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HistoryLines Announces Official Launch

By Dick Eastman, April 21, 2015

I mentioned HistoryLines last January when the site was in beta test. See <http://goo.gl/7bBIBm> for the earlier article. Now HistoryLines is out of beta and fully open for business. The following announcement was written by the folks at HistoryLines:

Oswego, IL, USA – April 20, 2015

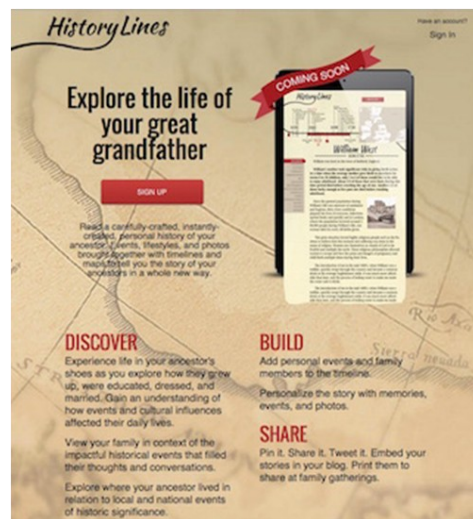
HistoryLines, a leading provider of historical solutions for genealogists and educators, today announced the official launch of historylines.com, a new website for us-

“After several months of large-scale beta testing, we’re very excited to be able to offer the HistoryLines experience to the world,” says Jeff Haddon, HistoryLines co-founder. “HistoryLines addresses two major pain points in the genealogy research process: the scarcity of personal details that tell an ancestor’s life story, and the time it takes to compose a life sketch from research results.” According to Haddon, HistoryLines hopes to dramatically simplify that process for genealogists and family historians.

“Anyone interested in giving HistoryLines a try can create their first two stories for free to explore all the features,” says Haddon. HistoryLines offers subscriptions at \$9.99 per month or \$59.00 per year. To encourage new users to try out the site, the company is offering 30% off new subscriptions forever with the promo code EARLYBIRD30. As long as the promotional subscriptions don’t lapse, the discount will continue indefinitely. The introductory offer is good through April 30, 2015.

In conjunction with the official launch, HistoryLines is introducing some new features that beta testers haven’t seen yet, including the ability to export and share their ancestors’ life sketches on social media and in PDF format. In addition, users are now able to pursue further research by accessing the source citations for all of the historical data that is presented.

Additional features include the ability to
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ers interested in genealogy and family history. The site allows anyone to better understand the lives of their forebears by describing the historical events and cultural influences that surrounded their lives. Users see their relatives in historical context with a personalized timeline and map, and can read a detailed, editable life sketch based on when and where their ancestor lived in history.

President's Message

Dear Friends,

I don't know about you, but it seems that every year races by faster than the previous one. It's almost like I stopped to catch my breath when the snow starts to disappear, and surprise May arrives. I've always enjoyed May. It's the time when the forest floors come back to life after their winter's rest and the hepatica, trilliums and violets bloom. It is a beautiful time to enjoy our Wisconsin outdoors.

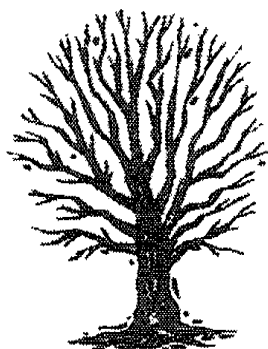
May is also the month designated as Historic Preservation Month, and once again, Marshfield Area Genealogy Group members have collaborated with the local historical associations, societies or committees, and partners like the Marshfield Public Library, MainStreet Marshfield and the Marshfield Middle School to plan activities commemorating Central Wisconsin's rich and diverse cultural heritage. This year, these groups will highlight what they do every day to preserve a local historical record for future generations of Central Wisconsin residents so that they can more accurately study the past, learn from the accomplishments of their predecessors, trace their ancestry, and understand their community's pride of place. A full schedule of activities can be found on the page 9 of this newsletter, and I hope to find you enjoying some of these activities with Marshfield as we celebrate our historic people and places.

