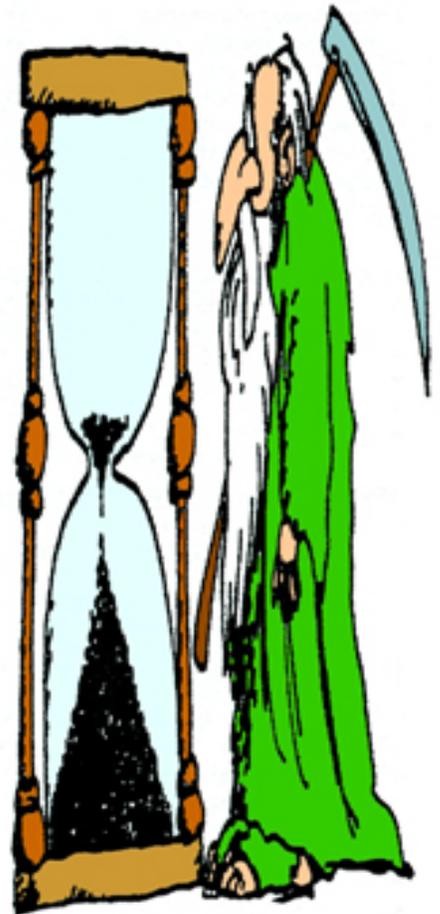




“We tend to forget that Happiness doesn’t come as a Result of getting something We don’t have, but rather of recognizing and appreciating what we do have.”

Fredrick Koening



Indexers Are The Genealogist's Best Friends

The December 31 2004 newsletter is our last hard copy printed newsletter to be mailed out.

Visit our monthly newsletter, and about 5 years of back issues (this is started and will take a few months to finish), on our host web site at www.AuSableOscodaHistoricalSociety.org. Our link is located on the bottom of their second page:

- To read a newsletter, click the link to the Huron Shores Genealogical Society's Newsletters, and then select the year/month of the newsletter you want to read; Or
- To search all the newsletters for specific word or phrase, go to the very bottom of second page to the search engine, and enter your query. For a SIMPLE SEARCH always use the "select all words" option, and also include HSGS as one of the words. For a PHRASE SEARCH do not use HSGS as a word.

The search engine is hosted free by Alonzo Sherman's web site www.sherman-roots.com. Some Historical & Sherman hits may be included with your newsletter search results, just ignore these. Most of the time during trial runs the Historical & Sherman hits were rather small in number for both the simple or phase search. In the design of this system we accepted this search inconvenience. Because our whole newsletter site is hosted by existing sites, and it is free. And free is good enough!

Tip: The search engine used is like a most library search engine, and considers a hit when all letters (left to right) in the search term is found. For example "dog" will return dog, dogs, doggies, dogwood etc. Internet search engines on the other hand will only return the exact term asked for, although some do adjust for plurality.

A person can print a hard copy of any newsletter from this site for about 25¢ on a home computer.

The HSGS officers hope you enjoy the additionally benefits this systems brings, as well as the savings of \$600-700 dollars a year for printing and postage costs. After you try the new system please let us have your comments.

OFFICERS Elected For 2005:

Office	Name
President	Naomi Stonehouse
Vice-President	Rosemary Klenow
Secretary	Ginger Dingus
Treasurer	Judy Sheldon

HSGS Web Site. <www.rootsweb.com/~usgenweb/mi/iosco/3501hsgs.htm> is the address for our HSGS's indexes 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 (December 31 2004) 742 indexes, 19,692 printed pages, & 931,362 names indexed. The file size is about 521MB. All these files are on HSGS's CD, but only 91% are on the web site (does not include new indexes within the last month, draft indexes not yet finished, & a some random data corrections). The status of all indexes is as follows:

Master Index Status	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
On the web with a current date	370	440	451	470	458	522	542	569	598	607	625	627
On the web with an outdated date	99	100	101	101	113	75	74	71	60	60	49	49
New indexes not yet sent to web	71	12	21	17	28	25	25	8	8	7	3	22
New indexes, not edited	12	14	15	15	16	13	13	13	12	13	13	13
New indexes partially keypunched	16	21	18	18	18	19	18	21	30	30	31	31
Total	568	587	606	621	633	654	672	682	708	717	721	742

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

New Indexes added this month to HSGS's Library & Web Site.

- *Herald Aug, Sep, Oct, Nov 1923.* By Joan Doerr of Ellicott City MD.
- *Iosco Co Death Records 1969-1917.* By Charles Birnbaum of Tawas City MI.
- *Saginaw News Death records, Iosco Co & Adjacent Areas 1995-2001.* By Charles Birnbaum.
- *Iosco County Death Records 1867-1885 (MDPH-GENDIX).* By Ginger Dingus of East Tawas MI.
- *Sanborn Maps, Iosco County 1884-1938.* By Alonzo J Sherman of Oscoda MI.
- AuSable-Oscoda Historical Society's Postcard Collection. By Alonzo Sherman.
- History of the Whittemore Family of Michigan: 1641-1972. By Alonzo J Sherman.

