

Generations

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February program: the Grange

Mr. Roland Winter will speak about the Grange at our 25 February meeting. He will tell about its history, the records it holds and how genealogists can find information about the many men and women who have been members of the Grange. Mr. Winter, who is historian and past grand master of the state Grange, is working to create a state Grange archives. He is also working on a project to locate burial places of all past state Grange masters. The World War II veteran has written a book about the history of local divisions of the 130-year-old organization. He has his own Grange Museum and will bring some of its artifacts to display at the meeting. ■

New bylaws amendment proposed: *Would extend officer term limits*

An amendment to the CCGS bylaws was proposed at the 28 January meeting which, if adopted, would extend the term limit on officer positions from two consecutive terms in the same office to four. A term is currently one year.

The proposed change would affect one word, as indicated. **Article V — Officers: Officers may serve no more than two *four* consecutive terms in the same office and no more than six consecutive years as an elected officer.**

CCGS bylaws require us to notify members of bylaws votes at least 30 days prior to a special meeting called by the president. That meeting will be held **25 March at 7 p.m.**, just before convening our regular meeting. ■

FOCUS THIS ISSUE: *sharing genealogy*

In addition to information about sharing your genealogy passion with others, in this issue you'll find our annual surname directory with membership list. Newsletter articles and ideas are always encouraged. Write to: Sue Stuever Battel, SueBattel@aol.com or 21174 F Dr. S., Marshall, MI 49068. ■

Members unanimously pass CCGS bylaws changes

Members passed several changes to the society bylaws at a special meeting 28 January, held in conjunction with the regular CCGS meeting. All changes pertain to committees and were proposed by the board in order to ensure that the society's activities are in line with our stated purposes.

With the changes, the standing committees are: Programs and Publicity, Membership Promotion, Records Preservation, Publications, Cemetery Transcription, Newsletter, Making Connections, and Promotion of Genealogy. Special committees are: Hospitality and Seeking Leadership. Additional special committees shall be appointed as necessary. The vice president shall chair the Programs and Publicity Committee.

A complete list of changes was presented in the November/December 2002 issue of this newsletter.

Feel free to contact a board member, listed on the page 26, with any questions or to volunteer to get involved. ■

Benefits *of belonging*

Use surnames, membership list to connect with kin

More than 170 CCGS members are listed in this issue, along with 716 different surnames and variations they are researching. With most of our members having Calhoun County roots, you may be the next person to make a kindred connection through the society. Check the surnames in your

family tree. If a member is researching a surname you are interested in, contact that person to see if you share common lines. If you have not updated your surname list with us lately, feel free to send a new list to our address on page 26. It will be kept on file to publish next year at this time. Address corrections are also requested. ■

Genealogist's New Year's Resolutions

by Carole Callard, Library of Michigan

- Visit Salt Lake City.
- Visit your research city.
- Visit the newly remodeled Allen County Public Library's Genealogy Department.
- Donate the cost of lunch to your research library.
- Donate \$1 to NARA for microfilming.
- Learn a new skill — scanning, using a digital camera, etc.
- Use Ancestry or Heritage Quest online.
- Prepare lineage papers for First Families or a lineage society.
- Look up those obituaries.
- Make a will leaving your genea-

- logical material where it will be given the best care and most use.
- Volunteer at the library, courthouse or Family History Center.
- Write your autobiography.
- Continuously check web sites.
- Label your photos.
- Create a calendar of family dates.
- Correspond with family members.
- Compile a family photo album.
- Put the most important family documents in a special place.
- Write a note about special pets or cars in the family.
- Write a note about special accomplishments of family members.
- Plan a family reunion.
- Create a business card or stationery with your research surnames.
- Make an inventory of what genealogy items you have.

- Create a scrapbook of your family.
- Give something back to genealogy — time, money, volunteer hours, index, become a society chair or officer, etc.
- Collect family e-mail addresses so you can contact them quickly.
- Take a genealogy class or computer class.
- Learn to create a web page.
- Ask a friend to go with you to a class, society meeting or seminar.
- Learn the history of the places you or your family lived.
- Locate your family homes on a map.
- Learn to use a laptop or "palm" computer.
- Think about doing DNA testing.
- Don't assume anything in genealogy. ■

Calhoun County Genealogical Society

The purposes of the Calhoun County Genealogical Society (CCGS) are:

- to gather and preserve information of genealogical value.
- to encourage the deposit of such information in suitable depositories.
- to aid genealogists in the study of family history through the exchange of knowledge.
- to publish and promote Calhoun County and other genealogical materials.

