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MGS MEETING ** SEPTEMBER 20

The first Midland Genealogical Society meeting of the fall will be held Wednesday, **September 20**, in the **lounge** of the Grace A. Dow Memorial Library starting at **7:00 pm**.

The normal business of the society will be conducted including presentation by Treasurer Jeri Shangle, discussion and adoption of the **2000-2001 budget**. Special announcements and a plea for active member participation will be made.

The **subject** will be the **Allen County Library in Fort Wayne, Indiana**. The **speakers** will be **MGS members Mary Lou Pease, Ruth Ann Cassadonte and Jan Crozier**. They bring to us their expertise and new information about the Allen County Library which they gained during a week-long genealogical hostel in Fort Wayne.

Refreshments and conversation will follow.

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PRESIDENT'S LETTER

From the **President**:

Hello, my name is **Bob Mass** and I was elected **President** of our Society last May. After over thirty years as a research engineer at Dow Chemical, I retired two years ago. We have made a number of trips about the U.S., including a number of genealogy stops. My wife Kate has seen enough of burial grounds and family headstones but doesn't mind libraries, for she is an avid reader and writer.



President Bob Mass

My ancestral roots are half German and half Colonial American. In my nearly twenty years of occasional research, I have collected nearly 250 grandparents. My main task is trying to firm-up the many weak links.

I work as a **genealogical volunteer** at the **Grace A. Dow Memorial Library** on

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The Presidents Letter (continued from p 1)

Thursdays when we are not on the road. In the last several years I have researched in a number of **libraries** around the country. **Each** library has its special strengths and most are far ahead of us on **computer** aids in the genealogy rooms.

The **Board** discussed and we are **proposing** that our society be more active in visualizing, designing, and assembling a versatile and up-to-date **computer system** for the **Midland Room**. Tasks that a system could provide are genealogical programs for those without home computers, word processing for response to inquires, reading and searching on genealogical CDs, internet searches, and work on our publications. Part of the effort would be the collection of donated genealogical CDs and purchases of missing ones. The good news is that Ken Schweitzer has already donated money for a basic system. Obtaining equipment to store and automatically handle multiple CDs will be the major task.

The previous **Board** started to work on a revision of the **ByLaws** of our Society. We must pick up this task since our dues are set in the **ByLaws**. At this time they are not quite covering the costs of the "**Pioneer Record**" and meeting costs. We do not want to dip into the book publication and book sales funds to balance the budget.

You have elected some very energetic officers for this year. The **Program Co-Chairs** are **Mary Lou Pease** and **Shirley Renwick**. They have programs scheduled on The Allen County Library, Midland County Clerk, and Midland Register of Deeds, for our first three meetings. Our **Treasurer**, **Jeri Shangle**, will be presenting our new annual budget at the September meeting. Other members of your team are: Secretary, **Gloria Kundinger**; Membership, **Bill Kocher**; Historian, **Joanne Rupprecht**; MGC Representatives, **Bev Keicher** and **Kathy Bohl**; First Families, **Mary Lou Hayes**; Pioneer Record, **Earl and Faye Ebach**; and Advisor, **Jo Brines**.

We are all looking for an informative and enjoyable year and I look forward to greeting all the new and continuing members this fall. **Bring a friend!**

See you on September 20!

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GENEALOGICAL VIDEOS

The **MGS** sponsored three "Introduction to Genealogy" workshops in January and February, 2000 at the **Grace A. Dow Memorial Library**. These workshops utilized videos, produced by **LDS Family History Center**, which are available for viewing at the Library's **Video Room** (#929.1). They were:

- #1 Home & Family Resources
- #2 Researching Court and Probate Records
- #3 Land, Military and Vital Records

In addition to these videos, the following are also available for viewing:

- #4 City Directories, Newspapers, Cemetery & Sexton Records, Societies, Tax Lists and Genealogical and Biographical Indexes
- #5 Passenger Lists and Passports
- #6 Naturalization
- #7 Federal Land Records, National Archives Maps

Other genealogical videos available, although not part of the above series, are:

- a - How To Get Started In Genealogy
- b - Cemeteries and Funeral Homes

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MGS ByLaws

To those members who are interested, the most recent version of the **MGS ByLaws** were printed in the November, 1999 "**Pioneer Record**", Vol. XX, No. 2. The **MGS Board** is discussing updating the **By-Laws** soon.

