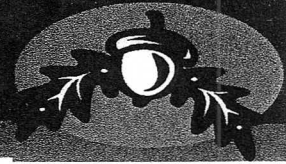


# Kith and Kin



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## PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

Dear Friends,

Since writing to you a few months ago, I have to say our Marshfield Area Genealogy Group's members have been busy. Very busy, and hasn't it been great fun!

Getting ready for Historic Preservation Month activities during May kept several members occupied throughout the early part of this year. Al and Pat Breden and Cliff and Lorraine Hugg and many others from the Historic Preservation Association, spent countless hours creating the Marshfield Fire Display at the Thomas House History Center. We all had a chance to see the results of their efforts at our June meeting, where we gained a better understanding of the impact of the 1887 Marshfield Fire on the community. Thanks to all of them for their effort, and to the Association for sharing the display with us at our meeting. In addition, as part of the Historic Preservation Month activities, Lori Belongia coordinated two events at the library, the presentation by Dr. Les Crocker on Marshfield's historic buildings and our "one-on-one" beginner's workshop held on May 19<sup>th</sup>. I send thanks to Ken Wood, Vickie Schnitzler and Lori for their efforts at that workshop.

That same month, the Group held its annual meeting and elected new officers. I extend my appreciation to Elaine Hansen, for preparing the list of candidates for that election. And I also thank those who agreed to serve another term as your officers: Lorraine Markee, Lori Belongia, Ada May, Al Breden, Lorraine Hugg, Ken Wood and Vickie Schnitzler. I know that I speak for all of our members when I express appreciation to these individuals for their continued support and commitment to our group.

Then during June Lori Belongia spearheaded the Veteran's Obituary Project here in Marshfield. Six members of our Group, Lorraine Markee, Irene Johnson, Ken Wood, Vickie Schnitzler, Lori and I participated in a "Search Party" for newspaper

reports of injuries, deaths, and other related stories for Marshfield and the surrounding communities' gallant military efforts in our nation's wars. And a special thank you to Marlene Cherney for sharing her collection of newspaper clippings before we got started. They helped get the search started on the right foot. Collecting newspaper accounts for a few missing soldiers will continue through July, when the collected material will be sent out from the library.

As you see, history displays, workshops, research projects and more kept members of the Group busy this year. Their efforts resulted in additional accomplishments for the Group. Sometime these accomplishments gain attention and sometimes they are not acknowledged at all. I was reminded of one such case during our June meeting. Someone was stuck on their family history research and raised a question, "Where do I find...or where can I go to..." and quickly suggestions came from around the room on where to look next for those answers. It seems to me, that probably our Group's most frequent success is the research suggestions we share with one another at our meetings. While each of us has a different level of family history research expertise, none of us will ever be as smart as all of us combined. Therefore, I look forward to seeing you all at our regular meetings ready to share your expertise with fellow Marshfield Area Genealogy Group Members,

As always, good Luck on all your genealogical pursuits!

--schnitz  
President

Sorry this is a bit late but a wedding, honeymoon and combining two households sort of put me off schedule. I'll try to be on time in October.

Ken Wood Editor

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## Upcoming Meetings and Events

**Thursday, July 26, 2007 at 7 p.m.**

**Family History Center, 2207 West 5<sup>th</sup> Street,  
Marshfield, WI**

**“Records available at the local LDS Family  
History Center”**

Kathleen Englebretson, director of the Marshfield center will introduce each of us to records available for family history research at the center and through the interlibrary loan program.

**Saturday, August 4, 2007, leaving “Shoppes at  
Wood Ridge Mall”, Marshfield at 6 a.m.**

**“A Field Trip to the State Historical Library,  
Madison.”**

Prior to beginning individual research, a tour of the facilities will be provided by historical society staff. Should return to Marshfield by 8 p.m. Those interested in attending can sign-up at the July meeting or by calling the program director, Vickie Schnitzler, at 387-4044.

**Thursday, August 23, 2007 at 6 p.m.**

**“The Annual Potluck Picnic”** will be held again at Al and Pat Breden’s home, 10465 County Road B. The meats, BBQ and Brats, plates and utensils will be provided. Please bring a dish to pass and lawn chairs if you have them. There will be no formal meeting. We will share stories of our successful summer family history research activities.