CCGS is incorporated under the Michigan Nonprofit Corporation Act. Individuals, libraries or societies may join. Annual dues for the year beginning 1 September are \$12. Memberships are accepted year-round; dues received after 1 May will pay membership for the following year. Members receive the newsletter **Generations** six times per year. Meetings are held at 7 p.m. the fourth Tuesday of each month at the B.E. Henry Building, 615 S. Marshall St. in Marshall, *unless otherwise specified*. No meetings are held in July, August or December. Programs are free and open to the public.

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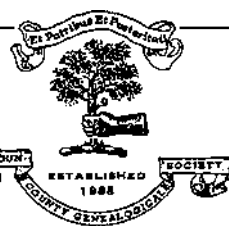
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Why genealogy is important for children

by Maureen Taylor

There are plenty of reasons adults should be curious about family history, but what about children? I'm sure you have a few answers of your own.

My interest in genealogy and history began when I was about 9. At that point, there were no books written about the subject for kids. Instead I worked my way through Gilbert Doane's *In Search of Your Ancestors* and followed his advice for about a year. It was a college history assignment that rekindled my interest in the topic and led to my working in the field. That's when I discovered family history is a great way to teach children history — local, national and international. Over the years, as I worked with school groups, it became apparent there was still a lack of resources for children interested in genealogy.

When writing *Through the Eyes of Your Ancestors* (Houghton Mifflin, 1999), I interviewed professional genealogists and friends to find out about their childhood experiences with genealogy. They told me two things. First, they found family history fascinating as children, but didn't know how to go further with it, and second, their grandparents played a pivotal role in their future as genealogists.

I'd bet many of you became interested in the topic as children, but waited until you were adults before you started researching those names. Think of all the interviews you could have conducted with relatives who are no longer alive. My grandmother never talked about her family, and I've been stuck on her parents for decades. If only I'd known what to ask.

So why get children involved

with family history, and how do you do it?

It provides kids with a connection

Every day we hear about children gone astray because they feel disconnected from their family and world. As genealogists you know that families are endlessly fascinating. By filling in the blanks on the charts, you discover that while all families are unique, researching your family is a personal detective story. You discover characteristics about yourself that you have in common with an earlier ancestor. A musically talented child discovers that his great grandfather played an instrument and sang in the church choir.

"By teaching kids family history one step at a time, you have a chance of giving them a lifetime hobby."

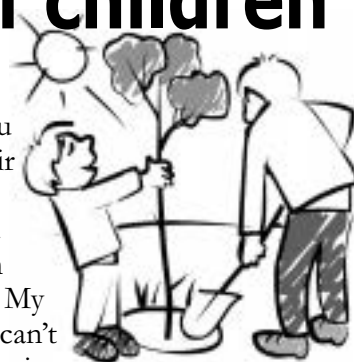
— Maureen Taylor

Research can help adoptees connect to their adoptive family. This also means creating a sense of family by discussing the adoption process, as well as why they were adopted (in age-appropriate language), how you selected their names and teaching them about their heritage. If they know their birth name, adopted children can also research their birth family. Of course there are lots of adoption stories, so think about how to establish that link using their history.

Pass on a sense of history

At home, children need a sense of history. It's part of understanding who they are. This includes their own personal history, as well as how world history influenced family decisions. Talk about what

you did when you were their age, finding a common element. My children can't believe their



grandparents lived without modern "necessities." When was television invented and when did you first experience it? What was your town like a few years ago or a century ago?

Ask them to keep a diary, write a memoir, take pictures or create a scrapbook. The final format is whatever they would like to produce based on their own creativity. It could even be a comparison of what their life is like versus another family member's life at their age.

History surrounds kids, but they don't think about it. In my kids' case, I try to incorporate history into everyday life through ordinary tasks. My son loves sports, but hates all the protective equipment. It only takes a moment to insert a comment about the lack of shin pads and helmets when I was a kid to get his attention. Instead of waiting for him to ask another question, I'll ponder out loud, "I wonder what (insert the sport) was like when Grandpa was a kid."

I like to think of genealogy as the history of everyone in the family — even pets. No detail is too small to mention. After all, the goal is to keep kids feeling part of the family and create a future generation of genealogists.

