

# PIONEER RECORD

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## MIDLAND'S STREETS IN HISTORY AS TOLD BY PIONEER RESIDENT

THE MIDLAND SUN - OCTOBER 11, 1923 - The following article, contributed by James J. Savage who is interested in preserving the early history of this city and vicinity, tells of the naming of our streets and why they were so named. Mr. Savage wishes to acknowledge the assistance given him by Fred Sias in securing much of the information.

"In your interesting article in The Sun of September 20, 'Sidelights on Early History of Midland City', some new thoughts and information were brought to the writer, who now classes himself as one of the pioneers, having been here over 33 years. And the main thought that came to my attention was the names of some of the streets and after whom named and in looking over the city map was surprised to see the large number of streets that I supposed were named after former residents.

"And, so I have taken a little of my spare time to interview older residents and look up ancient county and city history, and when the reader finishes he or she will be surprised at the large number of our streets that are named after people, who, in the long ago were conspicuous in a business, professional or other way with Midland's early making.

"In your article you call attention to the fact that RODD STREET, now one of our many beautiful residential streets, was named after CHARLES RODD, a half breed Indian, who conducted a store on the river bank.

"Attention in that same article is called to a MR. ASHMANN, after which another of our main means of ingress into the city from the northeast was named, and which we have hopes will be another paved street in another year, as it has been taken over by the county, a very pleasing temporary improvement made and which will be welcomed when placed in the same class as RODD STREET.

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"You also mention JAMES EASTMAN who conducted the second store in Midland. After him the street running north from JEROME STREET was named, but later changed to MIDLAND AVENUE. What the reason was for making this change we are unable to ascertain. Seems that with Midland County, Midland Township and Midland City, this old street, to harmonize with the sentiment that goes with antiquities, should have remained with the same name as laid out. We hope that this change will be made.

"CHARLES FITZHUGH is mentioned as coming to Midland in 1837. The street running northeast from MAIN STREET to CARPENTER on the east side of the Methodist Church, was named after this pioneer. Your article several times mentions BENSON STREET, which is the one crossing the lower bridge. This street was named after CHARLES BENSON, who at an early day was the owner of the present county farm. MR. FITZHUGH, who was a doctor, located all the river flats land, now the Fourth Ward, extending as far south and west as the Pine River and south of the Chippewa.

"TOWNSEND STREET was named after JOSEPH C. TOWNSEND, who located in Midland early in 1850. He was a short, thick set makeup, and was a great friend to WILLIAM VANCE, who was the father of JOHN and CHARLES VANCE who are both living one in Bay City and one in Midland in the Fourth Ward.

"CRONKRIGHT STREET next, east of TOWNSEND, and running to the M.C. railroad tracks, was named after UNCLE ABE CRONKRIGHT, whose grandchildren and great grandchildren live in the city and immediate vicinity. MR. CRONKRIGHT settled here before the government had made a survey of this section.

"HALEY STREET, now the main street of the First Ward, was named after JOHN HALEY, active in the earlier lumbering days of the firm of HALEY & COVERT. The present farm occupied by H. A. CRANE was known in the writer's time as the COVERT FARM, while the farm on which the present Catholic cemetery was located by MR. HALEY, and is still owned by his widow, who still survives him. MRS. W. F. RYAN is a daughter of MR. HALEY.

"FOURNIE STREET, the next street east of HALEY STREET in the First Ward, was named after CHARLES FOURNIE, active in the lumber operations of that early day, and later for many years in charge of our city water plant.

