



Ford Genealogy Club
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A Message from our Prez...

Here we are again, it's the holidays! Didn't we just do this a short time ago? Its been a great year for our club, we've added new members, had old members return, we've celebrated our ten year anniversary, learned lots of new things.. We've really come a long way since we started back in 1995!

As I look back on the ten years that we've shared together as a club I can't help but think of the members themselves. Its these friendships that hold it all together. I think back over weddings, funeral's, births of grandchildren and retirements and all the times we were there for each other. What great friendships we've formed in our club.

When I sit at the table and look upon our membership I see not only club members but friends.

This holiday season I wish for you my friends and fellow club members all the joys that these holidays can possibly bring along with wishes for a safe and prosperous new year!

Hope to see you all back in January!
Best wishes

Karen & Mark Krugman

A Note from your V.P.

Chuck and I got our Christmas tree up and decorated the day after Thanksgiving this year. Wow! I'm not sure we ever put it up that early before. For the last few years we were lucky to get it put up a week before the big day. It goes to show how much easier things get once your children move into their own places.

Chuck and I are enjoying our empty nest even though we miss our children, one in California, the other in Grand Rapids. This is a new stage in our lives, moving on to a less significant roll as parents. We now have a little over 1 year in this new roll and it's getting more comfortable all the time. It's the passing of the torch. If our kids don't grow up there will be no new generations in our line. According to our kids there still won't be, but we'll see what the future holds for them and us.

If nothing else genealogy teaches us that time stands still for noone.

May your holiday be blessed and the New Year bring you nothing but happiness. Enjoy spending time with your families. See you in the New Year.

Diane & Chuck Oslund



The Ford Genealogy Club

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Meetings: 2nd Thursday each month
5:30pm Regular Meeting

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Some Interesting Books found at the Library of Michigan that can help you with your Ingham County, MI.research.

Ingham County Democrat Newspaper of Mason, MI 1901-1915. This is an index to names found in death notices, burials, obituaries, notices of post mortems, murder trials & life insurance pay offs. Info extracted by Julie Carr in 2004-2004.

Index to Deaths (Mason) Ingham County News. 23 June 1859 - 23 Dec 1863. (It is missing May 30, 1861 - 10 Oct 1861. Published 2003 by Julie Carr.

Index to Deaths (Mason) Ingham County News 3 Jan 1866 - 10 Sept 1868. By Julie Carr. Jan 1864 - Dec 1865 missing except for Aug 9, 1865.



In a book 'The Centennial Celebration of the Evacuation of Detroit By The British 1896. Was found the following.

“On July 11th, 1796, Fort Lernoult at Detroit was Evacuated by the British, the United States took possession, and the American Flag was first raised over Detroit.”

From a book Wayne County Historical and Pioneer Society. **“Chronography or Notable Events in the History of the Northwest Territory And Wayne County”** 1890.

Organization Of Wayne County.

“Winthrop Sargent, Acting Governor of the Northwest Territory, on the 18th of August, 1796, set apart the following portion of the territory – and named it Wayne, after the noted General Anthony Wayne, better known as Mad Anthony – viz: from the Cuyahoga River (Cleveland), westward to the dividing line now existing between Indiana and Illinois, thence northward to the national boundary line, including all the subsequent Territory of Michigan, which embraced the whole of the present State of Wisconsin, and a portion of the present States of Ohio and Indiana. Detroit was constituted the county seat. The Court of Common Pleas was established, and annually the Supreme Court of the Territory held a session at Detroit until 1803, when Michigan was separated from Ohio. At a session of the Legislature of the Northwest Territory, held at Chillicothe in 1801-2, the Town of Detroit was incorporated, with a Board of Trustees.”

Township Organizations

Brownstown

That portion of this township situate on the Detroit river, was settled almost contemporary with Detroit, the older geographies describing it as the seat of Indian councils held between 1780 and 1806, General Hull’s most important treaty having been made there during the latter year. It was organized in 1827. Moses Roberts was elected the first supervisor;

Jacob Vreeland, clerk: Jacob Knox, William Hazard and David Smith, assessors; Wm. Fletcher, Elias Vreeland and Isaac Taylor, commissioners of highway; Arthur Rurak and Garret Vreeland, overseers of the poor; Isaac Taylor, constable; Hiram Hicox, John Conrad and Thomas Long, viewers of fences; Geo. C. Clark and Isaac Taylor, overseers of highway. Among other early settlers were B. F. Knapp, William Munger, John Forbes, Elias James, R. Ransom, Dr. John Leteur, Col. Nathaniel Case, P. J. Clark and Henry Woodruff. G. W. Moore was postmaster under four administrations.

Other townships to follow in later issues.

From a book **‘History of Detroit 1780 to 1850’** Financial and Commercial

State Fair: The first state fair was held in Detroit in 1849. The grounds were on the west side of Woodward avenue between Columbia and High streets.