Gives them a context in which to understand the world

Common threads that in every generation besides birth, marriage and death. Ask any student how

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The Storytellers

We are the chosen.

My feelings are that in each family there is one who seems called to find the ancestors. To put flesh on their bones and make them live again, to tell the family story and to feel that somehow they know and approve.

To me, genealogy is not a cold gathering of facts, it is breathing life into all who have gone before. We are the storytellers of the tribe. All tribes have one. We have been called, as it were — by our genes.

Those who have gone before cry out to us: Tell our story. So, we do. In finding them, we somehow find ourselves. How many graves have I stood before and cried? I have lost count. How many times have I told the ancestors you have a wonderful family; you would be proud of us? How many times have I walked up to a grave and felt somehow there was love there for me? I cannot say.

It goes beyond documenting facts. It goes back to who I am and why do I do the things I do. It goes back to seeing a cemetery about to be lost forever to weeds and indifference, and saying that I can't let this happen.

The bones here are bones of my bones and flesh of my flesh. It goes back to doing something about it.

It goes back to pride in what our ancestors were able to accomplish. How they contributed to what we are today. It goes to respecting their hardships and losses, their never giving in or giving up, their resolve to go on and build a life for their family.

It goes back to deep pride that they fought to make and keep us a nation. It goes back to a deep and immense understanding that they were doing it for us. That we might be born who we are. That we might remember them. So we do. With love and caring and scribing each fact of their existence, because we are them and they are us.

So, as a scribe called, I tell the story of my family. It is up to that one in the next generation called to answer the call and take their place in the long line of family storytellers.

That is why I do my family genealogy, and that is what calls those young and old to step up and put flesh on the bones.

— *author unknown*, The Downriver Seeker, *Downriver Genealogical Society*, November 2001

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many times they've moved in their lifetime and what the readjustment was like and you have a context for mentioning immigration.

War is another current that runs through family history. What is your family's experience during wartime — recent and past wars? Older children can interview people, research documents and write about their findings.

It's an intergenerational activity

Have I convinced you yet that it's important to introduce children to family history? If not, think about all the time you've spent accumulating family documents, photographs and artifacts. Now, to whom are you going to leave all that material? Once you get a child curious about their family history and keep them interested, you've found someone to take care of your efforts. By the time I learned enough about family history, countless documents were lost — thrown out when someone died.

Teaching children about family history not only lets you work on an

activity together, it lets them experience genealogy firsthand by working with various family members. As they save their heritage it builds a sense of responsibility. I've spoken with many genealogists who despair over the lack of relatives interested in their hobby. I'm basically a stubborn person; I just keep trying different methods to reach out to kids until I find something that works. You can, too.

Future members

Here's a pet peeve. Why don't more genealogical societies offer special memberships and programming for children? By educating a younger generation about family history you not only encourage them to become adult members, but reach out to their parents, as well. The Boy Scouts has a genealogy badge, but once those boys start researching their history, where else can they go? Someday, a genealogical organization will see that their future is with the children.

On a related topic, wouldn't it be wonderful to have a genealogy

magazine for kids full of interesting projects, activities, and first-person stories? A magazine could reach not only children aged 9 and older, but teachers that include family history in their classrooms.

In many states, genealogy is taught as part of the curriculum about understanding similarities, as well as social studies. Teachers use it in a variety of ways. There is a way to use it to teach almost every subject — even science, now that genetics is being studied.

It has been said before, but investing in children is an investment in our future. The same thought applies to genealogy. Spending time helping kids understand family history benefits all of us. A little less history is lost and you've given children a sense of how the world works. ■

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Member queries

If you can help, please respond directly to the writer and copy your reply to CCGS Research, P.O. Box 879, Marshall, MI 49068 or vpotts1548@aol.com.

Seeking birthplace within Calhoun County and correct name of Wallace William CLARK/ William Wallace CLARK b. 17 Oct 1877. Parents were George CLARK b. 11 Feb 1849 and Juliette JENNINGS CLARK b. 4 Jan 1852. Siblings also b. in Calhoun County: Adelbert G. CLARK b. 25 Dec 1873, Marcius Evi CLARK b. 4 Jan 1876.

