



KITH AND KIN

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MARCH & APRIL MEETINGS

Our March meeting starts at 7:00 p.m. with a short business meeting and then going into a photo copying session. Vickie Schnitzler will have the family copy stand fired up and ready to copy all of those great one of a kind or borrowed family photos. Cost is only \$1.00 for a black and white 4"x6" glossy photo and the negative.

Don't forget that election of new officers is just around the corner, so please come with ideas and volunteers. Many of the positions need to be filled this year.

Also bring your ideas for summer trips that you might like to take and your calendars. We will be setting up some dates/times if possible.

In April, Dr. Philip Giampietro, will be coming to talk to the group about the Personalized Medicine Research Project being done at the Marshfield Clinic Research Foundation. They are looking at recruiting participants to help in the development of diseases and prevention of diseases based on the knowledge of an individual's precise genetic profile. His talk starts at 7:00 p.m. in the General Meeting room of the Marshfield Public Library, with our business meeting to follow.

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.

SPRING BEGINNER'S WORKSHOP AT THE MARSHFIELD PUBLIC LIBRARY

Together with the Marshfield Public Library in conjunction with National Library Week, the Marshfield Area Genealogy Group will be presenting their Spring Beginner's Workshop on Saturday, April 12, 2003. The workshop is designed for the person interested in Genealogy but hasn't really "gotten their feet wet". There is no cost for the workshop.

Following is the tentative agenda for the day:

- 9:00-9:15 a.m. **Registration** in the Beebee Forum Room in the basement of the Library.
- 9:15-10:15 a.m. **"What Do You Know?"** will take you through some of the more common forms and help you start organizing the information that you already know or have. Guaranteed to give you plenty of hints and tips to get you started.
- 10:15-11:15 a.m. **"Where Do You Look?"** helps the beginner to start their search for ancestors in an organized fashion and not forgetting any source along the way.
- 11:15-12:15 a.m. **"How You Use the Internet?"** will help the beginner to navigate through the many useful resources available on the Internet. Where and how to start!!
- 12:15-1:00 p.m. **Lunch on Your Own**
- 1:00-3:00 p.m. **Extra help Available!!**
- 1:30 p.m. **Library Tour** of the many resources available right at your fingertips in the Library.
- 5:00 p.m. **Library Closes for the Day**

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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

April 4-5, 2003 **Wisconsin State Genealogical Society Spring Seminar.** Holiday Inn Convention Center, Eau Claire, WI. Check: www.wsgs.org

April 12, 2003 **Marshfield Area Genealogy Group's "Spring Beginner's Workshop"** will be sponsored together with the Marshfield Public Library. Takes place at the Library in Marshfield, WI starting at 9:00 a.m. More information on page 1.

April 26, 2003 **"Cultural Fest"** at Stevens Point Area High School. Food, cultural and genealogical displays, and entertainment. Free admission.

May 16-17, 2003 **"Ancestral Pursuit V: A Genealogy Workshop"** at the Cofrin Library, U.W.-Green Bay ARC. For a brochure, e-mail Debra at speccoll@usgb.edu

June 29, 2003 **NGS Conference in the States** in Pittsburgh, PA.

July 12, 2003 **"Pathways to the German Homeland"**, sponsored by the German Interest Group- Wisconsin, at the University of Wisconsin-Whitewater, James R. Connor University Center. Marion Wolfert will be speaking on "Records that Offer Clues to an Ancestor's Place of Origin", "Types of Records Found in the Different Regions of Germany", "Border Changes Affect Research" and "Every Day Life from the Middle Ages to Modern Times". For more info contact Pat at (608) 756-5260 or 9:00-5:00 weekdays at (608) 757-2777 or e-mail Linda at herrickd@ticon.net or check their website for registration forms: <http://www.rootsweb.com/~wigig/index.html>

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

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Members of MAGG,

Well here we are in beautiful central Wisconsin and I'm tired of winter and patiently waiting until I can get out and do some research. In the meantime, there are many opportunities available to fine tune your genealogy skills and to dust off the rust from the cranium. Take a look at the first two pages of the newsletter and you'll see countless meetings, workshops, seminars, and conferences to attend. And don't worry about the traveling distance, as many are right in your own backyard. We can always use help in breaking in the new "Rookies" at the Beginner's Workshop on April 12th and don't forget the Girl Scouts can use help at their "Blast to the Past" Badge Workshop for the Brownie and Junior Girl Scouts on April 5th. What a wonderful thing to see the youngsters getting involved!!

