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MGS BYLAWS REVISION

One of the **goals** of the present **MGS Board** is to **update the BY-LAWS** of the society. To this end, **President Bob Mass** appointed, in October, 2000, a **By-laws Revision Committee**, composed of Board members, to study, review and recommend changes and/or additions to the existing By-laws .

At the July MGS Board meeting, attended by the "old" and "new" Boards, the decision was made not to pursue further the suggestion to change the manner of electing MGS Board members and MGS officers. Thus, the Committee studying this recommendation was dissolved. The goal was then set to update the existing By-laws to better represent the manner in which the MGS presently operates. In addition, the need for increased MGS membership dues to balance our annual operating expenses was emphasized; this could only be done by revising existing By-laws.

Volunteers for the **By-laws Committee** were **Joanne Rupprecht, Kathy Bohl and Faye Ebach**. **All of the MGS Board** members were asked to review the existing By-laws, which were **last revised in 1990**, and make written suggestions to the Committee. Many viewpoints were discussed at Board meetings. The Committee reviewed all the suggestions and combined many of them into a single, revised document for presentation to the Board. The Committee presented their recommended revisions to the Board at the **January Board meeting**. After much discussion and a few minor revisions, the Board **approved** the revisions for presentation to the MGS membership.

According to the existing By-laws " These By-laws may be amended at any meeting by a two-thirds vote of the members present, provided that proposed amendments shall have been presented in writing to the membership through the Newsletter or other instrument and discussed at the previous regular meeting. Members not present at such previous meeting shall be notified that amendments to the By-laws will be voted upon at the next regular meeting".

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MGS Meeting -- February 21, 2001

The second **Midland Genealogical Society meeting** of the year 2001 (and fifth meeting of the fiscal year) will be held **Wednesday, February 21**, in the **lounge** of the **Grace A. Dow Memorial Library** starting at **7:00 pm**.

The **program** will be a **membership participatory session**. **Members** are asked to bring to the meeting for presentation to the group their special **SOURCES of GENEALOGY** that have helped them in their research. These sources could be references, vital records, books, offices, libraries, internet sites, software programs - anything that might inform or assist others. Presentations should be about 5 minutes so that many members can participate. Many members have had exciting, rewarding and valuable experiences which will be beneficial to others. **So please come prepared.**

The business of the society (notices, reports, etc.) will be conducted prior to the program. Refreshments and conversation will follow the program.

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To comply with the existing By-laws, the MGS Board approved revisions are printed in this February issue of the "Pioneer Record" on pages 5, 6, 7, 8 & 9. Discussions will be held during the business portion of the February and March MGS Meetings. The By-laws will be voted upon during the April 18, 2001, MGS Meeting. This notice serves as the announcement to the MGS membership as required by the existing By-laws.

The By-laws printed in this issue appear to be quite long. This is because changes, deletions and additions are presented along with the current By-laws. The final form will be much shorter. Any items which are to be deleted or changed are underlined and placed in parenthesis. Proposed changes or additions are printed in bold type. The titles of the ARTICLES are also printed in BOLD TYPE. PLEASE review the revisions, share your comments with other MGS members (especially MGS Board and Committee members), and be present to vote at the April 18 MGS Meeting.

MGS Loses Long Time Member -- Bill Worden

Long time member **Bill Worden** passed away on November 20, 2000.

In October, 2000, Bill was honored by the **MGS** for his many years of outstanding service and support. He was one of the pioneers in promoting the use of computers in genealogical research and recording. He served as President, Membership Co-Chair along with his wife Pat, and Treasurer until early 2000 when illness caused him to resign from that position.

He has left a significant impact upon the **MGS** and those members who have had the honor and pleasure to work with him.



