

Waupaca Area Genealogical Society

March 2001 Newsletter

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**Meetings held the Second Thursday of each month in the Meeting Room, Lower Level of the:
Waupaca Library, 107 S. Main, Waupaca, WI. 54981 6:30 PM
(unless otherwise noted below)**

March 23-24, 2001	UW-Green Bay Area Research Center Workshop	Contact: Area Research Center, Cofrin Library, UW-Green Bay, 2420 Nicolet Drive, Green Bay, WI 54311-7001, Phone:920-465-2539, Email: speccoll@uwgb.edu
April 7, 2001	WI State Genealogical Society Spring Seminar	Holiday Inn, Manitowoc, WI Marion Smith, speaker
June 15-16, 2001	Gene-A-Rama	Omni Center, Onalaska, WI
October 12-13, 2001	Waupaca Genealogy Conference	Holly History and Genealogy Center Waupaca, WI
May 15-18, 2002	National Genealogical Society Conference	Milwaukee, WI WSGS local host

The deadline for receiving items to be published in the Waupaca Area Genealogical Society newsletter for June is May 24, 2001. You may send them typed or via email: contact Susie Freistedt, Newsletter Editor, 160 Lakeshore Drive, Iola, WI 54945-9487 or email: freistedt@gglbbs.com

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(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. Subject to IRS limitations, individuals and corporations may make tax-deductible monetary contributions or donations of genealogical or other material used by the Society. If you wish to receive a copy of our IRS tax status determination letter, please send a written request to WAGS, P. O. Box 42, King, WI 54946-0042 along with a self-addressed, stamped envelope. If you are interested in making a donation, or have any questions related to contributions, please contact WAGS at its mailing address or any of the officers at their mailing or e-mail addresses.

Reminder Our on going fundraiser at Pick n Save and Piggly Wiggly in Waupaca. If any questions contact an Officer or ask at the meeting.

Any Reunions coming up? Let us know to put in the newsletter.

From our Pres—

Winter is moving out of Wisconsin at a pace "slower than molasses in January"! Darn... This has been a very busy time for the WAGS Board. We have been busy coordinating a new venture. The venture will be a Friday afternoon and all day Saturday program titled "Waupaca Genealogy Conference". The date will be October 12 and 13, 2001. The next newsletter will have all the details.

Our next meetings will be as follows:

March and April, meet Lower Level of the Waupaca Library.

May will feature a glimpse of the Holly History and Genealogy Center, as we will have our May 10th meeting there. Front entrance will be open at 6:00 PM. I look forward to seeing all of you there!

June we will be back at the Waupaca Library

July and August-summer picnics-places to be determined

Don't forget our Project nights, March 22th and April 26th, 6:30 PM – 8:00 PM. Check for location. The Waupaca Library is very busy at this time of the year.

April is the Ethnic Event in Stevens Point! Stevens Point Area High School (SPASH) always has an excellent variety of cultures and features, and our WAGS group will be with the Stevens Point Area Genealogy Society as before, with a computer. Sign up sheet available, or call one of the Officers for a time slot. Two hours of your time is all we need. That will mean those who can be there can also enjoy the event. Ethnic Fest is open to the public 10AM to 5 PM.

As we continue to focus on the Holly History and Genealogy Center, the Waupaca Historical Society is getting everything up and running, watch for information and details. Contact one of our officers for information.

Your Pres, Nancy

Treasurers notes

This month's newsletter includes revised copies of the WAGS membership roster and surname list. Please take a moment to check the information contained in your listings. If any parts of it have changed or require correction, please take a moment and let us know by e-mailing Bill Handrich at handrich@triver.com or sending a quick note to WAGS. E-mail addresses, in particular, change frequently, if yours isn't current – or if you have a new one and would like it listed – please let us know. And especially for the "snowbirds" – please check the accuracy and completeness of **both** addresses and let us know your "seasonal" dates so your Newsletter will reach you at the correct address.

WAGS membership cards have been prepared and are included with this issue of the newsletter. New members will receive their cards at the time they join, and renewal cards will be sent out each year with the March newsletter. Please contact Bill Handrich at handrich@triver.com if your card is not correct.

Special Thank You to WAGS members –The kidney I donated to my brother, Lee Eldredge in California, is working great! We both are recuperating and feeling good. All the prayers, cards and financial help were greatly appreciated. I am glad to have been able to give this gift to him.

Susie Freistedt

The records of 17 million Ellis Island immigrants will arrive on the Web in April. It's taken more than four years, millions of volunteer hours and nearly \$25 million to painstakingly input and double-check the passenger records. Each immigrant's entry will contain up to 11 fields of digitized data, including name, ship name and port of origin, arrival date, gender, age on arrival, marital status and last residence. How do you know whether you have an ancestor who passed through Ellis Island? The famed federal immigration facility didn't open until 1892, so if your ancestors arrived before then they entered through a different "door", such as Castle Garden www.nps.gov/cacl/ which served the Port of New York and 8 million immigrants from 1855 to 1890. Immigrants also came through other ports, such as Boston, Baltimore and San Francisco, where Angel Island www.anglesisland.org served as the "Ellis Island of the West" for 250,000 newcomers, mostly from Asia, from 1910 to 1940.
Family Tree Magazine, April 2001

War Graves Commission has database An online database about British Soldiers who died in World Wars I and II can be accessed at www.cwgc.org This is the site of the British Commonwealth War Graves Commission. Information about the soldiers generally includes parents' names, spouse's name, date and place of death, place of burial, rank and military unit.
The Family Tree, December 2000/January 2001

Quick hits on the Internet To find a **genealogy society** in your area of interest, check out the Internet website www.familyhistory.com/societyhall/main.asp

Saving Ex-Slave Records Congress may have trouble agreeing on a national budget, but the House and Senate both unanimously approved a \$3 million request to save the 135-year-old records of ex-slaves. More than a million pages from the Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen and Abandoned Lands (better known as the "Freedmen's Bureau") are to be microfilmed and catalogued at the National Archives and Records Administration. The Freedmen's Bureau was established after the Civil War to help free blacks make the transition from slavery to freedom. The records, which span 1865 to 1872, will give genealogists more data on slaves, slave owners and others who dealt with former slaves. For seven steps to get started tracing your slave ancestors, see the February 2001 issue of Family Tree Magazine.
Family Tree Magazine, April 2001

New View of Civil War A Union soldier's watercolor paintings and diaries capturing unprecedented views of the Civil War finally have been reunited. For nearly a century, Pvt. Robert Knox Sneden's tales of his journey through the war lay in dusty obscurity. His drawings and paintings were held in a Connecticut vault; his notes and journals were being kept in storage in the Arizona desert. A combination of luck and researchers' determination brought Sneden's body of work to light, delighting Civil War buffs. Now these important documents are displayed in an illustrated memoir, *Eye of the Storm: A Civil War Odyssey*, (Free Press, \$37.50) and in a traveling exhibition. To learn more about his works and their rediscovery, see the multimedia presentation at www.journale.com/eyeofthestorm/ or visit the traveling exhibition in a town near you:

Atlanta History Center, through March 20

Chicago Historical Society, May 30-Sept 30

Huntington Library in San Marino, CA, Oct 22-Jan 24, 2002

Family Tree Magazine, April 2001

Civil War Soldiers and Sailors System Names Index Project A major effort is underway by a consortium that includes the National Archives, National Park Service, Federation of Genealogical Societies, Genealogical Society of Utah and others, to compile an index of Civil War soldiers and sailors, and to make it available to family historians. Basically, to computerize information about the Civil War.

Some of the database is already available online at the CWSS website <http://www.itd.nps.gov/cwss/> You can search entries by surname, given name, state, regiment, and army. Joining the names of those who served in the U.S. Colored Troops are names of those who served in some regiments from Connecticut, Iowa, Louisiana, Massachusetts, Pennsylvania, South Carolina and Tennessee. Eventually, the Cwss will include an index for every soldier and sailor whose records are on file, both Union and Confederate, making it an invaluable starting place for family historians with ancestors who served either side in the American Civil War.

To contact the National Park Foundation, write to 1101 17th Street, NW, Suite 1102, Washington DC 20036-4704, email ask-npf@nationalparks.org

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Postal Information Two good sources of postal information for other countries are www.geocities.com/WallStreet/Exchange/1161/ and dir.yahoo.com/Reference/Postal_Information/ In addition to general rate information (listed in local currencies), there are links to local postal authorities. For example, the United Kingdom's Royal Mail www.royalmail.co.uk tell you how much in postage it will take to get a letter from Point A to Point B and how long it will take. Many sites let you actually buy foreign stamps and have them sent to you for use. The disadvantage here is that you're likely to incur shipping charges and may have to buy more stamps than you need if you're not planning to send many queries to a particular county.

Jan Jaben-Eilon columnist for *Writers Digest*, *Family Tree Magazine* December 2000

Polish Army in France Casualty List The Polish Army in France was also known as the Blue Army, named for their French issued blue uniforms, or Haller's Army, named for Gen. Jozef Haller, their commanding officer. Recently, 1,085 index cards were located in the archives of the Polish Museum of America in Chicago. No one knows when they were created, nor by whom. They appear to have been written by two different individuals, and most likely were transcribed from original sources. You can search for your ancestor on this database by going to the Polish Roots website at www.PolishRoots.org To request a photocopy of a casualty card, send check or money order for \$5.00 US made out to the Polish Museum of America, and mail to Paul Valasek, 2643 W. 51st Street, Chicago, IL 60632-1559

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Helpful Web sites:

Waupaca County GenWeb page	http://www.rootsweb.com/~wiwaupac/index.htm
WAGS link to above	
	http://www.rootsweb.com/~wiwaupac/WAGS/WAGS/htm
Wisconsin Civil War Rosters	http://www.shsw.wisc.edu/roster/
Family Tree Maker	http://www.familytreemaker.com
Social Security Death Index	http://www.ancestry.com/ssdi/advanced.htm
Birthdate Calculator	http://www.longislandgenealogy.com/birth.html
Public Libraries in US	http://www.publiclibraries.com
Gazetteer of British Place Names	http://gazetteer.co.uk
Veterans Administration	http://www.cem.va.gov/ or www.va.gov