The last preservation month activity, actually to be held the first weekend in June, is the "Breaking through brick walls for the stumped family historian" workshop. The library and genealogy group will gather their best resources (that's all of you) to exchange suggestions and ideas on breaking down, climbing over or working around genealogy brick walls. I hope you will attend whether to look for some advice or share your expertise. These sessions are always enlightening and fun.

I continue to look forward to seeing you at our upcoming meetings and events. Best wishes with all your genealogical pursuits.

As Always,

Schnitzler



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(Year office expires is in parentheses.)

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

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

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

Membership Information

Our membership year is from May 1 to April 30. Individual membership per year is \$12.00 and a

Family membership is \$15.00 per year. For hardcopy newsletter add \$6.

Membership Forms can be downloaded from our website <http://www.marshfieldgenealogy.com/> and returned with payment to us at: MAGG, P.O. Box 337, Marshfield, WI 54449.

Random Acts of Genealogical Kindness is Back Online

Dick Eastman's Blog · January 4, 2015

Great news! **Random Acts of Genealogical Kindness** appears to be back online.

The original Random Acts of Genealogical Kindness (RAOGK) website was created by by Bridgett and Doc Schneider. More than 4,000 volunteers in every U.S. state and many international locations used the site to help other genealogists. The volunteers agreed to do at least one free genealogy research task per month in their local area as an Act of Kindness. The RAOGK volunteers agreed not to charge for their research time; however, researchers were required to reimburse the volunteer for expenses incurred in fulfilling the research request (e.g., copies, printing fees, postage, film or video tape, parking fees, gasoline, etc.).

The original Random Acts of Genealogical Kindness (RAOGK) website was in operation for more than a decade, benefitting thousands of genealogists. In mid-October, 2011, Bridgett Schneider sent an email message to all registered users stating that major problems had developed with the site's hard drive plus the overall health of the administrator was not favorable. The site went offline.

Sadly, Bridgett Schneider passed away Nov. 12, 2011.



The site never came back online, until now. The <http://www.raogk.org> web site now states, "RAOGK is a global volunteer organization. At one time we had over 4000 volunteers in every U.S. state and many international locations, and helped thousands of researchers. We are trying to rebuild the RAOGK site. It will take a little more time to get it back to its former glory. Our volunteers take time to do everything from looking up courthouse records to taking pictures of tombstones. All they ask in return is reimbursement for their expenses (never their time) and a thank you."

It's great to see <http://raogk.org> back online. I strongly urge all genealogists to check it out and also to volunteer your efforts to help others. In the long term, you will benefit also.

My thanks to newsletter reader Russell Houlton for telling me of RAOGK's return.

(from <http://blog.eogn.com/2015/01/04/random-acts-of-genealogical-kindness-is-back-online/>)

Come Home to Marshfield: Historic Preservation Month—May 2015

Special events and activities are kicking off the 2015 Historic Preservation month, here in Marshfield. The first event actually started the end of April when the Junior High School student's art exhibit, "Marshfield: Past, Present and Future," was put up in the library. Judging of the artwork will end on May 4th. The Open House for the exhibit will be May 14th, starting at 5:30 p.m. That evening the top students, representing each of the ten categories, will receive their ribbons and prizes, furnished by the city of Marshfield, Historic Preservation Committee. The ten categories include:

- The Louie Rivers Award

- Marshfield's Local Color Award
- Chestnut Avenue Center for the Arts Award
- North Wood County Historical Society Award
- Marshfield Center for History Award
- MainStreet Marshfield Award
- Marshfield Public Library Award
- New Visions Award
- Historic Preservation Committee Award
- Laird Foundation Award

The Kick-off event for the month will be held on Thursday, May 7, starting at 6 p.m. in the Froehlke Auditorium, Melvin R. Laird Building, Marshfield Clinic, 1000 N. Oak Avenue, Marshfield. For additional information on this event and others planned into June, a full detailed poster can be found in this newsletter on page 9.

More than 80,000 Digitized Genealogy and Family History Publications are Now Available Online

From Dick Eastman's Blog · December 26, 2014

One of the greatest genealogy resources available today is the huge collection of digitized genealogy and family history publications from the archives of some of the most important family history libraries in the world. When I travel to various genealogy conferences and societies, I am often amazed at how many genealogists are unaware of these free resources. Not only are the books and other publications available free of charge, you don't even have to pay for gas to visit these libraries!

