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MEETINGS

The Emmet County Genealogical Society meets at 7:00 p.m. on the first Tuesday of every month at the American Legion Hall, Weaver Lindemuth Post 194, 455 Bay Street, Petoskey, MI Please use side door entrance. (1/2 block from Stafford's Perry Hotel) unless otherwise noted.

Our meetings are always open to the public.
Upcoming meetings:

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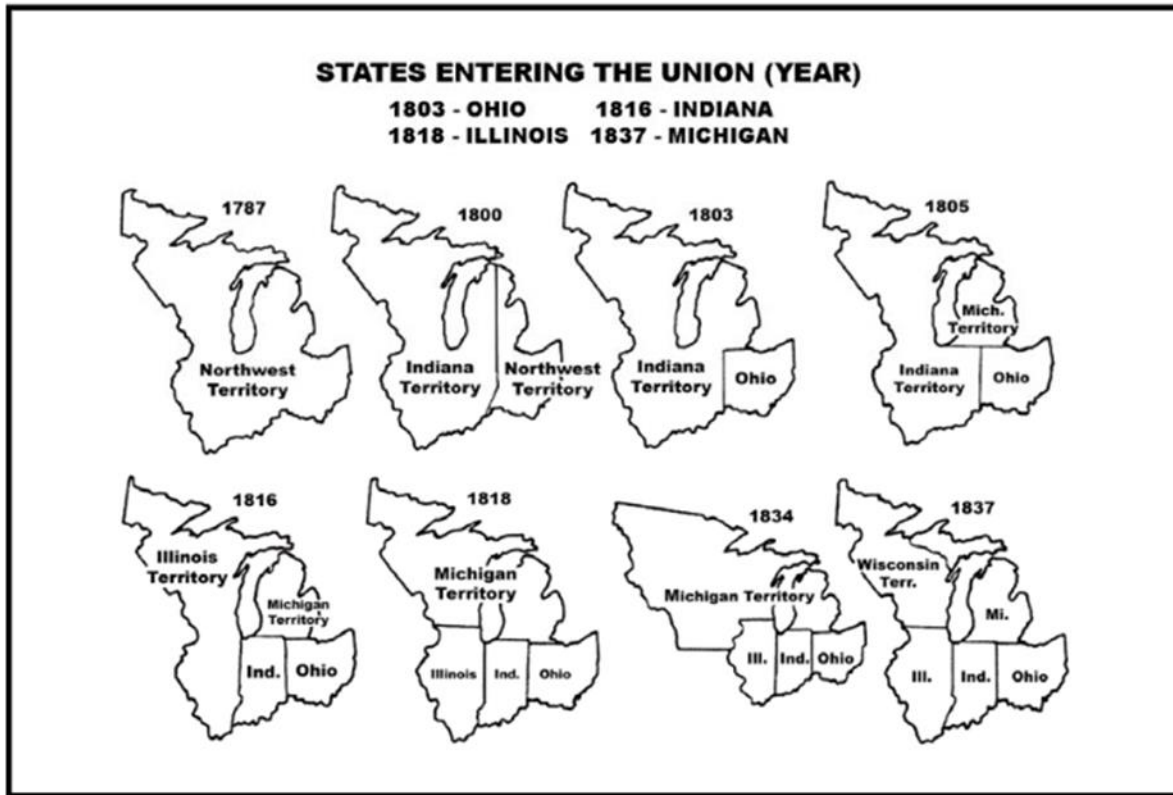
LDS Family History Library Hours and Services

Current hours are Tuesday 6-9 pm ~ Wednesday 10 am—1pm and 6 - 9pm
If no one is there they may close an hour to hour and 1/2 early.
Closed when Petoskey Schools close because of weather.

Limited Microfilm and reader is available.
2 computers are available or you can bring your own device.
Ancestry.com ~ newspapersarchives.com

The LDS Library is located at the corner of Alcan and Country Club Roads in Petoskey, MI

FROM THE ARCHIVES:
VOLUME 2 NO 4, MAY 2004 and VOLUME 2 NO 5, AUGUST 2004



Source: <http://www.geo.msu.edu/geo333/Treaties.html>

The following pages are Emmet County Place Names A-C. Some I've never heard of and there are a few that I believe are missing, The rest of the alphabet in the next issue.

