

# Kith and Kin

Official Newsletter of the Marshfield Area Genealogy Group

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## Grand Army of the Republic James Blaine Post 110 Marshfield, Wisconsin

With Memorial Day only several weeks away and in remembrance of our local Civil War heroes, we are posting the:

### Honor Roll of the Grand Army of the Republic, James Blaine Post 110 for Marshfield and their interment locations in the Marshfield Hillside Cemetery

#### Hillside Cemetery

<b>Armstrong,</b>	<b>William J</b>	Cpl	A/G	7	WI Inf	1821	Ireland	1881
<b>Bartles</b>	<b>William</b>	Pvt	K	27	WI Inf	1847	Germany	1910
<b>Baxter</b>	<b>Joseph</b>	Lt	F	45	IL Inf	1839	Canada	1908
<b>Becker</b>	<b>Jacob</b>	Pvt	E	51	WI Inf	1838	Germany	1926
<b>Bennett</b>	<b>Lewis</b>	Pvt	F	12	WI Inf	1843	Canada	1900
<b>Bigley</b>	<b>Miles</b>	Pvt	F	46	PA Inf	1838	PA	1910
<b>Blocksidge</b>	<b>William E</b>	Pvt	H	33	WI Inf	1842	WI	1932
<b>Bouldrie</b>	<b>Nathan M</b>	Pvt	F	25	IL Inf	1828	MA	1915
<b>Brooks</b>	<b>Harold L.</b>	Pvt	F	211	PA Inf	1847	PA	1930
<b>Bump</b>	<b>Edwin</b>	Pvt	C	4	WI Inf	1838	VT	1907
<b>Conrad</b>	<b>Paul</b>	Pvt	UA	45	WI Inf	1828	Germany	1920
<b>Coon</b>	<b>George W</b>	Pvt	E	2	WI Cav	1840	NY	1934
<b>Cox</b>	<b>Henry C</b>	Pvt	C	69	IN Inf	1843	IN	1901
<b>Dumas</b>	<b>Joseph</b>	Pvt	G	13	NY Cav	1825	Canada	1905
<b>Dumas</b>	<b>Edward</b>	Pvt	D	22	NY Cav	1849	NY	1934
<b>Eckhoff</b>	<b>John C.</b>	Cpl	K	44	WI Inf	1823	Canada	1900
<b>Eno</b>	<b>Frank</b>	Pvt	E	46	WI Inf	1844	Canada	1922
<b>Franklin</b>	<b>Russell M.</b>	Pvt	J	47	WI Inf	1824	OH	1906
<b>Fulmer</b>	<b>Baldwin M</b>	Pvt	H	49	WI Inf	1834	Canada	1910
<b>Gauger</b>	<b>Henrich</b>	Pvt	C	17	WI Inf	1838	Germany	
<b>Gill</b>	<b>John B</b>	Pvt	B	3	WI Cav	1846	NB Can	1895
<b>Gokey</b>	<b>Frank</b>	Pvt	A	49	WI Inf	1839	Canada	1915
<b>Gossett</b>	<b>James G</b>	Pvt	A	2	OH Art	1845	OH	1914
<b>Gray</b>	<b>Albert</b>	Pvt	A	1	WI Inf	1844	WI	1901
<b>Gregoire</b>	<b>John</b>	Pvt	G	17	WI Inf			
<b>Hager</b>	<b>Emile B</b>	Cpl	F	1	LA Inf	1841	France	1892
<b>Hamilton</b>	<b>James B.</b>	Pvt	F	5	IL Cav	1845	OH	1914
<b>Hinman</b>	<b>William</b>	Pvt	E	7	WI Inf	1844	NY	1928
<b>Hodgden</b>	<b>Guliford</b>	Pvt	F	5	WI Inf	1830	ME	1895
<b>Jacobi(e)</b>	<b>Christoph</b>	Pvt	G	28	WI Inf	1843	Germany	1926
<b>Kinner</b>	<b>James</b>	Pvt		188	PA Inf	1838	PA	
<b>Kloss</b>	<b>John</b>	Pvt	C	37	WI Inf	1845	Germany	1891

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## President's Message

Dear Friends,

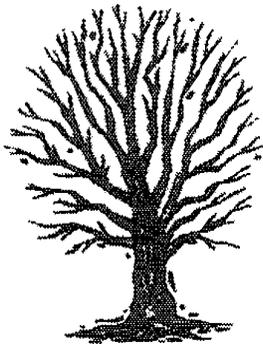
May is Preservation Month, and this year the National Trust for Historic Preservation and the City of Marshfield are celebrating with three words that say it all: "This Place Matters." This Place Matters is a national campaign that encourages people to celebrate the places that are meaningful to them and to their communities. Join me in using this as inspiration to create and share a personal record of those places, and the people associated with them, that influenced our lives and helped to shape the community we call home.