Jeri Shangle -- MGS Treasurer

Jeri has served as Treasurer for the MGS since December, 1999, replacing Bill Worden who resigned because of illness. She has been a member of the MGS for only a few years but stepped forward when the need arose.



Jeri was born and raised in Midland. She has worked with computers most of her adult life. First with Dow Corning and in 1979 with Dow Chemical as Systems Programmer. She has traveled throughout the US and the world during her employment. She retired from Dow in 1998 on long term disability.

Her interest in genealogy has existed for many years. She has researched her family line, Shangle (Schenkel), back to 1690 in Germany (emigrated in 1738). Other family surnames she has followed are Hare (Germany, emigrated 1870), Dunham (Ohio, 1828) and Wegner (West Prussia/Russia, 1776; emigrated 1913).

Since retiring she has continued her computer interests and applied them to genealogical pursuits, specifically the GenWeb project. She is currently actively involved with the US GenWeb Census Project, serving as File Manager, State Coordinator for IA, KS, MA, MI, NJ & NY, and a Member of the Board of Directors. In addition Jeri is Midland County Coordinator within MIGenWeb, US GenWeb Archives File Manager for NJ & NY, and US GenWeb Civil War File Manager for MA, MI, NJ & NY.

The MGS is appreciative of the volunteer efforts given by Jeri.

Gloria Kunderer -- MGS Secretary

Gloria joined the MGS in the fall of 1999 after the program "Researching Your Canadian and Irish Roots". Genealogy has been an interest for her since the seventies, but she has not always had time to pursue this interest until recently. As a young wife she quit her medical technology job to become a full-time mom. She kept busy raising two children, gardening, canning, sewing and volunteering for church and school activities.

Initially she obtained family information from parents, cousins and grandparents. She saved clippings of family weddings, births and deaths. A daughter's school genealogy project rekindled her interest and, with the help of her husband, they created their family tree.

A few years later, with the help of their parents, she began to collect more information about grandparents and great grandparents. Her grandparents, with her mother and aunt, immigrated from Stettin, Germany. Her Scottish-Irish grandmother's family (Johnston and Montgomery) came from Canada and settled in the Au Gres, Michigan, area. She is also researching the following German names: Kunderer, Trapp, Blankenburg, Adam, Schlicker and Gettel.

Since joining the MGS, she has learned much about genealogy, what resources are available and where to look for information. The programs and workshops have been informative. She is looking forward to learning more by serving as MGS Secretary.

It is a pleasure to have someone so new to MGS become active so soon. The MGS looks forward to her participation and hopes she will benefit from being involved.



