

Waupaca Area Genealogical Society

**MARCH 2004
Newsletter**
Est. October 1993

**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)**

Presidents chatter,

Here it is March and we are all looking forward to none of that white stuff. We start thinking about making trips for research and visiting relatives. Also, think about what you can do to help your genealogy group grow. Looking forward on the calendar we need YOU to take a few minutes to volunteer on a committee. One that will be here before you know it is a nominating committee. Elections will be in November. A fall workshop is in the planning stages. Can you give a couple of hours???

Since the last newsletter there have been some new additions at the Holly Center. Check out the new shelving downstairs. Many of the tax books from upstairs have been moved downstairs. Remember to look in them for those Waupaca County relatives. Also members that may be of help in research have donated many new books. Each month we are listing what is new. WAGS have also purchased Pre 1907 microfiche of Births, Deaths, and Marriages. These are upstairs in the research area.

Susie

The deadline for receiving items to be published in the Waupaca Area Genealogical Society newsletter for June is May 26, 2004. You may send them by regular mail or via email: to Susie Freistedt, Newsletter Editor, 164 Lakeshore Drive, Iola, WI 54945-9487 or email: freistedt@gglbbs.com

Spot Lighting a Volunteer - - Alice Harris

Samuel Smith Norton, born 6 May 1818 in Jefferson Co., NY and died 6 March 1896, Centralia, WI, sparked Alice Josie Norton Harris wondering about her great-great-grandfather, on her mothers side who had been in the Civil War. She did not know much about him. So about 1970 she started her research. Alice wrote to Madison and was referred to the Nation Archives for information on her Samuel Norton. The Norton's may have originally come from Ireland. Samuel married Electa C. Steel, 30 November 1841 in Jefferson Co., NY. A daughter, Celia A. Norton was born in Jefferson Co., NY and married Ebenezer E. Howe, 24 January 1886 in Scotia, Nebraska. A daughter was born from this marriage, Madeline Howe, born 8 September 1888 in Scotia, Nebraska. Madeline married Christian Josie, born 30 September 1880 in Grindelwald, Switzerland. The Josies left from Harve on the SS France arriving 12 April 1883 in New York. Chris and Madeline were married 8 December 1909 in Manawa, WI. Grandpa Chris Josie was a cheese maker, settled in Bloomfield and then moved to Symco. From this marriage Alice Celia Josie was born 20 September 1920 in Waupaca, WI. Alice's father settled in the Manawa and Symco area, was a farmer. Madeline, Alice's mother died when Alice was about 12 years old. She, being the oldest, took over the job of cooking and keeping house and taking care of a sister and 2 brothers. Alice married Forest Glen Harris on 21 October 1939, who she met on a blind date through a girl friend. Forest was a cattle dealer and truck driver. Alice still lives on the farm her parents bought on Hwy K. Alice and Forest had a daughter. The grandchildren are interested in the research Alice has been doing. Found a cousin in Oregon on mother's side.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

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STEPHENS, BOLTON

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Email: jul@wi-met.com

HUTCHINSON, PENNY, THAYER,
VETTERS, NIVEN

THORSON, Gary and Susan
P O Box 326
Blooming Prairie, MN 55917-0326

Querie

Peggy Partridge would like obituaries of the following people from the Waupaca area:

Gottlieb Richter	b. 31 Jan 1837 d. 29 Dec 1906
Henrietta Behrendt (Gottlieb's first wife)	b. 16 Dec 1835 d. 1877
Mary _____ (Gottlieb's second wife)	b. May 1838 d 27 Jul 1903

Children:

Mary	b 26 Feb 1861
Emma Amelia	b. 24 Jun 1866
Anna Wilhelmina	b. 16 March 1870
Otto Albert	b. 21 Jul 1872
Ida Sophia	b. 24 Apr 1874
Eddie	b. Dec 1885
Willie	b. April 1895

There was also an Uncle Doemel, but we notice there are a lot of them in your area at that time, and we have not pinpointed which one yet. Any information would be helpful. If there is more information needed contact Peggy Partridge, email: peg_turtle@earthlink.net (note new email address)

Memories from the Korean War—Many of our local members may have seen the article in the local newspaper of one of our members, **Howard Inderdahl**. Howard has recently published his memories of serving as a soldier during the Korean War.

Howard served November 1950 to October 1951 in Korea while attached to the 61st Field Artillery Headquarters Battery. Howard began, approximately a year ago, by first writing down few words about his memories and then expanding upon them. Howard was also fortunate, in that his mother had saved most of the letters he had written home while serving in Korea. Preparing to write his book, Howard read through these letters and has included a few excerpts in his book.

The 80 page soft-covered book titled "In the Hills of Korea with the 61st Field Artillery Headquarters Battery" can be purchased at the Premier Bank in Scandinavia and Iowa or by contacting Howard Inderdahl, P O Box 156, Scandinavia, WI 54977-0156. The cost of the book is \$8.00 plus \$2.00 for shipping and handling.

On The Shelf

WAGS are starting a new program of members sharing research books with others. Research books that are donated to WAGS will be accessioned and will be for the public to use at the Holly Center. Here is a list of books already received. We thank those of you who have donated books.

The following books are recent donations made to the Waupaca Area Genealogical Society's holdings at the Holly History and Genealogy Center.

Donations from Jane Taylor: *Address Book for Germanic Genealogy* by Ernest Thode
They Became Americans: Finding Naturalization Records and Ethnic Origins by Loretto Dennis Szucs
Handy Book for Genealogist by George B. Everton Sr.
Netting Your Ancestors: Genealogical Research on the Internet by Cyndi Howells

Donations the Judy Wollangk Estate:

Index to Divorce Records, Winnebago County, Wisconsin 1850-1939 by Ruth Protz
Index to Birth Records Winnebago County, Wisconsin Vol. 1 1848-1890 by Don Specht, Judith Wollangk and Cindy Anderson
Index to Marriage Records, Winnebago County, Wisconsin Vol. 4 1903-1912 by Judith Wollangk and Debra Eckstein
A Research Guide to Winnebago County, Wisconsin Rev. Edition 1996 by Ruth Protz
Riverside Cemetery Oshkosh, Wisconsin by Mary Tollard
Ghost Towns of Waupaca County by the Waupaca County Historical Society
Oshkosh Down Under: Basement Businesses and the Tunnel from the Hotel Athearn to the Grand Opera House by Julie Krysiak Johnson
Wisconsin: It's Counties, Townships and Villages by Wendy Uncapher and Linda Herrick
Winnebago 1847 Census by Judy Wollangk

