



THE GREEN COUNTY GENEALOGIST

Calendar



Meetings

Meetings are held at the Monroe, WI Public Library at 10:00 a.m. on the first Saturday of the month.

May 06 — “Growing Up As A Teen During The Blitz” by Joy Aavang, author.

June 03—”Peck-a-ton-oka” by Jeanette Hartman.

July 01— Members Show and Share Family Heirlooms and Stories

August 05—”Marriage Records and Where to Find Them” by Sharon Mitchell

Sept— 02 Great Grandpa Gerdinand Strief in the Civil War’ by Peter Ott.

Oct 07 —GCGS Workshop with featured speaker Maureen Brady

Nov 04—”Why and How to Join a Lineage Society” - A panel discussion with members.

Dec 02—”Unique Cookie Cutters” by Dr. Gary Oldenburg

Field Trips

Please join us in the following field trips!!

June 3 after the meeting we will be car-pooling to one of the historical societies in the area.

Field Trips

July 1 after the meeting, another historical society in the area. GCGS??

July 13 Wisconsin State Historical Society for a day of research – Car pool

August 5 In place of meeting, will be touring Apple River Heritage sites at Elizabeth, IL

August 10 Max Kade, Madison for a tour and possible research day.

September 14 to be confirmed – Platteville, Area Research Center for tour and research.

Please let us know if you are interested and we hope to see you along the research trail.



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President's Column

I'm sure all of us have experienced topsy-turvy or especially busy seasons of our lives. I have found myself in one of those seasons and it seems I can't stop the demands until it's over. Being a person who likes to have margin in my life this season has it difficult days and my margins have been squished very thin. But it has had the benefit of creating a deep appreciation for all the work everyone does for the Society to operate. Thank goodness it does not depend on one person. I would like to extend a thank you and appreciation to the many members who volunteer their time....

Donna Kjendlie, our Librarian – Some days I believe she is the glue that keeps us all together. She definitely keeps the Research Center operating smoothly plus being involved in many projects.

Sharon Mitchell, our Program Chairperson – We have had some wonderful programs in the last few months that have drawn crowds of 40 – 60 people to hear the presentations.

Sherry Anderegg, our financial secretary – She has taken on a job that not many want to do besides the other projects she is doing at the Center.

Judy Huber, secretary – She does so much more than just take minutes. Whatever information needs to get to the membership we can depend on Judy to get it out.

Deb Trail – You wouldn't be reading this newsletter if it wasn't for her. And she keeps us in line for getting things to her in a timely manner.

Evelyn Crooks – We can depend on Evelyn and Judy H. to handle the queries and work with the researchers who come to the Center

President's Column—contd

She is ready to stand in for me when I am unable to lead a meeting.

Susie Rufener, Hospitality Chairperson – Not only does she greet people at our meetings, she gets everything ready that needs to be taken to the meeting. She is in the Research Center each week sorting obituaries and working faithfully on her projects.

Bill Holland is our jack-of-all-trades. He is so willing to help with whatever we need, whether it is scanning marriage documents or redesigning the Research Center. He can reach the top shelves and never complains (much) when asked to move something we ladies are unable to move it.

Wendy Trost – She helps with indexing of obituaries and has been my big helper at learning to update the website. That has been a huge lift for me especially during this season.

Alex Sutter, our student genealogist – He is so willing to handle any project we ask him to do and run errands for us...like getting lunch.

Nancy Pratt and any others who have been willing to scan the marriage documents. It can be a boring project doing the same thing over and over.

Indexers – We have many volunteers who are doing indexing from home, especially on our project to digitize marriages. Thank you to Sandy W, Sandy C, Kathy W, Megan, Marge, Paula, Dave W and there may be others. We wouldn't be able to move forward in our projects without you.

And there are others such as 'Nita Halverson (board of directors), Jerry Stabler (Sergeant

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President's Column—contd

at Arms), Lillian Slocum and all our members, many who have donated financially, who make this organization work so smoothly.

A big "THANK YOU" to all of you who make my job much easier. I hope I have forgotten no one because you are all our appreciated. If your name was missed on my list let me know and I will give a big thanks to you in my next column.

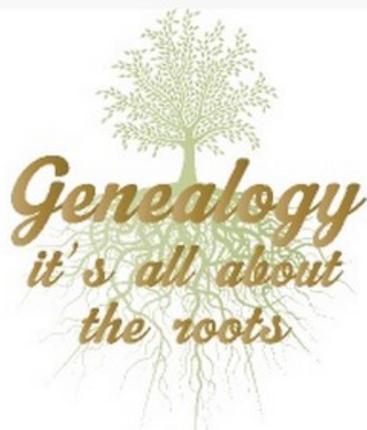
Ginny Gerber, President



Apologies

In our last newsletter in the Postcard Challenge the second postcard was misidentified. It should have said New Glarus.