Waupaca Area Genealogical Society Calendar 2001

March 8/Thur	Monthly Meeting	Place to be announced 6:30 PM
March 22/Thur	Obit Project	Place to be announced 4:30-7:30 PM
April 12/Thur	Monthly Meeting	Place to be announced 6:30 PM
April 26/Thur	Obit Project	Place to be announced 4:30-7:30 PM
April 28/Sat	Ethnic Fest	1201 North Point Dr, Stevens Point 10 am-5pm If questions call 715-346-3844
May 10/Thur	Monthly Meeting	Holly History and Genealogy Center 6:30 PM
May 24/Thur	Obit Project	Place to be announced 4:30-7:30 PM
May 25/Fri	Newsletter Articles due	
May 19/Sat	Main Street Waupaca Book Festival/History Walk Waupaca	
June 14/Thur	Monthly Meeting	Waupaca Area Public Library 6:30 PM
June 16/Sat	Strawberry Fest	Waupaca
June 15-16/Fr-Sat	Gene A Rama	Omini Center, Onalaska, WI
July 4/Wed	Parade, etc	Waupaca
July 12/Thur	Potluck Picnic	Place to be announced 6:30 PM
July 27-28/Fr-Sat	Quilt History Days.	Holly History and Genealogy Center
August 9/Thur	Potluck Picnic	Place to be announced 6:30 PM
August 31/Fri	Newsletter Articles due	
Sept 13/Thur	Monthly Meeting	Place to be announced 6:30 PM
Sept 15/Sat	Hometown Days	Waupaca
Sept 27/Thur	Obit Project	Place to be announced
Oct 11/Thur	Monthly Meeting	Place to be announced 6:30 PM
Oct 12-13/Fr-Sat	Waupaca Genealogy Conference	
	Holly History and Genealogy Center, Waupaca, WI	
Oct 25/Thur	Obit Project	Place to be announced
Nov 8/Thur	Monthly Meeting	Place to be announced 6:30 PM
Nov 29/Fri	Newsletter articles due	
Dec 13/Thur	Ethnic Potluck/Food Pantry	Place to be announced 6:30 PM

The following is a story about my Grandma Christianson's sister, Julia Stemson. This is a story told by her to her son and is said to be true. This happened while she was a teenager in the latter part of the 1800's. At that time, she was doing housework at the farm house of the steam thresher Kyлло's family in Southern Minnesota.

"A rainy late spring day, with menfolks under foot, Mrs. Kyлло decided it would be a good day to clean out the cellar. In those days, there were very few basements. But most farm homes had a cellar for storage of potatoes, root crops, canned goods and the likes. Usually most cellars had a stairway leading directly outdoors. This was the case at the Kyлло home.

Anyway in the process they came across several bottles in one corner; dirty and dust covered from being long forgotten. All filled by some liquid, very likely home made grape wine. Must have been a poor vintage, tho.

Being of good solid Norwegian stock, the conservative trait presided. The liquid was disposed of into a pan at the head of the stairway and the bottles cleaned and kept for future use.

Then on with the job at hand until someone by chance glanced outside. And what should they see but the entire farm gaggle of geese all scattered in the weirdest askewy forms possible. Mrs. Kyлло upon notice remarked that the geese were all dead. So we must salvage the down, a valuable commodity in those days. So on with the geese plucking. To save the down so it would keep, plucking was always done dry.

By the time plucking was finished, it was almost noon day. The goose carcasses were hauled by wheel- barrow behind the grove to be buried after dinner.

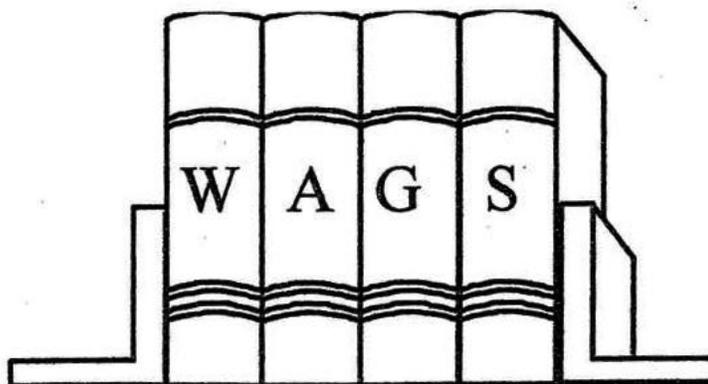
Yes, dinner the main meal of the day, then as now the usual custom among farmers. And I must say usually very bountiful.

A big meal, then a quiet pause at mid-day. But what should they spy out in the farm yard? A gaggle of naked geese!!!!

An afterthought, do you suppose the term (stoned) fits here? At lease Mrs. Kyлло was worried the geese would get sunburned.."

The above copied from the book, "Our Family History" by Denise Rae Krueger.

Submitted by Phyllis Culton



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June 24, 2001	Pommern Tag	Mequon Park 12-6 PM
July 12, 2001	Potluck	Geri Trinrud 5:30 PM Map in newsletter
July 14, 2001	German Interest Group	James R Connor University Center, UW-Whitewater
August 9, 2001	Potluck	Nancy Helbach 5:30 PM Map in newsletter
Sept 12-15, 2001	Quad Cities Conference	Davenport, Iowa Registration form in newsletter www.fgs.org
October 12-13, 2001	Waupaca Genealogy Conference	Holly History and Genealogy Center Waupaca, WI
October 20, 2001	WI State Genealogical Society Fall Seminar	Madison, WI www.wsgs.org
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From our Pres—

The WAGS group has moved forward! In spite of the gloomy and rainy spring weather, members of both the WAGS and The Waupaca Historical Society (WHS) members have met and moved on with the coordinating of volunteering time and doing tasks at the Holly History and Genealogy Center (HHGC). "JJ" June Johnson is our counterpart on the Historical side (she does genealogy too!) and is doing an excellent job of letting us all know what we can do. The Open House was wonderful, and that day was sunny, and many people from our group, historical and public were there. It was great!

The sign up list for manning the new "genealogy" side of HHGC still has a few openings. (See list below) Please consider donating two to five hours a month. This will enable you to see what is available and also network with your genealogy peers. There are many Waupaca photos of both people and businesses, as well as folders of family information and genealogies plus more. Your family may be there!

Here is an update on the Holly History and Genealogy Center. The Center will be open (at least for the summer months) on Tuesdays 1-4 PM and Thursdays 7-9 PM and Saturdays from 1-4 PM. We need volunteers to be at the Center when it is open. It was felt that at least two (2) people should be there whenever we are open. Listed below are dates when we need volunteers to man the Center. If you are able to volunteer at HHGC, contact Nancy or Darlene.

Saturday June 16 1 person
Saturday June 23 2 persons
Thursday June 28 2 persons
Saturday June 30 1 person
Thursday July 5 1 person
Saturday July 7 2 persons
Saturday July 14 2 persons
Thursday July 19 2 persons
Saturday July 21 1 person
Thursday July 26 1 person
Saturday July 28 2 persons

Enjoy the summer seeking new and old relatives of your many branches. Remember to document your source! Have a "seeking summer"!

Your Pres, Nancy

History of Waupaca County, excerpts from the book by J. Wakefield

The Town of Waupaca was organized by act of the County Board, at a special session held at Mukwa, March 5, 1852. The first town meeting was held at the house of Mr. Mackintosh, in said town, April 6, 1851.

The Town of Waupaca comprises Township 22 north, Range 2 east, is bounded on the north by the Town of St. Lawrence, on the east by Royalton, on the south by Lind, and on the west by Farmington.

The first settlement was on the 9th of June 1849, by E.C. Sessions, J. and W.B. Hibbard, J. M. Vaughan, and W. G. Copper. In the Fall of the same year Captain David Scott, Dana Dewey, H. M. Garde, T. M. Paine, Dexter Williams, F.B. Young and James Thomas moved in.

The first newspaper (also first in the County) was started by the Redfield Brothers, in 1853. It was the *Waupaca Spirit*.

Resource Center Information

Hours may vary, if traveling a distance, telephone to verify hours.

Wausau Family History Center Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, 5405 Rib Mountain Drive, Wausau, WI 54401, 1-715-355-4856
Hours: Thursday 1:30 PM to 8:00 PM
Friday 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM
Saturday 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM

State Historical Society Area Research Center, Learning Resource Center, UW-Stevens Point, Stevens Point, WI 54481, 1-715-346-2586
Hours: Fall and Spring Semesters
Monday thru Friday
8:00 - 12:00, 1:15 - 4:30 PM

Waupaca Public Library, 107 S Main Street, Waupaca, WI 54981, 1-715-258-4414
Hours: Monday thru Thursday
9:00 AM to 8:00 PM
Friday 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM
Saturday 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM

Sheboygan County Historical Research Center
118 Water Street
Sheboygan Falls, WI 53085-1455
E-mail: schrc@execpc.com

Wisconsin State Historical Society, 816 State Street, Madison, WI 53706, 1-608-264-6400
Hours: Monday thru Thursday
8:00 AM to 9:00 PM
Friday and Saturday
8:00 AM to 5:00 PM

Shawano Latter Day Saints Family History Center, Evergreen and Zingler, PO Box 321, Shawano, WI 54166, 1-715-526-2946
Hours: Tuesday thru Thursday
9:00 AM to 4:00 PM
Saturday 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM

Appleton Latter Day Saints Family History Center, 425 W Park Ridge Ave, Appleton, WI 54911, 1-920-733-5358
Hours: Tuesday 9:00 AM to 8:00 PM
Friday 11:00 AM to 2:00 PM

Oshkosh Latter Day Saints Family History Center, Hwy 21 and Oakhill Road, Oshkosh, WI 54904, 1-920-233-6545
Hours: Tuesday 9:00 AM to Noon
Wednesday 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM
Saturday 9:00 AM to Noon

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JAWORT, KOPITZKE, LaSTOFKA,
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NOTE: She's the mother of WBAY-TV's weather person, Lisa Lucht and was Bills baby-sitter when he lived in Manawa!!

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Bits and Pieces

Shawano Family History Center please note of reduced Summer Hours: Closed Wednesday. Open Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday 9-4. From Paula Vaughan

On-Line Data Bank—Hamburg Passenger Lists: The City of Hamburg has started to post the departure data for the approximately 5 million Europeans who emigrated via the Port of Hamburg between 1850 and 1934 for destinations in the USA. The initial work, currently underway, covers the years 1890 – 1893. The data bank will grow on a regular basis, and will ultimately include the 1850 – 1890 and 1914 – 1934 time periods. See:
www.hamburg.de/LinktoYourRoots/english/welcome.htm
Source: GAESRE Newsletter, April/May 2001

New "All-in-One" Genealogy Website: GenealogySpot is a new "all-in-one" website to enable genealogists to quickly and easily link to multiples sites in their research. Go to:
www.genealogyspot.com
Source: GAESRE Newsletter, April/May 2001

Finland Research – According to a regulation from 1862, all Finns needed a passport to travel abroad. Passports were issued by county government boards, borough administrators in towns, sheriff of the Aland Island, sheriff of Lapland and the Finnish passport Bureau of St. Petersburg. The oldest passport list of from 1810 and the lists are complete since 1893. All passports since 1960 are issued by the local police. The Finnish Institute of Migration (address below) has computerized approximately one third of the microfilmed passports. In the 1870's and 1880's almost all Finnish emigration to America went through Swedish harbors. This changed at the end of the 1800's when direct routes were opened from Hanko (Haugo) to Hull. Most of the people who still traveled through Sweden came from the Aland Islands or from Oulu province because it was easy to travel to Stockholm on the steamships from the northern parts of Sweden. In 1892 the authorities decided that ships should have passenger lists. Most of the Finnish Steamship Company's passenger lists of ships from Hanko have survived. The Institute of

Migration has a searchable database which is almost complete. (*Scandinavian Roots/American Lives* <http://www.migrationinstitute.fi/nordic/Links/Dbases.htm>)
Additional information and searchable databases can be found at the Genealogical Society of Finland website www.genealogia.fi/emi37e.htm or write to the Genealogical Society of Finland, Liisankatu 16 A, FIN-00170 Helsinki, Finland; [Email-samfundet@genealogia.fi](mailto:samfundet@genealogia.fi).
Everton's Genealogical Helper Jan/Feb 2001

New Rules for Researching at the Wisconsin State Vital Records Office – There are some new and/or revised research policies that went into effect as of January 1, 2000 at the Wisconsin Vital Records Office located at the State Office Building at 1 W Wilson St, in Madison. These include:

Advance appointments are required. Cancellations are allowed. No shows may be restricted from future searches. The present lead-time to obtain appointments is six to nine months.