Historic Preservation Month is also the perfect opportunity to recognize those who have contributed to our local history and genealogy collections. This year the John Christner Local Historian Award is shared by two friends, Lori Belongia and the late Lorraine Markee. Lori might say, "I'm just doing my job," but we all know though that Lori always goes above and beyond just doing her job. Like Lori, Lorraine too always went above and beyond expectations as she volunteered on different projects. Her contributions are many, too many to list, but the records she collected and assembled will benefit family history researchers for generations.

In addition to the Christner Award, Lorraine Markee was also recognized with the Virginia V. Irvin Volunteer of the Year Award presented by the Wisconsin State Genealogical Society during the recent Gene-A-Rama in Wausau. The Virginia V. Irvin Volunteer Hall of Fame was established in 2006 to honor exceptional service rendered to, or through, the Wisconsin State Genealogical Society or one of its Affiliated Societies. Service may be of a one-time nature (e.g., creation of an index or other research tool), or may be ongoing for several years.

Congratulations to two very deserving award recipients.

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## MAGG Officers and Committees

President: Don Schnitzler (2017)  
 Vice President: Jennifer Witzel (2016)  
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 (Year office expires is in parentheses.)

The Marshfield Area Genealogy Group is an affiliate of the Wisconsin State Genealogical Society.

Our purpose is to provide meetings and programs of genealogical interest and to provide instruction in genealogical procedures. Also to collect, preserve, and disseminate genealogical data found in the Marshfield area and/or relative to the people of the Marshfield Area.

Meetings are held the fourth Thursday of the month except November and December.

## Membership Information

Our membership year is from May 1 to April 30. Individual membership per year is \$12.00 and a Family membership is \$15.00 per year. For hardcopy newsletter add \$6. Membership Forms can be downloaded from our website <http://www.marshfieldgenealogy.com/> and returned with payment to us at: MAGG, P.O. Box 337, Marshfield, WI 54449.

## How to Find New and Updated Databases on FamilySearch

(From Diane Haddad's Blog of Family Tree Magazine, April 12, 2016)  
[special-offers@familytreecommunity.com](mailto:special-offers@familytreecommunity.com)

Hot tip Tuesday, which comes from Genealogy Insider, Diane Haddad: Keep an eye on [FamilySearch.org](http://FamilySearch.org) for newly digitized and updated collections from your ancestors' states.

To do this, go to <http://familysearch.org/search> and click Browse All Published Collections.

### Search Historical Records

Search for a deceased ancestor in historical records to uncover vital information from their life.

#### DECEASED ANCESTOR'S NAME

First Names

Last Names

#### SEARCH WITH A LIFE EVENT:

Birth | [Marriage](#) | [Residence](#) | [Death](#) | [Any](#)

Birthplace

Birth Year (Range)

  From  To 

#### SEARCH WITH A RELATIONSHIP:

[Spouse](#) | [Parents](#) | [Other Person](#)

#### RESTRICT RECORDS BY:

[Location](#) | [Type](#) | [Batch Number](#) | [Film Number](#)

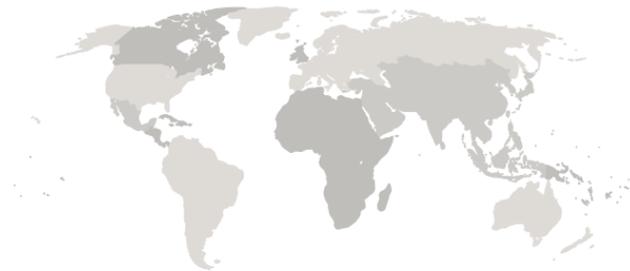
Country

State or Province

### Research By Location

Click an area of the world to start researching in a specific location.



### Find a Collection

Researching within a specific collection? Find it here.

Collection Title

[Browse all published collections](#)



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## Queries

GENETT Research: Looking to find information on the Spencer House, a hotel in Spencer, WI around the 1880s from what I can tell. An obit of Eliza Genett, from 1941 states: "In the spring of 1875 they came to Spencer where Mr. Genett was engaged in milling. For a time he operated a barber shop and a hotel under the name of the Spencer House." If you have any information on the Genett family or the Spencer House, please contact Amber @ [am-ber.genett@hotmail.com](mailto:amber.genett@hotmail.com).