"LARKIN STREET, the first street east and paralleling MAIN STREET, was named after JOHN LARKIN, who can truthfully be named the pioneer par excellence of the then Midland City and a tract of surrounding country several miles in extent. MR. LARKIN came to Midland first to hunt and trap, and located here in December, 1885 at the 'Bluffs', three miles south and the following January located on the present site of Midland where the present chemical plant now stands. His first residence was a log house with the cracks chinked with clay mud. For months MRS. LARKIN would not see the face of a white woman, with the exception of CHARLES RODD and his daughter, half-breed Indians, her society was the native Indians, who were plentiful and harmless except when intoxicated. These Indians occupied the lands on the south side of the river and lived in bark shanties with the exception of one of their tribe, who was a little more 'crusty' and had a palatial residence made of logs. The land on which the BAKER BLOCK and WILLIAM. O'BRIEN'S stores now stand and running back to the P.M. railroad, was occupied by MR. and MRS. LARKIN as a residence up to

thirty years ago, when it was acquired by W. L. BAKER and MR. O'BRIEN and the present buildings erected thereon. The house was moved to vacant lots on MC DONALD STREET and are now the residence of GEORGE MATTHEWS and MRS. CHARLES BERGTOLD, the original large residences being sufficient for two commodious homes. MR. LARKIN also has a monument to his public spiritedness the large block that bears his name at the corner of MAIN and MC DONALD STREETS.

"Are you aware that Midland has a WYMAN STREET? It has been named after an early settler, JOHN WYMAN, and lies between the P. M. railroad tracks and the river between BENSON STREET and GORDON.

"ANN STREET, where the P. M. railroad enters the city, is named after ANN WYMAN, the first white child born in Midland County.

"ELLSWORTH, the second street paralleling MAIN, and now a paved thoroughfare, was named after 'HATE' ELLSWORTH, an early hunter and trapper. And these early trappers sold their furs to JOHN LARKIN, who was the local agent for the Hudson Bay Fur Company, who handled all the furs of this northeast territory.

"BUTTLES, the third street back paralleling MAIN STREET, was named after WALTER BUTTLES, an early hunter and trapper. He lived where the clock room of the present chemical plant now stands. MRS. LARKIN, wife of JOHN LARKIN, above mentioned, as a maiden was AMANDA BUTTLES, and it would not be improbable that the street might have been also named as an honor to her, of which she was deserving.

"HINES, the first street paralleling the M. C. railroad track northeast of MAIN STREET was named after WILLIAM HINES, an uncle of THOMAS now living in the 600 block on ASHMAN STREET - a cobble stone house.

"CARPENTER, one street beyond HINES, was named after T. J. CARPENTER, who, at the time of his death, lived in a large rambling house on the land on MAIN STREET west of the Brown Lumber Company's offices. The house at present is owned by JAMES MC KEITH at the corner of LARKIN and JEROME STREETS, and nearly covers one lot. MR. CARPENTER located large tracts of timber lands in this section, and was active in the earlier business life of the community in the then dominant industry - lumbering and manufacturing various products therefrom.

"PATTERSON STREET in the Fourth Ward was named after a man of that name who was an early settler and one time owner of what is now known as the SMELZER FARM adjoining the FRED SIAS FARM.

"What is now known as PARK DRIVE was first platted as the MC EWAN addition, and in the earlier addition was a MC GREGOR STREET named after JOHN MC GREGOR, SR. whose son now lives at Ann Arbor and who married MISS LIZZIE SIAS, which latter name is well known all down the pages of time from the earlier settlement of this section to the present. MR. MC GREGOR was interested in the lumber industry to quite a large extent. From 1855 to 1873 two brothers named JEROME were extensively engaged in lumbering operations in the Saginaw Valley and this district. The older, DAVID H. was governor of the state from 1831 to 1833. His brother 'TIFF' was associated with him in a hardware business at Saginaw. From one or both of these brothers the street just west of the M. E. church and running northeast was undoubtedly named.

"REARDON STREET lies at the northeast end of RODD. TOWNSEND and CRONKRIGHT in front of a large farm that was owned by a firm of that name who were interested up to a recent date in the Mercantile life of the community. Two of these brothers still survive - WILLIAM and JOHN and are hale and hearty for their advanced years.

