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MESSAGE FROM KAREN HARRIS

Greetings to all. As you all know by now we have been working on putting together a cookbook full of our favorite recipes both new and some from our ancestors. We ended up with a total of 283 recipes and 12 dedications. I want to thank Karen Rogers, Brenda Miller and Nina Jarboe for all their help in putting the cookbook together and to you for all the wonderful recipes you gave us. I think you will agree that we are putting out a cookbook we can be proud of. Soon we will have sale coupons at our meetings that will allow you to place your order in advance

As you read on you will see that our group has been involved in a lot of activities both in and out of the library. The library has added a lot of new databases as a result of our efforts. I hope all of you have had a chance to come into the library and use the resources in your research. If you have some spare time and would like to become a volunteer on one of our projects we will be so happy to have you.

We are going to put out a members directory soon. If you would like to be included and haven't sent in or given us permission to include you, you need to do so soon. The directory will only be given to those who participate and will not be for sale.

Don't forget our fall meetings, we have a couple great guest speakers and other activities lined up. If you haven't gotten your schedule let me know and I will see that you get one. If you know someone you think would be a great guest speaker let us know and we will try and line them up.

FROM THE DESK OF ANN FAULKNER

Congratulations to our members Geraldine Carrick and Betty Lou Morris, as well as Deborah Larsen who recently received awards from the Macomb County Historical Society at their Members Meeting on July 20, 2005. Gerry received a Certificate of Appreciation in recognition of numerous volunteer hours to the Crocker House Victorian Garden. Betty Lou received a Lifetime Supporter Award in recognition of invaluable wisdom and service to the Library collection of the Crocker House Museum and the Macomb County Historical Society. Debbie received an Award of Merit for the digitizing of historic photos and making them available online. Debbie has now digitized about 3,000 photos and documents, as well as a video clip of the installation of the cannons onto the pedestals into Hyperion, making it a true multimedia archive! If you haven't looked at the Digital Archives recently, be sure to do so.

The **Grave Patrol** has continued their work at Cadillac Memorial, on Wednesdays this summer. Braving the heat were regular members Karen Rogers, Sue Hieber, Gerry Carrick, Joan Wasilewski, and Ann Faulkner. Sue even furnished us with handmade neckbands to help us keep cool. A **Special Thank You** to our "secret member" Barb Nicholson. Barb works, but she has been helping us at Cadillac, for the past two years.

We had great fun at the **Bath City Festival** on August 26th and 27th sharing a table with the MCPL. Karen Harris, Karen Brewer, Sue Hieber and I dressed as bath attendants. K & K made skirts and aprons which they shared with Sue and I. Sue researched and made a display with a Pedigree Chart for Dor Kellogg, who discovered the medicinal value of the Mount Clemens Mineral Water. She also compiled

two notebooks one showing the documentation for the Pedigree Chart and another with the timeline for Dor. We work in shifts, and hopefully some of you will also join us next year. Sue's poster and notebook are now in the local history room, so stop by and take a look.

Sue Hieber has taken the initiative to plan our new **"Let's Talk ...Genealogy"** series which will take place the 2nd Wednesday of the month starting September 14th in the Local History Room. I will be assisting her. It is planned, to reach out to those in the community who cannot attend our regular day meetings, but any of you are welcome to join. However, since space is limited, please register either by calling the Library at 469-6200, or on-line by clicking Library Events from the main page of the MCPL.

Hooray!, we have now completed the indexing of 8 of the **Circuit Court Books**. I have two of these proofread and into the database, and as soon as I get one more done, the database will go up on the Library Website. You can also look for an update to the **Obituary Index** in the near future.

Almost completed is an **Inventory of the books and periodicals in Special Collections** (Book Storage). This list will be placed in a notebook and placed in the Local History Room. Now at long last, these resources will be available for your research.

BATH CITY DAYS: We really had a good time at the Bath City Days this year. All of the gals dressed as "rubbers", the massage therapists at the bath houses. Even Don had his outfit as an attendant at a bath house.

We wore logos from two different bath houses; Colonial and Arethusa. We all talked to as many people passing through as we could and the Library gave out water bottles. I think we were a 'hit', but the awards committee didn't see it that way. Karen Harris, Sue Heiber, Ann Faulkner, Karen Brewer, Debbie Larson and the library staff were all dressed for the occasion.



Thanks to Debbie Larson for thinking of the bath house attendants idea. It was a very informative display showing photos of actual baths and the attendants working there. Sue Heiber put together a pedigree chart of the Kellogg family that had success using the baths. The pedigree chart was a point of interest to many people and is on display in the Michigan room at the library.