Donations from Susie Freistedt

17 Scrapbooks. Years included are 1975 to 1995 Many of the scrapbooks contain obituaries and other items of interest.

Donations from Gerry Trinrud

All-Name Index to the 1860 Gazetteer of New York State by J. H. French
Historical and Statistical Gazetteer of New York State by J. H. French
Commemorative Biographical Record of the Fox River Valley Counties of Brown, Outagamie and Winnebago Part I and Part II by J. H. Beers & Co. (Re-print Heritage Books)

Also, now available at the Holly History and Genealogy Center – WAGS has purchased the Wisconsin Pre-1907 Birth, Death and Marriage Index on microfiche. These microfiche cover the state of Wisconsin and index the vital records registered at the Wisconsin State Vital Records office in Madison, WI. The Marriage Index does not include the counties Racine through Wood.

The Calendar

Please keep this calendar, with the dates, handy for meetings. Each month will be published in the local papers to remind you. If anyone has a suggestion for a program, it doesn't have to be long, please let any of the officers know and we will add to our calendar.

11 March 2004	WAGS meeting	Holly Center, Waupaca, WI 6:30 PM Bring a friend
8 April 2004	WAGS meeting	Holly Center, Waupaca, WI 6:30 PM
17 April 2004	DAR Workshop	Holly Center, Waupaca, WI Registration 8:30 AM Session begin 9 AM

23 & 24 April 2004	Gene-A-Rama	Olympia Resort & Conference Center, Oconomowoc, WI. Speaker: John Philip Colleta
24 April 2004	Cultural Fest	Stevens Point High School
13 May 2004	UW-Stevens Point Archives	Information to follow
10 June 2004	WAGS meeting	Scandinavia Cemetery Walk
8 July 2004	Research and Pot luck	Gerry Trinrud home, information to come
10 July 2004	<i>Insights to Your German Past</i>	Greenhill Center of the Arts, UW-Whitewater sponsored by the German Interest Group- Wisconsin, P O Box 2185, Janesville, WI 53547- 2185, 608-756-5260 or email: gig_wi@hotmail.com
12 August 2004	Research and Pot luck	Nancy Helbach home, information to come
16 October 2004	WSGS Fall Meeting	Alliant Energy Center, Madison, WI

Please watch the local newspapers for addition information regarding monthly meetings. Some information not available at time of publishing the newsletter.

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 4:30 PM
Saturday (first Saturday of each month)
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

Holly History and Genealogy Center, 321 South Main Street, Waupaca, WI 715-256-9980

Fall Hours Wed Noon to 3 PM
Fri Noon to 3 PM
Saturday 9 AM to Noon

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 and 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

Waupaca County Courthouse, 811 Harding Street, Waupaca, WI 54981

Register of Deeds office 715-258-6250

Hours: Monday thru Friday 8am-4pm

Bits and Pieces

The following from Family Tree, Moultrie, GA October/November 2003

Looking for living relatives? Telephone directories have been available on CDs for over 10 years and they have gradually made their way to the Internet. For quite some time these directories have become more sophisticated and more accurate. Two that currently stand out are Addresses.com <addresses.com> and ATT & T's AnyWho www.anywho.com

Address.com includes information from the white pages, yellow pages, public records, zip codes, area codes, email addresses, school directories, and 800 directory. The opening page of AnyWho provides more choices to find information and has international yellow and white pages, and a more capable search engine for 800 numbers.

New organization in Scotland that will help you! The Scottish Association of Family History Societies is a new organization in Scotland. The Association now has available a great little book listing family history societies. Also, contact details for The Heraldry Society of Scotland are as follows: HHS Rep. SAFHS, c/o 40 Morningside Drive, Edinburgh EH10 5LZ Scotland. The email address is: c.napier@napier.abel.co.uk And to look up the website, go to <http://www.heraldry-scotland.co.uk>

Arizona biographical database available: Searching for persons in works not specifically about them has always been especially challenging. Years ago, librarians kept lists, but these lists were very difficult to update. The transference of paper lists to an online database is a major step forward, as it allows not only easy public access but also gives the staff the ability to add, subtract or update entries.

The History and Archives Division of the Arizona State Library, Archives and Public Records has now made its Arizona Biographical Database available on its website: <http://www.lib.az.us/archives>

You can access the database directly by going to <http://www.lib.az.us/bio/index.cfm> From there you can search by surname, given name or both. One is also allowed to search by city or dates, but these are less reliable, as not all records have entries in these fields. If one is not certain of the spelling of a surname, he may use the Browse feature and select the first letter of the surname.

The entries in the biographical database refer to persons in our collection of books, newspapers, articles, periodicals, obituaries and vertical files. This is not a complete listing of the names of people who appear in our records nor does this list include all the records in which an individual may appear. This list is being constantly updated. For additional help, you may contact the Archives staff at:

<http://archives.lib.az.us/email.asp>

Index to final rolls of citizens and freedmen of Five Civilized Tribes in Indian Territory (Dawes) available online- This is the index of the names of individuals entitled to enrollment on the rolls of the various tribes comprising in the Five Civilized Tribes in Indian Territory, Oklahoma. The index entries are arranged by tribe and there under by enrollment category (Cherokee By Blood, Cherokee Minor, Cherokee Freedmen, etc) The entries for each enrollment category are arranged alphabetically by surname. (It should always be noted that the surname entries are not always in strict alphabetical order.) Each index entry gives an enrollee's name and final roll number. After a person's enrollment category and final roll number have been determined, the final rolls can be searched to discover the enrollee's census card number.

http://www.archives.gov/research_room/arc/wwii/army_aaf_honor_list/table_of_contents.html

Texas General Land Office offers a searchable database of their land grant collection. The Land Grants of Texas tell the story of the settlement and early history of Texas. The database currently has 442,716 records. <http://www.glo.state.tx.us/> The title is GLO/Archives and Records/Land Grant Collection

A new website for Illinois researchers, part of the Illinois Secretary of State site, has the original surveys for the 500,000 original land entries in Illinois. http://landplats.ilsos.net/Flash/FTP_Illinois.html The Public Domain Database link will open a window where you can search the Illinois Public Domain Land Tract Sales by name.

