



KITH AND KIN

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APOLOGY

We are sorry that this issue of Kith and Kin is late. While we are taking steps to rectify the problems, you should expect a delay in the next few issues also.

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BOARD OF DIRECTORS TO MEET

A meeting of the MAGG Board of Directors will be held immediately following the March meeting. All board members should attend.

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RESEARCH TRIP TO STATE HISTORICAL SOCIETY LIBRARY, MADISON

On Saturday, April 1, the Marshfield Area Genealogy Group will spend a day at the State Historical Society Library at Madison. A car pool will leave the southwest corner of Northway Mall at 6 a.m. sharp and return about 9:30 p.m.

The round trip fare will be about \$10. Those persons interested in attending are asked to sign up at the February meeting or by calling Lou Hacker evenings at 387-6979.

RESEARCHING THE WOOD COUNTY COURT HOUSE

On Thursday Feb. 23, 1989 at 7 p.m. Emil F. Krause, Jr., will discuss court house records with particular reference to the Wood County Court House. What is there? Where do you need to go to find it?

Emil is treasurer of the Wisconsin Genealogical Council and past president of the Heart O' Wisconsin Genealogical Society

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BACK TO THE BASICS

The back to the basics series is beginning to wind down. This series of presentations has been well received by the group. Topics have included: Basic Genealogy Forms, Basic Sources of Genealogical Research, and Basic use of Census Records. Up coming topics include: Researching the Wood County Court House, and Telephone Book Correspondence. We thank Vickie (Hasz) Schnitzler for putting together this fine program.

If you have any suggestions for topics or speakers for future meetings please let one of the board members know.

President's Message

Dear Friends,

Having the opportunity to pickup the group's mail also gives me the chance to read a number of the newsletters that we receive. A number of items caught my attention. The first article was in Pinery Pedigree of the Marathon County Genealogical Society, Volume 15:3, January/February 1989, page 8 where they were talking about Family Reunions. This article was entirely miscellaneous notes from the joint meeting held in Marshfield "some time back."

The second article was in Gems of Genealogy of the Bay Area Genealogical Society, Volume XIV:5, November-December 1988, page 3. Mary Ann Defnet reviewed the Gene-A Rama presentation, "How to Rejuvenate Your Society" given by Don Schnitzler. It is nice to hear good comments about things that members of our group have done

Two of the newsletters had items about the need for a new newsletter editor. We also need a new newsletter editor. Anyone willing to serve in this capacity, please, let me know.

The spring research field trip to the Wisconsin State Historical Society Library at Madison has been scheduled for April 1, 1989. Further details are included in this news letter. If you are interested in going, please sign up at the February meeting.

The National Genealogical Society "Conference in the States" is in St. Paul, Minnesota on May 17-20, 1989. The admission fee is about eighty dollars. This is probably the only time in the near future that this meeting will be in the midwest. Further information and application forms will be foud later in this issue.

The 1989 Gene-A-Rama will be September 15-16 at The Valley Inn, corner of Wisconsin and Walnut Street, Neenah, Wisconsin 54956 [telephone (414)725-8441]. Further information will be available in the spring. Mark your calendar with dates.

Also, mark your calendar with the dates of upcoming meetings of the group as listed on the last page of this issue of the newsletter. Then you can plan ahead to be there. You may wish to do this now before you forget.

Good luck organizing your ancestors!

As Always.

Lou H.

QUERIES

The Kith and Kin will publish queries of 30 words or less without charge for members of the Marshfield Area Genealogy Group. Queries for non-members will be published for \$1. Submit your query on a separate sheet of paper with your name and address. The Kith and Kin reserves the right to edit queries and assumes no responsibility for their accuracy.

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BIEVER- BEVER- BEAVER- BODEN- ENDERS- REHBERG- WELLER

Need death date and place, burial place for Elizabeth (Weller) BIEVER/BEVER, born about 1800, widow of Johann BIEVER who was born in Borg, Saarland. Last record 1870 U.S. Census, Wisconsin, Washington County, Addison township, page 23 with Peter BEAVER (wife and children) and Elizabeth, age 70, born Prussia. Children: Anna ENDERS, Mathias, Catherine REHBERG, Christina BODEN, John, and Peter (BEVER), later in Marshfield.

