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UPCOMING SPRING WORKSHOPS PLANNED AROUND THE STATE

April 11, 1987 ✓

A number of interesting and informative workshops are being planned by various genealogical groups around the state for this spring. The topics are varied, so no doubt one of these seminars should be able to help you in your genealogical research.

If there is enough interest in attending any of these meetings, the Marshfield Area Genealogy Group will make arrangement to form a car pool so everyone has a chance to attend.

Here is a list of the workshops and seminars planned thus far:

MARCH 21, 1987 ✓

"Migration Patterns After the Civil War" presented by Carol Schiffman of Genealogy Unlimited. The workshop is being sponsored by the Kanosha Genealogical Society.

APRIL 4, 1987

Spring workshop of the Monroe, Juneau, & Jackson Counties Genealogical Society. The workshop will be held at the Sparta City Hall. Details are available from Carolyn Habelman, Rte 3, Box 253, Black River Falls, WI 54615.

"Naturalization Records and Passenger Lists" plus "What to Do When You Hit A Brick Wall." Both talks will be presented by Jim Hansen, genealogical specialist, Library of State Historical Society of Wisconsin. The seminars will be held at the Plover Municipal Building, registration begins at 9 a.m. Cost: \$6 (pre-registered by March 31) or \$8 (at the door). For more information, write: Hilde Menkel, 1624 Burgandy Lane, Stevens Point, WI 54481.

APRIL 11, 1987

"Searching for Norwegians in the U.S. and Norway" presented by Gerhard Naesseth of the Vesterheim Center. The workshop will be held at the Youth and Agriculture Building, Lancaster, Wisconsin at 10 a.m. The fee is \$4 in advance and \$5 at the door. For further information, write: Cheryl Lemanski, Route 1, Box 7, Ebenezer Rd., Fennimore, WI 53809.

MAY 2, 1987

"Norwegian Research" by Gerhard B. Naesseth and "German Research" by Ursula S. Peterson. The

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*President's Message**Dear Friends,*

The Holidays have come and gone. The New Year arrived. As long as we're just starting the New Year, it's a good time to set some goals for it. So what do we need to accomplish as a group and individually in our Genealogical Research.

As a group, we have a one very important task before us this year, the completion of our indexing project of the Marshfield News Herald. It's a worthwhile project, but it's only worthwhile if we can get it out for everyone to use. So that should be our first priority for the new year. Marlene Cherney and others have already spent a good deal of time with the project, just a little more help, will see this project to its completion. If you can help, get in touch with Marlene for instructions on what you can do.

Individually, each of us should take the next couple of months and look over our own research material. While we do that we should make a list of what information we still need to find, and list some of the possible sources of where we can find it. Then when the weather warms, and we can get out a bit more, we'll know exactly what we need to do and where to find it so we can make better use of our research time.

About the time the weather starts to warm, the Spring Seminars will begin around the state. If you've looked over the front page of this newsletter, I'm sure you found at least one seminar of interest. Try to attend it. It's great to get out and meet fellow genealogists around the state, and at the same time learn research techniques that can help you with your research.

You'll notice that our genealogy group library has grown some more in the past couple of months. In behalf of the members I'd like to thank the anonymous donor for their generosity. The donated books are excellent resource materials that I'm sure we'll put them to good use.

I better close, you each have my best wishes for success in your family history research during 1987.

As Always,

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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.

HILLMAN-TISCHER

Seeking any information on the Ernest & Rosa (aka Anna) (TISCHER) HILLMAN family. German Immigrants they married in Wisconsin and settled near Jackson, Washington County prior to 1854. Their children were: Johanna, John, Gerhardt, Louisa, Gothilf, Erwin, Lovilla, Gustave, Chester and three others. Any information will be appreciated.

Contact: Vickie A. Hasz
1010 Sawyer Drive #108
Marshfield, WI 54449

LUCKOW-LOPUS

Looking for information on the Herman and Caroline (LOPUS) LUCKOW family of the town of Woodville, Calumet County, Wisconsin. It is believed that Herman died in 1885. Children of Herman & Caroline: Herman, Caroline, Eliza, Walter, Mina, Mary, and Ida & George. Any help appreciated. Will answer all correspondence.