The Boston Transcript, a newspaper, published a regular column of genealogical queries and answers from 1896 to 1941. These genealogical columns have been indexed in the American Genealogical-Biographical Index, published by the Godfrey Memorial Library of Middletown, CT. The columns themselves are available on microfiche in many genealogy libraries, such as the Family History Library in Salt Lake City.

In the 1990's, a Polish professor compiled from the official government records a list of every surname then used in Poland along with the number of individuals bearing the surname. It was published in a 10-volume set of books. It is now online at <http://www.herby.com.pl/herby/indexslo.html> If you believe there is a remnant of your family left in Poland, or have an unusual surname that permits a generic search, it might be worthwhile to use the database. If there is a hit, you are given the surname, each province in which the name appeared, and the total number of persons with the surname in the particular province. Read a description of the database on JewishGen at: <http://www.jewishgen.org/jri-pl/sloownik.html> before using it. You will be navigated through the Polish descriptions at the search site and given insight as to how it was compiled and its potential shortcomings.

A new 5,500 square foot facility located at 29th and Harvard in Tulsa, OK, is the site of the new genealogy center in Tulsa. The center, which opened in September, is part of the Tulsa City-County Library system and one of the largest genealogy collections in Oklahoma. In addition to Oklahoma and American Indian, there are a large number of materials covering Arkansas, Missouri, Kentucky, Tennessee, and Virginia.

Travel Genie Maps—Darlene Ryan passes this on! Here is wonderful and reasonable place for maps in Europe. The 1:100000 maps are very detailed. They also have maps that cover a larger area. What I really love is if you e-mail them with as much information as possible, they are almost always able to locate the place on a present day map. Example: I was looking for a village of about 100 people from the 1840's named Jachturke/Jakturke in Kreis Schubin, Posen, Germany which I doubted still existed. They found the map with the place which is now Jaktorka in Szubin in Poland. I have been looking for this place for 10 yrs!! I asked permission to promote this site and info in our newsletter and they said yes. "We would be glad to have you mention us in the next quarterly newsletter for The Waupaca Area Genealogical Society, and we're glad to hear you appreciate our service." Elaine Larson for Travel Genie Maps, 1113 Kennedy St., Ames, IA 50010-4249 (USA) Web site: <http://www.travelgeniemaps.com>, Email: TravelGenieMaps@aol.com

Looking for a Free Language translation? Babel Fish website: <http://world.altavista.com>
Thanks to Lawrence Webb

Free DAR Patriot lookup service available-The Daughter of the American Revolution records are among the most valuable genealogical resources available. The DAR Patriot Index contains names of Revolutionary patriots, both men and women, whose service (1775 to 1783) has been established by the National DAR Society. Information available may include: dates and places of birth and death, name(s) of wife/wives or husband(s), rank, type of service, and the state where the patriot lived or served. If pension papers are known to exist, that fact will be included. If you are interested in knowing if your ancestor is recognized by the DAR as a Revolutionary Patriot, find out at: http://www.dar.org/cigbin/natsociety/pi_lookup.cfm
Source: Family Tree Feb/Mar 2004 via Kishwaukee Genealogists Newsletter, POBox 5503 Rockford, IL 61125

New Family History Center-Marshfield-Marshfield, WI will have a new Family History Center at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 2207 W. Firth Street. The center will be a branch of the Family History Library in Salt Lake City, UT. Effective 22 Feb 2004 the Center will be open from 12:30 to 4:30 pm Tuesdays, 4:30 to 8:30 pm Wednesdays, and 10 am to 2 pm on the second and fourth Saturdays of each month. Additional hours can be requested. Use of the center will be free, but there will be a limited charge for making copies. People can request microfilm or microfiche records to be sent to the Center for 3 weeks for a fee of \$3.25, and for a higher fee records can be requested to remain at the center for a longer time.

Our own Paula Vaughan, who does the WaupacaGenWeb page has many new sites on the web page. Just stop by and check it out. www.rootsweb.com/~wiwaupac/index.htm

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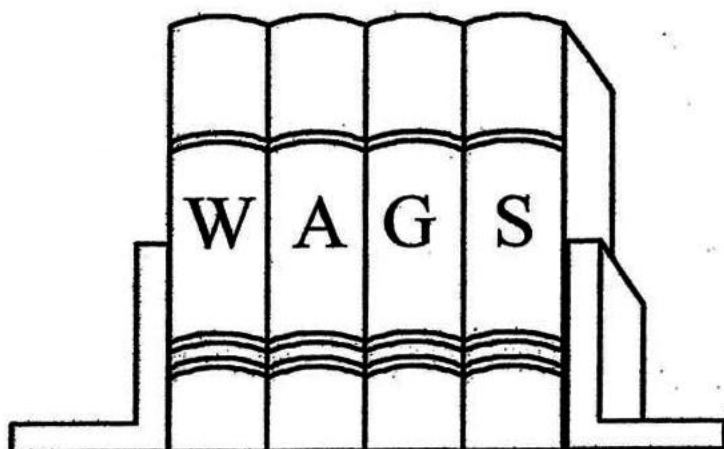
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Meets in the Lower Level of the Holly History and Genealogy Center, 321 S. Main St., Waupaca, WI on the second Thursday of each month at 6:30 PM. Meeting times, locations, and activities vary during the summer months.

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.

The Waupaca Area Genealogical Society (WAGS) is classified as a tax-exempt organization as described in Section 501 © (3) of the Internal Revenue Code.



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Here it is coming up on summer and vacation time. If you are having a family reunion this summer, talk to everyone you can. It may be that one piece of information you get, will help you on your way to getting through that brick wall. And remember to document the information in some way.