Contact: Phyllis M. Falcao
10109 Leder Road
Silver Spring, MD 20902
(301) 681-5675

BOYD- WHIPPLE

Interested in finding information on Harriet (Mary) BOYD born about 1847, NY. She married a Mr. Whipple of Spencer.

Contact: Cathy Kuhl
2210 N. 6th Steet
North St. Paul, MN 55109

MELCHER

Seeking any information on Harry MELCHER, b. about 1895 Milwaukee, WI, who came to Marshfield in 1936 with Weinbrenner

Shoe Co. Also seeking information on Harry's two married sons Donald E. (Delores) and Harvey E. (Gladys). Donald's and Harvey's families lived in Marshfield.

Contact: Arthur E. Wichtel
N86 W17134 Hillcrest Dr.
Menomonee Falls, WI 53051

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MARSHFIELD AREA GENEALOGY GROUP LIBRARY POLICY

The Marshfield Area Genealogy Group's library maintains a collection of published and unpublished works relevant to genealogy and local history. Our current loan policy is that these books may be checked out by members for 30 days or until the next meeting date. This policy has worked well so far. However, a number of books have been checked out of the library for a much more extended time, some of which, others are waiting to use. It would be appreciated if anyone holding books for more than the thirty day loan period would return the books to the group's library. Remember, the library is a benefit of membership that we share with every other member. Be courteous to one another by getting our library books back to the library on time so they are available for others to use.

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RED & WHITE LABELS

The group is still collecting Red & White labels. They can be dropped off at each meeting.

SOME PUBLISHERS WHO PRINT FAMILY HISTORIES

At the January meeting of the group suggestions were made to inquire of various local printers or to put together a photocopied genealogy. In addition, you may wish to obtain information from other publishers who have printed family histories. Some publishers who print family histories are listed below:

Admundsen's
108 Washington St.
Box 230 H
Decorah, IA 52101
[Genealogies and local histories,
Author's kit available.]

Gateway Press, Inc.
[Genealogical Publishing Co.,
Inc.]
1001 N. Calvert St.
Baltimore, MD 21202-3897
(301) 837-8271
[Desire widely distributed books.]

Heart of the Lakes Publishing
[2989 Lodi Road]
P.O. Box 299
Interlaken, NY 14847
(609) 532-4997
[Genealogies and local histories]

Heritage Books, Inc.
1540E Pointer Ridge Place
Suite 107
Bowie, MD 20716
[One name family histories and
local histories, coop advertizing,
and they also sell books already
printed.]

You may also wish to check recent issues of The Genealogical Helper for the names of other printers and publishers. You will want to write to ask for information before asking for a quotation.

INFORMATION THAT YOU SHOULD HAVE BEFORE ASKING A PRINTER FOR A QUOTE

At the January meeting Vicky Johnson suggested that before you start asking a printer for a quote, you should have some idea of what you want. Otherwise you will not be able to compare the quotations. The questions that you should have written answers for include:

1. The number of pages?
2. Printed on one or both sides?
3. What type of paper?
[Acid free paper costs more.]
4. How many pictures or how many pages of pictures?
5. How are the pictures to be printed?
6. Who will do the collating?
7. What type of cover?
8. How many books? How many more books than have been presold?

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HELP WANTED

Interested individuals needed to fill various positions in the group. Newsletter Editor wanted to put together a newsletter for the group six times a year. Program chairman desired to organize programs for the group. Forms chairman needed to sell forms at the meetings. If you have an interest in any of these positions, please contact the president, Lou Hacker evenings at 387-6979.

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TAPED HISTORIES

Tape histories of relatives should be rewound every one to two years to avoid magnetic "bleed through".

UPCOMING GENEALOGY WORKSHOPS
AROUND THE AREA

* * Saturday, March 18, 1989 * *

The 9th Annual Genealogical Seminar of the Kenosha Genealogical Society will be held at the First Congregational Church, 5934 Eighth Avenue, Kenosha, Wisconsin. The morning speaker is Sandra Luebking of Western Springs, Illinois on Court that Courthouse. In the afternoon Loretta Szucs, Midlothian, Illinois will talk on Immigration-Naturalization. There will be a Question and Answer period after each address. The seminar will begin at 9:45 a.m. Reservations should be sent to Nadine Gabriel, 8733 36th Avenue, Kenosha, Wisconsin 53142. The Cost is \$6.00 for the seminar and \$4.00 for the luncheon.

