Kith and Kin

PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

Dear Friends,

At our house, the New Year arrived quietly while I slept. No doubt visions of family gatherings and history pursuits filled my head, but 2009 arrived without the hustle and bustle of our Christmas Holiday. It was very nice!

Those visions of family history pursuits though would certainly include the genealogy group and the great things planned to happen over the next couple of months. As mentioned at our October meeting, the first program of the New Year will be a "Show and Tell" type session that focuses on gifts we've given or received relating to our family history. So if you have them, bring some samples to share or else tell us about an item or two. The meeting on February 26th will feature a discussion about Google Books led by Ken Wood. As mentioned by Ken at earlier meetings Google Books is a powerful search tool that we can use to further our family history research. And then in March, Lori Belongia will share information with us about on-line searches through the Wisconsin State Historical Society. No doubt her talk will offer us helpful hints to aid our own research. Full details will be found elsewhere in this newsletter.

Besides the already planned upcoming programs, the Group needs to plan for promotional activity typically held in conjunction with the Cultural Fair. Whether or not you've participated in the past, we could use your help, so please mark your calendar for February 28th and plan to spend an hour or so at our informational table. A sign-up sheet will be circulated at an upcoming meeting. Then the Historic Preservation Month Planning Committee will begin meeting shortly to plan its May activities for 2009. While no date has been set, the Genealogy Group has held beginning workshops in Genealogy on one Saturday during Historic Preservation Month. If you have suggestions for information to cover during the workshop, would like to assist with planning or presenting, let me know at one of

the upcoming meetings. Our research expertise is one of the greatest assets we can share with new family history researchers.

Finally, with this first message of the New Year, I'd like to ask each of you to think about the Marshfield Area Genealogy Group elections to be held in May. Positions that will need to be filled at that time are the offices of President and Treasurer, and one director at large. Those positions to be filled by election are currently held by myself, Ada May and Al Breden respectively. Give it some thought. If you have any questions or would like additional information, talk to anyone of us about the duties and responsibilities.

As you plan your family history research this New Year, I hope that it includes your continued participation in the Marshfield Area Genealogy Group. I look forward to seeing you in the months ahead. Good luck with all your genealogical pursuits this year.
As Always,
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Upcoming Meetings and Events

Thursday, January 22, 2009 at 7 p.m.
Marshfield Public Library, General Meeting Room
"Family History Gifts Given and Received"
Program Director Vickie Schnitzler will lead a discussion about gifts given or received related to family history research. Each member will have an opportunity to share examples of their gifts and talk about its preparation or use. The discussion should provide each of us with ideas of things we might do with our own family history material for Birthday, Anniversary or Holiday gifts during 2009.

Thursday, Febraury 26, 2009 at 7 p.m.
Marshfield Public Library, General Meeting Room
"Using Google Book Search In Your Family History Research"
Ken Wood will tell us all about Google Book Search and demonstrate its use in Family History Research. **Google**

Book Search is an on-line tool that searches the full text of books scanned by Google (now over 7 million books). Googles ultimate goal with Google Book Search is to let you search the full text of any book ever published, and then provide the option of reading that book (for selected books), purchasing the book (from selected book sellers), or finding out where you can borrow a copy of the book (from selected libraries). One million books are in full preview mode and one million more are fully viewable and downloadable public domain works. About five million are currently out of print.

Thursday, March 26, 2009 at 7 p.m.
Marshfield Public Library, General Meeting Room
"Searching On-Line Catalogs and Indexes of the Wisconsin Historical Society"
The Wisconsin Historical Society has some valuable on-line indexes available for public use on their website. Marshfield Public Library Director Lori Belongia will share search hints for using these resources in our family history research. She will pay special attention to working with the Archives Computer Catalog (ARCat) and the University of Wisconsin—Madison Library Catalog (MadCat).
Upcoming Wisconsin State Historical Society Library-Archives Workshops

It's All Online! Or Is It?
There are hundreds of genealogy websites that provide access to databases and digital collections as well as various services. This hands-on computer lab will provide instruction on valuable sites, how to know good sites from bad sites, how to make the most of searching the web and how to organize your online research. There is something for beginner and intermediate researchers.