Our May meeting was held at the UW-Stevens Point Archives. Ruth Steffen, former Librarian at the University and a genealogist, presented a very informative program. Do try to take the opportunity to go to the Archives for research. The university is a repository for the counties of Adams, Juneau, Langlade, Lincoln, Marathon, Portage, Waupaca, Waushara and Wood. There are Naturalization records except for Juneau and Wood counties, newspapers for the area, index to Wisconsin births, deaths, marriage and divorce. Census. Other books, found on the first floor, of interest are "Germans to America", "The Famine Immigrants 1846-1951" (Irish), "Italians to America", "Migration from the Russian Empire", "Roll of Honor, names of soldiers who died in defense of the American Union, interred in national cemeteries", "Periodical Source Index" and much more. So do take the time to visit the Archives. Call first to check on the hours open, 715-346-2586

*Our meeting in June will be a cemetery walk at the Scandinavia Lutheran Church cemetery on Hwy G. We will meet at the cemetery at 6:30 PM. Kermit Peterson and Howard Inderdahl will be our guides. After we will go to the church for refreshments. Directions to the cemetery-Hwy 49 North to Scandinavia, (this will be Main Street), stay on Main Street and bear left past Ellison Field, road will become Hwy B, just over the bridge turn RIGHT on Hwy G, go about a half of a mile and the cemetery will be on the LEFT. The church is on Main Street where Hwy 49 goes right. In case of rain, the walk is **CANCELLED**.

*Our meeting in July will be at Gerry Trinrud's home; it will be a PotLuck for 6:30 PM. If you are interested in doing research you may come during the day, call to let Gerry know (715-467-2452), bring your own lunch. Look for directions in the newsletter.

*Our meeting in August will be at Nancy Helbach's home. Look for information about time in local newspaper. Directions to Nancy's are in newsletter.

Remember Father's Day June 20th.

As we look forward to July, let us take a few minutes to remember what it has taken to be able to live in a country where you have the rights. Our troops need our support. Fly the flag

Susie

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Welcome New Members

OLFSON, John W. and Mary
877 Quiet Court
Oneida, WI 54155-9141
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Member number 184
OLFSON, WEISENBORN, G'SELL
THOMPSON/THOMASSON

Querie

Looking for any information on Abram and Olive **BILLINGTON** in Waupaca County 1850-1865; including their sons John, Thomas, Alvin and Charles. Contact: Barbara Billington, POBox 158, Allegany, OR 97407-0158
Email: khatool@gte.net

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Evenings by appointment

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Interesting web sites:

100 Years of Emigrant Ships from Norway – <http://www.norwayheritage.com/ships/> A great site for those Norwegian researchers.

National WWII Memorial – <http://www.wwiimemorial.com/>

National Archives Access to Databases – http://aad.archives.gov/aad/title_list.jsp

Wisconsin Department of Transportation – <http://www.dot.wisconsin.gov/travel/maps/county.htm> This is a great site with current maps for those research trips.

The Viet Nam Memorial Wall – <http://www.thewall-usa.com/index.html> This site is searchable by soldier's name and provides short bio about the soldier. There is also an area where personal comments can be left and read.

Native American Research in Wisconsin – <http://members.aol.com/roundsky/Wis-intro.html> This site gives wonderful information on Native American research.

Family History Libraries A Family History Library of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints in Red Wing had its formal opening on 17 April 2004.

A Family History Center has opened at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints at 2207 West Fifth Street, Marshfield, across from UW-Wood County. For more information, contact Director Kathleen Englebretson at 715-384-3439 or Email: tmkeeps@tznet.com

Stars and Stripes World War I edition is now available on-line—The United States Army published "The Stars and Stripes" newspaper for its forces in France from 8 Feb 1918 to 13 June 1919. When it began publication, American forces were dispersed throughout the Western Front, often mixed at the unit level with British, French and Italian forces. The eight-page weekly featured news from home, sports news. Poetry, and cartoons. This on-line collection, presented by the Serial and Government Publications Division of the Library of Congress, includes the complete 71-week run of the newspaper's WW I edition, and its searchable. <http://memory.loc.gov/ammem/sqhtml/sashtml/sashome.html> Visit the Stars and Stripes Museum/Library website at <http://www.starsandstripesmuseumlibrary.org/welcome.html>

Thanks to Family Tree, Dec/Jan 2004

Things to be sure to include in your query!!!

1. Who are you looking for? Burial site, names of children, wife, etc. Be specific.
2. When providing the surname, are there other spellings that may have been used? Example: Calkins/Caulkins
3. Approximate dates, if available, are helpful in narrowing the search – birth, death, marriage, also, last known to be living in or near. Example: born 1848 NY, married Sarah Webster 1869. Lived in Grant County 1880. Not listed as a survivor in daughter obit in 1892.
4. Occupation – religion if known.
5. Always include a Self-Addressed-Stamped-Envelope (SASE). Don't expect a reply without one. An e-mail address is helpful.

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Understanding legal abbreviations important – Many old legal documents contain abbreviations, most of which derive from Latin. Sometimes a failure to understand their meaning can interfere with a correct interpretation of the document. Examples of some abbreviations are: et ux which means "and wife"; et vir which means "and husband"; d.s.p. which means "died without issue"; liber which means "book or volume"; or d.v.p. which means "died in the lifetime of his father". Since legal documents such as probate records, court records and property transactions can provide so much information to genealogists, an understanding of legal terms in

important. A very useful guide to legal terminology is Black's Law Dictionary.. Paperback versions are reasonably priced and available in bookstores. It is also available in virtually all libraries.
 Thanks to Escondido Genealogical Society Newsletter, PO Box 2190, Escondido, CA 92103-2190

The United Kingdom Surnames website—is a free facility where you can post and exchange family history data with others. It covers the entire United Kingdom but records are grouped by county and region for easier use. You can search either the entire site or individual counties for surname matches. If you have English ancestry, it's a great place to post family information.

<http://www.county-surnames.co.uk/index.mv>

Thanks to Larimer County Genealogical Society Newsletter, Sept/Oct 2003 via Family Tree Dec/Jan 2004

Swedish research is here at a finger's touch—I'm a Swede, and I manage a data bank for Swedish emigrants from Sweden to America. I do that for the Skanes Genealogiska Forbund, SGF, and, indirectly, for the Svenska Emigrantinstitutet in Vaxjo, EMI. The data bank contains over one million emigrants from Sweden who went abroad for the years 1845-1950. I am working with the emigrants from the Swedish province of Scania and our portion of the data bank contains about 170,000 people. You can find us at URS:

<http://www.sgf.m.se> and <http://www.swemi.nu>

Don't hesitate to contact us! Friendly Greetings, Ake Kjellqvist.