These digital books are available at:

Google Books

<http://books.google.com/>

Archive.org

<https://archive.org/>

Allen County Public Library

<http://www.genealogycenter.org/>

Brigham Young University Harold B. Lee Library

<http://lib.byu.edu/>

Brigham Young University Hawaii Joseph F. Smith Library

<http://library.byuh.edu/>

Church History Library

http://churchhistorycatalog.lds.org/primo_library/libweb/action/search.do?vid=CHL_PUBLIC

Family History Library

<https://familysearch.org/>

Houston Public Library – Clayton Library Center for Genealogical Research

<http://houstonlibrary.org/location/clayton-library-center-genealogical-research>

Mid-Continent Public Library – Midwest Genealogy Center

<http://www.mymcpl.org/genealogy>

Pennsylvania State University Libraries' Digitized Collections

<http://www.libraries.psu.edu/psul/digital.html>

The menus and the search methods will obviously vary from one site to another. However, a few minutes spent exploring each site's holdings could pay big dividends.

I will say that most newcomers search only for names. In fact, I'll admit that I do the same on my first search on a new web site and I suspect a lot of other experienced genealogists do the same. However, after exhausting the search for names, most experienced genealogists start looking for other search terms. I always look for locations. Many times, I have been successful at finding some tidbit about an ancestor by searching for the county or the town in which he or she lived, even after a search for the person's name produced no results at all.

One of my more successful searches came as a result of searching for the name of the small town in which my great-great-grandparents lived. I knew he was a farmer so I searched for his name plus the name of the small town in which he lived. I was rewarded with a scanned digital booklet of only 42 pages, printed in 1842, that listed all the farmers in his county, along with a detailed description of the farm and even the assessed value of the property. It listed the total acreage of his property, the number of acres under cultivation, the number of acres of woodlands, the number of barns and outbuildings, how many head of cattle, sheep, and swine that he owned, and even the number of chickens. It also listed the crops he sold. I learned a lot more about him and my great-great-grandmother in that small booklet than I ever found in census records!

When searching old books and other printed information, you have to be creative. You should search not only for locations, but also for fraternal organizations, religious affiliations, veterans' organizations, and anything else you can think of.

(from <http://blog.eogn.com/2014/12/26/more-than-80000-digitized-genealogy-and-family-history-publications-are-now-available-online/>)

Who Owns What in the Genealogy World?

Genealogy and history news and product announcements for Australians

Posted 27 Dec. 2014 on the *Gould Blog*

The genealogy-world has seen an enormous number of company buy outs and partnerships over the past few years. So who really owns what anymore?

I did some checking and here's what I found.

Before I get to the list, let me start with a little disclaimer: I don't guarantee that this is absolutely 100%, but I do believe it is certainly around the mark. But if anyone has more up-to-date information please feel free to leave a comment advising of the change. I'd really appreciate it.

Now on to who owns what ...

ANCESTRY.COM – founded 1983

Ancestry.com is the largest commercial genealogy company in the world. There are very few people who haven't heard of it.

Having started small, the company has grown exponentially since 1997 and became a publicly traded company in November 2009. In October 2012 Ancestry.com was acquired by Permira Advisers LLP, a private equity group..

Current list of the websites and products owned by Ancestry.com:

[AncestryDNA](#) – launched may 2012
[Ancestry app](#) (formerly Ancestry Trees To Go app) – launched January 2010
[Ancestry.ca](#) – launched in 2006
[Ancestry.co.uk](#) – launched in 2002
[Ancestry.com](#) – launched in 1996
[Ancestry.com.au](#) – launched in 2006
[Ancestry.de](#) – launched in 2006
[Ancestry.fr](#) – launched in 2007
[Ancestry.it](#) – launched in 2006
[Ancestry.se](#) – launched in 2007
[AncestryEurope.lu](#) – cannot find a date
[Ancestry Corporate](#) – cannot find a date
[Archives.com](#) – acquired August 2012
[FamilyTreeMaker.com](#) – acquired 2006
[FindAGrave.com](#) – acquired September 2013
[FindAGrave app](#) – launched March 2014
[Fold3](#) (formerly Footnote.com) – acquired late 2010
[Genline.com](#) – acquired June 2010
[Newspapers.com](#) – launched November 2012
[ProGenealogists](#) – launched 1998