Of interest in this list is 'APPLETON' it says on the Lake Huron Shore, Anyone have any idea on this?



EMMET COUNTY PLACE NAMES A - C

From the book, MICHIGAN PLACE NAMES

The History of the Founding and the Naming of More Than Five Thousand Past and Present Michigan Communities
By Walter Romig, L.H.D.

ALANSON, Emmet County: this village in Littlefield Township was first settled in 1875; it was given a post office named Hinman on Jan. 17, 1877, with Hollis Frayer as its first postmaster; on June 22, 1882, it was renamed Alanson for Alanson Cook, an official of the Grand Rapids & Indiana Railroad which first came through here then; incorporated as a village in 1905 [Frank E. Kroc, PM].

APPLETON, Emmet County: a sawmill settlement at Spring Creek on the Lake Huron shore, in Friendship Township; Harper Talbert became its first postmaster on May 22, 1884, the office operating until Aug. 2, 1889 [GSM 1885; PO Archives].

ARBRE CROCHE, Emmet County. See L'Arbre Croche.

L'ARBOR CROCHE, Emmet County. See Harbor Springs.

HARBOR SPRINGS, Emmet County: the Ottawa village here was built on an eminence, near a large crooked tree, under which they held their councils, and whence the mission established by the Jesuits in 1742 took its name, L'Arbre Croche, or the crooked tree; in 1827, Rev. Pierre Dejean moved the mission to and built a log church at adjacent Little Traverse; French voyageurs had found two deep indentations on Michigan's west coast; the smaller one they called La Petite Traverse, or the little crossing; in 1853, Richard Cooper opened a general store for Captain Kirtland and began the modern development of the village; given a post office as Little Traverse on March 27, 1862, with William H. Fife as its first postmaster, the office was renamed Harbor Springs on March 17, 1881; the village was sometimes called Bayfield; incorporated as the village of Harbor Springs in 1881 and as a city in 1932; named from its natural harbor and the many springs in the area [Powers; GSM 1879; MPH 39:229 1915; Mich Hist 4:596 1920, 10:471 1926; PO Archives; U.P. Hedrick, Land of the Crooked Tree].

AYR, Emmet County: Patrick J. Burns became the first postmaster of this sawmill settlement in the central part of the county on Dec. 12, 1878; T. B. Snyder operated its general store, homesteaders from Canada named it after Ayr, Ontario [Mrs. Henry Brubacher; PO Archives, GSM 1881].

BAYFIELD, Emmet County. See Harbor Springs.

BAY VIEW, Emmet County: founded by a group of Methodists as the Bay View Association in 1875, for religious purposes; an educational program (lectures and music) was begun in 1886, and the community developed from it; mail was handled in the Association's hotel, Bay View House, but when it burned down a government post office was established; given a station on the Grand Rapids & Indiana Railroad; named from its view of Little Traverse Bay [C. John Wooden; Mich Hist 48:18 Mar 1964].

BEAR RIVER, Emmet County. See Petoskey.

PETOSKEY, Emmet County: a Presbyterian Indian mission was founded here in Bear Creek Township in 1852 by Rev. Andrew Porter and, with him as its first postmaster, it was given a post office as Bear River, on Dec. 2, 1857, and for him the place was also known as Porter's Village; the first permanent white settler, Hazen Ingalls, came in 1865 and, for the community which developed, the post office was renamed Petoskey on Dec. 5, 1873, with the coming through of the railroad; incorporated as a village in 1879 and as a city in 1896; Chippewa Chief Petoskey (said to be a corruption of Petosega, meaning the rising sun) had owned much of the land of the city named for him and in which he died [Virginia Hubbard; GSM 1873; PO Archives].

BEAU RIVER, Emmet County: in 1878, a hamlet on Little Traverse Bay, in Bear Lake Township [GSM 1879].

BLISS, Emmet County: Charles S. Barton became its first postmaster on Dec. 20, 1878; named after its township which had been named for Aaron T. Bliss, wealthy lumberman and later governor of Michigan [Dunbar; PO Archives].

BRUTUS, Emmet County: as a stage coach stop in Maple River Township, Abner S. Lee built an inn, the Brutus House, in 1874, and was named the first postmaster of Brutus on Nov. 10 of the same year; D. R. Sherman was his business associate; on Sept. 1, 1882, the post office was moved two miles west to a station on the Grand Rapids & Indiana Railroad, and the village soon developed [Traverse; GSM 1883].