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Thomas O'KEEFE, a widower b. in New York State or Illinois, in photography business, Hardin County, Iowa. Believed to have left Iowa for Marshall, Mich., in 1919 to settle an estate; thus I'm seeking an obituary for Marshall residents Oscar M. O'KEEFE (d. bef. 13 April 1891) and Oscar's brother Myron S. O'KEEFE (d. bef. 13 Mar 1919). Did Thomas O'KEEFE also die in Calhoun County?

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A Connecticut library holds letters Mrs. Mary (STEELE) WELLS of Michigan wrote to her sister Sarah Wisner (STEELE) SMITH in Brooklyn, NY, in the mid-1800s. Some were sent from Marshall, where the Wells family apparently had a farm. Mary's husband's name is unknown. If these sisters' names are familiar, please contact:

Verla Potts
601A 18-1/2 Mile Rd.
Marshall, MI 49068 ■

Replacement LDS center opens in East Lansing

The Lansing/East Lansing-area LDS has opened a temporary Family History Center to replace the one that was burned 30 June last year. The temporary home is at the Institute of Religion, 4910 S. Hagadorn Rd., one-half mile south of Grand River, on the east side of the road. For MSU fans, this is directly across from Hubbard Hall, the twin high-rise dormitories near the east end of Shaw Lane. Parking is available at the south end of the Institute of Religion building. Patrons can obtain a free dashboard parking permit at the institute. According to Mary Griffess, FHC director, the temporary location will house the Family History Center until the LDS church is rebuilt at its original address, 431 E. Saginaw Rd. It is expected to be completed this summer. The mailing address for FHC remains P.O. Box 1610, East Lansing, MI 48823, phone (517) 332-2932. The East Lansing FHC center is open Tuesday through Thursday from 10 a.m. till 8 p.m. and Saturday from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. Griffess says the FHC is making plans to host its annual seminar the second Saturday in May in East Lansing. Watch for further information in this newsletter. ■

New genealogy books at Willard Library

Moody, David. *Scottish local history: An introductory guide.*

Thwaites, Reuben Gold. *Father Marquette.*

LeBlanc, Dudley. *The true story of the Acadians.*

Bockstruck, Lloyd DeWitt. *Naval pensioners of the United States, 1800-1851.*

Hilton, George Woodman. *Lake Michigan passenger steamers.*

Franck, Michael. *Elmwood endures: History of a Detroit cemetery.*

Jacobson, Judy. *Detroit River connections: Historical and biographical sketches of the Eastern Great Lakes Border Region.*

Chapman Brothers. *Portrait and biographical album of Branch County, Michigan (1888).*

Branch County Genealogical Society. *Branch County, Michigan, original land purchases: Starting in 1829 from both the federal government and the State of Michigan.*

Crawford, Kim. *The 16th Michigan Infantry.*

Griffin, Lee. *Kalamazoo and Southwest Michigan: Golden memories.*

Shackman, Grace. *Ann Arbor in the 19th century: A photographic history.*

Peterson, William D. *United States life-saving service in Michigan.*

Ibbotson, Patricia. *Eloise: Poorhouse, farm, asylum and hospital, 1839-1984.*

Cawley, Sherry Arent. *Berrien County in vintage postcards.*

Minert, Roger P. *Mecklenburg place name indexes: Identifying place names using alphabetical and reverse alphabetical indexes.*

Minert, Roger P. *Württemberg place name indexes.*

Punch, Terrence. *Genealogist's handbook for Atlantic Canada research.*

Bordin, Ruth. *Women at Michigan: The "dangerous experiment," 1870s to the present.*

Alig, Leona. *Index: 1830 federal population for Indiana.*

Bogger, Tommy. *Free Blacks in Norfolk, Virginia, 1790-1860: The darker side of freedom.*

Leeson, M.A. *Chapman's 1881 History of Kent County, Michigan: An every name index.* ■



Two opportunities 29 March

Genealogists have two opportunities to attend seminars 29 March. The **Genealogical Society of Monroe County** offers its annual spring seminar at Monroe County Community College in Monroe. Participants will have the opportunity to attend all four sessions between 8 a.m. and 3:45 p.m., as well as "Genealogy by Computer" demonstrations all day.

In "Westward from New England — Migration, Routes and Trails" Carrie Eldridge will focus on Upper Ohio and Michigan, and will include New York and Pennsylvania. Eldridge has published several books about migration.