"THAYER and SAYRE STREETS were recently new plattings and were in honor of W. E. THAYER, florist and JOHN E. SAYRE, both living on EASTMAN AVENUE (MIDLAND AVENUE). RIPLEY, HUBBARD, GORDON and GEORGE STREETS all were in honor of earlier settlers and men conspicuous in the life of the community.

"Were you aware of the fact that we had two PINE STREETS, one in the Fourth Ward and one paralleling MAIN STREET five streets back and running the length of the city? We also have FIRST, SECOND and THIRD AVENUES running off of EASTMAN (MIDLAND) AVENUE toward PARK DRIVE, and FIRST, SECOND and THIRD STREETS in the First Ward. Would it not only save many mixups, but be appropriate to name these three avenues after some of our present day citizens who have been notably prominent in the affairs of the community? T. W. CRISSEY, who as a publisher, has given much of his time and energy for the benefit of the community, is worth of recognition. H. H. DOW has stamped his personality upon the community in the large industry he has established here. He needs no streets to commemorate his memory, however, it would not be inappropriate to recognize his efforts. G. WILL BALL, one of our older surviving residents has been in past years active in the commercial and mercantile business of the community. "BALL AVENUE" would be appropriate.



#### CHURCH OF DANIEL'S BAND

The Church of Daniel's Band was founded in 1892 in Port Huron, Michigan by John Anthony Hoggard. In the early 1920's the Church was started in Midland, meeting in a house on Ball Street near the old Dow School. During this time the Church was served by the following pastors: Ned and Agnes Coppenger of Bay City, George Hoggard and John Smith. In 1931 Holly Hoggard became pastor and the Church moved to its current location on Dopp Road, Mt. Haley Township, Midland County. In 1967 an addition was built at the current location. There are three branches of the Midland Church of Daniel's Band in this area: one in Crump, one near Beaverton and one in Highwood on Highwood Road. The current pastors of the Church are Marie and Harold Berry. Marie is a grandchild of Holly Hoggard. Many of the Baptism and marriage records were kept by the pastors, but there are some, as well as membership records, which are at the Church. Queries may be sent with a SASE to the Church of Daniel's Band, 525 Dopp Road, Midland, MI 48640. (Information provided by Reverend Wesley Hoggard, descendant of the founder)

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Have you noticed how these sunny days give us an added spurt of energy? In like manner, the scheduled trip to Salt Lake City on April 12 is affecting the 'lucky 13' who are going. Any given Saturday morning finds the LDS library filled with our members doing preparatory work. Pat Worden has done a superb job organizing this excursion.

April 23 is a day to mark on your calendar. Every member will be able to enjoy a fun day at the Grace A. Dow Library lounge browsing through members' private collections of books. Whether you have one or twenty books, we're counting on you more experienced members to bring your gems and share them with the membership. If you can't attend, make a list of the books and either drop them off that morning or let us pick them up. We'll see that they are returned to you. But do try to attend and perhaps bring along a sack lunch. The hours: 9:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Once again I ask you to consider what you can do to make the Society an even better one. Election of officers is in May, with the slate of officers being presented in April. To refresh your memories, workers are needed for: president, 1st vice-president (program chairman), 2nd vice-president (membership chairman), secretary, treasurer, historian, two delegates to Michigan Genealogical Council, newsletter committee, book committee, refreshment committee, proposed trip committee, and abstraction projects (county marriage and state deaths).

The officers approved an additional sum of money in the budget on the recommendation of the book committee to co-purchase (with GADow Library) about 30 books. We were very impressed with their presentation and choices. Look in the next issue of the newsletter for the titles.

Have a Happy Easter . . . .