And speaking of getting involved, we are in need of some new blood. Not for the blood bank, but as some of the officers that help make your group run. We will be setting up the "Nominations Committee for Elections" at the March meeting. We would really like to hear your ideas for next year's officers and trips that you might like to take this summer. Don't forget your calendar.

Hope to see you at the meeting!

Sincerely,

Vickie Schnitzler

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.**

The Wisconsin State Genealogical Society presents

Gene-A-Rama 2003

A two-day genealogy conference where you can:

- * Enrich your knowledge about a variety of genealogy research topics.
- * Meet fellow genealogists.
- * Shop to your heart's content for books and other items to help with your research.
- * See demonstrations of online databases.

4 & 5 April 2003

HOLIDAY Inn Convention Center, Eau Claire

A great program featuring:

PATRICIA LAW HATCHER, CGSM, FASG. Hailing from Dallas, Pat is one of the nation's most prominent speakers and writers, contributing to many genealogical journals, and the author of *Locating Your Roots: Discover Your Ancestors Using Land Records* (scheduled for release in March '03), as well as *Producing a Quality Family History*. Her lectures:

- * *Why Use Land Records? Because...*
- * *Look Again! What Did You Miss?*
- * *Evaluating Evidence — A Methodology for Every Day*
- * *"My Ancestor Isn't in the Census?" Are Your Sure?*

Our entertaining and educational Minnesota neighbor, **JAMES WARREN**, will be the **Banquet Speaker** On Friday, 4 April with *If Our Ancestors Had E-Mail...*

PLUS six more lectures from these highly qualified genealogists:

- * *Genealogical Resources at the Minnesota Historical Society* (Joanne Sher, Duluth)
- * *Access and Changes to Wisconsin Vital Records* (Jack Brisse, Brooklyn, Wisconsin)
- * *Researching in Northwestern Wisconsin & Northeastern Minnesota* (Joanne Sher, Duluth)
- * *Tales the Census Taker Told Me* (Jack Brisse, Brooklyn, Wisconsin)
- * *Wisconsin Land Records* (Lori Bessler, Wisconsin Historical Society, Madison)
- * *Can the Vesterheim Genealogical Center Help Me Find MY Ole Olson?* (Jerry Paulson, Madison)

AND Ruth Steffen of Stevens Point with a 2-hour *Beginning Genealogy Workshop*

GET MORE INFORMATION

On the Web — Complete details and printable registration form at <[ww.wsgs.org](http://www.wsgs.org)>

In Print — Write WSGS, PO Box 5106, Madison, WI 53705, or e-mail <wsgs@chorus.net>

(Note: Program/Registration brochures will be mailed with the *WSGS Newsletter* and by direct mail to many we believe will be interested in this conference.)

COMPUTER CORNER

Ourtimelines.com—Create you own timeline. For Genealogists, these capabilities are a veritable gold mine—you can actually see how a family member fits into history, and that not only helps users of you genealogical efforts to know these people a lot better, it helps you to better direct your research.

<<http://www.ourtimelines.com/index.shtml>>

Children's Clothing Online—The Wisconsin Historical Museum owns more than 2000 articles of children's clothing and related objects. This is the Wisconsin Historical Museum's pilot effort in making its collections available accessible online.

<<http://wisconsinhistory.org/museum/collections/online/index.asp>>

The 3rd Wisconsin Veterans Volunteer Infantry Organization—Site owned by the 3rd Wisconsin Veterans Volunteer Infantry Organization, a non-profit living history organization comprised of Civil War historians throughout the state of Wisconsin. Divided into topics: Index, History, Rosters, Profiles, Letters, Images, Scrapbook, Message Board, Living History Site and Links.