Source: Ancestry Daily News, MyFamily.com Inc, and Bureau County Genealogical Society, Princeton, IL

Pioneers discovered "alternate fuels!" On the trail west, the pioneers collected buffalo chips for cooking. As the wagon trains got on the plains, there was a shortage of wood to burn for the camp fires, so it was soon found that buffalo chips burned fiercely and cooked as well as wood. Buffalo chips were collected by women and children as they walked along the trail. One pioneer stated that meat cooked over buffalo chips needed no pepper!!

Thanks to Sequoia Genealogical Society Newsletter Vol 30, No 3, Nov 2003

On The Shelf

The following books have been added to the WAGS collection held at the Holly History and Genealogy Center

"Our Crown" by Stephen Birmingham

"Yellow River Pioneers" by William Hiles, Jr and Sheryl Hines

Both books donated by Susie and Bruce Freistedt

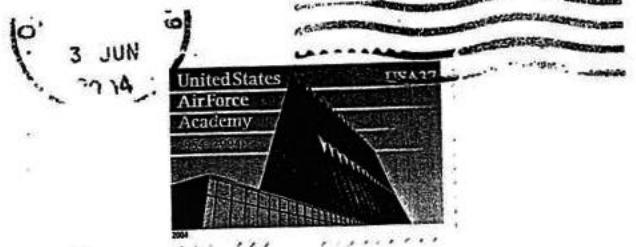
Genealogical & Local History Books in Print 1981 and 1992 copies by Netti Schreiner-Yantis

Donated by Lawrence Webb

Calendar Check the WAGS website for more information

8 July 2004	Research and PotLuck	Gerry Trinrud home
10 July 2004	Insights to Your German Past	Greenhill Center of the Arts, UW-Whitewater sponsored by the German Interest Group-Wisconsin, P O Box 2185, Janesville, WI 53547-2185, 608-756-5260 or email: gig_wi@hotmail.com
12 August 2004	Research and PotLuck	Nancy Helbach home, more information to follow
September 2004	Getting Started in Genealogy	Sessions to be announced, check the website
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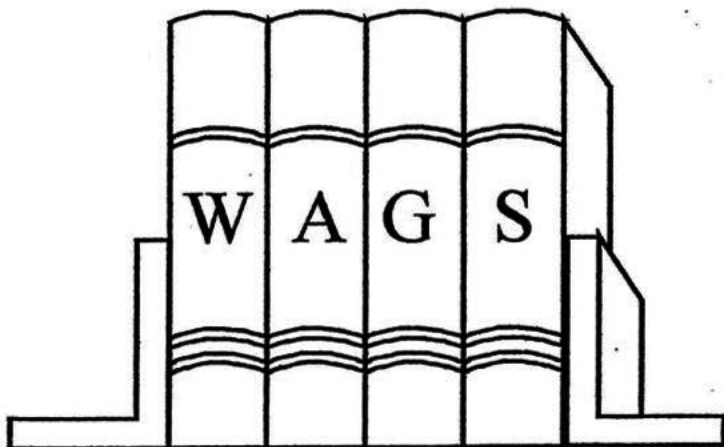
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genealogical research, to receive, hold and invest monies, dues,
gifts, sales, interest, etc., and to hold and administer property for the
benefit of the society and for its educational purpose.

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Waupaca Area Genealogical Society

**SEPTEMBER 2004
Newsletter**
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(unless otherwise noted)**

Presidents chatter,

School days, autumn leaves and back to getting organized for the New Year with our Society. As you can see Thursday, September 9, is our monthly meeting. **Bring a friend or a neighbor who has been talking about joining genealogy. Guests are always welcome.**

I hope you had a good summer with reunions and family visits. Perfect time to fill in those empty spots in your research. For those of you who may be thinking of heading to Salt Lake City to the LDS Family History Center, check out Eldershostel, there is an offering of genealogy programs in October 2004 and March 2005. Your local library should have a catalog or go online at: www.elderhostel.org

A few things coming up are: Waupaca Fall Festival, Saturday, September 18, the Holly Center will be open 9 AM to 4 PM for those wanting to stop in and do some research or just "look around and get acquainted". On October 23 there will be a German Workshop. Speakers will be Linda Herrick and Dr Richard Dcamp. Information and registration form in newsletter. November is Election of Officers. The society has many members who live out of the Waupaca County area, so **WE NEED YOU** to think about volunteering for a position. See article by Paula Vaughan in newsletter regarding positions to be filled.

Also of interest is the Wisconsin State Genealogical Society Fall Seminar held in Madison at the Alliant Energy Center. Main speaker will be James L. Hansen, Reference Librarian at the Wisconsin Historical Library. Many wonderful topics. Information and registration form in the newsletter.

Susie

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Welcome New Members

GOODMAN, Michael M.
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Member number 184
RUSSELL, CHAMBERLAIN

Querie

Looking for information regarding Roland James RUSSELL, Sr. born July 12, 1886, Waupaca, WI and Adeline M. CHAMBERLAIN and James Henry RUSSELL. Contact Michael M. Goodman, 3704 Donegal Ct, Iowa City, IA 52246-2788 or email: mike.goodman@mchsi.com

Elections of Officers

By
Paula Vaughan

The upcoming November elections are around the corner and the nominating committee is presently busy at work contacting prospective nominees. With the present board members having declined to run for office another term, the following positions will be vacant: President, Vice-President, Treasurer and Secretary.

Each year it is becoming more difficult to find nominees who are willing to step into the roll of serving as an officer on the board. This is a growing concern for the present board members and the society as a whole. While our members volunteer many hours at the Holly Center and willingly volunteer whenever called upon for other society functions, we need you to step forward as a nominee for a board position. If the vacant positions are not filled the Waupaca Area Genealogical Society will cease to exist. The present board members do not want to see this happen, so please consider running for one of the vacant board positions. (See position descriptions below.)

