



INDEXERS ARE THE GENEALOGIST'S BEST FRIEND

HSGS Web Site. <www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~usgenweb/mi/iosco/3501hsgs.htm> is the address for our HSGS's indexes on the Internet. The search engine for any Michigan county is <<u>www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~usgenweb/mi/search.htm</u>>. We currently have 1252 indexes, 29,959 printed pages, and 1,321,269 name citations indexed: If indexes were printed out they would be about 9 feet tall and weighs about 300 pounds. All these files are on HSGS's master file on our computers external hard drives, & on a 2-CD set that we sell. But only about 94% are on the web site (Which does not include about 20-30 new indexes within the last two month, draft indexes not yet finished, & a some administrative corrections). The history and current status of our master indexes & CD follows:

Master Index Status	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	MAY
Current	1009	1021	1057	1063	1081	1104	1122	1130	1138	1147	1169	1178
Outdated (Introduction)	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30
New This Month	11	13	6	18	22	15	12	8	10	22	9	15
Editing In Progress	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	6
Partially Done	23	22	23	23	23	23	23	23	26	23	26	23
Totals	1080	1093	1123	1141	1163	1179	1194	1198	1211	1229	1241	1252

HSGS member and Vice-president Dan Stock is HSGS's Web Master and places our indexes directly on our USGENWEB web site.

Indexes Added This Month:

- Warbler: 1966(02), 1966(03) & 1966(11). By Jim Farrand of National City MI.
- Warbler: 1990(03), 1900(04) & 1990(05). By Barbara Johnson of Eden Prairie MN.
- The Herald: 1936(01), 1938(09), 1938(10) & 1938(12). By Joan Doerr of Ellicott City MD.
- Arg Emery Glass negative Collection 1890-1905 Part #1. By Alonzo Sherman of Oscoda MI.
- Arg Emery Glass negative Collection 1890-1905 Part #2. By Alonzo Sherman of Oscoda MI.
- Arg Emery Glass negative Collection 1890-1905 Part #4. By Alonzo Sherman of Oscoda MI.
- Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church 1870-2005. By Alonzo Sherman of Oscoda MI.

Files Scanned This Month, by Alonzo Sherman:

- o Iosco County Court House 1940-1952 8x10 B&W Photos.
- o losco County Court House 1951-1954 35mm Color Slides.
- Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church: 1870-2005.
- o Warbler: 1991(03).

<u>Files Scanned This Month, by HSGS members</u> (Charles Birnbaum, Lugene Daniels, James Farrand, Eileen Gervais, Judy Sheldon, Alonzo Sherman, Dan Stock & Naomi Stonehouse):

- Arg Emery Glass Negative Collection 1890-1905 Part #1.
- Arg Emery Glass Negative Collection 1890-1905 Part #2.
- Arg Emery Glass Negative Collection 1890-1905 Part #3.
- o Area Lumber Mills.
- o Whittemore Family.

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- o Early losco County Females.
- o Local People- Early Years.
- Air Force Commanders, 379BW

HSGS's Spring Training Program. This training was held from12 noon thru 4 pm Saturday May 23 2008 at the Parks Public Library in Oscoda MI. The subject was researching Germany Genealogy. Frieda Hirschenberger president of the Northeast Michigan Genealogical Society of Alpena MI was the Speaker. She was born in Germany and is fluent in the German language as well as family history. The class was given in English, in case you were wondering.

WARNING! HSGS's URL is being changed: The new URL will take some time to get the bugs out of it. The old URL is still active, but will be delete when the new URL becomes active. This change will require resetting your bookmark if you use a bookmark for HSGS. HSGS's webmaster Dan Stock is following this situation daily, and when all is set and checked out HSGS will email all members with the new information. ***SEE LAST PAGE OF THIS NEWSLETTER***

HSGS's Treasurers Report: Savings \$1,259.78, Checking \$741.17, cash on hand \$30.19 = Total \$2,031.14.

<u>Glass Negative Scanning Project.</u> This is a joint project between HSGS who did the scanning and indexing and the losco County Historical Society & Museum who owned the glass negatives. The project was completed May 21 2008 when HSGS delivered the scanned images and the updated index to the losco County Historical Museum. There were 4,563 images scanned which took over 550 hours and 2,500 miles driven. HSGS persons working on the project were (Charles Birnbaum, Lugene Daniels, James Farrand, Eileen Gervais, Judy Sheldon, Alonzo Sherman, Dan Stock & Naomi Stonehouse):

Year/Mo/Day	Description/Location/Contact						
2008/Summer	The traveling exhibition, America's Heritage: A History of U. S. Immigration is coming this summer to the Castle Museum in Saginaw MI. More info call Irene						
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	Hensinger at 989-752-2862 Ext 301.						
2008/06/19-21	Columbus OH. Palatines to American National Conference. More info at						
Thur-Sat	www.palam.org.						
2009/10/15-19	Midland Genealogical Society Seminar, Valley Plaza Resort in Midland MI. More						
	info later.						

