

# Kith and Kin

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## Quick-Tip of the Month for Preservation—Surface Cleaning Documents

By Curt B. Witcher

Memorial Day weekend often kicks-off a summer of family gatherings and reunions, while Labor Day usually brings them to a close. These gatherings increasingly find families sharing information and documents about their ancestors. Some of these documents may not have been stored in the most ideal conditions and will need to be cleaned-up for proper storage and preservation.

The Alabama State Archives has a well-written, easy to understand and easy to implement set of instructions on their website for those interested in properly surface cleaning a document <http://www.archives.alabama.gov/officialsconservclean02.html> Some of the highlights are summarized in the following.

Cleaning documents can be time consuming if done properly, so it shouldn't be a

task one is trying to accomplish quickly. Cleaning methods should be gentle to avoid causing damage. Cleaning always begins with the gentlest method, brushing, and progresses to more aggressive methods.

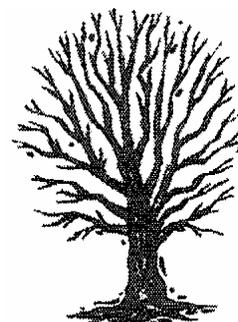
For brushing, begin with a clean work surface covered with a large sheet of paper. Wear a clean white cotton glove on one hand to hold the document in place during cleaning. Various tools may be employed: long-bristled soft brushes, dry-cleaning pads, and vinyl erasers. If a document is very large, use weights to hold it in place during cleaning.

Use soft long-bristled brushes as a first cleaning step. White bristles are best because it is easy to see when they are dirty and need to be washed. Begin in the center of the document and brush  
*(continued on page 10 "Quick-Tip")*

## First Jefferson County Land Records Posted on Website

Members/volunteers of the Dodge/Jefferson Counties Genealogical Society have started indexing every possible name contained within the massive collection of the Jefferson County Land Records. The first of such index entries has just been posted online at [http://www.dodgejeffgen.com/archive/LandRecordAbstracts\\_JeffersonCty.htm](http://www.dodgejeffgen.com/archive/LandRecordAbstracts_JeffersonCty.htm).

From "Out On a Limb", Dodge-Jefferson Counties Genealogical Society Newsletter, Aug. 2011, Vol. 26, No. 3, pg. 38.



## President's Message

Hello everyone,

As I'm sitting here working on this message, I can hear the grandstand program down at the Central Wisconsin State Fairgrounds. Also some of the yellow buses are starting to show up in the morning and afternoon. And of course, just about all the streets are torn up here in Marshfield...all signs that Fall is right around the corner. Hopefully, you did get a chance to do some research this summer. Butch & I were able to get to several family reunions and even get out and take some pictures of some of the family's gravesites.

Make sure that you check the calendar on the back of the newsletter as the order of the programs has changed a little. We've added in Holly Wolfram from the Marshfield Public Library so that everyone can learn how to use the new microfilm printer/reader. Noreen Moen will be taking us on a virtual trip to Ireland in January and Don Schnitzler will finally get to tell us about letter writing in February.

Also, don't forget to send Butch those digital gravestone images for the October meeting. Just send them to him at [schnitzler.donald@charter.net](mailto:schnitzler.donald@charter.net). If you don't have digital images, drop your pictures off at the house or call and we'll pick them up. He'll get them ready in a PowerPoint so everyone can see the images well. I have included a list of things to take with you to the cemetery (on the next page) when you do that cemetery research. It is also a good follow-up from our June meeting.

If you want to get out of the house and enjoy the Fall colors, consider attending the WSGS Fall Conference in Waukesha, WI on October 15, 2011. Additional information starts on page 8 of this newsletter. Hope to see you there!

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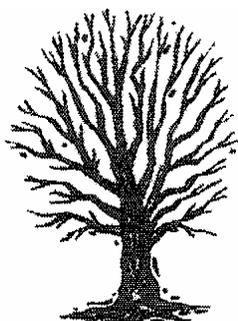
## 50 Best Genealogy Websites

Progenealogists.com recently released their list of 50 best genealogy websites. You can find the list and active links at <http://www.progenealogists.com/top50genealogy2011.htm>

From Douglas County Genealogy Newsletter, Vol. 6, #5, May 2011, pg.4.