The past year has been a very productive and busy year for the present board members, we have worked many hours to put into place an accessioning process, purchased more shelving units for basement storage of tax records, obtained permanent storage for our records/operation items, had additional shelving units constructed for the tax record collection in upstairs library, new brochure developed, Beginning Genealogy packet developed, etc. This work was put forward to insure the society records, etc. would be in place and to assist in a smooth transition for the incoming officers. The present board members agree to assist the incoming officers in any way possible, as we want to see the society continue to grow and succeed.

For further information, questions or nominations, please contact one of the board members listed below. Nominations can also be made by contacting one of the nominating committee members. Nominations must be made no later than October 15th. Elections will be held at the November 11th meeting. The one-year term for officers begins January 1, 2005 and continues through December 31, 2005.

Susie Freistedt, President	(715)445-9283	freistedt@gglbbs.com
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Marion Bender, Treasurer	(715)258-2079	meqlb@charter.net
Paula Vaughan, Secretary	(920)233-6409	pajolova@hotmail.com

Kay Ellis, Nominating Committee	715/258-8372
Nancy Oman, Nominating Committee	715/258/2117

Duties of the Officers as stated in the bylaws.

President shall preside at all monthly and board meetings. The president shall have ready for distribution annually a current Officer listing and meeting schedule, shall oversee public relations operations, including all published news items, shall coordinate implementation of service projects decided upon by the Society and keep available and current the various informational hand-outs of the Society, and appoint the Research Coordinator and Ambassador. The newsletter Editor of the Waupaca Area Genealogical Society Newsletter is a volunteer position. The President and Board Members shall appoint all committee chairpersons at the beginning of a new term.

Vice-President shall perform the duties of the President in case of absence and shall share in the responsibilities of publicity.

Secretary shall take minutes and tally the meeting attendance. The Secretary shall conduct any correspondence for the Society.

Treasurer shall receive all monies for the Society and shall issue memberships, give a financial report at regular meetings as required by the Board, and keep accurate records of all receipts and expenditures

Organizations Waupaca Genealogical Society belongs to:

Wisconsin Historical Society

National Genealogical Society

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9 AM to 3 PM

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Friday 11 AM to 2 PM

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

Hours: Tuesday 9 AM to Noon and 6 PM to 8 PM

Wednesday 9 AM to 3 PM

Saturday 9 AM to Noon

Waupaca County Courthouse, 811 Harding Street, Waupaca, WI 54981

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Bits and Pieces

The following are from the Odom Family Tree newsletter:

Here are the best Scandinavian websites for genealogy:

Denmark: www.ddd.dda.dj Danish search engine: www.eniro.dk

Finland: www.genealogia.fi (note "a" at the end)

Norway: www.digitalarkivet.no Norwegian search engine: www.kvasir.no

Sweden: www.genealogi.se Swedish search engine: www.eniro.se

The Heritage Newsletter, Linn Genealogical Society; POBox 1222, Albany, OR-97321-0537

Veterans buried in national cemeteries now online

The VA has made available 3.2 million records. VA has made it easier and faster for the public to get answers about family history, old war buddies or famous war heroes. The agency put on the WEB 3.2 million records for veterans buried at 120 national cemeteries since the Civil War. The web site is www.cem.va.gov The VA's Nationwide Gravesite Locator also has records for some state veterans' cemeteries and burials in Arlington National Cemetery since 1999. These records were previously available only on paper and microfilm.

Clay Hooper via Polk Co Hist'l & Gene'l Soc Quarterly & Newsletter POBox 636, Benton, TN 37307

Visit these interesting web sites

The U.S. National Archives has put up a new database of nine million people who enlisted in the Army in World War II. Please be aware that it is not complete. The database is called: World War II Electronic Army Serial Number Merged File. When you get there, pull down the subject search menu to "World War 1939-1945", then click "submit".

For more information about the database see: www.archives.gov/aad/whats_new.html Access to Archives (A2A) is a useful resource for family historians looking for references to their ancestors in catalogues of the Archives held in record offices and other places in England. Among other things, it includes naturalizations, denizations, and material from some of the more important "peculiar" jurisdictions. This is already a major site, and should become even more useful in the future. Visit: www.a2a.org.uk/ Another site is: www.linkpendium.org
Via Questing Heirs Genealogy Society, Inc. POBox 15120, Long Beach, CA 90815-0102

Sleuthing done with useful night vision tip

Try using a pair of night vision clip-on glasses when looking at microfilm or microfilm printouts that are not clear. (I sue the kind with the yellow lens-you can purchase them as just a regular pair of glasses.) I tried my husband's this morning and found ancestor listed on a ship list that is in very bad condition.
Marge Clark via Ancestry.com, Quick tip, Mar 19, 2004 via WAGS Newsletter, Whitter Area Gen Soc, POBox 4367, Los Angeles Co, Whitter, CA 90607-4367

Now you can order English BMD records online

You can now order English Birth, Marriage, Death certificates online if you know the full GRO reference (name, quarter and year, registration district, volume and page number). Free research assessments from British-based researchers are also available. Researchers personally visit archives throughout England and Scotland, searching original birth, marriage, census, church, and other records not available on the Internet. Visit: www.britishancestors.com/awnorder for more information.

The list of ship arrivals at Ellis island is now complete!!

Stephen P. Morse's project to compile a complete list of every ship arrival at Ellis Island from 1892 to 1924 is now complete. It can be accessed at: <http://stevemorse.org/ellis/boat.html>
For each arrival the database has the microfilm roll, volume, frame, date, ship-name, and ports. Now, for the first time, there is a searchable list for every ship arrival along with links to the associated manifest pages. This means you can now search for persons not found in the Ellis Island Database because of misspelling or misindexing if you know the name of the ship on which the immigrant came. The list consists of a total of 84,000 ship arrivals. The work was done by a team of over 50 volunteers who read through every one of the 37000 rolls of Ellis Island microfilms from 1892 to 1924.
Thanks to WAGS Newsletter, PO Box 4367, Whittier, CA 90607-4367

WAUPACA COUNTY MARRIAGE RECORDS

By
Paula Vaughan

GREAT NEWS! A wonderful resource will soon be housed at the Holly History and Genealogy Center in the Waupaca Area Genealogical Society collection. The Wayne and Alta Guyant Waupaca County Marriage Records collection will soon be available at the Holly Center!