March 7, 2009
"Find All Your Ancestors on All the Censuses"
The digital revolution has transformed the availability and ease of searching of this most fundamental genealogical resource. This program will identify what is available, how to find and use the records. Emphasis will be on the new tools and search techniques , and especially how to search the records and their indexes most effectively.

March 14, 2009
"From Daguerreotype to Digital File: Organizing and Caring for Family and Personal Photographs"
This hands-on workshop will provide a basic overview of the types of photographic processes that make up family collections, how to identify them, appropriate storage techniques and containers, and strategies for organizing and accessing the images that make up your family history. Workshop participants are encouraged to bring examples from their own photograph collections.

Complete Details Available:
.Classes will be held at Memorial Library or State Historical Society, Madison.
Lori Bessler, Reference Librarian, 608-264-6519
Lori.Bessler@wisconsinhistory.org

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In 1880 the town had grown so that it now had a population of 800. When 1881 arrived it was necessary for the school board to take measures to provide more school facilities. Messrs. L. A. Arnold, W. H. Upham, H. J. Pankow, E. S. Renne and Anton Thomas were appointed by the school board to look up a site and report a loan for a new school. A deal was made whereby they traded Lots 1, 2 and 3 in block L, for the ground now occupied by the Washington school on Central avenue. A sum of $3,500 was raised for the new school and T. F. Vannedom was engaged to prepare plans for it. Later he was given the contract to build it. The building committee was W. H. Upham, George Ingalls and Joseph Rumenhoph . The school board at this time included E. S. Renne, clerk; L. A. Arnold, director and Fred Vollmar, treasurer.

The new building was the largest public building in the city and was used extensively as a community center. When the new building was ready for use the old building was sold for what it was worth. A. Mrs. Platt took charge of the new school in the fall of 1882. It was necessary to use only three of the four rooms. The new school was completely surrounded by woods and at times it was almost impossible to reach it because of marshes. The total cost of the building and furnishings amounted to $4,200. The teachers at this time were Mrs. M. J. Platt, principal and grammar department, Mrs. H. E. A. Davis, intermediate department and Miss N. L. Hotchkiss, primary department. The school consisted of nine grades and was conducted for a period of nine months. The total school costs for the year were $2,600. This was rather large because it included the cost of seats for the new building.

In 1882 the first parochial school was built. It was a Catholic school and was near the site of the present St. John's school. It was a frame building, two stories high with 40 X 50 dimensions. The school had eight grades taught by the Sister of Notre Dame. The first enrollment showed 86 pupils in attendance.

The record for the first school census is in 1883. It was at this time that the town was incorporated into a city. There were 461 children of school age in the city and of this number 125 attended the public school. A Mr. Adams was the principal at this time. In addition to Mr. Adams there were two teachers employed. A year later the attendance had grown to 162 and a year later to 233 and at this time it was decided that it was necessary to employ an additional teacher.

In 1884 the people of the Lutheran faith organized a school. It was conducted in a frame building that also served as a church. The Reverend L. Th. Thom, who was the first pastor of the church, also served as teacher. The enrollment was about 50 pupils. As the school grew an additional teacher was employed.

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In 1886 a three-year high school was established in the building on South Central avenue. The citizens were indeed proud of their school system that included a nine grade school and a three year high school. Mr. Jones was the first principal of the high school. In the fall of 1888, a total of 360 children greeted their teachers, thus making it necessary to obtain more school room. The school board rented a building north of the Wisconsin Central tracks and the Band of Hope hall near the Upham factory to take care of the children. Seven teachers were now employed. The Catholic congregation, too, was confronted with a large enrollment and consequently built a brick school house of four rooms and used the old school as a dwelling for the sisters.

It can be said that 1888 was an important date in the history of the Marshfield schools as it was then the first class was graduated from the high school. The members of this class were Bessie and Clara Hatteberg, Dora Olin, May Robinson, Joseph Stierle, Frank Hinman and Herbert Brooks.