CANBY, Emmet County: this village in Bliss Township was given a post office on April 28, 1884, with Edwin D. Matthews as its first postmaster, the office operating until June 29, 1907 [GSM 1885; PO Archives].

(Written by hand in this book: Sometime before it closed the post office was located in the _____ Store and that location would be in Center Township.)

CARP LAKE, Emmet county: the village was founded by Octave Terrian; given a station on the Grand Rapids & Indiana Railroad and on Jan. 27, 1880, a post office, with Alpheus B. Hendricks as its first postmaster, named from a kind of fish still abounding in nearby Carp Lake [PM; PO Archives].

CARPENTER, Emmet County: Jacob Lehmer became the first postmaster of this rural post office in Bear Creek Township, in the southwest corner of the county, on Nov. 23, 1881, the office operating until Oct. 21, 1897 [GSM 1883; PO Archives]

CECIL, Emmet County: a sawmill settlement named for its storekeeper, Mr. Cecil; Palmer V. Clark became its first postmaster on Jan. 31, 1901 [GSM 1903; PO Archives].

Emmet County Place Names continued

CONWAY, Emmet County: this settlement on the west shore of Crooked Lake, in Little Traverse Township was named Crooked Lake in 1878; it was renamed Dodge's Landing in 1881, honoring the Dodge family who gave the church and school; on May 18, 1882, with Horace C. Miller as its first postmaster, it was given a post office named Conway, in honor of Conway Dodge; also in 1882, it was given a station on the Grand Rapids & Indiana Railroad [GSM 1883; PO Archives].

CROOKED LAKE, Emmet County. See Conway.

CROSS VILLAGE, Emmet County: the Ottawas called the area, from Cross Village to Harbor Springs, Waganakisi (Crooked Tree), while the white traders called just this village L'Arbre Croche (Crooked Tree); when the Jesuit missionaries erected a large cross on the bluff at Cross Village (Rev. Gabriel Richard mentions seeing it on his tour of the missions in 1799), the Indians called the village Anamiewatigoing (At the Tree of Prayer, or Cross); it was called Old L'Arbre Croche to distinguish it from New L'Arbre Croche which the missionaries built at Harbor Springs about 1830; the name La Croix (The Cross) was used from 1847 to 1875 when it was changed to Cross Village; Amos T. Burnett became the first postmaster of Cross Village on Oct. 31, 1870 [Mary Belle Shurtleff, whose grandmother became PM here in 1873].

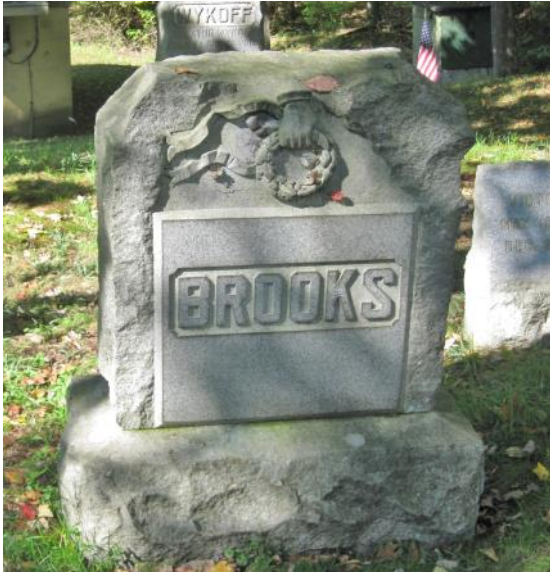
GSM: Gazetteer of the State of Michigan. Published regularly by various publishers in Detroit from 1838. From 1873, it was titled Michigan State Gazetteer.

MHM/Mich.Hist.: Michigan History Magazine.

MPH: Michigan Pioneer and Historical Collections, Lansing. 40 vols., 1876-1929.

