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## **MEETING TIME / PLACE**

Second Monday of the month  
(No meeting in Jul. Aug. or Dec.)  
6:30 pm Social  
7:00 pm – 9:00 pm Meeting/Program

Gateway Technical College  
3520 30<sup>th</sup> Avenue  
Madrigrano Hall

## **PROGRAMS**

### **Monday Jan 11, 2010**

Louise Principe, Register of Deeds  
On "Planning a Visit to Kenosha  
Vital Records"

### **Monday Feb 8, 2010**

Patti Bajibar;  
Info. Librarian  
From KPL's Southwest Branch

## **PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS**

By Joyce March

Happy 2010 to all.

I hope you all had a great holiday, kept warm, and are ready to begin another year in searching for, and finding your ancestors. We are here to help. The main thing Kenosha County Genealogy Society is celebrating at this time is our new home at Modrigrano Hall, Gateway Technical College, Kenosha. If you don't already know, the hall is in the building set quite far back between the college building and the administration building, and it is the home of the radio station, WGTD. There is plenty of parking, lots of seating, room to circulate and share experiences between 6:30 and 7:00 PM when the program starts, and we are back to enjoying our homemade goodies and juice. After the surprises at our meeting place last year this is like receiving the gift you always wanted and never expected. The KCGS enjoyed our 2nd Annual Christmas Party at the Danish Brotherhood hall, exchanged recipes, and are still phoning to find out who brought that special ethnic dish that delighted all of us. Please join in next year and I assure you will become a regular. We have an Activities Chairman now, so watch our website and newsletter for new places Tom and Judy Nielsen might come up with.

## **F Y I**

When you researched for basic information on your ancestors, did you check what could be shaping their world at the time, locally and around the world? Of course, historical and political events going on at the time would affect them. Did you notice anything in particular? How about a controversial new book or a new type of music being played or even a discovery in science/medicine or a technological breakthrough. Any new thinking in philosophy, learning or religion, anybody famous born, married or died on the same day as well as your ancestor? It can lead to fascinating reading besides finding more about your ancestors and what could affect their lives and future generations.

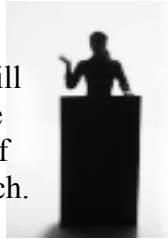
# REPORT ON ACTIVITIES

## ACTIVITIES-PAST

### OUR GUEST SPEAKERS:

#### November Meeting:

The subject was; where we will be meeting in the future as we lost Mo's due to the closing of their back room. Gateway Tech. College, Madrigano Hall has been procured for us by Joyce for our future meetings for this upcoming year .



#### December Meeting:

The Christmas party was a great success again. The food was great and our white elephant was a huge success too. There were 30 members present and all look forward to our upcoming picnic in the summer of 2010.



## ACTIVITIES-COMING

February 27, 2010 - St. Charles, Illinois

The DuPage County (IL) Genealogical Society presents "Genealogical Building Blocks." Their 35th annual conference can help researchers of all levels.

Featured speakers: John P. Colletta, Elissa Scalise Powell, Kathy Meade, and Jeffrey A. Bockman.

This all-day event has three simultaneous lectures covering twelve topics including: Naturalization Records, Passenger Arrival Records, Discovering the *Real* Stories of Your Immigrant Ancestors , Beginning Swedish Genealogy, Swedish Genealogy in a Computer World, The Research Cycle, Organizing Twenty Years of Stuff, The Dreaded Research Report, Marriages - More than Just a Date, Can't Find it in the Index, Discovering Your Ancestors' World through Maps and Gazetteers, and Becoming a Professional Genealogist.

Cost: \$40 - DCGS members, \$45-non-members (if postmarked by Feb 13) \$50 after Feb 13 and at the door

There will be exhibitors, vendors, and a hot lunch. For more information see [www.dcgcs.org](http://www.dcgcs.org) and select "Conferences", phone: 630-665-6599, or email [DCGSRegistrar@aol.com](mailto:DCGSRegistrar@aol.com).

### SHOW 'N SHARE WITH GENEALOGY EXPERTS

"Ask The Genealogy Experts" is the theme of the January 16, 2010 meeting of the British Interest Group of Wisconsin and Illinois (BIGWILL) to be held at 10:00 am to noon, Grace Lutheran Church, 6000 Broadway, just off Hwy. 173 (Kenosha Street) in Richmond, Illinois.