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**Thursday, September 27, 2007 at 7 p.m.**

**Marshfield Public Library, General Meeting Room  
“Characteristics And Use Of Several Family  
History Computer Programs.”**

Members of the group will review data entry, methods to record sources, and ability to produce reports of their favorite genealogy software programs.

**Thursday, October 25, 2007 at 7 p.m.**

**Marshfield Public Library, General Meeting  
Room**

**“Skeleton’s in Your Closet.”**

An opportunity for each member to discuss some of skeletons they’ve found while collecting their family history.

**November and December – No Marshfield Area  
Genealogy Group Meetings.**

**Saturday, December 1, 2007, 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.**

**Memorial Library, Room 126, 728 State Street,  
Madison, WI**

**“Tracing Your Immigrant Ancestors:  
Naturalization Records and Passenger Lists”,** a Wisconsin Historical Society class. We all have immigrant ancestors and one of the most difficult genealogical tasks is making that jump across the ocean to the old country. Naturalization records and passenger lists are key records documenting that jump and, hopefully, providing clues to immigrant origins. This presentation will describe the records and their availability (especially the new indexes and more easily available records), and suggest how they can best be used to make that leap a successful one.

Lecturer: Jim Hansen, Reference Librarian at WHS  
Add'l Contact Info: Lori Bessler, 608-264-6536,  
[Lori.Bessler@wisconsinhistory.org](mailto:Lori.Bessler@wisconsinhistory.org)

Ticket Info: Registration begins August 20, 2007,

\$25 fee for Members of WHS, \$35 fee for non-members.  
 Saturday, December 15, 2007, 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.  
 Memorial Library, Room 126, 728 State Street, Madison, WI

## “Writing Your Family History”

Learn how to transform your notes, photocopies, and fragments of data into a clear prose narrative. We will cover how to organize your family history into chapters, when and how to integrate information about a broader historical context, the conventions for citing and documenting your sources, writing techniques that keep a reader's attention, and simple methods to lay out, print, duplicate, and bind copies. We will also do some individual and group writing exercises and examine successful models of published family histories.

Lecturer: Michael Edmonds, Deputy Administrator, Library Archives  
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### ENGLISH AND WELSH ONLINE RECORDS

Many Americans have British ancestry and Britain has records back to 1200 AD. The British government has a \$2 billion (US) plan to put all public records online.

To make it clear what is meant by British records let's consider the

following:

Great Britain, consists of England, Wales, Scotland, the Isle of Man and the Channel Islands. It is called the United Kingdom if Northern Ireland is included. The Isle of Man and the Channel Island have taken their own censuses.

The Republic of Ireland is an independent country and not part of the United Kingdom or Britain. It has its own record system. However, to confuse things a bit, records for Northern Ireland can be found in the Republic of Ireland records, English records or its own records, depending upon the date and/or type of records.

Scotland has its own record system and may be accessed via [www.scotlandspeople.gov.uk](http://www.scotlandspeople.gov.uk) Records may be downloaded for a small fee.

There are 174 kilometers of records shelving at the British National Archives, so digitizing them is a problem. The Archives have developed a system of commercial partnership called Licensed Internet Associates (LIA). Regulation of the commercial aspect of online records falls to the Office of National Statistics (ONS) which grants the right to place records on the internet on the condition there is a commitment to customer service and free access--that is free searches that give enough information for the user to decide if they actually want to pay for the actual record or a transcript. So far there are three LIAs, Ancestry.co.uk, Genes Reunited and FindMyPast.com

### ANCESTRY.CO.UK

[www.ancestry.co.uk](http://www.ancestry.co.uk)

A site related to the Ancestry.com, both are owned by MyFamily.com. This site has the largest collection of UK records

online and offers the following:

- \*1841-1901 England and Wales censuses
- \*1841-61 Scotland Census
- \*England and Wales birth, marriage and death records (BMD) indexes 1837-2004
- \*UK and Ireland parish and probate records
- \*Pallot's marriage indexes
- \*Early British (mostly London) phone book entries
- \*Immigration and military records
- \*Directories and membership lists
- \*Court, land and probate records
- \*Historical Newspapers & Periodicals  
Annual membership is 79.95 Pounds Sterling  
9.95 Pounds per month or 6.95 Pounds to view 12 records over a period of 14 days. Subscription is available only on the UK site.