FIRST FAMILIES OF MIDLAND COUNTY by MaryLou Hayes

FIRST FAMILIES OF MIDLAND COUNTY is a continuing **MGS** project which recognizes descendants of early Midland County residents. "PIONEER" certificates are issued to **descendants** of residents living in **Midland County between 1850 and 1900**. **CONGRATULATIONS** to the fifteen certificates issued by **MGS** during the year 2000. They were:

Descendant

Thomas E. McCann
Edward L. Fraidenburg
Jed Eesley Fulkerson
Diane K. McCune
Diane K. McCune
Diane K. McCune
Tari Lynn Sherlock
Alan Tyler Sherlock
Steven Michael Cronkright
Amanda Jean Sherlock
Anron Wayne Cronkright
Adam Christopher Cronkright
Amy Kathryn Cronkright
Roger Alan Cronkright
Marie Kessler

Surname of Early Resident

Thomas E. McCann
Jason W. Fraidenburg
Henry Eesley
Edward D. McCune
Reed L. Bohannon
Truman C. Gibbs
Charles Cronkright
Charles Cronkright
Charles Cronkright
Charles Cronkright
Charles Cronkright
Charles Cronkright
Charles Cronkright
Charles Cronkright
Charles Cronkright
Charles Cronkright
Isreal Joseph Valliere

Definitions of "Old" Occupations and/or Sources of Surnames

Dan Burrows, Orange County (NY) Genealogical Society submitted this partial list (via Sam & Mary Levy) to share with our members.

Bluestocking - a female writer
Brewster - one who manufacturers beer
Clerk - a clergyman or cleric

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PRESIDENT'S LETTER

From the President:

The new year is upon us and with that the Nominating Committee is hard at work. Doug Applegath, Pat Worden, Quita Shier, and Wilma Diesen have agreed to serve. It is always a pleasure to have willing volunteers to ask members to step up and give something back in the coming year. Consider serving if you have not done so and don't be shy about giving any one of the members a call to volunteer. It makes for a healthy organization when we all take time to do a little to move our group forward.

Our Bylaws had restricted our dues, no longer reflected our actual operations, and did not state key duties of the board, officers, and committees. Faye Ebach spearheaded the rewrite effort ably assisted by Kathy Bohl and JoAnne Rupprecht. The revisions were presented to and approved by the Board at our January meeting. The first presentation to the membership took place at the January meeting. The proposed new bylaws are included in this Pioneer Record. We will take a final vote in March or April so please read them over. Thanks to all who spent time bringing them up to snuff.



The sequel obituary book, "Midland County Michigan Obituary Index 1928-1950" edited by Orville Dobson was approved by the Board to be printed. Graphics Plus of Bay City will have 100 copies ready for us to sell by our March meeting.

The Midland Room computer is here and library staff is loading its software. The testing and details should be worked out for a March unveiling. The library is purchasing Family Tree Maker version 8.0 with 42 CDs and the two CD set of "Germans to America" covering the years 1850-1888. A number of useful CDs were donated earlier that now can be used. The titles are:

- Census Microfilm Records: Indiana 1850 (Broderbund #302);
- Census Records: Indiana, 1860 (Broderbund #304);
- Histories and Genealogies of Essex County MA (Heritage Books);
- Marriage Index: Kentucky, North Carolina, Tennessee, Virginia, West Virginia (Broderbund #229);
- County and Family Histories: Ohio 1780-1970 (Broderbund #450);
- Berks County (PA) Church Records 1752-1825 (Ultimate Family Tree);
- County and Family Histories: Pennsylvania 1740-1900 (Broderbund #193);
- Census Microfilm Records: Virginia 1850 (Broderbund #309);
- Social Security Death Index 1937-1997 (Broderbund #110)

The Society is seeking further donations of used CDs that can extend the list of those available in the Midland Room. If you are willing to donate CDs please bring the list to the Midland Room or e-mail me at

massro@aol.com

We want to avoid duplicates. Questions about copyright have been clarified by the manufacturers.

I am trying to generate interest in reprinting the book "Portrait and Biographical Album of Midland County Michigan", 1884. This is an important local resource and our one full copy is deteriorating. The project would be to scan it into the computer then copy it onto CDs. (It was not copyrighted.) The patrons of the Midland Room would immediately benefit and the CDs could be offered to other libraries and individuals.

Kate and I plan a vacation at the Gulf Shores during February.