Marion Berry

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## SHELFSIDE

- RG. 929.373 "Tracing Your Civil War Ancestor"  
by Bertram Hawthorne Groene
- RG. 929.3 "The Complete Book of Emigrants, 1607-1660"  
by Peter Wilson Coldham
- "The William Grinstead Family in America"  
by Garrell Shumaker and John L. N. Grinstead  
with Supplement (1974)  
donated by Gordon Pease Family

Index to Reference Michigan and Reference Genealogy Collection (GADow Library)

More miscellaneous "Clark" information (in navy blue folders by "Clark" notebooks)

## OAKLAND COUNTY CEMETERY RECORDS

The Oakland County Genealogical Society has two new publications: CEMETERY RECORDS FOR ROSE TOWNSHIP - A compilation of the sexton's burial records and tombstone readings for the four existing cemeteries in the township. Every name index - soft cover - 8½x11 - stapled, 72 pages - \$6.20 (post paid). CEMETERY RECORDS FOR TROY TOWNSHIP - New readings of the tombstones of the four cemeteries in the original township - Every-name index - soft cover 8½x11 - stapled - 100+ pages \$7.24 OCGS Members; \$8.25 Non-members (post paid).



## SEMINARS/TOURS/BOOK SALES

APRIL 23, 1988 - MIDLAND GENEALOGY SOCIETY BOOK SHARING DAY - G. A. Dow Memorial Library Lounge - 9:30 am - 4:00 pm. Members will be able to browse through other member's private book collection. Members please help by either bringing your books (be sure your name is attached; and make a list of the titles) or letting someone else bring them.

APRIL 30, 1988 - SAGINAW GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY, INC. GENEALOGICAL SEMINAR: RESEARCHING COLONIAL AMERICA with John W. Heisey - Research sources about the life and times in Colonial America through color slides. PLACE: THE BAVARIAN INN, 713 S. MAIN STREET, FRANKENMUTH, MI REGISTRATION: 8 am to 9 am SEMINAR: 9 am to 3:30 pm FEE: SGS Member \$22.00 Non-Member \$25.00 (After April 23 \$30.00 Send Check Payable to SAGINAW GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY, To Registrars: Mr. & Mrs. Charles Molenaar, 50 Ardmore Place, Saginaw, MI 48602

MAY 12, 1988 - MICHIGAN GENEALOGICAL COUNCIL SHOW & SELL - Society publications, New and Used Books and Orphaned Materials - Cash or Trade. Setup 9 am PLACE: PILGRIM CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH, 125 S. Pennsylvania Avenue, Lansing, MI - One block past the State Library, on the left, parking at the back off the side street. Jo Brines will be going to offer the MSG publications. If you have any personal books to be sold, please contact Jo - 832-8312.

SEPTEMBER 22-29, 1988 - SCOTTISH HERITAGE TOUR (From Detroit) \$1299.00 per person, double occupancy. For further information contact Gay Cahoon Cowels (517) 484-6798 or Tripmasters Inc. (616) 364-6231

OCTOBER 6-8, 1988 - 1988 ANNUAL MICHIGAN GENEALOGICAL COUNCIL SEMINAR: ANCESTORS: WHERE IN THE WEST DID THEY GO? PLACE: MUSKEGON HARBOR HILTON HOTEL The Seminar will have three tracks: Track No. 1: Beginning genealogy and researching Lake Michigan shoreline counties including not only records, but other unique material such as lighthouse and shipwreck logs. Track No. 2: Computers and Genealogy: A Complete Update. Lectures by professional instructors, equipment display, programs, etc. all applied to genealogy through the use of the computer as a present day tool for both old and new users. Track No. 3: Genealogical research from the Atlantic to west of Lake Michigan via New York. Special attention will be given to the Michigan Upper Peninsula, upper Wisconsin, upper Minnesota and on to Montana. Speakers: Dr. George Sweitzer, well known author of many books and one of the recognized authorities on the Civil War. Dr. Russell Magnaghi, Professor of History at Northern Michigan University, expert on Michigan Upper Peninsula population and migration.