### **Genes Reunited**

This site provides the means of building an online family tree and linking with others researching the same family.

Its present holdings are:

- \*1851 and 1901 England and Wales Censuses
- \*BDM Index 1837-2004

Registration is free with a small annual fee to contact other members.

Access is on a pay per view basis costing 5 Pounds for 50 credits valid for seven days. Viewing a BDM index costs 1 unit, all others cost 5 units.

### **Find My Past**

The following records are available on this site:

- \*1841, 1861, 1871, 1891 English & Welch Censuses
- \*BDM Indexes 1837-2004
- \*Overseas BMD Indexes 1761-1994
- \*Birth at sea 1854-1887
- \*Marriage at sea 1854-1883

\*Divorce and matrimonial causes 1858-1903

\*World War I Soldiers Deaths & Army Roll of Honor 1939 to 1945

\*Military Records

\*Migration Records-passport applications 1851-1903

\*Current electoral rolls & telephone directories

\*Occupational Directories

\*Outward Bound Passenger Lists 1890-1960 This will eventually cover 30 million passengers who sailed from British ports to anywhere in the world.

These are pay per view with charges ranging from 5 Pounds for 50 units for 90 days to 240 Pounds for 4800 units for 365 days. The BDM Index is 1 unit, censuses 3 units, Outward Bound Passenger lists, transcription 5 units and actual images 30 units. An annual unlimited fee is 125 Pounds for all records and 65 Pounds for BDM and Censuses only

**National Archives' Documents Online**  
[www.nationalarchives.gov.uk/documents/online/](http://www.nationalarchives.gov.uk/documents/online/)

Documents on this site include World War I and II medal records, Wills and Death Duty Registers, Service and Military Records  
Images can be downloaded for 3.50 Pounds each.

There is no online means of making a copy of the original BDM certificate but a copy may be ordered on line at [www.gro.gov.uk/gro/content/certificates](http://www.gro.gov.uk/gro/content/certificates) and the copy will be mailed to you. You will need the name(s) and details of the event and the reference code found on the BDM Index. Cost is 7 Pounds with the Index Reference Code and 10 Pounds



without.

## GOOGLE ALERTS

A new service from Google called Google Alerts. These are e-mail messages automatically sent to you when Google's search engine finds new results that match your search request.

You can set up to 1,000 alerts, 10 at a time, to help you to find pertinent information. The search may be set to cover news items, web pages, blogs, Google Groups, or all of them.

Say you wanted to be alerted any time information on a particular surname is posted to the Web. You could set up an Alert that would inform you of all NEW postings as often as you desire--daily, weekly, or as it happens.

To start, go to <http://google.com/alerts>. If you are currently signed into a Google service you can sign in using your Gmail account or enter your search information in the "Create a Google Alert" box.

If you want to access the Alert from Gmail, click on "My Services" in the upper left corner of the window, then on the Google Accounts page select "Manage" link next to "Alerts"

Remember that Alerts are not case sensitive, except for using " " around your search words.

There is no need to include the word "and" between terms as Google assumes you want all the terms given used in the search. If you want two or more words included together, put a "+" between them, as in John+Towner+Calkins

Next you need to select the type or types of search: News Pages, Web Sites, etc. Then how often you want to be notified; "every day", "once a week", or

"as it happens".

Last click "Create Alert". You will also have a chance to edit or delete the Alert.

Google will search the thousands of new entries that are posted every day for your search words. A great time saver and a way to not miss any new postings on the Web.

From Internet Genealogy June 2007 p. 54

## OCLC

[www.worldcat.org](http://www.worldcat.org)

Every wonder if a book on a topic related to your family research is available anywhere in the world and if you can get it through interlibrary loan?

You can check this site and look for books, videos, CDs and other materials in over 10,000 libraries. This site will provide all the information your librarian needs to place an order for you, free in Wisconsin.