"Learning More about Your Civil War Ancestor" features Bill Lowe teaching how to determine the unit in which Union soldiers served, where they are buried and how to obtain pension records. Graves registration officer for the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, Lowe will collect forms to register participants' Civil War veterans.

Carrie Eldridge returns after lunch to cover "Migrations from Germany and in the United States." Through our ancestors' eyes, Carrie takes the audience on a journey from ancestors' German hometowns to the areas of the

USA they finally called home.

Steve Charter teaches why research in the colonies is different from other states in "New England Research — The Where, When and How of Looking for Our Ancestors." Charter is reference archivist at the Center for Archival Collections at Bowling Green State University.

To register for the Monroe seminar send your name, address and surnames with \$15 to GSMC Seminar, 721 Strawberry St., Dundee, MI 48131-1042.

More than 30 vendors of genealogical materials will display their wares from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the **Michiana Area Genealogical Fair** sponsored by the South Bend Area Genealogical Society. Featured speaker is Mary E. Vassel Hill of Salt Lake City, with two presentations: "Basics of Genealogy Research" and "Genealogy Treasures on the Internet."

Admission for the event at the Ramada Inn, South Bend, Ind., is \$5. Further information is available at <<http://www.rootsweb.com/~insbags/index.htm>> or send a message to society president William H. Minish at WHMinish@aol.com. CCGS has \$1 discount coupons available at the February and March meetings. ■

Short shots

A stack of pages taken from the *Hastings Banner* was given to the society for help in finding a new home. The pages include a column called "From Time to Time ...," which covers the **history of Hastings, Mich.** Most pages are from 1997. Anyone who would like them may have them to keep. Contact Judy Groat, CCGS corresponding secretary, at (269) 781-4568 or JGroat2800@aol.com. ■■■

Several CCGS members have been busy microfilming county probate records. (*Thank you!*) Cindy Kulig, chair of this project, welcomes **additional microfilming volunteers**. Training is provided and the probate office in Battle Creek is the site of the work. Cindy can be reached at (269) 962-6831. ■■■

Greenfield Village in Dearborn is hoping to uncover some Calhoun County connections, reports Verla Potts. The curator there is doing research about **Dr. Alonson Bingley HOWARD Jr., of Tekonsha**. The doctor's old office is on site at Greenfield Village and they would like to learn about his family. If you have information, call Verla at (269) 781-8594 or send e-mail to vpotts1548@aol.com. ■■■

Genealogists are invited to visit the temporary home of the **Genealogy Department of Allen County Public Library**. The temporary library is at 300 Berry St., Fort Wayne, Ind. Although the building is at the corner of Berry and Clinton, the main entrance is off Wayne Street. Finding it from north of Fort Wayne is easy: signs are clear, no turns are involved and it's the only building on the block. Shirley Hodges encourages all to see the wonderful space. ■

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Top tips from our members

Awesome web site noted

This issue's tip, from Judy Groat:

CCGS board member Judy Groat found a web site she says is great and wanted to share the address with others. The site, at <<http://www.AwesomeGenealogy.com/>>, promotes itself as "your free resource to vital records, census and genealogy links."

The web creator seeks to help people search for records of census, births, deaths and marriages. The site offers links to comprehensive genealogy databases. ■

CCGS members share tips, tales and more

by Sue Stuever Battel

The ever-popular, annual, CCGS *Show and Tell* and *Tips and Tricks* meeting was held 28 January. Members had many good stories to share, some of which are summarized here.

Good finds

The older **Dave Ruble** gets, the more he reads the obituaries. One day he read one from Erie, Pa., in the local paper. It turns out the deceased was born here in the Calhoun County area and is related to Dave's mother. Dave wrote to a survivor listed in the obit and asked whether she could identify relatives in a family photo. She did, and Dave has made a new family connection.

A trip to Herkimer, NY, was productive for **Judy Groat**. First, she went online to RootsWeb at <<http://www.rootsweb.com>>. There, she found a site for the Herkimer area and ordered a copy of an old church book from the town. Later, she discovered that her 8th great grandfather had given land for the church. When Judy and her husband went to Herkimer, they easily found the church and its little cemetery.

Ancestry.com was helpful for **Tom**. He found his parents' and grandparents' marriages by looking on the civil index for England. He matched up page numbers and found a research company in England to get copies of the records. With that success under his belt, he's also planning to send for his great grandparents' marriage record.