This collection is a compilation of marriage clippings from the Waupaca area newspapers Wayne and Alta collected during their years of research. Also included in the collection is information gathered from some of the early courthouse marriage records. Although the clippings are not complete for each year – this is a great collection!! The collection consists of 18 books (17 Volumes) holding the marriage clippings/information and each book having an index. An index of the complete collection will also be available.

In 1996 Wayne and Alta placed this collection with Geraldine Trinnrud and Geraldine has now donated this collection to the Waupaca Area Genealogical Society. The society is grateful for this generous donation and will insure the records are available to the Waupaca area researchers.

The original volumes of this collection will be kept in safe keeping, while bound copies of the records will be placed on the open shelves. Society members are in the process of copying and binding the volumes in this collection, so watch for the copies to become available within the next coming month.

The Waupaca Area Genealogical Society would like to acknowledge Wayne and Alta Guyant for their dedication and many hours of work on this collection. And a BIG thank you to Geraldine Trinnrud for this wonderful donation and for her continued thoughtfulness in keeping these records available to all family researchers.

On The Shelf

The following books have been donated to the WAGS collection held at the Holly History and Genealogy Center

Organizing & Preserving Your Heirloom Documents by Katherine Scott Sturdevant
Morton Allan Directory of European Passenger Steamship Arrivals
 Donated by Bruce & Susie Freistedt, Iola, WI

Ancestors of Jerome Allen Murray
 Donated by Joan Murray

Dictionary of Foreign Terms by C. O. Sylvester Mawson
In The Footsteps of Lewis and Clark by Gerald S. Snyder
Cabin On the Second Ridge by Ralph L. Longley
Webster's French-English English-French Dictionary Published by P. S. I & Associates
Saints and Strangers by George F. Willison
S. S. Peter and Paul – Weyauwega 1866-1984 Published by S. S. Peter and Paul Church
Memoirs of Milwaukee County Volume I Published by Western Historical Association 1909
1959 Map of Germany
1976 Blatt 4 Bundesrepublik Deutschland Map
1982 BISON FUTÉ au service de votre route Map
 Donated by Lawrence Webb

REMEMBER! Please include your name and address on items donated to the Waupaca Area Genealogical Society. This information is needed to complete the accession process.

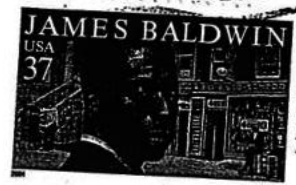
EVERYTHING WORKS OUT IN THE END. IF IT HASN'T WORKED OUT, IT'S NOT THE END!
 Unknown (Found on the Iowa GenWeb page)

Calendar (Check the WAGS website for more information)

9 September 2004	WAGS meeting	6:30 PM Holly Center, Waupaca
18 September 2004	Fall-O-Rama Open House at Holly Center	Noon to 4 PM Holly Ctr, Waupaca
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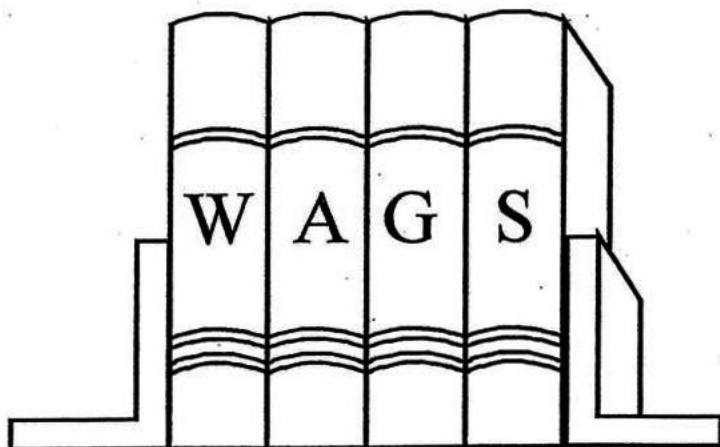
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Presidents chatter,

As I sit down to write my last "chatter" as President, I want to thank every one for helping these past two years. WAGS has a new board of officers for 2005: President, Darlene Ryan, Vice-President, Susie Freistedt, Secretary, Nancy Oman, and Treasurer, Jonnie Bender.

Our Fall German Research and German Script Conference was a great success. More than 50 people attended. The morning speaker gave many helpful sites on the Internet in regard to German research. In the afternoon a hands-on session on German Script was presented. Just like back at school learning to print and write! But, it may be that little help to read some of that old German.

Many new things at the Holly Center to stop in and look at. From the collection of one of our members, Gerry Trinrud, we now have copies of her marriage and obit books and her Holly Funeral home register. There are indexes for help in looking up that name! Susie Freistedt has donated a collection of obits from the Weyauwega area are now available to look at, with an index done by Jean Speigelberg.

Take a minute to review the calendar for 2005. The meetings for January, February, and March will be on the second SATURDAY of the month at 9:00 AM meeting in the lower level of the Holly Center. Attendance and membership is a concern to our group. A change of day and time during the winter months may be more appealing to members. Meetings starting with the April meeting will be back at the usual evening time. If there is a speaker or program that you feel would be of interest for a presentation at a meeting pass the information on to a board member, so that it may get on the calendar. Also, check the "On the Shelf" section, many new additions.

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Member number: 190
Frogner, Gordon, Kjaer

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Bits and Pieces

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Hours: Tuesday 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM
2:00 PM to 4:00 PM
6:00 PM to 9:00 PM
Wednesday 2:30 PM to 6:00 PM

Thanks to Jean Speigelberg

German Roots? Ortsfamilienbuecher are German community historical and genealogical books and many are now online, arranged by locality. <http://db.genealogy.net/ofb/map.cgi?land=deutschland>
Thanks to Jonnie Bender

The Civil Registrar: an important person in the world of German vital records.
December 1936 the first Social Security Card was issued. The Social Security Death Index (SSDI) can be useful for checking on late 19th and 20th century ancestors.

