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BAY COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY VOL.14 NO.4 SEPT.1992

## SEPTEMBER MEETING

Our first meeting of the fall will be held at 6:30 p.m. on Tues., Sept. 1st at the Bay County South End Library on Lafayette St. Our program for the evening will include a number of items of unfinished business and a discussion of Mr. Dale Patrick Wolicki's request for assistance in the project which he presented to us at our June meeting. An excerpt from a letter he sent to us follows and describes how we could assist his endeavors. He has been advised that we will have it on our agenda for Sept., and we have requested that he provide us with a list of those names with which he needs help.

We would also like to hear of summer discoveries which any members may have made. Please be prepared to report to the group.

- Just a note to thank you and the other members of the Genealogical Society for the opportunity to talk about Bay City Architecture. I appreciate the many pieces of information provided to me regarding several of the buildings I illustrated. Perhaps members of your group might be interested in assisting me and the Bay County Historical Society with researching the biographical background of the buildings we are purposing for the final publication. Because this project is non-profit we cannot offer financial reimbursement but we can offer author credit for any information provided and will give the Genealogical Society a general credit in the opening of the book. I could provide you with a list of names for which I am looking for information and perhaps you could mention them to your members at your next meeting. If this request interests you please let me know.

## MAY MEETING

The program for our May meeting was brought to us by Ms. Mary Maillette, a photographic artist, who discussed with us the restoration of old photographs. She informed us that a photographic artist does what is called picture "touch-up." This activity calls for a great deal of training and study.

She described for us the various types of early photos of which an artist in her field needs to be aware in order to

be able to determine if the photo can be restored, the process of restoration, how it should be handled and properly stored. She advised us that we may get a catalog, "How to Keep Old Photos," by calling toll-free 800-828-6218. Ms. Maillette had some before and after examples of her work. The photos were very impressive. She answered a number of questions from the audience. Her advice to us was be careful with those old photos, and ask for help when in doubt as to what to do. She may be contacted at 686-5625.

### SOCIETY BUSINESS

Our dues structure was reviewed at the June meeting and it was determined that beginning in the 1993 fiscal year the dues will be \$8 per person and \$10 per family. Those dues are payable on or before 1 Jan. 1993, and may be remitted to our treasurer @ Box 27, Essexville, MI 48723 at any time. Don Doisen's report on the Constitution/By-Laws revision is found later in this issue. Our representatives to the Mich. Gen. Council have brought us the following report. With a Midwest Regional Conference being planned for Fort Wayne in 1994, we will have no state conference that year. Comments regarding Primary and Secondary Sources follow:

1. Bible only if written at the time of event.
2. Tombstone especially date of death.
3. Death Cert. only for date & place of death.
4. Letters & diaries usually primary.
5. Census records.
6. Obituaries...most helpful.
7. Wills & probate records...one of the finest.
8. Land Records...often reliable.
9. Military pension.

The nominating committee recommended the following slate of officers for the 1992-93 year. Pres. Bob Luce, Vice Pres. Don Doisen, Treas. Judy Bruzewski, Sec. Earlene Chanel. The slate was accepted, there were no nominations from the floor, and they were elected unanimously.

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

12 Sep. You are all invited to attend the French Canadian Heritage Society of Michigan's Fall Potluck which will be held at St. Michael's Church gym in Pinconning from 10:30 am till approximately 3 pm. There will be a short business meeting and morning and afternoon programs dealing with genealogical research particularly as it relates to the French Canadians in Michigan. You may bring a dish to pass. Dishes, tableware and beverage will be provided.

19 Sep. The Cheboygan and Presque Isle Genealogical Societies are sponsoring a conference featuring John W. Heisey of York, Penn. Registration begins at 8 am.

The Detroit Soc. for Genealogical Research provides interesting monthly programs. Their schedule to Feb. '93 is found later in this issue. The public is invited.

We have been informed that the Saginaw G. S. has reprinted the "History of Saginaw County". Interested persons may order this publication from the society by sending a check for \$70.00 made out to the Saginaw Genealogical Soc. c/o Ms. Darlene Hudson 1495 E. Curtis Rd., Birch Run, Mi 48415.