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## MAGG Officers and Committees



President: [Vickie Schnitzler](#) (2013)

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Secretary: [Pat Breden](#) (2012)

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Program: [Don Schnitzler](#)

Membership: Lorraine Markee

(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.

## Your Cemetery Research Kit

Midge Frazel, instructor for the Family Tree University [Course Cemetery Research 101: Dig Up Your Family History](http://www.familytreeuniversity.com/course/cemetery-research-101-dig-up-your-family-history/), recommends putting together a small kit to grab before you head to the cemetery. Not only will you always be prepared, but you won't have to hunt down all the supplies before you go. Here's what she put in her kit:

- gravestone rubbing materials
- camera and extra batteries
- cell phone
- clipboard (with blank paper and cemetery transcription sheets)
- pen or pencil
- portable mirror to reflect light on a stone (a piece of cardboard with aluminum foil stretched over it also does the trick)
- gardener's kneeling pad
- spray bottle with clean water
- non-abrasive sponge or paper towel
- soft brush
- garden shears to trim weeds around stones
- trash bag for picking up trash in the cemetery
- small emergency kit with Band-Aids, antibiotic cream, bug spray and sunscreen
- extra pair of socks and sturdy footwear (cemetery research can be messy)



From [http://www.familytreeuniversity.com/cemetery-research-101-dig-up-your-family-history/?utm\\_source=ftupromo&utm\\_medium=ftunl&utm\\_campaign=ftdhftunl082211&et\\_mid=515582&rid=96467615](http://www.familytreeuniversity.com/cemetery-research-101-dig-up-your-family-history/?utm_source=ftupromo&utm_medium=ftunl&utm_campaign=ftdhftunl082211&et_mid=515582&rid=96467615)

## Welcome to Our New Members

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## Researching Civil War?

You must see this video. Many good suggestions on researching Civil War Pensions. It is presented by David Allen Lambert, a NEHGS lecturer. It contains slides of documents which he describes, emphasizing the value of each document and what can be found on it that you might not be aware of. Well worth your time!!

<http://nehgs.adobeconnect.com/pensionresearch>

## History of City School System (continued from previous issue)

By L. H. Dressendorfer

**“In order to eliminate duplication, decrease expenses and increase the efficiency of the schools, it was decided to consolidate the vocational school with the junior high school in as far as the law would allow.”**

### Article 21

*(from Marshfield NewsHerald, May 9, 1929, Pg. 4)*

In 1921 school taxes reached the high water mark. For the school year 1921-22 it was necessary to use \$130,046.39 to defray public school expenses. Of this amount \$109,571.39 had to be raised by local taxes. The industrial school asked for a tax levy of \$12,632 to carry on its work. In order to eliminate duplication, decrease expenses and increase the efficiency of the schools, it was decided to consolidate the vocational school with the junior high school in as far as the law would allow. The consolidation, was effected at a joint meeting of the industrial board of education and the Board of Education of District No. 1. The principal of the junior high school was also employed as director of the vocational school as well as principal of the junior high school. A saving of \$2,500 was effected by this move alone. As a result of greater efficiency in the schools it was only necessary to raise \$93,500 by taxation for the running of the schools in 1924 and \$2,000 for the vocational school.

The amount called for by the public school board included an expenditure of \$6,500 for an addition to the Grant School. This addition was to be used as a kindergarten for the north side of the city. This kindergarten had for two years been conducted in a room rented from the Catholic congregation. The new kindergarten was used for the first time in the fall of 1922.

A health program had been inaugurated in the schools in 1921 and in the fall of 1922 a school nurse was employed to more efficiently carry on this important phase of work. The nurse

not only spends her time in the public but parochial schools as well. Instruction in manual and domestic arts was provided for all the seventh and eighth grade parochial school children in the city in September 1922.

### Article 22

*(from Marshfield NewsHerald, May 10, 1929, Pg. 4)*

After the war it was decided to resume the courses in Agriculture in the high school. “In September 1919, these courses were started. This course grew to such an extent that on September 25, 1922 the course was recognized as qualifying under the Smith-Hughes Act.

In the fall of 1921 a special room for the instruction of exceptional children was organized. This movement gave the best possible instructions to all the children.

Courses in German were again offered in 1923 as there was a demand by various students for this instruction.