It was again certain that more schools were needed so the school board employed Thomas Wright as an architect to draw up plans for a two room school house. T. F. Vannedom was given the contract to build it at a cost not to exceed $2,500. This building was located near the residence of A. G. Felker in the First ward. It was described as a building of the "Queen

Anne" style with an equipment of 92 single seats for the two rooms, two teachers desks, One 12-inch globe, one call bell, one set of maps and some erasers. A one room school was built in the third ward and was called Richfield school. The cost of this was $752. It was a good ways out of the city proper and was taken out of the district when the town of Cameron was formed from the southern three square miles of the city.

At this time the schools had grown to such an extent that the high school and grade building on South Central were too small. The school population was now 1026 and out of this number 441 attended the public schools. Seven teachers were employed. At the annual meeting of the school district in 1888 the board was empowered to float a $15,000 bond issue with which to build a new high school and grade building on South Central avenue. The old school building was moved to the site now occupied by the city hall and was used as a city hall, hose house and at times a part of it was used as a school.

To be continued

Oregon Death Index

http://www.deathindexes.com/Oregon/index.HTML
This link will take you to many links of Oregon information. I'll look for more for you. This is the place I always start for Oregon information.

http://www.heritagetrailpress.com/Death_Index/
Another possibility.

Arlene Peil Clark County History Buffs

Search for Central and Eastern European places by name

Search all localities in Central and Eastern Europe, using various search criteria. The results will display each locality's latitude and longitude, the distance/direction from a reference city, and links to maps.
http://www.jewishgen.org/Communities/LocTown.asp
From M. Hosfeld Clark County History Buffs

Old Library Of Congress Photos

If you enjoy looking at photo's of the past, check out the Library of Congress collection on Flikr. Right now there are three sets, WWI, News from 1910, and Colored photos from the 1940's. The Library keeps adding to the collection as more of their collection is digitized.

http://www.flickr.com/photos/libraryofcongress

Old German Maps

Go here.... http://uwdc.library.wisc.edu/Collections.shtml?R
This is the Ravenstein Atlas (U of Wisconsin Digital Map) made around the time Germany was an official country (after 1871). A very detailed map that includes the lost territories of East and West Prussia. There are others (maps) before 1871 that include what was Prussian Territory vs. the rest of what we consider Germany today that resisted Prussian rule.
It is almost a 'must' to have the time

period for such a search, as you mentioned, because of wars and boundary/territory changes.
Regards, Bob, Clark County History Buffs

New Quebec City Passenger Lists Database

Library and Archives Canada recently announced the launch of Quebec City Passenger Lists Index 1865–1900. In addition to the passenger's name, the lists include the passenger's age, country of origin, occupation, and destination. This

index also provides access to digital images of the original passenger lists for the port of Quebec City during the last third of the nineteenth century. Please note that not all images have yet been uploaded, and you must select the box on the search page to have the images displayed. You can search the database at www.collectionscanada.gc.ca/databases/passengers-quebec-1865-1900/index-e.html?PHPSESSID=usucjilrthhatg3u6uochekml6.

Research Recommendations: *Happy Holidays*
by Michael J. Leclerc

The holidays are filled with family and traditions. Holiday traditions can be generations old or relatively new. Even as traditions are changed to incorporate the blending of families through the generations, pieces of each family's ancestry can be seen.

A product of two full-blooded French-Canadian families, my own family's traditions reflect those of Catholic Quebec. Gathering at my grandparents' house on Christmas Eve with all of the aunts, uncles, and cousins, waiting for Santa to bring presents to us, I got to meet many of the extended family: my grandparents' siblings and cousins. Christmas Day would be spent with both sides of the family, with tables over-laden with food. My particular favorite is tortiere (meat pie). Different regions of Quebec prepare it with different combinations of pork and beef, and my father's side always had it prepared differently from my mother's. I still make my mother's tortiere, from a recipe handed down from my grandmother, and her mother before her.

Through the years I have been lucky to experience holiday traditions from many different backgrounds, as my family of choice has grown to include friends from a wide variety of ethnic and religious backgrounds. I have Jewish friends who celebrate Hanukkah each year using a menorah handed down through their family. African-American friends celebrate Kwanzaa with a potluck feast on Kuumba. Indian friends grew up with Diwali, a festival of lights where lamps are placed all over the house and garden to guide Lakshmi to bring good physical and mental health as well as material good fortune in the coming year.