The site will tell you the number of libraries with the item, where they are located, the complete title, author, publisher and OCLC Number.

Try it out. From experience at the Reference Desk I know it works great. From Internet Genealogy June 2007 p. 7 and Ken Wood

## FREE ON ANCESTRY.COM

[www.freeonancestry.com](http://www.freeonancestry.com)

Ancestry has free content but it is hard to find. Use this site to make it easier. The content is listed under US, Australia, Canada, UK, Germany, Other Countries, Surnames and Families and research Guides and Tools. Under the

US the free records include such things as World War I Draft Registrations, some city directories and the New York Marble Cemetery records, New York City 1830-1937.

From Internet Genealogy June 2007 p. 7

### **History Kat**

[www.historykat.com](http://www.historykat.com)

This pay site (\$24.95), with some free material, contains: US military records, US Postal records, State census records and US government employees collections 1829-1830.

Most of the documents as digitized and very clear and easy to use.

The following are currently available: State Censuses for Colorado 1885; Illinois 1818, 1820, 1825, 1830, 1835, 1840, 1846, 1847; Wisconsin Territorial Censuses 1846, 1847.

US Postal Service records include Postmaster Appointees, indexed for 1789 to 1818 so far; Postal Workers 1899-1905 from specific areas and Marshfield is one of them that is included.

In the Military Collection are War of 1812 Bounty Land Warrants that contain the name of the veteran, his rank, company, regiment and heir.

From Internet Genealogy June 2007 p. 34

### **Veterans Affairs Nationwide Gravesite Locator**

[http://gravelocator.cem.va.gov/j2ee/servlet/NGL\\_v1](http://gravelocator.cem.va.gov/j2ee/servlet/NGL_v1)

This site, run by the National Cemetery Administration (NCA), a part of the Department of Veteran's Affairs, covers 139 National Cemeteries and 2.7

million US veterans from the Revolution to the Gulf War. Internet users can search names and cemeteries for vets and spouses at National Cemeteries and other locations. You can search a single location or nation wide. You can limit and expand your search parameters in a variety of ways-exact match, contains, first name, date of birth or death to name a few. Vets buried in church or private cemeteries are included if they received a government provided marker.

If the person is buried overseas go to [www.abmc.gov/home.php](http://www.abmc.gov/home.php) and you can search for 125,000 US military from World War I to Korea who were buried overseas and 94,000 missing in action.

This site also contains a small number of vets of the War With Mexico, Civil War and the Spanish-American War who are buried in Mexico City and Panama. From Internet Genealogy June 2007 p 28

### **Wisconsin Death Causes for 1930 by Age Group**

In the News Herald between June 23, 1931 and July 6, 1931, there was a column listing the various age groups, 10-14, 15-19, 20-24, early 30's, 35-39, 40's, over 40, 70-79, 80+, cancer and heart disease. It makes interesting reading to compare today's statistics with the past and see how our ancestors, and we, ourselves, match up to the past.

**June 23, 1931**

### **WISCONSIN DEATH CAUSES FOR 1930 BY AGE GROUPS**

Wisconsin's mounting accident toll as

thrown for a loss in 1930 by her children between 10 and 14 years of age, whose 88 accidental deaths marked a decrease of three instances from the 1929 item, it is shown by the records of the bureau of vital statistics.

Accidents, however, remain the leading death cause for this group. Total deaths from all causes among the 10-to-14-year-olds reached 403, which was almost exactly the average for the years 1928-30.

Appendicitis stood second in importance, bringing death to 55 in this age group. Heart diseases were third with 37 deaths, pneumonia next with 34 deaths, and tuberculosis claimed 30 lives, 12 more than in 1929.

Nephritis, influenza, rheumatic fever, measles and cancer occupied the remaining places among the 10 leading death causes.

No higher age group save the patriarchs suffer so few deaths as the 10-to-14-year-old group, but its members must guard against the inroads of a wide variety of ailments, the state board points out.

**June 24, 1931**

### **WISCONSIN DEATH CAUSES FOR 1930 BY AGE GROUPS**

If Wisconsin lads and girls between 15 and 19 years of age had played safe while driving and swimming, the 1930 death list for their group would have been shorter by more than 100 names, according to the state bureau of vital statistics.