The History page is divided into four parts: Regimental History, Battle History, Related Articles and the Spanish-American War (Boys of 1898 who carried on the fine tradition of the 3rd)

If you have letters, pictures or journals, they are interested in copies for their library.

<<http://www.3rdwisconsin.org>> (from *Lafayette Co. Gen. Soc. Newsletter*, Dec. 2002.)

A web site with resources for many nationalities, including German Genealogy.

<<http://home.att.net/~wee-monster/databases.html>>

Fox Valley Genealogy Society has a new web site. Check it out.

<<http://www.rootsweb.com/~wifvgs>>

Dodge/Jefferson Counties Genealogical Society, Inc. has a website, too.

<<http://www.DodgeJeffGen.com>>

STATE ARCHIVES WEB SITES

State Archive of Michigan

<http://www.michigan.gov/hal/0,11607,7-160-17445_19273_19313___,00.html>

Wisconsin Historical Society Archives

<<http://www.wisconsinhistory.org/archives/index.html>>

Minnesota State Archives

<<http://www.mnhs.org/preserve/records/index.html>>

Iowa Historical Society Archives

<http://www.iowahistory.org/site_map/index.html#Archives>

Illinois State Archives

<<http://www.sos.state.il.us/departments/archives/archives.html>>

1880 CENSUS ONLINE

Genealogists got a huge boon October 23rd, when the 1880 U.S. Census—the first searchable, complete Census—went online.

Volunteers from the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints spent 17 years inputting the 50 million entries. The results can be found at <www.familysearch.org>.

The 1880 Census is highly regarded “because it’s the first one that told us the names and birthplaces of the parents, which give genealogists more data to follow in their research,” says Cyndi Howells, who runs the popular genealogy website Cyndislist.com.

Entries also include neighbors. This is significant in that, in the 1880s, relatives often lived together in a broad neighborhood.

Free websites such as ellisland.org and the Latter-Day Saints’ familysearch.org often are overwhelmed with traffic whenever new databases are posted. The Church expected 100,000 visitors the day in 1999 that it launched the familysearch site. Instead, it ended up with one million.

“This time, we’re better prepared,” said an LDS official. “We portioned out quarter-hour segments to users to keep pace with the traffic.”

The Church previously released the 1880 U.S. Census on a set of 56 CD-ROMs. The 1881 Canadian census is now also available at familysearch.org, joining 1881 British census.
(from USA Today article, October 23, 2002, via *Gems of Genealogy*, newsletter of the Bay Area Gen. Society, Jan./Feb. 2003, page 3.)

ODDS & ENDS

A Genealogical Codicil to My Last Will and Testament

To my spouse, children, or guardian:

Upon my demise, it is requested that you DO NOT dispose of any or all of my Genealogical records, books, files, notebooks, or computer programs for a period of two (2) years.

During this time period, please attempt to identify one or more persons who would be willing to take custody of the said materials and the responsibility of maintaining and continuing the family histories.

In the event you do not find anyone to accept these materials, please contact the various genealogical organizations that I have been a member of and determine if they will accept some parts of all of my genealogical materials.

Please remember that my genealogy endeavors consumed a great deal of time, travel, and money. Therefore, please do not ignore my requests.

Signature

Date

Witness

Witness

(from “Branching Out”, *Twin Ports Genealogical Society*, Winter 2003, Vol. 21, \$4 via *Lewis County Genealogical Society*, *Washington State Genealogical Society*, via *Pinery Pedigree*, newsletter of the *Marathon County Genealogical Society*, Wausau, WI, Vol. 29, #3, March/April 2003, page 35.)

WHERE DID IT COME FROM MOM?

So that our sons will know the stories about our family “treasures,” I have photographed each item and written a story about its source. The pictures and stories are kept in a three-ring binder in clear, acid-free sheet protectors. The title is “Where Did It Com From, Mom?” It covers everything from pictures of my grandmother’s pump organ to dishes that belonged to my great-great grandmother. A second set is also in our safe deposit box. Written by Marilyn Larson. (from *Gems of Gen.*, *Bay Area Gen. Soc.*, Jan./Feb. 2003, pg. 3.)