Also the Sept meeting was led by Fridolin Streiff.



Shelf Linings

Spring has sprung in Wisconsin. We can tell by the amount of visitors coming to our library.

We have had 46 researcher so far this year. All are anxious to find their families.

Our catalog is growing with family genealogies and now number 156. We are now at 1800 catalogued entries, with several more ready to be entered.

It is exciting to see our holdings growing and being used. We are having more growing pains.

By the next newsletter, we hope to have a new system up and running. Through the graciousness of one of our volunteers, he has obtained a space saving system that will hold a great amount of our holdings.

Of course, it will require us to do some major moving of books and file cabinets. We have been looking for a way to conserve space and feel that this might do the trick.

We still invite you to check out our circulation books. There are also duplicate books that might be of interest to you.

SPRING SALE***** 25% OFF OF AVAILABLE BOOKS AND CD'S. CHECK TO SEE AVAILABLE INVENTORY

Let us know what you would like to see added to our library for your use.

Enjoy the summer and hope you have a victorious genealogy experience.

Donna Kjendlie
GCGS Librarian



THE FAMILY TREE

by Tracey Gates Hill

All that we are, and all that we'll be
Has been passed down the family tree

All that we've learned and all that we teach
Was given to us, so our goals we could reach

Our thoughts and our feelings that come
from within
Were developed by watching what our relatives did.

The success that we have with us today
Came from love and support we felt every day

To know, to love, to respect one another
Were taught to us by you, grandmothers.

We are all so different and yet all the same
There's a core that binds us, a strong family name.

When we gaze in the mirror, whom do we see?
It's a mixture looking back from the family tree

From children to parents, the cycle goes on
From grandparents to parents, we pass the baton

We now deliver to the next generation
How to live and laugh and enjoy the celebration

What you have started will live on forever
The importance of family and being together.

For all that we are and all that we'll be
We need to thank the top of the tree.

NOTE: *Sherry Anderegg found this poem included with the obituary of Mrs. Margaret Rollins (1909-2002).*

Pomerania Topic of March Meeting

From Pomerania to America was the subject covered by Antje Petty in March. Antje is the Associate Director of Max Kade Institute for German-American Studies of UW Madison. They hold the largest collection of German-language publications printed in America. Their library contains background information and family histories. It is open Monday through Friday to the public, but she suggested emailing before coming up. (GCGS has a field trip to Max Kade planned in August. Watch the newsletter and website for details.)

Pomerania means "land by the sea." It was part of the Prussia and roughly the size of Maryland (11,600 square miles). Antje gave us the history of the area beginning before 500 A.D. with the Germanic and Scandinavian tribes. During the 30 Year War (1618-1648), Pomerania tried to remain neutral. However, their land became a battleground as it was situated between the opponents. Two thirds of the population and much of their buildings and crop land were lost. Pomerania went from an agrarian society to an estate economy as the peasants' lands turned into estates with the peasants subjugated to the owners. In 1815 there were only 73 towns and cities in the province of Pomerania. Serfdom was abolished in 1810, although not totally gone until the reforms of 1850. In 1815, 80% worked the land. By 1882, this had dropped to 50% with the numbers in crafts, small industry, and trade increasing. In 1817 (200-year anniversary of Martin Luther reformation), there was forced union of the Evangelical and Lutheran churches. The German Empire was created in 1871. After WWI, Pomerania was part of the new German Republic. It became part of the German Democratic Republic after WWII. In 1990, the eastern part of Pomerania went to Poland and the western part became a state of the Federal Republic of Germany. Contd.

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Before 1844 there was little overseas migration. Most migration took place within Europe. Between 1844 and 1914, over 300,000 left for North America, Australia, Brazil, South Africa, Central America, and other European countries. The Brazilian government paid passage for a while. 1880-1885 was the peak of the migration with 1.25% of the population leaving each year. These were mostly single people who may have worked in another place to earn money for their passage. Emigrants were “pushed” by the economy, lack of work opportunities, local regulations, and church politics. They were “pulled” by land and employment opportunities, social incentives, encouragement of family members and neighbors who had previously emigrated, and the lowering cost and ease of travel. Emigrating Pomeranians were required to sign for their families that they were leaving and renouncing their Pomeranian citizenship and all the rights of Prussian subjects. These documents are found in family papers as they were carried by the emigrants and acted as visas. (There are some copies in the Prussian archives.) The journey for those leaving in the 1850’s would have started with a horse and wagon trip of two to three days to get to the port. Most emigrants left from either Hamburg or Bremen. They would be on a sailing ship for five to ten weeks. It would take an additional two to three weeks by train, river boat, and/or lake schooner to get from New York to Milwaukee.