Bob Mass

January 17, 2001 MGS Meeting
Researching Civil War Genealogy

Robert Graves, Kelth Kuhlman and Chris Kuhlman presented an informative program about the **Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War**, a parallel organization to the Grand Army of the Republic (GAR). They represented the **Shepard Camp**, one of 19 camps located in Michigan. This camp is assigned to **Isabella, Midland and Clare** counties. Functions of the organization are to teach patriotism, locate headstones and markers, register veteran's information, replace needed markers for civil war veterans and celebrate Memorial Day. They are committed to honoring those veterans who served so valiantly during the **Civil War**.

Members assigned to do **grave registrations** scour cemeteries looking for graves with government markers. They look for a name, rank, regiment, GAR star, company and dates. Dates help determine age range to identify if the veteran could have served in the Civil War. The Shepard Camp has located **241** confirmed Union soldiers and sailors buried in **Midland County**.

The **Brown** books, compiled in the 1890's by the adjutant general's office for Michigan, contain records of the date of birth, when, where a veteran served, death date and where each veteran is buried. There are **47 volumes** of the Brown books - one volume for each Michigan regiment in the Civil War. The books include infantry, artillery, cavalry, sharp shooters, two independent, and one miscellaneous regiment (where small regiments were assigned to other states). These volumes are **available** in the **Hoyt Library** in Saginaw, **Michigan State Library** in Lansing, and the **Clark Historical Library** in Mt. Pleasant. The **Midland Library** has only 10 of the 47 volumes available.

TIME OUT !

We received this via e-mail from a cousin. Pretty cute! **Mary & Sheldon Levy**

Written by "Barbara Johnson" <barbJ@prodigy.net>

YOU KNOW YOU'RE TAKING GENEALOGY TOO SERIOUSLY IF..... You are the only person to show up at the cemetery research party with a shovel.

To put the "final touches" on your genealogical research, you've asked all of your closest relatives to provide DNA samples.

You were instrumental in having "non-genealogical use of the genealogy room copy machine" classified as a federal hate crime.

Your house leans slightly toward the side where your genealogical records are stored.

You decided to take a two-week break from genealogy, and the U. S. Postal Office immediately laid off 1,500 employees.

Out of respect for your best friend's unquestioned reputation for honesty and integrity, you are willing to turn off that noisy surveillance camera while she reviews your 57 genealogical research notebooks in your home. The armed security guard, however, will remain.

During an ice storm and power outage, you ignore the pleas of your shivering spouse and place your last quilt around that 1886 photograph of dear Uncle George.

Ed McMahon, several TV cameras and an envelope from Publishers Clearing House arrive at your front door on Super Bowl Sunday, and the first thing you say is, "Are you related to the McMahons of Ohio?"

"A Loving Family" and "Financial Security" have moved up to second and third, respectively, on your list of life's goals, but still lag far behind "Owning My Own Microfilm Reader."

A magical genie appears and agrees to grant your any one wish, and you ask that the 1890 census be restored.

Definitions of "Old" Occupations and/or Sources of Surnames

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- Cooper - one who makes or repairs casks, barrels, tubs
- Dresser - a surgeons assistant in a hospital
- Joyner - a skilled carpenter
- Leech - a physician
- Mason - a bricklayer
- Tucker - one who cleans cloth goods
- Wright - a workman, especially a construction worker

PROPOSED REVISIONS TO MGS BY-LAWS

Approved by **MGS Board**, January 10, 2001
Recommended by **MGS By-Laws Committee**, September, 2000 - January, 2001

In the write-up below the following notations are used:

Current Bylaw items to be changed and/or deleted are placed in parenthesis () and underlined (_____).

Proposed changes or additions are printed in **BOLD TYPE**.
The titles of **ARTICLES** are also printed in **BOLD type**.

One new ARTICLE has been added, i.e., **ARTICLE VII: COMMITTEES**, requiring new numbers for subsequent ARTICLES.

**BY-LAWS
MIDLAND GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY
MIDLAND, MICHIGAN**

(Revised 21 March 1990)

ARTICLE I NAME

The name of the organization shall be "The Midland Genealogical Society" hereinafter called (the Society.) **the MGS.**

ARTICLE II PURPOSE

The purpose of the (Society) **MGS** shall be to serve as a focal point for genealogical activities in the Midland County area. The (Society) **MGS** shall do this through such activities as collecting and preserving local genealogical and historical records, accumulating genealogical materials from other places, and making these materials accessible to the public. Further, the (Society) **MGS** shall stimulate interest in genealogy in the community and shall educate the membership and the general public in methods of genealogical research and give mutual assistance to the members in their research efforts.