TRAINING AVAILABLE (One Time Events):

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GENEALOGICAL FINDING GUIDES Etc

Item	Quantity	Location In HSGS
Archives (Located in Bldg 200 WAFB)	328 Titles, 105 CuFt	Reference Desk
Books for sale by Carol Dickinson	List of	Newsletter 2007(11)
Census MI 1894	1 35mm roll	Cabinet 1 drawer 7
Census US (MI) 1820-1920	24 35mm rolls	Cabinet 1 drawer 7
Census US (MI) 1870, 1880, 1900, 1920,	5 CD-ROMs	Cabinet 1 drawer 8
Correspondence File	86 linear feet	Cabinet 1 drawer 1-5
Files, work-in-progress	Flash Drive	Staff Computer Drive-M
For-Fee Researchers	List of Names	IN HSGS Handout on the
		Reference Desk & Newsletter
		2007(12)p5
Handout. HSGS	2 pages	Reference Desk
History of HSGS	Text	Newsletter 2007(12) p7
How-To-Do Genealogy	96 Books	Stack 2 shelf 3-4
Indexers Roll-Of-Honor, HSGS's		Newsletter 2007(12)p20
Internet Addresses, selected		Newsletter 2005(06)
Michigan Manuals for sale	List of	Newsletter 2007(06) p5
Names Indexes: Patron Computer	1,200 indexes, 1.3 million	Patron Computer Drive-Z
	names (9' tall & 285 lbs)	
Names Indexes: Staff Computer	1,200 indexes, 1.3 million	Staff Computer Drive-L
	names (9' tall & 285 lbs)	
Newsletters, HSGS's	5 years	Web-Site*
Newspaper- Gazette (Iosco Co) 1868-1947	36 35mm rolls	Cabinet 1 drawer 1-2L
Newspaper- Herald (Iosco Co) 1884-1928	20 35mm rolls	Cabinet 1 drawer 2R
Newspaper- Independent (Arenac Co) 1972-2000	33 35mm rolls	Cabinet 1 drawer 3
References, Canada	240 Books	Stack 1 shelf 3-4
References, European Countries	25 Books	Stack 1 shelf 1L
References, How-To-Do Genealogy	96 Books	Stack 2 shelf 2-4
References, Iosco County MI	243 Books	Stack 3 shelf 1-4
References, Loose Leaf (File prefix order)	4 file cabinet draws	Cabinet 2 drawer 1-4
References, Michigan	276 Books	Stack 4 shelf 1-2
References, Michigan Counties (-Iosco)	280 Books	Stack 5 shelf 1-5
References, Published Family Histories	111 Books	Stack 2 shelf 1-2
References, States (Other than MI)	901 Books	Stack 4 shelf 1-2
References, United States	103 Books	Stack 1 shelf 1R-2
Scanned References	70 references, 3.8GB	Staff Computer Drive-K
Sign-In Sheet & price list	1 page	Reference Desk
Surname Register	List of Patrons	Staff Computer Drive-L
Surname Register	List of names being researched	Staff Computer Drive-L
5	& researchers: over 100 pages	· ·
Training Courses Online, Individual	List of Courses	Newsletter 2005(02) p11
Training Schedule, Individual (By Appointment)	List of Courses	Newsletter 2005(02) p11
Training Schedule, Individual (Recurring)	List of Courses	Newsletter 2005(02) p10
Volunteer Soldiers who served from Michigan	1 16mm microfilm	Cabinet 1 drawer 7
during the Patriot War 1838-1839		

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HURON SHORES GENEALOGICALSOCIETY ACTIVE MEMBERS.

C/o Robert J Parks Public Library, 6010 N Skeel Ave, Oscoda MI 48750, and Phone 989-739-9581. <u>The Library is open Mon</u>, Fri & Sat 9:00am-5:00pm & Tue-Wed-Thur 9am-8:00pm (HSGS member available by chance or appointment). Officers, active project leaders and indexers are listed below:

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BOOKS FOR SALE BY CAROL DICKINSON, 989-739-4010, 11/13/2007.