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Chinese Proverb

"To forget one's ancestors is to be a brook without a source, a tree without a root."

PEDIGREES OF SOME OF THE EMPEROR CHARLEMAGNE'S DESCENDANTS

The Marshfield Public Library recently added to its Genealogy Reference section the following title. *Pedigrees of Some of the Emperor Charlemagne's Descendants*.

This two volume book will help some individuals trace an unbroken line of descent for a period of more than 1,200 years. The book lists over 110 accepted lines of descent of living people from the Emperor Charlemagne. Each line is carefully documented generation by generation, and has been verified by and approved by the Genealogist General of the Order of the Crown of Charlemagne.

Stop by and examine this book. It may prove to be very useful. Its call number is: R 929.1 P341

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NEW BOOKS IN THE GROUP'S LIBRARY

We have received several good reference books for our group's library from an anonymous donor. They will be placed in the library by the January 22nd meeting.

Talking Your Roots, by William Fletcher, a guide to oral history taking for families.

The Kentucky Gazette 1787-1800, by Karen Mauer Green, Genealogical and Historical Abstracts, indexed.

Ancestors and their Families, Vol. 1, A collection of family group sheets, all including at least one SMITH ancestor on each chart, indexed.

Ridge Runner, Vols. III, VII and VIII, by William A. Yates. A good reference source of Genealogy from Virginia, North Carolina,

Kentucky, Tennessee, Indiana, Illinois, Missouri and Arkansas, indexed.

Family Associations, Societies and Reunions, 1985, by Summitt Publications. Alphabetical listing with addresses of persons o contact for further information.

Also received for our library were copies of, *A Childs Guide to Genealogy*, and *A Beginner's Guide to the United State Census*, both by Alexis Ann Kolb. These were donated by Vickie Hasz.

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RESEARCH TRIP TO THE REGIONAL ARCHIVES AT STEVENS POINT

On Saturday, January 24th, the group will spend a day at the Regional Archives, University of Wisconsin, Stevens Point. A car pool will leave the Northway Mall at 8:15 a.m. Ruth Stephan, librarian, will conduct a tour and orientate us to the facility when we arrive. If you're planning on making the trip, call Vickie Hasz, 387-1502 and make your reservation, or let her know at the meeting on 22nd.

The Regional Archives is part of a network of Wisconsin Area Research Centers. The Stevens Point Center's permanent holdings of archives and manuscripts in the records and papers of a variety of individuals, organizations, businesses and local governments in a twelve county region of central and northern Wisconsin. These counties are: Adams, Forest, Juneau, Langlade, Lincoln, Marathon, Oneida, Portage, Vilas, Waupaca, Washara and Wood.

WORKSHOPS

seminar will be held at the Chalmer Davee Library, University of Wisconsin, River Falls. Registration begins at 9 a.m. Cost: \$5 in advance or \$6 at the door. For more information write: Margaret C. Mullen, 515 Seventh St., Hudson, WI 54016.

MAY 30, 1987

The Midwest Council of NEHGS will present at genealogy workshop at the Wisconsin State Historical Library in Madison. The speakers will be John B. Threlfall and James L. Hanson of NEHGS and the Wisconsin Society, respectively. The morning will be devoted to lectures, and the afternoon will be devoted to private consultations on research problems.

MAY 30, 1987

Statewide Genearama Workshop, to be held at Stevens Point Holiday Inn.

JUNE 4, 5, 6, 1987

A historical-genealogical conference commemorating the bicentennial of the Northwest Ordinance of 1787 will be held at the Century Center, South Bend, Indiana. Many timely and interesting lectures are scheduled. The Indiana Historical Society is the host society.

For more detailed information, send your SASE to Joy Raisinger, 1020 Central Ave., Sparta, WI 54656.

SCOTTISH GENEALOGICAL RESEARCH RESOURCES

Births, Deaths, Marriages and Census Returns

In Scotland, registration of births, deaths and marriages became compulsory in 1855. Prior to that date some 4,000 old parish registers kept by the Church of Scotland and dating from the 16th century are available for consultation. Census records for 1841, 1851, 1861, 1871, 1881 and 1891 may also be consulted for genealogical purposes.

