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The Newsletter of the Calhoun County Genealogical Society
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For the October meeting of the Calhoun County Genealogical Society:

- ✱ Tuesday, October 27, 1998
- ✱ 7:00 p.m.
- ✱ VFW Hall, 800 E. Michigan Ave., Marshall, MI

- ✱ Mr. John Obermeyer of the Sons of the Union Veterans will be speaking to the Calhoun County Genealogical Society about the very important work they are accomplishing with the Graves Registration Project.

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- ➔ *Tuesday, November 24, 1998*
 - ➔ Program and location to be determined

 - ➔ *December 1998*
 - ➔ No programs - Happy Holidays!

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- ★ Tuesday, January 19, 1999
 - ★ Miller-Stone Building, corner of Capital and Van Buren, Battle Creek
 - ★ Lorraine Johnson Coleman, author and dramatist, will be speaking to us on collection oral histories. Her book *Just Plain Folks* is a collection of stories that document oral traditions, religious lore, burial traditions, belief systems and community lore. She is also featured on National Public Radio.

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The Calhoun County Genealogical Society is a non-profit, federally tax-exempt, State-Chartered organization. Individuals, libraries or societies may apply for membership. Annual dues beginning September 1 is \$12.00. All members receive the CCGS newsletter *Generations* which is published six times a year.

Meetings are held at 7:00 p.m. on the 4th Tuesday of every month at the VFW Hall located at 800 E. Michigan Ave., Marshall, MI. *unless otherwise specified*. Our programs are free of charge and the public is cordially invited.

Research Materials Available from the
Calhoun County Genealogical Society

(Make great Holiday gifts! Think ahead!)

The 1877 History of Calhoun County, MI
(reprinted) Over 350 pages, printed on acid-free, archival paper and is hard-cover, library-quality bound, includes every name index. \$55

Cemeteries of Eckford Twp, Calhoun County, MI (110 pages) \$10.00

Clarence Township Cemeteries in Calhoun Co., MI (Clarence Center, Dryer, Hunt, Krenerick and Nichols). (66 pages, over 2,100 names) \$7.00

Transcriptions of Cemeteries of Convis Twp., Calhoun Co., MI (35 pages, over 1,000 names) \$6.00

Every Name Index for *Generations*, the Newsletter of the Calhoun County Genealogical Society, August 1988 - June 1995 (48 pages over 2,800 names) \$5.00

Beginner's Guide to Family History Research by Desmond Walls Allen and Carolyn Earle Billingsley (46 pages) \$9.00

Bentley Corners Cemetery Clarendon Twp., Calhoun Co., MI (14 pages) \$6.00

Marriage Records of Calhoun Co., MI 1836-1890 (248 pages) \$18.50

St. Joseph Cemetery Clarendon Twp., Calhoun Co., MI (25 pages) \$6.00

Transcriptions of the Gravestones in the Rice Creek Cemetery Lee Twp., Calhoun Co., MI (49 pages) \$6.00

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Calhoun County Genealogical Society
P.O. Box 777
Marshall, MI 49068

president's ponderings

My first responsibility as your new President is to thank our Immediate Past President, Nancy Hibiske, for a remarkable two years. Even prior to her *official* term of President, Nancy had been contributing to the operations of the Calhoun County Genealogical Society in a significant way. Her seemingly unlimited energy, enthusiasm and creativity have really been a benefit to the society and an inspiration to her officers.

Under Nancy's leadership, we have taken many strides to really reach out and become a *proactive* rather than *reactive* organization. A few of the accomplishments include: launching the Pioneer Certificate Program, bringing in Curt Witcher as an W.K. Kellogg Foundation Expert in Residence, reprinting the 1877 History of Calhoun County, achieving our membership goal of 200 members and strengthening our relationship with Willard Public Library. Additionally we are now exchanging newsletters with approximately 40 other genealogical societies. This brings in a tremendous amount of additional information to our members, and reciprocally "spreads the word" about our society's activities. Finally, our treasury is at an all-time high, allowing us to pursue some projects that would otherwise not be possible. I guess I should also mention that she somehow dragged me on television, with a couple of appearances with Dave Eddy and Linda Taffolla on Access Vision!