[ProQuest](#) – partnership 2004

[RootsWeb](#) – acquired June 2000

[Shoebox app](#) (1000Memories renamed) – launched July 2013

Former sites and products:

1000Memories – acquired late 2012, relaunched as Shoebox (see above)

Ancestry24 – acquired October 2013

Ancestry Magazine – discontinued 2010

Ancestry Publishing – discontinued 2010

Archive CD Books England – acquired 2008

Genealogy.com – acquired 2003, discontinued September 2014

The Generations Network – changed name to Ancestry.com in 2009

LongLostPeople.com – launched 2008, no longer online

Mundia.com – discontinued 2014

MyCanvas.com – discontinued September 2014

MyFamily.com – discontinued September 2014

Y-DNA and mDNA tests on AncestryDNA – discontinued September 2014

DC THOMSON FAMILY HISTORY – first online in 2003

DC Thomson Family History which was formerly known as Scotland Online and later brightsolid, is a British-owned world leader in online genealogy, with an unrivalled record of online innovation in the field of family history and almost 20 million registered users across its family of online brands, which includes findmypast and Genes Reunited.

DC Thomson Family History currently owns or runs the following sites:

[1901 Census](#) – launched May 2008

[1911 Census](#) – partnership from 2008

[1939 Register](#) – partnership from March 2014

[The British Newspaper Archive](#) – partnership from May 2010

[CensusRecords.com](#) – launched February 2012

[Findmypast.com](#) – launched July 2012

[Findmypast.com.au](#) – launched May 2010

[Findmypast.co.uk](#) – acquired February 2008

[Findmypast.ie](#) – launched May 2011

[Friends Reunited](#) – acquired August 2009

[Genes Reunited](#) – acquired August 2009

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[IWM: Lives of the First World War](#) – partnership from May 2014

[Mocavo](#) – acquired June 2014

[Origins.net](#) – acquired June 2014

[ScotlandsPeople](#) – partnership from September 2002

[Who Do You Think You Are? Story](#) – launched July 2014

Former sites, now incorporated into Findmypast:

1837online (renamed to Findmypast.co.uk)

AncestorsOnboard.com

MYHERITAGE – founded 2003

MyHeritage.com is a privately owned company based in Israel. Here is a quote about the company from their website: "... founded by a team of people with a passion for genealogy and a strong grasp of Internet technology. Our vision has been to make it easier for people around the world to use the power of the Internet to discover their heritage and strengthen their bonds with family and friends."

Below is a list of the MyHeritage.com acquisitions. Some of these companies still are online, others have been absorbed into MyHeritage. Currently available in 40 different languages, MyHeritage has employees around the world.

Current sites and products:

[23andMe](#) – partnership from October 2014

[BackupMyTree](#) – acquired September 2011

[BillionGraves](#) – partnership from February 2014

[EBSCO Information Services](#) – partnership from October 2014

[FamilyLink.com](#) – acquired November 2011

[Family Tree Builder](#) – launched around 2010

[Geni.com](#) – acquired November 2012

[MyHeritage.com](#) – started 2003

[WorldVitalRecords.com](#) – acquired November 2011

Former sites and products:

Bliscy (Polish) – acquired June 2011

Family Tree Legends – acquired 2006

GenCircles – acquired 2006

Kindo – acquired 2008

The OSN Group (Verwandt/DynasTree) (German) – acquired 2010

Pearl Street Software – acquired 2006

Zoof (Dutch) – acquired 2010

FAMILYSEARCH – founded 1894

FamilySearch is owned by The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints and it is the largest non-commercial genealogy organisation in the world, and it is totally free.

FamilySearch can trace its own roots back to 1894 when it was founded as the Genealogical Society of Utah (GSU) and their members have been actively gathering, preserving, and sharing genealogical records worldwide for over 120 years.

Renamed to FamilySearch, the organisation launched their first website in 1999, which has now grown to include over a billion records from hundreds of countries around the world.

While FamilySearch themselves haven't bought out other companies (well, not that I know of), being the world's biggest genealogy website I felt they deserve a mention here.