Questions regarding British Isles genealogy and topics will give members and guests the opportunity to address the experts on the following topics at eight tables in an informal setting. If the questioner has more than one topic area, that person can address questions to more than one expert.

The topic areas and experts are:

England - Ann Wells

Ireland - Dan Kane

Scotland - Linda Robertson

Canada - Margaret Kurzynski

Computer Strategies (including Mac) - Rollie Littlewood and Karen Glass

Deciphering Old Writing - Maureen Brady Publications Table - Roger Higgs

Stephen Hopkins Video (of Jamestown/Plymouth) - Nancy Holder

Members are encouraged to bring items they have published for the publications table.

Check our website for a map and more information

[www.bigwill.org](http://www.bigwill.org). Meetings will only be cancelled if law

enforcement advises us of hazardous driving conditions in the Richmond area. Please check our website for any last-minute meeting cancellations.

## BEGINNING GENEALOGY CLASSES OFFERED

Beginning Genealogy classes are being held by appointment at Joyce's home, 3022 25th Street, on the 3rd and 4th Monday evenings any time between 6:00 pm. and 9:00 pm. Please phone 652-1353 if you plan to come or for more information. If you need help on a specific item, let Joyce know.





☺ **Everybody stayed well and healthy this season.**



### WEB SITES

*For those of you who are searching Polish Ancestors:*

The following web address will take you to a new web site containing marriage records from within the former Prussian Province of Posen, now part of Poznan, Poland. The index is searchable by just a surname of either the bride or the groom. The period covered is from 1820 through 1889. The site is in English. If you find a name of interest there is even a link for requesting an original copy from Poland.

Here is the web address:

<http://bindweed.man.poznan.pl/posen/>

This was sent by the MPAF User's Group in Milwaukee. Some of you may be able to use it.

### **Thank You**

for volunteering to be our new:

Activities Chairperson; Tom Nielsen

Newsletter Assistant; Suzanne Dibble

Corresponding Secretary & Surname Book Chairperson; Judy Uelmen



### **LABELING DOCUMENTS FOR GENEALOGICAL PROOFS**

Genealogy Tip

By Mary Harrell-Sesniak

"Genealogy is not just a pastime; it's a passion."



Genealogy societies generally require proof and source documents to be labeled – lest the application paperwork should become shuffled while reviewing. Many require your name, eligible ancestor, and details such as the chapter you wish to join, or generation of the ancestor. In the case of an early American proof, this can result in as many as 70-80 documents – as each ancestor's birth, marriage, death and connection to the next generation must be proved. Rather than label by hand, create labels.

## DID YOU KNOW?

Please spread the word among your membership. They now have another way to reach HeritageQuest Online through the BadgerLink Web site. The products on this site are available to Wisconsin residents. Thank you.

Patty B  
Reference Services Librarian

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Here is a sample of some Latin Terms,  
Given Names and Abbreviations found  
in Sacramental Registers

### *BAPTISM:*

filius = son  
filia = daughter  
illegitimus = illegitimate  
thorus = legitimate birth  
ex illegitimo toro = illegitimate birth  
matus = born  
baptismus = baptism  
baptizatus = baptized  
patrinus = godfather  
patrinia = godmother  
patrini = godparents  
parentes = parents  
sponsores = godparents

SS = godparents

PP = godparents

### *MARRIAGE:*

teste = witnesses  
conjuncti sunt = they were married  
consanguinitatis = of blood relationship  
disponsus = dispensed

### *DEATH:*

vidus = widow  
sepultus = buried  
defunctus = dead

### *NAMES:*

John = Joannes, Jno.  
James = Jacobus, Jas.  
Mary = Maria  
Michael = Michaelus, Michl. M'l  
Bridget = Bridida, Brid, Delia, Bt.  
Anne = Anna, Nan, Nancy  
Charles = Carolus, Chas,  
Honor = Honoria, Nora, Nancy  
Ellen = Elena, Nellie  
Margaret = Margretta, Margt.  
Eliza = Elizabeth

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## OFFICERS

### Elected Officers

President..... Joyce March  
Vice President..... Gary Sorensen  
Treasurer..... Don Kueny  
Secretary..... Mary Ann Cole

### Appointed Officers

Activities..... Tom Nielsen  
Activities Assistant..... Kathy Woods  
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Hospitality..... Sharon Worm  
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# **MEMBERS ONLY PAGE**

## **Christmas Carol Game Answer Key**

In case anyone was wondering what the answers were, I got these off of Claudia. Many thanks for letting us have some extra fun with them at the Christmas Party.