CITIZENSHIPS

(As listed in area papers for Clark, Marathon, and Wood Counties.)

25 Granted Citizenship in Circuit Court Friday

Wausau—Final naturalization papers were granted 25 applicants by Judge Gerald J. Boileau in Circuit Court Friday after they successfully passed test questions asked by Hans P. Hansen, St. Paul. Federal examiner.

Among the applicants were two from western Marathon County—Emmanuel Yessa, Town of Johnson, formerly of Russia, and Mrs. Luella M. Miller, Stratford, formerly of Canada.

Applicants of seven other candidates were continued, either due to their inability to appear in court or to give them more time to study the Constitution and the Federal laws.

(from the Marshfield News Herald, Monday, November 30, 1942, page 6.)

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An International Question

Colby has an international question for settlement with Germany. August Johannes Edward Benn removed, with his parents, from Germany when a few months past fourteen years of age. Immediately after his arrival in this country the elder Benn declared his intentions to become a citizen of the United States, and as soon thereafter as the law would allow took out full naturalization papers, this occurring before the younger Benn arrived at his majority, thus making him, upon reaching that age, a citizen of the United States.

Recently an uncle of the younger Benn died, in Germany, leaving him a legacy of 500 marks. This the German government confiscated and politely informed the young man that he could not have the money unless he returned to that country and served a term in the army.

The matter was brought before city clerk, F. C. Gotchy, a short time ago, who gathered all the papers bearing on the matter had forwarded them to Sec'y of State Gresham. A letter from the Secretary, dated Aug. 5th, states that instructions have been sent to the United States Consul, at Berlin, to make an immediate investigation of the case and report.

Shall we have a war with Germany?

(from the Colby Phonograph, Thursday, August 10, 1893, page 4.)

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NEW MEMBER

Jayne Englebert
501 10th Street
Baraboo, WI 53913

QUERIES

The Kith and Kin will publish queries of 50 words or less without charge for members of the Marshfield Area Genealogy Group. Submit your query on a separate piece of paper with your name, address, and [phone number and/or e-mail address]. The Kith and Kin reserves the right to edit queries and assumes no responsibility for their accuracy.

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Looking for descendants of Frank Geldernick of Chili, Wisconsin. Willing to share information on other branches of family and ancestors in Germany. Please send e-mail to:

<jenglebert@jvl.net> or write to Jayne Englebert, 501 10th Street, Baraboo, WI 53913.

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STATE HISTORICAL LIBRARY OF WISCONSIN

The Library will be closed 19 May to 14 June of 2003. The Archive Research Room and Archives reference services will be unaffected by the closure. The Library will also continue to respond to reference inquiries sent by mail and will maintain lending services through Interlibrary Loan and UW Book Retrieval/Universal Borrowing.

POMMERN—A HISTORY

Pomerania (German spelling is Pommern) was a large area in the northwest section of the German Empire, bordering the Baltic Sea on the north. Much of this province, except for the far west of Prussia in 1648. Frederick the Great (ruling from 1740 to 1786) is credited with starting the colonization of Pomerania in the mid 1700s. During his rule, over 159 new villages were established. The land was fertile, with farming being the chief occupation. With improvements in hygiene in the 1800s, birth rates and life expectancy increased dramatically, resulting in a huge population explosion. For example, the Kreis of Schlawe grew from 35,500 people in 1818 to 78,000 in 1880, and this growth was in spite of the large losses to emigration. The Oder River divides the province into eastern and western Pomerania, sometimes called Vorpommern and Hinterpommern. Today, Hinterpommern is part of Poland. The Province in the mid-1880s was divided into three political sections, each governed somewhat separately; Stralsund, which included the far western area; Stettin, which included the remaining area to the west of the Oder River; and Köslin, which included the land to the east of the Oder River. Each of the three areas was further subdivided into Kreis, similar to counties.