Also in the last few years they have partnered with other genealogy organisations to make even more records available. So it is these I'll list below.

Partnerships with FamilySearch:

[Ancestry.com](#) – partnership from September 2013

[Findmypast](#) – partnership from October 2013

[Fold3](#) (previously named Footnote.com) – partnership from May 2007

[MyHeritage](#) – partnership from October 2013

[OCLC & WorldCat](#) – partnership from January 2013

FamilySearch related sites and products:

[FamilySearch Indexing](#) – launched

[FamilySearch Labs](#) – launched October 2006

[FamilySearch Wiki](#) – launched 2008

[FamilySearch Memories app](#) – launched June 2014

[FamilySearch Tree app](#) – launched

[RootsTech](#) – FamilySearch are organisers of the world's biggest genealogy conference

Former websites and products:

FamilySearch Indexing app

Forums.FamilySearch.org

New.FamilySearch.org

Personal Ancestral File (PAF)

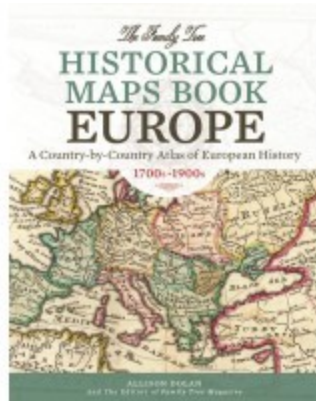
(from <http://www.gouldgenealogy.com/2014/12/who-owns-what-in-the-genealogy-world/>)

Family Tree Historical Maps Book: Europe

A Country-by-Country Atlas of European History, 1700s-1900s

By Allison Dolan

From Ireland to Italy, Portugal to Poland, Germany to Greece, and everywhere in between, explore your ancestors' European homelands through gorgeous reproductions of 18th-century maps, 19th-century maps and early 20th-century maps. More than 200 full-color historical maps, covering the peak years of European immigration to America, will help you understand changing boundaries in ancestral countries, and inform your search for genealogical records.



The **Family Tree Historical Maps Book: Europe** is an indispensable reference tool for European genealogy. Use this country-by-country atlas to put your ancestral origins in geographic context, unravel the European boundary changes that frequently trip up genealogists, brush up on key events in the history of your ancestors' country, become familiar with its administrative divisions, and time travel across the continent!

The **Family Tree Historical Maps Book: Europe** features:

- Historical maps of the European continent showing how national borders evolved during the 1700s, 1800s and early 1900s, when most genealogists' European ancestors immigrated to America *Detailed country maps illustrating key geographical units—provinces, counties, regions, cities and more Time lines of important events in each country's history Lists of administrative divisions by country for easy reference A complete index listing the title and online source of each map, so you can view maps of interest in greater detail. Hard cover*

BONUS DOWNLOAD: An expanded PDF guide to administrative divisions is included with your purchase! The download link is provided in the book and in your purchase confirmation.

At 10.5 inches wide by 11.75 inches tall, the handsomely designed **Family Tree Historical Maps Book: Europe** is equally at home on your genealogy bookshelf or on your coffee table. It's an excellent value compared to general hardcover reference atlases and, best of all, it's designed especially for genealogists!

Contents:

- Introduction
- Europe maps and timeline
- Ireland maps and timeline
- Scotland maps and timeline
- England and Wales maps and timeline
- Spain and Portugal maps and timeline
- France maps and timeline
- Italy maps and timeline
- Benelux maps and timeline: Belgium, Netherlands, Luxembourg
- Scandinavia maps and timeline: Norway, Sweden, Finland, Denmark, Iceland
- Germany and Switzerland maps and timeline
- Austria and Hungary maps and timeline
- Czech Republic and Slovakia maps and timeline
- Romania and Bulgaria maps and timeline
- Balkan States maps and timeline: Slovenia, Croatia, Serbia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Albania
- Greece maps and timeline
- Poland maps and timeline
- Russian Empire and Baltics maps and timeline: Belarus, Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania, Russia, Ukraine
- Appendix: Administrative Divisions (organized alphabetically by country)
- Index of Maps

(from <http://www.shopfamilytree.com/family-tree-historical-maps-book-europe-grouped?source=igodigital>)