As early as 1913, C. W. Otto, then superintendent of schools, attempted to devise some means of stipulating thrift in the schools. Courses on thrift became a reality when the First National Bank engaged Thrift and a Company of Chicago to inaugurate their plan in all the schools of the city, both public and parochial. This was done at a large expense to the bank. Marshfield schools for some time topped the schools of the nation in this work. Recently this means of saving was discontinued at the bank.

At the close of the school year in 1923 Marshfield possessed a public school system employing a full time su-



Grant School, ca. 1910, located on corner of W. Doege Avenue, W. Cleveland Avenue and Oak Avenue. Built in 1903 as the First Ward School, it was renamed Grant School in 1906. The city of Marshfield razed the building in the 1960's.

## History of City School System (continued from previous page)

perintendent of schools, a senior high school principal, a junior high school principal, who also serves as director of vocational schools, two supervisors of physical education, one of music, one of drawing, a school nurse, four grade school principals, 29 high school teachers, 16 elementary and two kindergarten teachers making a total of 57 in the teaching force.

### Article 23

*(from Marshfield NewsHerald, May 11, 1929, Pg. 6)*

Two full time teachers are now employed in the vocational school under the consolidation plan. The cost of operating this school for the year 1922-23 was \$6,070.52. The tax levy was .0002 mills whereas the law allows a maximum of one and one-half mills. Ninety-eight boys and 78 girls attended this school eight hours a week. Seven boys and one girl were enrolled as apprentices and attended school four hours a week. The

evening school had an enrollment of 78 men and 98 women, a total of 176.

There were 42 boys and 38 girls enrolled in the kindergarten, 243 boys and 326 girls in the elementary grades, five boys and two girls in the school for the deaf. In the junior high school 160 boys and 174 girls were enrolled; in the senior high school 117 boys and 179 girls. A class of 29 boys and 45 girls graduated from the senior high school in June 1924. Six school buildings are now used to take care of the public school enrollment. At various times efforts have been made to change this but they were unsuccessful. At this very time the board of education is confronted with the problem of more schools to take care of the children. The growth of the city together with the increased popularity of higher education is bringing more and more children to the schools. It is evident that it is merely a matter of a short time before a definite building program will have to be launched.



McKinley School, ca. 1908, located on corner of W. Fifth Street and Oak Avenue. First opened doors Jan. 29, 1900. Destroyed by fire on Oct. 14, 1936.

***“The growth of the city together with the increased popularity of higher education is bringing more and more children to the schools.”***

## Genealogy Tips

- Keep a supply of genealogy articles with you for occasions when you have unexpected downtime.
- Consider your family traditions and ask questions about them. How and when did they begin? Who started them?
- Consider visiting a place where your ancestors lived, overseas or within your own country.
- Pass along the memories you’ve captured in your family history so future generation can enjoy your heritage as you have.
- When you hear an unsubstantiated family story, write it down, but be sure to note it as a tradition or legend rather than a fact.
- Learn the history of your family name. It could be patronymic (from the father’s name), occupational, a nickname, or a place name.
- If you haven’t figured out how to organize your research, try grouping everything by surname. Later you may want to further divide each surname into individual families.
- If you have several families that lived in the same area, you may prefer to organize your research by location rather than using the popular surname filing method.

*From “Pinery Pedigree”, Marathon County. Genealogical. Society. Newsletter, Vol. 37, #5, May-June 2011, pg. 29*

## Additional Websites

Free Access to Civil War Era Records—<https://www.familysearch.org/civil-war>. FamilySearch provides free access to millions of records from the time of the U.S. Civil War. Many of these records document events related to the war and its aftermath.

Mocavo.com—<http://mocavo.com/> The worlds largest free genealogy search engine, Mocavo.com, provides genealogists access to the best free genealogical content on the web including billions of names, dates and places worldwide. Mocavo.com seeks to index and make searchable all of the world's free genealogy information.

Kartenmeister.com—<http://www.kartenmeister.com/preview/databaseuwe.asp>—Is a comprehensive database search utility for locating places that were in the eastern part of the German Empire. All locations are EAST of the Oder and Neisse Rivers and are based on the borders of the eastern provinces in Spring 1918. Included in this database are the following provinces: East Prussia, including Memel, West Prussia, Brandenburg, Posen, Pomerania, and Silesia. It currently lists most towns or points, points being: Mills, some bridges, battlefields, named trees, cenotaphs, etc.