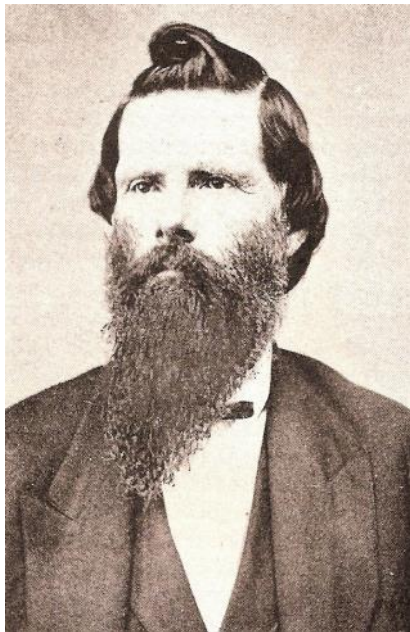
BROOKS CEMETERY– Gibson Twp., Cameron Co., PA

For anyone who remembers the Society's work at Brooks Cemetery in Center Township, this will seem similar in that the name is the same, there are only 24 burials, appears to be all family members. I did a quick check and found the following info.



John Brooks (1814-1893) married Martha Mason (1816-1896) in 1841. They had at least 10 children. Their children has some interesting names. Two of them are Flavius Abigma Melanctum Evandar Brooks 1857-1901 and Mishael Napoleon Ural Lafayette Brooks 1859-1935

Per Martha's obit the cemetery is the 'family burial plot on the old homestead'.



DAYS GONE BY



Scenic turnout and picnic area on US-131, near Petoskey, Michigan, provides vista of loveliness for visitors. City is in the background.

Not dated.



LET US CONTRIBUTE TO YOUR VACATION ENJOYMENT, WE ARE LOCATED IN THE CENTER OF MICHIGAN'S PLAYGROUND, EXCELLENT BEACHES ON LAKE MICHIGAN—GOOD FISHING AND HUNTING AREA, GOLF DRIVING RANGE NEXT DOOR. MODERN LARGE COMFORTABLE HOUSEKEEPING COTTAGES BY DAY, WEEK, OR SEASON. PHONE DIAMOND 7-7654

POSTMARKED NOV 18, 1958

CAN ANYONE PLACE WHERE THIS WOULD BE TODAY?

I FIND LOTS OF ADS IN THE NEWSPAPERS IN THE MID 40'S THRU 1966

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Petoskey Evening News
July 13, 1946

*In The News!
(continued
from page 6,
Postcard info..)*

EMMET CO. GRAPHIC 1957—
FROM OUR EARLY FILES

Harbor Springs harbor.
-1952-
Purchase of Hub's, popular
Crooked Lake dining and dancing
resort, was announced this week
by Carl Miendl and Morton Dawes.
Mr. Miendl has operated Carl's
Restaurant on US-31 for several
years, and Mr. Dawes is owner of
the Alpha Motor Court, also on
US-31.

Emmet County Graphic 7/17/1958

Alpha Motor Court
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5/2/1966 Petoskey News Review

KITCHENETTES, sleeps 2 or 3
people. Construction workers
welcome. Located 3 1/2 miles
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DI 7-8249, Alpha Motor Court.
(9885-180-12)

From the cookbook.....
HEIRLOOMS FROM OUR FAMILIES

SPINACH DIP

Terry VanderSlik, Petoskey, MI

1 pkg. Knorr Vegetable Soup Mix
3 green onions
1 can sliced water chestnuts, chopped
1 c. sour cream

1 c. Miracle Whip Salad Dressing
1 pkg. chopped frozen spinach, thawed and drained
1 round rye bread

Mix the vegetable soup mix, green onion, water chstnuts, sour cream and salad dressing altogether and then stir in the spinach. Place mixture in the scooped out rye bread and use bread cube for dipping.

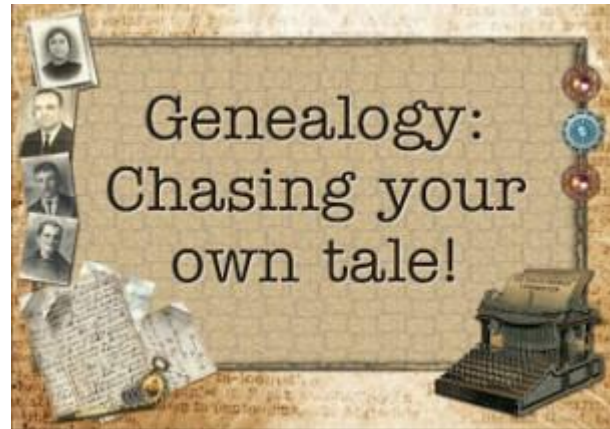


DO YOU HAVE ANY OLD PHOTOS WITH FAMILY IN THEM THAT YOU'D LIKE TO SHARE??

