



KITH AND KIN

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NO MEETINGS JULY OR AUGUST

As in previous years, instead of regular meetings during the summer, the members take road trips to new and/or interesting research locations. On July 17th, MAGG members went to the Wisconsin State Historical Library in Madison for the day. Then on August 14th, a group went to see the sights in Manitowoc County. Their first stop was at the Manitowoc County Courthouse and then later at the Manitowoc Public Library. Both trips were great research experiences and everyone came home with more information.

After the Manitowoc trip, I received the following email from one of our members that lives in the Manitowoc/Two Rivers area. Originally we had hoped to connect with him during the trip, but time didn't permit it:

Hi! I hope your group had a good visit in Manitowoc. I would like to extend an invitation to you and all your members if they like ethnic-type events. On Saturday, Sept. 13th, if they'd like to spend a very enjoyable day come to Two Rivers for our Ethnic Fest. It's a very unique event. We have entertainment from various ethnic groups going continuously from 9AM TIL 5PM. Lots of ethnic foods and crafts. If any of your group has some vacation time left this would be an ideal way to finish off the year.

Thank you and good luck to everyone in my 2nd hometown of Marshfield.

ELROY BEVER, Gr-Grandson of Peter Bever

CHAPTER LEADERS' WORKSHOP RETURNS

This is a means of enabling leaders of genealogical societies to share experiences and ideas related to local society administration. The workshop is divided into three sessions devoted to a number of specific topics for a total of up to 9 topics. The participants teach each other. This year the workshop is open to all genealogical societies in Wisconsin. WSGS Chapters will still be permitted to send three participants at no charge and other societies will be permitted to send 3 participants for the cost of the lunch and breaks. This has been around \$12.00 but that is still being negotiated.

This workshop is scheduled for Saturday, 20 September, 2003, at the Kalahari Resort and Conference Center at Wisconsin Dells from 9:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. The full program and registration form will be sent out in about a month but if interested, please let WSGS know. Include the number you would like to send and also let us know what programs or topics you might be interested in.

Contact: WSGS Office, P.O. Box 5106,
Madison, WI 53705, wsgs@chorus.net

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MAGG NOW ON-LINE

Visit us at: <http://marshfieldgenealogy.homestead.com/indexmagg~ns4.html>

If you experience any problems with the site, please e-mail us at schnitz@wctc.net and let us know.

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The bimonthly newsletter of the Marshfield Area Genealogy Group, a non-profit organization created to collect, preserve, and disseminate genealogical data found in the Marshfield Area to promote genealogical research. The purpose of the group is educational. The group is associated with the Wisconsin Genealogical Council.

MEETINGS: The meetings are the fourth Thursday of each month, at 7:00 p.m. in the Marshfield Public Library. Months with no meetings include: August, November & December.

SUBSCRIPTIONS: Subscriptions are free with membership. (The business year runs from May 1 to April 30). Individual membership is \$12 per year, and family membership, for those living at the same address, is \$15 per year. Organization membership fees are the same as for an individual membership. Mid year memberships include all current volume issues.

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IMPORTANT NOTICE CONCERNING "KITH AND KIN"

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

August 14-17, 2003 Genealogy Conference at the Radisson City Center Hotel in St. Paul, MN, sponsored by Café-Midwest. Includes a variety of interests pertaining to Genealogy, including: seminars with Darlene Joyce a Certified Genealogist, preserving old photographs, fresh ideas for bringing your family together, games, question and answer sessions, Vendor booths for your Genealogy needs, Genealogy tools and tips, the Minnesota Historical Society, the St. Paul Main Library. Cost is \$99 for all four days or \$33 per day which includes buffet luncheon each day. Contact: Charles L. Larson, 195 E. 5th St. #803, St. Paul, MN 55101-1984.

September 3-6, 2003 "Find Your Genealogical Treasure" sponsored by FGS and the Florida State Genealogical Society. Held at the Renaissance Orland Resort at SeaWorld, Orland FL. Over 175 lectures. Contact FGS at <www.fgs.org> or call 1-888-FGS-1500 or 1-888-380-0500.

September 19, 20, 21, 2003 OKTOBER FEST—Chippewa Falls at the Northern WI State Fairgrounds. Chippewa County Gen. Society will be sponsoring a booth, Sept. 19, 3 p.m.-9 p.m.; Sept. 20, 10 a.m.-9 p.m.; Sept. 21, 10 a.m.-4 p.m.. Contact Dennis Doughty, for more information, CCGS, 123 Allen St., Chippewa Falls, WI 54729.