New Books Etc Added this Month to HSGS's Library/Archives:

- *The Ontario Genealogical Society, Newsleaf, v16n4 Nov 1986.* Found on HSGS's desk.
- *The Ontario Genealogical Society, Newsleaf, v18n2 May 1988.* Found on HSGS's desk.
- *Messages of the Governors of Michigan (Governors John B Swainson & George W Romney 1941-1969), v8,* by Gleaves Whitney, ©2004. Found on HSGS's desk.
- *Messages of the Governors of Michigan (Governors William G Milliken & James J Blanchard 1969-1990) v9,* by Gleaves Whitney, ©2004. Found on HSGS's desk.
- *Messages of the Governors of Michigan (Governor John M Engler 1991-2002) v10,* by Gleaves Whitney, ©2004. Found on HSGS's desk.
- *Oscoda Press Newspaper: 1999-2001.* Donated by the Parks Library.
- *Iosco County News Herald: 1999-2001.* Donated by the Parks Library.
- *History of the Whittemore Family of Michigan: 1641-1972.* HSGS made copy of manuscript located in the Whittemore Public Library.

HSGS's Treasurers Report. Savings \$77.23, Checking \$408.87, cash on hand \$26.45 = Total \$512.55.

HSGS Records ready to be keypunched

Pri	Folder	Name	Names	Owner	Comments
1	BUS	Glass Negatives: 1892-1905, current index needs improvements (ICHS)	3,000	ICHS	KP only at the ICHS
1	LAN	Plat Books for Iosco County MI: 1979 & 2001, about 2,000 name each	4,000	HSGS	KP anywhere
1	LAW	7 Justice of the Peace Records for East Tawas Village: 1945-1951 Civil; 1949-1952 Criminal; 1950s Criminal; 1951-1961 Civil; 1951-1961 Criminal; 1952-1956 Criminal; & 1955-1959 Civil (1,000-1,500 names each)	10,000	ICHS	KP locally
1	NPG	Gazette Newspaper, 214 hard copy issues	45,000	AOHS	KP locally
1	NPX	Obituaries on 3x5 cards	1,000	ICHS	KP at ICHS
1	SCHO	Oscoda Area High School Yearbooks: 1984, 1986, 1987, 1988 & 1989 (about 2,000 names each) (HSGS)	12,000	HSGS	KP anywhere
2	Bus	Glennie, Hale, Sand Lake Heights & Whittemore Phone Book: 1969/1970.	1,000	HSGS	KP anywhere
2	BUS	Hale, Glennie & Whittemore Phone Book: 1968.	1,000	HSGS	KP anywhere
2	BUS	Tawas & Oscoda Telephone Directories: 1964, 1970, 1964, 1970, about 1,000 names each	4,000	HSGS	KP anywhere
2	MIL	Wurtsmith AFB Family Services Scrapbooks, 1960-1962, 1975-1972, 1973, 1976, 1978 & 1985, about 300 names for each book	1,800	AOHS	KP locally
2	MIL	Wurtsmith AFB News: 1955-1993 (Weekly), about 100 names per issue	200,000	AOHS	Most KP in Parks Library & KP Duplicates locally
2	MIL	Wurtsmith AFB Officers' Wives' Club Scrapbooks: 1951-1991, 27 books, about 250 names each	6,750	ICHS	KP locally
2	MIL	Wurtsmith AFB Officers' Wives' Garden Club Scrapbooks: 1962-1974 4 books, about 250 names each	1,000	ICHS	KP locally
2	MIL	Wurtsmith AFB Officers' Wives' Newsletter, The Warbler: 1963-1988 (about 250 names for each monthly)	72,000	ICHS	KP locally
3	HIS	Alcona-Iosco Retired Teachers' Association Scrapbook: 1964-1972.	1,500	ICHS	KP locally