Farmers

With the defeat of Prussia by Napoleon in 1806, much of Germany, including Pomerania, was emerging from strict feudalism. There reforms were titled the "Stein-Hardenberg Reforms." Most of the Pomeranian residents were peasant farmers, living in small villages surrounded by farmland that was owned by a landowner (Baron) who typically had vast land holdings. [As an example of a village profile, Gustav Grothmann, my great-, great-grandfather, was from the village of Podewils, Kreis Schlawe, which in 1867 had 1 school, 28 houses, 35 farm buildings and 358 inhabitants. There were 29 people buried in the cemetery. Livestock included 50 horses (among them 4 luxury horses, 148 cattle, 1677 sheep, 31 pigs, 8 goats and 46 bee hives.) The peasant farmers who farmed this land paid a large percentage of their crop to this landowner. Further, as crop failures were somewhat common, the residents were able to eke out only a meager living. The few farmers who did own small sections of farmland paid high taxes. Often these farms had to be given away to meet tax obligations. These displaced farmers then worked for the large estates. In addition to farmers, there were associated tradesmen who lived in the village and supported the farming activities.

An interesting note about language: One of Martin Luther's closest associates, and the man who was for many years the head pastor at the Wittenberg church (St. Mary's) was Johannes Bugenhagen. He also taught at the University of Wittenberg and was Luther's confessor. Luther and all of his associates called Bugenhagen "Pommern" because he was from Pomerania. Due to the differences in the German language between Saxony, Luther's home turf, and Northern Germany, Bugenhagen often translated Luther's tracts from the original "High German" (named because the area was higher in elevation) into "Low German" (named for the lowlands around the North and Baltic Seas.) Chances are that the farmers in Pomerania would hardly have understood the farmers from Württemberg. So my family tree would not have been able to understand itself! All young men, including farmers, were required to serve in the military. This service was generally viewed as a hardship and was quite unpleasant; it also deprived the family farm of a capable farmhand. Avoiding military service was a common reason for emigration.

Religion

After the Reformation, the religion in much of Germany was either Lutheran (following Martin Luther) or Reformed (following John Calvin). The choice depended on the preference of the ruling feudalistic prince of an area (or manor). Most of Pomerania was Lutheran. The church handled civil registrations, as well as maintained religious records of marriages, births and deaths. Any Catholic Church property in Pomerania, *(continued on next page)*

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such as, convents, was closed and given to the ruling dukes. King Fredrick Wilhelm III (1797 to 1840) was in power in Northeastern area of the German Confederation in the early 1800s. He was a Calvinist. The Lutheran church, therefore, refused to administer communion to him. In response, in 1817 he ordered the two churches to merge into the United Reformed Church. However, in many parts of Pomerania, the hard-line Lutherans resisted this union. One major issued was the Calvinist view of Communion—that the bread and wine merely symbolized the body and blood, while the Lutherans stressed that the bread and wine became the body and blood of Christ. Although the church union began in 1817, in 1831, there was still a small percentage of the Lutherans, called Alt Lutherische or “Old Lutherans,” who had not joined the United Reformed church. These Lutheran churches were declared illegal and property was seized by the state. People who still maintained their Lutheranism could be jailed and would not be issued work permits. To escape this religious persecution, many of the Alt Lutherische decided to emigrate, going primarily to the U.S. and Australia. (Note: Wilhelm III also ruled Prussia, so many Lutherans left Prussia at the same time.)

Emigration

In 1839 with the King’s permission, the first group of Alt Lutherische left Pomerania and sailed to New York City, and from there sailing up the Hudson River to Albany and then riding on the Erie Canal to Buffalo. One nobleman from Prussia who had been stripped of his rank, Heinrich von Rohr, took 40 families and subsequently headed west from Buffalo, crossing the Great Lakes, and arrived in the City of Milwaukee (population 1500). Rohr and his followers, finding inexpensive farmland, settled 15 miles north of the city in Ozaukee County, just west of present day Mequon, founding the settlement called Freistadt (Free City). King Wilhelm III died and 1841 his son, Wilhelm IV, lifted the ban on Lutheran worship. Nevertheless, the emigration had started, with many from Pomerania going to Buffalo and then Milwaukee and surrounding areas. Wherever land for farming was affordable, they founded Lutheran communities, including Cedarburg in Ozaukee County, Theresa, Lebanon, Herman, Emmett, Williamstown, and Hubbard in Dodge County, and Ixonia in Jefferson County. [Many Alt Lutherische from Saxony settled in the St. Louis, Missouri area, forming the roots of the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod.] By 1852, it is estimated that over 5000 Alt Lutherische had come to the United States.