Decoration Day Observed

(Reprinted from the Marshfield Times, May 31, 1911)

Exceptionally Good Parade to Cemetery and Interesting Exercises

Rev. A. J. Coram Delivered Memorial Address G.A.R. Ritual Services Performed

Decoration Day was fittingly observed in the city Tuesday and the exercises were most interesting and satisfactory in every respect. The parade formed early and the exercises at the cemetery were completed and the marchers disbanded long before noon. The order of the procession was as follows:

- Second Regiment Band.
- Company A, as escort for G.A.R.
- Members of the G.A.R. in carriages.
- Speakers' carriage.
- Flower Girls in carriage.
- German Kriegerverein, Spencer & Marshfield.
- Fraternal Order of Eagles.
- Marshfield Fire Department.
- Citizens

The line of march followed the usual course from the Central Ave. school to the cemetery turning at the A. street corner. At the cemetery the formal decoration of the departed heroes was performed and the Ritual work of the G.A.R. was rendered. C.B. Edwards in a brief and very pleasing address introduced the speaker of the day, Rev. A. J. Coram. Being himself a veteran of the civil war and prominent in G.A.R. work, Mr. Coram entered into his subject with an understanding and feeling that gave his remarks special force with his hearers. His address was greatly appreciated.

There are at the present time thirty-six deceased veterans of the civil war in the several local cemeteries and through the courtesy of Comrade Patrick Harkin, who has kept closely in mind the dead comrades of the service and is the only man who can at this time point out the graves,

many of which are without stones or markers, we are able to publish the list. Many of the first names cannot now be secured except by lengthy inquiry and investigation but it is expected that the Post will soon take up the task of making a complete catalogue and securing the markers which are furnished free of charge by the government. Following is the list of honored dead:

Comrade Emil B. Hager	“	Johnson
“ Joseph Kohl	“	Conrad
“ R.M. Franklin	“	J. Kuntz
“ Fullmer	“	Schmahl
“ Miles Bigley	“	Eckhoff
“ Henry Brooks	“	Schmidt
“ Joe Baxter	“	Mahlsach
“ Hodgden	“	John Kloos
“ Bennett	“	Dan Shean
“ John Redig	“	Schlecht
“ David Walterbach	“	Goodblood
“ A. McLees	“	Widman
“ Wm. Bartels	“	Albert Gray
“ James Ward	“	Chas. Stringham
“ Wm. Ward	“	Schoenhofen
“ Reilly	“	G. A. Lupient
“ Joe Dumas	“	Henry Kohs
“ Thorp		

James G. Blaine Post No. 110, has a membership in good standing at the present time of seventeen, and while the task of keeping up an organization with so small a membership has involved much hard work the Post has always held its own and is a strong member of the G.A.R. Department of Wisconsin. Its present members are T.F. Vannedom, James Horton, George Burt, W.H. Upham, Nathan Bouldrie, J. Ward, H.L. Brooks, Fran Dishart, P.W. Harkin, G.W. Henderson, Chris Schunk, W.G. Hinman, Simon Pflum, C.R. Olin, Morris Vaughn, B.F. Powell, Chris Guckenberger.

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Come Home to Marshfield Historic Preservation Month ~ May 2015

Celebrating Marshfield's Historic People and Places

Thursday, May 7

6:00 p.m.

Mayor's Proclamation, Marshfield's
History Keepers & Tours of Laird Office
and Historical Collections

Froehlke Auditorium, Melvin R. Laird Building,
Marshfield Clinic

1000 N. Oak Avenue

Mayor Chris Meyer proclaims May as Historic
Preservation Month in Marshfield followed by
highlights of Marshfield's history organizations
and a special video viewing of Melvin Laird
sharing memories of Marshfield family, friends
and community.



April 25 - May 28

"Marshfield: Past, Present and Future Exhibit"

Marshfield Public Library

211 E. Second Street

Marshfield Middle School student artwork
depicting Marshfield's historic downtown
through various time lenses displayed.

Thursday, May 14

5:30 - 7:00 pm

Artist Reception - Refreshments will be served.