### QUERIES

**Info re:**the Cameron surname. Mary Lou Drew of 4824 Waterman Rd. in Vassar, Mi 48768 would like to hear from anyone who has researched this or the Force surname. Her phone # 517-823-7322. She provided us with the family group sheet found on a later page in this issue.

**Info re:**Anthony Link, b. Germany, 1823, his wife Barbara Trimblar, b. Germany, 1825, Frank Chesney, b. Germany, 18 Dec. 1838, d. Bay City, 3 Mar. 1923, his 1st wife was either Mary Louise Prior or Louise Schroeder, and his 2nd wife was Mary Brieur, b. Austria, 1856, d. Bay City, 1929. Please contact Mary M. Rhodes at 5981 Birkdale Lane in San Luis Obispo, CA 93401 if you can help. She sent a SASE to us.

**Info re:**the family of Laughlin and Hannah (Hederman) McFayden. She is listed as a widow in the 1900 Bay City Census with son Daniel and daughter Mary b. 1874, and son John, b. 1877. Helen Shepherd of 2016 Brown St. S.E., Olympia, WA, 98501. She sent a SASE.

**Info re:** birth record of Marguarite Irene Gannon, b. Aug. 1889, dau. of William and Catherine Gannon. Our clerk's office reportedly has no record of her birth but her death record shows Bay City as her birth place. Claudine Pfeitstucker, P.O.Box 452, 22962 Prospect, Armada, MI 48005. Will appreciate any help. SASE included.

**Info re:** August and Eleanora Keimann reportedly moved into the Pinconning area ca 1920. August died ca 1935 and Eleanora removed to Chicago. Mr. Cliff Brown, 17025 33rd Ave. S, Seattle, WA 98188-4445, would greatly appreciate assistance in getting further info on the death of August and will pay for expenses involved.

### FROM THE TUSCOLA CO. GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY, SPRING 92

For those who have ancestors who emigrated from England to the U.S. via Canada, the Public Archives of Canada, 395 Wellington St. Ottawa, ONT K1A 0N3, Canada has the records between mid-1800's and 1919. Records of Entry, Employment and Immigration Canada, Ottawa, Ont K1A 0J9, Canada has the records from 1919 on. There is no problem if the immigrant is dead but authorization for the release of living emigrants must be obtained.

Presentations regarding research in Germany, Switzerland, British Isles and New York State will follow with a buffet lunch from 12:30-1:30. Conference fee will be \$20 prior to 12 Sep. or \$25 at the door. Send your registration to the Presque Isle Co. Gen. Soc. c/o B. Brown, Box 208, Bonz Hwy., Onaway, MI 49765.

25-27 Sep. The Second Annual River of Time Living History Re-encampment will take place by the Trombley House in Veteran's Memorial Park. Over 250 re-enactors from around the mid-west will take part in re-creating life as it was lived from the French and Indian War through the Civil War. Visitors to the event will be able to interact with soldiers and sutlers (traders). They will be able to see craftsmen and women making hand made products, military drills, cannons, fife and drum corps and much more. This is sponsored by the Bay Co. Historical Society.

25-26 Sep. The New England Regional Genealogical Conference will be held at the Sturbridge Host Hotel in Sturbridge, MA. Lectures are from 8:30-4:30 each day with forty presentations of interest to the genealogist. For registration info contact The New England Regional Genealogical Conference c/o NEHGS, 101 Newbury St., Boston, MA 02116.

26 Sep. The Saginaw River Marine Historical Society's monthly program, "Restoration of the Port Austin Lighthouse," will be held at the Historical Museum of Bay Co. at 7 pm.

Their monthly meeting in Oct., "Schooners of the Great Lakes," will take place on the 24th at the same time and place.

4 Oct. The Mid-Michigan Antiquarian Book and Paper Show will take place at a new location, the Lansing Center, 333 E. Michigan Ave., Lansing from 10am-5pm.

8-10 Oct. The Michigan Genealogical Council Seminar will take place at the Hilton Inn, Airport in Grand Rapids. Each member of our society should have received a program by now. If you haven't received yours and are interested in going contact WMGS Membership Chairman, c/o Grand Rapids Public Library, Liberty Plaza, Grand Rapids, MI 49503.