ARTICLE III MEMBERSHIP

Any person interested in any phase of the purpose may become a member by requesting membership and paying the annual dues. Only members whose dues have been paid, **including honorary members** shall have the privilege of voting.

Honorary Membership may be conferred upon any person whom the membership deems worthy. (but such honorary membership shall not be conferred upon more than two members in any fiscal year, and shall require a majority vote at any regular meeting.) Honorary members shall require a majority vote at any regular meeting. Honorary members have all the privileges of regular members including voting but shall not be required to pay dues.

Complimentary membership may be granted to an individual who supports the purpose of the organization but does not seek active involvement in the organization.

ARTICLE IV OFFICERS

The officers of the Society shall be President, (First Vice President, Second Vice President,) **Program Chair, Membership Chair, (Recording Secretary, Corresponding Secretary.) Secretary, Treasurer, Historian, and two delegates to the Michigan Genealogical Council.**

(A nominating committee appointed by the President shall present a slate of officers at the April meeting to be

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voted upon at the annual meeting. The officers shall be elected at the annual meeting by the membership and shall take office at the close of said meeting. The term of office shall be for one year with privilege of re-election.)

Officers shall be elected at the annual meeting by the membership and shall take office at the close of said meeting. Each term of office shall be for one year with privilege of re-election.

ARTICLE V DUTIES OF OFFICERS

(1. The duties of the officers shall be such as are indicated by their respective titles and such as are specified in the By-Laws.)

(2. The President shall appoint committees as required and shall be an ex-officio member of all committees, without right to vote. The President's signature shall be recorded as an alternate on the bank account.)

1. The President shall:

- a. conduct the business of the organization at monthly meetings.
- b. schedule and conduct the Board meetings.
- c. appoint the Editor(s) of the Newsletter (Pioneer Record) and Chair of the Hospitality Committee
- d. appoint committees as deemed necessary.
- e. appoint a Nominating Committee in January to prepare an annual slate of officers prior to the April membership meeting.
- f. be an ex-officio member of all committees without right to vote
- g. record his/her signature as an alternate on the bank account
- h. ensure that a contract for MGS meeting room has been signed.

(3. The First Vice-President shall be Program Chairman and perform the duties of the President in the absence or inability of that officer to serve.)

2 The Program Chair shall:

- a. be responsible for planning, arranging and providing programs for regular meetings
- b. assist the President in the performance of the duties of the office
- c. perform the duties of the President when necessary
- d. write thank-you notes to any and all speakers for meetings, conferences, etc.

(4. The Second Vice-President shall be Membership Chairman and maintain a current membership list with addresses, and shall actively promote new members. The Second Vice-President shall also work with the Program Chairman in the selection of the Society's programs.)

3. The Membership Chair shall:

- a. maintain a current membership list with addresses, telephone numbers and e-mail addresses
- b. provide membership list to the President, editor of the newsletter and the treasurer to enable these persons to perform their duties
- c. actively promote new members
- d. work with the Treasurer relative to dues and/or membership.

(5. The Recording Secretary shall take minutes and maintain a permanent file of said minutes. He/she shall submit a copy of the minutes to the presiding officer within two weeks of the recording.)

4. The Secretary shall:

- a. record the minutes of the board meetings, the annual meeting and any votes taken at the monthly meetings
- b. maintain a permanent file of said minutes
- c. submit a copy of the minutes to the presiding officer within two weeks of the meeting
- d. prepare such other correspondence as directed by the President.



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(6. The Corresponding Secretary shall write thank-you notes to the speakers and deal with such other correspondence as designated by the President.)

(7. The Treasurer shall chair the Budget Committee, collect all dues, attend to all disbursements and have charge of all funds. He/she shall keep all the accounts and report in full the receipts and disbursements to date upon the request of the presiding officer.)