# A POTPOURRI OF FAMILY HISTORY

1988 CALENDAR OF GENEALOGY WORKSHOPS  
NATIONAL ARCHIVES - CHICAGO BRANCH  
7358 South Pulaski Road  
Chicago, Illinois 60629

March 21: **IRISH GENEALOGY: BEGINNING YOUR RESEARCH IN THE UNITED STATES** by Brian Scott Donovan. A discussion of the how-to's and where to find your sources. (B,I,A)\*\*

April 8: **TRACKING FAMILIES THROUGH THE CENSUS** by Eula H. Nichols. A study of migration patterns and use of the population census schedules, 1790-1910. (B,I,A)

April 21: **BEGINNING YOUR GENEALOGICAL RESEARCH IN THE NATIONAL ARCHIVES** by Peter W. Bunce. An introduction to major federal records used in genealogy. (B)

May 4: **BEGINNING YOUR GENEALOGICAL RESEARCH IN THE NATIONAL ARCHIVES** by Peter W. Bunce. See April 21.

May 10: **CHICAGO AND COOK COUNTY RESEARCH** by Loretto Dennis Szucs. How to get to the nitty gritty of urban research; an examination of sources and repositories. (B,I,A)

June 6: **TRACKING FAMILIES THROUGH THE CENSUS** by Eula H. Nichols. See April 8.

June 16: **IMMIGRATION AND NATURALIZATION** by Loretto Dennis Szucs. An examination of passenger lists and the naturalization process. (B,I,A)

July 6: **CHICAGO AND COOK COUNTY RESEARCH** by Loretto Dennis Szucs. See May 10.

July 13: **IRISH GENEALOGY; A STUDY OF SOURCES IN IRELAND** by Brian Scott Donovan. A more

in-depth account of how and where to do your research. (I,A)

July 26: **BEGINNING YOUR GENEALOGICAL RESEARCH IN THE NATIONAL ARCHIVES** by Peter W. Bunce. See April 21.

August 4: **IMMIGRATION AND NATURALIZATION** by Loretto Dennis Szucs. See June 16.

August 23: **GERMAN GENEALOGY; A STUDY OF SOURCES AND PLACES** by Dorothy R. Tharp. How to start searching for German ancestors. (B,I,A)

September 2: **LESSER KNOWN AND LESSER USED RECORDS** by Loretto Dennis Szucs. A look at the more unusual federal, state, local and private sources available for family history. (B,I,A)

September 15: **THIS LAND IS YOUR LAND** by Sandra H. Luebking. Locating, abstracting, and interpreting deeds in the public land states; hands-on activity. (I,A)

September 26: **BEGINNING YOUR GENEALOGICAL RESEARCH IN THE NATIONAL ARCHIVES** by Peter W. Bunce. See April 21.

October 7: **TRACKING FAMILIES THROUGH THE CENSUS** by Eula H. Nichols. See April 8.

October 18: **PATTERNS AND PROCESS: CASE STUDIES IN PROBLEM SOLVING** by Sandra H. Luebking. Methods and sources using federal and county records. (I,A)

October 31: **GERMAN GENEALOGY: A STUDY OF SOURCES AND PLACES** by Dorothy R. Tharp. See August 23.

November 16: **THIS LAND IS YOUR LAND** by Sandra H. Luebking. See September 15.

November 18: **CHICAGO AND COOK COUNTY RESEARCH** by Loretto Dennis Szucs. See May 10.

\*\* B-Beginner, I-Intermediate, A-Advanced (Instructors will gear their lectures to these levels. Please be sure that you have sufficient background and knowledge for levels I and A).

## THE PARTICULARS

**FORMAT:** Morning lecture (9:30-12:30); lunch on your own (12:30-1:15); opportunity to use the resources of the National Archives-Chicago Branch (1:15-4:15). Workshops are conducted by staff and volunteers of the Chicago Branch.

**COST:** \$5.00 per workshop, payable on the day of the workshop (9:00-9:30).

**REGISTRATION:** By telephone only 312-581-7816. Ask for Genealogy Workshops. Each workshop is limited to 25-30 persons. Call today!