So, what's the vision for the next two years for the society? Here are a few of the things that come to mind. We have recently acquired a fine copy of the 1910 Portrait and Biographical Album of Calhoun County by Chapman's, and are considering that as our next reprinting project. We have gathered information on the descendants of over 100 pioneers to Calhoun County via our Pioneer Certificate project, and will be assembling that data for use by other researchers. Ruth Kaiser and her dedicated cemetery committee continue to amaze us by the way they are ticking off their list of cemeteries to transcribe, and will have more books available very soon. The *Index to Generations* that was compiled in 1995 has been extremely popular, and it's time to update the Index with names from the most recent two years of newsletters. Our experience with Curt Witcher and the Expert in Residence program couldn't have been better, and we are ready again with another Expert. Lorraine Johnson Coleman, author and lecturer, will be in Battle Creek in January, 1999. The Calhoun County Genealogical Society, along with Willard Public Library, is sponsoring her lecture regarding oral history and family tradition. Watch for details in *Generations* and local media.

Finally, I'd like to apologize for the slow delivery of the last newsletter. We understand that several members, particularly in the eastern part of the county, actually got their newsletter *after* the last meeting. Unfortunately, your editors found themselves overwhelmed with other commitments, and were not able to compile the newsletter and deliver it to the printer as quickly as we would have liked. Also, you may have noticed that we are now using non-profit, bulk mail. While it is a little slower, this saves your society over 66% in mailing costs, a significant amount as we mail over 250 newsletters, six times per year. We would like you to be aware that meeting information can also be found in several area publications including: the Battle Creek Shopper, Battle Creek Enquirer, Marshall Chronicle, Marshall Advisor, Albion Morning Star and Jackson Citizen Patriot. Additionally, our friend and member Dave Eddy gives us great meeting coverage on WBCK radio. Remember our web site, <http://www.rootsweb/~micalhou>, where you can also find meeting information. Regardless, we sincerely apologize that the newsletters were delivered late, and will do our best to see that it doesn't happen again.

I am so pleased to be your President for the upcoming two years. I thank you all for the support you have always shown your officers, and look forward to some exciting times ahead.

Sandy Redmond

Obtaining Ohio Vital Records

After the year 1908 all birth and death records were maintained at the state level. There is also a statewide index of marriages since 1949. Prior to 1908 birth and death records can be found at the county level. The individual counties were required to keep these records beginning in 1867. A few counties have birth and death records as far back as 1840.

All vital records are open to the public. Information from these records may be obtained by personal inspection or by a written request to the Clerk of the District court in the county where the event occurred. The records vary greatly from county to county so it is recommended that you call to find out what is available and how much it will cost before writing. A fee is usually charged for each copy at both the state and county level.

Another excellent source for obtaining vital records from the State of Ohio is the Ohio Historical Society located at 1982 Velma Avenue, Columbus, OH 43211. Copies of death certificates for deaths occurring from 30 Dec 1908-1937 can be obtained from the Ohio Historical Society Archives Library at a cost of \$3.00 per certificate. Ohio residents add 18 cents for sales tax. In addition to death records, other genealogical material available at the OHS include: marriage records, census records, land entry records, tax lists, city and county directories, county histories, family histories and more.

For state level Ohio Vital Records :
**Ohio Department of Health
Vital Statistics Unit
35 E. Chestnut St., 6th floor
Columbus, OH 43215
614-466-2531**

DAR Lineage Workshop

The Lucinda Hinsdale Stone Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution, has planned workshop for November 7, 1998 from 10:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at the Western Michigan University Archives and Regional History Collections on Oakland Drive in Kalamazoo.