All the above records are housed in the General Register Office for Scotland, New Register House, Edinburgh EH1 3YT. Extracts may be obtained by writing to the above address or members of the public may call and carry out a search on payment of a fee.

Wills and Legal Documents

At the Scottish Record Office in H.M. Register House, Princes Street, Edinburgh EH1 3YX indexes of wills, justiciary records, sasines, deeds, service of heirs and other legal documents may be consulted and copies be obtained.

Heraldry and Official Pedigrees

In the Court of Lord Lyon King of Arms, H.M. New Register House, Princes Street, Edinburgh EH1 3YT, are maintained in the *Public Register of All Arms and Bearings in Scotland*, and the *Public Register of All Genealogies and Birthrights in Scotland*. These are official records of rights to Scottish armorial bearings and legally established genealogies, including the arms and lineage of Chiefs, Heads of Houses in Clans and Families. Claimants here seek grants or confirmation of Scottish arms or obtain genealogical Certificates. Lyon Court records may be consulted, on payment of the appropriate Exchequer fees.

Scots Ancestry Research Society

The Scots Ancestry Research Society, 3 Albany Street, Edinburgh EH1 3PY, which is non-profit-making, will assist enquirers upon a registration fee of £10.00.

The Scottish Genealogical Society

This society issues, quarterly and free to the Members, *The Scottish Genealogist*, which includes genealogical queries. It also publishes pre-1855 county lists of monumental inscriptions and maintains a Register of Members' Interests. A list of searchers can be obtained from the Hon. Secretary, 21 Howard Place, Edinburgh EH3 5JY.

Museum of Scottish Tartans

The Museum of Scottish Tartans, Davidson House, Drummond Street, Comrie, Perthshire. Tel: Comrie (0764) 70779--a non-commercial cultural organization--is the custodian of the world's largest collections of information about tartans. For a minimum search fee of £3.00 for overseas enquiries (plus postage), the Society will provide identification of tartans and/or information concerning clan, sept and family links with any particular tartan.

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GERMAN LITERATURE

Free German Literature is available from the German Information Center, 410 Park Avenue, New York, NY 1022

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CIVIL WAR BURIALS

To find which National Cemetery an ancestor was buried in during the Civil War, write: Veteran's Administration, 810 Vermont Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20420.

FRENCH SOLDIERS

Seeking a French Soldier? To locate one who served in the French Army, write to: Archives de L'Armee, Service Historique des Armes, Vieux-Fort, Chateau de Vincennes, 24300 Vincennes, France. Few documents before 1716 are available and information regarding officers is more available than for enlisted men.--from *Trail Breakers, Quarterly of the Clark County (WA) Genealogical Society*.

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LITHUANIA RESEARCH CENTER

The largest Lithuanian resource and research center outside of Lithuania is the Balzekas Museum of Lithuanian Culture, 4012 Archer Ave., Chicago, IL 60632.

Another source for research aid is the Russian Historical and Genealogical Society, 971 First Ave., New York, NY 10022.

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LOWER RENTAL FEES SET FOR NATIONAL ARCHIVES MICROFILM

The National Archives and Records Administration recently renewed its contract with the DDD Company of Hyattsville, Maryland, for its microfilm rental program. Both individuals and organizations can rent microfilm through the program. The rental period is a full 30 days. Prices have been lowered to \$3 per roll for up to four rolls; \$2.50 per roll for orders of five to nine rolls; and \$2 per roll on orders of 10 or more rolls.

Microfilm available through the rental program included the federal population census schedules,

1790-1910; compiled military service records of Revolutionary War soldiers, and the related index; and Revolutionary War pension and bounty land warrant application files.

To order microfilm or to obtain more information about the rental program, write to: National Archives Microfilm Rental Program, P.O. Box 2040, Hyattsville, MD 20784.--from the *National Genealogical Society Newsletter*

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SWEDISH RESEARCH ASSISTANCE

Two possible sources for assistance with your Swedish Ancestors are: The Swedish Pioneer Historical, 5125 N. Spaulding Ave., Chicago, IL 60625 and the American-Swedish Institute, 2600 Park Ave., Minneapolis, MN 55407.