Their accident toll was 164 last year, comprising more than one fourth of the

592 deaths from all causes. Five girls and 48 boys were drowned, and 17 girls and 47 boys were killed in auto accidents.

It was a bad year all around for this favored age group of young people about to assume the responsibilities of adults, the bureau points out. Comparing their mortality with that suffered by them in 1929, more lives were lost to heart disease, appendicitis, puerperal disorders, cancer and diabetes in 1930.

Only by cutting their tuberculosis toll from 115 to 107 deaths, the nephritis toll from 17 to 12 deaths and their epidemic meningitis toll from 14 to nine deaths did the 15-to-19 group show gains against their 10 chief enemies, the survey revealed.

**June 26, 1931**

### **WISCONSIN DEATH CAUSES FOR 1930 BY AGE GROUPS**

When you enter your twenties in Wisconsin, your most dangerous enemy is tuberculosis instead of accidents, but both of these and eight other death causes will bear a heap of watching, according to the bureau of vital statistics, state board of health.

The state's 20-to-24-years age group reduced its deaths from all causes from 778 in 1929 to 764 in 1930. Its tuberculosis toll of 191 marks a reduction of a single death from that of the previous year, but accidents claimed 174 of its lives in 1930 as compared with 164 in 1929.

Heart diseases were in third place in point of deadliness to this age group, taking 58 lives as compared with 48 in

the preceding year, the survey shows. Women of the group suffered 49 deaths from puerperal causes, six less than in 1929.

Pneumonia, appendicitis, suicide, nephritis, cancer, and influenza were next in importance to those in their early twenties, the 25 cases of suicide duplicating the 1929 item.

Decrease of two deaths from the item of the preceding year seen in the 185 deaths from tuberculosis suffered by the 25-to-29-year age group in Wisconsin in 1930 indicates that the white plague may never again regain the ascendancy it enjoyed up to a few years ago.

This group surrendered 227 lives to tuberculosis in 1926. Two years later the toll was cut to 205, and in 1929 it was 187 deaths. While the winning fight continues against this leading death cause for the group, however, the accidental menace, second in importance, has been gaining by leaps. The 1930 accident toll for the group was 148, as compared with 105 in 1929, again of a cool 40 per cent, the records of the state bureau of vital statistics reveal.

Wisconsin women in their late twenties yielded 61 lives last year from puerperal causes. Pneumonia was in fourth order of importance with a toll of 55 lives, and suicides set an appalling high with 46 cases as compared with 24 in 1929.

Heart diseases stood next, exacting 46 lives, duplicating the 1929 toll for this item, and appendicitis stood seventh with 35 victims, 10 more than in 1929. Cancer, nephritis and influenza completed the list of 10 chief death-dealers in this age group.

**June 27, 1931**

### **WISCONSIN DEATH CAUSES FOR 1930 BY AGE GROUPS**

A total of 767 deaths from all causes in 1930 among Wisconsin men and women in their early thirties marked a reduction of 75 from the toll of the receding year, according to the bureau of vital statistics, state board of health.

Lowering of both tuberculosis and accident death lists made this unusual gain possible. Tuberculosis was the principal cause of death in this age group, taking toll of 555 lives, 34 less than in 1929, and the accident toll was 107 as compared with 119 deaths in the preceding year.

Cancer jumped from sixth to third place among the leading death causes among the 30-to-34 year group, taking 85 lives as compared with 44 in 1929. Heart diseases were fourth in importance, and women of this group suffered 73 deaths from puerperal causes.

Decreases in deaths from pneumonia, appendicitis and nephritis were recorded in this age group, but suicides counted from 27 to 34 cases in a comparison of the two years' mortality, and cerebral hemorrhage claimed 16 lives to supplant influenza in tenth place among the leading death causes.

Deaths from alcoholism, which stood at 11 cases in each of the two preceding years, totaled only five in this group in 1930, the bureau's survey revealed.