This year, as your family gathers to celebrate their holidays, take note of the family traditions. Make sure that future generations know where certain items or foods come from. The Museum of Science and Industry in Chicago has a page on their website dedicated to holiday traditions from around the world. You can find out more about how your family in the old country might have celebrated the holidays at www.msichicago.org/scrapbook/scrapbook exhibits/catw2004/holiday_traditions.html. This year brings a new tradition for me. My family of birth is spread around the country, and for the first time I will spend Christmas Eve without them. I will be with members of my family of choice, celebrating at the Arlington Street Church in Boston, singing at their candlelight services. I look forward to seeing these traditions (and starting some new ones of my own).

Whether you celebrate Christmas, Hanukkah, Diwali, Kwanzaa, Ramadan, or Festivus, I hope that your holidays are wonderful, and that you get to share a bit of your genealogical knowledge with other family members. Don't forget to take notes on all of the stories being shared by other family members!

Spotlight: *Worthington Memory, Ohio*
by Valerie Beaudrault

www.worthingtonmemory.org/index.cfm

Worthington, a northern suburb of Columbus, is situated in Franklin County, Ohio. Founded in 1803 by the Scioto Company, it was named in honor of Thomas Worthington, a future Ohio governor. Worthington Memory is a collaborative project of the Worthington Libraries and the Worthington Historical Society. The purpose of this partnership is to "collect and preserve local history materials through the creation of a digital library, providing greater access to and enhanced public awareness of Worthington, Ohio's rich history."

The Worthington Memory collection includes digital images of historic artifacts, documents and photographs. There is also a cemeteries database and an online index to local nineteenth- and twentieth-century newspapers, as well as a timeline of Worthington history, oral histories, and photographs documenting Worthington's 200th anniversary.

Click on the Search icon to run a search of Worthington Memory's collection of nearly 1,400 items dating from 1803 to the present. Enter a keyword or keywords into the search box and click on the search button. You can use Advanced Search to limit your search by format or date, to search by library subject heading, or to perform a full text search of the documents in the collection. Researchers can also browse the Collection by clicking on the Browse the Collection icon. You can browse the collection by general category or by decade.

There are two database collections that might be of particular interest to genealogists and family history researchers. Use the dropdown Shortcut list on the lower right side of the main page to select one of the databases.

Cemeteries Database

The records for three cemeteries comprise the database: the Flint Road Cemetery, St. John's Episcopal Church Cemetery, and the Walnut Grove Cemetery. All three can be searched at once or they can be searched separately. There are two search options. The first is a search by surname. Enter the surname alone or surname followed by a comma and first name or initial. The results returned include a summary noting the number of records for that surname in the cemetery or cemeteries. The detailed results may include any or all of the following: the full name and gender of the deceased, age, date of birth, place of birth, death date, burial date, veteran status, lot owner's name, and burial location. The second is an obituary search. As noted on the website, this searches the obituary field in the Flint Road and Walnut Grove Cemetery databases, and the tombstone transcription field in the St. John's Church Cemetery database. Names should be entered as 'first name last name' order for this type of search. The search results again

include a summary noting the number of records for that surname in the cemetery or cemeteries and a detailed record with the fields noted above, plus the name of the funeral home and an obituary/comment field. There is also a link to the Walnut Grove and Flint Union cemetery website.

Worthington News Index

This database indexes more than 61,000 articles from the following newspapers: *Public Opinion* (Westerville), *This Week in Worthington* (1/5/2000 – 2/2/2000; 1/2003 – present), *Western Intelligencer* (Worthington) (3/6/1812 – 3/10/1813), *Worthington News* (3/12/1925 – 2/5/1942; 1/4/1950 – 8/30/1956; 1/2/1975 – 12/25/1975; 1/3/1990 – 6/10/1992), *Worthington News* (SNP) (1/5/2000 – 4/17/2002; 8/7/2002 – present), *Worthington News this Week*, and *Worthington Suburbia News* (SNP). The database can be searched by article title, keyword, and date. Select the newspaper you would like to search and/or a subject from the list in the dropdown boxes. The search results include the article title and author, keywords, microfilm roll, newspaper title, publication date, page number, location, and subject categories. There is also a camera icon in the record should a photograph or illustration accompany the article.