Minnesota Official Marriage System—This is an awesome site if you are looking for Minnesota marriages. It is searchable by bride and groom, just bride, just groom, by country, etc. There's also a listing that tells what years they have on line for which counties. Some counties appear not to have any on line right now. Some, when clicked on a name, will take you to a page where you can order a copy for \$9. Sure beats traveling there at the price of gas these days! <http://www.mncounty.com>.

*From Taylor County Genealogical Society Newsletter, Vol. 16, Is. 1, June 2011, pg. 3.*

## More Finnish Genealogy Resources

### Sideby Emigrant Tracking

- <http://www.sydney.eget.net/eng/nybond/nybond.htm>
- [http://www.sydney.eget.net/swe/emi\\_routes.htm](http://www.sydney.eget.net/swe/emi_routes.htm)
- [http://www.sydney.eget.net/emig/emig\\_runsor.htm](http://www.sydney.eget.net/emig/emig_runsor.htm)
- <http://www.sydney.eget.net/swe/departure.htm>

### Vora Emigration Center in Finland

- <http://www.emicenter.fi/>

### Finnish National Archives

- <http://www.arkisto.fi/en/aineistot/>

### The Finns in America

- <http://www.loc.gov/rr/european/FinnsAmer/finchro.html>

### Institute of Migration—Finland

- [http://www.migrationinstitute.fi/index\\_e.php](http://www.migrationinstitute.fi/index_e.php)

### DISBYT Finland

- [http://disbyt.dis.se/search\\_fi\\_index\\_e.htm](http://disbyt.dis.se/search_fi_index_e.htm)

*From Price County Genealogy Society Newsletter, Jan.—Apr. 2011, pg. 8.*



## European Emigration

The Historical Records site at <http://www.european-emigration.com> is a great general reference site for emigration resources dealing with England, France, Germany, Norway, Sweden and Italy.

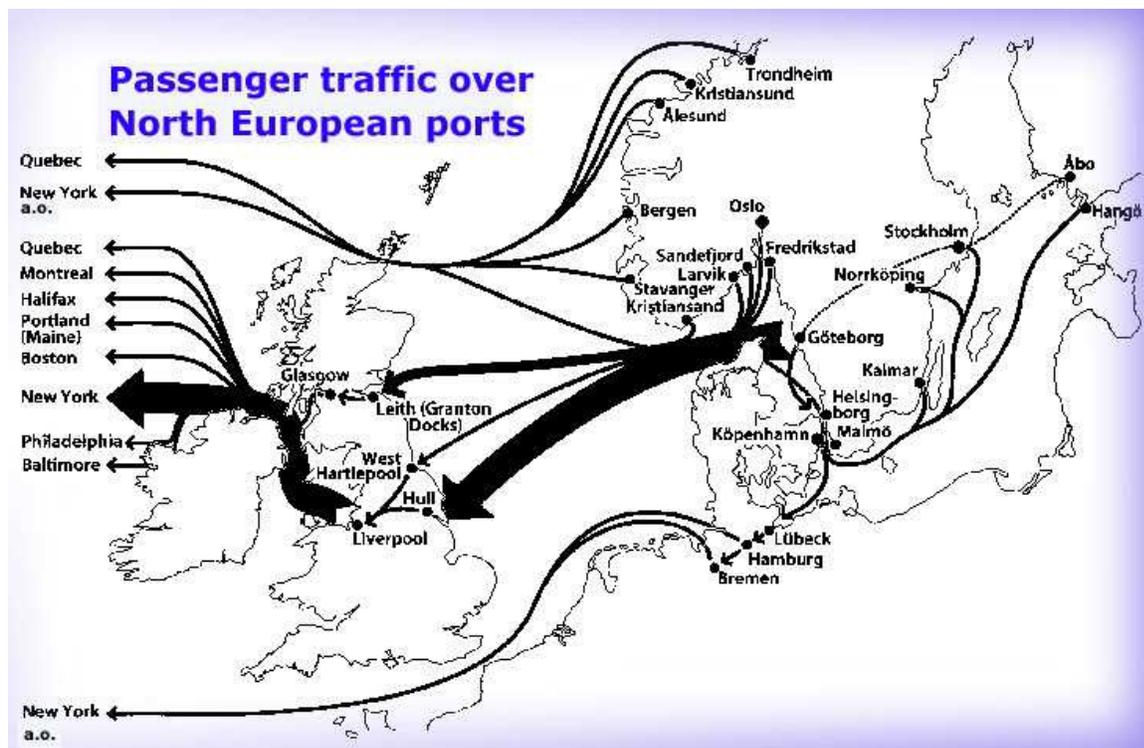
From Price County Genealogy Society Newsletter, Jan.—Apr. 2011, pg. 8.