**June 29, 1931**

### **WISCONSIN DEATH CAUSES FOR 1930 BY AGE GROUPS**

That important group of Wisconsin residents made up of men and women 35 to 39 years old did their bit in 1930 by limiting their deaths to 968, a reduction of 28 from the 1929 mortality.

Reductions were achieved, however, in only four of the ten chief causes of death for this age group. Tuberculosis took 148 lives, six less than in 1929; heart disease 92 lives, a reduction of 3; nephritis 33 lives, 22 less than in 1929, and influenza only 10 lives as compared with 44 the year before.

Offsetting these were increases of the accident toll from 97 to 119, the cancer toll from 68 to 81, the pneumonia toll from 73 to 74, puerperal deaths from 55 to 60, suicides from 46 to 52, and appendicitis from 25 to 31 fatal cases in a comparison of the two years.

Influenza was pushed out of the 10 leading death causes for this group last year, supplanted by cerebral hemorrhage, which caused 29 deaths.

As in most of the age groups, the accident menace is rapidly increasing here in the face of growing realization that this cause is among the most preventable of all the long list of death-dealers, and auto accidents and drowning contributed most heavily to the 119 accidental deaths among the 35-to-39 year group last year.

In the next issue we will cover the 40's, 50's, 60's, 70's, and 80 and over age groups.

**Puerperal fever** (from the latin puer, child), also called childbed fever or **puerperal sepsis**, is a serious form of septicemia contracted by a woman during delivery.

### **What's In a Street Name? History and a Few Errors.**

**Marshfield News Herald July 26, 1966**

Disregarding names applied to Marshfield streets during the spring break-up by impatient critics, less dissident citizens may be assured that, under normal circumstances, titles applied to Marshfield thoroughfares follow the national norm.

A directory publisher, turning to computers for a tabulation of some 6,500 cities, came up with the less than world-shaking announcement that Second Street is the most common street name.

Well, Marshfield has a Second street, and a rather important one. It extends from the Armory and community recreation center on the west to the gates of Marshfield's largest industrial plant on the east.

Second most common street name is Park, and again Marshfield is not found out of step. Third street ranks third in popularity, with Fourth and Fifth also in that order. Main street ranks sixth and First street, oddly, winds up in seventh place.

For Main street, Marshfield must substitute Central avenue which, at one time in the community's dim past, was known as Cammel road. The name had no connection with the numerous licensed oases which linked the thoroughfare in those boisterous days, but was an alias for Campbell's road, which

led to Campbell's Settlement, now Rozellville.

Central avenue appears on the "village" plat recorded Sept. 9, 1875--actually, Marshfield was never a village, graduating directly from a town to city status in 1883--along with the beginnings of Spruce, Walnut, Chestnut, Maple, Cedar and Cherry "streets," running parallel with Central. Providing the nucleus of the approximately east-west road system were First to Sixth streets south of the Wisconsin Central (Soo) right-of-way and A and B streets north of the rails.

Flanking the railroad right-of-way was North Depot (still Depot today) and South Depot, which has vanished in favor of First street. Provided on the early maps were extensions of the Depot streets, which were titled North and South RR. They, too, have vanished with the cinder and steam-belching iron horse.

Included are 58 designated avenues, 2 parkways still in the planning stage, 66 streets, 3 roads, 5 courts and 8 drives.

Among the streets are these numerically titles, progressing from First to 29<sup>th</sup>. They vary in length and importance, and three - 20<sup>th</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> streets - have no listing on the official map.

But City Eng. Richard Schneider assures anyone interested that city planning has reserved space for these streets should they become of vital concern.

City planners, in recent years, attempted to simplify direction finding here by decreeing that in the future east-west roads should be termed streets and north-south thoroughfares should bear

the names of trees and be labeled avenues.

Thus Cherry and Chestnut and Palmetto and Plum avenues.

But we've also got a Forest street.!!

A street so short that a three letter name had to be chosen for a fit on the street map was originally labeled Fir avenue. Because of the possible confusion of "Fir" and "First," someone came up with Fig avenue, the title the half-pint thoroughfare bears today.

