



# GENERATIONS

NEWSLETTER OF THE CALHOUN COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

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## MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

The Society has recently received a very generous offer from a member. Beverly Lancaster (Mrs. James E.) of Orchard Lake, Michigan, published the Marriage Records of Calhoun County in 1983. Since then, she has transcribed from Mormon microfilm the death records of Calhoun County from 1867 to 1886. Beverly knew we are looking for projects, and has offered to donate her material to the Society. It needs to be proofread and corrected, and additional years need to be added. Her material is collected in her IBM-compatible computer, and she is willing to make the corrections to her file, or turn the whole thing over to us. It was decided at the January meeting to accept her offer, and undertake this project as our first publication.

We are now looking for a volunteer to coordinate the project, as well as volunteers to proofread and to key the corrections into the computer (don't worry - you really can't do horrible things to the information in the computer.) We may also be looking for someone who can modify Beverly's program if we decide to add more information to her data. If you are at all interested in helping with this project, please contact me at home or at the next meeting.

Peggy Sindt  
412 Burr Oak Street  
Albion, MI 49224  
517/629-5069

## DEFINITION - WITH A RING OF TRUTH

"Let's ... think about the fascinating hobby of genealogy, which comes from two Greek words: genealo, which means "droning on"; and gy, which means "about your ancestors as if you're the only person who HAS any."

Dave Barry



## NEW PUBLICATION

One of our members, Pat Geyer, has just published a collection of family stories, history, and genealogy in a 450 page book, THE SCHUMACHER-GEYER AND RELATED FAMILIES OF ALBION, MICHIGAN. Included are the Arndt, Behling, Dart, Delbridge, Frank, Gilg, Luedtke, Piepenbrok, Pittelkow, Raether, Reichow, and Sharp families. The relationships of all these Albion families have been worked out, and most of the families have been traced back to their homes in Europe.

Pat says, "It was a search taking about 25 years to accomplish and this is only a beginning for a family history is never complete. The Schumachers and Geyers were builders in Albion and the story of the buildings is included as is the story of other family work places: Albion Lumber Company, Albion Malleable Iron Co., and Gale Manufacturing Co. Many of the family members were farmers."

There are over 1400 name references in the book and there is a surname index of maiden names as well as the general index of all names. Also includes 117 pages of pictures. The hard cover edition costs \$45.00 and the softbound cover is \$35.00. If mailing is required there is a cost of \$2.00.

WELL DONE, PAT.

## PALATINES TO AMERICA SEMINAR

The Michigan Chapter is planning a one day seminar in Grand Rapids, Michigan, on April 8, 1989. Our theme is: "A Day of Learning - When you hit that brick wall." The seminar is scheduled at the President's Motor Inn on the north side of Grand Rapids. It is located on the corner of I-96 and Plainfield Avenue. We have had the good fortune to obtain the speaking talents of James L. Hansen of Madison, Wisconsin. He is a nationally-known speaker having lectured on genealogical topics around the country. Along with Mr. Hansen we will have one hour talks by our president George Evans on the origination of Palatines, Carole Callard on Tombstone designs and their meanings, and David Johnson of the Michigan State Archives will talk on the availability of primary records in the State Archives. We will also have Ella Soelberg of the Mormon Church of Latter-Day Saints, Grand Rapids Stake, who will talk on how to use the local Stake Libraries and how to access the records compiled by the Mormon Church in Provo, Utah.

For a brochure and information about costs write: Milton J. Frey, First Vice President, 2647 Rockhill Dr., NE, Grand Rapids, MI 49505.

MEET ME AT THE WILLARD was a great success, and Marlene Steele and the Friends of the Library there deserve praise and thanks for the very nice evening we had at Willard Library. This year we are trying to make our members aware of the kinds of materials, records and resource people to be found in Calhoun County. We have had very informative programs so far so you won't want to miss a meeting. Members are from many areas. The Bentleys came all the way from Ann Arbor for the last meeting.

If you have suggestions or ideas for future programs please let me know.

Pat Geyer, Program Chairperson



## HELP WANTED!

Researching the Haskell Home Cemetery in Battle Creek. Records are missing. Need names and dates of any individuals known to be buried there. The cemetery is located on Limit Street on the grounds of the Battle Creek Academy. Any information welcome.

Jean Davis, 154 Homecrest Road, Battle Creek, MI 49017, Tel. 616/964-3955.



## PAGINATION

Through an oversight, the first two issues of "GENERATIONS" were not paginated. Beginning with this number, pagination will appear as though the first two issues had been numbered.