MEMBER HIGHLIGHT: (Note, we were unable to get a photo of Larry) LARRY HAWKINS was born on the campus of the University of Wisconsin, not on a park bench, but in the University Hospital, while his father was getting his doctor's degree.

His parents were both born and raised on farms in Kansas. It took them several days to drive on unpaved roads to Tucson in 1918, when his Dad got a teaching position in the College of Agriculture at the University of Arizona. Larry's father had several positions there; Dean of the College and Director of

the Experiment Station. Pima cotton, prized for its excellence in quality, was developed under my father's supervision.

Larry's interest in genealogy began while he was in high school. His Dad was one of six children, and his Mother was the youngest of 12 children, so he had quite a time trying to keep track of his fifty cousins. His Mother remembered her oldest sister saying that the family was related to the first governor of Massachusetts. For a few years, he tried to work backwards in the genealogy—or rather forward instead of backward, going from Winthrop through descendants trying to find connections. When he went the other direction, from himself back through his mother's line, he found the connection to William Bradford, Governor of Plymouth colony, Brewster and ten other Mayflower passengers, though he is still not confident of the authenticity of some of those connections. They were related, not to the first governor of Massachusetts but to the first governor of Plymouth colony and others who came to America in the Mayflower. Cousins have been the ones, who most appreciate his work on family history, and he was the youngest of all of them. Only four are still alive, but their children and grandchildren have taken his work and expanded it, so grateful for his early commitment to preserving the information and stories, and sharing that with as many of the family as he could.

He was married for twenty-four years and has 2 daughters. Bonnie is a paralegal with offices on the 80th floor of the Sears Tower in Chicago, and whose work includes the estates and taxes of some very prominent people. Ginger is married to a chemical scientist, and they live in Holland, Michigan and have two teenage boys.

Larry was ordained in 1960, and has served churches of the United Church of Christ ever since. The UCC is a union of four groups, including Congregational. Most of his ministry has been in interim positions, including an executive position in which he was responsible for nearly sixty churches. The largest church he served had 800 members, the smallest about one hundred. In each of the churches he has had opportunity to assist in preserving the records of the church, and he has had some interesting experiences in helping people find their relatives.

Larry believes it is one of his missions in life to remind thinking Americans that the Pilgrims learned perseverance from their difficulties in leaving England, and they learned respect for the differences of others from their experience in Leiden, where Europe's largest Protestant university attracted a wide diversity of students. That mix of people helped them understand how to get along with Massachusetts Indians, as well as with the Puritans who came after 1630. The Pilgrims were not so narrow-minded as many in Massachusetts Bay. Most of us probably have ancestors among Puritans, as well as among Pilgrims, so it behooves us not to tout one over the other. Most of the ideals we cherish in our land—freedom, equality, tolerance for differences in ethnicity, religion or any other orientation—can be traced to the Congregational churches of New England. From those churches came one of every three who fought in the Revolutionary War, and their covenants influenced many of our nation's cherished documents. Rev. John Wise was one of the first to use the term democracy and make it a prominent ideal.

WHAT'S NEW ON THE NET:

If you are searching for an early immigration record that may have been at Castle Gardens try, www.CastleGarden.org. This site now includes 10 million immigrants between the period of 1830-1892.

Another new newspaper site for mid-Michigan obituaries is www.Mlive.com/obits. This site has obituaries from the Ann Arbor News, Bay City Times, Flint Journal, Jackson Citizen, Kalamazoo Gazette, Muskegon Chronicle, and Saginaw News. Unfortunately, they are only retained for 180 days.

CORRECTION: We have one correction from the last newsletter on accessing the genealogy room's inventory. When you click on the Library Catalog icon you will see Power Search in the box shown, click on Power Search and the next page you will go to Locality and find Genealogy, making sure Genealogy is in the box. At the top of that same page, you can put something in the subject line, such as Cemeteries, census or the name of a place in Macomb County and then go to search.

RESEARCHING AT THE MOUNT CLEMENS LIBRARY: We had started to get the information about the old computer, the one that isn't on-line, but decided to hold off until the next newsletter. There are still some programs to be installed and we wanted to be sure that we had as much information for you as possible. Instead, I will be going over some genealogy related material that you might find interesting.