Saturday, June 6

9:30 am - noon

"Breaking Through Brick Walls for the
Stumped Family Historian"

Marshfield Public Library

211 E. Second Street

The Marshfield Area Genealogy Group and the
Marshfield Public Library bring together
experienced volunteers with their collective
research powers to assist you in breaking down,
climbing over or working around your
genealogy brick walls. This free family history
workshop will guide you to the best sources for
your search. Please register in advance by
calling the library at 715-387-8494 extension
211.

Monday, May 11

6:30 pm

"Marshfield Police Memorial Service"

Marshfield Middle School, Beall Stadium
900 E. 4th Street

The public is invited to attend the service
remembering and honoring Marshfield police
officer Fred Beall, who was killed in the line of
duty on August 5, 1933.

Friday, May 22

8:30 - 11:00 am and 12:00 - 2:30 pm

Cemetery Tours

Hillside Cemetery Entrance

1110 N. St. Joseph Avenue

The public is invited to join school children as
they tour the cemetery and meet noteworthy
citizens of "Marshfield's Past."

May 1 ~ 31

North Wood County Historical Society

212 W. Third Street

Go back in time with an exhibit featuring
Marshfield barbershop memorabilia and
tour the Governor William H. Upham House.

Hours: Wednesday & Saturday 1:30 - 4:00 pm
By appointment - 715-387-3322

Marshfield History Center

Marshfield Public Library (downstairs)

211 E. Second Street

View the display "*Lest We Forget*" to learn
about the military efforts of Marshfield's
men and women.

Hours: Wednesday, Thursday & Saturday
1:00 - 4:00 pm
By appointment - 715-384-5867

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

Names	Date	Doc #	Twp - Rng	Aliquots	Sec. #
ALLEN, WILLIAM	3/1/1876	792	021N - 002E	S $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$	32
			021N - 002E	SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$	32
ANDERSON, JOHN	4/22/1899	3810	024N - 005E	SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$	36
ANDERSON, NIELS P	5/5/1893	3120	024N - 005E	SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$	2
ARNOLD, MARGARET A	12/15/1873	273	022N - 005E	W $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$	26
ATWOOD, ABNER M	5/1/1878	978	022N - 005E	W $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$	10
			022N - 005E	NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$	10
AUMOCK, PHILIP	8/20/1875	534	025N - 005E	NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$	26
			025N - 005E	SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$	22
BARRETT, JULIUS	8/3/1882	1432	025N - 004E	SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$	22
			025N - 004E	NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$	22
BEITZEL, CHRISTIAN	5/19/1903	4421	022N - 002E	W $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$	31
			022N - 002E	W $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$	31
BENNETT, NATHANIEL	1/30/1875	484	023N - 003E	N $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$	12
BERG, FRANK W	11/8/1905	5196	025N - 005E	NW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$	6
BERG, PETER	4/30/1880	1213	025N - 004E	W $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$	24
			025N - 004E	E $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$	24
BINNEBOESE, AUGUST	8/17/1896	3502	021N - 005E	SW $\frac{1}{4}$	32
BIRCH, LYMAN J	8/14/1889	2326	021N - 005E	NE $\frac{1}{4}$	29
BLAIR, LEANDER	3/23/1892	2937	021N - 006E	SE $\frac{1}{4}$	36
BLINKER, JOHN	12/1/1882	1453	025N - 005E	S $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$	6
BOYLES, OLIVER	5/2/1905	5143	021N - 005E	N $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$	36
			021N - 005E	SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$	36
			021N - 005E	SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$	36