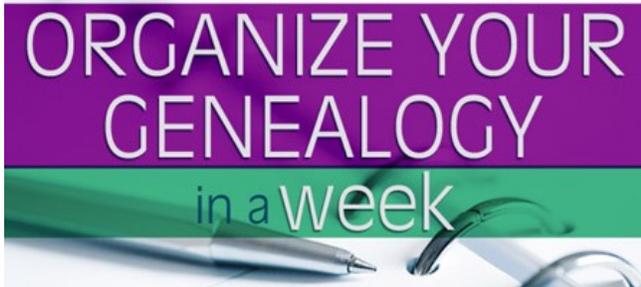
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## 8 Habits of Highly Organized Genealogists

Posted by Diane Haddad

(From [http://blog.familytreemagazine.com/insider/2016/01/19/8HabitsOfHighlyOrganizedGenealogists.aspx?utm\\_source=source=newsletter&utm\\_campaign=campaign=sft-dha-nl-160121&utm\\_content=814249\\_FT1160121&utm\\_medium=email](http://blog.familytreemagazine.com/insider/2016/01/19/8HabitsOfHighlyOrganizedGenealogists.aspx?utm_source=source=newsletter&utm_campaign=campaign=sft-dha-nl-160121&utm_content=814249_FT1160121&utm_medium=email))



Why is organizing genealogy stuff perpetually challenging for so many of us? Maybe because finding new ancestry information is more fun than logging it. And organization isn't a one-way-fits-everyone kind of deal—the system and tools best for you depend on how your brain works.

But the pros will tell you that organizing is an important part of research. It helps you figure out how the new piece fits into your family tree and form conclusions about your ancestors.

What I like about the following eight getting-organized principles (which have come from *Family Tree Magazine* contributors and readers over the years) is that you can apply them with the tools and techniques that are right for you. You'll learn a lot more about such tools and techniques in the [Organize Your Genealogy in a Week](#) workshop.

### 1. Keep the big picture in mind.

You can use genealogy charts such as five-generation ancestor charts and family group sheets to help you visualize how your relatives fit together, or try an online family tree builder with an app on your smart phone. (Find free downloadable blank forms on [FamilyTreeMagazine.com](http://FamilyTreeMagazine.com).) It's also handy to have a large working family tree chart, where you can see the whole thing at once.

### 2. Take charge of paper files.

Set up a filing system for family papers. Many researchers use binders or file folders arranged alphabetically by surname. Each surname folder holds papers from a couple's marriage to their death, as well as any general notes. Children go in their parents' folder, then get their own folder when they marry. You also might keep folders for towns or counties, with maps, historical background and local research notes.

### 3. Go digital.

To save space in paper files and create electronic backups, scan photos and paper documents. Organize digital files with the same system as your paper files. Determine a file-naming scheme, write it down and stick to it.

### 4. Establish an organization routine.

If you regularly take short chunks of time to file stuff, it becomes second nature. Set up an inbox on your desk or computer hard drive for items you need to take action on (scan, label, etc.) and a "to file" folder for documents ready to be put away. Once a week or month, schedule time to empty these boxes.

### 5. Take advantage of tech tools.

You can organize with tons of tech tools and apps, such as Evernote for tracking information and research findings, Calibre to manage e-books, Flickr for photos, Excel spreadsheets for checklists and logs. [Find some of our favorite genealogy apps listed here.](#)

### 6. Designate a workspace.

If you're like many of us, your genealogy workspace may double as a guest bedroom, dining room table or living room floor. Try to have a designated spot for your files, computer and books.

### 7. Color-code folders and files.

You could use a color for each surname, though you'd probably run out of colors before too long. I'd color code by branch with a different color for each of my grandparents' lines. Color-code computer files and folders to match: On a Mac, click on a folder or file in the finder window and then click the down arrow next to the gear icon. From the drop-down menu, select Label and the color. PCs don't have built-in folder color-coding, but you can download a program such as [Folderico](#).

### 8. Create a kit for on-site research.

Prepare a bag with tools you might need for research at a repository: notebook, pen, pencil, money for the copier, flash drive, a family group sheet, surname variant lists, blank census or passenger list recording forms, etc. Now you won't have to run around gathering stuff when you leave for the library.

Thanks to MAGG member, Jen Witzel for sharing this article!

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And then a state (we'll use Wisconsin).

The screenshot shows the FamilySearch interface. On the left, there are filters for 'Filter by collection name' and 'Place'. The 'Place' filter is expanded to show 'United States of America (997)' with a list of states including Wisconsin. On the right, a scrollable list of states is shown, with a red arrow pointing to 'Wisconsin (29)'.

Finally, on the right, click the "Last Updated" link to sort the collections in order of recent updates.

The screenshot shows the FamilySearch search results for Wisconsin. The 'Place' filter is set to 'Wisconsin (29)'. The main content area displays 'Historical Record Collections' with a table of results. A red arrow points to the 'Last Updated' column header in the table.