5. The Treasurer shall:

- a. chair the Budget Committee
- b. collect all moneys due the MGS, placing these in appropriate financial accounts/institutions.
- c. attend to all disbursements
- d. maintain all the financial accounts
- e. present a written financial report for all board meetings.
- f. work with Membership Chair relative to dues and/or membership.

In the absence of the Treasurer, the President may make disbursements for the (Society) MGS for budgeted items.

(8.) 6. The Historian shall be the custodian of all historical information concerning the (Society) MGS.

(9.) 7. The two Michigan Genealogical Council Delegates shall attend all Council meetings deemed necessary by the membership and shall report back to the (Society) MGS.

(10.) 8. All officers, upon retiring from office, shall deliver to their successors all moneys, accounts, records, books, papers, or other property which belongs to the organization.

ARTICLE VI BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The (A) Board of Directors shall consist of all elected officers (9) (8) and the immediate past President. **The Hospitality Chair and Newsletter (Pioneer Record) Editor(s) shall be ex-officio members of the Board.** The Board shall meet at the call of the President or any two other board members.

The Board (may) shall conduct routine business on behalf of the (Society) MGS in periods between meetings and may make recommendations at the monthly meetings of the (Society) MGS.

The Board (may) shall consider and advise on matters of policy and take whatever actions are necessary or expedient in the control of the affairs of the (Society) MGS.

The Board shall consider and approve publications, seminars, workshops, and projects on behalf of the MGS.

Five Directors shall constitute a quorum at a Board meeting.

ARTICLE VII COMMITTEES

Standing committees are:

- 1. Program Committee shall have responsibility for planning, scheduling, arranging programs for regularly scheduled meetings. Program Chair shall chair this committee.
- 2. Membership Committee shall be responsible for maintaining a current membership list with addresses, telephone numbers, and e-mail addresses when available. Committee shall actively promote new memberships as well as renewals. Membership Chair shall chair this committee.
- 3. Hospitality committee shall be responsible for scheduling and serving refreshments at monthly meetings. Chair to be appointed by the President. Chair shall be ex-officio member of the Board.



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- 4. Newsletter committee shall be responsible for production of the MGS newsletter. Editor(s) to be appointed by the President and shall chair this committee. The Editors shall be ex-officio members(s) of the Board.
- 5. Nominating committee, appointed annually by the President in January, shall prepare a slate of officers to be voted upon during the Annual Meeting in May. This slate shall be presented to the membership at the scheduled monthly meeting prior to the Annual Meeting, and shall be published in the Newsletter before the Annual Meeting. The committee shall conduct the election of officers, including calling for nominations from the floor.
- 6. Book Committee appointed by the President. Select genealogy materials for purchase by the library for placement in the genealogy collection.
- 7. Budget committee appointed by the President, shall prepare a budget of proposed income and expenditures for the following operating year. Committee shall present the proposed budget to the Board for discussion, modification and approval. Committee shall prepare for an audit of the books of the MGS at least every two years by an audit team appointed by the President from the membership. Audit committee shall not include any current Officers or members of the Budget Committee. Audit report to be presented to the Board and become part of the minutes of that Board meeting.

Additional committees appointed by the President as needed.

ARTICLE VIII MEETINGS

Regular meetings shall be held on the third Wednesday of each month with the exception of June, July, August and December. The date of such meetings may be changed as agreed upon by the Board.

The annual business meeting shall be held in May. The election of officers and the adoption of the yearly budget shall be conducted at the annual meeting.

(Twenty percent of the membership shall constitute a quorum.)

Members present at a meeting at which elections, dues changes or amendments to the bylaws are to be voted on constitute a quorum. Members must be present in order to cast their vote.

ARTICLE IX DUES

(Annual dues shall be \$10.00 for individual memberships and \$12.50 for family memberships with only one copy of the Pioneer Record, per family).

Annual dues shall be proposed by the Board and determined by a majority of the membership in attendance at a regularly scheduled meeting of the MGS. Changes in the dues structure shall occur no more frequently than one time during each fiscal year. Proposed changes shall be reported to the membership in the Newsletter and at one scheduled meeting before being voted on. Changes in dues shall become effective the following fiscal year.

(Annual dues become due for the ensuing year on July 1. Members who have not paid their dues by September 30 shall be dropped.)