## IMPORTANT DATES

FEBRUARY 21	Board Meeting, APL 7:00 PM
FEBRUARY 28	Collecting Oral History 103 Norris Center, Albion College
MARCH 21	Board Meeting, APL 7:00 PM
MARCH 28	Cemetery Records, APL 7:00
APRIL 29	Cemetery Transcriptions

## OFFICERS

GENERATIONS: Newsletter of the Calhoun County Genealogical Society, is published in August, November, February and May. Items submitted for inclusion should be sent to: C.C.G.S.

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## ARCHIVES AND LIBRARIES IN THE WINDSOR, ONTARIO AREA

Assumption University Archives, 400 Huron Church Road, Windsor, Ontario N9B 3P4. (519) 973-7033, extension 3376. The University was founded in 1857, and was Canada's first institution of higher learning west of Toronto.

Essex County Library, 360 Fairview Ave., West Essex, Ontario N8M 1Y3. (519) 776-5241. It serves 19 municipalities with branch libraries. Offers material not available in Windsor.

Fort Malden Library, Box 38, 100 Laird Ave, Amherstburg, Ontario N9V 2Z2. (519) 736-5416. A collection on the history of Fort Malden, the War of 1812, the Rebellion of 1837, and the 19th century militia.

Hiram Walker Historical Museum, 254 Pitt St, West Windsor, Ontario N9A 5L5. (519) 253-1812. It has over 300 maps of the region in the 19th and early 20th centuries. Many of the maps are the work of Alexander Wilkinson. The museum also has family trees, historical tools, etc.

Leddy Library, University of Windsor, North end of main campus, 401 Sunset Ave, Windsor, Ontario N9B 3P7. (519) 253-4232, extensions 3190, 3191, 3209. The collection includes rare books, archives, and documents.

North American Bank Historical Museum, 277 King St, Amherstburg, Ontario N9V 2C7. (519) 736-5434. Admission charge. Exhibits, biographies, Underground Railroad Movement information, etc.

Park House Museum, 214 Dalhousie St, Amherstburg, Ontario N9V 1W4. (519) 736-2511. Has local history, marine history, an 1877 surveyor's map of Essex County which shows the location of families for that period.

Paul E. Vandall Library, University of Windsor, Windsor Hall, South, Room 51, 401 Sunset Ave, Windsor, Ontario N9B 3P4. (519) 253-4232. Map library houses 40,000 maps, 3,000 air photographs, 150 atlases.

Windsor Public Library, Main Library, 850 Duelllette Ave, Windsor, Ontario N9A 4M9. (519) 255-6770. Has the largest general collection besides the University of Windsor.

Windsor Star Library, 167 Ferry St, Windsor, Ontario N9A 4M5. (519) 255-5711. Clip files of the newspaper go back to the early 1940's; detailed index with cross references.

# LDS FAMILY HISTORY LIBRARIES IN MICHIGAN

## Mailing Address

## Location & Phone

Ann Arbor Family History Library  
P.O. Box 1327  
Ann Arbor, MI 48104

Ann Arbor Institute Bldg  
914 Hill Street  
Ann Arbor, MI  
(313) 995-0211

Bloomfield Hills Family History  
Library  
P.O. Box 584  
Bloomfield Hills, MI 48013

425 N Woodward Ave  
Bloomfield Hills, MI  
(313) 647-5671

Grand Blanc Family History Library  
P.O. Box 805  
Grand Blanc, MI 48439

4285 McCandlish Rd  
Grand Blanc, MI  
(313) 694-2964

Grand Rapids South  
Box 156  
Belmont, MI 49306-0156

3181 Bradford NE  
Grand Rapids, MI  
(616) 949-0070

Kalamazoo Family History Library  
Box 1384  
Kalamazoo, MI 49005

1112 N Drake Rd  
Kalamazoo, MI  
(616) 342-1906

Lansing Family History Library  
Box 801  
East Lansing, MI 48823

431 E Saginaw ST  
East Lansing, MI  
(517) 332-2932

Midland Family History Library  
1414 Timber Drive  
Midland, MI 48640

1700 W Sugnut Road  
Midland, MI  
(517) 631-1120

Westland Family History Library  
P.O. Box 70  
Westland, MI 48185

7575 N Hix Rd  
Westland, MI  
(313) 459-4570

WI Milwaukee Marquette  
c/o Pres Whitney Johnson  
313 Lakewood Lane  
Marquette, MI 49855

Cherry Creek Road  
Marquette, MI  
(906) 249-1511

Call for opening times and to verify location before traveling to a Family History Library.