Title	Records	Last Updated
Minnesota, Duluth and Wisconsin, Superior Crew Lists, 1922-1958	208,667	10 Nov 2015
Wisconsin Birth Index, 1820-1907	985,659	26 Oct 2012
Wisconsin Births and Christenings, 1826-1926	1,440,965	23 Jan 2014

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## Why Oral Histories are so Crucial to Good Genealogy, Part 2

*From AncestralFindings.com (<http://www.ancestralfindings.com/why-oral-histories-are-so-crucial-to-good-genealogy-part-2/>)*

Even the federal government recognized the importance of oral histories long ago. Back in the 1930's, when the Civilian Conservation Corps was established to create jobs during the Great Depression and shore up the nation's infrastructure at the same time, taking oral histories was one of the many jobs performed by people in the Corps.

There were still people alive in the United States than who had personally fought in or lived through the Civil War, and also people who had been born as slaves and spent the early parts of their lives being owned by other people. The U.S. government recognized the importance of getting the stories of these people recorded while they were still here to tell about those long ago times. They were, after all, an important part of American history. Getting the personal perspective on those times was as important as knowing the book facts about them.

Because of the recognition of the federal government of the importance of oral histories, we now have audio recordings and written transcriptions of the stories of former slaves and Civil War soldiers (and wives and children of soldiers). These stories give personal details about the time of slavery and the Civil War that we would have lost long ago if not for these interviews. Many of the stories were not recorded in any other official documents, and existed only in the memories of those who were interviewed.

Getting those stories brought long-lost people and events back into the public memory again, and preserved them for future generations. These oral histories are invaluable historical resources today, for both historians and genealogists. If you were lucky enough to have an ancestor who was interviewed, you already know much more about the actual people in your family tree than most genealogists ever will.

Even before official oral histories started to be taken, some people recognized the importance of preserving their memories for future generations. While many people in the 18th and 19th centuries

were raised to believe it was improper to talk about themselves, as it showed unattractive vanity, others wanted people to know about them and remember



them. That is why diaries were so popular in those centuries. People recorded the mundane details of their lives, believing that someday, someone might want to read about those things, and inherently understanding that these details were important.

There are a few 18th century diaries by women that have been preserved, though most from that century came from men. In the 19th century, we begin to see much more diary keeping by women. Some diaries are still in the possession of the descendants of the writers and accessible only by their families. Others have been published for the whole world to benefit from if they choose to read them. These are written oral histories... they came from the thoughts of the people who wrote them, so they are like thoughts being spoken aloud onto paper. As with a more conventional oral history, they give details into people and events that would otherwise have been forgotten by the world, and provide valuable insight into how people lived and what some individual people were like as human beings.

In the days before diaries, letters were the best way of recording the details of a person's life. If both the letters a person sent and those they received in return were preserved, that painted an even more detailed picture of that person and their times. Some archives have letters that were donated by local families that provide wonderful insights into what a person was like, who they knew, how they lived, and what was important to them. These letters from families that are not well-known are like genealogical gold if you can find them.

There are also famous letter collections that give great insight and detail into the lives of well-known historical figures. The love letters between Henry VIII and Anne Boleyn, for example, tell us in their own words just how Henry and Anne felt about each other before they got married, during the height of Henry's passion for Anne, when he changed the structure of England just so he could wed her. The letters between John and Abigail Adams begin during their courtship and go through their entire married lives together, providing fascinating detail into their romantic feelings for each other, their partnership as spouses, as well as the historical details of the times in which they lived (which included the American Revolution and Adam's presidency). Letters between Thomas Jefferson and John Adams reveal a lot about who these two famous men really were as people, as well as what made them friends, than enemies, than friends again.

Diaries and letter collections give the kinds of details that you would ask for in an oral history interview. If you are doing research into your ancestors and come across diaries or letters they wrote, you will be thrilled and appreciate that they did it and their works were preserved. These are the next best things to being able to interview them yourself.

So, as you can see, oral histories are crucial to good genealogy research, and provide invaluable genealogical information for you and for future generations. Conduct interviews with all of your older relatives while you can, and seek out interviews, diaries, and letters your ancestors wrote to get the old-fashioned version of an oral history to enrich your research. These intimate details of your ancestors' lives are part of what makes real genealogy so rewarding. Don't neglect them in your own research. They add so much that is unavailable anywhere else. You'll be glad you took the time to do it, and so will the future researchers who use your work as their reference.

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**Ancestral Findings:** Will MoneyMaker founded Ancestral Findings back in 1995. He has been involved in genealogy research for 20+ years. The thrill of the hunt, the adventure, and the excitement begin when he started investigating the meaning of his last name. He continues to enjoy researching his family tree, answering free genealogy lookups, and taking photos.