Two persons are allowed in the search area at one time.

Two-hour blocks are available. A person may schedule up to a maximum of four hours per month. The hours of searching are: Monday, Wednesday and Friday: 8 am-10am: 10:30 am-12:30 pm, 1:30 pm-3:30 pm. Tuesday and Thursday: 8 am-10 am; 10:30 am-12:30 am.

Every researcher must register each day upon entry in the search area. The researcher must be prepared to show proper ID. Acceptable forms of ID are a driver's license, state ID, a major credit card, or a health insurance card.

Wisconsin statute limits who may receive a certified copy of a vital record. The researcher will be asked to state their relationship to the person listed on the record when asking for a certified copy. Staff will determine whether a certified copy of the record will be issued.

Each research may have two staff-assisted searches per appointment. Any additional staff-assisted searches will require a fee for verification or certified/non-certified copy of a record. Fees are as follows: Verification only-\$7.00; copy of birth record-\$12.00; copy of death, marriage or divorce record-\$7.00

Reprinted from the PINERY PEDIGREE newsletter, Marathon County Genealogical Society, Sept/Oct 2000

Freedmen's Bureau Records Preservation Act of 2000 - Online members of the African American genealogy site, *AFRIGENEAS.com*, are gearing up for the prospect of researching more complete and more accessible Freedmen's Bureau records.

In the immediate wake of the Civil War (1865) Congress established the Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen, and Abandoned Lands, commonly referred to as the "Freedmen's Bureau", to supervise and manage all matters relating to refugees and freedmen (newly freed from enslavement), and to supervise abandoned and confiscated property.

For more information contact AfriGeneas – African Ancestored Genealogy, P O Box 4906, Blue Mountain, AL 36204, or www.afrigeneas.com
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Read All About It – Satisfy your need for news by stopping by www.NewsDirectory.com, a site that provides links to more than 6,400 newspapers and magazines worldwide. Navigating is simple; you search for newspapers via country listings and browse for magazines by subject or region.

This e-kiosk carries more than papers and periodicals. Its Travel Planner page contains links to convention and visitors bureaus throughout the country, and for those who need a coffee break, there are links to Dear Abby, the daily horoscope and the latest comics.

Similar sites to try are www.newspapers.com, www.ipl.org (Internet Public Library) and www.thepaperboy.com
AAA Home & Away Mar/Apr 2001

Many years ago I became interested in the various fires that occurred in the Old Northwest during 1871 and remember reading that many logging camps and larger towns actually paved their streets with sawdust from the mills so that people could walk them with out getting muddy during and after rains Certainly a very bad idea but a excellent explanation as to why those towns "went up" like gunpowder kegs.

Answer: That is absolutely correct. The practice goes back to colonial days, but it wasn't until manufacturing wood during the "Industrial Revolution" that there was a large enough amount of sawdust to become a problem. Unlike now when sawdust is used in pressed wood products and some paper manufacturing, sawdust was just a waste byproduct of milling lumber. A BIG byproduct. At first they simply dumped it into the rivers and streams that powered the mills. It would then travel to the mouth of the rivers and totally clog the bays of the upper Great Lakes. This made shipping impossible and that meant the lumber could not be shipped to other places. There are old letters and diaries with descriptions of sawdust being so thick along the beaches and bays that you could walk out on the floating matts (also not a real safe practice). They burned the bark and scraps, that would not make shims and such small usables, in huge tall coneshaped metal structures with open tops and at night the workers would sit out on the from porches of their cottages with the family and watch the glowing red burners against the inky black sky until bedtime. But the sawdust remained a huge problem. It was highly combustable and not suited for burners as it would also set the surrounding area on fire with sparks traveling on the wind. Someone came up with the idea of laying down sawdust on the muddy town roads. Then you could not only walk on the knee-deep mud, but the sawdust was also "worked into" the mud by traffic to make a kind of improved surface for wagon and carriage wheels. And it was free for the hauling. Since the most concentrated traffic was in the towns, villages and settlements, this was seen as a big improvement. Just the other day, right here, I noticed that sawdust from logging off land for development was used on the mud to make a road inland for the heavy trucks. It was very successful and took the weight of many vehicles without getting muddy.

This sawdust was also used in logging camps so the mud from the bare ground didn't impede transportation. It was truly dangerous by today's standards, and even more dangerous, but absolutely necessary, by yesterday's standards. There were also no building codes back then and all the wood structures were put up fast and close together, often wall to wall. With lamp oil, wood stoves, fireplaces, candles, and various fuels being used and stored all over, women and men wearing lots of cotton clothing, and lots of smoking materials, open fires, sparks from steam engines (trains, threshers, boats, etc) campfires of hunters, brush burning, smokehouses for curing meats, bonfires for newly cleared land, open fires for making soap, scalding fowl and rendering lard, lightening, back burning, etc. you can only imagine how dangerous life was with all that sawdust around. Even circuses used sawdust all around and inside the tents as temporary flooring, and the tents were lit with open, burning torches attached to the wood mainpoles. That would give me bigger thrills and chills than any caged Tiger
From Geir Trinrud via Rita-Oconto County WIGenWeb

One of the finest ways to become proficient in genealogical research is to be involved in your local genealogical society.

Web sites to Check out:

Waupaca County GenWeb page	http://www.rootsweb.com/~wiwaupac/index.htm
WAGS link to above	
	http://www.rootsweb.com/~wiwaupac/WAGS/WAGS/htm
Wisconsin Civil War Rosters	http://www.shsw.wisc.edu/roster/
Social Security Death Index	http://www.ancestry.com/ssdi/advanced.htm
Birthdate Calculator	http://www.longislandgenealogy.com/birth.html
Public Libraries in US	http://www.publiclibraries.com
Emigrant Ships from Norway	http://www.museumsnett.no/mka/ssa
Danish Demographic Database	http://ddd.dda.dk/ddd.htm
Trace your Ancestors in Norway	http://www.ide-as.com/fndb/howto.html
Finnish Sailors and Soldiers	
In the American Civil War	http://www.utu.fi/erill/instmigr/art/roinila2.htm
Catherina's Genealogy(Swedish)	http://user.tninet.se/~yke628p/english/
ANNO 1890 (Swedish Census)	http://www.foark.umu.se/census/Index.htm

Waupaca Area Genealogical Society Calendar 2001

June 14/Thur	Monthly Meeting	Waupaca Area Public Library 6:30 PM
June 16/Sat	Strawberry Fest	Waupaca
June 15-16/Fr-Sat	Gene A Rama	Omini Center, Onalaska, WI
July 4/Wed	Parade, etc	Waupaca
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SAVING FAMILY AUDIO MEMORIES

I am in the planning stage for a small business that would provide a service that I think would be of great interest to anyone involved with their family history and its preservation. The service is called audio restoration and includes transferring audio memorabilia from the unstable and slowly deteriorating media of audiotapes and records to Compact Disc and eliminating or greatly reducing existing noise from the recording. The finished product would sound much better than the original and would last 100 years.

The types of memorabilia that could be processed include cassette and reel-to-reel tapes, phono discs of any speed and type, audio from home video and home movies, favorite commercial recordings on tape or record (I can remove the tape hiss and all the pops and crackle of a phono record) or virtually any other audio source. The content of the recording can be talking, music, or any other sound source.

Once the first CD is produced, copies can be produced at a much lower cost. A project that cost to be about \$10 - \$20 per copy.

If you had a 1 hour tape in good condition that I processed with noise reduction and transfer to a CD for a cost of \$320 and you had five additional copies made at \$20 each, the entire project would cost \$420 and the total average cost per CD would be \$70. Not a bad total for a Christmas gift especially when you consider the value to the family.

I have the capacity to do this now and would be happy to consider any projects. However, I would like to invest in a much more sophisticated technology and go into business provided that I can determine that there are enough potential customers to allow me to pay off the investment and make some money. Please contact me if you would be interested in this type of service. Please write to me or call me at the address or phone number below.

Robert Rosen
199 River Drive
Plover, WI 54467
(715) 344-8469

FAMILY HISTORY BEGINS WITH ME: WRITING MY OWN LIFE STORY

We all need a little prodding from time to time to get us going on a project. The following is intended to get you started on organizing your family materials into something a little more workable. If you can keep up with the monthly assignments, the overall project seems alot more bearable.

Monthly Assignments

January - Your birth; facts, stories you've heard, how your older brother reacted to you.

February - Your parents, grandparents and other memorable relatives: facts, descriptions, skills, and hobbies, stories, jokes, songs, recipes, interview them if possible.

March - Your preschool years: friends, favorite games and toys, favorite books or stories, memories, funny words and sayings, your understanding of events or early impressions.

April - Elementary or Grammar School: friends, teachers, first memories of learning, pets, relatives, music/art, class trips, gym and recess, favorite/worst subjects, religious school.

May - Your teen years, high school, teachers, classes, favorite/worst subject, dreams and goals, sports, activities, clubs, community and religious activities, beliefs, memorable learning experience.

June - Young adult years: further education (college or vocational school), first job(s), dates and first love(s), friends, relatives, politics (first vote), driving, music, dancing, holidays, activities.

July - Marriage: how you met, first impressions, the proposal, shared goals and dreams, wedding, jobs, friends, activities, families, celebrating holidays together, entertaining, music, reading, films, religion, politics, impact of world or national events, pets, births of children.

August - Career: how you decided on it or how it "picked" you, first salary, boss, actual work you did, goals, co-workers, vacations, union or associating memberships, community, activities.

September - Middle years: work activities, hobbies, friends, children, relatives, early losses (of relatives, friends, jobs), successes, overcoming setbacks and loss, health (family health history).

October - Later years: retirement, interests, hobbies, activities, second career, rewards, property (home, cottages), describe and map homes, travel, major events.