September 20, 2003 WSGS Leaders' Workshop, Kalahari Resort & Conference Center, Wisconsin Dells from 9:30 to 4:00. Contact WSGS, P.O. Box 5106, Madison, WI 54705 or <wsgs@chorus.net>.

October 3-5, 2003 Plattdüütsch Conference. The Manning Heritage Foundation will have the privilege of hosting the 8th annual International Low German Conference and Genealogical Workshop at the Hausbarn/Heritage Park at Manning, IA. For information contact Manning Heritage Foundation, 320 Main St., PO Box 302, Manning, IA 51455.

October 15-18, 2003 "The Lone Star Experience" presented by The Czechoslovak Genealogical Society International and the Texas Czech Genealogical Society at the Omni Houston Hotel Westside, Houston, TX. For further information on this 9th CGSI conference, go to <www.cgsi.org>.

October 18, 2003 WSGS Fall Meeting—Rain Tree Resort and Conference Center, Wisconsin Dells.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Members of MAGG,

I am very excited about being your new president for MAGG and hope that in the future we can have fun researching and helping others in their quest for the elusive ancestor. I know I have a few that have been plaguing me for many years. Also I would suggest to talk to the family members that you think about, but always put off. I recently lost my grandmother at 92 and we had our 5 generation picture taken 1 1/2 months before she died. I am glad that we did it when we did.

So have fun the rest of the summer researching and maybe you will knock down that brick wall that has been blocking your way.

Sincerely,

Linda Berres

MAGG President

MARSHFIELD RESOURCES

Indexes to the Births, Deaths & Marriages of the Marshfield Times and Marshfield News, 1880-1908, (3-volume set)..... \$75.00

Sold Individually:	Births.....	\$17.50
	Deaths.....	\$30.00
	Marriages....	\$35.00

MAGG Surname Index and Pedigree Charts from 1984-1994.....	\$15.00
Surname Index and Pedigree Chart Updates from 1994-2000.....	\$4.00

Past Issues of Newsletters	
-Individually.....	\$1.00
-Volume Set (6 Issues).....	\$5.00

Order these items from:

Marshfield Area Genealogy Group
P.O. Box 337, Marshfield, WI 54449.

THE MARSHFIELD STORY: 1872-1997, PIECING TOGETHER OUR PAST

Cost: \$125.00 (Hard-cover), plus \$6.00 shipping. Available by contacting the Marshfield History Project, P.O. Box 914, Marshfield, WI 54449.

THE HISTORY OF MARSHFIELD 2nd VOLUME NOW AVAILABLE

A brand new volume of Marshfield History and Genealogy is now completed, with all new stories and pictures. The price for the soft-covered edition is \$34.95 and for the hard-covered edition is \$59.95. Please add 5% sales tax, \$1.75 (soft)/\$3.00 (hard). If books are to be shipped, an additional \$6.00 is added for each book ordered.

Checks should be made out to: **The Marshfield Chamber Foundation** and sent to: **The Marshfield History Project, P.O. Box 914, Marshfield, WI 54449-0914.**

“From Immigrants to the Internet”

sponsored by

DODGE/JEFFERSON COUNTIES GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY, INC.

Saturday, September 20, 2003

Elks Lodge, 117 N. First St., Watertown, WI

\$20.00 fee (includes lunch) must be postmarked by Sept. 1st.

After Sept. 1st the cost is \$25.00. No refunds after Sept. 15th.

8:30-8:55	Registration, Vendor tables open Coffee & Rolls available	12:00-1:00 pm	Lunch
8:55-9:00	Welcome by President Bill Jannke	1:00-2:00	DAVID BRADFORD
9:00-10:15	JIM HANSEN “ <i>Frontier Genealogy - Special Sources and Techniques for Pacing Your Pioneer Ancestors</i> ” New sources and different techniques to trace early settlers.		<i>Internet Searches' Get What You Want and Skip What You Don't</i>). In-depth “how-to” for using search engines to target your particular research.
10:15-10:40	Break	2:00-2:30	Break
10:40-12:00	JIM HANSEN “ <i>Tracing Your Immigrant Ancestors - Naturalization Records and Passenger Lists</i> ”. These are key records which provide clues to immigrant origins. What, where & how to use them.	2:30-3:30	DAVID BRADFORD “ <i>Doing Genealogy on the Internet Promises, Pleasures, Panics & Pitfalls</i> ” Briefly covers hardware, software, back-ups, data storage, message boards, and strategies for finding relatives.