Debby Wilson read an e-mail message on the Calhoun County RootsWeb list that ended up being from a third cousin. She contacted the relative, who has now become a good friend. Even more proof that ours is a small world: A person from a company in Texas called

Debby about some unrelated business. Debby thought the name of the company sounded familiar. Turns out it is owned by a relative.

Verla Potts found a new relative on an online message board. The person was researching some of the same family members as are in Verla's tree. The relative says their families go back to Peregrine WHITE, who sailed on the Mayflower.

"I love Civil War records," reports **Arlene Berry**. In researching war records for one relative, Arlene learned of a book written by veteran Edwin NIVER's sister. She found a volunteer through Random Acts of Genealogical Kindness to copy and send pages from the book. Phoebe NIVER became well-known in Ohio as an advocate for veteran's rights and now Arlene knows about her life. She even read letters Phoebe wrote to the government.

Good tips

Marlene Steele reminds genealogists that interlibrary loan can be a valuable tool. Ask your home servicing library to perform the transaction for you. Often libraries will not lend reference material, including some genealogical publications, but they will copy the pages.

Genealogists tend to spend tremendous amounts of time "researching ancestors 300 years ago," says **Sandy Redmond**, but "maybe it's not that far back that you'll have to go to find something meaningful." Case in point: Sandy is transcribing her father's World War II diary. While she describes him as a rather gruff man, the veteran's diary contains poetry that he wrote while in the service. It has helped Sandy get to know her dad better.

Anita Stuever has seen various memory journals that have space to answer questions about a person's

own life. But this Christmas, she received one called *To the Best of My Recollection* and "I'm actually doing it!" she boasts. The diary asks one question each day, which keeps her motivated to fill in answers. It was purchased online at <<http://www.funstuffforgenealogists.com>>.

The U.S. Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) may be used to access government records, but **John Baker** cautions genealogists they should try other methods of getting information before filling out a FOIA form. "It's not the way to start," he says. John says it's fine to use if you have tried and tried to get information and have received no response, but first give the government body ample opportunity to reply. If you use FOIA, you could get a bill and probably won't get any extra help out of the workers that have to retrieve your information.

If you'd like to read reviews of genealogy software, **Verla Potts** notes an article in the latest issue of *American Spirit* magazine, which is published by Daughters of the American Revolution. It is now available on newsstands.

Good fun

Patty Curtis went from cemetery to cemetery searching for a particular woman in her family tree. She finally decided to go to the woman's last known address, hoping someone there could tell her where she was buried. When Patty asked the person who came to the door if she knew where to find the woman, she replied positively, "Oh, she's here. She's up in her room." Turns out the woman was not only living, but in the house.

Patty also hopes to solve another mystery — the burial location of Alice Susannah WOOD, born in Marshall. This

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time, she is quite certain that the woman in question is, indeed, deceased. She is the daughter of John and Susannah WOOD. Contact Patty if you can help.

One of **Sue Stuever Battel's** most prized possessions — and not just because she paid an arm and a leg for it — is her grandmother's framed confirmation certificate. Patrice at Marshall Framing Studio helped Sue get ideas for the frame, then put it together beautifully, even hand-watercoloring a mat. In addition to the certificate in German, the frame includes a photo of the grandmother in her confirmation dress and a piece of lace she tatted.

Sue's 6-month-old daughter,

Adele, who can't talk yet, managed to bring something for show-and-tell. She got a little help with the "tell." Before the baby was born, Sue asked her older sister Anita to write a story about a grandmother she never knew for her birthday. Two birthdays came and went, and still no story. Finally, Anita presented to baby Adele a collection of the grandmother's favorite sayings and family photos in a beautiful hand-made book.

Julie Kerwin's family legend tells of a girl who choked on a quarter and drowned in the Erie Canal while riding her bicycle. By tracking down a village historian in Orleans County, NY, through RootsWeb, Julie received a newspaper article from

the time that gives the details of the 17-year-old's death. The seemingly far-fetched story was actually right on target. The coroner found the quarter during her autopsy and reported the cause of death was from choking on it as she held the 25-cent-piece in her teeth as she rode next to the canal on her bike. Upon choking, she fell into the water.

