County Historical Society sends thanks to Lottie Harrington for her donation of a copy of Oak Ridge Cemetery listings. The work was done by Lottie and also by Linda Theaker who compiled, typed and alphabetized it.

The Michigan Genealogical Council Death Records Project Phase #4 is due to begin. Our project coordinator, Don Dolsen, will serve as receiver and distributor of transcription materials to volunteers. Eight of our members are on the volunteer list thus far. If you are not and would like to help please inform Don.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

10 June - "Ideas For Climbing Over The Brick Wall," Eaton Co. Genealogical Society, P.O. Box 337, Charlotte, MI 48813, at the 1885 Historical Courthouse, downtown Charlotte, 100 W. Lawrence (corner of Lawrence & Cochran Avenues), 517-543-8792

21-24 June - National Conference, Palatines to America, Denver, Colorado. Theme: Westward HO! Two of the speakers: Dr. Helen Hinchcliff of Canada, and Horst Reschke of Utah. Write to: PalAm, Capital University, Box 101, Columbus, OH 43209 for further info.

25 June - the Butterfield Library will be open from 1-5 with volunteers on duty. The Museum also will be open for that day and time.

10-13 July - Genealogical Institute of Mid-America, at Sangamon State University, Springfield, IL, sponsored by Illinois State Genealogical Society and Sangamon State Univ. Of special interest is: Eastern Sources, Genealogical Studies of Seventeenth and Eighteenth Century America. You may get registration info from Bursar, Sangamon State Univ., Springfield, IL 62794-9243.

4-5 Aug.- East European Genealogy Conference in Cleveland, sponsored by the Federation of East European Family History Societies. For further info send to FEEFHS 1995 Conference, P.O. Box 501, 1380 W. 117th Street, Lakewood, OH 44107.

20-23 Sept.- From Sea to Shining Sea, "A Conference for the Nation's Genealogists," sponsored by The Federation of Genealogical Societies, Hosted by The Seattle Genealogical Society. For info write to: FGS/SGS Conference, P.O. Box 3385, Salt Lake City, UT 84110-3385.

12-15 Oct. - New England Regional Genealogical Conference will be at the Sheraton Conference Center in South Burlington, VT. Call 1-800-677-6576 for program and registration information.

9-11 Nov. - They Didn't ALL Go West!, Michigan Genealogical Council Seminar, Gaylord, hosted by Gaylord Genealogical Society, Further info will be forthcoming.

Midland Genealogical Society has been given a box of several hundred ORIGINAL legal papers, mostly deeds, but also a few wills or mortgages. The deeds are to land transactions in the county or by county residents. The time period covered is from 1857 to the 1930s. A number are completely hand written and some are original land grants



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AL11d
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C762m 1635-1750 3 Vols.
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Biographical Society. Vol. X
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1626-1836
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 Oh3b

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 P384f LANCASTER COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA. 1729-1850

R929.3 WILLS AND ADMINISTRATIONS OF NORTHUMBERLAND COUNTY,
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 So87

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 V819

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 V819t

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 OF CANTERBURY. 1610-1857

Richard L. Sylvester
2384 S. Huron Rd.
Kawkawlin, MI. 48631

Your Name:

1 Richard Louis SYLVESTER
Date Born: June 11, 1936
Where Born: Bay City, MI.
Date Married: Oct. 9, 1954
Where Married: St. Joseph Ch.
Bay City, MI.

Name of Your Husband (or Wife):
Violet Marie DENNIS
Date Born: Oct. 6, 1936
Where Born: Bay City, MI.

Your Father's Name:

2 Emery A. SYLVESTER
Date Born: Feb. 17, 1904
Where Born: Kawkawlin, MI.
Date Married: Oct. 13, 1923
Date Died: April 18, 1953
Where Died: Bay City, MI.

Your Mother's Name:

3 Angelina A. STOSIK
Date Born: Oct. 11, 1904
Where Born: Ashmand, MI.
Date Died: Dec. 7, 1968
Where Died: Bay City, MI.

Name of Your Father's Father:

4 Louis H. SYLVESTER
Date Born: Oct. 31, 1873
Where Born: Montreal, Canada
Date Married: 1901
Date Died: May 5, 1949
Where Died: Bay City, MI.

Name of Your Father's Mother:

5. Celina TALBOT
Date Born: July 30, 1881
Where Born: Trois-Pistoles Que.
Date Died: June 14, 1984
Where Died: Bay City, MI.

Name of Your Mother's Father:

6 William J. STOSIK
Date Born: Apr. 17, 1874
Where Born: Germany
Date Married:
Date Died: Jan. 11, 1937
Where Died: Kawkawlin, MI.

Name of Your Mother's Mother:

7 Mary Margaret TRILEWSKI
Date Born: Aug. 25, 1884
Where Born: Kawkawlin, MI.
Date Died: Mar. 16, 1942
Where Died: Bay City, MI.