# CALHOUN COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY: MEMBERSHIP LIST - 1 February 1989

Aldrich	Phyllis	6122 7 1/2 Mile Road	Burlington	MI	49029
Alexander	Yvonne	10121 14 1/2 Mile Road	Marshall	MI	49068
Avery	Dorothy	10180 R Drive South	Homer	MI	49245
Bachmann	Paul	1188 River Valley	Flint	MI	48532
Bentley	John and Barbara	1436 Bardstown Trail	Ann Arbor	MI	48015
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Boyce	Brenda	P. O. Box 691	Marshall	MI	49068
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Brown	Sister Georgia	Leila Hospital	Battle Creek	MI	49016
Caldwell	William and Audrey	29 Richards Place	Battle Creek	MI	49015
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Crump	John W. and Beverly J.	14685 E. Michigan Ave.	Albion	MI	49224
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Davis	Elaine M.	609 North Kalamazoo	Marshall	MI	49068
Davis	Gerald H. and M. Helena	200 South Monroe, Apt. 16	Albion	MI	49224
Davis	Glenn and Jean	154 Homecrest Road	Battle Creek	MI	49017
Davis	Mary J.	626 Barbara Jean Court	Webster Groves	MO	63119
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Dodes	Audrey	117 West Center St., Box 7	Concord	MI	49237
Doyle	Barbara L.	P. O. Box 633	Clinton	IL	61727
Dunes	Mary	11046 29 Mile Road	Albion	MI	49224
England	Margaret	4267 West Dickman Road	Battle Creek	MI	49015
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Farr	Martha	109 West Adams	Homer	MI	49245
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Francisco	Meta	10343 F Drive South	Ceresco	MI	49033
Geyer	Robert and Patricia	119 1/2 East Cass Street	Albion	MI	49224
Glahart	Mary Jane	418 Darrow	Albion	MI	49224
Globensky	Nan	611 Burr Oak Street	Albion	MI	49224
Grindol	Mary A.	718 Thirty-fifth Street	Galesburg	MI	49053
Hamp	Idamarie	43 Foster Drive	Battle Creek	MI	49015
Hartung	Winifred	724 Forest	Marshall	MI	49068
Hennon	Marilyn	27996 L Drive North	Albion	MI	49224
Hicks	Betty	4289 Kim Drive	Hillsdale	MI	49242
Hind	Genevieve	324 Wentworth Avenue	Battle Creek	MI	49015
Howell	Lucille	108 West Erie Street	Albion	MI	49224
Kaiser	Ken and Ruth	16526 Devereaux Road	Albion	MI	49224
King	Elizabeth (Betty)	1521 Charlotte Landing	Springport	MI	49284
Kinney	John	7120 29 Mile Road	Concord	MI	49237
Knack	Mae	705 North Monroe Street	Albion	MI	49224
Knickerbocker	Antoinette (Toni)	7581 Eaton Rapids Road	Springport	MI	49284
Kochinski	Linda	1212 Burns Street	Albion	MI	49224
Lancaster	Beverly	4219 White Birch Drive	West Bloomfield	MI	48033
Langworthy	Frances G.	624 Orchard Drive	Madison	WI	53711
Lembeck	Florence	RT.4, BOX 371	Crestview	FL	32536
Littebrant	Doris	201 Steward Avenue	Jackson	MI	49201
Lugthart	Peggy	4229 Burrows	Saginaw	MI	48603
Masterka	Mrs. Edward	3480 S. W. Capital Avenue	Battle Creek	MI	49017