DO YOU HAVE ANY BRICK WALL STORIES THAT YOU'D LIKE TO SHARE?? You can email them to me or send a COPY of them thru the post office. kmorg61@gmail.com or Kim Morgan, P.O. Box 473, Alanson, MI 49706

Moment of Truth for a genealogist: discovering you are your own cousin.

A LITTLE FUN!!



INTERESTING MONUMENTS/EPITAPHS



Stone to the right and information below found on Find A Grave Website. A short bio was also included:

Belgian Writer. Georges Raymond Constantin studied law at the University of Ghent and continued his studies at Sing-Barbaracollege. Returning to Brussels to practice law, he decided to devote his time to writing, publishing his first volume of poetry, "Le Foyer et les champs" in 1877. The 1886 publication of "la Jeunesse blanche" garnered him recognition in France. Returning there, he became a writer for the "Journal de Bruxelles." He would publish eight collections of verse, four novels, short stories, plays and criticisms. Considered his finest novels, "Bruges-la-Morte" was printed in 1892 followed by "Le Carillonneur" in 1897. The story was used as a basis for an opera by Wolfgang Korngold. "Le Regne des silence" and "Les Vies encloses" were considered his best poetry efforts. Bio by: [Winter Birds PA](#)






Photo added by Bobb Edwards

Georges Rodenbach ★

BIRTH	16 Jul 1855 Tournai, Arrondissement de Tournai, Hainaut, Belgium
DEATH	25 Dec 1898 (aged 43) Paris, City of Paris, Île-de-France, France
BURIAL	Père-Lachaise Cemetery Paris, City of Paris, Île-de-France, France 📍 Show Map
PLOT	Division 15
MEMORIAL ID	7766 · View Source

WEBSITES TO CHECK OUT AND MORE

WikiTree
Website



wikitree.com

WikiTree is a genealogy website that allows users to research and to contribute to their own family trees while building and collaborating on a singular worldwide family tree within the same system. WikiTree is free for the user and financed via advertisements displayed to unregistered users. [Wikipedia](#)

Categories: [Genealogy](#), [Social media](#), [Social network](#)

Founder(s): [Chris Whitten](#)

Headquarters: [New York, New York, U.S](#)



If you haven't visited Greenwood Cemetery's website lately you should check it out. More news papers have been added to there collection. They are also very active posting different area memories on Face Book.

Greenwood Cemetery is gwood.us and they can be found on Face Book under Greenwood Cemetery.

Emmet County Civil War Veterans Research Project

Marcia Maves started the Civil War Veteran Project. The goal was/is to research every Civil War veteran that had a connection to Emmet County. There are binders in the Petoskey and Alanson Libraries that contain the work that has been done. It is a work in progress. If you are interested in volunteering for this project, or have information on an Emmet County Civil War veteran you would like to share with us, please contact Marcia Maves at 231-347-8800.

Please join us.....
If you are in the area, please join us for our upcoming meetings and as always if you have a genealogy question we are here to help, advise, direct..

The Emmet County Genealogical Society Web Page is:

www.emmetcountygenealogy.com

The Michigan Gen Web Site for Emmet County is:

www.migenweb.net/emmet

QUESTIONS??? COMMENTS!!! IDEAS..... Let me know kmorg61@gmail.com

IF YOU HAVE ANYTHING YOU WOULD LIKE TO CONTRIBUTE FOR FUTURE ISSUES PLEASE LET ME KNOW.



Emmet County Genealogical Society 2024-2025 Membership Form

Membership Year runs July 1 through June 30

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Email Address: _____

Surnames I'm researching:

Surname _____ Dates: _____ to _____ Location: _____

Surname _____ Dates: _____ to _____ Location: _____

Surname _____ Dates: _____ to _____ Location: _____

Surname _____ Dates: _____ to _____ Location: _____

Surname _____ Dates: _____ to _____ Location: _____

Today's Date _____

To join the E.C.G.S. and receive your membership card, please print, complete, and submit this form with the annual membership dues of \$15.00 - single or couple (husband and wife) made payable to the:

Emmet County Genealogical Society/ P.O. Box 2476 / Petoskey, Michigan 49770

If you have other questions about the E.C. G. S., contact any of the board members.