Name of Your Great Grandfather:

8 Hercules A. SYLVESTER
Date Born: Feb. 11, 1844
Where Born: Canada
Date Married:
Date Died: Mar. 4, 1909

Name of Your Great Grandmother:

9 Mary Laprarie (Laparie)
Date Born: Jan. 1, 1847
Where Born: Canada
Date Died: Aug. 15, 1930

Name of Your Great Grandfather:

10 Archie I. TALBOT
Date Born: May 12, 1859
Where Born: Canada
Date Married:
Date Died: Mar. 5, 1943

Name of Your Great Grandmother:

11. Celina CLOPPER
Date Born: Sept. 5, 1864
Where Born: Canada
Date Died: Sept. 4, 1934

Name of Your Great Grandfather:

12. Joseph STOSIK
Date Born: 1840
Where Born: Germany
Date Married:
Date Died: 1915

Name of Your Great Grandmother:

13 Anna WOIOSCYK
Date Born: 1851
Where Born: Poland
Date Died: 1921

Name of Your Great Grandfather:

14. Micheal TRILEWSKI
Date Born: 1848
Where Born: Poland
Date Married:
Date Died: 1921

Name of Your Great Grandmother:

15 Frances IASCHINESKI
Date Born: 1855
Where Born: Poland
Date Died: 1919

Violet M. Sylvester
2384 S. Huron Rd.
Kawkawlin, MT. 48631

Your Name:

1 Violet Marie DENNIS

Date Born: Oct. 6, 1936
Where Born: Bay City, MT.
Date Married: Oct. 9, 1954
Where Married: Bay City, MT.

Name of Your Husband (or Wife):

Richard Louis SYLVESTER

Date Born: June 11, 1932
Where Born: Kawkawlin, MT.

Your Father's Name:

2 Gerald Robert DENNIS

Date Born: July 24, 1911
Where Born: Bay City, MT.
Date Married: Oct. 12, 1932
Date Died: May 11, 1993
Where Died: Essexville, MT.

Your Mother's Name:

3 Evelyn Pearl Bedell (Paige)

Date Born: June 19, 1912
Where Born: Kawkawlin, MT.
Date Died: Feb. 17, 1980
Where Died: Bay City, MT.

Name of Your Father's Father:

4 William — DENNIS

Date Born: Sept. 12, 1880
Where Born: Chase, MI.
Date Married: Dec. 25, 1902
Date Died: Sept. 29, 1964
Where Died: Bay City, MI.

Name of Your Father's Mother:

5 Theodora Mary NEAL

Date Born: March 21, 1886
Where Born: Tuscola Co., MI.
Date Died: Oct. 18, 1954
Where Died: Bay City, MI.

Name of Your Mother's Father:

6 Joseph Otto BEDELL

Date Born: Jan. 13, 1887
Where Born: Kawkawlin, MT.
Date Married: May 12, 1909
Date Died: May 4, 1956
Where Died: Bay City, MI.

Name of Your Mother's Mother:

7 Ethel Mae GARDNER

Date Born: Dec. 4, 1892
Where Born: Merritt Twp. MT.
Date Died: Sept. 6, 1974
Where Died: Bay City, MI.

Name of Your Great Grandfather:

8 George J. DENNIS

Date Born: June 23, 1840
Where Born: Canada
Date Married: Oct. 28, 1866
Date Died: Aug. 29, 1925

Name of Your Great Grandmother:

9 Esther SILVELEY

Date Born: Mar. 24, 1843
Where Born: Pennsylvania
Date Died: July 25, 1904

Name of Your Great Grandfather:

10 James Robert NEAL

Date Born: Feb. 16, 1859
Where Born: Oakland Co., MI
Date Married:
Date Died: June 3, 1944

Name of Your Great Grandmother:

11 Mary Ann CAUSLEY

Date Born: Apr. 26, 1863
Where Born: Tuscola Co. MI.
Date Died: Jan. 7, 1932

Name of Your Great Grandfather:

12 John C. BEDELL

Date Born: May 9, 1861
Where Born: New York
Date Married:
Date Died: 1942

Name of Your Great Grandmother:

13 Alice M. MECKER

Date Born: Jul. 9, 1863
Where Born: Pitsburg, PA.
Date Died: Mar. 23, 1934

Name of Your Great Grandfather:

14 Amos GARDNER

Date Born: 1845
Where Born: Canada
Date Married: Oct. 11, 1872
Date Died: Sept. 22, 1921

Name of Your Great Grandmother:

15 Miranda A. DEPPERT

Date Born: May 4, 1855
Where Born: Sault Ste. Marie, MI. 1937

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The pedigree charts are kindly provided to us by "Joe" and Vi Dennis Sylvester, members of our society. Thank you!

QUERIES

Info re: William SHEPPARD and wife Sarah Elizabeth VAUGHN, of Bay City, on 1880 & 1900 census. Henry Edson SHEPPARD and wife Lora Alice DUTTON, on 1900 - 1920 census. John Burgess IVEY and wife Agness Anna PRINCING on 1900 - 1920 census. Eli DUTTON and wife Melissa Emaline POTTER, on 1910 - 1920 census. Please send info to Sherry L Williams, 12702 Choisser Rd., Garden Grove, CA 92640.

Info re: Gothelf GRISCHKE of Hampton Twp. in 1900. Also Anna GRISCHKE who married William BORCHARDT also of Hampton Twp. What cemetery (s) are they buried in or any other info. Send to Mark LeRoy Hoeksema, 941 Barrie Ave., Flint, MI 48507 SASE