eNews (New England Historic Genealogical Society)

New Online Exhibit: Nineteenth Century Holiday Family Recipes

Holidays are a time for family gatherings and traditions. These traditions often revolve around food, such as when a treasured family recipe for pumpkin pie or gingerbread is made. Just as the family bible record or other valued items are preserved and passed down through the generations, so too are family recipes and

cooking traditions. They are part of a family's heritage, and create memories which last forever. In our current online exhibit we are highlighting some holiday family favorites from the many recipes in our manuscript collection. You can view the exhibit at www.newenglandancestors.org/online_exhibits_7156.asp.

Research Recommendations: *Fraternities and Sororities*
by Michael J. Leclerc

Fraternities and sororities have been a part of the American college experience for more than a century. If your ancestor went to college, you might find that they were a part of this system. Finding out more about their organization can tell you more about them as an individual at that time of their lives.

Most fraternities and sororities can be categorized into one of four ways: social, service, professional, or academic achievement. The "party boy" image that comes to mind when the word fraternity is first mentioned comes from the organized Greek system. Members usually live together in a house. Their primary purpose for being is usually given as the development of leadership or character. Pi Kappa Alpha and Theta Chi are examples of social fraternities while Alpha Chi Omega and Kappa Kappa Gamma are typical sororities.

Some organizations were founded for particular ethnic or religious groups. Alpha Chi Rho and Lambda Chi Alpha, for example, were Christian organizations. Zeta Beta Tau and Sigma Alpha Mu, on the other hand, were created at least in part as a backlash to rules that prevented Jewish students from joining social groups.

Service organizations typically exist for the benefit of a particular field. Alpha Phi Omega is a national, co-ed service fraternity organized to provide service to the community at large. It is also an excellent example of defying stereotypes. Not all fraternities are composed of all males, and not all sororities are female only. This is especially true for non-social organizations. Professional fraternities exist to promote a particular profession and to aid in the study of their field. Alpha Kappa Phi is a well-known business fraternity and Delta Theta Phi serves future lawyers. Fraternities and sororities also exist to promote and recognize outstanding academic achievement. The most well-known example of this is Phi Beta Kappa, which recognizes excellence in undergraduate liberal arts and sciences. It is the oldest honor society in the country, and the first to use Greek letters for its name.

If you know of a family member who went to college, look at college annuals for leads to their membership in a fraternity or sorority. Research the history of the organization, its tenets, and mission. Contact the chapter to which they belonged for any historical information that they may have. You may even discover photographs in their archives that help you see your ancestor in a new light.

In my days at the University of Massachusetts at Amherst, I was a member of the Epsilon Nu chapter of Kappa Kappa Phi, National Honorary Band Service Fraternity. I visited the website recently for a trip down memory lane, and realized that genealogists looking for me in the future might be able to deduce some things about me: that music plays a significant role in my life, and that service to others is also very important to me. I doubt, however, that they will be able to connect my long-time aversion to whipped cream with a certain "Hit a KKPhi Pledge in the Face With a Pie" event that took place my freshman year on a ninety-degree day. Unless the archives have labeled photographs, that is.

Spotlight: *Indiana Resources*
by Valerie Beaudrault

Crown Hill Cemetery, Salem, Indiana
http://cityofsalemin.com/departments/cemetery-2.html

Salem is located in Washington Township, Washington County, Indiana, and serves as the county seat. The Crown Hill Cemetery was established in 1824. It is located in the southwestern part of the city. There have been a number of additions to the original cemetery over the years. The burial database for the Crown Hill Cemetery can

be found on the city's official website. Three different search options are available. One can search for individuals, search by year, or search for veterans by year. Under the search for individuals option, one can search by last name, "lastname, firstname", or by first letter of the surname only. For all options, the data displayed will include an alphabetical listing for all burials fitting the criteria for the year specified. The data fields in the search results include name and year of death, plus a link to burial information. Click on the burial information link to access burial location information, including a map showing the area in which the individual is buried. Researchers will also find a printable cemetery layout map on the site.