Title	Author	Orig\$	Buy\$
History of the Acadians, set of 7 books	Arsenault, Bona	175	75
Our French-Canadian Ancestors, set of 30 books	Laforest, Thomas	900	500
Beloved Acadis of my Ancestors	Leger, Yvon	25	10
Des Acadiens Au Quebec, set of 8 books	Bergeron, Adrien	160	70
French Canadian research	DuLong, John P	0	10
A. Godbont Family (First) of Quebec		35	15
Louis-Philppe Bonneau		35	15
Collecting Dead Relatives		25	10
History of Keene NH		40	20
Kings Daughter's & Founding Mothers (The Feller du	Gagne, Peter J	0	60
Roi 1663-1673), set of 2			
Before the King's Daughters 1634-1662	Gagne, Peter	0	40
History of Sanilac County 1834-1984		0	40



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Citizen and Immigration Services Genealogy Fee Increases

May 19, 2008

The following message was written by Jan Meisels Allen, Cerson of the International Association of Jewish Genealogical Societies (IAJGS) Public Records Access Monitoring Committee:

Two years ago the US Citizenship and Immigration Service (CIS), formerly called the INS, proposed rules to establish a fee-for-service genealogy program. The final rule was published in the Federal Register on May 15, 2008. You may view/download the final rule at: <u>http://edocket.access.gpo.gov/2008/pdf/E8-10651.pdf</u>. The final rule goes into effect on August 13, 2008.

The reason for the rule was to streamline and improve the process for acquiring genealogically relevant historical records of deceased individuals. Due to the demand for documents which created a backlog, requests under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) took months if not years to complete.

As a result of the comments made to the proposed rule the amount per index or record/file request (from a microfilm) will be \$20 and \$35 for a textual record. The original proposal was a range of \$16-\$45 for an index search and \$16 to \$45 for a record/file microfilm request and \$26 to \$55 for a copy of a textual document.

The reason the USCIS must charge for the documents and any search for the records is due to other regulations by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB rule form 1993) all government offices are required that user fees recover the full cost of services provided. USCIS is also mandated to charge a fee to recover the full costs or providing research and information due to the Immigration and Nationality Act.

The types of historical records available under the new program are: - Naturalization certificate files(C-files) from September 27, 1906-April 1, 1956 (from all federal, state, municipal courts and more); - Microfilmed alien registration forms from August 1, 1940 to March 31, 1944; - Visa files from July 1, 1924 to March 31, 1944; - Registry files from March 2, 1929 to March 31, 1944; - Alien files numbered below 8 million and dated prior to May 1,1951;

More information on each of these is contained in the final rule.

To request records under this new program, a special form must be used: Form G-1041 for index or Form G 1041A for records request. I did not find the new forms posted as yet to the USCIS website. Once the program begins, requests may be submitted electronically on the electronic forms through its site <u>http://www.USCIS.gov</u>. When requests are made online then payment form used MUST be a credit card.

Information that must be contained on the form is included in the new rule. When submitting a written request, the only form of payment accepted is a cashier's check or money order in the exact amount. As genealogical request information may only be obtained on deceased individuals, the subject is presumed dead if their birth date is over 100 years old. For those less than 100 information (primary or secondary document- such as death record, published obituary, etc) must be provided to the satisfaction of the USCIS that the individual is indeed deceased.

Jan Meisels Allen, Director, IAJGS and Chairperson, Public Records Access Monitoring Committee

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Posted by Dick Eastman on May 19, 2008

MIGenWeb News

March 15-April 3, 2008: MIGenWeb has moved to it's own domain and server space. This will allow us to develop a more cohesiveness feel that could not be achieved on our old server space. Many county sites have moved also. Please update your bookmarks or favorites. More projects being worked on to make it easier for visitors and also to help those who wish to contribute data.

- May 17 2008 June -<u>Visitor Survey</u> We have created a survey which is anonymous for visitors to fill out and give us their feelings on what our sites should and shouldn't have online. Let us know what we should concentrate our time on to get online for you. Your registration is only used so that unscrupulous people spam the survey.
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- April-May 2008 A transcription area is being developed to help anyone who has data to contribute it to a MIGenWeb county for inclusion.
- April 8, 2008 to April 21, 2008 <u>Site Search Engine</u> added! You can now search all of MIGenWeb at once or go to the county you need.
 MIGenWeb contains over 38,866 pages of data all donated by volunteers and researchers like you.
- April 6, 2008 Link update for all counties to make it easier for visitors to get to a county site. All county sites can be gotten to by using the address "countyname.migenweb.net" no matter where the county site is hosted. No more long addresses to a county site to remember!
 - Example: <u>http://stjoseph.migenweb.net/</u>. Please check the page: <u>Michigan County Selection List</u>.
- March 22, 2008 April 3, 2008 The MIGenWeb state pages have all been gone through, and sections have been added and links updated. We hope this helps visitors find what they are looking for in the site.
- March 15, 2008 The MIGenWeb state project moved to its new domain name and server space. Some county sites are being updated and moved.

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