<b>HYAMLC</b>	Have Yourself A Merry Little Christmas
<b>TFNTADS</b>	The First Noel the Angel did Say
<b>GRYMGLNYD</b>	God Rest Ye Merry Gentlemen Let Nothing You Dismay
<b>ICUAMC</b>	It Came Upon a Midnight Clear
<b>SNHNAICAIB</b>	Silent Night Holy Night All Is Calm All Is Bright
<b>OTFDOCMTLGTM</b>	On The First Day Of Christmas My True Love Gave to Me
<b>DTHWBOHFLLLLLLLLL</b>	Deck The Halls With Bows Of Holly Fa La La La La La La La La La
<b>YBWOYBNC</b>	You Better Watch Out Your Better Not Cry
<b>JTTWTLHC</b>	Joy to The World The Lord Has Come
<b>YKDADAPAV</b>	You Know Dasher And Dancer And Prancer And Vixen
<b>ISMKSC</b>	I Saw Mommy Kissing Santa Claus
<b>CSBSDIHS</b>	City Sidewalks Busy Sidewalks Dressed In Holiday Style
<b>HTHASGTTNK</b>	Hark The Herald Angels Sing Glory To The Newborn King
<b>GGROBAR</b>	Grandma Got Rau Over By A Reindeer
<b>OHNTSABS</b>	Oh Holy Night The Stars Are Brightly Shining
<b>AIWFCIMTFT</b>	All I Want For Christmas Is My Two Front Teeth
<b>DTTSIAOHOS</b>	Dashing Though The Snow In A One Horse Open Sleigh
<b>WTKOOA</b>	We Three Kings Of Orient Are
<b>IDOAWCJLTOIUTK</b>	I'm Dreaming Of A White Christmas Just Like The Ones I Use To Know
<b>CROAOFJFNAYN</b>	Chestnuts Roasting On An Open Fire Jack Frost Nipping At Your Nose
<b>IBTLALLC</b>	It's Beginning To Look A Lot Like Christmas
<b>OLTOBHSWSTL</b>	Oh Little Town Of Bethlehem How Still We See Thee Lie
<b>SBRAYL</b>	Sleigh Bells Ring Are You Listening
<b>IBHFCYCCOM</b>	I'll Be Home For Christmas You Can Count On Me
<b>WWYAMCWWYAMC</b>	We Wish You A Merry Christmas We Wish You A Merry Christmas
<b>IHTBOCD</b>	I Heard The Bells On Christmas Day
<b>FTSWAJHS</b>	Frosty The Snowman Was A Jolly Happy soul
<b>JOSNLYETW</b>	Jolly Old St. Nicholas Lean Your Ear This Way
<b>GKWLOOTFOS</b>	Good King Wenceslas Looked Out On The Feast Of Stephen
<b>UOTHRPOJGOSC</b>	Up On the Housetop Reindeer pause Out Jumps Good Old Santa Clause
<b>JBJBJBR</b>	Jingle Bells Jingle Bell Jingle Bell Rock
<b>IHABCWY</b>	I'll Have A Blue Christmas Without You
<b>CTTMPRPPP</b>	Come They Told Me Pa Rum Pa Pa Pum
<b>AWHHOH</b>	Angels We Have Heard On High
<b>HAHJC</b>	Have A Holly Jolly Christmas
<b>AIAMNCFAB</b>	Away In a Manger On Crib For A Bed
<b>STSBTTMKDYHWIH</b>	Said The Shepherd Boy To The Mighty King Do You Hear What I Hear
<b>OTWOIFBTFISD</b>	Oh The Weather Outside Is Frightful But The Fire Is So Delightful
<b>DDMOH</b>	Ding Dong Merrily On High
<b>WCITWLTROMLIS</b>	What Child Is This Who Laid To Rest On Mary's Lap Is Sleeping
<b>GTIOTM</b>	Go Tell It On The Mountain