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Here is the list and dates for recent "Wisconsin" collections as of April 30, 2016. Please note that the last entry for Wisconsin was on 15 November 2015. The most recent dates depend on the current projects being indexed.

Historical Record Collections		29 collections
Title	Records	Last Updated
Wisconsin, Milwaukee Passenger and Crew Lists, 1922-1963	66,627	17 Nov 2015
Wisconsin, Crew Lists of Ship Arrivals, 1925-1956	4,352	17 Nov 2015
Wisconsin, Crew Lists of Vessels Arriving at Manitowoc, 1925-1956	4,231	17 Nov 2015
Minnesota, Duluth and Wisconsin, Superior Crew Lists, 1922-1958	208,667	10 Nov 2015
Wisconsin, County Marriages, 1836-1911	750,725	03 Aug 2015
Wisconsin Marriages, 1836-1930	197,702	31 Jul 2015
Wisconsin, Milwaukee Petitions to Naturalization, 1848-1991	Browse Images	05 May 2015
Wisconsin Probate Estate Files, 1848-1948	Browse Images	10 Sep 2014
Wisconsin, Milwaukee Naturalization Index, 1848-1990	76,412	18 Jun 2014
Wisconsin State Census, 1865	21,162	18 Jun 2014
Wisconsin, County Naturalization Records, 1807-1992	Browse Images	24 Mar 2014
Wisconsin, Death Records, 1867-1907	432,959	24 Jan 2014
Wisconsin Births and Christenings, 1826-1926	1,440,965	23 Jan 2014
Wisconsin Deaths and Burials, 1835-1968	34,943	23 Jan 2014
Wisconsin State Census, 1895	494,911	26 Feb 2013
Wisconsin State Census, 1875	296,899	26 Feb 2013
Wisconsin Birth Index, 1820-1907	985,659	26 Oct 2012
Wisconsin Divorce Index, 1965-1984	231,499	07 Mar 2012
Wisconsin Death Index, 1820-1907	435,208	09 Feb 2012
Wisconsin Marriage Index, 1973-1997	948,961	09 Feb 2012
Wisconsin, Dane County Naturalization Records, 1887-1945	Browse Images	13 Jan 2012
Wisconsin, Shawano and Oconto Counties, Indexes and Records, 1850-2007	Browse Images	09 Dec 2011
Wisconsin Death Index, 1959-1997	1,629,093	06 Dec 2011
Wisconsin, Fond du Lac Public Library Records, 1848-1980	Browse Images	23 Nov 2011
Wisconsin, Outagamie County Records, 1825-1980	Browse Images	11 Nov 2011
Wisconsin, Calumet County, New Holstein Public Library Records, 1900-2001	Browse Images	10 Nov 2011
Wisconsin State Census, 1885	407,138	21 Jan 2011
Wisconsin State Census, 1905	2,228,391	30 Apr 2010
Wisconsin State Census, 1855	133,164	24 Mar 2010

Diane asks to [Visit them on Facebook](#) for her tip on finding new and updated genealogy databases on FamilySearch.org. She does this at least a couple of times a week to find new record collections from her ancestral places.

**Note:** You don't have to be a member of Facebook to see the page, but you must be a member to comment on posts. [Like them on Facebook](#) for more Hot Tips and genealogy news! [See their Family Tree Magazine Facebook page](#)»

(from [https://www.facebook.com/familytreemagazine/posts/10154787073789947?utm\\_source=newsletter&utm\\_campaign=sft-dha-nl-160421&utm\\_content=837706\\_FT1160421&utm\\_medium=email](https://www.facebook.com/familytreemagazine/posts/10154787073789947?utm_source=newsletter&utm_campaign=sft-dha-nl-160421&utm_content=837706_FT1160421&utm_medium=email))

## Odds and Ends from the 1940's

*Items Reprinted from the Marshfield News Herald, Marshfield, Wisconsin*

### Citizenship Day is Approved by Senate

Washington - The Senate adopted a resolution (HJR 437) designating the third Sunday in May annually to be citizenship recognition day and returned it to the House yesterday or concurrence in amendments.

Under the amendments the date originally proposed by Representative Johns (R-Wis) was restored and the day officially would be known as "I Am an American Day."

The Senate Judiciary Committee had recommended June 14 after Screen Actor Edward Arnold urged a date later than Johns' and suggested the day's five-word name.

Senator Wiley (R-Wis) called Senate attention to a letter from Hugh Bonar, superintendent of Manitowoc, Wis., schools, protesting against the June date as a "very serious setback" because schools would be closed when the event honored new citizens.