NAMING PATTERNS: All genealogists are aware that many groups of people had distinctive traditions for naming their children. When doing research you may find that a child passed away and there isn't any name for them. If the people were from one of these areas and you can see their children are being named in the prescribed manner you might be able to 'guess' the name of the unknown child. To make comparisons of your families, list each parent and all known grandparents. Then list each son, in order of birth, and each daughter, also in order. After each child's name, list who he or she should have been named after and the possible namesake they do not have. Compare the children of possible brothers and sisters for any and all similarities.

ENGLAND:

- 1st son – maternal grandfather
- 2nd son – paternal grandfather
- 3rd son – father
- 1st daughter – maternal grandmother
- 2nd daughter – paternal grandmother
- 3rd daughter – mother

GERMANY

- 1st son – paternal grandfather
- 2nd son – maternal grandfather
- 3rd son – father
- 1st daughter – paternal grandmother
- 2nd daughter – maternal grandmother
- 3rd daughter – mother

HOLLAND AND SCANDINAVIA

- 1st son – paternal grandfather
- 2nd son – maternal grandfather
- 3rd son – father's paternal grandfather
- 4th son – mother's paternal grandfather
- 5th son – father's maternal grandfather
- 6th son – mother's maternal grandfather
- 1st daughter – maternal grandmother
- 2nd daughter – paternal grandmother
- 3rd daughter – mother's maternal grandmother
- 4th daughter – father's maternal grandmother
- 5th daughter – mother's paternal grandmother
- 6th daughter – father's paternal grandmother

ITALY

- 1st son – paternal grandfather
- 2nd son – maternal grandfather
- 3rd son and so on – either father, favorite, unmarried or deceased uncles.
- 1st daughter – paternal grandmother
- 2nd daughter – maternal grandmother
- 3rd daughter and so on – mother, favorite, unmarried or deceased aunt.

SCOTLAND

- The oldest son after the paternal grandfather
- The 2nd son after the maternal grandfather
- The 3rd son after the father
- The oldest daughter after the maternal grandmother
- The 2nd daughter after the paternal grandmother
- The 3rd daughter after the mother.

MORE ON NAMING PATTERNS: The use of “II” indicates that the bearer of that name is a cousin, grandson or nephew of the original holder of that name. From, “Dear Abbey”, 7 Sep 1992.

COUSINS: The child of your parent’s brother or sister is your first cousin. However, your first cousin’s child is not your second cousin, but you first cousin once removed. The child of your first cousin once removed is your first cousin twice removed, and his child is your first cousin three times removed.

Your second cousin is your grandparent’s brother or sister’s grandchild. That second cousin’s child is your second cousin once removed, his child your second cousin twice removed and so on.

And your third cousin is your great-grandparent’s brother’s or sister’s great grandchild. The third cousin’s child is your third cousin once removed, his child is your third cousin twice removed.

The grandchild of your brother or sister is your grandnephew or grandniece.

The sister or brother of your grandparent is your great-aunt or great-uncle.

The sister or brother of your great-grandparent is your great-grand aunt or great-grand-uncle.

From, “Dear Abbey”, date unknown

ROMAN CATHOLIC ARCHDIOCESE OF DETROIT: The Archivist is Roman Godzak and the address 1234 Washington Blvd., CH – 3rd Floor, Detroit, MI 48226-1875. Hours Monday-Friday 8:30-4:30 by appointment only. Email archives@aod.org. The Archives can be very useful in locating a parish from an address during a specific time period, through their large collection of Official Parish Directories (OCD) dating back to 1833 or from their large wallmap of the City of Detroit and other communities within the 6 county area comprising the Archdiocese. This map shows the location of each Catholic parish within the Archdiocese, whether open or closed, and the streets that made that up that parish's boundaries. Various Catholic Newspapers & Periodicals are also available. Concerning the actual sacramental records, please understand that the Archives is only considered the central repository for the records of closed churches only. As long as a parish is open, that church is responsible for issuing all certificates. Realizing that the church registers have tremendous value for historical and genealogical research, the Archdiocese reached a legal agreement with the Burton Historical Collection of the Detroit Public Library to grant access to all interested genealogists by means of microfilm. This was done to relieve parish personnel of the responsibility of researching information and to preserve the original records from handling. Unless, there are extenuating circumstances, all copies are to be made through Burton, rather than through the individual parish or the Archives. Generally speaking all baptisms and marriages records are available to 1900 (but may be available until a later date) with deaths available to 1984. An excellent list of all the Catholic Records at Burton, along with the dates available was recently compiled from the Library’s Website by Lisa Eschenburg and published in Vol. 23(1) of “The Ancestral Tree” published by the Sterling Heights Genealogical and Historical Society.