Obituary Database, Wakarusa Public Library, Indiana

http://www.wakarusa.lib.in.us/historical/obituaries.asp

Wakarusa is a town in Harrison and Olive townships in Elkhart County, Indiana. It is in the north-central part of the state, not far from the Michigan border. The Wakarusa Public Library's Historical Room Collection includes an online obituary database. The records are from the late-nineteenth and early-to-mid-twentieth centuries. The database can be searched by first name and last name and searches can be limited by providing a range of dates for the deceased's birth and death. The search results are returned as an alphabetical list of full names. Click on the name link for more detailed information, which can include the following: name, date of birth, date of death, source date, and source(s) title(s). In all of the records that I found there was also a link to a transcription of the obituary text, which is in Microsoft Word document format.

Obituary Database, Nappanee Public Library, Indiana

http://opac.nappanee.lib.in.us/historical/obituaries.asp

Nappanee is a city in Elkhart and Kosciusko counties, in the north-central part of the state of Indiana. The Nappanee Public Library's Evelyn Lehman Culp Heritage Center Collection contains an online obituary database. The records date back to the turn of the twentieth century. The database can be searched by first name and last name and searches can be limited by providing a range of dates for the deceased's birth and death. The search results are returned as an alphabetical list of full names. Click on the name link for more detailed information, which can include the following: name, source date, source page, source column, and source(s) title(s). There is, on occasion, a notes field in the search results.

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Research Recommendations:
Genealogical Writing: Quotations
by Michael J. Leclerc

Quotations can be troublesome in documents. Genealogists are often faced with bizarre spellings or wording, especially in documents created prior to the twentieth century. Remember, however, that quotations must be reproduced exactly as they appear in the original source. If the quotation sounds awkward or incorrect, you do have a few options.

You can add the italicized word "*sic*" in brackets after the word/s, thus: [*sic*]. This is a warning to the reader that you are aware of the bizarre spelling or phrasing, and are only reproducing what you saw in the original. Of course, if you are transcribing an entire paragraph or more, the *sic* should be understood. In order to ensure that the reader knows that it appeared in the original, you may choose to put an editorial word or two in brackets after the offending word or phrase. You may also choose to footnote the troublesome words, and offer your explanation in the note.

For ancient documents with very odd spellings, it may be helpful to the reader to include a modern spelling of the word in brackets after the offending word. You might also choose to put a modern spelling of the sentence after the quote.

You might decide to leave the odd word/s as they are, with no acknowledgement whatsoever. While it is perfectly correct to do so, this may lead to confusion on the part of your reader. It would probably be better to remove the direct quote and paraphrase the wording, than to leave the meaning unclear.

Spotlight: *Maine and North Dakota Cemetery Databases*

by Valerie Beaudrault

Mount Hope Cemetery, Bangor, Maine

www.mthopebgr.com/database.asp

Bangor became a city in 1834. Two years later, in 1836, Mount Hope Cemetery was established. Since that time, over thirty thousand individuals have found a final resting place here. It is the second-oldest garden cemetery in America, after Mount Auburn Cemetery in Cambridge, Massachusetts. Mount Hope Cemetery will turn 175 years old in April 2009.

According to the website, Mount Hope Cemetery embraces two separate cemetery organizations. One part is a city-owned or public cemetery; the other part is limited to members of the Cemetery Corporation. The cemeteries are so closely related that they are viewed as one. The approximately 300-acre cemetery is located on the banks of Penobscot River.

The database can be searched by name. It is best to search by last name. It is also possible to limit your search by entering last name followed by a comma, and then the first name of the individual for whom you are looking. The data fields in the search results include full name; date died; where born; age in years, months, and days; family; where buried; lot number; tomb; burial date; cremation; and armed services. The database is updated daily.

There is an annotated cemetery map with information on some of the well-known individuals buried in the cemetery, and a photo gallery as well.

Cemetery Database, City of Dickinson, North Dakota

www.dickinsongov.com/index.asp?Type=B_BASIC&SEC=%7BD40E86AD-1357-43F0-93AD-21CC8C33593C%7D

Located in the southwestern part of the state, the city of Dickinson serves as the seat of Stark County, North Dakota.

In the early 1980s, the City assumed responsibility for all of the cemeteries within its borders, including three former Catholic cemeteries. Due to the many requests they receive for burial information, Dickinson has made available the complete database of the four cemeteries located in the city.