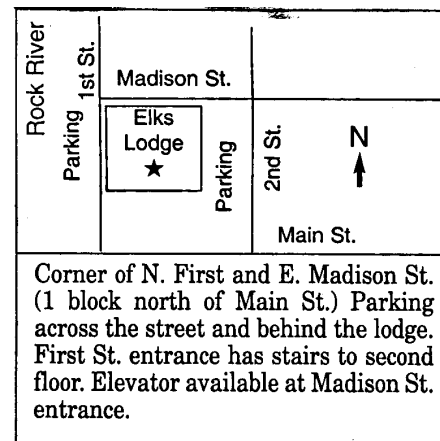
ABOUT THE SPEAKERS

JIM HANSEN has been the genealogical reference librarian at the Wis. Historical Society, in Madison, since 1974 where he assists several thousand researchers a year with genealogical and historical research. He has taught genealogy courses and was an instructor at the National Institute on Genealogical Research at the National Archives, 1971-1990. He is a nationally known speaker, noted for his informative and entertaining presentations. He has lectured in thirty-ty-seven states at national seminars.

DAVID BRADFORD of Menomonee Falls, WI has pursued his ancestors for over twenty years. He was an early user of the Macintosh computer (1983) and the Internet (1988) and a graduate of UW-Madison (BA - Physician Assistant) and UW-Milwaukee (MBA). He is the retired president and CEO of a Milwaukee medical care system and now a small business (Marina) owner on Beaver Dam Lake. He is married with three teenagers with who he now competes for computer time.

ORIGINS of Janesville will be selling genealogical books and supplies.

Map to the Elks Lodge—117 N. First St.



Name _____
Street _____
City, State, Zip _____
Email _____

Please Print as you want your name tag to appear.

- \$20.00 postmarked by Sept. 1st.
 \$25.00 postmarked after Sept. 1st.

Please check the type of sandwich you would like to have with your lunch.

Hot Turkey Hot Beef

Annual Membership \$12.00

Total amount enclosed: _____

Mail check and completed form to: **Dodge/Jefferson Counties Gen. Society, Inc., P. O. Box 91, Watertown, WI 53094-0091.**
Contact person: Roberta Fosdal (920) 674-5211 or e-mail <jfosdal@intaccess.com>

COMPUTER CORNER

Civil War Database Here is a good Civil War database: <<http://www.vesterheim.org>>. Thanks to Paula Vaugan.

The Vietnam Virtual Wall (The Vietnam War) <www.thevirtualwall.org>.

Random Acts of Genealogical Kindness <www.raogk.org>

Free Genealogy Forms and Charts <www.genealogysearch.org/free/forms.html>

Finding Passenger Lists of 1820-1940's <<http://home.att.net/~wcc-monster/passengers.html>>

Immigration & Naturalization Service <www.ins.usdoj.gov/graphics/aboutins/history/>

Genealogical Data Base Network <www.geneanet.org>

Lutheran Roots: For those who have ancestors who have been baptized, married or buried from the Lutheran Church <www.aal.org/lutheran_roots/>

If you can't take a road trip to these states, you can find lots of info by traveling to them via the Internet:

- **Indiana Marriage Index through 1850:** <<http://www.statelib.lib.in.us/www/indian/genealogy/mirr.html>>
- **Iowa Pioneers Project:** <<http://home.att.net/~ladylake10/ipl/ipl-main.htm>>
- **Michigan Death Records (1867-1874 & a portion of 1875):** <<http://www.mdch.stste.mi.us/PHA/OSR/gendis/index.htm>>
- **Missouri Pioneers "Gone But Not Forgotten":** <<http://www.rootsweb.com/~mopioneer/>>
- **Wisconsin Land Records-Interactive Search:** <<http://searches.rootsweb.com/cgi-bin/wisconsin/wisconsin.pl>>

Newspaper Archives: This site has over 1 million pages online of American and Canadian historical newspapers. You can search by surname, date, region or event. <www.newspaperarchives.com>