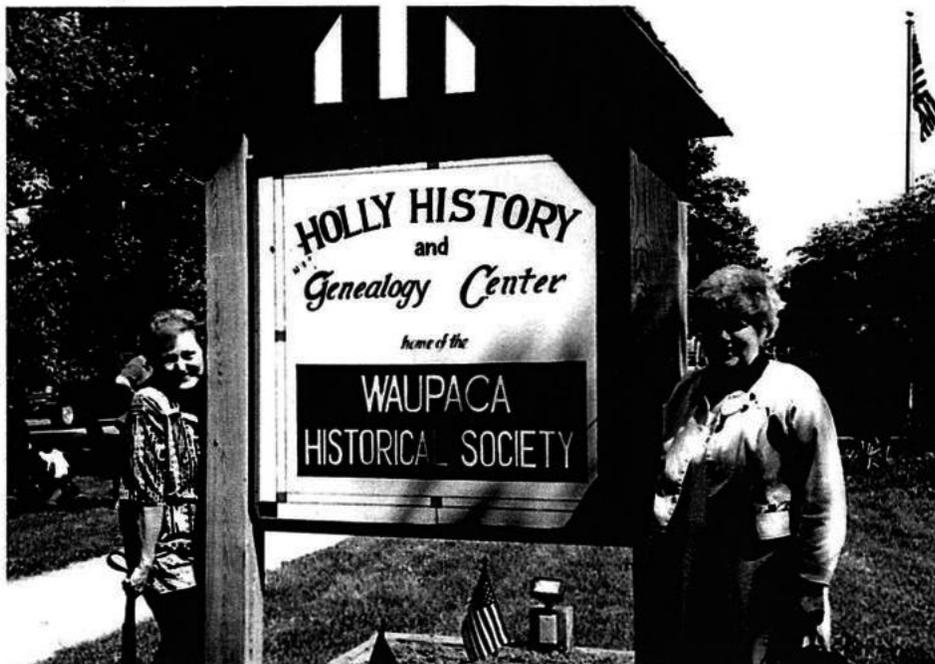
November - Ideas, rules to live by or wisdom you'd like to pass on to future generations, items or stories that didn't fit above. Decide on style and size of your finished product. Photos?

December - Edit, organize, add photos and maps, type or print, make covers, bind.

(from Kith and Kin Vol 12 No3 p 5 and Heart of Wisconsin Gen Soc Newsletter Vol 21 Sep. 1995, p 484)

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Nancy - Pres.

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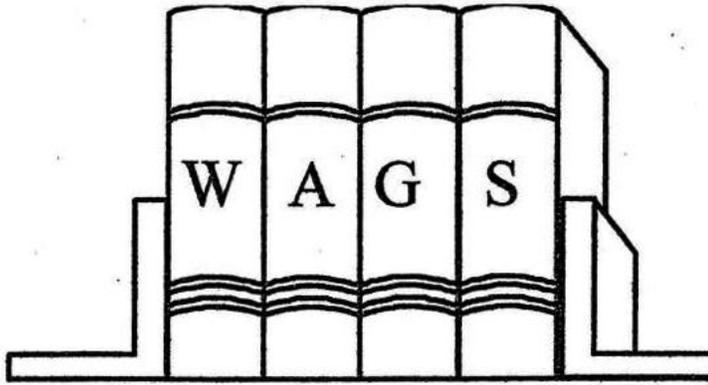
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Waupaca Area Genealogical Society (WAGS)
Meets in the Lower Level of the Waupaca Area Public Library,
107 S. Main St, Waupaca, WI on the second Thursday of each month
at 6:30 PM. Meeting times, locations, and activities vary during
the summer months.

Annual dues are \$10.00 for Individual, Society, or Library
membership and \$15.00 for Family membership (two
individuals residing at the same mailing address). The
WAGS membership year runs from January 1 through December 31.

The purpose of the Society shall be to generate
an interest in genealogy, provide a meeting place
for the exchange of genealogical ideas, to inform
people of the value of and the need for preserving
family and local history for posterity assist members
and others with genealogical research, to receive,
hold and invest monies, dues, gifts, sales, interest,
etc., and to hold and administer property for the
benefit of the society and for its educational purpose.

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**Meetings held the Second Thursday of each month in the Meeting Room, Lower Level of the:
Holly History and Genealogy Center, 321 South Main, Waupaca, WI. 54981 6:30 PM
(unless otherwise noted)**

Sept 12-15, 2001	Quad Cities Conference	Davenport, Iowa Registration form in newsletter www.fgs.org
October 5,6,7,2001	8 th Int'l Federation of Eastern European History Societies	Ramada Inn South Airport, Milwaukee, WI Contact FEEFHS, POBox 510898, SLC, UT 84151- 0898 or Marsha Gustard (262) 786- 3312
October 12-13, 2001	Waupaca Genealogy Conference	Holly History and Genealogy Center Waupaca, WI
October 20, 2001	WI State Genealogical Society Fall Seminar	Alliant Energy Center, Madison, WI WSGS, POBox 5106 Madison, WI 53705 www.wsgs.org
May 15-18, 2002	National Genealogical Society Conference	Midwest Express Center, Milwaukee, WI WSGS local host

The deadline for receiving items to be published in the Waupaca Area Genealogical Society newsletter for December is November 23, 2001. You may send them typed or via email: contact Susie Freistedt, Newsletter Editor, 160 Lakeshore Drive, Iola, WI 54945-9487 or email: freistedt@gglbbs.com

The Waupaca Area Genealogical Society (WAGS) is classified as a tax-exempt non-profit organization as described in Section 501 (c)

(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. Subject to IRS limitations, individuals and corporations may make tax-deductible monetary contributions or donations of genealogical or other material used by the Society. If you wish to receive a copy of our IRS tax status determination letter, please send a written request to WAGS, P. O. Box 42, King, WI 54946-0042 along with a self-addressed, stamped envelope. If you are interested in making a donation, or have any questions related to contributions, please contact WAGS at its mailing address or any of the officers at their mailing or e-mail addresses.

Reminder Our on going fundraiser at Pick n Save and Piggly Wiggly in Waupaca. If any questions contact an Officer or ask at the meeting.

From our Pres——

Our WAGS genealogy area continues to change. As we clean up from our June storm, remember that there are storms of many types that are not all destructive, but productive. Our group has taken on a productive storm in the Holly History and Genealogy Center. We are up and running Tuesday and Saturday afternoons and Thursday evenings for the summer months. It has created a bit of havoc, but Darlene Ryan has done a wonderful job of coordinating the schedule for June, July and August. We are already booking at the fall and winter months, and are looking for a commitment of one day per person. Take on the challenge! It will be a good experience. We will be open during the daytime hours. We will of course, do other openings by appointment based on individual request.

October will bring on the whole new experience for us of putting on a Genealogy Conference. Consider volunteering to help, or sign up to come. I thank my officers and appointed people for the hours that has gone into the planning for this event. Darlene, thank goodness you retired (mostly)! (More information can be found in the newsletter.)

Hope to see you there.....Your Pres, Nancy

History of Waupaca County , excerpts from the book by J. Wakefield

The history of Waupaca County seems naturally to divide itself into three distinct epochs. The first embraces the period of savage ownership and occupancy, reaching from times far back of the historic age to the conclusion of the treaty of cession from the Menomonee tribe to the whites. The second epoch embraces the period from the date of the treaty to the final surrender of the possession by the Menominees. The third epoch embraces the events of the succeeding years, reaching to the present time.

The events of the first epoch are, in the main, a sealed book. Many a wild epic of savage loves and hates, of nomadic conflicts and savage vengeance, may have been enacted on the soil of Waupaca County, the story of which passed into tradition, then into fable, and finally died out of memory and left no trace to guide the pen of the historian.

It is probable that the earliest Indian tribes, those first seen and named by the Jesuit explorers, had their principal villages on the Fox River and the lower Wolf, and that the district embraced in Waupaca County was a favorite hunting ground, much frequented by roving bands. The rich spoils of the chase were carried home in their light canoes, on the many streams that thread this whole region. Sites of Indian villages of moderate antiquity are common in many parts of the State, especially near the mouth of the Wolf River; but no evidence remains of any considerable Indian village in the region now embraced within Waupaca County.

On an island in White Lake is an ancient Indian clearing, of about one acre in extent. This was, as I have learned from conversation with some of the Indians since I have been in the County, for a long time the permanent home of a small band of Menominees, who cultivated here a little corn to supplement the precarious dependence upon the bow and spear. This band had, since the occupancy of the whites, a chief or patriarch named Wey-au-we-ga, from whom the village of Weyauwega derives its name, and whose skull, thanks to the archeological enterprise of Dr. Bliss, of Royalton, now reposes in the archives of the Smithsonian Institute, at Washington.

Resource Center Information

Hours may vary, if traveling a distance, telephone to verify hours.

Wausau Family History Center Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, 5405 Rib Mountain Drive, Wausau, WI 54401, 1-715-355-4856

Hours:

Wednesday 8:30 AM to 8:30 PM
Thursday 12:30 AM to 8:30 PM
Saturday (first Saturday of each month)
9:00 AM to 3:00 PM

Note changes in times FHC is open

State Historical Society Area Research Center, Learning Resource Center, UW-Stevens Point, Stevens Point, WI 54481, 1-715-346-2586

Hours: Fall and Spring Semesters

Monday thru Friday
8:00 - 12:00, 1:15 - 4:30 PM

Waupaca Public Library, 107 S Main Street, Waupaca, WI 54981, 1-715-258-4414

Hours: Monday thru Thursday

9:00 AM to 8:00 PM
Friday 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM
Saturday 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM

Sheboygan County Historical Research Center

518 Water Street

Sheboygan Falls, WI 53085-1455

E-mail: schrc@execpc.com

Holly History and Genealogy Center, 321 South Main Street, Waupaca, WI

715-256-9980 Fall Hours starting Sept 6

Fall Hours: Tuesday 1:00 PM to 4:00 PM
Thursday 9:00 AM to Noon
Saturday 1:00 PM to 4:00 PM

Wisconsin State Historical Society, 816 State Street, Madison, WI 53706, 1-608-264-6400

Hours: Monday thru Thursday

8:00 AM to 9:00 PM
Friday and Saturday
8:00 AM to 5:00 PM

Shawano Latter Day Saints Family History Center, Evergreen and Zingler, PO Box 321, Shawano, WI 54166, 1-715-526-2946

Hours: Tuesday thru Thursday

9:00 AM to 4:00 PM
Saturday 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM

Appleton Latter Day Saints Family History Center, 425 W Park Ridge Ave, Appleton, WI 54911, 1-920-733-5358

Hours: Tuesday 9:00 AM to 8:00 PM
Friday 11:00 AM to 2:00 PM

Oshkosh Latter Day Saints Family History Center, Hwy 21 and Oakhill Road, Oshkosh, WI 54904, 1-920-233-6545

Hours: Tuesday 9:00 AM to Noon
Wednesday 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM
Saturday 9:00 AM to Noon

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TIMM, WILDE

Queries

The headstone was taken from Alonzo Bate's gravesite. It was a simple smaller stone with outward raised letters. Alonzo in an arc on the top, Bates across under that. It stated his heath January 22, 1891 age 76 years 22 days.