**Books Added to Shelves of Midland Room, Grace A. Dow Memorial Library
During April-August, 2000**

<i>The Bigelow Family Genealogy</i> 3 vols Bigelow 929.2	<i>Civil War Genealogy</i> Schweitzer 946.9737
<i>The Andrick Family History</i> Andrick 929.2	<i>Confederate Research Sources</i> Neagles 926.9737
<i>The Mertz Family</i> Robinshaw 929.2	<i>The Balloting Book - Military Bounty Lands</i> Balloting 973.3447
<i>Passenger & Immigration List Index - 2001 Supplement</i> Filby 929.373	<i>Soldiers of the Revolutionary War Buried in Vermont</i> Crockett 929.3743
<i>World War II Scrapbook from Midland Newspapers</i> Thornton 940.53	<i>Vital Records of Putney, Vermont</i> Stevens 929.3743
<i>Your English Ancestry</i> Irvine 929.1072	<i>Vital Records of Rockingham, Vermont (incl. 1st Church)</i> Peck 929.3743
<i>The Great War Guide to the Service Records of all the World's Fighting Men & Volunteers</i> Schaefer 940.3	<i>Biographical & Historical Records of Putnam Co, Indiana</i> ----- 977.249
<i>Michigan Widows & Veterans Census - 1890</i> 5 reels in MI Microfilm Drawer	<i>Index to the 1887 History of Putnam County, Indiana</i> Mailer 977.249
<i>The Handybook - Ninth Edition</i> Handy 929.1	<i>Indiana Genealogical Research</i> Schweitzer 929.3772
<i>Saginaw County Cemeteries - Book 5 & 6</i> ----- 929.3774	<i>History of Wells & Kennebunk, Maine</i> Bourne 929.3741
<i>Poland - A Historical Atlas</i> Pogonowski 911.438	<i>Historical Sketches of Andover, Massachussetts</i> Bailey 974.42
<i>Township Atlas of the United States (new)</i> ----- 912.73	<i>History of Andover, Massachussetts (to 1829)</i> Abiel, Abbot 974.45
<i>Descendants of the Signers of the Declaration of Independence</i> Paine 973.513	<i>The Old Families of Salisbury & Amesbury, Massachussetts</i> Hoy 929.3774
<i>Mayflower Families Through Five Generations - Vol 18-1, 18-2 & 19</i> ----- 929.2	<i>Upper Tittabawassee River Boom Towns</i> Beriman 977.448
<i>The Planters of the Commonwealth 1620-1640</i> Banks 929.3744	<i>New Hampshire Genealogical Research</i> Towle, Brown 929.1072
<i>Marriage Notices for the Whole US 1785-1794</i> Bolton 929.3	<i>1798 Direct Tax - New Hampshire District #13 consisting of the Towns of Alton, Brookfield, Effingham, Middleton, New Durham, Ossipee, Tuftonboro, Wakefield & Wolfboro</i> Fippen 929.3742
<i>The Barbour Collection of Connecticut Records</i> (vols 1 to 12) White 929.3746	<i>History of Salem, New Hampshire</i> 2 vols Gilbert 974.2
<i>A Guide to the Spelling & Pronunciation of German Names</i> Johnson 931.52	<i>History of Allegheny Co, NY 1806-1879</i> ----- 974.784

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<i>History of Wayne Co, NY 1789-1877</i> ----- 974.787	<i>1850 Federal Census Records for Prebble Co, Ohio</i> OGS Census Table
<i>History of Chemung Co, NY 1826-1879</i> Peirce 974.778	<i>History of Summit Co, Ohio</i> Perrin, Baskin 929.3771
<i>History of Tompkins Co, NY 1821-1879</i> Peirce 974.771	<i>Summit Co, Ohio - Cemetery Inscriptions 1813-1978</i> OGS 929.5771
<i>History of Town of Galen, Wayne Co, NY</i> ----- 929.374787	<i>OGS Cemetery Records (3 books, vol 1-18)</i> ----- 929.5771
<i>History of the Pioneer Settlement of the Phelps & Gorman's Purchase and Morris' Reserve, NY</i> Turner, Aikling 974.7	<i>History of Columbiana Co, Ohio 1879-1905</i> ----- 977.163
<i>Ohio Lands: Steubenville Land Office 1800-1820</i> Bell 929.3771	<i>Pennsylvania German Immigrants 1709-1786</i> Yoder 929.3748
<i>Ohio Wills and Estates to 1850: An Index</i> Bell 929.3771	<i>Pennsylvania Marriages Prior to 1790</i> ----- 929.3748
<i>First Families of Ohio Vol 2 (to 1888)</i> Bell, Ritter 929.3771	<i>Record of Pennsylvania Marriages prior to 1810</i> ----- 929.3748
<i>Ancestor Charts of Members of Ohio Genealogical Society</i> OGS 929.3771	<i>Early Lutheran Baptisms and Marriages in SE Pennsylvania</i> Stoever 929.3748
<i>Ohio Guide to Genealogical Sources</i> Bell 929.3771	<i>Pennsylvania Births - Bucks Co 1682-1800</i> Humphrey 927.374816
<i>Guide to Ohio Newspapers 1793-1973</i> OHS 471.71	<i>Index - Will Books and Intestate Records of Lancaster Co, PA 1729-1850</i> Fulton, Mylin 929.374815
<i>Marriage Notices from the Ohio Observer Series 1827-1855</i> Caccamo 929.3771	<i>Virginia Tax Payers 1782-87 (non US Census Bureau)</i> Fothergill 929.3755
<i>History of Medina County, Ohio</i> ----- 929.3771	<i>Kegley's Virginia Frontier (2 vols)</i> Kegley 975.5
<i>History of Medina County, Ohio</i> MCHS 977.135	<i>Virginia Marriage Records</i> Bentley 929.3755
<i>Index to the Probate Court Records of Medina Co, Ohio</i> MCGS 929.3771	<i>Genealogies of Virginia Families from the Virginia Magazine of History & Biography (5 vols)</i> Hollowak 929.3755
<i>Index to Medina Co, Ohio Divorce Records 1825-1900</i> MCGS 929.3771	<i>Genealogies of Virginia Families from the William & Mary College Quarterly History Magazine (5 vols)</i> Barnes 929.3755
<i>Tombstone Inscriptions from Cemeteries in Medina Co, Ohio</i> MCGS 929.509771	<i>Virginia Genealogical Research</i> Schweitzer 929.1072
<i>Tax Records of 3 Counties in Ohio 1808-1820</i> OGS 929.3771	<i>A History of the Valley of Virginia</i> Kerchaval 975.5