St. Mary’s Hospital Erected: St. Mary’s Hospital—the new hospital—was built by popular subscriptions in 1849 and was used, in part, for the cholera patients of that year.



Holiday Dates?

While Scanning my photographs I decided I wanted to name them with the date of the photograph first so that the photos would sort in chronological order. While doing this I discovered that for holidays I didn't write down a complete date on the back of pictures, but I usually put the year.

Of course Christmas Eve is always December 24th, Christmas December 25th, New Years Eve December 31st, New Years Day January 1st, Valentines February 14th, Independence July 4th, & Halloween October 31. So even if you just put Christmas or New Years or Halloween, as long as you know the year, you know the complete date.

But what about other holidays such as Easter? So I searched the internet and found several sites giving dates in the past. One I found helpful for Easter dates can be found at

<http://www.geocities.com/hjsmithh/Easter/EasterB.html>

The author, Harry J. Smith, graciously gave me permission to copy some of his dates. He asked if I would provide a link to his 'Easter dating program' so here it is

<http://www.geocities.com/hjsmithh/download.html#Easter> You might find this interesting.

Per the Gregorian Calendar. The above will also give you the dates per the Julian Calendar.

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Easter Sunday: 2001 4/15
Easter Sunday: 2002 3/31
Easter Sunday: 2003 4/20
Easter Sunday: 2004 4/11
Easter Sunday: 2005 3/27



Another great site is

<http://www.timeanddate.com/calendar/>

This one gives a complete year at a time with the holidays for that year listed below.

In future issues I will list the dates for Mother's Day, Memorial Day (observed) Father's Day & Thanksgiving. If you are interested in any other 'special days' email me (diane@dianesgenealogy.com) and I will try to find the dates to put in a future issue of this newsletter.

Sourcing

How do you source something? Two great books on the subject are 'Cite Your Sources' by Richard S. Lackey 1980 ISBN 0-87805-286-0 & 'Evidence!' by Elizabeth Shown Mills 1997 ISBN 0-8063-1543-1

After checking these books and from years of research and sourcing my findings this is what's I feel is important when sourcing vital records.

1. Always state what the item is that the information is coming from. Such as 'Birth Certificate'. Place that first in ever source 'name' you have for a birth certificate so that all your birth certificate sources will be listed together in your genealogy program's list of sources. That makes it easy to see if you have a certain person's birth certificate already listed as a source.
2. Add who the birth certificate is for to distinguish it from any other birth certificate you have. This too is part of the name or title.
3. It may be a good idea to add the date to the title or just the year to help differentiate between two birth certificates when the persons have the same name.

3. Also as part of the name or title, or simply in the citation include the file number, Liber number or letter and page number. The citation should include the county or state office where the record is located along with their address. Also note if you have a copy of the record in your possession. And if so what kind of copy. A certified copy, a xerox copy, a church record or just what.

4. If the birth record is an extraction printed in a book. The name or title of the source would be the books name. And part of the citation will be the author or extractor, date of publication for the book, publishing company, or genealogy society who published the book. You will want to list the library where the book was found and the library's address. You may even want to list the call numbers for the book at that particular library.

A: Think of a source as a map to help you find the item again. You never know if or when or how often you may need to re-check a certain item. It does happen. Your source/citation should make it very easy for you to retrace your footsteps. Or for someone else to follow in your footsteps.

B: if the record such as a will or vital record has been turned over to a repository, archive or some other place for safe keeping but is no longer housed in the normal place for such records, make sure you note this in your source citation as the location for this item.

C: if the record is a extraction state in the source/citation that it is an extraction. If it's on microfilm, state that as well. Sometimes records are harder to read on microfilm so it's important to know that is what you were looking at. Extractions and transcriptions can have errors so you need to know if that

is what you used as your source. You need to state exactly what you were looking at. Believe me you will not remember, years later, where that book was found, if you looked at a certified copy of a record or an extraction or transcription if you did not note this in your source/citation. You will have too many such things in your data back to remember them all that completely.

If I forgot anything in the above, I'm sure our president, Karen, will point it out to me! (chuckle).

Error Noted: Under 'Meeting Minutes' in our June 2005 issue of this newsletter I stated that Tom Genova talked to our club in January about Land Records. My mistake. Sorry about that. It was Tom Barrett who presented that talk.

Meeting Minutes

June & July we met at local restaurants and enjoyed each other's company as well as good food and drink. No minutes from these events.

In August our President and her husband hosted a cookout at their home which was attended by a good percentage of our members. Photos in the last newsletters of that event.

September: Mark Krugman talked to us about Benedict Arnold. I don't have any meeting minutes for this excellent talk.

October: Patricia Ibbotsom, editor of the Detroit Society for Genealogical Research Magazine, talked to us about 'Eloise' a poorhouse, farm, asylum & hospital 1939-1984 in Detroit. Sorry I do not have any minutes from this meeting either.

