
** CLARION **

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HAPPY NEW YEAR!!

MEETING: The first meeting of the New Year, (weather permitting) will be held at 7:30 pm on Wednesday, Jan. 14, 1981 in the Commissioner's Room on the second floor of the County Building. Madison Street entrance.

BUSINESS: We will be having a board meeting on Saturday the 10th to discuss some problems confronting genealogical researchers in the coming year and to map out a schedule. These will be presented to the members at the meeting and further discussion will be encouraged from the group. Our delegates to the Michigan Council have some disturbing reports and we urge everyone to try to be there.

PROGRAM: The length of the business meeting may shorten the program but one member has promised to bring her collection of campaign buttons and early election mementos. Also if you are having any problems in your research and need help in anything, bring it along and we will combine forces and see if we can help you out of your dilemma.

LIBRARY: The Bay County Library System has a new reader designed to help people with limited eye-sight. The machine, which magnifies written material and projects it on a screen was a gift from a library patron. Stop in at the library and see the special counter provided for the readers. It is a big improvement. The lost index to the exchange quarterlies has been located and back on the shelf.

COMMENTARY: Summer is a long way off but now is the time to begin thinking of what we can do when summer comes again. Winter months are a good time to catch up on letter writing and organizing our material. This is the time to put together our family groups and to stake out the areas where we want to do research. Check the census records and the 1840-1850 indices to locate your family or branches of your family. Get maps of the area if possible. Write to county clerks and enclose a SASE and ask them to send you a map of the Co. These are a big help in locating cemeteries, roads and landmarks. Write to, or visit older relatives and ask questions. You may be surprised at how eager they are to talk about "the good old days". Try to find a family Bible or old letters to give added clues.

CHIPS & SHIPS: A quarterly published by the Bay County Genealogical Society, 1969-1978. Back issues may be purchased for \$1.00 each if available. Issues needed that are out of print may be xeroxed for \$2.00 each.

MEMBERSHIP: Dues are payable in January of each year at \$7.00 per member. Additional members of the same family, \$2.00. Make check or M.O. payable to: Mrs. Hilda Taylor, Treasurer, at the mailing address below. Each member receives a membership card and a copy of the bulletin, the CLARION each month. Limited research in the Bay County area is a part of our service to members.

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