Written by Eugene Wengert, Emeritus Professor, University of Wisconsin—Madison.

What is the Benrather Linie?

It is the boundary line between Low and High German. The so-called Benrather Linie, which differentiates the “ik” of Low German from the “ich” of High German, was determined in 1880-1890. It may roughly be indicated by the following place names from west to east: Monjoi (French border town) to Birnbaum in the east. South of the Benrather Linie, High German is spoken; North of the Benrather Linie, Low German, sometimes called Plattdeutsch, is spoken. These variations in language provide clues as to the origins of the person. For instance, regional varieties of Smith: in Thuringa, Schmidt; in Bavaria, Schmitz. Based on sound changes and word geography, butcher in Silesia is “Fleischhauer,” in Hesse, “Metzger.” Origin of place names are indicated in the North by adding “mann” to the name, in lower Baden “von” is added before the name. South of Cologne only “s” indicates “son of.”

(both of the previous articles are reprinted from Out On a Limb, newsletter of the Dodge/Jefferson Counties Gen. Society, Inc., Watertown, WI, Vol. 18, #1, February 2003, pages 14-15.)

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 1959

Members of Senior High's graduating class were:

Robert E. Aschebrock, Kirk Allen Asplin, Velva Anne Bach, Martha Louise Baldwin, Joann Rita Bangart, Gerald Bell, Brenda Lou Berg, Ronald Allen Blum, Carol Ann Boardman, Glen Alan Boson, Sara June Boucher, Mary Ann Braunsky, Charles Bredemann, Marilyn Ruth Breseman, Aubrey Britten.

Irene Ethel Burt, Arlan C. Castner, Richard Chase, Barbara Cliver, Judy May Collins, Juliana Kay Cournoyer, Margaret Damski, Donna Mae Phyllis Deering, Beatrice DeLeske, Dianne Dix, John Carl Dix, Judith Ann Ehlers, William Fink, James W. Fleming, Carolyn Folz, Vincent Nicholus Folz, James Dennis Frankland, Kathleen Frey, Pat Gage, James Gallagher, Alice Mae Gauger.

Janet Gergs, Dieter Goertz, Sharon Ann Gotter, Anita Marie Gotz, Carol Jean Grobe, Mary Ellen Hahm, Rachel Jean Hahn, Carmine Mae Hansen, Sandy Lee Hardinger, Dennis James Hastings, Roger Andrew Hauke, Dale Hawley, Doreen Hawley, Noel James Hayden, Beatrice Lee Herman, Marilyn Herrick.

Philip Hill, Rae Margaret Hirsch, Mary Ann Hornick, Lynn Jaeckel, Barbara Janssen, JoAnn Joiner, Sara Lynn Key, Mary Kille, Marilyn Kleba, Ardell M. Klein, Patsy Klemme, Wanda Kohl, Harold G. Kohlbeck, Theresa Konrardy, David Arnold Korth, James Arthur Korth, Richard L. Korth, Barbara Jean Kramer, Rose Mary Krings, Annette Laidlaw.

James Langreck, Vern Lanoue, Michael Phillip Larkin, Dave Larson, Jack Lehnherr, Sharon Marie Liddell, Daniel J. Lloyd, Christine Lovstad, Harold Machtan, Sharon Machtan, Donald R. Mahoney, Anne Malsin, John I. Matson, Betty Jane Meissner, Edgar Alan Mellenthin, James Morris Mercer, Bernard Meyer, Jean Meyer, Sandra Miller, Linda Mittelstadt, Allen L. Moen, DuWayne Montgomery, Anne Mary Moersfelder, Daniel L. Mounce, Gerald Richard Mrotek, Ken Multerer, Connie Narlock, Corrine Nelson.