National Archives: <<http://www.archives.gov>> (Redesigned site changed from <<http://www.nara.gov>>)

Libraries in Wisconsin: <www.wla.lib.wi.us/tables/wiglhr/local.html>

Political Graveyard: (includes 107, 137 individuals) <www.potifos.com/tpg/index.html>

Ancient Genealogies: <<http://www.widomaker.com/~piso/html/gene.html>>

Newspaper Obituary Search: The largest on-line newspaper obituary search listing on the web! <<http://polaris.net/~legends/gateway5.htm>>

Research It!: Your one-stop reference desk. <<http://iTools.com/research-it>>

Mormon Family History Centers: <<http://www.firstct.com/fv/lds1.html>> (or: /lds3.html)

10 Things You Need to Know Before Archiving Files on a CD

There is more to burning CDs than just burning them. If you are just burning CDs for short-term use, much of this advice, with the exception of the section on mailing, may not be as useful to you. However, if you are burning CDs that you must access for years, then this information is critical.

In all cases, you will want to make sure that you know and follow these suggestions. If you miss one or more steps and the CD is rendered useless, there is no way in current knowledge to repair it. The files/images that were on the CD will be gone forever.

Here are ten important tips:

1. The one thing you never want to do is put a CD-R or CD-RW in direct sunlight. Unlike CD-ROMS, CD-Rs and CD-RWs are optical media and therefore light sensitive.

A CD-R is a multi-layer sandwich consisting of a plastic disc and a number of manufactured layers. These layers include a dye layer, a reflective, metallic layer, coatings, and casing. The principal key to longevity is the dye layer. The more stable the dye, the more stable and longer lasting the CD. CDs using the Phthalocyanine dye are regarded as the most durable and most stable CDs over the long term.

In some tests, when CD-Rs left out in the sun for as little as two hours, the music, data, and photo files on the CD-Rs are completely erased. This is especially important if you carry CDs in your car. Putting a CD-R on the dashboard in the summertime, or in the direct sunlight, can quickly destroy a CD.

2. If you are going to burn a CD that you want to use for years, you need to use an archival quality CD. If you only have a short-term use in mind for the CDs you are burning, almost any CD you buy that works with your computer will be fine.

3. In labeling a CD for a short-term use, almost anything will suffice. Paper labels are fine, but at times a bit tricky to apply. If the paper labels are not applied perfectly, they can unbalance the CD, delaminate the CD, or even damage the CD Reader. If you want a CD to endure for years, your label choices are more limited. The most cost-effective option is to use a CD Marker. There are several of these on the market and their inks have been specifically formulated for CD use. Markers with alcohol in their formula are not recommended. The same goes for a permanent marker. And, a ballpoint pen must never be used to mark any CD. Ballpoint pens can scratch the surface of a CD and render it unreadable.

4. When you burn a CD-R or CD-RW, always do a quality check to make sure it contains all the information you wanted burned onto the CD. Never assume that your CD burner will always burn properly.

5. Short-Term storage of CD-Rs and CD-RWs is very forgiving; vinyl and paper sleeves are fine to use. For long-term use, the only storage options recommended are the Tyvek sleeves and Jewel Cases. Only these two media will be benign and chemically inert over time. Jewel cases are especially recommended because they protect against accidentally dropping a CD or something being dropped on a CD, which let's face it, has happened to us all.

6. When mailing CDs, you need to be aware that the U.S. Post Office can easily damage CDs. With the new regulations as of July 2002, the U. S. Post Office now imposes a surcharge on all CDs. One possible way around this is to mail one or two CDs at a time. Hand addressing mailers containing CDs is also likely to get them processed so that they are not sent through the OCR sorting machines where most of the damage hap-

happens. But, if you are sending a large number of CDs or you simply want to be sure that nothing happens to your CDs, you need to use a stiff cardboard mailer. These cost more than ordinary envelopes, but they do get the job done. I have a customer who mails religious CDs to 143 countries using one of my very rigid mailers, and as a result the CDs all get through to the customers intact.

7. Catalog your CDs as you burn them. By cataloging your CDs, you will know: when you burned your CDs, what was on your CDs, what program you used to burn the CDs, and anything else that will make your CDs easy to retrieve, share, or update. It doesn't take long to have burned so many CDs that you lose track of what's what. That's why we offer a number of CD Freeware and Shareware cataloging programs as part of the free books we've put together, that are available for download on our website.