FGC 11/10/05

The meeting was called to order by Karen KRUGMAN at 5:35
Joe Turkes has requested that we move to VTC-VDN for our meetings, since that is where he works. We have agreed to relocate as of 1/1/06.

Entertainment Books (\$25) are available through Mark KRUGMAN.

The evening's presentation by Karen KRUGMAN, was "So your Female Ancestor Has NO Surname?"
As usual, Karen's talks are very complete and well worth the time to attend. She not only covered to "usual" places to look, death certificate, marriage certificates, etc. but also covered many of what may otherwise be considered "not worth my time". These other places included, among others;

1. Social columns in local newspapers
2. Civil lawsuits
3. Probate files
4. Lineage society applications
5. SS5 Social Security applications

As usual, Karen had excellent examples of each of the recommendations.

Next month, December 13 we will be having our annual Christmas dinner at Paisano's Restaurant on Schaeffer north of Michigan. If you plan to attend, please let Karen know as soon as possible.

We had a roundtable discussion and then adjourned at 7:45 for dinner at the Salad Garden, for those who were interested.

Respectfully submitted by
Mike BRAUTIGAN Secretary

December will be our annual Christmas Dinner. Merry Christmas everyone.

Upcoming meetings:

January 12th Gerry Milkie will tell us about the 'Challenge of Lebanese Genealogy' research.

February 9th Mark Krugman will tell us about the 'Tax Man Cometh'.

March 9th Tim Westfall will tell us about Catholic Church Records in Detroit/Dearborn.

April 13th will be Elections & to be announced.

It's Time to Renew Your Membership!

If you have not paid your dues for 2006 please do so.

Dues are still \$12 per year for 1-2 people (you & significant other (close friend, relative interested in genealogy)).

Note: even though I've said this before, I still sent newsletter out to some not listed as having paid their dues in 2005. This however is the final time I will send a newsletter if I do not know for sure that your dues have been paid.. My list of members is getting scrapped and a new one formed before the end of January. If you are not listed as a paid member in Jerry Jacobs, Karen Krugman or my records, you will not receive the next issue of this newsletter. Even if you attend all meetings. When you pay, or if you have already paid, I'd advise you to make sure I am aware of that fact so that I don't omit you from my list.

Your newsletter editor Diane Oslund



Historical Detroit

At the Library of Michigan (Lansing, Michigan) is a small Louisiana titled *Historical Detroit* (Mich. F 574.D4 H5888). It is a story of early Detroit 'As told by twenty bronze tablets'. The book is dated 1881-1926. Copyright 1926 by J. L. Hudson Company Detroit, Michigan. Continued from previous issues.....

IN THE YEAR 1879



Detroit's First Baseball Park

IN 1879, eighteen acres of land on Brush Street back of Harper Hospital were converted into a recreation park. The playing field was first used by cricket clubs. With the organization of the Detroit Baseball Club in 1880, it became a baseball park and the national championship was won by the Detroit team on these grounds.

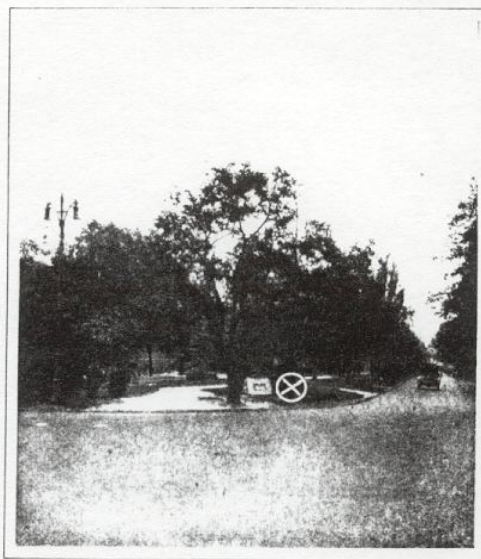
The Brush Estate owned a large tract of land which extended from the river front to the three-mile limit and contained 600 acres.

John Askin, father-in-law of Elijah Brush, a Vermont Yankee who came to Detroit, owned this farm. He sold it to Mr. Brush for \$3,000.

The growth of Detroit caused increased levies of taxes and the unused portion of the Brush farm became a burden, so in 1879 a number of men organized the Recreation Park Association and leased 18 acres of the 105 for a baseball field and general recreation ground.

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AS IT IS TODAY



Brush Street

DETROIT'S first athletic park has given way to Brush Street which is now one of Detroit's arterial highways, broadened, improved and traffic-controlled to permit the swift exodus of auto-driving citizens at each day's end. Forty-five years ago, a few hundred mild, non-paying spectators fringed the diamonds. Today as many as 30,000 enthusiasts attend a Detroit Tigers' combat.

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Let it snow Let it snow Let it snow.

Or not!



Looking Backward To Our Past

To those societies and libraries we exchange newsletters with. We at the Ford Genealogy Society wish you and yours a most joyous holiday season.

Please remember to inform us if your postal address changes, or if we just have it wrong in any way.

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