*(from the Marshfield News Herald, April 11, 1940, page 6, column 5.)*

### Citizenship Day Resolution Approved by Both Houses

Washington – The Manitowoc, Wis., plan for a nationwide celebration of American citizenship benefits and duties had cleared both House and Senate today but needed agreement on amendments before it could proceed to the desk of President Roosevelt.

Introduced by Rep. Johns (R-Wis.), the resolution, (HJR 437), designating annually the third Sunday in May for the observance and authorizing the President to proclaim the day for commemoration was subjected to amendments in the Senate.

One of these amendments was offered by Senator Johnson (D-Calif) whose proposal that the event be called "I am an American Day" was adopted as a substitute for "Citizenship Recognition Day."

### Text

Text of the resolution as it was adopted by the Senate:

"Whereas some 2,000,000 young men and women in the United States each year reach the age of 21 years; and

"Whereas it is desirable that the sovereign citizens of our nation be prepared for the responsibilities and impressed with the significance of their status in our self-governing republic: therefore be it

"Resolved, etc., that the third Sunday in May each year be, and hereby is, set aside as I Am An American Day and that the President of the United States is hereby authorized and requested to issue annually a proclamation setting aside that day as a public occasion for the recognition of all who, by coming of age or naturalization, have attained the status of citizenship, and the day shall be designated as "I am An American Day."

"That the civil and educational authorities of states, counties, and towns be, and they are hereby, urged to make plans for the proper observance of this day and for the full instruction of future citizens in their responsibilities and opportunities as citizens of the United States and of the states and localities in which they reside.

### Encourage Programs

"Nothing herein shall be construed as changing, or attempting to change, the time or mode of any of the many altogether commendable observances of similar nature now being held from time to time, or periodically, but, to the contrary, such practices are hereby praised and encouraged.

"Sec. 2. Either at the time of the rendition of the decree of naturalization or at such other time as the judge may fix, the judge or someone designated by him shall address the newly naturalized citizens upon the form and genius of our government and the privileges and responsibilities of citizenship; it being the intent and purpose of this section to enlist the aid of the judiciary, in co-operation with civil and educational authorities, and patriotic organizations in a continuous effort to dignify and emphasize the significance of citizenship."

*(from the Marshfield News Herald, April 12, 1940, page 1, column 6.)*

## Marshfield Couple Observe 55th Wedding Event at Home Today

The 55th Wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. August Molter, who were married on April 12, 1885, in Sharpsburg, Pa., was observed by the couple at their home on Becker road today.

Mrs. Molter, nee Wilhelmine Broge, is a native of West Prussia, born Dec. 16, 1865. She came to Wisconsin with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Broge and lived in Watertown until 1879, when the family moved to Etna, Pa., a suburb of Pittsburg. Both of her parents died there.

Mr. Molter was born near Konigsberg, East Prussia, March 23, 1860. He came to America with his brother, Fred, in 1881, locating in Etna, where he found employment in the steel pipe mills. In 1883 his parents came to America.

After the couple were married they continued to live in Etna until 1903 when they moved to Marshfield. Mr. Molter found work in the Roddis Veneer Factory and continued his employment there until the time of his golden wedding, when he retired.

Upon their arrival in Marshfield Mr. and Mrs. Molter became affiliated with Zion Evangelical Church. Mr. Molter has served as a trustee, church steward, and as a teacher in the Sunday School. Mrs. Molter is a member of the Ladies Aid Society.

The couple have 11 living children, Russell and Arthur, Bridal Veil, Ore.; William and Theodore, Billings, Mont.; red, Superior; Herman, West Bend; Rudolph, Finley; Herbert, Cedar Grove; and Mrs. Walter C. Mueller, W. Blodgett street, and Otto and Edward, at home. There are 13 grandchildren.

*(from the Marshfield News Herald, April 12, 1940, page 9, column 6.)*

## 400 Attend Program at Camp City Point

City Point - (Special) - Ideal weather was experienced on Sunday, day of the open house program held at CCC Camp City Point, and about 400 guests visited the camp.

The program began with the dedication of the Robert Fechner memorial tract near Dexterville, where trees are to be planted, and this was followed by a chicken dinner at the camp at 11:30.

The Pittsville Band presented a concert after the meal and at 2 o'clock the new chapel was dedicated. Talks were given by Commander Jonas, Chaplain Gubbins, and the Rev. John Willitzer of Pittsville.

A dance was held in the evening.

*(from the Marshfield News Herald, April 16, 1940, page 3, column 3.)*

## Children to Plant Trees on Saturday

### Eight Thousand Transplants to be Set Out at County Parks

Wisconsin Rapids— Wood County school pupils and their teachers and parents will participate in the annual tree planting exercises at both of the county's parks on Saturday, April 27, it was announced today by S. G. Corey, county superintendent of schools.