Anyone interested in the Daughters of the American Revolution and think they may have ancestors who served in that war are welcome to attend without obligation to join. For more info: 616-343-6498 or <fvpv5la@prodigy.com>

Marshall MI Marriage and Death Newspaper Notices

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Newspaper Notices by Marguerite N. Lambert, edited and indexed by James N. Jackson. 1997. 180pp., paper, name index. \$14.50 postpaid (\$11.60 for Detroit Society members.) The Detroit Society for Genealogical Research, Inc., c/o Burton Historical Collection, Detroit Public Library, 5201 Woodward Ave., Detroit, MI 48202-4093.

Abstracted by the late Marguerite N. Lambert of Ann Arbor, MI and published by the Detroit Society for Genealogical Research, these marriage and death records were taken from newspapers published within from 1839 through 1866: *The Democratic Expounder*, *The Marshall Statesman* and *The Western Statesman*. In this useful book the newspaper source and date is given with each entry and an every name index is provided.

Effective Genealogical Research in Libraries

Become a savvy detective - tremendous genealogy research treasures in libraries and archives await you!

Willard Public Library is proud to welcome Curt B. Witcher back to Battle Creek. Mr. Witcher, a nationally recognized genealogist, is the Manager of the Historical Genealogy Department of the Allen County Public Library in Fort Wayne, Indiana. Many of you will remember Mr. Witcher from the Expert In Residence that the CCGS coordinated in conjunction with the Kellogg Foundation last year.

Two programs will be offered. Both are free of charge and open to the public. Both programs will be on Thursday, November 12, 1998. The Miller-Stone Building is located at the corner of Capital Avenue and West Van Buren Street directly across West Van Buren Street from Willard Public Library in Battle Creek. Come early for the best seats because, if you attended Mr. Witcher's Expert In Resident programs the CCGS coordinated last October, you know the room will fill up quickly!

November 12 (noon to 1:30 p.m.) in the Miller-Stone Building, Battle Creek, MI

"Finding What YOU Need When You Want to Trace Your Family Tree"

Mr. Witcher's presentation will focus on:

- The four major types of libraries and their role in your search
- Organizing data for efficient review and consultation by a librarian, archivist or record custodian
- Developing techniques for "scouting" a research facility prior to your arrival
- Functioning well in a wide variety of research facilities.

November 12 (7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.) in the Miller-Stone Building, Battle Creek, MI

"Internet Resources for Genealogists: An Online Demonstration"

- Mr. Witcher's presentation will focus on:
- What resources are available on the net
 - How to access these resources
 - How Internet search engines work and what to expect from them
 - Identifying good sites to use as a jumping-off point in maximizing Internet for family history use

For more information: Willard Public Library, 7 West Van Buren, Battle Creek, Michigan 49015 (616-968-8166).

News from the Burton Historical Collection

Janet Whitson, Manager of the Burton Historical Collection, has informed us of some of their most recent acquisitions on microfilm:

Britain - (Postal) directories of England, Ireland, Scotland and Wales

Britain - Index to the 1881 census of England and Wales

California - Vital records 1960-1989

Connecticut - Hale Collection of vital records

Michigan - Detroit - some Protestant church records

Michigan - Wayne County probate index

Michigan - World War I draft registration cards

Michigan - Detroit - Elmwood Cemetery records

The Burton Historical Collection is located in the Detroit Public Library, 5201 Woodward Avenue, Detroit, MI 48202. For more information call 313-833-1000.

New Genealogical Society

There is a new genealogy society! The Sanilac County Genealogical Society has recently been organized. For information write to Sanilac County Genealogical Society, c/o Sandusky District Library, 26 West Spaker Street, Sandusky, MI 48471.