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| Chronicles of the Scotch-Irish Settlement in Virginia 1745-1800 (3 vols)
Chalkley 929.3755 | Fauquier Co, Virginia: Abstracts of Wills, Inventories & Accounts 1759-1800
Gott 929.3755 |
| Annals of Southwest Virginia 1769-1800
(2 vols) Summers 929.3775 | Montgomery & Fincastle Cos, Virginia: A Brief of Wills & Marriages 1733-1831
Worrell 929.3755 |
| Virginia Appalachian Notes
SWVGS 929.3775 | A History of Rockingham Co, Virginia
Wayland 975.592 |
| Early Virginia Families Along James River
(vol 2 & #) Foley 929.3775 | Rockingham Co, Virginia: Marriages 1728-1816
Strickler 929.3755 |
| List of the Colonial Soldiers of Virginia
Eckenrode 975.503 | West Virginia Estate Settlements
Johnson 929.3754 |
| Over the Mountain Men - Their Early Court Records in SW Virginia Worrell 929.3755 | German New River Settlement (WV)
Heavener 929.3755 |
| Virginians and West Virginians 1607-1870
(2 vols) Wardell 929.3755 | A History of Middle New River Settlements (WV)
Johnston 975.4 |
| Parish Lines - Diocese of SW Virginia
Cocke 929.3755 | The New River Early Settlement (WV)
Johnson 975.4 |
| James Patton and Appalachian Colonists
Johnson 975.4 | Greenbriar Co, West Virginia: Court Orders 1780-1850 Stinson 929.3754 |
| Bath Co, Virginia - Marriage Bonds & Ministers 1791-1853
Methany,Wise 929.3755 | Land Entry Book of Greenbriar Co, WV
Stinson 929.3754 |
| Bedford Co, Virginia: Marriage Bonds 1755-1800 and Index of Wills 1754-1830
Dennis,Smith 929.3755 | History of Charleston & Kanawha Cos, WV
Laidley 975.437 |
| Bedford Co, Virginia: Will Books 1 & 2, 1759-1803 Chilton 929.3755 | History of Kanawha County, WV
Atkinson 975.437 |
| Boutetourt Co, Virginia: Early Wills, Marriages & Rev. War Records
Worrell 929.375583 | History of the Great Kanawha Valley, WV
Hale 975.437 |
| A Seed Bed of the Republic - Early Boutetourt (Virginia) Stones 929.3755 | Kanawha Co, WV: Marriages 1792-1869
Wintz 929.3754 |
| Fauquier Co, Virginia: Marriage Bonds 1759-1854 & Marriage Returns 1785-1848
Gott 929.3755275 | A History of Monroe Co, West Virginia
Morton 975.478 |
| Fauquier Co, Virginia: Abstracts of Wills, Administrations & Marriages 1759-1800
King 929.3755275 | Ohio Co, West Virginia: Index to County Court Order Books Craft 929.375414 |
| | West Virginia Genealogy Sources
McGinnis 929.3754 |

Archival Materials, Tools and Techniques

by Bill Kocher

I have an interest in archival materials and techniques which may also be of interest to other MGS members. I have found an excellent source of photo archival materials as follows:

Gaylord Brothers, P. O. Box 4901, Syracuse, NY 13221-7957

Gaylord Brothers offer much more, such as:

Catalogs: the Gaylord General Reference Catalog and the Gaylord Archival Catalog. I have the latest Archival 2000 Preservation Resource Guide, Catalog #13, and a 1999 General Reference Catalog.