BRADY, OWEN	2/20/1883	1380	021N - 003E	E $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$	22
			021N - 003E	W $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$	23
BRANNAN, CATHARINE, BRANNAN, MICHAEL	11/10/1875	655	022N - 006E	NW $\frac{1}{4}$	31
BRANNAN, JAMES	10/1/1880	1283	025N - 005E	SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$	34
BRIEN, JAMES H	7/13/1885	1923	025N - 004E	S $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$	4
BRONSTAD, OLUFF O	4/10/1897	3621	022N - 005E	Lot/Trct 6	24
BROOKS, ABNER	8/1/1892	3032	021N - 005E	NE $\frac{1}{4}$	32
BROOKS, CHARLES	12/15/1879	1145	021N - 005E	SW $\frac{1}{4}$	33
BROWN, OSCAR A	6/10/1879	1108	021N - 003E	NW $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$	1
			021N - 003E	NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$	2
BROWN, WILLIAM	6/20/1884	1365	025N - 003E	W $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$	28
BUCK, BENJAMIN F	7/10/1883	1608	024N - 003E	NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$	4
BULLOCK, MARY C, BULLOCK, ROSWELL	12/15/1873	51	021N - 006E	N $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$	6
			021N - 006E	NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$	6
BURNSIDES, JAMES	4/5/1877	889	025N - 002E	N $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$	30
BURROW, AUGUST	6/20/1884	1753	024N - 005E	SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$	12
CAMPBELL, ROBERT A	9/9/1878	983	022N - 003E	SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$	24
			022N - 003E	N $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$	25
			022N - 003E	SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$	25
CANNING, HAMILTON	1/30/1875	454	022N - 005E	SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$	23
			022N - 005E	NW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$	26
CASPER, ERASTUS	10/23/1901	4198	021N - 005E	SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$	33
CLARK, ALEXANDER	10/30/1877	867	024N - 003E	S $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$	18
CLAUS, CHRISTIAN	8/20/1875	582	023N - 005E	SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$	18
			023N - 005E	E $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$	19
			023N - 005E	NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$	19
COLEMAN, WILLIAM H	10/10/1888	2088	021N - 003E	NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$	2
COLTON, ALMON	1/4/1896	3370	021N - 006E	E $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$	35
			021N - 006E	SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$	36

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edit the existing life sketch and to add personal events to the timeline and story. Users can build a family tree on the site, or import their family tree via GEDCOM file upload, or from FamilySearch.org, thanks to HistoryLines’ partnership with FamilySearch.

Much of the technology and processes behind the HistoryLines site functionality is protected by a pending U.S. patent. “As useful as the product is now, it’s only the beginning. We have a rich roadmap of exciting features and capabilities ahead of us. Our mission is to make genealogists’ lives easier,” says Haddon.

About HistoryLines

Formed in 2014, HistoryLines is dedicated to solving persistent obstacles to genealogical research and ancestral understanding. Its initial product offering, HistoryLines.com, is a subscription-based service that places ancestors in historical context and automatically creates an editable life sketch for each of them. For more information about us, please visit <https://historylines.com>.

(from <http://blog.eogn.com/2015/04/21/historylines-announces-official-launch/>)

Have You Heard of the “Society of Genealogists”?

Founded in 1911 the Society of Genealogists (SoG) is Britain’s premier family history society. The Society maintains a splendid genealogical library and centre in Clerkenwell in London.

Even if you do not have English ancestors, they have listed on their “Learn”

page a list of 16 “Tips and Hints” articles, designed to help many genealogists. Although some of the articles are primarily helpful for doing research in the United Kingdom, there are a number that are useful for doing general research anywhere.

(from www.sog.org.uk/learn/education-sub-page-for-testing-navigation/)



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Upcoming Meetings

May 28, 2015 - The New HeritageQuest Online. The program will highlight resources available through HeritageQuest Online and provide examples of the new more powerful search interface.

June 25, 2015 - Family Tree Maker is another of the more popular genealogy programs available for genealogists to use. MAGG member, Jonah Jung, will show how easy it is to use for maintaining a family tree, and how it can be used to connect directly with Ancestry.com, giving you easy access to millions of family records from around the world.

July 23, 2015 - Annual MAGG Potluck Picnic/Dinner - Once again, Al & Pat Breden have graciously invited us for our picnic at their country home at 6:00 p.m.. Eric Nelson will also be onboard to share some information on "Photograph History."

August 27th - New England Historic Genealogical Society (NEHGS) is the oldest and largest genealogical society in the United States. NEHGS member, and our own, Ken Wood, will discuss the NEHGS research library collections and how to search these collections. MAGG Annual Business Meeting and election of officers for the 2015-2016 year.

Meetings of the Marshfield Area Genealogy Group are regularly held June & August at 6:30 p.m. and September - May at 7:00 p.m. on the fourth Thursday of each month at the Marshfield Public Library downstairs in the Beebee Forum Room, except July (month of our family picnic) and November & December (no meetings) unless otherwise specified.