The database is made up of nine alphabetical files in PDF format. If you do not already have it, you will need to download Adobe Reader to view the data files. The data fields in the database include last name, first name, cemetery abbreviation, section, block, lot, grave, date of birth, date of death, and comments. In the database, the cemeteries are indicated by single letter designations: St. Wenceslaus Cemetery = W, St. Joseph's Cemetery = J, St. Patrick's Cemetery = P, and Dickinson City Cemetery = D. Information in the comments section includes the family name for the lot in which individuals without a surname were buried, name of spouse or parent in the cases of young children, and the use of the term 'pre-need' to indicate lot/grave ownership by someone who is still living. They have noted on the website that databases are large and may take those with slower Internet connections awhile to download.

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Research Recommendations: *Happy New Year*

by Michael J. Leclerc

It is New Year's Eve again: time to take stock of the genealogical accomplishments of the past year, and to prepare for 2009. On New Year's Eve it is very common to look back at all of the year's unfinished tasks and make a resolution that they will be finished before twelve more months come to pass.

This year, try to focus on all that you did accomplish. Did you find any new

individuals or families to add to your family tree? How many of your ancestors have you fleshed out beyond dates of birth, marriage, and death? Did you read articles in genealogical magazines and journals? Did you attend genealogical lectures this year? How much of your family history have you written in prose? How many facts did you enter into your database? Were you able to file some of the mountains of paper you accumulated during the year? Were you able to do the same thing with the digital files on your computer?

This New Year's Eve, take a few moments and write down your genealogical accomplishments in 2008. You may surprise yourself with how much you actually did achieve. And, if you're anything like me, you are often so focused on the here and now, and perhaps the things that didn't get done, that you fail to recognize what you did do.

I sat down for a few minutes to think about what I accomplished genealogically in 2008. During the past year I made more than thirty genealogical presentations in six states, two countries, and at sea. I wrote three articles and countless announcements for *New England Ancestors* magazine. Two of my articles were published in the *Register*, and two more in *The American Genealogist*. Three of the books I managed for Newbury Street Press were published, and one more will return from the printer in a matter of weeks. With my colleague Chris Child, I helped laucnh a new major study project for the Society: *Western Massachusetts Families in 1790*. I was interviewed numerous times for radio, newspaper, and television. And I added more than 250 pages to a book I am writing on the descendants of Josiah Franklin, father of Benjamin Franklin.

The most useful part of evaluating your list of accomplishments? You can say "Whew! I can't believe all the things I did get done." Now it is time to take the next step. Spend some time over the next few days and make a list of goals for your genealogical research in 2009. Make sure that they are quantifiable. Stay away from words like more and less. If I say I want to write more next year, and I write three more words than I did this past year, I have the goals technically achieved, but did I really do what I wanted to do? Make your list realistic as well. Don't come up with 45 things, unless you can achieve them all in twelve months. I recommend listing 5-10 things at most. Write them down and tack them up over your desk where you have to look at them every time you sit down. Don't let it get buried under pedigree charts and census printouts! Make sure you look at your list regularly, and you will likely put more effort into accomplishing your goals. That way, next December 31, you can look at that list and say "Wow! Look at everything I did this year!" Then you can make your list for 2010. Happy New Year!

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Ten Will Be Graduated
Commencement Exercises Will be Held Thursday, June 12th

The eleventh annual commencement exercises of the Marshfield High School will be held on Thursday evening, June 12th, at Adler's opera house. A class of ten will receive diplomas, seven girls and three boys, namely, Wilhelmina Riedel, Lilyan Couture, Lydia Eckhoff, Mary Powers, Ella Scheibe, Ernestine Donhard, Arlie Hinman, Charles Whitney, Clifford Heath and Peter LaMahieu. The class this year is not as large as some which have been graduated from the Marshfield high School, but what it lacks in numbers is fully made up in eligibility. It is one of which the school can justly feel proud of.