Jerry Inman's family used a unique form of money generations ago. In working toward a CCGS Pioneer Certificate, Jerry has traced his family back to 1647 England. The family of his great grandfather from the Athens, Mich., area migrated through Rhode Island. There, the family purchased land in exchange for an uncommon currency: 75 skunk pelts. ■

Indexes to grantor deeds

The Calhoun County indexes for Grantor Deeds indicate many persons listed under "W" (for Will of) whose property transactions were recorded when their estate was probated. Even though they were deceased, their names should have been used as the grantor, reading and filing as "Doe, John" instead of "Will of." Listings like this were found in Deed Index volumes #6 through #12. The actual records are held by the Calhoun County Clerk and Register of Deeds, 315 W. Green St., Marshall, MI 49068, web site <<http://co.calhoun.mi.us/docs/documents.html>>. This information was transcribed by CCGS members and is made available as part of the society's mission. A portion of the entries are being printed in each issue of **Generations**.

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1845 Calhoun County citizens' marriages found in Oakland County

While transcribing microfilm of 1845 marriage records in Oakland County for the Oakland County Genealogical Society, CCGS member Fran Wilson ran across the following, which might be of interest to someone researching Calhoun County families:

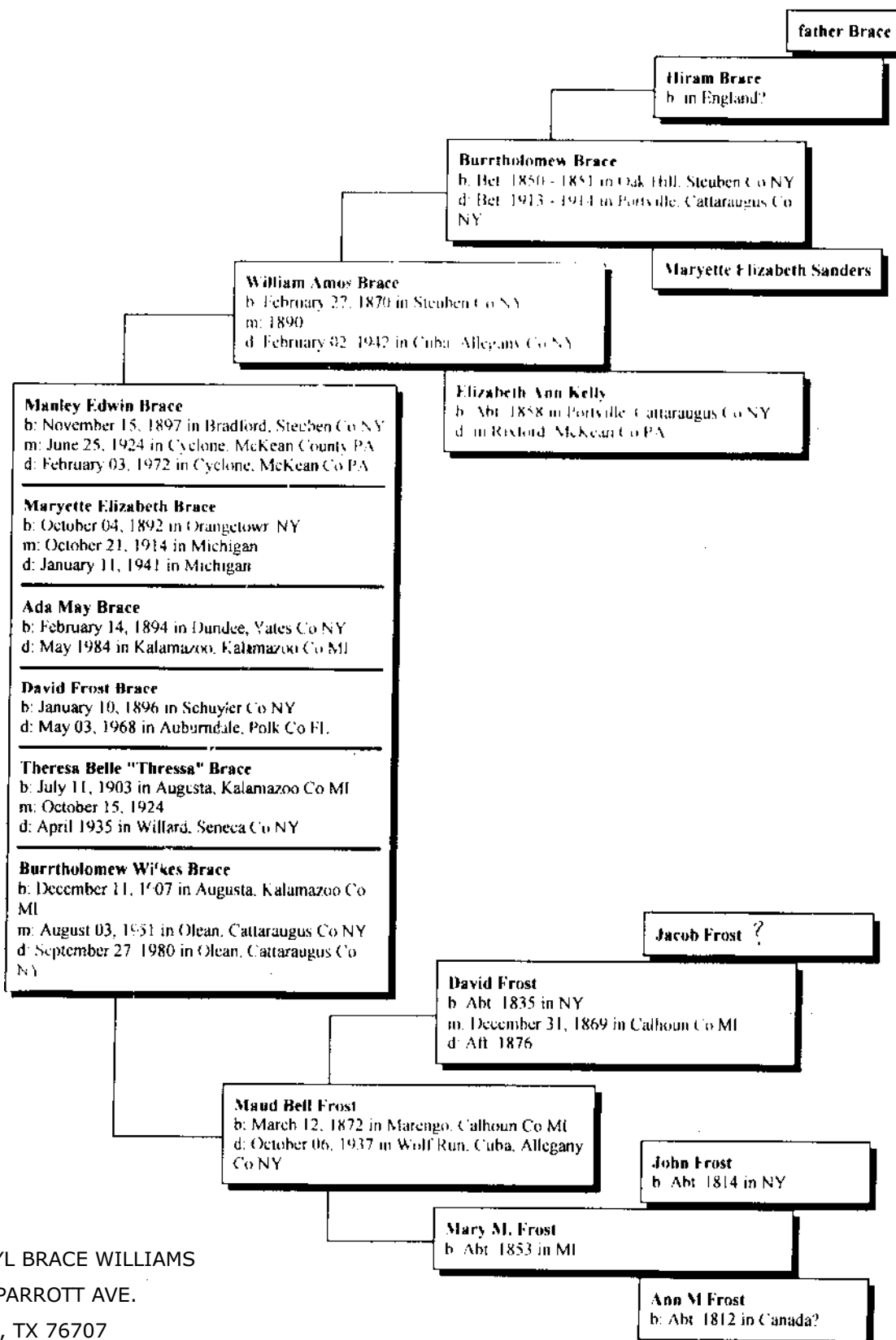
Josiah LEWIS, 27 y, and Caroline HERRICK, 23 y, both of Albion, Calhoun Co., were married in Oakland County [probably in Pontiac] on 22 Oct 1845 by Nathaniel WEST, Presbyterian Minister. Witnesses: Nelson P. STEWART and B.C. WHITTEMORE, Pontiac.

