

Happy
Mothers
Day!



GRANDMA WISDOM

Yesterday is a cancelled check, and tomorrow is a promissory note. But Today is cash, ready for us to spend in living.
Barbara Johnson

Each day comes bearing its own gifts. Untie the ribbons.
Ruth Ann Schabacker

Life is what we make it. Always has been, always will be.
Grandma Moses

It's not the load that breaks you down, it's the way you carry it.
Lena Horne

There are three ways to get something: do it yourself, employ someone, or forbid your children to do it.
Martha Crane

God has a plan for all of us, but he expects us to do our share of the work.
Minnie Pearl

Grandparents are our living links to the past.
George Bush

Indexers Are The Genealogist's Best Friends

HSGS Web Site. <www.rootsweb.com/~usgenweb/mi/iosco/3501hsgs.htm> is the address for our HSGS's indexes now on the Internet. The search engine for this site, or all of Michigan or any of the other Michigan's counties is www.rootsweb.com/~usgenweb/mi/search.htm. We currently have (Apr 30) 612 indexes, 16,291 printed pages long, and 768,283 names indexed. All these files are on HSGS's CD, and 92% on HSGS's web site. The status of these indexes on our as follows:

Master Index Status	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr
On the web with a current date	159	188	224	247	254	258	286	370	440	451	470
On the web with an outdated date	126	125	123	123	125	122	124	99	100	101	101
Sent to the web site but not yet on	18	0	28	12	10	4	3	0	0	0	0
New indexes not yet sent to web	136	89	26	77	96	115	112	71	12	21	17
New indexes, not edited	0	44	57	12	14	13	10	12	14	15	15
New indexes partially keypunched	0	3	11	15	15	16	16	16	21	18	18
Total	439	449	469	486	514	528	551	568	587	606	621

HSGS member Dan Stock is placing our indexes directly on the USGENWEB web site.

New Indexes added this month to HSGS Web Site & the HSGS Library:

- *Index to Herald 1906: Jun, Jul, Aug, Sep, Oct & Nov.* By Joan Doerr of Ellicott City MD.
- *Index to Herald 1925: Jan & Feb.* By Joan Doerr of Ellicott City MD.
- *Index To Tawas Area School Yearbook: 1978.* By Jim Farrand of National City MI.
- *Index To The Handbook Of American Genealogy Volume II: 1934 (Living Persons in MI).* By Alonzo Sherman of Oscoda MI.
- *Index To Rural Route 1 America (Oscoda Co MI Area).* By Alonzo Sherman of Oscoda MI.
- *Index To Michigan Voyageurs: 1807-1817.* By Alonzo Sherman of Oscoda MI.
- *Index To Women's History,* By Alonzo Sherman of Oscoda MI.
- *Index To This Is The Way They Went To School- West & Northwest Of Saginaw Bay Around The Turn Of The Century.* By Alonzo J Sherman of Oscoda MI.

New Books Added this Month to HSGS's Library:

- *Oscoda Area High School Yearbooks: 1978, 1979, 1984, 1986, 1987, 1988 & 1989.* Donated by Barbara Wesselhoeft of Oscoda MI.
- *Where The Star Came To Rest: Stories Of the Catholic People In West Michigan,* by Gaspar E Ancona, ©2001, 256 pages. Donated to Parks Library book sale, & then donated to HSGS.
- *20 issues of the News Herald (1982-1985), all containing editorials by Neil Thornton.* Donated by Ann Falkenhagen of Oscoda MI.

Genealogical Records ready to be keypunched. These records are ready to be keypunched, and most of them can be keypunched on your home computer. The records can be mailed to people who live out of town, unless indicated below. The MS-Word format is already established on a 1.4KB floppy disk, along with the keypunch instructions. If you can keypunch any of these indexes please contact Mr Sherman at 989-739-3650 or <shermanaj@hotmail.com>.

- *Plat Books for Iosco County MI (Land Owners): 1956, 1962, 1973, 1979 & 2001* (about 2000 names each)
- *Iosco Community Concert Association, 4 Scrapbooks: 1964-1994.*
- *Iosco Community Concert Association, Secretaries' Book: 1976-1994.*
- *Alcona-Iosco Retired Teachers' Association Scrapbook: 1964-1972.*
- *Wurtsmith AFB Officers' Wives' Club Scrapbooks: 1951-1991* (27 books, about 250 names each).