8. Always update any CD you've burned when you install a new version of any program you used to first create the CD. It doesn't take long for a program to "migrate" to the point where you cannot open a CD you burned with an earlier version.

9. Be sensitive to the environment in which you store CDs. A customer from Boston wrote to me when I was creating my book and said he's burned some music onto CDs and brought them onto his boat. Within something like 6 weeks the sea air had delaminated the CD. This could have been the fault of the CD brand; however, it points out the general principle that in order to keep data, music, and photo files on CDs that you burn, you have to be aware that they should be stored in a reasonably stable environment. This includes a stable temperature and stable humidity levels. Extreme vibration should also be avoided. Finally, be aware of the "human error" factor. Human error can be responsible for a high percentage of mistakes made when burning CDs. Be sure to always have a backup CD if the data on the CD is important. Also be sure to keep a copy of the original program used to create the CD.

If you pay attention to all of these tips, your CD burning should be trouble free.

(This cannot be reprinted without the permission of the author, Mark Goggin at OSE@cdsleeves.com. His website is www.cdsleeves.com. Vickie Schnitzler did get his permission to use it in our newsletter. Also check www.AncestralAuthor.com/support/makecd.htm for creating an auto-run genealogy CD.)

(Article found in "Pinery Pedigree", Newsletter of the Marathon County Genealogy Society, Vol. 29, No. 4, May/June 2003, pg. 43 and Vol. 29, No. 5, July/August 2003, pg. 2.)

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WHAT A DIFFERENCE A CENTURY MAKES...100 YEARS AGO

- Only 14 % of homes had a bathtub.
- Only 8 % of homes had a telephone.
- 95 % of births took place at home.
- The maximum speed for cars was 10 mph.
- There were only 8,000 cars in the United States and only 144 miles of paved road.
- A three-minute call from Denver to New York City cost \$11.00.
- Average wage was 22 cents an hour and the average yearly wage was \$200—\$400.
- Insulin and antibiotics had not yet been discovered.

(from the Research Center, Sheboygan Falls, WI, via Chippewa Co. WI Gen. Soc. Newsletter, Vol. 23, No. 3, May/June/July 2003.)

WISCONSIN CITY NAMES AND NICKNAMES

Early settlers named Wisconsin cities and the factories gave many of them their nicknames. Numerous cities in the state are known almost as well by nicknames gained from some article of local manufacture as they are known by their given names, according to a study made by the Wisconsin Manufacturers' Association, in Madison. Some Badger state cities gained their soubriquets for early historical reasons, some for unusual beauty or some other noteworthy attribute, some because of their location, others for some product manufactured there in sufficient quantity to attract attention. A partial list of city names, etc.:

Appleton: City of Pretty Homes

Beloit: Gate City

Chippewa Falls: City of Sparkling Water or Power City

Green Bay: LaBaye or Historic City

Janesville: Bower City

Kenosha: Line City

LaCrosse: City Beautiful

Madison: Four Lake City, Lake City or Capital City

Marinette: Queen City

Marshfield: Hub City

Menomonie: Brick City

Milwaukee: Cream City

Montello: Granite City

Neenah: Paper City

Oshkosh: Sawdust City

Platteville: Lead City

Portage: River City

Racine: Belle City

Sheboygan: Chair City or Furniture City

Stoughton: Wagon City

Superior: Eye of the Northwest

Waukesha: Saratoga of the West

Wausau: Rib City

Wisconsin Rapids: The Rapids

(Article taken from the Tomahawk Leader Newspaper, Tomahawk, Wisconsin, via North Pines News Quarterly, Volume 19, No. 2, April/May/June 2003, pg. 826.)

MEYERS ORTS-UND VERKEHRS-LEXIKON DES DEUTSCHEN REICHS

Almost all serious German research begins with Meyers Orts, which is a massive gazetteer that describes approximately 210,000 cities, towns, hamlets and dwelling places in the German Empire prior to World War II.

It is an essential tool for locating information on each city, community, village or market leading the researcher to finding where all civil, religious, court or military records are kept.

In these works locality entries are arranged alphabetically and describe each place in terms of the type of community it is and the civil, court, military jurisdictions under which it falls. They are church, government or archives.