**WHERE:** National Archives-Chicago Branch (training room and microfilm reading room).

**SOLDIER AND SAILOR DEAD INTERRED IN MIDLAND CEMETERY  
("Midland Sun" May 22, 1913)**

On May 25, 1911, we published a complete roster of the soldier and sailor dead who were interred in the Midland cemetery. The list follows, with the addition of the names of those who have passed away during the past two years up to and including May 21, 1913:

Abram Egbert, served as a private in the War of 1812 and died June 3, 1869, at the age of 76 years.

Ephriam Allan, Co. F. 1st Michi-Cavalry, a Mexican and Civil war veteran  
Loran Odell, Mexican and Civil Wars

Capt. Harvey Lyon, 10th Michigan Infantry during the Civil war and also a veteran of the Mexican war.

Henry Fowler

Edward Putnam

James W. Phetteplace

Charles B. Hollingshead, Co. K, 17th Mich. Infantry  
Corp. James Forman, Co. F. 2nd California Cav

William Morrison

Thomas Gardner, Co. F, 29th Mich. Infantry

John M. Hall, Co. E, 23rd Mich. Inf.

Capt. Milton P. Anderson

David Huyck, Hospital Steward in the 9th Mich. Inf.

Casper Dahn

William O. Thayer, Co. B, 141st New York Inf.

Lieut. B. F. Keating, Co. F, 1st Mich. Inf.

Serg. William Brandon, Co. H, 3rd Mich. Cav.

Henry Erway

L. J. Taylor, Co. B, 10th Mich. Inf.

Alex Hubbard, Co. D, 15th Mich. Inf.

Ira Turk, Co. I, 16th Mich. Inf.

Freeman Monroe, Co. I, 1st Mich. Sharpshooters

Corp. Benjamin F. Pangburn, Co. C, 153rd N. Y. Inf.

Charles Johnson, Co. G 22nd Mich. Inf.

T. B. Bacon, Co. B, 105th Mich. Inf.

Sylvester Halbert, 2nd Mich. Cav.

W. H. Brink, Co. D, 23rd Mich. Inf.

H. W. Simmons, Co. K, 29th Mich. Inf.

John Swanton, Co. A, 145th Penn. Vol. Inf.

James Root, Co. F, 30th Mich. Inf.

Cyrus F. Coon

William Turner

I. D. Loop, Co. A, 1st Mich. Eng. and Mechanics

Simson Locke, Co. B, 14th Mich. Inf.

Drussen (?) Shamway, Co. D, 15th Mich. Inf.

C. A. Smith, Co. H, 27th Mich. Inf.

Dennis Deacons, Co. H, 7th Mich. Inf.

Henry White, Co. F, 5th New York Cav.

W. J. Dutcher, Co. A, 29th Ohio Inf.

Henry B. Cleveland

J. A. Horton, Co. B, 12th Maine Inf.

C. D. Bates, Co. K, 5th Mich. Inf.

Ezra Inman, Co. B, 53rd Ohio Inf.

William Davidson, Co. G, 1st Mich. Eng. and Mechanics

Edwin Ayres, Co. I, 31st N. Y. Inf.

Levi Fulmer, Co. H, 97th N. Y. Vol. Inf.

G. C. Rogers, Co. D, 2nd Maine Inf.

Hiram Larue, U. S. N.



Stephen W. Hill

Gustavus Stephenson

C. A. Harper, Co. I 103rd Ohio Vol. Inf.

P. B. Arsnoe, Co. E,, 8th Mich. Inf.

James Babcock, Co. E, 3rd N. Y. Cav.

Charles Martindale, Co. D, 10th Mich. Inf.

Robert McNeill, Co. A, 9th N. Y. Heavy Artillery

Parley H. Smith

A. F. Cummings, Co. F, 1st Mich. Light Artillery

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B. F. Freeland, 13th Mich. L. A.

William Morgan, Co. H, 111th Penn. Inf.

Truman Aldrich

Justus Gark, Co. H, 9th Mich. Cav.