It was taken from Crystal Lake cemetery, in the Town of Dayton sometime over the winter or late last fall. I have offered a reward for the return of it, no questions asked.

Pattie Schroeder and Susan Kersten, 411 Adams St, Neenah, WI 54956-2444 E-mail: pschroeder@tds.net

Bits and Pieces

Article in Milwaukee Journal Sentinel, Travel Section, Sunday, August 19, 2001

Project goes full steamer ahead Butte des Morts, WI—Some houses, like some people, hold tight their secrets.

"I've been here almost as long as the cabin", said Dorothy Nimmer, referring to the long, low waterfront house that we were about to enter, "I never knew what was in there." This house's secret which Nimmer shares with everyone who will listen, is that this otherwise ordinary residence was built around the two-story cabin of an old steamboat that once plied the Fox and Wolf river waterway.

Enter expecting a living room with four even corners and instead find the richly paneled walls and round corners of a river boat parlor, with beveled glass windows and fine cabinetry. Even the crew's tiny bunks remain; the children of former residents preferred them to regular bedrooms.

Maybe it was the cabin of the old Leander Choate, a 250 passenger steamer built in Oshkosh nearly a century ago.

(Plans call for it to be added to the buildings operated by the Winneconne Historical Society. The Historical Society is looking for donations to cover the cost of moving the building, \$65,000.00. For information or to contribute to the effort, contact the Winneconne Historical Society Steamboat Committee, POBox 262, Winneconne, WI 54986)

SS-5 Application Copy Fees to Increase—"According to an E-mail message sent to Social Security offices around the country, there will be a fee increase for processing requests for copies of original applications for Social Security cards and for computer extracts of this information. See below for the new fees. However, requests postmarked prior to 7/01/01 will not be subject to the new fees.

Copies of the original application for a Social Security card (Form SS-5) will cost \$27 if the number is provided(!) and \$29 if it is not provided. Computer extracts of the application will cost \$16 with the number and \$18 without."

Message went on to say that requests posted on or after July 1, 2201, would be returned if they included an incorrect amount and had no credit card number to charge for additional costs.

This seems to be an extremely high increase since current fees are \$7 if you know the number and \$14 without the number.

Thanks to Joan Benner, volunteer at Wausau FHC.

PLEASE NOTE: All Waupaca County GenConnect boards have been combined into one message board. All postings to the original Waupaca County GenConnect boards, which include the Bible, Biography, Deeds, Obituaries, Pensions, Queries and Wills, can now be found at this link.*

Please post bible, biography, birth, death, deed, marriage, obituaries, pension, query and will information on the new Waupaca County Message board.

*This move was due to changes within Rootsweb and out of my control. Paula Vaughan, Waupaca GenWeb.

New Website for Pommern Research—Die Pommerschen Leute editordpl@excite.com has announced that there is a new website for researchers. Gunthard Stübs, the webmaster for Pommern-L, has started the website "Pommernkontakte". This database does not store information on individuals. However, it records information on families and their surnames. For a given family surname, the database has information on the town the family lived in, the Kreis or county for the town, and a time frame when the family lived there.

There are additional records for the towns, and for the times when the families moved. That sort of information is of great value for those who need to know the names of the towns that their family lived in, and when they lived there. You can contact Pommernkontakte at <http://pommernkontakte.de>

Pinery Pedigree July/August 2001 via Pomeranian Society of Freistadt Newsletter June 2001

A Great many genealogists are searching for immigration records. A local site is at the Stevens Point archives at the UWSP-library in Stevens Point. You can e-mail archives@uwsp.edu with the persons name, the county of naturalization, your name and postal address, and they will send you any information they can find about your ancestors immigration. There is a \$5.00 search fee for up to 5 names, and also they will charge for copy costs. There is no charge if they don't find anything.

Pinery Pedigree July/August 2001

You Think Hamburg might have been your Ancestor's emigration Port? The Hamburg Immigration Lists are a data bank, which includes the personal data of 5 million immigrants. www.hamburg.de/LinkToYourRoots/english/welcome.htm

Pinery Pedigree July/August 2001

Check out Everton's Genealogical Helper for July/August 2001, many interesting articles. A sample:

Memoirs: 25 Years of Correspondence

Records by Mail from Germany

How to Access Records in Ireland Without Going There

So, You Want to Scan Microfilm

Printed Resources for Hungarian Research

Homestead Records

Understanding Handwriting in Old Documents

The Automated 1880 U S Census from The Church of the Latter Day Saints-The 1880 U S Census on CD-ROM allows family history researchers to locate their ancestors during the heavy migration period from 1870 to 1880. Researchers can learn where their ancestors bought land, where they made their home, who lived with them, and what the names and ages of their children. The database is available on 55 compact discs and can be purchased for on \$49.00 at: www.familysearch.org or 1-800-537-5971.

Planning a trip to Germany? If you are planning a trip to Germany, a great website to visit is the German National Tourist Board at <http://www.deutschland-tourismus.de/usa>. Or write to the GNTB, Beethovenstrasse 69, 60325 Frankfurt/Main. Fax: +49 (0) 69/75 19 03. There also is a office in New York: German National Tourist Office, 122 East 42nd Street, 52nd Floor, New York City, NY 10168-0072 USA. Phone: 212-662-7200, fax: 212-661-7174, or e-mail: gntonyc@d-z-t.com. Everton's July/August 2001

Lunenburg 250 – The Grand Family Reunion—They came to Nova Scotia 250 years ago – families large and small – fleeing religious persecution and frequent wars, all dreaming of a better life. From 1750 until 1752, roughly 2,700 people left primarily Germany states (including the Palatinate, Wuerttemberg, Darmstathesse, Bavaria, Saxony and Baden), Swiss cantons, and the French-speaking principality of the MontbEliard. In honor of Lunenburg's 250th anniversary, the Grand Family Reunion Committee invites all descendants of the town's first families to a five-day celebration beginning on 10 July 2003. For more information contact: Chris Young, Planning Committee Chair, 60-302, College Ave. West, Guelph, Ontario, N1G 4T6 Canada; 519-824-9869; thewiz@sentex.net; <http://www.geocities.com/Heartland/Ranch/8785/L250.html>. Everton's July/August 2001

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Wisconsin Civil War Rosters	http://www.shsw.wisc.edu/roster/
Social Security Death Index	http://www.ancestry.com/ssdi/advanced.htm
Birthdate Calculator	http://www.longislandgenealogy.com/birth.html
Public Libraries in US	http://www.publiclibraries.com
Waupaca Area Genealogy Soc	WaupAreaGenSoc@charter.net
Ellis Island	www.ellisland.org
Ships passenger lists	www.members.tripod.com/~rosters/index-16.html
Canadian passenger lists	www.olivetreegenealogy.com/ships/index/shtml

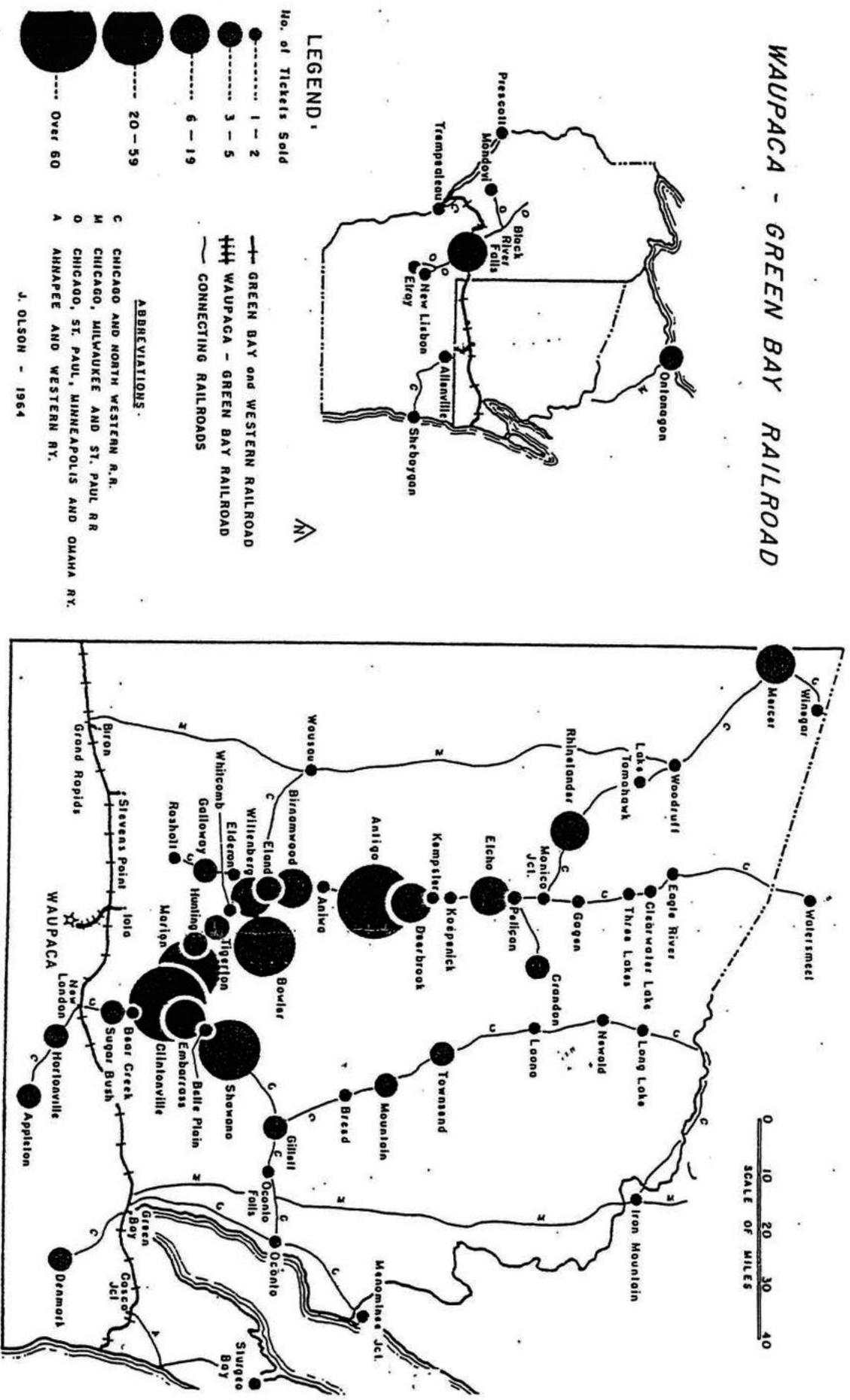
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INTERLINE TICKET SALES

WAUPACA - 1916

WAUPACA - GREEN BAY RAILROAD



Automobiles began to be manufactured more and more in the early 1900's that influenced the national highway movement. In U.S. the number of automobiles manufactured were 37,000 in 1899; 21,281 in 1904; 127,731 in 1909; and 1912 356,000.