Michigan Death Index

You can find the Michigan Death Index 1867 - 1882, Volumes 1-5 on the Internet at:

www.mdch.state.mi.us/gendis/index.html

Kalkaska Genealogical Society

The Kalkaska Genealogical Society plans to publish a history book of Kalkaska County in the year 2000 and they are looking for biographies, pictures (people and buildings) and family history from the Kalkaska County area. Materials submitted will not be returned so be sure to send copies and not the originals. Also, proofread and check all of your facts! If you have information you would like to share please contact Dawn Triplett at 616-258-9265 (triplett@gtii.com) to inquire about the writer's guidelines. Kalkaska Genealogy Society's address is P.O. Box 353, Kalkaska, MI 49646.

CCGS Pencils

Gotta pencil I can borrow? Don't be without a pencil again now that the CCGS is selling our very stylish pencils. Blue with gold detailing, these pencils are selling for 50 cents apiece or three for a dollar. What a deal! Do not be caught researching with a pen or marker in hand when you could have a CCGS pencil instead. See Recording Secretary Timmi Volstromer at the next CCGS meeting to snag this deal!

Did you remember to send in your membership dues? Annual dues are \$12 and should be sent to:

CCGS Membership Chair
P.O. Box 777
Marshall, MI 49068

QUERIES

Following are the queries that have been received via the Rootsweb mailing list. Realizing that not everyone has access to the Internet, we are printing them for you here. Unfortunately, most of the time folks who post to the Rootsweb site do not include their USPS address. If you are interested in responding to any of these postings and do not have an e-mail address, please write to the CCGS. We will attempt to put you in contact with the writer.

Queries – May be mailed to Calhoun County Genealogical Society, P. O. Box 777, Marshall, MI 49068

BUCK, BROWN

From <jstout2@aol.com>

I am researching the BUCK family with not much luck. The line I am researching is from NY. I've been searching for information on Aaron BUCK and his wife Julia (BROWN) BUCK. The only information I have on them is that they were the parents of Samuel BUCK. Samuel was born in Washington Co., NY on 4 Nov 1813. He married Harriet WALTERS, about 1836 probably in NY as all their children were born there. Their children were Josephine, Mary, Wilbur, Wesley and Estella. Samuel married (2) Jane SELSBY in Hillsdale Co. MI and married (3) Amarilla (Emma) MONROE 24 Jul 1867 Big Prairie twp, Newaygo County, MI. A daughter was born from the third marriage, Jessie on 11 Dec 1872, Aetna Twp, Mecosta Co., MI. If anyone can fill in all my blanks on this family, I would sure appreciate the help. I know a couple of BUCK researchers that I have communicated with in the past. If anyone would like their snail mail addresses, I would be happy to pass them on.

BUCK

*From: "Jill Jessen Hernandez"
<kpitblu@ix.netcom.com>*

I am researching the BUCK Family and have not been able to trace my GGrandfathers brother, Solomon BUCK, b 1832 and last heard from

when he was gold mining at Spanish Flat, CA, in 1856. If anyone has information on the BUCK Family, please contact me.

Thank You,
Johanna BUCK SUTTON

Johanna,

I am also a BUCK. My mother was Elizabeth Jean BUCK JESSEN. This is where we are with family names. Our BUCK families lived in NY 1840; 1850's-present MI, CA; 1945-present (also AZ and WA). These are the names of our male ancestors with wives/children:

Hassan Alba BUCK - 1840 Orleans Co., Medina, NY, d. Los Angeles, CA 1921 at the National Home for Veteran Soldiers. He's buried at the LA National Cem. Civil War service at Gettysburg from 7th MI Cavalry under Custer. (m: Rhoda HOWE UPHAM, MI-NY-MA). Franklin M. BUCK, 1862 Eaton Co. MI, (m: Rose COOPER, Jackson MI). Fred Anson BUCK - 1866 Eaton Co. MI, (m: Sarah Jane COOPER, Jackson, MI - Rose's sister). Hassan Alba Cooper BUCK – Hubbardston Vil., Ionia/Clinton Co. MI. Also lived in Detroit, Lansing. He supposedly had another family, American Indian from Lansing? m: (2X's) Bessie Beatrice BISHOP, Calhoun Co, Battle Creek, MI. Lived in Bellevue, Eaton Co., (my mother's father and mother, my grandparents).