Maxson	Gaylord	303 Briarwood Lane	Battle Creek	MI	49015
McCoy	Willis A.	216 East Erie Street	Albion	MI	49224
McKelvey, Jr.	Hugh E.	291 S. Woodrow Avenue	Battle Creek	MI	49017
Metzgar	Phyllis	124 North 19th Street	Battle Creek	MI	49015
Meyer	Barbara	1078 Powderhorn Drive	Glen Mills	PA	19342
Miller	Hazel	67 South Union Street	Battle Creek	MI	49017
Miller	James	2803 12 Mile Road	Burlington	MI	49029
Miller	Julia A.	901 East Broadwell Street	Albion	MI	49224
Miller	Wilma	6450 Seven Mile Road	Burlington	MI	49029
Moore	David	1000 Albion-Concord Road	Albion	MI	49224
Murray	Eloise B.	1115 Riversbend	Albion	MI	49224
Neitzka	Paul R.	1212 Edwards Street	Albion	MI	49224
Neumeyer	Elizabeth	450 North Avenue, Kellogg Community College	Battle Creek	MI	49017
Newman	Nancy	1201 Pennell Road	Albion	MI	49224
Parker	Lura B.	1003 E. Michigan	Albion	MI	49224
Patton	Ella	8507 29 Mile Road	Albion	MI	49224
Phillips	Gerald	163 Lincolnwood Drive	Battle Creek	MI	49017
Plassman	Marlene	2881 Country Club Way	Albion	MI	49224
Prescott	Martha	20642 26 1/2 Mile Road	Albion	MI	49224
Radee	Helen	9807 29 Mile Road	Albion	MI	49224
Radee	Val	9807 29 Mile Road	Albion	MI	49224
Randall	Lori L.	218 East Erie, APT. 1	Albion	MI	49224
Schilling	Annette	9680 29 Mile Road South	Albion	MI	49224
Sebolt	Frances L.	23609 West Michigan Avenue	Albion	MI	49224
Short	Ramona	18175 Hatch Road	Albion	MI	49224
Sindt	Margaret (Peggy)	412 Burr Oak	Albion	MI	49224
Slattery	Carol L.	161 Linwood Lane	Battle Creek	MI	49015
Smith	Adah A.	P. O. Box 383	Athens	MI	49011
Smith	Gracanne	613 North Broadway Street	Union City	MI	49094
Smith	Martha	4313 Dresden Lane	Sarasota	FL	34233
Snyder	Ruth Ann.	2803 12 Mile Road	Burlington	MI	49029
Steele	Marlene A.	26 Charlotte Street	Battle Creek	MI	49017
Struble	Thomas	9900 Division Street	Ceresco	MI	49033
Udell	Marcia and Susan	607 North Linden Street	Marshall	MI	49068
Van Sickle	Florence	21210 J Drive North	Marshall	MI	49068
Vaughn	Helen	7577 Bear Swamp Road	Wadsworth	OH	44281
VerPlanck	Keitha	1127 Clark Road	Lapeer	MI	48446
Vincent	Rosalyn	14653 Michigan Avenue	Marshall	MI	49068
Von Holten	Joan	26652 H Drive North	Albion	MI	49224
Wilbur	Linda Hollingshead	901 South Clinton Street	Albion	MI	49224
Wilson	Frances	5888 East Millerway	Birmingham	MI	48010
Wolford	Linda	200 Beulah Avenue	Battle Creek	MI	49017
Woodworth	Vanita C.	210 Overlook Lane	Battle Creek	MI	49017
Wygant	Vivian	7636 C Drive North	Battle Creek	MI	49017

Clarke Historical Library Central Michigan University Mount Pleasant MI 48859

## RESEARCHING PROBATE COURT RECORDS

When Velma Weston, Calhoun County Probate Court Clerk, receives involved research requests she may forward to the person requesting information the names of Calhoun County Genealogical Society members who have volunteered to research probate records. Volunteers: you may soon be hearing from someone who needs your help!

### JERRALLS-WILLIAMS BIBLE RECORD

The title page for this Bible is missing for the Old Testament, as are several early pages of text. The New Testament title page is as follows: The New/ Testament/ of Our/ Lord and Savior/ Jesus Christ/ Newly translated out of the/ Original Greek,/ and with the former/ Translations/ Diligently compared and Revised./ By His Majesty's Special Command./ Appointed to be read in Churches./ Edinburgh,/ Printed by Robert Freebairn His Majesty's Printer./ M.DCC.XXXIV. (1734).

Facing the last page of the O.T. in different hands and inks:

Myron Williams son of Sanford Williams and Mary Williams was born June the 6, 1813.

Addoline and Emeline Williams daughters of Sanford and Mary Williams were born May the 30th 1819.

Sanford Williams was born June 23 1783.

Marey Melisse Williams daughter of Sanford and Elizabeth Williams was borne June the 1 1830.

Olive Williams the daughter of Sanford and Elizabeth Williams was borne March the 20 1834.

Juliett Williams daughter of Sanford and Elizabeth Williams born Feb. 12th 1838.

Sanford Williams died Jan. 8th 1856.

Facing the N.T.:

Thomas Jerralls Junior the son of Thomas Jerralls and Prudence Jerralls was born April 20 A.D. 1771.

Prudence Jerralls the daughter of Thomas and Prudence Jerralls was born October 20 A.D. 1772.

Abigail Jerralls the daughter of Thomas and Prudence Jerralls was born June 2 1776.

Sarah Jerralls daughter of Thos and Prudence Jerralls was born May the 12 A.D. 1782.