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WHITE HOUSE GREETINGS

Anyone celebrating their 80th birthday (or more) or on the occasion of their 50th anniversary (or more) will receive greetings from the White House, if you send their name, address and date of the occasion to: Greetings Office, Office of the President, The White House, 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, Washington, D.C. 20500.

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GUIDE TO NEW YORK ARCHIVES

A Guide to Records in the New York Archives, can be obtained from: Office of Cultural Education State Archives, Albany, NY 12230--from the *Connecticut Society of Genealogists Newsletter*

CEMETERY RECORDS

Tips on why cemetery records are vital and how to go about recording them are offered by Kay Merrill in Vol. 5, No. 6 of the *Stagecoach Bulletin for Genealogists*, Denver, Colorado. The writer poses the question of why both sexton records and tombstone inscriptions should be copied, and answers simply that they contain different information. "Sexton Records consist of books or forms with blanks provided only for certain information: Name of deceased, date of burial, location of the grave within the cemetery, lot owner(s) or person(s) responsible for paying for the lot, nearest relative or informant. Sometimes date and place of birth, name of parents, cause of death. The amount of information found in tombstone inscriptions naturally varies from stone to stone." Data to be found may be: date and place of birth, date and place of death, names of parents, name of spouse, date and place of marriage, relationships to other members of the family, cause of death, complete name of deceased (all given names, maiden names, etc.). The tombstone may be the only place to find the original, complete and correctly spelled names of immigrant ancestors.--from the *Antique Week, Genealogy Week Section*.

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NEW ENGLAND MARRIAGES

In New England, newly married men were often elected "Haywards". These were men married in the previous year. Sometimes the job was called "Hog Reeve". This can be an indication of when your ancestors were married. Check town records. If your ancestor was elected "hayward", subtract

one year for the marriage date.--from *Trail Breakers, Quarterly of the Clark County (WA) Genealogical Society*.

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CONSULT RELATIVES

Don't forget to consult all cousins, aunts and uncles from all branches of your family when beginning a family history search. Those other branches may be able to shed light on your family.

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DANISH RESEARCH

For a Free brochure on research in Denmark, write to: Danish Tourist Board, 633 Third Ave., New York, NY 10027.

For Danish Research assistance, send queries, family group sheets and pertinent stories to: Danish Immigrant Archives, Grand View College, 1351 Grandview Avenue, Des Moines, Iowa 50316.--from the *Pinery Pedigree, Newsletter of the Marathon County Genealogical Society*.

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OHIO RESEARCH

If you are interested in research in Cincinnati and Hamilton County, Ohio, write to: History, the Public Library of Cincinnati and Hamilton County, 800 Vine Street, Library Square, Cincinnati, Ohio 45202-2071, for their Guide to Some of the Libraries, Archives, Societies, etc. in the Metropolitan Counties. It contains 10 pages of useful information. No price given but do include a SASE.

GENEALOGICAL RESOURCES OF THE MILWAUKEE COUNTY
HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Naturalization Papers: (1836-1941) Declarations of Intent. Petitions for Naturalizations, and Certificates. Alphabetical card index for naturalization certificates. Indexes in bound volumes for Declarations of Intentions. Papers for the period after November, 1906 are considerably more detailed than those for the period before 1906.

City Directories: (1847-1980) Particularly helpful in determining when a person or business was in the City of Milwaukee. Addresses and occupations are listed for heads of households. Business directories are found in the rear of the directories. Reverse directories begin in 1921. These indicate who or what was located at a particular street address in a given year.

Obituaries: Two types. 1) Six bound volumes of Old Settlers' Club obituaries with an alphabetical card index. Two volumes of memorials (indexed). 2) Microfilmed obituaries and biographical newspaper clippings, arranged alphabetically.

Early Published Histories of Milwaukee: Contain a wealth of biographical information. All of the histories are indexed.

- Buck, James, Pioneer History of Milwaukee. 4 volumes
- Bruce, William George, History of Milwaukee City and County. 1922, 3 volumes
- Conrad, Howard Louis, History of Milwaukee County. 1895, 3 volumes
- Gregory, John G., History of Milwaukee, Wisconsin. 1931, 4 volumes
- Watrous, Jerome A., Memoirs of Milwaukee County. 1909, 3 volumes
- History of Milwaukee, Wisconsin 1881

Census Records: The 1842, '46 and '47 territorial census (index) Federal censuses of 1850 (indexed), 1860, 1870, 1880, and 1910. Note: In order to find names in the federal censuses after 1850, you must first determine the ward number.