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Migration Routes 2000 - Sally Freckmann*

Why & How Did Our Ancestors Settle in Shawano & Waupaca Counties?

Why did immigrants come to the United States and then Wisconsin?

- 1) Pastors or others who refused to reform to the United Church organized Germans to come to the U.S.
- 2) Agents from steamboats, ships and railroads, worked to influence Germans to come to Wisconsin either by pamphlets or going to Germany personally to encourage the Germans to emigrate.
- 3) Store-keepers and others wrote or went back to Germany to get immigrants for settlements or for labor; railroads offered them cheap land near railroad rights-of-way to work for the railroad or cut timber along the railroad to pay for the land.
- 4) Relatives or friends from the old country encouraged others to come to Wisconsin. For example, it was reported the Town of Grant (Caroline, Shawano Co. area) contained 210 Pomeranians and Mecklenbergers while Washington County had 200 Pomeranians. In the Town of Herman, Shawano Co., there are 12 Pomeranian families from the vicinity of Regenwalde, in the District of Stettin.

How did the immigrants travel from New York port or other ports to Wisconsin, especially northern Waupaca County or Shawano County? Some of the means of travel to Marion or Caroline Wisconsin were by water, railroads, stagecoaches—trails for horses or by foot.

In 1823, the first steamboats were on the Mississippi at Prairie du Chien. Before the steamboats, there were canoes, pirogues, batt lauz, mackinac boats, keelboats—all propelled by hand power except ones on canals or ferries. In 1826, there were 130 steamboats on Mississippi as compared to 1850 when there were 2000 steamboats. In 1848, the first steamboat passed up the Fox River to Princeton for its first settlers. There is a record of steamboats on the Fox and Wolf River from 1850-1900. The year 1853 was the year, the steamers Badger State and Barlow made their first trip to the "mouth of the Embarrass" in New London.

Waterways to travel to Wisconsin from New York included the Erie Canal or St. Lawrence to the Great Lakes (Milwaukee port or Sheboygan or Green Bay) to the Fox River to Winnebago to the Little Wolf River. Others who came in to Baltimore, Philadelphia, or New Orleans traveled on the Ohio, Mississippi, and Wisconsin Rivers and then the Fox and Wolf Rivers.

An example of an early traveler was Samuel Farnsworth, who, in 1843, explored the upper Wolf River for timber north of Shawano. He came to the Wolf River location by paddling up the Wolf River in a canoe from New London.

In 1883, the Julius Murray family poled up the Wolf River in canoes. To reach the settlement north of Shawano they took Indian trails from Appleton passable only for ponies or by walking. The other way was to canoe up Wolf River from New London to their settlement; however, this would take five more days.

*Taken from the "Marquardt Family History-
100 Years of History - 2000

Sally Freckmann, Stevens Point

In 1857, J.B. Churchill was the first settler in the Town of Grant, Shawano County, Wisconsin. He originated from the state of New York and journeyed as far as Fond du Lac by rail; thence by boat to New London, and then on foot through trackless forests to his homestead in the Town of Grant.

The settlements in the northern towns of Waupaca County and Shawano county, which form the 5th group of immigrants, were of a later group. North of the Wolf River, NE part of Waupaca County is heavily timbered; together with the eastern part of Shawano County is German most of whom are from Pomerania, Mecklenberg, and Brandenburg. Townships of Grant, Washington, Germania, and Almon are exclusively German; while Holland, Pella, and Herman are 3/4 German.

The big groups of migration were in 1839 and 1843; next 1854 to 1857, and then 1866 after Franco-Prussian war. Immigration in Wisconsin then includes six groups from NE Germany: 1) The Milwaukee, Ozaukee, and Washington County Group; 2) Dodge & Jefferson Counties with Watertown a center, 3) Manitowoc & Sheboygan County; 4) Northern towns of Winnebago and neighboring towns of Waushara, Waupaca and Outagamie Counties; 5) South-Central Towns of Shawano County with small groups in Northern Waupaca County (**this is the group of our Marquardts and Assmanns**); and 6) North-Central towns of Marathon County and southern portion of Lincoln county where they brought their Platt Deutsch language with them. There were also smaller groups in other counties.

Some Chronology on Early Transportation Modes

1832: After the Black Hawk War, Indian trails were widened into roads suitable for ox carts and wagons

1830-1832: 1830, money was appropriated for military roads from Fort Howard to Lake Winnebago; and in 1832-from Fort Howard to Fort Crawford on the Mississippi River

1848-1891, roads were laid out and opened as state roads

1846-1871-tumpikes and plank roads were developed for stagecoach companies to transport mail; there were stagecoaches from Milwaukee to Green Bay, LaCrosse, and Chicago.

1850-1860: 900 miles of railroads were developed

(Stage coaches & pony express vanished in the wake of the railroads.)

(See the enclosed stage coach routes from 1830-1860).

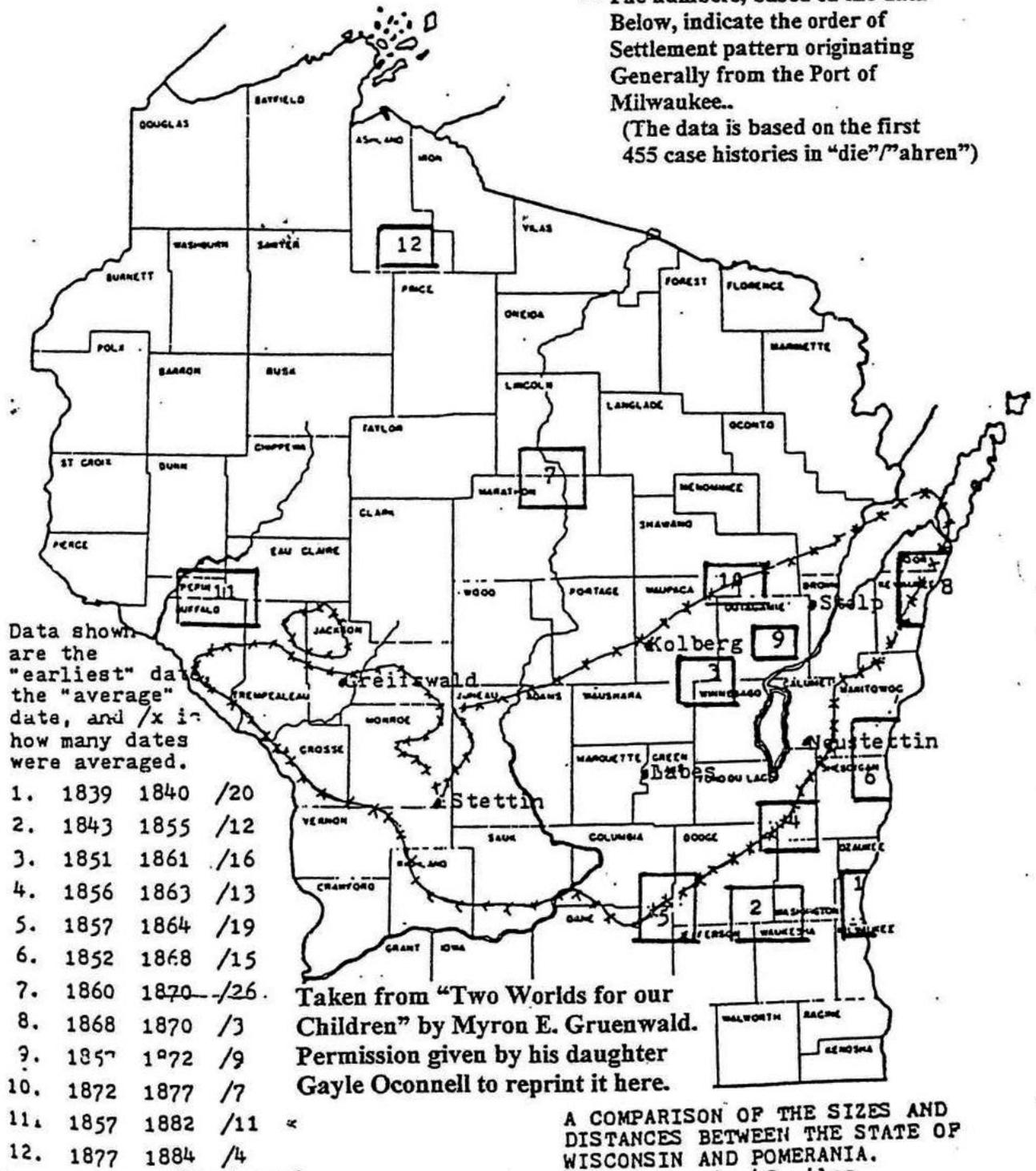
In Central Wisconsin, 3 railroad companies built track. Chicago & Northwestern Railroad in 1854 (MN to Fond du Lac); 1859 to Oshkosh; 1861 to Appleton; 1862 to Fort Howard in Green Bay; 1871 to Princeton; 1878 New London to Clintonville; 1879 Clintonville to Tigerton; 1892 Hunting to Big Falls, etc. Green Bay & Western Railroad Company in 1871, Fort Howard to New London; 1893 Scandinavia to Iola, etc. The Wisconsin Central RR Co. was primarily in Portage and Wood Counties.

1871: The first light self-propelled highway vehicle was invented by J.W. Cashort of Racine

A Map Showing the Chronological Pattern of Pomeranian

Immigration In Wisconsin

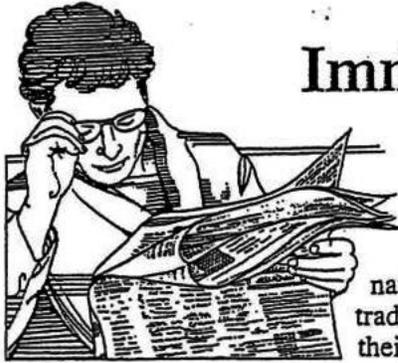
The numbers, based on the data Below, indicate the order of Settlement pattern originating Generally from the Port of Milwaukee..
(The data is based on the first 455 case histories in "die"/"ahren")



Taken from "Two Worlds for our Children" by Myron E. Gruenwald. Permission given by his daughter Gayle Oconnell to reprint it here.

A COMPARISON OF THE SIZES AND DISTANCES BETWEEN THE STATE OF WISCONSIN AND POMERANIA.
1 in. is 47 miles
Area of Pommern is 11,954 sq. mi.
Area of Wisconsin is 54,715 sq. mi.