- *Wurtsmith AFB Officers' Wives' Garden Club Scrapbooks: 1962-1974* (4 books, about 250 names each).
- *Wurtsmith AFB Officers' Wives' Newsletter, The Warbler: 1963-1988* (about 250 names for each monthly issue, and about 72,000 names in total). These can be checked out and done at home.
- *Wurtsmith AFB News: 1955-1993 (Weekly Newspaper)*, most issues must be indexed in the Parks Library, however some duplicate issues can be done in your home (about 100 names per issue, and about 200,000 names in total).
- *Wurtsmith AFB Family Services Scrapbooks* (6 scrapbooks, about 300 names for each scrapbook, and about 1,800). These can be checked out and done at home.
- *Glass Negatives: 1892-1905* needs improvements. Must be done at the Iosco Co Historical Museum, (estimated 3,000 names)
- *Obituaries on 3x5 cards* (must be done at the Iosco Co Historical Museum)
- *Short Family Tree: Descendants Of Samuel Short, Iosco & Other mid-Michigan Counties*, (estimated 2,500 names)
- *7 Justice of the Peace Records*, can be borrowed for keypunching from the Iosco Co Historical Museum, (estimated from 1,000-2000 names each):
 - East Tawas Village 1945-1951 Civil; 1949-1952 Criminal; 1950s Criminal; 1951-1961 Civil; 1951-1961 Criminal; 1952-1956 Criminal; & 1955-1959 Civil.
- *Michigan Pioneer Society: 1877-1929, 40 Volumes, (estimated 3,750 names per issue)*. The following volumes are ready to keypunch: *Volume 29, 1899-1900*.
- *Central Michigan University Commencement: 1979* (estimated 4,000 names)
- *Central Michigan University Directory: 1900-1991*, purchased by HSGS (estimated 300 Iosco County Names)
- *Social Register Summer 1926, Detroit MI area © 1926* (estimated 750 names)
- *Biography Index to the Michigan Manuals: 1923-1973, (estimated 30,000 names)*
- *Michigan Manuals (Biographies Only) 1887 & 1891-2000* (about 225-350 names per issue: Must be keypunched in the Parks Library as they are reference books that do not circulate).
- *Michigan's Early Military Forces* (Estimated 8,000 names). Must be done in the local area.
- *University Of Michigan Yearbook: 1924, (Estimated 5,600 names)*.
- *Michigan Biographies, (estimated 4,500 names)*. Must be done in Parks Library.
- *Hale Area High School 100 Year History 1901-2002* (Estimated 2,000 names).
- *Oscoda Area High School Yearbooks: 1978, 1979, 1984, 1986, 1987, 1988 & 1989* (estimated 1,500 – 2000 names each).
- *The Northern Journal: Northern Michigan's Magazine of Heritage, Jan, Apr, Aug, Oct, Feb 2003 & Dec 2004*
- *AuSable River Canoe Marathon: 1947-1997. (Estimated 4,000 names)*.
- *Native Americans In Michigan: A Bibliography of Material In the Clarke Historical Library (Estimated 550 names)*.

Welcome To Two New HSGS's Indexers: Rancy Beuthin of Falmouth MI & Sandra Yorkell-Parker of Ponderay ID.

Carry Nation. Mrs John Orban of Alpena is the newest disciple of Carry Nation. Armed with her hatchet she walked into W H Gray's saloon and proceeded to clean the place out. She cut the bartender's hand and did considerable damage before the police arrived and placed her under arrest. (Tawas herald July 27 1906, submitted by Joan Doerr).

Arenac County Independent Newspaper. Doris Demet of Union Grove, Wisconsin has agreed to index the obituaries and death notices from the 1972-2000 Arenac County Independent newspaper. She is using microfilm obtained through the services of the inter-library loan program between the Library of Michigan and her local library.

HSGS's Jobs List (This will be a recurring article in this newsletter). It is necessary for other HSGS members to step forward and accomplish these jobs. The members currently working in the library are busy serving the patrons research needs, and do not have time left for this work. Note some of these jobs can be done in you home wherever you live, and some can only be done in your home if you live in the local

area, and some need to be done in the library. Contact Mr Sherman if you can help at shermanaj@hotmail.com or 989-739-3650.

Job Name	Hrs	Location	Special Skills
Correspondence Files, maintain	1 wkly	Library	None
File Box Liners, add cardboard liners to new file-boxes	8	Home (local only) or Library	None
File-box Labels, make labels for Index & Document file-boxes	40	Library	Typing
Letter 40 Pioneer Society book spines	2-4hrs	Library	Gelink Pen (HSGS has)
Newsletter File Organized	8	Library	None
Project Officer for Poor Farm Cemetery		Spartan Rd, Tawas City	Lawn mower & trimmer
Proper shelving of books, check for	1 wkly	Library	None
Time Report- Help design & maintain HSGS Time Report (For stats for future grants etc)	4 mo	Home (anywhere)	Computer, Excel or Word (tables), & Email

