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New Marshall History Resources on Website

Marshall, Mich. – October 13, 2020 – Marshall District Library’s website now includes an online archive where you can find a growing collection of photos and documents capturing Marshall’s rich history. Select "Research" at the top of the page and then "Local History Archive & Yearbooks".

Marshall High School yearbooks from 1899 through 2012 are available. This collection features fully searchable PDF versions of each yearbook. Some years are missing – please contact librarian Chelsea Johnson (johnsonc@yourmdl.org) if you have missing years that you are willing to let the library scan and include in the archive.

Also in the index are church and cemetery documents from all over Calhoun County, covering the 1830s through 1870s. These records include articles of incorporation and trustee appointments, among other historical events. Taken from MDL’s early church records microfilm reel, these foundational documents have been “clipped” and transcribed by our local history librarian.

Diaries and journals from Marshallites and those connected to the Marshall area are starting to appear in the index. A growing collection, it currently contains A Union Soldier's Diary of His Civil War Service with the Second Michigan Cavalry by Henry Mortimer Hempstead.

Historians will be excited to find city and county directories from 1860-1, 1869-70, 1885-6, and 1914. Since city directories are subject to copyright restrictions, more will be added to this collection as directories enter the public domain.

Over time, watch for new collections like Marshall postcards, photographs, oral histories, Marshall High School newsletters, and early records currently available only on microfilm. If you have any items that you would like to donate or have scanned for inclusion in the online archive, please contact librarian Chelsea Johnson (johnsonc@yourmdl.org or 269-781-7821 ext. 23).

Marshall District Library, tax supported by the residents of Eckford, Fredonia, Marengo, and Marshall Townships, and the City of Marshall, is located at 124 W. Green St. For more information, contact the library at 269-781-7821, ext. 10 or visit online at www.yourmdl.org/events.

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