* * Saturday, April 22, 1989 * *

The Manitowoc County Genealogical Society will sponsor a Spring workshop on Saturday, April 22, at Roncalli High School, Manitowoc. The main speaker will be Marjorie Peters on Genetics & Genealogy.

A choice of three of twelve other sessions are available for participants. The following sessions are being offered:

- A) Photo Reproduction;
- B) Beyond the Library Shelf;
- C) Beginners Genealogy;
- D) Basic German Research;
- E) Basic Computer Genealogy;
- F) Advanced/Problem Solving Computer Genealogy;
- G) Care and Cleaning of Your Old Photos;
- H) Land Records and How to Use the Court House;
- I) Using the LDS Library;
- J) Planning a Family Reunion;
- K) The Sheboygan County Historical Research Center;
- L) Scandinavian Research.

You will be able to participate in three of these sessions during the day. Sessions are being filled on a first request basis, so early registration is important. The registration deadline is April 4, 1989 and the fee is \$5.00. For more information, send a self addressed stamped envelope (SASE) to Mrs. June Yakoubek, 2100 Madison Street, Two Rivers, Wisconsin 54241.

* * Wednesday, April 26, 1989 * *

The Monroe, Juneau, Jackson Workshop program for beginning and intermediate genealogists will be held Wednesday, April 26, 1989 [Note: This a corrected date.] from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. It will be in the Monroe County Local History Room area on the fourth floor of the Community Building at the Rolling Hills site.

They will not have the usual one day program with speakers at the city hall, because the National Genealogical Society conference will be held at St. Paul in May, featuring speakers from through out the world.

They will look at the use of microfilm and microfiche readers. They will discuss how to do research and prepare a family history, and other topics which will be of interest to those past the beginner stage.

If you know all this, come to learn about the resource material available in the History Room. You may be suprised.

The cost is \$5.00 per person, with advance registration to be sure materials are available. For additional information, or to register, write Carolyn Habelman, Route 3, Box 253, Black River Falls, WI 54615. Telephone (608) 378-4388.

THE NATIONAL GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY CONFERENCE IN THE STATES

The National Genealogical Society's Conference in the States---"Journey Into Your Past"---begins Wednesday, May 17, with the opening session set for 1:00 p.m. The Minnesota Genealogical Society is host group for the big event. The conference will be held at the Radisson Hotel, St. Paul, Minnesota. Everyone is welcome. There will be sessions for both beginners and professionals, and for those in between. Four days of genealogy.

Brochures may be obtained from NGS Conference in the States, 4527 - 17th St. No., Arlington, Virginia 22207-2399.

This one of the few times that this conference will be held so close. So, if you have even considered attending this conference, you should consider it more seriously this year. Join in the fun!

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GENE-A-RAMA

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1890 OKLAHOMA CENSUS

The 1890 census for Oklahoma Territory was not with the others in Washington, DC when the other 1890 censuses were destroyed. It was in Guthrie, Oklahoma, so it

did not burn. ---from *The Illuminator*, newsletter of the *Zion Genealogical Society*, Volume 4:2, Fall 1988, page 6.

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DEFINITIONS

Extracts - brief quotations from original documents.

Abstracts - contain the essential information from an original document copied exactly as it appears in the record.

Transcripts - are verbatim copies of the original. Errors are reproduced without change. Editorial comments are in brackets or footnotes.

[Remember that all these terms existed before photocopying.]
---from *The Manigan*, December 1988, through *Pinery Pedigree of the Marathon County Genealogical Society*, Volume 15:3, January/February 1989.

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VANISHED GEOGRAPHICAL NAMES

The first place to look for a vanished town or one that changed its name is a gazetteer (a geographical dictionary). If that doesn't help, perhaps this information, reprinted (from other sources) in the Iowa Genealogical Society newsletter for August 1988, will: If you are having trouble finding a town or locality in the United States, contact the United States Board on Geographical Names: give as much information as you can on possible location and date. Address Donald J. Orth, Exec. Secretary, Domestic Geographic Names, U.S. Board on Geographic Names, National Center Stop 523, Reston, VA 22092.---from *the Clark County [Washington] Genealogical Society Newsletter*, December 1988, page 3.