HURON SHORES GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY. C/o Robert J Parks Public Library, 6010 N Skeel Ave, Oscoda MI 48750, and Phone 989-739-9581. The Library is open Mon, Fri & Sat 9:00am-5:00pm & Tue-Wed-Thur 9am-8:00pm (HSGS member available 9:00am-3:00pm Sat). HSGS's meetings are 7-8pm the 3rd Thursday of Jan, Apr, and Jul & Oct in the Oscoda Library. Officers, project leaders & active indexers are listed below:

Name	Current Projects	E-mail	Phone
Beuthin, Rancy	Indexing Pioneer Society	<arby@speed2u.net>	
Birnbaum, Charles	Iosco County Death Indexes, News Herald Index, Saginaw News Obits etc	<Birnbaumcr@hotmail.com>	989-362-5994
Brewer, Karen	Transcribing various cemetery records	<kfolly@earthlink.net>	810-749-2830
Carraway, Marianne	1963 & 1977 Hale Year Books	<mcarraway@charter.mi.net>	989-739-9569
Dingus, Ginger Metcalf	Secretary, Transcribing various records	<gingey326@hotmail.com>	989-820-0078
Doerr, Joan	Tawas Herald Newspaper Index	<JoanDoerr@hotmail.com>	410-461-1407
Donaldson, James	Assists with His Oscoda Press Collection	<ab6943@wayne.edu>	313-835-2440
Dressel, David	Transcribing various records	<ddressel@mail.cyberspeedway.net>	480-838-4744
Durkin, Thomas	Transcribing various records	<TomPatDurkin@aol.com>	904-273-8053
Farrand, Jim	Transcribing various records	<farrand@chartermi.net>	989-469-2308
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Groff, Jan	Transcribing various records	<jalynn1G@yahoo.com>	989-362-6777
Huebner, Christine	Transcribing various records	<delnorte@voyager.net>	989-362-7423
Klenow, Rosemary	President	<klenowr@alpena.cc.mi.us>	989-362-5425
Kruszka, Anne Percival	Iosco County Gazette Index	<ackruszka@wmconnect.com>	734-261-6416
Lascon, Diana	Transcribing various records	<dlacson_2000@yahoo.com>	510-487-5729
Petee, Bonnie	Transcribing various records	<gypsy2@chartermi.net>	810-636-9348
Schoonover, Duane	Transcribing various records	<duane881@hotmail.com>	989-820-0078
Selbrede, Jennifer	Tawas Herald Newspaper Index	<jen@postoffice.ccis.com>	760-373-2204
Sheldon, Judy	Treasurer	<jsheldon@amaesd-net.com>	989-739-5497
Sherman, Alonzo	Librarian/Publications	<shermanaj@hotmail.com>	989-739-3650
Stevens, Grace	School Yearbooks Index	<GraceACE@aol.com>	616-349-7840
Stock, Dan	Putting HSGS indexes on the Web Site	<etts95@yahoo.com>	989-739-4239
Stonehouse, Naomi	Vice-President	<alvene2000@yahoo.com>	989-362-8187
Summers, Leona	Oscoda Press Index	<no email>	989-724-6510
Whitford, Sandy	Indexing HS Yearbooks	<wumpw@yahoo.com>	989-362-3679
Yorkell-Parker, Sandra	Indexing Pioneer Society	<syparker@nidlink.com>	

School Days. Reading a book about the old schools in the area the following statement was made. "The ink bottles would freeze solid in the winter time and the kids used to set the bottles on the stove to thaw out. Suddenly a cork would pop out and hit the ceiling, and sometimes send a shower of ink about the room. (*This Is the Way They Went To School, c1950, and page 15*).

Abrams Genealogy Series- 2004. Contact <www.Michigan.gov/hal> for info. (Flint Gen Soc Newsletter v27n2 March 2004).

June 5	Genealogy Recourses at the Michigan Library & Historical Center
Aug 7	Dutch Genealogy
Oct 2	Ship's Passenger Lists
Dec 4	Finding your 20 th Century Ancestors

Health Insurance for Lumberjacks. In 1893 the St Mary's Hospital operated by the Benedictine Sisters in St Joseph MN, offered health insure to the lumberjacks. A similar system was used earlier in ND for cowboys. Lumberjacks who purchased the "lumberjack ticket" were offered free medical care at any hospital operated by the Benedictine Sisters in northern MN. (The complete story is in, *A Call to Care: The Women who Built Catholic Healthcare in American*, by Suzy Farren, ©1996, Pages 139-140). Note: A similar insurance system was used by St Mary's Hospital in Saginaw MI for the Michigan lumberjacks. (Editor).

PERSI Online. HeritageQuest Online division has released PERSI Online. The Periodical Source Index, or PERSI, is the largest subject index to genealogical and historical periodical articles in the world. Created by the foundation and department staff of the Historical Genealogy Department of the Allen County Public Library in Fort Wayne, Indiana, PERSI is widely recognized as being a vital source for genealogical researchers. ProQuest's online products are not available directly to private individuals, but are available at several larger libraries. (Dick Eastman Newsletter, 02/29/2004).