About 4,000 Norway pines are to be planted in the North County Park in Richfield Township, and about the same number of Norway and jack pines in the South County Park in Grand Rapids Township. The trees are 4-year-old transplants grown in Wood County.

Children from the northern part of the county will take part in the Richfield Park planting, which will be supervised by Mr. Corey, and children from the southern part of the county will participate in the Grand Rapids park activities under the supervision of County Agent H. R. Lathrope.

Planting at both areas will begin at 10 a.m. and each pair of planters is to come provided with a spade and a pail for carrying water. All participants are to bring their lunches.

Trees for Arbor Day (May 2) planting will also be distributed at their meeting.

*(from the Marshfield News Herald, April 16, 1940, page 3, column 3.)*

*(More 1940's articles to be continued in next issue)*

**Wood County Wisconsin Homesteaders**  
**Homesteading Act of May 20, 1862: Homestead Entry Original (12 Stat. 392)**

*(Continued from last issue of "Kith N Kin")*

Names	Date	Doc #	Twp - Rng	Aliquots	Sec. #
WAKELY, DANIEL	2/20/1883	1468	021N - 004E	SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$	13
			021N - 004E	N $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$	24
			021N - 004E	SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$	24
WALES, VINE	2/20/1883	1464	021N - 003E	S $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$	22
			021N - 003E	SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$	22
			021N - 003E	SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$	23
WALSH, PATRICK	1/30/1875	527	023N - 006E	NW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$	33
WASSON, ROBERT E	6/1/1880	1197	025N - 004E	S $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$	14
			025N - 004E	SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$	14
			025N - 004E	NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$	14
WERDERMAN, AUGUST	3/23/1892	2939	022N - 003E	S $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$	26
WERTZ, HENRY	12/30/1902	4378	022N - 002E	NW $\frac{1}{4}$	31
WHEELER, JOSEPH R	6/20/1884	1743	025N - 004E	E $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$	6
WHEELER, THOMAS D	6/20/1884	1721	025N - 004E	NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$	6
WHITE, JOSEPH	6/1/1882	1415	023N - 005E	NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$	18
WHITTLESEY, ABNER S	5/1/1878	976	021N - 005E	SE $\frac{1}{4}$	6
WIESNER, FREDERICK	4/10/1882	1384	023N - 002E	SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$	18
			023N - 002E	S $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$	18
			023N - 002E	SW $\frac{1}{4}$	18
WILHELM, ADAM M	6/30/1905	5119	025N - 002E	NW $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$	8
WILSON, NATHAN	1/30/1875	494	025N - 004E	NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$	12
			025N - 004E	W $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$	12
WING, JOHN B	12/26/1895	3412	021N - 003E	SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$	23
			021N - 003E	SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$	23

Names	Date	Doc #	Twp - Rng	Aliquots	Sec. #
WINTERS, THOMAS	11/13/1890	2098	021N - 003E	SW <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub> NW <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	1
			021N - 003E	SE <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub> NE <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	2
			021N - 003E	N <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> SE <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	2
WITTENBERG, GUSTAV	12/26/1895	3421	021N - 005E	W <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> NE <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	18
			021N - 005E	NW <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub> SE <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	18
WITZEL, CARL	11/16/1893	3158	021N - 005E	NE <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub> SW <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	29
			021N - 005E	W <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> SW <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	29
			021N - 005E	NW <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub> SE <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	29
WOODS, LOUIS	12/20/1904	5037	021N - 006E	E <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> NW <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	30
WOODS, NORMAN A	3/7/1902	4300	021N - 006E	NW <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub> SE <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	30

(End of Homestead Records for Wood County)

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ABLEITER, AUGUST	12/26/1895	5234	023N - 002W	NW <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub> NE <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	6
			023N - 002W	E <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> NW <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	6
			023N - 002W	NE <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub> SW <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	6
ACHENBACH, EDWARD L	6/30/1905	7080	023N - 003W	S <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> NE <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	6
			023N - 003W	NE <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub> SE <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	6
ADAMS, WILLIAM	4/30/1880	2039	029N - 001E	NE <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	26
ADKINS, WILLIAM R	7/27/1891	3993	024N - 003W	NW <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub> NE <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	2
			024N - 003W	E <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> NW <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	2
ALGER, JOSIAH	5/20/1875	1029	027N - 001E	NE <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	26
ALLEN, DANIEL	12/15/1873	559	026N - 001W	SW <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	18
ALLEN, ISAAC N	1/10/1873	475	026N - 001W	SE <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	33
ALLEN, JOHANNA	3/1/1876	1268	026N - 001W	SE <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub> NW <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	32
			026N - 001W	E <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> SW <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	32
			026N - 001W	SW <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub> SW <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	32
ALLEN, JOHN	12/30/1874	920	027N - 001W	E <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> SE <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	1
			027N - 001W	SW <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub> SE <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	1
			027N - 001W	NE <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub> NE <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	12

