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MEETING TIME / PLACE

General Meeting Times
 Second Monday of the month
 (No meeting in Jul. Aug. or Dec.)
 6:30 PM Social
 7:00 PM Meeting/Program
 Gateway Technical College
 3520 30th Avenue
 Madrigrano Auditorium

NEXT PROGRAM

Monday Feb 13, 2012
 It will be in the Bio-science
 building room 120
 Patty Bajabir from Kenosha
 Public Library will be our speaker



MEMBER PROFILE

Name: Bonnie Howen

A tiny bit about yourself:

I have worked for Kenosha Memorial Hospital for 32 years as a Transcription Clerk and Luncheon Coordinator. I was born and raised in Kenosha

How long have you been a member of KCGS?

3 months

What first got you interested in genealogy?

I was trying to find out my mother's medical history

What is the most interesting or unusual fact you have found so far in you research?

I found an Uncle no one knew about, who died as an infant

What is your favorite web site besides

Ancestry.com? FamilySearch.com

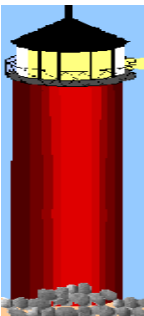
Which committees for KCGS have you

volunteered to serve on for far? None so far

DUES

A change in our by-laws was approved at the June meeting, aligning the dues year with our fiscal year which starts September 1st. Annual dues remain at \$10.00 but come due in September. If not paid by October 31st then a late charge of \$2.00 will be assessed. Dues for new members joining later in the year will be pro-rated.

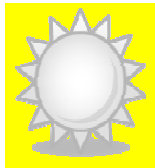




SPOTLIGHT

REPORTS ON ACTIVITIES

Sunshine's Corner



by Claudia Schiller

Spreading sunshine to members:

☞ Joyce March who is still recovering. Cards can be sent to:
Joyce March c/o St Francis Terrace
Room 112-1
3200 S. 20th Street
Milwaukee WI 53215-4442

For anyone who does not have access to the internet get on our phone tree list to be contacted about important information or if a card needs to be sent: Please call Claudia Schiller at 262-654-4552



GENEALOGY TIP OF THE DAY

by: Michael John Neill

Why Did They Wait?

The widow dies and three daughters inherit 12 acres in the 1850s. One daughter apparently pre-deceased her mother. The two surviving daughters sign deeds over to their brother at about the same time-probably shortly after the mother's death. The deceased daughter's heirs wait a few years to sign their deed. Why? I'm not certain, but my guess is that they waited for all the deceased daughter's children to come of age so that they could legally sign the deed. Minors can't execute deeds.

FEATURE REPORTER

by Your Name Here

Be a Guest Reporter. It could be telling us about that genealogy field trip you went on this summer, asking for help in breaking down your brick wall, maybe even bragging about your latest find, or telling us how to do something related to genealogy. Have it all recorded here.

HELP WANTED

ACTIVITIES CHAIRPERSON: Takes care of the planning for trips, as Kathy has resigned due to other commitments. Any volunteers please contact Tom Nielsen.

REPORTER FOR A MONTH: Looking for someone to help cover speakers at meeting when I am out sick and can't make the meetings. You will do a short write-up on the lecture for the night. Also write other articles if you want. If interested contact me at

p13mcmaster@yahoo.com



January's Guest Speaker ~ Dr. Daniel Hubbard

If you were unable to attend Dr. Daniel Hubbard's lecture, January 9th, you missed an excellent presentation on maps and how they can be used in genealogy research. He explained how maps are not just to find out where your ancestors lived, but how else we are able to use maps in our research. Here is a brief synopsis of his presentation.

Who and Why of map production:

Why was the map made and for whom? Was it to represent a belief or possibly to make a claim to some land, or even to boast about the land that was already owned.

Time of map's production:

When was the map made? Was it made in the early 1600's or in the late 1800's? Many maps of the same area can be totally different depending on what century they were created in.

Visualize the abstract with a map:

Maps can give us a visual of what the topography of an area is like or they can make us see why land was divided the way it was. They can show us some of the possible reasons which might exist because of mountains or water ways. They can also tell us about the climate, the economy of an area, some propaganda of the time period, the geography plus so much more if we just look at them.