James Dennis Nelson, Francis Michael Nikolai, Diane Nuhlicek, William Paasch, Ruth Jean Page, Shirley Myra Pederson, Henry Pember, Carol Jean Pongratz, Mary A. Puscheck, Patrick Quirt, Alice F. Radke, Liewellyn, Randles, John Reif, Nola Jane Rhodes, Richard Rieth.

Jim Roever, Patricia Ann Rychnovsky, Roger Sanger, John Scafe, Charlene M. Schallock, Ronald Schallock, Donald Schneider, John Schiferl, Sandra Jean Schlagenhaft, Jeannie Helen Schmidt, Mary Jane Schreiner, Norman Kenneth Sebastian, Rodney Allen Seehafer, James Sersch, Richard G. Shotwell, Thomas E. Smith, Gerald Ray Sommer, Geraldine Mae Stangl, Elaine Christine Staver, David Steder, Lawrence John Steinwagner, James Stengl, Jerome Michael Setini, Barbara Stueer.

Sharon Rae Sutton, Carol Sue TeStrake, Judith Ann Thomas, Stephen Leonard Tredten, Jacqueline Upton, James Vedder, Janette A. Volkomaner, Patricia Ann Weichelt, Thomas Edward Weigel, Jo Ann Wells, Jeanne Ann Wendt, Ronald Wendt, Lance Wernberg, Reinhold W. Werth, Jr., Rachel Ruth Woltman, Margaret M. Wundrow and Mary Helen Zinthefer.

(from the Marshfield News Herald, Tuesday, June 2, 1959, page 6.)

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Isn't genealogy fun? The answer to one problem leads to two more!!

1942 CLARK COUNTY DEATHS

As Recorded in the Clark County Press in January, 1942

Submitted by Linda Berres, MAGG

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

Deaths of 1942

August 1942 (continued from previous issue)

Mrs. William Alperstett, 61, Greenwood
Rev. Francis A. Kulig, Thorp
Willard Moffatt, 39, Neillsville

September 1942

Mrs. Alma Hassert, 75, Greenwood
Louis Brown, 70, Neillsville
William Naedler, 76, Neillsville
Ellis Mortimer, 24, York Center
George Searles, 70, Richland Center
Edwin Timmler, 79, Pine Valley
Mrs. Maria Hagedorn, 81, Neillsville
C.M. Eby, 80, Laramie, Wyoming
George Bandelow, 75, Neillsville
John Kotchy, 88, York township
Mrs. James O'Neill, Neillsville

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Gerald L. Spangler, 14, Neillsville
Mrs. Frank Lunka, 73, Gorman
Mrs. Charles Servaty, Fresno, Calif.
Mrs. Russell O'Leary, 33, Humbird
Mrs. Agnes Kessler, 76, Weston
Mrs. George Cramer, 66, Neillsville
Mrs. Edward Waterman, 76, Washburn
Mrs. Cora Converse, 83, Granton
Mrs. H. Schofield, 67, Chicago
David Garbisch, 82, Nasonville
Orie P. Galbreath, 45, Doland, S.D.
Mrs. Otto Weymiller, 54, Loyal
Mrs. August Holtz, 75, Neillsville
Robert Frederick Franklin Jahr, 4 months
Sanford Jinkerson, Humbird
John H. Noll, 72, Neillsville
Mrs. Pauline Ann Schmidt, 73, Pine Valley
Charles Frank Asplin, 85, Hendren
Dorothy Lorraine Laabs, Infant, Woodstock, Wis.