## Scandinavian Emigrants

If your ancestors came from Scandinavia, the map below may depict their route of travel.

- Map below is: [http://www.sydaby.eget/swe/emi\\_routes.htm](http://www.sydaby.eget/swe/emi_routes.htm)
- DID YOU KNOW...
  - The majority of emigrants from Scandinavia traveled first to England via a small steamship, entering primarily at the port of Hull, then traveling by train to Liverpool and onward to various ports in North America.
  - Most early Scandinavia immigrants to America were listed as Swedish, but they were actually from Finland.



From Price County Genealogy Society Newsletter, Jan.—Apr. 2011, pg. 8.



**Wisconsin State Genealogical Society  
2011 Fall Seminar**

**Beyond the Basics**

Saturday, October 15, 2011 8:00 am to 4:00 pm  
Country Springs Hotel, Waukesha, WI

Hosted by the Waukesha County Genealogical Society

Featuring: **James L. Hansen, FASG**  
Reference Librarian & Genealogical Specialist at Wisconsin  
Historical Society

Speaking on:

**A New Look at an Old Source—Getting the Most from Census Records**  
**Genealogy in Alphabetical Order—Getting the Most from All Types of Indexes**  
**Naturalization Records and Passenger Lists**  
**What to Do When You Hit a Brick Wall**

**Lunch:** Deli Buffet: Ham, turkey, salami, beef, summer sausage and smoked turkey, sliced Wisconsin cheeses, tuna salad, relish tray with dill dip, seasonal deli salads, fresh seasonal fruit, lettuce, tomatoes, onions, potato chips, assorted breads, condiments, and coffee, tea or milk will be available for \$15.00.

**Hotel Room Rate:** \$119 plus tax for single & double occupancy, \$129 plus tax for single & double occupancy plus Water Park passes \$10 per additional adult per room. Rates include continental breakfast and wireless Internet.

Call 262-547-0201 or 800-247-6640 by September 14, 2011 for WSGS rates.

**WSGS 2011 FALL SEMINAR REGISTRATION FORM**

Please submit one form for EACH registrant (Photocopy if necessary)

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

Dietary or ADA requirements: \_\_\_\_\_

Questions? Please contact **Chris** at [wsgs@wsgs.org](mailto:wsgs@wsgs.org).

**Fall Seminar — Postmarked by September 30**

Regular Rate	\$ 62.00	_____
WSGS Rate	\$ 37.00	_____
Deli Buffet	\$ 15.00	_____
Print Syllabus	\$ 5.00	_____

**After September 30**

Regular Rate	\$ 72.00	_____
WSGS Rate	\$ 47.00	_____
Print Syllabus	\$ 5.00	_____

Individual WSGS Membership	\$ 20.00	_____
Family WSGS Membership	\$ 22.00	_____
Youth (under 25)	\$ 10.00	_____
Print Newsletter	\$ 12.00	_____

**TOTAL MONIES DUE** \_\_\_\_\_

\*\*\*\*Please note if you are not a current member you can become a member with this form and pay the WSGS member rate!

\*\*\*\*Everyone receives a confirmation. Email is preferred but if you do not have email it will be sent via US Postal Service.

Please make checks payable to "WSGS"

Mail form and check to:

**WSGS FALL SEMINAR  
PO BOX 5106  
MADISON, WI 53705-0106**



**Forest History Association of Wisconsin  
36th Annual Meeting  
September 15—17, 2011  
Holiday Inn Conference Center, Marshfield, Wisconsin**

The three day event includes unique tours, living history presentations, special lectures, and musical entertainment that are sure to make this an enjoyable and educational event. Complete details for all events can be found under the heading of News and Events, 36<sup>th</sup> Annual meeting of FHAW... at <http://www.chipsandsawdust.com/>.