Grave Markers Moved for Septic System. A Nashville, Indiana, man faces trial on charges that he moved grave markers at a historic cemetery to make room for a septic system for his home. Daniel B. Scalpelli, 48, was charged in December 2001 with disturbing Fleetwood Cemetery as he worked on the septic system for his new home near Morgantown. Scalpelli faces a felony charge of disturbing a cemetery without a permit and misdemeanor charges of cemetery mischief and moving a grave memorial without a recording. His bench trial, before Brown Circuit Judge Judith Stewart, is scheduled to begin this week. (Dick Eastman Newsletter 02/29/2004).

Modern Detective Finds Unmarked Graves. Elizabeth Wilson-Agin is a geophysicist who owns her own consulting business specializing in finding unmarked graves. "I'm the only one in the United States who does what I do that I know of," Wilson-Agin said. "Surprisingly, I get a lot of people that call me and want my help finding unmarked graves."

The Kansas resident uses the latest technology to examine the soil. Ground-penetrating radar has been used successfully in some locations. While Wilson-Agin has that technology available, she says that the radar does not work well in the predominantly clay soil of Kansas. Her primary tool is an electro-magnetic conductivity meter, supplemented by a number of other high-tech devices.

Click [here](#) to read more in an article by Tom Stoppel, published in the Hillsboro Free Press. Wilson-Agin can be reached by e-mail at infinitygeo@yahoo.com. Dick Eastman Newsletter 02/29/2004).

A Signature Is the Mark of Character. When making up my ancestral photo album, I get copies of signatures from my ancestors' old court records and place each person's signature below his or her photo. This makes the album and each photo much more personal." (Ancestry.com Monthly Update, April 2004).

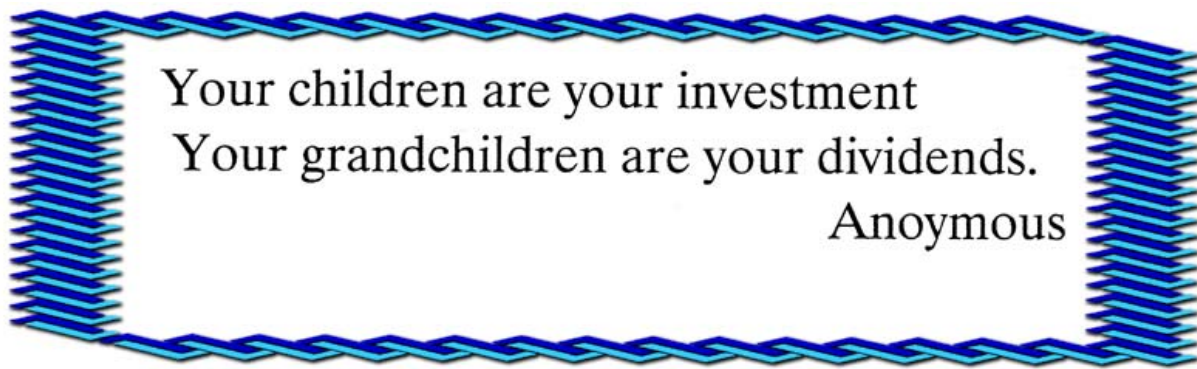
Yates Publishing. This is a source of prepared Family Group Sheets. See <www.yates.montana.com> for details. (Submitted by Jim Farrell of National City MI).

Genealogy Scammer Pleads Guilty. Elias Abodeely III pleaded guilty to first-degree theft in court in Cedar Rapids, Iowa, on Friday, April 23. Abodeely admitted to stealing money from genealogists via a long string of Web sites that were long on promises but short on delivery. (Dick Eastman Newsletter April 26 2004).

FindAGrave.com. Find A Grave is a Website where volunteers submit the data from thousands of cemeteries worldwide and let others search for free. The site presently has roughly 5.3 million records in its database. The Web site also has "photo volunteers" in hundreds of communities who will take digital photos of headstones for you. You can search this interesting database at <http://www.findagrave.com>. (Dick Eastman Newsletter April 12 2004).

US Veterans Administration (VA) Offers On-Line Nationwide Gravesite Locator. The nationwide grave locator contains more than three million records of veterans and dependents buried in VA's 120 cemeteries since the Civil War. It also has records of some burials in state veterans' cemeteries and burials in Arlington National Cemetery from 1999 to the present. You can access this resource at <http://www.cem.va.gov>. (Dick Eastman Newsletter April 26 3004).

HSGS Treasurers Report. Savings \$540.70, Checking \$182.87, cash on hand \$25.00, Total \$748.57.



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