Class Day exercises will be held on Tuesday evening, May 10th. The following is the program:

Curtain raiser, farce, "Creatures of Impulse"
A Japanese Tea------------------Kindergarten
Music------------------------------High School
President's Address-----------Peter LaMahieu
Class History--------------------Lilyan Couture
Class Poem------------------------Arlie Hinman
Class Motto------------------------Minnie Riedel

Chemical Analysis------------Clifford Heath
CLASS YELL
Comedy in two acts--------------"Class Day"

The commencement exercise will consist of the following:

Music-----------------------------------Orchestra
Invocation--------------------Rev-----------------
The Storming of the Bastille---Minnie Reidel
Iconoclast-----------------------Lilyan Couture
The American Spirit---------Charles Whitney
An Appeal for Shylock----------Lydia Eckhoff
John Quincy Adams and Right of Petition----
                                  Mary Powers
Violin Solo------------------------A. P. Donhard
John Marshall----------------------Ella Scheibe
Michael Angelo------------------Tena Donhard
Vocal Duet-------------Mr. And Mrs. R. S. Dale
Partition of Poland--------------Peter LaMahieu
A Plea for Art----------------------Arlie Hinman
Music-------------------------------Male Quartet
Presentation of Diplomas-------------------------
Music-----------------------------------Orchestra

Commencement week will close with the Senior ball at the Armory on Friday evening, June 13th.

This evening in the assembly room of the High School the juniors will give a banquet to the seniors. The only other guests will be the High School teachers, members of the school board and their wives and representatives of the press. Fifty-four covers will be laid. There will be toasts and music.

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Items of Interest

The Second Regiment Band has been engaged to play at the special delivery of buggies and farm machinery to be held at Seehafer & Krier on Saturday, June 7th, beginning at 9 a.m. At 2 o'clock the farmers with their new machines will form a line headed by the band and march to Juno's corner and return. It is estimated that fully 100 machines will be in line.

The streets will be crowded with people Monday forenoon, Gollmar Bros. & Schuman's circus being the attraction. The show has increased twice in size since its previous visit. The tent was well filled at each performance and all went away well satisfied. They drive from city to city, coming here from Stevens point on Sunday. Several of the heavy teams became mired in the soft roads near Sherry and were some hours later than the others in arriving.

There narrowly escaped being a serious accident at the Central depot Sunday forenoon. No. 1 struck a large trunk which was placed too near the track, throwing it among a crowd of ladies and children who were standing near the waiting room door. How all managed to avoid being injured was miraculous. The accident should serve as a lesson to those handling the baggage trucks not to figure too closely on just missing the train

A terrific hail storm passed over the section of the country lying between Grand Rapids and Nekoosa last Saturday. The Nekoosa branch train crew reported that the ground was white with hailstones many of which were as large as hen's eggs. Considerable damage was done to growing crops and many windows were broken.

Polish Archives

This may be some help if searching what was/is Poland.

Bob~~ Clark County History Buffs

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Europeana

On Thursday, November 20, 2008, Europeana, a new digital library of Europe's cultural heritage, crashed just hours after it went online. It was supposed to be down for just a week. The site reopened on December 23rd. The designers of Europeana had expected a maximum of five million hits an hour. But there was as much as three times the predicted traffic. Currently, Europeana is testing newly configured hardware.
I find this fascinating, considering that Europeana.eu is about ideas and inspiration. Europeana is intended to offer a central repository of two million books, paintings and

music held in more than 1,000 European institutions. It is a resource that connects you to 2 million digital items, including:

Images - paintings, drawings, maps, photos and pictures of museum objects
Texts - books, newspapers, letters, diaries and archival papers
Sounds - music and spoken word from cylinders, tapes, discs and radio broadcasts
Videos - films, newsreels and TV broadcasts
Some of these are world famous, others are hidden treasures from Europe's museums and galleries, archives, libraries, and audio-visual collections

Jill Cousins, Europeana's director, believes the site brings a level of expertise to the information offered, as opposed to rival sites.
"If you go onto Google, you don't always know what you're getting ... Here you do. The institutions have been here for hundreds of years and they know what they're talking about and that's what you're getting out of it," she claims.

This amateur art and music enthusiast can't wait for all the bugs to be worked out. Dinnertime will never be on time again!
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Meeting Schedule

January 22
  Marshfield Library General Meeting Room

February 26
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April 23

May 28

June 25

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