PLANT A FAMILY TREE

The U.S. Post Office, the National Genealogical Society and the American Association of Retired Persons have launched a joint program to encourage genealogy, entitled "Plant a Family Tree."

According to the article "Tapping Family Roots" in the AARP News Bulletin (November 1988, page 14), free pamphlets are available at post offices and many AARP offices. The pamphlets contain a blank six-generation family chart and suggestions for getting started in genealogy. The addresses of various helpful organizations, such as the LDS Family History Library, are also listed. [The Marshfield Post Office on a number of occasions, even when they had the poster up, has not had any of the pamphlets. Most recently they have been suggesting writing to the Green Bay Stamp Store, Green Bay, WI 543011---from, in part, Nuggets, Fox Valley Genealogical Society, Volume 7:3, Winter 1988, page 117.

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ELLIS ISLAND PASSENGER LISTS

The Ellis Island Restoration Commission has been formed and intends to make available via computerization of the passenger lists, the actual arrival records of Ellis Island, 1892-1954. It is planned to include the full name, age, port of embarkation and arrival and other information such as place of birth and last residence, if available. Completion of the project is planned for 1992 when anyone visiting Ellis Island will be able to find their family by using the computers. It is a possibility that the computer tapes will be available at other locations throughout the country.

---from H.S.G.S. Chapter Chatter, Wisconsin State Genealogical Society, Volume III:3, January 1989, page 2.

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FREE BOOKLET

A free booklet for what is available on census, military records, land entries, ship passenger lists, naturalization papers, etc. is available. Write to National Archives, Publication Services, 8th and Pennsylvania Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20408. Ask for "Using Records in the National Archives for Genealogical Research".---from News From The Northwest - Northwest Suburban Council of Genealogists, November-December 1988, through The Illuminator, newsletter of the Zion Genealogical Society, Volume 4:2, Fall 1988, page 7.

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OVERSEAS MILITARY CEMETERIES

The American Battle Monuments Commission has information on 124,910 soldiers who are buried in military cemeteries overseas. Information includes exact position in cemetery, and accommodations for visitors. Members of the immediate family specifically travelling overseas to visit gravesites, may request a letter authorizing free passports. Other no cost services are also provided. For more information write to: American Battle Monuments Commission, Room 5127, Pulaski Bldg., 20 Massachusetts Ave, NW, Washington, DC 20314, or phone (202) 272-1533. ---from The Illuminator, newsletter of the Zion Genealogical Society, Volume 4:2, Fall 1988, page 7.

SUCCESS WITH FRENCH CANADIAN RESEARCH

By Vicki Johnson

Finally, I located a place of birth on my great-grandfather, L'Isle Verte, Quebec, Canada. Where could this be? How large was this town? Was he a Frenchman or an Indian. I had many questions that remained unanswered until I researched further. I had know the parents of my great-grandfather so I proceeded to find someone to do some research. Mr. Jean Prince, 610 Provost, Trois-Riveire, Quebec, Canada 68YA5. He researched the Loisselle Marriage Index. This index lists most marriages in Quebec Province back to 1600's. The lineage can then be carried back through the marriage records for a number of generations. In some cases it can be traced back to the ancestor who came from France. The information obtained from the marriage record includes church location, ages, both parents names, etc.

With the time that Mr. Jean Prince was given he led me back four generations. Then I proceeded to research myself, I searched "The Dictionnaire Genealogique de Families Canadiennes: by Tanquay. This book includes seven volumes of which includes all French Canadian surnames and families that have been organized and put in alphabetical order which includes births, deaths, and marriages.

After researching this book for my surname, I was able to connect the farthest line I had to the first generation coming from France in 1610. This was a thrilling experience as it is when a long awaited find comes to the surface.

The next venture that I took was to take a trip to Quebec, Canada and to L'Isle Verte. We traveled 1000 miles to reach L'Isle Verte which was located on the south shore of the St. Lawrence River just above Maine. We visited all cemeteries and churches in the villages where we had some family ties. We also visited the major libraries located in the different districts.