Annual dues are due at or before the September scheduled meeting. Members not paid by November 25 shall be deleted from the membership list.

(After January 1, dues for new members shall be half the above amount.) Those new members joining after April 1 shall pay full dues which shall also apply to the ensuing year.

ARTICLE X FISCAL YEAR

The fiscal year shall begin July 1 and extend through the following June 30.

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ARTICLE XI PARLIAMENTARY AUTHORITY

Robert's Rules of Order, Revised, will be followed during board and business meetings.

ARTICLE XII AMENDMENTS

These By-laws may be amended at any meeting by a two-thirds vote of the members present, provided that proposed amendments shall have been presented in writing to the membership through the Newsletter or other instrument and discussed at the previous regular meeting. (Members not present at such previous meeting shall be notified that amendments to the By-laws will be voted upon at the next regular meeting.)

REVISED: MARCH 21, 1990
PROPOSED REVISION: SPRING, 2001



MGS MEMBERSHIP REPORT by MGS Membership Chair Bill Kocher

The MGS membership as of February 13, 2001, totals 141. We have 1 complimentary membership and 117 paid memberships (includes 24 family memberships). This reflects a loss of 13 units who were members last year and did not rejoin.

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

Dona McArdle, Suzanne Lacroix & Kevin Murphy, Darlene D'Alessio, and Tammy Lang.

TREASURER REPORT by MGS Treasurer Jeri Shangle

Income for the MGS fiscal year to date (12 February 2001) is \$2085.36, made up primarily of dues (\$1175), interest (\$128), research (\$253), First Family (\$65) and book sales (\$465), versus a budgeted (2000-2001) total of \$1920, Expenses to date, primarily meeting rental space (\$200), "Pioneer Record" (\$448), memorials (\$25), MGC mileage (\$28), misc. operating expenses (\$21) and research expenses (\$36) are \$758.71 versus a budgeted total of \$2235.

As of 12 February 2001 the account balances are: Operating Checking: \$1943.46; Money Market: \$3502.23; and CD: \$2500.00. Thus total assets are \$7945.69.

BURTON HISTORICAL COLLECTION REOPENS

The Burton Historical Collection, located in the Main Detroit Public Library building, will be open 4 hours a day Tuesdays through Saturdays until an inventory of the collection is completed. This premier historical and genealogical collection has reopened after a flood last summer and an electrical fire forced officials to close the library for restoration.

The collection focuses on the history of Detroit, Michigan, the old Northwest Territories, the Great Lakes area, New France and Quebec. The 5,700,000 piece collection includes books, journals, photographs, maps, pamphlets, newspaper clippings, business records, scrapbooks, city directories, copies of vital records, microfilms of censuses and other records, and manuscripts from individuals, associations, businesses and churches.

During the restoration, the staff took the opportunity to improve the layout of the collection's reading room. As a result, materials are more accessible and no longer have to be requested from the stacks.

The Burton Historical Collection web site is: www.detroit.lib.mi.us/burton/index.htm

DUTCH FORK CHAPTER, SCGS - WEB SITE

Submitted by MGS Member Yancy JACKson Dickert

This is the WEB site for the **Dutch Fork Chapter** of the **SC Genealogical Society** that was created in 2000 and contains 81 so-called Bios and is still growing. The Bios are the genealogy of 2 to 3 generations of original families that settled in **Newberry County, SC** before 1800.

<dfgs.homestead.com/family.html>

The 81 Bios presently contained in the Web site are listed below.