Courtesy of
THE WISCONSIN TAXPAYERS ALLIANCE
Madison, Wisconsin



Immigrants and Newspapers

The United States and Canada share a trait with other American nations — they have a centuries-long tradition of welcoming immigrants to their shores. The primary resource for tracking the arrival of immigrants is

through passenger arrival lists. These lists were often created on board the vessels themselves prior to the passengers debarking, making them excellent sources of information on every passenger, not just new immigrants.

In several cases those arrival lists stretch back to the early years of the nineteenth century — almost 200 years! But, they are not available for every port, and they don't cover every year or every vessel that arrived at U.S. or Canadian ports. Fortunately, there are some other places where the names of arriving immigrants may be listed. These are not as comprehensive as the lists compiled by port authorities, but sometimes they can provide information when regular arrival lists are not available.

Among the best alternatives are newspapers. In some ports newspapers carried regular features on arriving vessels and their passengers. Such accounts can show the name of the vessel, the name of its captain, the date it arrived in port, and the names of at least the adult voyagers.

Lists were not confined to newspapers published in seaports. Local newspapers in interior cities could also print the names of arriving immigrants, especially if they were new additions to the area's "colony." Religious groups settled hundreds of communities in the Atlantic states, Texas, the plains states, and the territories of the Rocky Mountains. Some local newspapers recorded the names of the newly-arrived families, both to welcome them to the community and to let their neighbors know of their arrival.

Copies of old newspapers can often be found in state and local libraries and archives. Or you can purchase microfilm copies of them from Bell & Howell Information and Learning. Unlike many passenger arrival lists, these newspapers generally do not have an index, so you must have some idea of the date around which you need to center your search before you embark on your quest.

Resources:

Bell & Howell Information and Learning
<http://www.umi.com/>

Illinois State Historical Library Newspaper and Microfilm
Collection
<http://www.state.il.us/hpa/lib/Microfilm.htm>

Newspapers: U.S. and Worldwide
<http://www.refdesk.com/paper.html>

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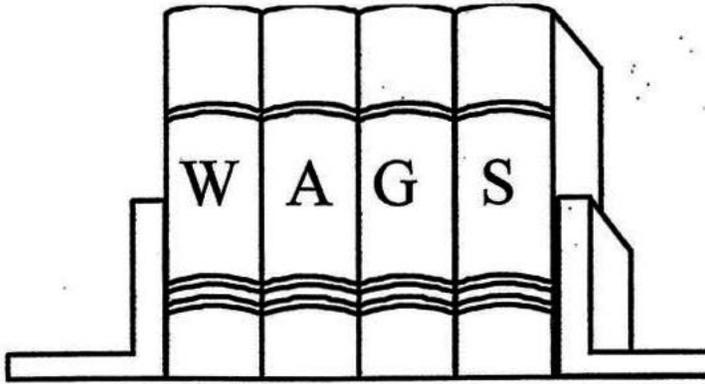
Waupaca Area Genealogical Society (WAGS)

Meets in the Lower Level of the Holly History and Genealogy Center, 321 S. Main St, Waupaca, WI on the second Thursday of each month at 6:30 PM. Meeting times, locations, and activities vary during the summer months.

Annual dues are \$10.00 for Individual, Society, or Library membership and \$15.00 for Family membership (two individuals residing at the same mailing address). The WAGS membership year runs from January 1 through December 31.

The purpose of the Society shall to be generate an interest in genealogy, provide a meeting place for the exchange of genealogical ideas, to inform people of the value of and the need for preserving family and local history for posterity assist members and others with genealogical research, to receive, hold and invest monies, dues, gifts, sales, interest, etc., and to hold and administer property for the benefit of the society and for its educational purpose.

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(unless otherwise noted)**

May 15-18, 2002	National Genealogical Society Conference	Midwest Express Center, Milwaukee, WI WSGS local host
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The deadline for receiving items to be published in the Waupaca Area Genealogical Society newsletter for March is February 23, 2002. You may send them by regular mail or via email: to Susie Freistedt, Newsletter Editor, 160 Lakeshore Drive, Iola, WI 54945-9487 or email: freistedt@gglbbs.com

The Waupaca Area Genealogical Society (WAGS) is classified as a tax-exempt non-profit organization as described in Section 501 (c)

(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. Subject to IRS limitations, individuals and corporations may make tax-deductible monetary contributions or donations of genealogical or other material used by the Society. If you wish to receive a copy of our IRS tax status determination letter, please send a written request to WAGS, P. O. Box 42, King, WI 54946-0042 along with a self-addressed, stamped envelope. If you are interested in making a donation, or have any questions related to contributions, please contact WAGS at its mailing address or any of the officers at their mailing or e-mail addresses.

Reminder Our on going fundraiser at Pick n Save and Piggly Wiggly in Waupaca. If any questions, contact an Officer or ask at the meeting.

From our Pres—Here are some details from your first WAGS Fall Conference. Friday afternoon, Jack Brisse gave information about the Pioneer and Century Certificates. As the requirements have changed over the years, we listened and asked questions, and are not much more knowledgeable about the process, and what is available if someone else has already completed their application. On Friday night a Roundtable of several Historical Societies was great. We learned a bit about what they do, and some of their goals and projects. We will be able to hopefully work with them and also “advertise” their projects.

Saturday was also a very successful day. The Waupaca FFA, under the direction of Jen Erb, Ag teacher/FFA leader with Janet Claussen and FFA students Amy Abrahamson, Breanne

Diefenthaler, Michelle Claussen plus more, assisted both Saturday morning (6:20 AM) and Saturday afternoon after 3 PM. The stairs did not seem to be a challenge or tiring at all for them, and carrying tables didn't seem to be problem either! I could hardly lift my bowling ball Saturday night! Age! Our three vendors did us proud. Origins of Janesville had seven tables plus all types of genealogical and archival items, books and maps. Bill Handrich Historicals, Amherst Junction, WI., had many maps of our area on hand, plus shared knowledge about the area with the many people who selected maps to take home. Shari App and Chris Womeldorf, representing the Lighthouse Office of Waupaca, shared all types of archival and scrapbooking items, from storage to scissors, stickers and plastics – all of archival quality.

Every one of our speakers had knowledge for us, even if we had attended other conferences. Ruth Steffen discussed the Archives, Steve Johnson, the new funeral home regulations, Shari App and Chris Womeldorf, The Lighthouse Office Supply and Gifts of Waupaca, WI, shared needed information on how to correctly scrapbook for archival quality. I discussed the Guyant, Collection and what it is comprised of and how it came to being. Peg Burington, Assistant Director of the Waupaca Library, walked us down the aisles of the library, discussing the Dewey Decimal System, and related to us just how much help our local library could be. Joan Paulson discussed the book "Rural Schools of Waupaca County", told how it came to be and some of the processes as well as a few of the interesting stories.

Food and drinks "rounded " out a very nice day. Yes, we will do it again. Please come forward with ideas and thoughts. We will need to implement some of them within the next nine weeks.

November led us down a new path of acquisitions. The Waupaca County Treasurer's office has shared with us and the State Historical Society many books kept by our local treasures office. I am very lucky that many of my Officer's and volunteers have been able to spend many hours logging and labeling the books. We have many of some townships, villages and cities, and none or few of others. As we get this ready to go, consider using them as a source for locating some of your ancestors. We THANK the Weyauwaega-Fremont FFA for an afternoon of assistance along with Jim Goeser and his staff. The boys were: Brian Preder, FFA President, Don Preder, Treasurer, Josh Wieters, V P, Eric Lund, Officer at Large, Tom Spierings and Sam Nelson. It was great, it was dusty, it was exciting and it was work. It's Great! The Holly History and Genealogy Center is becoming a better resource! Watch for more acquisitions.

Who would be able to contact the local Historical Societies to find out a contact name and e-mail, projects they are working on, and what they have in their collections? Contact Nancy Helbach, 715-258-2247 or email: nhelbach@gglbbs.com

Contact Darlene Ryan if you can do data input on our cemetery projects. Phone 715-258-5627 or email: genie@gglbbs.com

Want to be on the committee for our 2002 Convention? Contact Mary Kowaleski, Phone 920-596-3826 or email: tmkowal@netnet.net

A couple of volunteers are needed to update our Research Guide to Waupaca County. It needs correct telephone numbers, email and web sites. Contact Nancy Helbach, 715-258-2247 or email: nhelbach@gglbbs.com

Your Pres, Nancy

Treasurer's Reminder ! ! ! ! DUES REMINDER—Please check the expiration date on your mailing label. If your WAGS membership is paid through 12-31-01, it's time to pay your dues for 2002 (and beyond, if you wish). Annual dues are only \$10 for individuals, and \$15 for a family (two members living at the same address). Please send you dues payment as soon as possible to keep you WAGS membership current. This is also a good time to check the information on your mailing label. If you've had any changes in your contact information – including a change of you e-mail address or phone number – please forward those changes long with your dues payment. THNAKS, Bill Handrich

History of Waupaca County, excerpts from the book by J. Wakefield

The Town of Little Wolf comprises Township 23 north, Range 13 ease. It is bounded on the north by the Town of Union, on the east by Lebanon, on the south by Royalton, and on the west by St. Lawrence.

The first settlement was made in 1848, by William Goldberg. In 1849, George E and J P More moved in.

The Village of Manawa is situated near the center of the town, and near the center of the County, on the Little Wolf River. It has 5 general stores, 1 hardware store, 1 drug store, 1 saw mill, 1 stave factory, 1 millinery store, 2 blacksmith shops, 1 meat market, 1 livery stable, 2 harness hops, 2 furniture stores, 4 churches and 1 high school.

The population is nearly 500.

Manawa is a station on the Green Bay, Winona & St Paul railroad.

The town officers for 1889 were: Chairman-H. Lindow; Supervisors-Crist Hess, E G St. George; Clerk-D W Shipman; Assessor-R J Matthias; Justice of the Peace-G F Rhinehart, Albert Colter; Constable-A Safford.

Wisconsin Trivia Where is the geographic center of the northern half of the western hemisphere (45 degrees north latitude, 90 degrees longitude)? In a farm field near Poniatowski, In Marathon County.

Who was Ole Kuntson Nattestad? The first Norwegian settler in Wisconsin (1838).

What rumor caused a boom in Kewaunee land prices in 1836? Gold was supposedly discovered.

Resource Center Information

Hours may vary, if traveling a distance, telephone to verify hours.