George A. WALLACE, 22, of Emmett Twp., Calhoun Co., to Mandana COOK, 16, of Bristol Twp., Lapeer Co., at Oakland Twp., Oakland Co., 1 Jan 1844 by Supply CHASE, pastor of Baptist Church at Stoney Creek. Witnesses: Lewis G. TANNER and Maïen COOK.

Many thanks to Fran for passing along this information. ■

A Member's Pedigree Chart: *Are you related?*

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Library of Michigan offers new pamphlets

The Library of Michigan Abrams Genealogy Collection has some new pamphlets that may be helpful for genealogists, according to Marlene Steele. The literature covers these topics:

- Locating genealogy materials at the Library of Michigan
- Naturalization records
- Michigan vital records research
- Beginning genealogy ■

Genealogy gems

Michigan Cemetery Sources Database released

The Library of Michigan has released a new Michigan Cemetery Sources Database, offering genealogists, historians and researchers online access to information about cemeteries in Michigan. The database identifies the location of more than 3,700 Michigan cemeteries and lists sources at the Library of Michigan, where the researcher can find the names of those buried in each cemetery. The database does not include a list of the people buried in each cemetery.

The database is searchable by cemetery name, county, township, specific location and keyword. The record for each cemetery contains detailed information about its location and whether the Library of Michigan owns a transcription of the cemetery. A transcription is a listing of persons buried at a cemetery, taken either from cemetery records or copied directly from headstones. Transcription sources may also include sexton's records, obituaries or other historical information.

The Library of Michigan will continually update the database as cemetery sources are added to its collection. Potential plans to expand it include scanning the pages from transcriptions, with the publisher's permission, and linking each cemetery to an online map.

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Calhoun County Genealogical Society **CALENDAR**

CCGS monthly meetings are typically held the fourth Tuesday of each month except July, August and December and are free and open to the public. Unless noted, meetings are held at 7 p.m. at the B.E. Henry Building, 615 S. Marshall St. in Marshall.

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| 25 February | CCGS monthly meeting: The Grange, speaker Roland Winter |
| 8 March | Library of Michigan training session: Using Census Indexes and Soundex, Library of Michigan Lake Huron Conference Room, Lansing, 9:30 a.m., (517) 373-1300 |
| 12 March | Library of Michigan training session: Using Census Indexes and Soundexes, Library of Michigan Lake Huron Conference Room, Lansing, 3 p.m., (517) 373-1300 |
| 25 March | CCGS monthly meeting: Using Maps, Gazetteers and Directories; speaker Shirley Hodges |
| 29 March | Genealogical Society of Monroe County spring seminar, Monroe County Community College, Monroe, <i>more information p. 30</i> |
| 29 March | Michiana Area Genealogical Fair, Ramada Inn, South Bend, Ind., <i>more information p. 30</i> |
| 5 April | Library of Michigan 2003 Abrams Genealogy Series: Using Vital Records for Genealogical Research, Library of Michigan Forum, Lansing, 9:30 a.m., \$10, questions (517) 373-1300, registration (517) 373-2977 |
| 12 April | Library of Michigan training session: Finding Michigan Land Owners Maps, Library of Michigan Lake Huron Conference Room, Lansing, 9:30 a.m., (517) 373-1300 |
| 16 April | Library of Michigan training session: Finding Michigan Land Owners Maps, Library of Michigan Lake Huron Conference Room, Lansing, 3 p.m., (517) 373-1300 |
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