Catalogs are free for the asking, by toll-free telephone or by a post-card (in the current catalog "Please Send Catalogs to My Colleagues!"). To ask for catalogs call "Customer Service": 1-800-634-6307; 8 am - 7 pm EST, Monday through Friday.

Free Workshop Materials Kit - includes Preservation Pathfinder pamphlets, Archival Catalogs and samples of essential preservation storage products. Call 1-800-448-6160; Allow 6 weeks.

Free Preservation Pathfinder Pamphlets - call 1-800-634-6307

- #1. An Introduction to Preservation
- #2. Archival Storage of Paper
- #3. Archival Storage of Photographic Materials
- #4. An Introduction to Book Repair
- #5. Archival Storage of Textiles

Technical Tips - scattered through the catalogs

There is a **web site** at:

<http://www.archival.gaylord.com/>>

where you can get:

- ** technical tips
- ** FREE Pathfinder pamphlets in Adobe PDF format for quick downloading (I've done this - it requires Adobe Acrobat Reader, a free download which I have. The pamphlets are long and it takes a lot of printing time and supplies if you want to print them; otherwise you can study the pamphlets on your screen or order them individually)
- ** catalogs
- ** preservation help line
- ** archival news

Notice the Workshop Materials Kit. If enough people are interested in a workshop, I've offered to organize one. I expect to make announcements about this at the early 2000 meetings for a possible winter or spring 2001 time. Speak to me or any other Board member.

Letter To Editor -- From New Member Susan Grove -- via Bill Kocher, Membership Chair

Thanks for letting me know you received my check; I was wondering how this was going to work!

My only specific request, if you could call it that, would be to start a chat room where members could exchange info on line. Sometimes active conversation spurs the memory. And, by the way, I really enjoyed the feature that was added to the web site since last fall on how to start searching. Really good tips for we novices!

As far as being related to the namesake of Grove Street, I really don't know, but was always amused by it. My in-laws live on State St., so I passed by Grove St. many times while living in Midland myself until 5 years ago. I've been teasing my husband about how easy--ha ha--it's going to be to find info on such common names as Wilson, Young, Williams and Grove. My family names, on the other hand...

Thanks--

Sue Grove

susantg@xnet.com

MGS MEMBERSHIP REPORT - Bill Kocher, Chair

The **MGS** membership, as of 23 Sept. 2000, totals only **25** paid memberships (29 members). There are **97** 1999-2000 memberships (120 members) as not yet paid for the 2000-2001 year. Many memberships include spouses.

We welcome the following new members who have joined the **MGS** since the last issue of the "**Pioneer Record**". They are:

Justin Mead	Midland, MI	
Susan Grove	Aurora, IL	Researching: Grove, Young, Wilson, Williams
Janet Marlene Pabst Miller	Argyle, TX	Researching: Beebe, Booth, Burroughs, Edwards, Griffith, Pabst (Papst), Parker, Moore, Reitzel, Thurston
Jerry W. Woods	Maple Valley, WA	
Patty Minor Brownell	Battle Creek, MI	Researching: Davis, Simmons, Abbey, Minor, Secord

The complete list of **MGS** members will be published in the November issue of the "**Pioneer Record**".

TREASURER'S REPORT - Jeri Shangle, Treasurer

The **MGS** fiscal year begins 1 July 2000 and ends 30 June 2001. **Income** for the **MGS** fiscal year to date (**23 Aug. 2000**) is **\$249.59**, made up primarily of dues and interest, versus a proposed annual budgeted amount of \$1950 (for 2000-2001). **Expenses** to date have been minimal totaling only **\$10.72** against a proposed annual budgeted amount of \$2255.