Migration of people:

Maps can show the migration of our ancestors, which if looked at closely show that a lot of people migrated within the same climate. This was because most were farmers and they already knew the type of weather and soil conditions for growing certain types of crops. So as a result they stayed within that same type of climate to make their living.

Compare different times:

If you take a map from the 1700s and put one from the 1800s of the same size and same area over the first one see what changes have occurred? This can provide clues as to what happened. You can also compare plot maps side by side to see who owned land in the 1700s and then who still owned the same land in the 1800s and who bought or sold the land. Even though you are looking for your great-grandfather's land if you look at who owned the land around you might find his brother-in-law lives down the block or right next door and this could give you, your great-grandfather's sister's husband's name.

Keep looking for a better copy:

Just because you can't read all the print on a copy of a map you found doesn't mean it is not readable. You just have to look for a better copy until you can read the section you want to glean information from.

Hidden names on maps:

Many old maps contain names and they aren't always the names of small towns but actually names of the property owners.

Where can maps be found?

Many maps can be found online now but if you can't find the one you are looking for or want a better copy try looking in a library, a map store, or even some books about the area you are researching as they often times contain a mapped area of the town (s) you are researching.



More East of the Rockies Sites:

- Minnesota Historical Society www.mnhs.org/genealogy
- Missouri State Archives www.sos.mo.gov/mdh
- Oklahoma & Indian Territory
www.okgenweb.org/~itgenweb
- Michigan www.seekingmichigan.org
- Wisconsin www.wisconsinhistory.org/genealogy

SURNAMES BEING RESEARCHED

Please go onto our website and send a message to the club of the surname and researcher # and they will contact you.

NAME	NUMBER	NAME	NUMBER
BATES	53	BUSH	33
DONOVAN	61	ERICKSON	53
KELLMAN	23	MURPHY	63
PERRY	57	SANDERS	61
SCHLETER	10	SWANSON	64

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Elected Officers

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- Treasurer..... Don Kueny
- Secretary..... Sylvia Canada

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- Historian..... Open
- Newsletter Editor..... Trisha McMaster
- Program Line-up.....Judy Uelmen

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- Display Case Chairperson.....Suzanne Dibble
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- Hospitality..... Sharon Worm
- Publicity..... Judy Reynolds
- Refreshment..... Open
- Sunshine..... Claudia Schiller
- Surname Book Chairperson.....Judy Uelmen
- Webmaster..... Jeff Huff

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New York	050 - 134	New Jersey	135 - 158
Pennsylvania	159 - 211	Maryland	212 - 220
Delaware	221 - 222	Virginia	223 - 231 & 691 - 699
West Virginia	232	North Carolina	232
West Virginia	233 - 236	North Carolina	237 - 246 & 681 - 690
South Carolina	247 - 251 & 654 - 658	Georgia	252 - 260 & 667 - 675
Florida	261 - 267 & 589 - 595 & 765 - 772	Ohio	268 - 302
Indiana	303 - 317	Illinois	318 - 361
Michigan	362 - 386	Wisconsin	387 - 399
Kentucky	400 - 407	Tennessee	408 - 415 & 756 - 763
Alabama	416 - 424	Mississippi	425 - 428 & 587 - 588 & 752 - 755
Arkansas	429 - 423 & 676 - 679	Railroad	700 - 728
Enumeration of Entry	729 - 733	Louisiana	433 - 439 & 659 - 665
Oklahoma	440 - 448	Texas	449 - 467 & 627 - 647
Minnesota	468 - 477	Iowa	478 - 485
Missouri	486 - 500	North Dakota	501 - 502
South Dakota	503 - 504	Nebraska	505 - 508
Kansas	508 - 515	Montana	516 - 517
Idaho	515 - 519	Wyoming	520
Colorado	521 - 524 & 650 - 653	New Mexico	525 & 585 & 648 - 649
Arizona	526 - 527 & 600 - 601 & 764 - 765	Utah	528 - 529
Nevada	530 & 680	Washington	531 - 539
Oregon	540 - 544	California	545 - 573 & 602 - 626
Alaska	574	Hawaii	575 - 576 & 750 - 751
District of Columbia	577 - 579	Virgin Islands	580
Guam, American Samoa & Philippines	586	Puerto Rico	596 - 599

<http://socialsecuritynumberology.com/prefixes.php>

Watch next month for Army & Air Force Numbers