The first Hassan was living with a family in Jackson, MI in 1850 (per census) and the family, Joseph T. BUKE spelled their name OR it was interpreted by the census taker as "BUKE". H.A. BUCK also lived with an Alfred S. PAINE and family, in 1860 in Eaton Rapids, MI. They were blacksmiths. I have no clue who the parents of the 1st Hassan were... it could have been the BUKE's or the name could even be BEEBE?

Does anyone know the origin of the name Hassan? No, not Arabic. Irish, Dutch, German? WHO could he be named after?

FISH

From: Evelyn Hanks <ehanks@swbell.net>

John FISH is found! I am VERY excited because I finally have made a connection with my elusive g-g-grandfather, John FISH! My thanks goes to each and all of you who gave a helping hand!

I recently came in contact, by e-mail, with a distant cousin. I had a gut feeling that the John FISH I am researching, and the Eugene FISH he is researching, were brothers. He sent me the following from the 1850 Calhoun Co. Census:

Silas FISH, Rebecca, wife, 44, b. NY:

Children:

John, 18, born NY

Schuyler, 15, born NY

Eugene, 12, born MI

Ann, 9, born MI

Alvin, 7, born MI

Edward, 4, born MI

I am celebrating being able to hurdle at least ONE brick wall! There are many still obstructing my path. Good Wishes and Happy Hunting!
Evelyn

DOLAN, MALONEY

From: <BLARNEY3@aol.com>

Looking for any information on the DOLAN family that lived in Marshall, MI in and around 1860-1880. The father's name was Owen DOLAN who was married to Ellen (MALONEY) DOLAN. They had five children: Mary E., James Nicholas, John J., Andrew E. and Elizabeth. Ellen DOLAN, the mother, died in 1869 in Marshall. The family later moved to Illinois. Elizabeth DOLAN died in 1889 and is buried in Marshall. Owen died in Chicago in 1880 but is buried in Marshall. Some of the children were born in Oakland County, MI.

BAKER, BORDEN

My GGF William Henry BAKER, born either Sheffield, England or Syracuse, New York, married Sarah Jane BORDEN 26 Feb 1854. They had several children born in New York, had Jesse B. born 1870 Penn., then Lottie Elizabeth born either 29 Jan 1872 or 31 Jan 1873 at Union City, MI. Other children born in MI. Need proof of county of birth for Lottie so birth certificate can be obtained. Also, family history says twins were born and died shortly after birth, possibly between Lottie and William Louis who was born 1876. Any information regarding them in Union City? My GGF may have worked in a jewelry store in Union City. He may have had family in the area. Branch Co. Genealogical Society sent info from their Holbrook Index of Coldwater papers.

Robert W. Christopher
1945 Prospect Street
Saginaw, MI 48601

STUART, ALEXANDER, GUTHRIE

Seeking information on John STUART and wife Janett (?). Both born in Scotland, moved to New York and came to Bloomfield, Oakland County, MI in early 1820's. John apparently died prior 1830 census. Janett lived with daughter Christiana and her husband Robert ALEXANDER in St. Joseph County in 1850, age 73, gone by 1860 census. Believe John and Janett STUART to be parents of Matilda E. STUART who married Francis E. GUTHRIE in 1837 in Oakland County.