Wausau Family History Center Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, 5405 Rib Mountain Drive, Wausau, WI 54401, 1-715-355-4856

Hours:

Wednesday 8:30 PM to 8:30 PM

Thursday 12:30 AM to 8:30 PM

Saturday (first Saturday of each month)

9:00 AM to 3:00 PM

Note changes in times FHC is open

State Historical Society Area Research Center, Learning Resource Center, UW-Stevens Point, Stevens Point, WI 54481, 1-715-346-2586

Hours: Fall and Spring Semesters

Monday thru Friday

8:00 – 12:00, 1:15 - 4:30 PM

**Waupaca Public Library, 107 S Main Street,
Waupaca, WI 54981, 1-715-258-4414**

Hours: Monday thru Thursday
9:00 AM to 8:00 PM
Friday 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM
Saturday 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM

Sheboygan County Historical Research Center
518 Water Street
Sheboygan Falls, WI 53085-1455
E-mail: schrc@execpc.com

Holly History and Genealogy Center,
321 South Main Street, Waupaca, WI
715-256-9980 Fall Hours starting Sept 6
Fall Hours: Tuesday 1:00 PM to 4:00 PM
Thursday 9:00 AM to Noon
Saturday 1:00 PM to 4:00 PM

**Wisconsin State Historical Society, 816 State
Street, Madison, WI 53706, 1-608-264-6400**

Hours: Monday thru Thursday
8:00 AM to 9:00 PM
Friday and Saturday
8:00 AM to 5:00 PM

**Shawano Latter Day Saints Family History
Center, Evergreen and Zingler, PO Box 321,
Shawano, WI 54166, 1-715-526-2946**
Hours: Tuesday thru Thursday

9:00 AM to 4:00 PM
Saturday 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM

**Appleton Latter Day Saints Family History
Center, 425 W Park Ridge Ave, Appleton, WI 54911,
1-920-733-5358**

Hours: Tuesday 9:00 AM to 8:00 PM
Friday 11:00 AM to 2:00 PM

Oshkosh Latter Day Saints Family History Center,
**Hwy 21 and Oakhill Road, Oshkosh, WI 54904, 1-
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Bits and Pieces

Website for "Index to Wisconsin Delayed & Affidavit Birth Registrations Prior to 1 October 1907 may be found at www.rootsweb.com/~wsgs/delayed_birth.htm Thanks Darlene Ryan

The following items from "Family Tree" October/November 2001

The time frame for European censuses should be of interest to researchers of Europe. The first census for each of the following countries began: Austria 1815; Bavaria 1818; France 1801; Great Britain 1851; Greece 1836; Norway 1815; Prussia 1810; Saxony 1815; Spain 1789; Sweden 1749; and Switzerland 1860. Via The Tipsheet, Lakewood, CO

Suffixes to German surnames often contain clues to the regional origin of the surnames: "bach" from southwest Germany; "haus" from Westphalia; "ingen" from Baden and Wurttemberg; "ski, zje" from East Pomerania; "burg" from throughout Germany, "ecke" from Hesse and Thuringia; "reuth" from Bavaria; and "inski" from Upper Silesia. Via The Tipsheet, Lakewood, CO

If your ancestor was a prisoner of war, there is a service that may be able to help with information – for prisoners from any war, the Civil War included. Send a self-addressed stamped envelope to: Andersonville National Historic Site, Route 1, Box 84, Andersonville, GA 31711. Include the names of the prisoner of war, which war and military information you may have, such as branch of service and unit. Cost is for copies only if information found. Via Valley Genealogical Society, Yucaipa, CA

The Shanghai Public Library is busy rescuing and preserving family histories. For centuries families in China preserved their family history. When the Communists took over in 1949, thousands of family histories were destroyed and scorned as backward-looking and feudal. Now the Shanghai Library is working feverishly to rescue and restore as many family histories as possible.

Some 100,000 volumes, salvaged from dumpsters and paper mills, are held by the Shanghai Library. No longer are family records on for private use. They are now made available for public use, and to families who have emigrated. Some of the Library's archives are available on a Singapore-based bilingual website.

Chinese tradition is that the family elders determine the middle names of future offspring. One man found references to 11 previous generations and 20 following generations. The present government supports genealogy. Via Immigrant Genealogical Society

The main state archive for Baden-Wuttemberg has installed a new and more flexible website program, which will also be useable by the other archives of the county. It makes the website much easier for inquirers to search and navigate. There are searches of indexes available and also full text searches for specific words. You may try it out: <http://www2.lad-bw/hstas/inventar/index..htm> Via Immigrant Genealogical Society

On March 28, 2001, Helge Instad died at the age of 98. In 1968 his archeological dig at L'Anse aux Meadows, on the northern tip of Newfoundland, unearthed a bronze garment pin of Scandinavian origin to prove that Vikings discovered America 500 years before Columbus arrived. Via Immigrant Genealogical Society

In the fall of 2000, the Clerk of the Milwaukee Circuit Court contacted the Milwaukee County Historical Society. She offered old, about to be destroyed divorce and civil records to the Historical Society for preservation. The records were calculated to encompass about 750-800 cubic feet. During the process of reboxing and renumbering the collection, that estimate has exploded to 2,283 cubic feet.

In the boxing process, papers thought destroyed during the 1930's Depression were discovered still intact. Volunteers are working through 150 boxes to replace the index. The Society will retrieve records for a fee of \$3.00. Via Immigrant Genealogical Society

Between 1898 and 1914, the Dawes Commission had officials in Oklahoma (Indian Territory) accept applications from Native Americans to be included on the rolls the "the five civilized tribes" which comprised the Cherokee, Seminole, Creek, Choctaw and Chickasaw tribes. Each applicant was required to prove his or her ancestry and tribal affiliation. Documents submitted as proof are contained in the application files. For those with ancestors from the five tribes, these files are a rich source of genealogy data. About 50,000 individuals who submitted applications are now listed on the internet. They are from the Cherokee, Creek and Seminole tribes. The records of the Choctaw and Chickasaw tribes have not been entered, but will be added to the Web site. To search these rolls, go to the National Archives website at www.nara.gov/nara/nail.html Via Paradise Genealogical Society

The following from WorldGenWeb Review e-zine Vol 1 No 2 10 Nov 2001

Are you aware the WorldGenWeb Project has an on-line digital archives of research data? The Archives was started in 1998 to be a repository of transcriptions of public domain records. Please stop by and browse <http://www.worldgenweb.org/archives>

Geneanet is a world-wide index of on-line and off-line genealogy resources. It is a free service that the WorldGenWeb Project endorses. <http://geneanet.org>

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GeneaSeek is a "full text" genealogy research browser, <http://www2.geneaseek.org/en> It goes through web to index pages that deal with genealogy. GenaSeek comprises a few millions of genealogy pages. This browser is develop by GeneaNet.

Web sites to Check out:

Waupaca County GenWeb page	http://www.rootsweb.com/~wiwaupac/index.htm
WAGS link to above	
http://www.rootsweb.com/~wiwaupac/WAGS/WAGS/htm	
Wisconsin Civil War Rosters	http://www.shsw.wisc.edu/roster/
Social Security Death Index	http://www.ancestry.com/ssdi/advanced.htm
Birthdate Calculator	http://www.longislandgenealogy.com/birth.html
Public Libraries in US	http://www.publiclibraries.com
Waupaca Area Genealogy Soc	WaupAreaGenSoc@charter.net
Ellis Island	www.ellisland.org
Ships passenger lists	www.members.tripod.com/~rosters/index-16.html
Canadian passenger lists	www.olivetreegenealogy.com/ships/index/shtml

Waupaca Area Genealogical Society Calendar 2001

Dec 13/Thur Ethnic Potluck
Food Pantry Holly History and Genealogy Ctr 6:30 PM

January-February-March 2002 Obit Project will meet the 4th Tuesday of the month at 1:30 PM
the Holly History and Genealogy Center. Note change due to winter weather.

Name of Compiler Alice Harris

FOUR GENERATION ANCESTOR CHART

Address E3979 Co. K.

Person No. 1 on this chart is the same

City, State Waupaca, Wi. 54981

person as No. ___ on chart No. ___ Chart No. ___

Date _____

b Date of Birth
 bpl Birth Place
 m Date of Marriage
 mpl Place of Marriage
 d Date of Death
 dpl Death Place

4 Abraham Jossi (Jesse)
 (Father of No. 2)
 b Jan. 16, 1855
 bpl Grindelwald, Switzerland
 m Oct. 1877
 mpl Grindelwald, Switzerland
 d April 12, 1938
 dpl Clintonville, Wi.

2 Christian (Chris) Josie
 (Father of No. 1)
 b Sept 30, 1880
 bpl Grindelwald, Switzerland
 m Dec. 8, 1909
 mpl Manawa, Wi.
 d Sept. 28, 1971
 dpl Kaukauna, Wi.

5 Rosina Brawand
 (Mother of No. 2)
 b May 16, 1857
 bpl Grindelwald, Switzerland
 d Jan 6 - 1941
 dpl Clintonville, Wi.

1 Alice Celia Josie Harris
 b Sept 20, 1920
 bpl Waupaca, Wi.
 m Oct. 21, 1939
 mpl Waupaca, Wi.
 d
 dpl

6 Ebenezer E. Howe.
 (Father of No. 3)
 b Mar. 16, 1838
 bpl Albany N.Y.
 m Jan. 24, 1886
 mpl Scotia, Nebraska
 d Oct. 8, 1891
 dpl Greely Nebraska

3 Madeline Howe Josie
 (Mother of No. 1)
 b Sept. 8, 1888
 bpl Scotia, Nebraska
 d February 29, 1933
 dpl on farm near Waupaca, Wi.

7 Celia A. Norton Howe
 (Mother of No. 3)
 b Aug 6, 1849
 bpl Jefferson Co. N.Y.
 d March 23, 1923
 dpl Waupaca, Wi.

8 West Glen Harris
 (Spouse of No. 1)
 b Aug 15, 1916
 bpl Mosinee, Wi.
 d May 4, 1998
 dpl Manawa, Wi.

8 Abraham Jossi
 This Person Cont. On Chart No. ___
 bpl Switzerland
 m
 mpl
 d
 dpl

9 Anna Embert
 This Person Cont. On Chart No. ___
 bpl Switzerland
 d
 dpl

10 Unknown
 This Person Cont. On Chart No. ___
 bpl
 m
 mpl
 d
 dpl

11 Unknown
 This Person Cont. On Chart No. ___
 bpl
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 dpl

12 Unknown
 This Person Cont. On Chart No. ___
 bpl
 m
 mpl
 d
 dpl

13 Unknown
 This Person Cont. On Chart No. ___
 bpl
 d
 dpl

14 Samuel Smith Norton
 This Person Cont. On Chart No. ___
 b May 6, 1818
 bpl Jefferson Co. N.Y.
 m Nov. 30, 1841
 mpl Jefferson Co. N.Y.
 d Mar. 6, 1896
 dpl Centralia, Wi.

15 Elveta C. Steele
 This Person Cont. On Chart No. ___
 b May 2, 1824
 bpl Jefferson Co. N.Y.
 d May 10, 1884
 dpl Manawa, Wi.

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