In the old German empire three levels of government existed. National, state and local. In Meyers civil registration districts, court district and military districts are the national jurisdictions most often noted in the locality entries. Most of the other entries described in the entries are state and local. All three levels of government have preserved records that will interest historians and genealogists. Records created in all levels of state government in the former Empire including records of provinces and districts, are normally preserved in the state archives by the present day German state. Records of cities and towns, citizens' lists, tax lists and property lists are maintained in local archives although some have been transferred to the nearest state archive.

More localized yet, records of births, deaths and marriages from 1876 when mandatory civil registration became law, are sometimes found in local city or town halls while records of even small jurisdictions like villages or hamlets can be found in nearby registration offices.

Religious records such as baptisms, confirmations, *(continued on page 9)*

Willard D. Purdy Remembered Especially on Memorial Day

By Mrs. Pearl Axelsen

Once again we have come to that time of year when our nation in respect of the memory of those who gave their lives that we might have a better life.

On display at the North Wood County Historical Society Museum given them by his sister, Miss Gladys Purdy and nephew and wife, Mr. & Mrs. Donald E. Purdy of Marshfield, is the Distinguished Service Cross, and Army papers of Willard D. Purdy, one of Marshfield's boys who made the supreme sacrifice that the lives of his men might be saved. The city honored him with the Willard D. Purdy Junior High and Vocational School bearing his name.

In the Museum may be found the 1923 edition of the Wood County History, which gives the following account of his life and the courageous sacrifice he made:

Willard D. Purdy, a hero of World War I, who laid down his life in the cause of liberty, and whose memory has been fittingly honored by the people of Marshfield, was born at Shawano, Shawano County, March 7, 1895, son of Arthur D. and Esther (Weed) Purdy....

Young Purdy's military career began before this country had ever entered the World War.

On May 15, 1915, he enlisted in Company A, Second Wisconsin National Guards, and in 1915 went with his company to Texas, being stationed in San Antonio, ready for service on the Mexican border. He returned with his company to Marshfield Feb. 29, 1917 and on April 6 following his company was mobilized at Marshfield to recruit for World War I. Very soon thereafter they were mobilizing at Camp Douglas for active service....

In August 1917 they were sent to Camp Arthur, Waco, Texas, where they trained until Jan. 28, 1918, when they were routed to Camp Merrit, N.J. On Feb. 15, 1918, they went to Hoboken, N.J., and the same day embarked on board the USS George Washington for France. They sailed Feb. 18 and landed at Brest, France, March 4....

On June 9, Purdy's company was sent into the trenches, but on the 27th was moved to Ritzwiller, where they remained until July 2, 1918, when they were ordered to relieve Company E of the 127th Infantry, in the Maroc Sector, which task they completed July 3.

On July 4, young Purdy who, as sergeant, was in permanent command of the battalion scouts troop, was detailed to lead a patrol of six men on a scouting expedition into no-man's land. After accomplishing the task successfully and returning safely within their own lines, Sgt. Purdy lined his men up for inspection. They had removed the hand grenades they had carried in the bosoms of their jackets and he had counted them as they were produced. He then reached his hand into the bosom of his own jacket to remove the grenades he had been carrying, when a rusty pin in one of them was broken, which meant that in five seconds that grenade would explode. As he withdrew his hand he realized what was sure to happen and cried out to his men to "beat it," or words to that effect, and threw himself face down on the ground.

The explosion came and he was killed on the spot. Three of his men, also — Cpl. Sweating and Pvt. Kennedy and Hill of his own company — were fearfully wounded, not having sufficient time to get away. The others escaped.

For this act to preserve the lives of his men, Willard D. Purdy was awarded the Distinguished Service Cross, which was forwarded to his mother. His body was buried with military honors at Alsace, where it rested until it was exhumed and sent home for burial, reaching Marshfield May 29, 1921, and it was interred here on Memorial Day....

Chester and Frank Purdy, brothers of Willard D., also were members of Company A. Second Wisconsin, and saw service with him on the Mexican border. They also served in the World War....

(Excerpts taken from the original article which ran in the Marshfield News Herald, Thursday, May 27, 1976, pg. 8. Thanks to Lorraine Markee of MAGG, for sharing this article with us for use during this patriotic time.)

HISTORY OF MARSHFIELD SCHOOLS

Graduating Seniors as Recorded from Local Papers

Compiled by Lorraine Markee, MAGG

(continued from the last issue of "Kith and Kin".)