Stephen Guthrie
6005 Charing Street
San Diego, CA 92117

Calendar of Genealogical Events:

November 5, 1998 The Kalamazoo Valley Genealogical Society is sponsoring a bus trip to the Allen County Public Library in Fort Wayne, Indiana. Cost is \$20. Payment no later than October 29, 1998. (Leave Kalamazoo 8:00 a.m., arrive Fort Wayne 10:00 a.m., leave Fort Wayne 5:30 p.m., arrive Old Country Buffet restaurant (\$7.69) 6:00 p.m., leave restaurant 7:15 p.m., return to Kalamazoo 9:15 p.m.) For more information: Judy Spencer, 1110 Orchard Drive, Three Rivers, Michigan 49093 (616-279-7880)

November 7, 1998 Western Michigan Genealogical Society's Open House at the Grand Rapids Public Library, Floor 1R, 60 Library Plaza NE, Grand Rapids, Michigan 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

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February 25, 1999 The Kalamazoo Valley Genealogical Society is sponsoring a bus trip to the Grand Rapids Public Library in Grand Rapids, Michigan. Cost is \$15. Payment no later than February 15, 1999. (Leave Kalamazoo 8:00 a.m., arrive Grand Rapids 9:00 a.m., leave Grand Rapids 5:00 p.m., arrive Kalamazoo 6:00 p.m.) Restaurants are within walking distance. For more information: Judy Spencer, 1110 Orchard Drive, Three Rivers, Michigan 49093 (616-279-7880)

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August 21, 1999 The Flint Genealogical Society presents Hank Z. Jones, Jr., and Ruth Burkholder at the Baker College, 1050 West Bristol Road, Flint, Michigan 8:00 a.m. - 5:50 p.m. Cost is \$30 per person before July 1, 1999. Includes breakfast and lunch. Space is limited. For more information: Flint Genealogical Society, c/o Carol Canada, 1197 North Dye Road, Flint, Michigan 48532.

October 28, 29 & 30, 1999 The Michigan Genealogical Council presents Henry Z. "Hank" Jones, Jr. Hosted by the Grand Traverse Area Genealogical Society at the Grand Traverse Resort, Acme (Traverse City) Michigan. Topics include: Beginners, Searches, Computers and Locations. For more information: Gayle Grice, Registration Chairperson, 3188 North Three Mile Road, Traverse City, Michigan 49686.



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The Genealogical Death Indexing System (GENDIS) Updated

Michigan Department of Community Health Director James K. Haveman, Jr., today announced that additional years of information have been added to the Genealogical Death Indexing System (GENDIS), an Internet system of Michigan death records from before the turn of the century.

GENDIS, which first appeared on the Internet in April of this year, is a rich resource for historical death record information. This information includes the name of the decedent; the date, place, and cause of death; the decedent's occupation; parents' names and residence; and the decedent's place of birth. This indexing system, which is being maintained by the Division for Vital Records and Health Statistics, allows genealogists and others to use key facts, such as the decedent's name or year of death, to locate and view records of interest.