3	HIS	Iosco Community Concert Association, 4 Scrapbooks: 1964-1994.	4,000	ICHS	KP locally
3	HIS	Iosco Community Concert Association, Secretaries' Book: 1976-1994.	2,000	ICHS	KP locally
4	XBI	Michigan Biographies	4,500	PPL	KP locally
4	XBI	Social Register Summer 1926, Detroit MI area © 1926	750	HSGS	KP anywhere
4	XCEM	Arenac County Michigan Cemetery Inscriptions	7,000	PPL	KP locally
4	XED	University Of Michigan Yearbook: 1928	5,600	HSGS	KP anywhere
4	XIN	Native Americans In Michigan: A Bibliography of Material In the Clarke Historical Library	550	HSGS	KP anywhere
4	XMI	Michigan's Early Military Forces (partly done)	8,000	HSGS	KP locally
4	XXX	Michigan Voices	200	HSGS	KP locally
4	XXX	AuSable River Canoe Marathon: 1947-1997	4,000	HSGS	KP anywhere
5	XBI	Michigan Pioneer Society: 1877-1929, 40 Volumes, 3,750 names per issue	150,000	PPL	Must be done in Parks Library
5	XED	Central Michigan University Commencement: 1979	4,000	HSGS	KP anywhere
5	XHI	The Northern Journal: Northern Michigan's Magazine of Heritage, v1n1, v1n2, v1n3(missing), v1n4, v1n5, v1n6, v2n1, 2004Calendar, about 200 names each	1,200	HSGS	KP anywhere
5	XMM	Biography Index to the Michigan Manuals: 1923-1973	30,000	HSGS	KP in the Parks Library
5	XMM	Michigan Manuals (Biographies Only) 1885-2002, 58 issues, about 300 names each	17,400	PPL	KP in the Parks Library
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Owners of the record: AOHS = AuSable-Oscoda Historical Society; HSGS = Huron Shores Genealogical Society; ICHS = Iosco County Historical Society; & PPL = Parks Public 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 only 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
Letter 40 Pioneer Society Book spines	2-4hrs	Library	Gelink Pen (HSGS has)
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 ACTIVE MEMBERS. 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 (This may change in 2005, so call before coming). Officers, project leaders & active indexers are listed below:

Name	Current Projects	E-mail	Phone
Beuthin, Rancy	Indexing Pioneer Society	<arby@speed2u.net>	231-825-9773
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
Burns, Samantha	Transcribing various records	none	989-739-7431
Carraway, Marianne	Hale HS Year Books	<mcarraway@charter.mi.net>	989-739-9569
Daley, Lawrence	Hale Yearbook 1901-2002	<daleymart@msn.com>	248-253-7472
Dingus, Ginger Metcalf	Secretary, Transcribing various records	<gingey326@hotmail.com>	989-362-4706
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

Name	Current Projects	E-mail	Phone
Farrand, Jim	Transcribing various records	<farrand@chartermi.net>	989-469-2308
Foust, Ruby	Transcribing various records	<lfoust@tampabay.rr.com>	352-799-2604
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	<dlacon_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	<syarker@nidlink.com>	

Digital Sanborn (Fire Insurance) Maps. HSGS has been given a 30 free trial of the ProQuest produced digital maps thru the effort of our local district reference librarian. US wide maps include over 12,000 towns & cities from 1867-1970, including MI. Iosco County maps are dated: (1) For Oscoda 1884, 1890, 1895, 1901, 1914 & 1926; (2) for East Tawas & Tawas City 1884, 1890, 1893, 1898, 1910, 1926, & 1938.

Bus Trip To Allen County Library. Sponsored by the Detroit Society for Genealogical Research on Feb 12 (Sat) 2005. For more info contact Catherine Phillips 248-541-0403 or cpsrch@aol.com. (Det Soc Gen Research flyer).

Gladwin County Genealogical Society Seminar, 8am-3pm April 9 (Sat) 2005 at the Lutheran Church, 331 W Clendenning in Gladwin MI. Two great speakers will be Shirley Hodges & Carole Callard. For more info call Sharon Thurston at 989-426-1347. (Gladwin Gen Soc flyer).

Bus Trip To Allen County Library. Sponsored by the Gladwin County Genealogical Society on April 28-29 (Thur-Fri) 2005. For more info call Sharon Thurston at 989-426-1347. (Gladwin Gen Soc flyer).

The Ontario Genealogical Society- Cross Border Heritage Seminar. Located at the Clearty Auditorium in Windsor Ontario on May 27-29 2005. For more info se www.ogsseminar.org.

HSGS Members from Yakima WA: Ethel & Bob Rasmussen's 2004 research. Extracted from their Christmas letter. We took 3 trips this year to meet new folks and further our family research: A week in Coeur d'Alene, Genesee and Clarkston, a day trip to Tacoma, and a 5 week, 4,000 mile trip through the USA (they visited HSGS on this trip). We saw 50 relatives, 40 that we had never met before, and a couple we hadn't seen in 60+ years. We have several more trips planned, and think we can still meet our goal of having something on paper by 2008 or 2009.

HSGS Members can now include an index of their person genealogies on the HSGS's CD and web site. Members must agree to the format specified by HSGS and must respond to all inquires made by patrons about their index: HSGS will not explain or interpret the indexes to patrons. Two site have been established in the folder ZGE; (1) Sherman Pioneers In MI (File ZGE-Sherman) by Alonzo J Sherman and (2) Birnbaum Collection (file ZGE-BirnbaumCollection) by Charles R Birnbaum. HSGS Members interested in adding their family history index should contact Alonzo Sherman at Shermanaj@hotmail.com for details.