Antje provided a handout of many websites to use for our genealogical research. A copy is located in our subject file. She advised us to look for original documents rather than transcriptions and to exhaust all sources in America first. Learning the town of origin is essential before researching in Europe.

Pomerania—contd

Remember your ancestors may have moved around Europe before crossing the Atlantic. The date of immigration is more important than finding the ship name. There were no civil birth records before 1860. Any records were located in the churches. Record standards weren’t established until 1874-1880. Be aware there were no spelling rules for names. They were written as they sounded - to the person doing the writing. Many families used the same names over and over. Each person may have several first names and then go by a “ruf name” that might be different from the others. Many places in Germany, Prussia, and Pomerania had/have the same names. These names often changed as the borders and governments changed. Some no longer exist.

Our Research Center has many resources to help with your German research. These include Wendy Uncapher’s books which show the boundary changes throughout time and have the reasons for the changes. There are maps and many other resources as well. The current bulletin board shows some of the Germanic boundary changes.

By: Sharon Mitchell



Antje Perry speaking with members

Submit Your Names in Green County

Submit your names for the column of "Looking for".

Send your Green County names (and years) to info@greencogenealogywi.com with subject line NEWSLETTER.

Remembering Our Moms

by Ginny Gerber

For most of us Mother's Day only holds the memories of our moms. For my mom that was especially poignant as she lost her mom when she was only 10. When I went through my parent's estate I found a homemade booklet of poems my mother had made for her mother after her death. I don't know how many of the poems were original but this one was written by my mom to her mom, Carrie Tews Baars, a grandmother I never knew.

Mother
Since from this earth you have gone,
And all the time for you I've longed.
But many times I've dreamed of you,
And I hope they all come true.

Carol (Baars)

I believe we can all share the sentiments of this poem in her booklet:

For Mother
Treasured in my heart of hearts
Are loving thoughts of you –
There each joy we share lives on,
To gladden me anew.
For Mother, all through life you'll be,
The one who means the most to me.

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Old Postcards/Photos

Do you have old photos or postcards you'd love to share with us, please submit them to DLB56@aol.com. And if you have a current picture of the old location that would be fun to share to.

Can I Use That In My Genealogy? What You Should Know About Copyright

What Is Copyright?

"Copyright is a form of protection grounded in the U.S. Constitution and granted by law for original works of authorship fixed in a tangible medium of expression. Copyright covers both published and unpublished works."

The paragraph above is from the U.S. Copyright Office's Frequently Asked Questions about Copyright webpage at <http://www.copyright.gov/help/faq/>. It is a general statement as to what copyright covers here in the United States. But as they say, "the Devil is in the details," and understanding exactly what is and isn't covered and what you can and can't use as a genealogist, requires quite a bit of guidance. Contd.

Can I Use That In My Genealogy? contd

General Copyright Do's and Don'ts

- **Assume everything is copyrighted.** This is the best approach and until you can prove that either the work a) is in the public domain, royalty free or covered by a special license; or b) can be used according to Fair Use provisions; or c) can be used through permission or a licensing fee, then don't use it.
- **When in doubt, research or ask.** Use the Resources below or ask the owner of the work if and how the work can be used. Ignorance is not a valid excuse.
- **Cite your sources.** Not only do source citations serve you as a genealogist and help improve the research process, for Fair Use purposes you should make clear the name of the work, the author and all pertinent details in your citation.

Don't fall pretty to "copyright urban legends." Misinformation abounds when it comes to copyright and especially which works can and can't be used and how. Educating yourself is protecting yourself.

Resources

Attribution: It's The Right Thing To Do
<http://tarletonlibrary.blogspot.com/2014/07/attribution-its-right-thing-to-do.html>

Compendium II of Copyright Office Practices
[http://www.copyrightcompendium.com/#202.02\(b\)](http://www.copyrightcompendium.com/#202.02(b))

Copy Right, Copy Sense
<http://www.pddoc.com/copyright/index.html>

Copyright Curiosities – The Legal Genealogist
<http://www.legalgenealogist.com/blog/2014/08/07/copyright-curiousities/>

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Copyright Genie
<http://librarycopyright.net/resources/genie/>

Copyright Watch
<http://www.copyright-watch.org>

Creative Commons
<http://creativecommons.org>

Electronic Frontier Foundation – Legal Guide for Bloggers
<http://www.eff.org/issues/bloggers/legal/liability/IP>