Events of interest to Marshfield community residents include the following:

**Thursday, September 15th**

The opening banquet and first living history presentation will be held at the Historic Parkin Place, 108 West Ninth Street in Marshfield beginning at 5:30 p.m. Attendees will order from a special FHAW menu selected from West 14<sup>th</sup>'s regular menu items. Following the dinner, FHAW member, Sterling Strathe, will perform as "Lumberjack Louie." Sterling created the character of "Lumberjack Louie" a few years ago to teach forestry to school children. But, why should the kids have all the fun? Louie's program is full of Wisconsin logging history and lumberjack tales so you will find it both informative and entertaining. And just like the school children, when the program is complete, you will remember what Louie had to tell you. Tickets cost just \$35 for the entire evening of dinner and performance. Tickets for the performance are available for \$12.50. Pre-registration is required.

**Friday, September 16<sup>th</sup>**

A Marshfield-style "Taste of History" dinner at the Chestnut Center for the Arts, 208 South Chestnut Avenue, kicks off a second night of fine dining and entertainment. Living history presentations during the family-style dinner will feature appearances by two noteworthy former Marshfield residents, the honorable William D. Connor and Mary C. Upham. Mr. Connor and Mrs. Upham will share their stories and some of Marshfield's community history immediately following dinner.

After dinner, in the Chestnut Center Performance Hall, singer and guitar player Brian Miller, accompanied by Randy Gosa on banjo, breath new life into the long-forgotten music of early logging camps. Brian performs top-notch music from an under appreciated branch of the Irish tradition. The show will provide a glimpse of what life was like up north during the late 19<sup>th</sup> century. Tickets for the dinner, living history presentations and the Brian Miller performance are \$30. Tickets for the Brian Miller performance only are \$10 advance through the Chestnut Avenue Center for the Arts or \$12.50 at the door.

**Saturday, September 17th**

On Saturday, the meeting will continue at the Marshfield Public Library, 211 East Second Street. John Berg, a relative of a former Marshfield blacksmith, will share tales of blacksmithing in the lumber camps and in logging towns during the 1880s and 90s. He will be followed by Don Schnitzler, who will highlight historic activities and opportunities in the Marshfield area.

After a short break, Mary J. Schueller, author of the book "Soldier of Poverty," a tribute to the men of the Civilian Conservation Corps will join us for the final conference presentation. Ms. Schueller will share stories of the human spirit triumphing through courage and perseverance, and the honor that came with performing one's duties above and beyond the ordinary. Enjoy this historic journey and what these remarkable men accomplished in Illinois, Wisconsin and Michigan during the Great Depression.

Presentations at the Marshfield Public Library are sponsored jointly by the Forest History Association of Wisconsin and the Marshfield Public Library Foundation. These events are open to the public and free to attend.

For additional information or tickets call Don Schnitzler at 715-387-4044 or email him at [schnitzler.donald@charter.net](mailto:schnitzler.donald@charter.net). Dinner tickets need to be ordered by September 7th, 2011.



## For Your Information



- The National Archives has made Civil War Draft Registration Records available online at Ancestry.com.
- 14 million new records from Belgium, Canada, Chile, England, Netherlands and Slovakia have been added at FamilySearch.org.



From "Pinery Pedigree", *Marathon County Genealogical Society Newsletter*, Vol. 37, #5, May-June 2011, pg. 29 and 31.

### "Quick-Tip" Continued from pg.1

surface dirt toward the edges. Continue this process over the entire document. Many times, brushing is the only cleaning method necessary.

If dirt remains and the document is strong enough, use a dry cleaning pad to remove more unwanted particles. Dry cleaning pads are small bags of art gum eraser particles. Deposit the eraser particles onto the document by squeezing and kneading the pad. Squeeze a small number of particles onto the dirty part of the document. Then use the tips of the middle and index fingers to gently rub the particles in a circular motion. The eraser particles darken as they pick up loose dirt. Carefully but thoroughly brush the eraser particles from the document so that they do not adhere to it. If this method does not remove sufficient dirt, use a Magic Rub eraser.

Magic Rub erasers only should be used as a last resort. Clean only the portion of the document containing the surface dirt. Use, short, light, one-directional strokes to remove the dirt. Brush the particles away before moving on to another area of the document. Because this cleaning method is more abrasive than previous methods described, take care to avoid damaging the document's surface. If surface dirt cannot be removed by a Magic Rub eraser, leave the document as is.

Most all of one's cleaning products can be purchased at art supply stores.

From *Genealogy Gems: News from the Fort Wayne Library*, No. 87, May 31, 2011.