VA Nationwide Gravesite locator: <http://ngsgenealogy.org>

National Genealogical Society website: <http://ngsgenealogy.org>

East European Genealogical Societies: www.feeths.org

EMERGENCY HELP IN EUROPE: The European Union has established this emergency phone number (112) good in any of its 25 member countries. Mark this 112 emergency number in your log for your next trip abroad.
Source: Der Blumenbaum, SGGS, Vol 22 via The Wall Street Journal, June 15, 2004
Thanks Jonnie Bender for the above bits.

For you Piggly Wiggly-Waupaca shoppers remember to leave your cash register slips in the WAGS slot in the fund raiser board as you leave the store. Our last check was for \$40.00. This money goes into our treasury.

Waupaca County Divorce Records & Civil Court Records

The Waupaca County divorce and civil court records for the years of 1911 through 1953 were transferred to the Wisconsin State Historical Society Archives on October 1, 2004. The divorce index remains in the Clerk of Courts office with a copy of this index being copied for the historical society.

After contacting Terry Tews, Clerk of Courts (Waupaca), Stevens Point Area Research Center and Virginia Fritsch, Archivist at the Wisconsin State Historical Society-Madison, the following information was gathered

- 1-The records were transferred due to space constraints.
- 2-It could take several years to get the records through the accessioning process.
- 3-Once these records are accessioned – they will most likely be sent to the Area Research Center in Stevens Point, WI.
- 4-All divorce records will be kept. One out of every 9-10 civil court records will be kept, with the other records being discarded. (This is within the guidelines of the Wisconsin State statues.)
- 5-To obtain copies of any of these records at this time – contact the Wisconsin State Historical Society Archives

Divorce records prior to the years 1911-1953 were discarded in 1985.
Thanks to Paula Vaughan

On The Shelf

NEW ITEMS!

The following items have been accessioned to the WAGS available at the Holly History and Genealogy Center.

Wisconsin & New York Migration Lists 1843 #155 (This is a microfiche)
Donated by Jon Boehm of Findlay, Ohio

Velie & Snyder Family Research Compiled by Marion Snyder
Donated by Marion Snyder

Genealogical Maps & Guides to NORWEGIAN Parish Register Compiled by Finn A. Thomsen
Also donated a plat map of the Township of Scandinavia in 1856
Donated by Susie and Bruce Freistedt of Iola, WI

From Sawmills to Villages Edited by Robert McDermott
Fremont-Wolf River Area History by Fremont Area Bicentennial Book Committee
St. John's Lutheran Church Funeral Records 1887-1997 by Jeff Catozzie and Brandon Yonkee
The History of Marion Part I Published by the Marion Advertiser Marion, WI
Atlas of the German Empire 1892 from the Thomsen's Genealogical Center
Donated to Geraldine Trinrud of Scandinavia, WI

Also recently donated to the Waupaca Area Genealogical Society seven volumes of Waupaca Area Obituaries compiled by Wayne & Alta Guyant. This collection, which consists of 7 volumes and a complete index, was compiled by Wayne and Alta and given to Geraldine Trinrud in 1996. Geraldine has now donated these records to the Waupaca Area Genealogical Society. The originals have been photocopied for use at the Holly History and Genealogy Center.

Also given to Geraldine Trinrud from the Guyants were several scrapbooks of newspaper clippings and other information. Geraldine has now donated 16 of these scrapbooks to the Waupaca Area Genealogical Society. These scrapbooks include an index and have been placed on the WAGS shelves at the Holly History and Genealogy Center.

We deeply appreciate the many years of research by Wayne and Alta Guyant and for Geraldine's continued generosity.

Also donated to the Waupaca Area Genealogical Society and placed in the vertical family files at the Holly History and Genealogy center for use folders on the following families:

ANDERSON
ANDERSON/MADSEN
ANDREW
BABCOCK
BARRINGTON
BRANDTNER
BRUYETTE
BUTTON
CHASE/CASEY
CHURCHILL
DAKE/DZAKE
DELAP
DWINDELL/PERKINS/BRANDT
FAULKS
FRATER
G'SELL/WEISENBORN
HANSEN
HETZER/SCHALLER/WERNER/REITZNER
HEUER
HOWLETT

IDE/HUNTER/WARREN/PARKER

KAMP

KNAPSTEIN (Due to the large number of pages in this file, it has been accessed, placed in a three ring binder and placed on the shelf not in the vertical file.)

LIENHARD

LONG

LOSSELYONG/SCHETTER

LUTZ

MARTIN

MAYHEM

McCRARY

McMILLAN

MOFFATT

OLMSTED

PARSONS

PHEN

RADCLIFFE

RANDT/BOBZIN

RICE

ROBINSON

ROGERS

SCHUMACHER/KIRCHKOFF

SHOPODOCK

STEDMAN

SWEET/McCABE

TABOR

TERRIO

TESKY/BARTOSH

THOMPSON

TOWNE

TRICKIE

WAITE

WARZYNSKI

WHEELER

WOODS

YAPP/CARTER

ZEMPEL/SAXTON

ZIEHLSDORG

ZIMDARS/SCHULTZ/MESSERSCHMIDT/FENN/ADAMS

Other articles also added to the History vertical files:

Black Settlers in Rural Wisconsin

Caldwell's Prairie

Cemetery Clues to Family History

Census

Schmallenberg Mill

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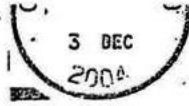
REMEMBER! Please include your name and address on items donated to the Waupaca Area Genealogical Society. This information is needed to complete the accession process.

Calendar (Check the WAGS website for more information)

9 December 2004	WAGS meeting-Ethnic Potluck	6:30 PM Holly Center, Waupaca
2005		
8 January 2005	WAGS meeting	9:00 AM Holly Center, Waupaca
2 February 2005	WAGS meeting	9:00 AM Holly Center, Waupaca
12 March 2005	WAGS meeting	9:00 AM Holly Center, Waupaca
7 April 2005	WAGS meeting	6:30 PM Holly Center, Waupaca
12 May 2005	WAGS meeting	6:30 PM Holly Center, Waupaca
9 June 2005	WAGS meeting	6:30 PM Holly Center, Waupaca

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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.

The Waupaca Area Genealogical Society (WAGS) is classified as a tax-exempt organization as described in Section 501 © (3) of the Internal Revenue Code.