The Post Office reportedly tired of the A, B, and C streets and city fathers responded by labeling them Arnold, Blodgett and Cleveland, and so forth, after, respectively, the city's first mayor, a substantial businessman of an earlier day, and a president of the United States, and so on up to Upham, a pioneer industrialist mayor and one-time governor of Wisconsin.

Errors and usage have revised the official names in some instances. Adams avenue is, correctly, Adam avenue.

To compliment Adam, Marshfield should have an Eve avenue, but such is not the case. A good case could be made for discrimination against the distaff side of the citizenry in this street-naming business.

Marshfield has only one bona fide road memorializing the gentler gender. That's "Irene avenue," an as yet unopened street in a subdivision on Marshfield's East Side.

Of course, there is a Laurel avenue, and once upon a time Olive avenue was on the street map. But along with Lime avenue and Below road, Olive has become a section of Palmetto avenue.

Subdividers are responsible for some

of the more attractive names, such as Sunnyside, Fairview and Briarwood, and coined names, such as Wallonie.

They also seize the opportunity to memorialize the subdivider et al, George drive and Erickson avenue, as examples.

Sometimes the policy misses. Schmidt avenue was to be the namesake for John Schmitt, but not according to the official city action. Aldermen did back up and start over in one instance. Leonard street was officially named Leonhard street, when they determined that they did want to honor a former mayor, George Leonhardt

Time takes its toll, too. Richfield, a once well known street, has become an extension of Maple avenue, and Bakerville avenue is now 14<sup>th</sup> street.

Some routes are simply forgotten. Wildwood Park roads are not named, but part of the system utilizes a right-of-way which was once the Bakerville road, principal thoroughfare to that community to the southwest.

### **MARSHFIELD PUBLIC LIBRARY GENEALOGICAL AND LOCAL HISTORY MATERIAL GUIDE**

With the financial backing of Charlotte K. Kruse, a booklet containing all the genealogical and local history materials in the library was put together for public distribution and use in 2006. The material was compiled by Kenneth Wood and edited by Holly Wolfgram, both then on the library Reference staff.

I will be excerpting parts from this booklet, which is available at the Reference Desk.

**EASTERN EUROPE**  
**Czech Republic/Czechoslovakia,**

### **Hungary, Poland**

Baca, Leo. Czech Immigration Passenger Lists Adult Reference 929.3 B12 vols. 2-7

Brandt, Bruce Where To Look for Hard-to-Find German Speaking Ancestors in Eastern Europe: Index to 16,372 Surnames Adult Services Office 929.1 W574

Brandt, Edward R. Contents and Addresses of Hungarian Archives: With Supplementary Material for Research on German Ancestors from Hungary Adult Reference 929.1 B734h

Chorzempa, Rosemary A. Polish Roots Adult Nonfiction 929.1 C456p  
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Czechoslovakian Surname Index Adult Services Office 929.4 C996

Wellauer, Maralyn A. Tracing Your Polish Roots Adult Nonfiction 929.1 W458p

### **EUROPE**

Baxter, Angus In Search of Your European Roots: A Complete Guide to Tracing Your Ancestors in Every Country in Europe Adult Nonfiction 929.1 B333 1985 3 copies  
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International Genealogical Index On Top of the Microfilm Cabinet 929.3 In8

### **CONNECTICUT**

Daley, Barney E. God's Acre Adult Nonfiction 929.5 D156

### **ILLINOIS**

Szucs, Loretto Dennis Chicago and Cook County Sources: A Genealogical and Historical Guide Adult Reference 929.3 Sz71

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The booklet is 123 pages long and gives you all the information you need to find the resources. A copy may be obtained free of charge at the Reference Desk.

**HISTORY AS WRITTEN BY SCHOOL CHILDREN**

Electricity was discovered by rubbing two cats together backward.



Moses led the Hebrew slaves to the Red Sea, where they made unleavened bread, which is bread made without any ingredients. Moses went up on Mount Cyanide to get the ten commandments. He died before he ever reached Canada

Solomon had 300 wives and 700 porcupines.