Charles Fournie, Co. G, 1st Mich. Eng. and Mechanics

A. B. Lovell, Co. H, 6th Maine Inf.

Joseph Fisher, Co. F, 29th Mich. Inf.

Serg. Jacob Munshaw, Co. H, 5th Mich. Inf. Was first sexton of Midland cemetery

Corp. R. J. Allen, Co. H, 27th Mich. Inf. A former sexton

A. J. Bates, Co. H, 2nd Wisconsin Cav.

Abraham Conkwright, Co. B, 10th Mich. Inf.

Amos Miner, Co. B, 10th Mich. Inf.

James O. Roberson

Allen Coons, Co. F, 57th N. Y. Inf.

James B. Burtless, Co. M, 11th Michigan Cav.

Ethan Taft, Co. D, 207th Penn. Inf.

B. B. Carter, Co. C, 1st Mich. L. A.

Horace M. Ellsworth

Henry Hurd

Louis L. Eastman

Joseph Magill

Alex Shauger

William Baldwin, Co. A, 2nd Mich. Inf.

Serg. Maj. James V. Lownsbury, Co. F, 12th N. Y. Inf. and Co. H, 15th N. Y. Cav.

Henry S. Wood

William W. Herring

William Newberry

Daniel McFarland

One Civil War veteran who was brought here from Bay County and buried.

E. H. Beardsley, Co. E, 17th N. Y. Inf.

Peter Letts, Co. E, 123rd Ohio Inf.

Monroe Hines, Co. C, 42nd Ind. Vol.

#### Spanish American

Corp. John C. Timmons, Co. H, 35th Mich. Inf.

Corp. Michael Timmons, Co. H, 35th Mich. Inf.

Serg. Paul Schwartz, Co. H, 35th Mich. Inf.

John Miller, Co. H, 35th Mich. Inf.

George Walton, U. S. Navy

Ralph Price, U. S. N.



MEMBERSHIP DUES

Collection of Membership Dues for 1988-89 will begin at the April 20th meeting. Our fiscal year is July 1 - June 30, however it really helps the Membership Chairman and the Treasurer to get a head start on the new year by collecting as many dues as possible in the spring.

Renewing members who have not paid their dues by September 30th shall be dropped from the membership list. New members joining after January 1 - dues will be one-half the amount; joining after April 1 - dues will be full amount (also applying to the ensuing year).

MGS meets the third Wednesday of each month, September through May (except December) at the Grace A. Dow Memorial Library, 1710 W. St. Andrews Drive, Midland, MI 7:30 p.m. in the Library Lounge.

Dues may also be paid by mail: Membership Chairman, Midland Genealogical Society, Grace A. Dow Library, 1710 W. St. Andrews Dr., Midland, MI 48640. The following form is for your convenience.

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MEMBERSHIP DUES

NEW	RENEWAL
Individual.....	\$ 7.00
Family.....	\$10.50

MEMBERSHIP MAILING ADDRESS:

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ TELEPHONE \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

TYPE OF MEMBERSHIP: \_\_\_\_\_ INDIVIDUAL \_\_\_\_\_ FAMILY

I WOULD LIKE TO HELP THE MIDLAND GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY BY:

Telephoning _____	Education _____	Typing _____
Library _____	Abstracting _____	Other _____

I AM INTERESTED IN:

Genealogical Computing _____	Library Trips _____
Researching for Others _____	Other _____

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ROSES TO PIONEER RECORD CONTRIBUTORS

ROSES to the following Midland Genealogy Society members who have helped make the Pioneer Record possible these past four issues:

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 MERILYN McGINNIS for contributions to this year's PIONEER RECORD and for taking the job as Editor for 1988-89.

If there is anyone I missed ROSES TO YOU - everyone has been so helpful it has been my pleasure. I will continue to help Merilyn on the PIONEER RECORD by doing the circulation and distribution.

Sincerely,

Nancy Humphrey  
 Editor - 1987-88

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