Class of 1961

Lynn Ann Anderson, Juliene Aschebrock, Charles T. Aslakson, Allan Beauchaine, Paul Benner, Jewel Kathleen Bertschie, Mary Bille, LeRoy Binning, Patricia Bishop, Barbara Bluemke, Adrienne Theresa Bouche, Douglas Boucher, Betty Jean Boushack, Charles Boushon, June Brandl, Aloma Jean Britten, Trudy Broeckaert, Cathryn Ann Burhopp, Denise Arling Burling, Russell Jay Burt, John Butterbrodt, Dorothy Marionne Buttker.

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Nancy Garbarski, Donnell Gardner, Geraldean E. Gauger, Richard Geisler, Nancy Ann Gersbach, John L. Green, Laura Grottke, William Guk, Roseann E. Guldán, Roland Hagen, Janice Harding, Allen Hardinger, Norland Hasz, Judy Hayton, Donna M. Heil, Joanne Hickox, Judy Higgins, Elsie Hinterkopf, Nancy Hirsch, Judy Hodges, Linda Louise Hoff, Virginia Howard, Roger John Hull, Ronald W. Hull, Kenneth Hultgren, Scott Jurless.

Patricia Lee Jacobs, James Lee Jacoby, Joan Jahnke, Joseph Jahnke, Diane Johnson, Sande Johnson, Sharon Johnsrud, Larry Jonas, Diane Kathleen Kamps, Jeanette Katzenbeger, Raymond Kleba, Russell Kloehn, Dennis Knutson, Ruth Kohs, Kathy Korth, Marie Krall, Otto Krause, Marjorie Krause, James Krings, Arlene Larson, Leland Larson, David M. Leick, Kenneth Liebel, Jean Lucas.

Wayne Machtan, Ronald James Mahoney, Pulette Malsin, Gerald Martin, Lyle Matson, Larry Carl Meissner, Marvin Meyer, Myron Walter Meyer, Jane Miller, George Elmer Minehart, Sandra Carole Morss, Lloyd Mueller, Wayne Mueller, Jerry Nelles, Kerleen Kay Nelson, Franklin J. Newmann, Joyce Novak, Steve Orr, Gary Allen Ott, Karen Pamperin, Kenneth Post, Toni Pucker, Irene Mae Radke, Dennis Clyde Rasmussen.

Susan Reich, Mike Rhodes, Connie Rieth, Bruce Ritter, Richard Rogers, Wayne Sanger, Robert Scheibe, Richard James Scheller, Sharon Schiesl, Dennis L. Schiller, Judy Ann Schmidt, Jean Schrader, Diane Schultz, Douglas Seehafer, Richard Sommer.

James Starling, Sharon Steffek, William Stutue, Judy Ann Syring, Richard Tews, Archie Trader, Sahron Ule, Charles B. Vedder, Russell Wayne Weichelt, Rosetta Weis, Allen Wernberg, Helen Theresa Werner, Ronald Dennis Wickershiem, David H. Wiesman, Annetta Wilatoski, Thomas Wing, Ronald Witt, Delores Ruth Woodkey, Bonnie Mae Zawislan and Clara Zinthefer.

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Marriages and burials are found in various parish jurisdictions noted in the works. Germany's more dominant religions, Evangelical Lutheran and Roman Catholic, have most of their records remain in the custody of the local church. Many of these have been microfilmed by the LDS Church and are available through your local LD libraries.

Much the same is true in court records and military records. Court records contain probates, school records, births, deaths marriages and civil suits. Military records give names, birth dates, birthplace, marriage date and place, spouses' name and names of dependents and service record.

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1943 CLARK COUNTY DEATHS

As Recorded in the Clark County Press in January, 1944

Submitted by Linda Berres, MAGG

(To be continued in upcoming issues of "Kith and Kin".)

Deaths 1943

January 1943 (cont.)