Archives nationales du Quebec
1210 avenue du Seminaire
C.P. 10450, Ste.-Foy
Quebec, Canada G1V 4N1

Archives nationales du Montreal
1945 Mullins
Pointe St. Charles
Montreal, Quebec Province
H3K 1N9

As most everyone is familiar with the language in the province of Quebec is French. All the records that are located in the Archives are also in France. The records that you would find in the Archives includes a lot of information. They have a section that has the actual registers for each district in the Quebec Province there. It list marriages for a certain period. Census records and birth, death, and baptismal records are also available. There are other sources available also.

There are a few other sources that have been helpful in my French Canadian research that are listed below.

Lost in Canada?
Journal published by
Joy Reisinger
1020 Central Avenue
Sparta, WI 54656

French Canadian Genealogist of Wisconsin
4624 W. Tesch Ave.
Greenfield, WI 53220

COMPUTER DO'S & DON'TS

1. Do- Get comfortable with the computer. Read about them, check every computer display, talk to genealogists who are using them, ask questions - what they like and what they dislike about their computer and computer program.
2. Don't- Feel that you are too old to learn. People of all ages are learning to use computers & to enjoy them.
3. Do- Try using a friend's computer, with their permission, of course. Sitting down & working at the computer is one of the best ways to learn about the computer & what we would like in one of our own.
4. Don't- Overlook the computer classes being offered in many of our adult education programs. No, it's not working with your genealogy, but it will help you learn how the computer functions.
5. Do- Chose a computer that best meets your needs. Do some comparative shopping before you buy. Remember, that for storing genealogical information you will need at least 64K.
6. Don't use tapes to store genealogical information. It is not a good idea.
7. Do- Get two disk drives instead of one. You will need one disk for the program & the other disk for the information you wish to put into the program. Also, choose a keyboard that looks & works like a real typewriter.
8. Don't- Buy a bargain priced printer. When buying a printer ask yourself these questions:
 - a. What kind of forms do I want to print?
 - b. Do I need special paper?
 - c. What kind of print does it have?
 - d. How fast does it print?
 - e. Which of the above is most important to me, which is least?
9. Do- You can use your TV screen as your monitor, but it is not recommended for doing work with genealogy. An 80 column monochrome monitor either green or amber with at least a 9 inch screen is best. Be sure to check the monitor to see if you can read the characters clearly, even at the sides & in the corners of the screen. This will be very important to you as a genealogist.
10. Don't- Leave your computer, printer or monitor uncovered. After you have made your purchase be sure to protect these machines from dust. DUST IS THE WORST ENEMY YOUR COMPUTER HAS.--from *Michiana Searcher*, Volume 19:1, Spring 1987, page 3, through *Branches & Twigs*, *Bulletin of the Genealogical Society of Vermont*, Volume 18:1, Winter 1989, page 12.

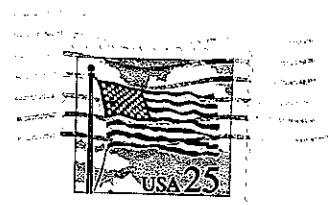
* * * CALENDAR OF EVENTS * * *

- Thurs. Feb. 23.....Researching the Wood County Court House.
7 p.m. Emil F. Krause, Jr., treasurer of the Wisconsin
Marshfield Clinic Genealogical Council and past president of the Heart
Conf. Rm. G620 O' Wisconsin Genealogical Society, will discuss court
house records with particular reference to Wood Co.
- Thurs. Mar. 23.....Telephone Book Correspondence and Workshop.
7 p.m. Sue LaSavage, will discuss aspects of correspondence
Marshfield Clinic to respond to information obtained from telephone
Conf. Rm. G620 books. After Sue's presentation there will be
telephone books available for your own research.
In addition to the group's library, a portion of
Karen Boerboom's collection of United States
telephone books will be available for research.
- Sat. April 1.....Research Trip to The Wisconsin State Historical
Library at Madison.
- Thurs. April 27.....Topic to be announced.
- Thurs. May 25.....Show and Tell and Problem Shooting. We will have
7 p.m. (promptly) the opportunity to share some of the successes or
Marshfield Clinic problems each of us have encountered in our
Conf. Rm. G620 genealogical research. "Annual Business Meeting
of the Marshfield Area Genealogy Group." The
business meeting including election of officers
will take place this evening.

PLEASE MARK THE ABOVE DATES ON YOUR CALENDAR. /

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