Thomas D. Wage, 90, Granton
Pvt. George (Wayne) Mead, 22, Greenwood
Bert Maines, 61, Idaho
Thomas S. Stockwell, Dallas, Oregon
Mrs. George Wilde, 34, Ft. Atkinson, Wis.
William Perry Kennedy, 86, Butler
Otto Lautenbach, 71, Grant
Mrs. Nettie Sturdevant, 78, Portland, Ore.
Peter Backman, 63, Dewhurst

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Anton Papesh, 75, Greenwood
Mrs. Henry Johnson, Chili
Ferdinand Pflughoeft, 83, Pine Valley
Alfred Schnabel, 57, Grant
Henry Woepse, 78, Greenwood
Thomas Tyler, 87, Neillsville
Henry W. Stallard, 80, Humbird
Mrs. Jessie Warner, 69, Neillsville
Mrs. N. A. Bailey, 43, Jackson, Mich.
Mrs. Norman Ziebel, 52, Brainerd, Minn.
Mrs. Clara King, 84, Green Bay
Mrs. Mary MacPherson, 83, Neillsville
Mrs. Alice Mae Ferguson, 72, Minneapolis
William S. Irvine, 91, Owen
Effie Heath Davis, Milwaukee
Mrs. Louis Phillips, 84, Madison
Hans S. Bracken, 71, Neillsville
Mrs. Orrin Lawrence, 58, Levis

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Phillip Beaver, Loyal
Joseph Poertner, 72, Neillsville
Mrs. Bertha Anna Wiesner, 80, Granton
Reinhold Witcamp, 79, Nevins
Mrs. Ethan Phillips, Madison
John T. Drummond, 77, Greenwood
C. H. Patrie, 65, Marshfield
Fred Lindsley, 51, Menomonie
Orley C. Beck, 62, Merrill, Wis.
Mrs. Barbara Kronberger, 78, Loyal

MEETING DATES:

Thursday, March 27, 2003.....Photo copying night. Bring your borrowed or one of a kind photos for Vickie to copy. The price is \$1.00 each and you get a 4" x 6" black and white glossy copy and the negative. The business meeting will start at 7:00 p.m. in the General Meeting room of the Marshfield Public Library, with picture copying to follow.

Thursday, April 24, 2003.....Dr. Phillip Giampietro, will be coming to talk to the group about the Personalized Medicine Research Project being done at the Marshfield Clinic Research Foundation. They are looking at recruiting participants to help in the development of diseases and prevention of diseases based on the knowledge of an individual's precise genetic profile. His talk starts at 7:00 p.m. in the General Meeting room of the Marshfield Public Library, with our business meeting to follow.

Thursday, May 22, 2003..... Our May meeting will include a presentation by Julie Tharp from U.W. – Marshfield Campus, speaking to us on Amish Quilt Making. Julie brings the message that the Amish make their quilts to incorporate their life experiences, thereby telling a story, usually about their families. Presentation will start at 7:00 p.m. downstairs in the Beebe Forum Room with the meeting to follow and election of officers.

Summer Meetings and/or Trips to be Announced..... Watch for these in our May newsletter or come to the meetings to find out what's being planned or where some of our members are planning to go this summer.

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Please answer the following:

Major surnames I am researching (PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY)

- Use list previously supplied
- Add these surnames to those previously given
- Additional sheet attached for more surnames

1. My research centers on the following Ethnic Backgrounds: _____

2. My family history research includes the following states: _____

3. The following communities in the Marshfield area are of interest to my family history research: _____

4. I am interested on seeing these topics covered in our newsletter Kith and Kin _____

5. I would like to see the following programs or activities planned: _____

6. I would be willing to share the following Books and Resources: (To be included in or newsletter Kith and Kin (Attach an extra sheet of paper if necessary.) _____

7. Do you have any suggestions for guest speakers? _____

8. Do you have an area of interest to share with the members: _____

9. Other genealogical and historical societies I am a member of: _____

10. Thinking about computerized genealogy? _____ Yes _____ No
What genealogy Software do you have? _____

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11. Can you volunteer to: (check all that apply)
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(Please list those Committee, Directors, or Offices interested in: _____

(Refer to Page 2 of the Newsletter for list of Committees, Directors and Officers)

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Additional comments or suggestions. (Please indicate number if referring to one of the above items): _____

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