As of **23 Aug. 2000** the account balances are: operating checking: **\$1388.29**; money market: **\$2969.62**; and CD: **\$2500.00**. Thus total **MGS** assets are **\$6857.91**.

ADDITIONAL UPCOMING SEMINARS**Flint Public Library / Flint Genealogical Society -- Workshop**

Saturday, 7 October 2000 9:30 am to 5:00 pm

Speaker: Katherine G. Orr, Genealogist and UE member, of Toronto, Ontario

Subject: **Searching Ontario, Canada Genealogy**

Flint Public Library, 1026 E. Kearsley St., Flint, MI

For more information contact: Sarah R. Brooks e-mail: sbrooks@flint.lib.mi.us
phone: (810) 767-6740

Western Wayne County Genealogical Society / Livonia Public Library -- Workshop

Saturday, 4 November 2000 9:00 am to 5:00 pm

Speakers: Ryan Taylor, Steve Myers, Harley Barnette - Allen County Public Library

Subjects: **Putting It In Print: Writing and Publishing Your Family History**

Computer Genealogy - Family Web Pages

Livonia Civic Center Library

For more information contact: Delphine Goodwin (734) 425-8832
Sue Cromwell (248) 477-5846

Midland Family History Center of The Church of Jesus Christ Of Latter-Day Saints

The **LDS Church**, located at the corner of Sugnet and Eastman Roads, underwent modifications and additions during the past year. Included in this work was the **Family History Center** rooms, which were reopened in July. The research room has new cabinets, chairs and desks. The equipment has been rearranged for easier access. A **new microfilm copier** has been added. **Open hours** have been increased as follows:

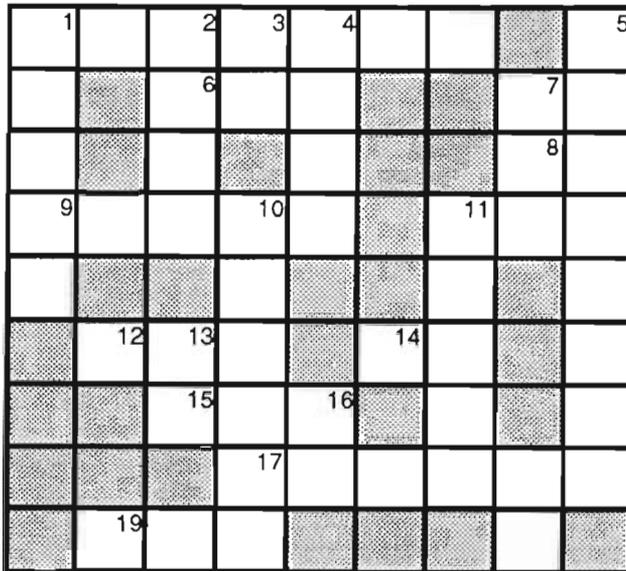
Wednesday & Thursday 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. 6:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.

Saturday 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

We should all make more use of this wonderful research facility.

CONTEST: Solve the puzzle below and win a **free MGS one year membership.**

MGS WORD PUZZLE



How to play:

Complete the puzzle by looking at each clue. Unscramble each answer. When the puzzle is finished, unscramble the circled letters to solve the **BONUS**.

ACROSS

CLUE	ANSWER
1 - to prove	BAPTREO
2 - MGS president	OBB
7 - IN university	UP
8 - TV program	RE
9 - to own	LTITE
11 - compete	UNR
12 - spouse	GAN
14 - "10" star	OB
15 - file ID	ABT
17 - civil records	SECNSU
19 - boring	RYD

DOWN

CLUE	ANSWER
1 - entry	TSOPR
2 - news item	TBIO
3 - former UM coach	OB
4 - ready	BELA
5 - family	NESARUSM
7 - legume	AEP
10 - hand down	AYLCEG
11 - dig up	OTROS
13 - place	TA
16 - is	EB
18 - melting pot	SU

BONUS WORD

Clue: genealogists are sometimes "blessed" with it

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CONTEST RULES:

- 1- Correctly complete the above **MGS Word Puzzle** including the unscrambled **BONUS word**.
- 2- **Mail a photocopy** of the completed puzzle to: **Pioneer Record Editors**; Faye and Earl Ebach; 4610 Andre: Midland, MI 48642
- 3- Contest ends on **Sept. 17, 2000**; envelope with puzzle must be postmarked before **11:59 pm** on 9/17/00.
- 4- Only **one** puzzle entry **per member**.
- 5- **Winner** will be selected based upon the earliest postmark received with the **CORRECT solution of the Puzzle and BONUS word**. In the event of two or more correct puzzles received with the same dated postmark, a random drawing will be held at the Sept. 20, 2000, MGS meeting to determine the winner.
- 6- The **free years MGS membership** will be awarded at the **Sept. 20, 2000 MGS meeting**.