The greatest writer of the Renaissance was William Shakespeare. He was born in the year 1564, supposedly on his birthday. He never made much money and is famous only because of his plays. He wrote tragedies, comedies, and hysterectomies, all in Islamic pentameter. Romeo and Juliet are an example of a heroic couple. Romeo's last wish was to be laid by Juliet. (Editors Note: We are certain that the young writer meant "laid to rest by Juliet")

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## Addendum

WSGS Regional Update Updates from your WSGS Regional Rep by Vickie Schnitzler Greetings from the Wisconsin State Genealogical Society. There are things happening and conferences coming so get your calendars ready. First though, it is with great sadness that I need to inform you that we have lost one of WSGS' prominent cornerstone members, Jack Brisse. Jack passed away May 8, 2007 leaving behind a legacy in the genealogical world. Besides serving as our state society's president for many years, Jack served on the board and was active on numerous committees for the society and the genealogical community. He will be greatly missed. More will be coming later about tributes and honors on his behalf. Next a few conferences that you will want to put on your calendars. First is the Fall Seminar 2007 "Find Your Roots on the Family Farm", featuring J. Mark Lowe, CGSM on Saturday, October 27, 2007, at Stoney Creek Inn in Wausau, WI and hosted by the Marathon County Genealogical Society. Past President of the Association of Professional Genealogists and former Vice President of the Federation of Genealogical Societies J. Mark Lowe, has been researching families for more than 35 years. He is a national and regional speaker (specializing in Tennessee and Kentucky), who has published articles and reviews in the APG Quarterly, SPEAK! (Genealogical Speakers Guild newsletter), and the National Genealogical Society Quarterly. Lecture Topics: · Cheap Land on the Prairie (or That's What the Railroad Man Said) · Land Barons or Dirt Farmers · My Ancestor, the Farmer: Shaping a Profile

for Your Rural Ancestor · Locating Civil

War Ancestors Registration form and additional information is available at: <http://www.rootsweb.com/~wsgs/2007FallSeminarRegistration.pdf> Second, the WSGS is sponsoring a bus to travel to Fort Wayne, Indiana, for the 2007 FGS Conference, August 15-18, 2007. The bus will be leaving from Wausau on Tuesday, August 14, traveling down Highway I-39 to Madison, and then south through Janesville and Beloit into Illinois, arriving in Fort Wayne that evening. The return trip will be on Sunday, August 19th. Additional information and registration is available on:

[http://www.rootsweb.com/~wsgs/bus\\_trip.pdf](http://www.rootsweb.com/~wsgs/bus_trip.pdf) Also, Gene-A-Rama 2008, will take place on Friday and Saturday, April 11-12, 2008 at the Plaza Hotel & Suites Conference Center in Eau Claire, Wisconsin. Featured speaker will be Maureen A. Taylor. More details will be available later at:

<http://www.rootsweb.com/~wsgs/> Be aware!!! Legislative Alerts State Issue: Vital Records Increases Senate Bill 40, the budget bill, contains provisions that will increase the price of birth records, including each copy, from \$12 to \$20, and increase marriage, death and divorce records, including each copy, from \$7 to \$20. This increase is intended to raise over \$16,000,000 for the biennium. Some of this money will go to programs outside of the State Registrar's office. For more information and links to your legislators go to:

[http://www.rootsweb.com/~wsgs/record\\_s.htm#state1](http://www.rootsweb.com/~wsgs/record_s.htm#state1) National Archives & Records Administration Fee Increases

Example: Civil War pension file copies from \$37 to new fee of \$125. It was \$10 in 2000 before it was increased to \$37.

For more information and how to comment go to:

<http://www.rootsweb.com/~wsgs/records.htm#nara>

Need additional information on Pioneer & Century Certificates, go to:

<http://www.rootsweb.com/~wsgs/pioneer.htm>

Reunion Certificates, go to:

<http://www.rootsweb.com/~wsgs/reunion.htm>

Wisconsin Cemetery Inscriptions, published in the WSGS Newsletter, go to:

<http://www.rootsweb.com/~wsgs/cemetery.htm>

Index to Wisconsin Delayed and Affidavit Birth Registrations (Prior to 1 October 1907), go to:

[http://www.rootsweb.com/~wsgs/delayed\\_birth.htm](http://www.rootsweb.com/~wsgs/delayed_birth.htm)