Is It Protected By Copyright?
<http://librarycopyright.net/digitalslider/>

Mistake or Misdemeanor?
<http://learn.ancestry.com/LearnMore/Article.aspx?id=1557>

Stanford University Libraries – Copyright & Fair Use
<http://fairuse.stanford.edu>

The Copyright Quandary and Copyright Myths
<http://www.costcoconnection.com/connection/201304?pg=27#pg27>

The Practical (non-Legal) Guide to Curation and Copyrights
<http://blog.shareist.com/is-curated-content-a-copyright-issue/>

U.S. Copyright Office FAQs
<http://www.copyright.gov/help/faq/>

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Postcard Challenge #1 from March-April 2017 Issue. This is how it looks in 2017.

These are the “winners’ of our challenge:

Hello from the Brodhead Historical Society!

Members have received your Mar/Apr 2017 newsletter, and have answered the Postcard Challenge #1! Credit goes to Polly Weeden for recognizing the building, and to Betty Earleywine for researching and finding an excellent updated picture!

Attached is a photo of the Terry-Amerpohl Building on Main and Exchange Street, Brodhead - with more buildings around it as Brodhead's business district expanded.

The picture appeared in the April 15, 1965 Brodhead Independent-Register, and has a little write-up underneath.

Incidentally, the December 2016 window display in the Consigny Law Office window, prepared by Polly and Betty, featured clothing that would have been on display at the Terry-Amerpohl clothing store. One of the items in the display window was a 1907 newspaper ad for furs and clothing available from Terry & Amerpohl.

The building is now owned by Glenn and Kathy Condon, and currently houses a martial arts studio. On its south exterior wall there is a mural of a Brohead train depot scene.

Thursday, April 15, 1965



BRODHEAD STREET SCENE—This picture was brought to our office by Mrs. Nell Emminger, a Brodhead business woman for many years until she retired a few years ago. The brick building at the far right housed the post office. On the left is the department store building now owned by Mr. and Mrs. Robert Engl of Matland, Fla., at Brodhead, and at the extreme left is the Bethlehem Lutheran Church whose members are now launching a new building program.

Postcard Challenge—contd



These photos were submitted by Evelyn Crooks of the former Amerpohl Building in Downtown Brodhead. The mural on the south side of the building is the first that Brodhead has dedicated to history of the city.

The building is currently used for yoga and Jitsu classes with apartments on the upper level.



GREEN COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY PUBLICATIONS

Quantity	Publication	CD	Book
	1852 Militia Lists		\$5
	Naturalization Book One CD only	\$15	
	1873 Green County Atlas with index	\$15	\$15
	1877 History of Green County, WI.,		\$30
	1877 History of Green County, WI., Index only		\$15
	1884 Green County History CD only	\$15	
	1885 Monroe City Directory	\$15	\$15
	1913 Commemorative History of Green Co Bios and Index EACH Vol		\$30
	1913 Commemorative History Of Green County Bios and Index 2 vol		\$55
	Prairie Farmer's Reliable Directory of Farmers & Breeders of Green County, WI 1919		\$12.50
	2000-2005 Monroe Times Obituaries	\$15	
	Green Co Genealogical Newsletters 2001-2012 with Index coming soon	\$15	
	Juda Facts and Photos reprinted from original 1975 version and includes index		\$10
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	Adam Township Cemeteries	\$15	\$20
	Cadiz Township Cemeteries, revised edition 2013	\$15	\$15
	Calvary, Old Calvary, Poor Farm Cemeteries	\$15	\$25
	Clarno Cemetery Transcriptions	\$15	\$15
	Exeter Cemetery Transcriptions		\$15
	Greenwood Cemetery – Brodhead inscriptions	\$15	\$35
	Greenwood Cemetery, Monroe inscriptions	\$15	\$35
	Lewis-Jordan Cemeteries	\$15	\$15
	Monroe-Washington Twnshp Cemeteries – transcriptions	\$15	\$15
	Mt. Hope Cemetery Photos - Spring Grove tnsHP	\$15	\$35
	Mt Pleasant Township Cemeteries- Highland, Zwinglii, Truax, Trumpy	\$15	\$20
	Mt Vernon Cemetery – Juda	\$15	\$20
	Spring Grove Cemeteries-Transcriptions	\$15	\$15
	Spring Grove Township Cemeteries, Photos	\$15	\$25
	Twin Grove Cemetery, Photos, Jefferson Tnsp	\$15	\$25
	Union/Oakley Cemetery Photos	\$15	\$35

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Your surnames _____

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