### Tombstones Equipped with Latest Technology

Imagine being able to find out everything you need to know about a long lost relative—pictures, video and complete life story—equipped with nothing but a smart phone. "The possibility that many people can make sure that your story, the story of your life and your contributions and your ancestors, lives on is huge," Curt Witcher, manager of Indiana's Allen County Genealogy Center, said.

It's now possible thanks to a new device called a memory medallion. Just use your phone or computer to enter the URL and six-digit code and learn about the deceased person's life, genealogy, pictures, video, and even a map with the grave's location.

"There's space for all kinds of data, and we know it'll only get better. One of the neat things from a consumer point of view is that the price continues to drop," Ron Stanley of R&T Monuments said. "Headstones or monuments just have a name and a date. Now there is a choice."

"I see in the future, many genealogists, and even non-genealogists that just want to leave something of themselves for their children and grandchildren and great-grandchildren, I see it really catching on as something that can live on after you're gone," Witcher said.

The applications can extend far beyond a cemetery. Imagine them on monuments, landmarks, in museums and at libraries.

From "Out On a Limb", *Dodge-Jefferson County Genealogical Society Newsletter*, Aug. 2011, Vol. 26, No. 3, pg. 47.

## Summary from MAGG's July 28, 2011 Meeting

Below is the handout Jen shared with members during her presentation. Great directions and good additional sources at the bottom of the page. Thanks, Jen for letting us use your handout!

### Bas-Rhin Archives Instructions and Resources

By Jen Witzel

How to access the archives and records:

Go to <http://archives.bas-rhin.fr/>

Select the British flag icon to the left of the screen

Select "access to online records" at bottom center of page

Terms and Conditions page: select "j'accept ces conditions" at bottom of page

Choose the format in which to view the records – I recommend "la version adaptee"

Choose the village (commune) to research by typing the name in the box, or choose by selecting the first letter of the name of the village and then select from the drop down menu that appears

Choose the type of records to research: Parish Records include baptism, marriage, burial and Civil Records include birth, marriage, death, Jewish registers from 1808, and white records

Select "Rechercher" to view records available within search criteria

Select a group of records to view by clicking on the "purple book" to the left of the screen

Record will open to first page and can be navigated by using arrow at bottom left, or by using slide bar at bottom right

Use toolbars to change contrast or magnification of record and to label and print record

Resources:

Wikipedia:

[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Main\\_Page](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Main_Page)

Reading handwritten documents:

<http://www.nationalarchives.gov.uk/palaeography/>

<https://www.familysearch.org/learn/researchcourses>

Translation pages:

[http://www.latinphrasetranslation.com/translators/latin\\_to\\_english](http://www.latinphrasetranslation.com/translators/latin_to_english)

<http://translation.babylon.com/french/to-english/>

French Republican Calendar:

<http://members.cox.net/smithgen/sources/lang/frenchrepcal.htm>

[http://www.napoleon.org/en/essential\\_napoleon/calendar/index.asp](http://www.napoleon.org/en/essential_napoleon/calendar/index.asp)

Other archives in Alsace- Lorraine:

(haut rhin) <http://www.archives.cg68.fr/>

(moselle) <http://www.archives57.com/frontSite?controller=ViewPage&id=archives>

(meurthe et moselle) <http://www.archives.cg54.fr/archives/>

(Vosges) <http://www.vosges-archives.com/source.html>

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## Upcoming Meetings

**Sept. 22, 2011 New Digital Reader/Printer Demonstration**– Holly Wolfram of the Marshfield Public Library will be demonstrating their newest piece of equipment to help you with your genealogical research. The new digital reader/printer has many features to clean up and sharpen microfilm images and several saving options such as being able to email images to your home computer or to save to a flashdrive.

**Oct. 27, 2011 Graveyards and Gravestones** – members share photographs and stories of their favorite family resting places. If you have an image of a unique stone or story to tell, please send a digital image to Don Schnitzler, ([schnittzler.Donald@charter.net](mailto:schnitzler.Donald@charter.net)) He will place it in a PowerPoint presentation to project as you share your story. If you don't have a digital image, just get him a copy of the picture by September and the photo will be scanned for the presentation and original returned at the October meeting.

**November/December No Meetings.** Enjoy spending time with your families on Thanksgiving and Christmas

*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, except August (traditionally our group picnic) and November & December (no meetings) unless otherwise specified.*



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