31 Oct.-1 Nov. First Annual Mid-West Electronic Genealogy Convention, Cedar Rapids, Iowa. Registration information may be obtained by contacting GENECON92 Cedar Valley Convention & Visitors Bureau, P.O. Box 0609, Cedar Rapids, IA 52406-0609.



THE DETROIT SOCIETY FOR GENEALOGICAL RESEARCH  
5201 WOODWARD AVE. DETROIT, MICHIGAN 48202  
September 1992

Dear Members and Friends,

Listed below is the schedule for the first half of the 1992-1993 season of programs. All meetings are on Saturdays at the Detroit Public Library, unless otherwise stated, beginning at 2:00PM. Room location will be posted in the Burton Historical Collection. There is no charge for our meetings. To become better acquainted, come join us for coffee and conversation at 1:30 PM. DSGR publications and genealogical aids will be available for purchase afterwards.

- 12 Sep.1992 Join us for our historical walking tour of MT.ELLIOTT CATHOLIC CEMETERY, conducted by noted lecturer, DR.MARTIN BROSNAN. We will walk rain or shine, so please come prepared!
- 8-10 Oct. MICHIGAN GENEALOGICAL COUNCIL SEMINAR in Grand Rapids, Michigan. See the brochure previously mailed for details.
- 17 Oct 1992 NOTE: THIS IS NOT OUR REGULAR MEETING DAY!!! NANCY WANSHON, member of PEOPLE OF THE EARTH chapter of HONOR OUR NEIGHBORS' ORIGINS AND RIGHTS, will talk about AMERICAN INDIANS.
- 14 Nov. 1992 ANNUAL WORKSHOP-The "how to" of COMPUTER GENEALOGY. Come, even if you don't have one yet!
- 9:30 AM Registration, all groups.  
9:45-10:30 COMPUTER KINDERGARTEN: INTRODUCTION TO COMPUTERS  
10:30-12:30 BEGINNERS: (#1) BROTHERS KEEPER by JOHN STEED;  
(#2) PERSONAL ANCESTRAL FILE by RICHARD DOHERTY;  
(#3) ROOTS III by JAMES JACKSON;  
(#4) FAMILY ROOTS by JANET GERSTENECKER.  
2:00-4:00PM INTERMEDIATE: Will cover the same four programs in separate sessions running concurrently.
- 12 Dec 1992 THERE ARE NO DUMB QUESTIONS IN GENEALOGY. Join us for a problem-solving help-session chaired by BETTY LOU MORRIS, past president, DSGR.
- 9 Jan 1993 THE INS AND OUTS OF PROBATE COURT presented by THE HONORABLE FREDDIE G. BURTON, JR., CHIEF JUDGE, WAYNE COUNTY PROBATE COURT.
- ?? Feb 1993 ANNUAL TRIP TO THE ALLEN COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY, FT. WAYNE, INDIANA. For Members only. Details to follow.

QUESTIONS? CALL JOAN LE MOND(E) DANCY (313) 791-0662

Comments # 2 Regarding The Society Constitution & Bylaws

In September 1991, the Society Chairperson detailed the Vice Chair to investigate the need for revision of the Society Constitution and Bylaws.

At a later meeting handout, members were asked for comments regarding Amendments, Revisions, or Additions to the document.

To this date no change was suggested to Articles I, II, III, IV.

A suggested change to Article V - Officers.

1. The Officers of the Society shall be; President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer. (delete Editor).
2. REWORDED - Executive Board shall consist of current Officers, plus Standing Committee Chairmen, and Immediate Past President.
3. ADDED - Standing Committees shall be Editor and Librarian, and any other Committees as the Group approves by Motion.

No Change - 4, 5, 6, 7 .

Articles VI, VII, VIII . No Change.

Article IX - New numbered Article. Funds.

1. The Treasurer of the Society shall be responsible and accountable for handling Society Funds. A Society Budget shall be prepared once a year, and voted by simple majority.
2. The Society shall have a Post Office Box and a Bank Account.

Present Articles IX and X to be renumbered to X and XI.

Article IX - Amendments - The constitution and Bylaws may be amended at any meeting of the Society by a two-thirds vote of those present, and voting. Notice of the proposed amendment shall be provided members in written form at least 7 days before the meeting.

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