Please print: Name:
 Address: Phone:
 City, etc.

MEMBERSHIP DUES 2000-2001

Collection of **MGS membership dues for 2000-2001** will conclude at the **September meeting**. The **MGS** Treasure and Membership Chair have been collecting dues since last May, 2000, although there has been no specific request. If your dues are not paid by the end of September, this may be the last **Pioneer Record** you will receive. Dues may be paid by mail to: Membership Chair, **Midland Genealogical Society**, Grace A. Dow Memorial Library, 1710 W. St. Andrews Dr., Midland, MI 48640. Dues for an **individual** are **\$10.00**; for a **family** they are .

MGS PROGRAMS FOR 2000-2001

Meetings will be scheduled at **7:00 PM** on the third **Wednesday** of the month in the lounge of the **Grace A. Dow Memorial Library**. Programs for the fall will be as follows:

September 20

Mary Lou Pease, Ruth Ann Cassadonte & Jan Crozler, MGS members, will speak on "The **Allen County Library; Fort Wayne, Indiana**".

October 18

Scott Haines, Register of Deeds, will speak on "How to Use the Available Records In Your Genealogical Research"

November 15

Karen Holcomb, Midland County Clerk, will speak on "Birth, Marriage & Death Records Available in the County Clerk's Office"

January 17, 2001

February 21, 2001

March 21, 2001

April 18, 2001

May 16, 2001

UPCOMING SEMINARS

Michigan Genealogical Council 2000 ABRAMS Genealogical Series

The **MGC** is sponsoring a series of 6 meetings, each with a special subject, that focus on genealogical resources available at the **Library of Michigan in Lansing**. Four meetings have been held and two remain.

October 21 Vital Record Research

December 2 Native American Research

The free 90-minute sessions begin at 9:15 am in the Forum. For more information, contact **Randy Riley** or **Carol Callard** at (517) 373-1300.

Ingham County Genealogical Society SEMINAR 2000 - Saturday, October 28 9am-4

Speakers: **Curt B. Witcher & Shirley J. Hodges**
Holiday Inn Express, Okemos, MI

For more information refer to

ICGS@YAHOO>COM

or contact **Sam Pardee** (517) 374-8178

sampardee1@aol.com

BOOKS FOR SALE

The following **books**, published by the **Midland Genealogical Society**, are available for sale at any **MGS** meeting or by mail. Price of each book is \$20.00 plus \$3.00 for postage and handling.

MIDLAND COUNTY OBITUARY INDEX -- 1872-1927. The book consists of 16,000 abstractions covering 55 years from the **Midland Times** (1872-1875), the **Midland Sun** (1892-1924) and the **Midland Republican** (1881-1927). The soft bound 238 page book is 8 1/2 by 11 inches. (84 copies remaining)

MIDLAND PIONEERS, edited by **Ora Flaningam**. This book is a compilation of the most interesting genealogical, historical and humorous reprints from newspapers published in the **Pioneer Record**. The book is 6 by 9 inches, soft bound, 259 pages. (29 copies remaining)

To ORDER A BOOK write: **Midland Genealogical Society BOOK; Grace A. Dow Memorial Library;**
 1710 W. St. Andrews Dr.; Midland, MI 48640

MGS WEB SITE ADDRESS

<http://users.tm.net/brauschj/mgs>

MIDLAND COUNTY GenWeb SITE ADDRESS

<http://www.rootsweb.com~mimidlan/>

MICHIGAN GenWeb SITE ADDRESS

<http://www.rootsweb.com/~migenweb/>

LDS Church Family History WEB SITE

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