Leopold Moravec, 84, Olinda, Calif.
Joseph Springfield, 54, town of Levis
William Storm, 75, Granton
Leo Chapel, 66, town of Fremont

February 1943

Hans Schmidt, 40, Willard
Mrs. Ezra Campbell, 71, Neillsville
Albert Mildebrath, 82, Neillsville
Mr. Embretson, Stanley
Carl Lenzkow, 83, Neillsville
Frank Wheeler, 77, Harvard, Ill.
Mrs. Werner Ryner, 61, Humbird
Mrs. Selma Bredesen, 76, Spokane, Wash.
Charles Helwig, 72, Neillsville
Ernest Krokson, 56, Greenwood
Alfred C. Klopff, 72, Neillsville
Elery Messing, 63, town of Sherwood
Mrs. Martin Breseman, 83, town of Lynn
Roy Fitch, Madison
Oscar E. Counsell, 74, Neillsville
Mrs. Margaret Ritzel, 80, Neillsville
H. W. Neunaber, 51, Athens
Otto Krueger, town of Colby
Arthur Krueger, town of Colby
Mrs. Arthur Krueger, 35, town of Colby
Frank Wren, 69, Inglewood, Calif.
Mrs. O. C. Behrens, 74, Greenwood
Mrs. Matt Baungartner, 66, Greenwood
James Owen, 74, Neillsville
Joseph Karasten, Curtiss

March 1943

Mrs. Margaret Bruley, Ladysmith
Mrs. Phrona Houston, Los Angeles, Calif.
Mrs. Carol Lenzkow, 82, Neillsville
Mrs. Louise Lambert, 56, Tomah
Mr. Lundee, Pigeon Falls
Albert Schofield, 83, Greenwood
Carl Erb, Monroe

Mrs. Joseph Hinds, 80, Belvedere, Ill.
Joseph F. Bates, 88, town of Dewhurst
Mrs. Joseph Quast, 75, Greenwood
Mrs. William Youngs, 79, Greenwood
Robert Schultz, Chili
Mrs. Fred Frank, 56, Chili
Mrs. Myrtle Jenks, Omaha, Neb.
Mrs. J. D. MacMillan, 93, Neillsville
Mrs. W. A. Leason, 76, Neillsville
Mrs. George R. Brooks, 88, Rapid City, S. D.
Ferdinand Hrath, 86, Neillsville
William Guenther, 75, Milwaukee
Kenneth Wall, 20, Janesville
Paul Dosch, 42, Richland Center

April 1943

Mrs. Thomas Hall, 79, Neillsville
Mrs. Hattie Richardson, 75, Neillsville
Mrs. Margaret Brule, 81, Ladysmith
Charles C. Walker, 46, town of Seif
Wesley Downes, 77, Loyal
Walter A. Keller, 41, Neillsville
Mrs. Albert Kleuckman, 79, town of Weston
David Ross, 73, Neillsville
Silas H. Delano, 90, Greenwood
Mrs. Clara Epling, Berkeley, Calif.
Louis Lindow, 81, Chili
Mrs. Charles Bladl, Plains, Wis.
Hans Ystad, 83, Greenwood
Mrs. Christian Stricker, 59, Neillsville
Arthur C. Haack, 54, Milwaukee
Jacob Gehweiler, 90, Chippewa Falls, Wis.
Emery W. Neitzel, 39, Colby
Mrs. Ben Nilles, Two Rivers, Wis.

May 1943

Miss Appolonia Cornelious, Sheboygan, Wis.
Mrs. Carl Krause, 71, town of Grant
Mrs. Margaret Cook, 77, town of Hewett
Mrs. Frank Bradury, 69, town of York
Eugene W. Crandall, 57, Granton
Mrs. Neil Wright, Fond du Lac
(to be continued)

MEETING DATES:

Thursday, July 17, 2003.....Trip to the Wisconsin State Historical Library in Madison, WI. Groups will leave the Northway Mall parking lot at 6 a.m. with return scheduled around 9 p.m.

Thursday, August 14, 2003.....Trip to Manitowoc County/Two Rivers, WI. Group will be leaving the Northway Mall parking lot at 6 a.m. with return scheduled around 11 p.m.

Thursday, September 25, 2003..Monthly meeting at the Marshfield Public Library. Our guest speaker will be Dr. Jeff Kleiman, who spent this last year in Poland. Dr. Kleiman is a history professor at U.W. Marshfield. He will share his research experience in Poland and parts of Germany.

Thursday, October 23, 2003.....Program to be announced. Look for information in the next newsletter.

No November Meeting!

Thursday, December 4, 2003.... Program to be announced. Information will be in the November/December newsletter.

Call Judy Petersen at (715) 659-5817 with program ideas. It's everybody's job to help find new and interesting programs, especially those of interest to you.

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