Prudence the wife of Thomas Jerralls died October 4 1782 in the fortythird year of her age.

Mary Jerralls daughter to Thos Jerralls and Elizabeth Jerralls was born October 17 Anno Domine 1787.

Elizabeth the second wife of Thos Jerralls died October 17 1787 the 47 year of her age.

Chester Jerralls son of Thos Jerralls and Mary Jerralls was born April 18 1790.

Martha Jerralls daughter to Thos & Mary Jerralls was born April 12 1792.

(In the 1790 census the name Jerralls may be found with the following variants: Jarrell, Garell, Garrald, Garrel, Garreld, Garrell, Gerald, Gerald's, Gerauld, Gerrald, Gerrauld, Jarral, Jarraill, Jarrel, Jerols, Jerould, Jerrald, Jerrel, Jerrell, Jerrold, Jerroll, Jeruild.)

The Bible is in the possession of Pamela Todd Fox, PO Box 207, Albion, MI 49224.

## GETTING THERE!

### ABOUT THE PROGRAMS AHEAD;

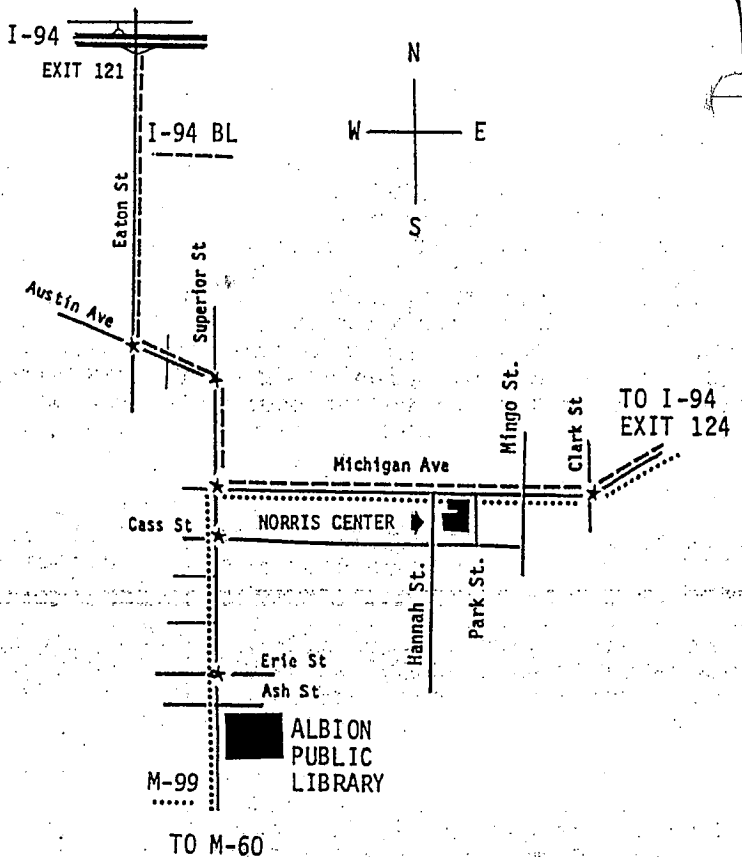
**FEBRUARY;** The February 28th program will be held at 7:00 p.m. Albion College, Norris Center, Room 108. Use the Hannah Street entrance just off Michigan Avenue. (See the map included in this letter.)

**COLLECTING ORAL HISTORY** is the topic of this program with Dr. Helen Manning, Professor Emeritus of Albion College, and Patricia Geyer as resource persons. They will show examples of oral histories which they have collected and will show how they can be used. Techniques of interviewing and the use of tape recorders will be covered. Participants will be given "take home" materials so they can get started collection too.

It will be an interesting evening!

**MARCH;** The March 28th meeting will be held at the Albion Public Library Community Room at 7:00 p.m. The library is at 501 S. Superior Street. Joh Fox, Albion local history librarian, will discuss "COLLECTING CEMETERY RECORDS." John has spent many years collecting and documenting Calhoun County cemetery records, and he is well versed in all areas of genealogy. He has taught classes in the Albion Community School program for adults, and recently has offered a new class 'Genealogy for Kids.' What a good way to get children interested in their own ties with history and their families.

These two meetings will be preceded with research help sessions at 6:00 p.m. to be run by Genealogy Society members. Arlene Berry, Brenda Boyce, Mary Dunes, and Ramona Short have volunteered to be on hand as research helpers for the February meeting at 6:00 p.m. Come early and have your questions ready.



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