Court Records: (1837-1931, indexed) Divorce proceedings are of particular interest for genealogists. An index of all participants in criminal court cases, dates of court sessions, and case number is available. An index to the criminal court records by term (1837-1879), indicating defendants, charges, and disposition of cases is also available.

Probate Files: (1835-1889) Some 2,400 individual cases. Generally designated as "will," "estate," "or assignment of guardianship." Some miscellaneous cases as late as 1904. Alphabetical index.

Coroners' Inquests: (1873-1935) Records from 1873 to 1883 are in boxes designated by numbers. An alphabetical name index is available for all coroner's records. The index for the period from

1873 to 1890 indicates cause of death. For the period from 1891 to 1935, the index does not give cause of death.

Early Milwaukee County Tax Records: Indexed. Assessor's valuation of property in Milwaukee County, 1838-1840; sales of property for unpaid taxes, 1838, 1841-44, 1846-1854.

Biographical Sketches: Found in various sources in the library collections. Alphabetical name index (Cards).

Incorporation Records: (1872-1960) Helpful if an individual is known to have been associated with the founding of a business.

Civil War Records of Wisconsin Veterans: Wisconsin Volunteers in the War of the Rebellion, 1861-65. An alphabetical listing of Wisconsin Veterans, giving name, rank, company and regiment. Roster of Wisconsin Volunteers, 1861-65, (2 volumes). List residence at time of enlistment, date of enlistment, date of discharge from service, and cause of discharge. Personal War Sketches contained in three G.A.R. (Grand Army of the Republic) volumes. E.B. Wolcott, Post #1, Robert Chivas Post #2, and Rank and File Post #240. (all three volumes indexed). Soldiers' Relief Commission: Three volumes (indexed) of Pension Applications by Civil War Veterans or their survivors.

School Census Records: (1913-1954) Scattered volumes for Franklin, Granville, Greenfield, Greensdale, Town of Lake, Town of Milwaukee, Oak Creek, Wauwatosa, Fox Point, Shorewood, Village of West Milwaukee, and Hales Corner. List children of school age and dates of birth, names of parents and addresses, and in some cases, names of teachers.

Episcopal Church Records: Included in this large manuscript collections are Confirmation records from 1867 to 1949.

Notes: There is a \$4.00 fee for mailed requests for genealogical research and a \$10.00 fee for census searches. Census searches are time-consuming and may take several weeks to process.

Milwaukee County Historical Society

910 North Third Street
Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53203

Phone: 414/273-8288

Daily Library Hours, (Monday through Friday):

9:30 a.m. to 12:00 noon
1:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

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Thurs. Jan. 22.....The Homestead Case File. Don Schnitzler will outline the possible contents a Homestead Case file, a rich genealogical resource, as well as instructions on where to write to obtain copies of your ancestor's papers.
7 p.m.
McMillan Town Hall

Making Plans for a Successful Reserch Trip. A brief group discussion highlighting techniques for planning and achieving a successful research trip.

Sat. Jan. 24.....Research Trip to the Regional Archives.

Thurs. Feb. 26.....The Daughters of the American Revolution. A pannel discussion highlighting resources held by the DAR and the qualifications of membership.
7 p.m.
McMillan Town Hall

Sat, Mar 21 *Immigration after Civil War Lenosha*

Thurs. Mar. 26.....A Pictorial Visit to Ireland. Jerry Porter will share slides of his recent visit to Ireland.
7 p.m.
McMillan Town Hall

Sat April 11 *Nat & Pass Lists, Rlover*

Thurs. Apr. 23.....Problem Shooting and Show and Tell. Our opportunity to discuss problem areas in our genealogical research or share something you've discovered while doing your research.
7 p.m.
McMillan Town Hall

Lecture/Research
Sat. Apr./May ??.....Madison Research Trip. State Historical Society of Wisconsin.
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