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| 1. AMICK | 28. FULMER | 55. BERNARD MONTS |
| 2. AULL | 29. GEISELHART | 56. GASPER MONTS |
| 3. BARRE | 30. GLYMPH | 57. JNO NICHOLS |
| 4. BATES | 31. HAIR | 58. QUATTLEBAUM |
| 5. BOUKNIGHT | 32. HALLMAN | 59. RISTER |
| 6. BEDENBAUGH | 33. J W HALLMAN | 60. RICKARD |
| 7. BICKLEY | 34. J HALTIWANGER | 61. RINEHART |
| 8. BYERLY | 35. HOPE | 62. RUFF |
| 9. BOOZER | 36. HELLER | 63. SMITHPETER |
| 10. BOWERS | 37. HIPPI | 64. SETZLER |
| 11. BUZHARDT | 38. HOUSEAL | 65. SCHUMPERT |
| 12. CHAPMAN | 39. KELLY | 66. SHEALY |
| 13. COOGLER | 40. JNO KINARD | 67. SINGLEY |
| 14. COOK | 41. MARTIN KINARD | 68. SLIGH |
| 15. CROUT | 42. MATHIAS KINARD | 69. STOCKMAN |
| 16. COUNTS | 43. JNOH KOON | 70. STAIRLEY |
| 17. J G CROMER | 44. BENEDICT KUHN | 71. STOUDEMIRE |
| 18. MICHAEL CROMERY | 45. V. KUHN | 72. SUBER |
| 19. DERRICK | 46. LAGRONNE | 73. SUMMER |
| 20. DICKERT | 47. LEITNER | 74. SWITTENBURG |
| 21. H. DOMINICK | 48. LEITSE | 75. WISE |
| 22. JOHN DOMINICK | 49. LINDLER | 76. WERTS |
| 23. EICHELBERGER ER | 50. JACOB LONG #1 | 77. WESSINGER |
| 24. ELEAZER | 51. JACOB LONG #2 | 78. WHELLER |
| 25. EPTING | 52. LOWMAN | 79. WHITE |
| 26. FARR | 53. MAY | 80. WICKER |
| 27. FOLK | 54. THOS MINNICK | 81. YOST |

MICHIGAN GENEALOGY COUNCIL REPORT - Kathy Bohl & Bev Keicher, MGS Delegates

Kathy Bohl reported at the **January 17 MGS meeting** that the **2001 Abrams Genealogy Series** will be offered at the Library of Michigan in Lansing in a series of 6 workshops during the year. The complete schedule is given on page 11.

The Council will offer a "Publications" workshop on April 7 at the Library of Michigan.

Many new **additions** to the genealogy collection have been acquired. Topics are: African/American slave records; population schedules for Michigan and Ohio; Civil War Camp Records; Military Records - Revolutionary War, 1812, Indian Wars; ship passenger records; Civil War records; and Women's papers and records.

Sections of the genealogy floor in the Library of Michigan will be **closed in March** for installation of new equipment - call ahead or check library's web page for availability.

The Council requests suggestions regarding types of records to be filmed by the LDS. Contact Bev Keicher or Kathy Bohl with comments/ or suggestions.

The **Annual MGC Seminar** is scheduled for **Oct. 18-20, 2001** at the Northfield Hilton Hotel. Theme will be "Inkwells to the Internet: - A Genealogical Conference of the Old Northwest Territory".

The Council has a new Web site: www.rootsweb.org/~mlmgc/

SPECIAL WEB SITE ADDRESSES

- MIDLAND GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY <http://users.tm.net/brauschj/mgs>
- MIDLAND COUNTY GenWeb <http://www.rootsweb.com~mimidlan/>
- MICHIGAN GenWeb <http://www.rootsweb.com/~migenweb/>
- LDS Church Family History <http://www.familysearch.org>
- MICHIGAN GENEALOGICAL COUNCIL <http://www.rootsweb.org/~mimgc/>

MGS PROGRAMS FOR 2000-2001

MGS 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 winter/spring will be as follows:

February 21, 2001

Subject: **Sources** of GENEALOGY that help - books, vital records, internet, etc.

Speaker: Various MGS members

Business: **Discuss** By-laws Revisions

March 21, 2001

Subject: **"Famous and Infamous"**

Speaker: **Stephen Keller**, Lecturer, retired teacher, 5th generation Detroiter, professional genealogist, editor "French Families", secretary DSGR

Business: **Discuss** By-laws Revisions

April 18, 2001

Subject: **"Why I chose FAMILY TREE MAKER"**

Speaker: **Lee Watrous**, Saginaw Genealogical Society (organizer), former editor "Timbertown Log"

Business: **Vote** on By-laws Revisions

May 16, 2001 - Annual MGS Meeting

Business: **Election of MGS Officers**

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