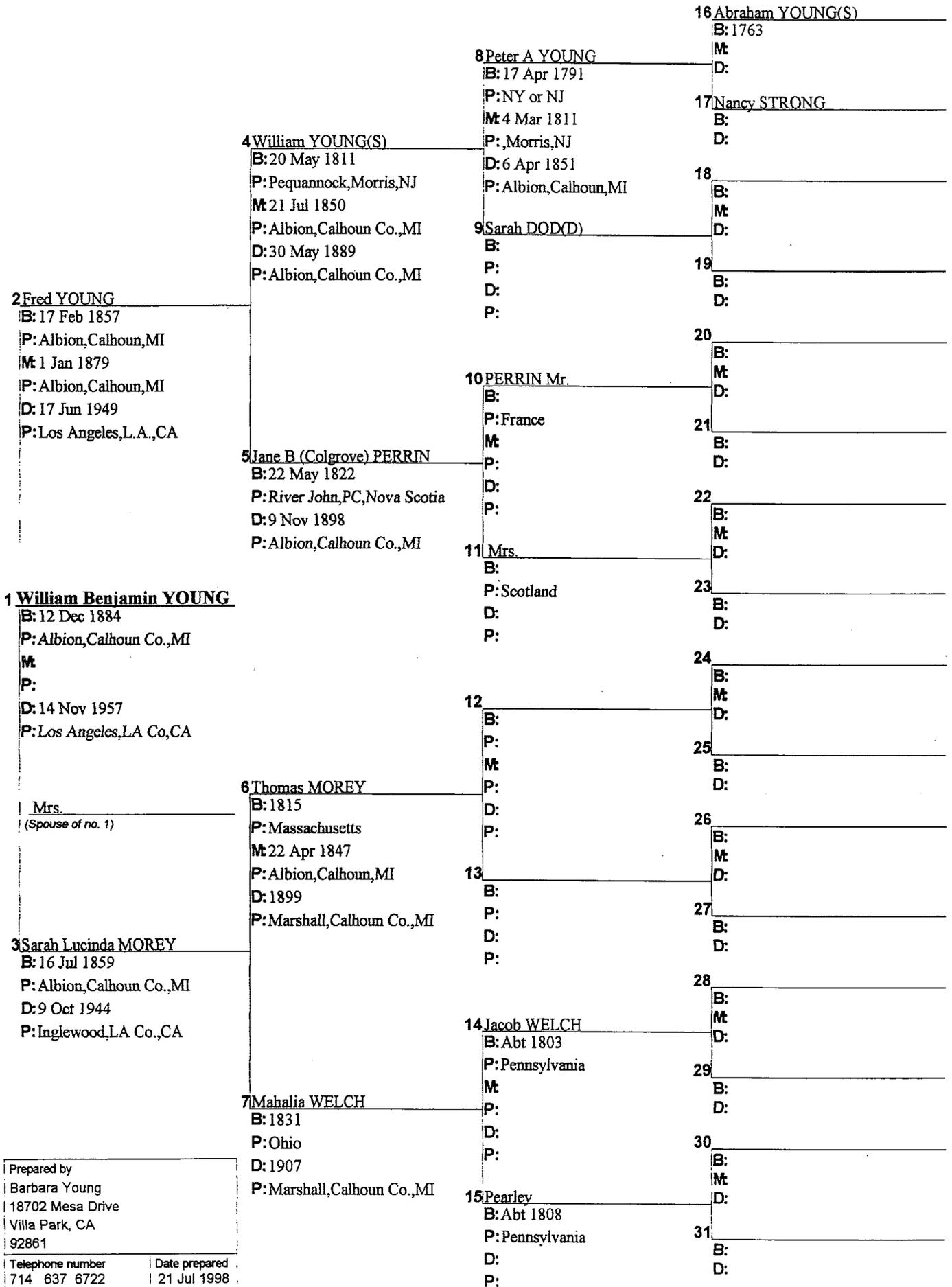
"I am so pleased that this automated indexing system on the Internet is receiving such positive response from our customers," said Haveman. "This is a fine demonstration of how the state can use modern technology to improve service."

This service is possible thanks to the efforts of volunteer genealogists from across the state and with the support of the Michigan Genealogical Council and the Abrams Foundation. This project, which began in 1987, has been conducted under the careful coordination of Margaret Tager Walker, a genealogist and coordinator of the project for the Michigan Genealogical Council. Copies of these early death records are prepared and distributed to volunteer genealogists across the state to be carefully deciphered and transcribed. These transcriptions are then captured electronically and inserted into the data file used by GENDIS.

The latest update provides information on an additional 63,500 death records to GENDIS data file, which now spans 1867-1882 for a total 148,000 records. When completed, the database will contain approximately 481,000 deaths records for the years 1867 through 1897.

Since April 1998, over 40,000 genealogists and others interested in locating death information have visited the GENDIS Web site.

The web site for GENDIS is located at:
<http://www.mdch.state.mi.us/gendis/index.htm>



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Future Functions of the Calhoun County Genealogical Society

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