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<b>Koenig</b>	<b>Joseph</b>	Pvt	F	26	WI Inf	1833	Germany	1908
<b>Kohl</b>	<b>Joseph</b>	Pvt	B	52	WI Inf	1840	Germany	1892
<b>Kuntz</b>	<b>Abraham</b>	Cpl	I	45	WI Inf	1837	Germany	1903
<b>Leibelt</b>	<b>Fredrich</b>	Pvt	I	45	WI Inf	1834	Germany	1908
<b>Lindsley</b>	<b>George</b>	Pvt	K	11	WI Inf	1832	NY	1894
<b>Lupient</b>	<b>Gabriel</b>	Pvt	G	2	WI Inf	1840	WI	1903
<b>Malsack</b>	<b>John</b>	Pvt	C	45	WI Inf	1835	WI	1891
<b>McLees</b>	<b>Egbert</b>	Pvt	I	t	WI HA	1832	Canada	1917
<b>Miller</b>	<b>George</b>	Pvt	F	15	IL Inf			1900
<b>Olin</b>	<b>Cornelius</b>	Sgt	A	48	WI Inf	1845	NY	1920
<b>Reynolds</b>	<b>Newton A</b>	Pvt	H	52	IL Inf			1920
<b>Riley</b>	<b>James R</b>	Pvy	B	37	WI Inf	1846	Canada	1908
<b>Rittig</b>	<b>Anton</b>	Pvt	E	17	WI Inf	1823		1902
<b>Schley</b>	<b>August</b>	Pvt	K	17	WI Inf	1837	Germany	1912
<b>Schlicht</b>	<b>John</b>	Pvt	I	23	Mich Inf	1833	Germany	1905
<b>Schoenhofen</b>	<b>John</b>							
<b>Sheriff</b>	<b>John</b>	Pvt	C	46	WI Inf	1845	OH	1913
<b>Slight</b>	<b>John</b>							
<b>Stringham</b>	<b>Charles T</b>	Sgt	I	35	WI Inf	1839	NY	1904
<b>Thorp</b>	<b>Arthur E</b>	Pvt	K	17	NY Inf	1842	NY	
<b>Upham</b>	<b>William H</b>	Cpl		2	WI Inf	1841	MA	1924
<b>Vannedom</b>	<b>Theodore</b>	Pvt	D	11	IL Inf	1847	NY	1921
<b>Walterbach</b>	<b>David</b>	Cpl	C	29	WI Inf	1839	Prussia	1902
<b>Ward</b>	<b>William</b>	Pvt	I	43	WI Inf	1835	OH	1900
<b>Ward, Sr.</b>	<b>James</b>	Pvt	K	8	IA Cav	1811	England	1891
<b>Wilman</b>	<b>Jacob</b>							

(Interments in Gate of Heaven & Immanuel Cemeteries will be continued in the next issue of "Kith N Kin")

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## Upcoming Meetings

### May 26, 2016

**Overview of How to Use FamilySearch.org Website Effectively.** Kathy Engelbretson and Krystal Vomocil will share their expertise for successfully searching and accessing records maintained by the Latter-Day Saints at Familysearch.org.

### June 23, 2016

**Watch Geoff Live: DNA \*Legacy Webinar\*** Geoff finally did it! He took his first step into the world of DNA and had his two maternal grandparents tested (autosomal tests from AncestryDNA). On hand to interpret and explain what Geoff discovers will be DNA expert and yourDNAguide.com's Diahan Southard. The result will be a live and unscripted session giving DNA neophyte (like Geoff) viewers a first-hand look at what to expect from their first autosomal DNA test. (6:30 p.m. Beebee Forum Room)

### July 28, 2016

**MAGG Annual Picnic at the Breden's.**

### August 25, 2016

**What Happens When You Don't Have A Will.** Genealogy Group member, Diane Wolf, will review the probate process and records created when an individual dies without leaving a Last Will and Testament. (6:30 p.m. Meeting space TBA, possibly the Genealogy Room in the New Library!)

**Meetings of the Marshfield Area Genealogy Group are regularly held at 7:00 p.m. on the fourth Thursday of each month at the Marshfield Public Library downstairs in the Beebee Forum Room, except July (month of our family picnic) and November & December (no meetings) unless otherwise specified.**