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Speakers for the Month of October

By Trisha McMaster

Our speakers, Pricilla and Marshall Wren from Elkhorn Family History Center, gave an excellent talk on familysearch.org. They told of the new design of the web site and showed us some of the many different links containing information just from this site. By signing in you will be able to use the imaging feature. Marshall told us that his favorite census was the 1900 because it is when they first put immigration & naturalization plus the month of birth on the censuses. The advantage of ordering a film is that you get to see the whole picture of a group of people and not just one individual. We also learned that footnote.com & genline.com have been bought out by Ancestry. [Footnote.com](http://www.fold3.com) is now called fold3 and is located at <http://www.fold3.com> Ancestry and Gensline have not changed yet.

The phone number for Salt Lake is: 866-406-1830

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
 Madrigano Auditorium

NEXT PROGRAM

Monday Nov 14, 2011
 Our First Holiday Dinner
 See Event Calendar for details



GENEALOGY TIP OF THE DAY

by: Michael John Neill

Making A Mark Doesn't Mean They Were Illiterate

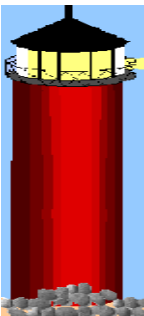
Remember that just because your ancestor signs their "mark" on a document it doesn't mean they were illiterate. In some cases, a person might have been told to "make their mark" which was unique to them and as long as it was witnessed, legally binding. Remember also that if your ancestor was ill and on their death bed when they signed their will, making their mark might have been all they could do.

I have several ancestors who signed numerous documents, but made their "mark" on their will, generally because they were advanced in years.

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.





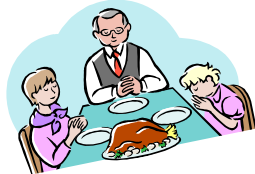
SPOTLIGHT

REPORTS ON ACTIVITIES

EVENTS CALENDAR November 14, 2011



November will be our very first Holiday Potluck Dinner Get together. Please sign up to bring a dish to pass (if you missed this at the Oct. meeting call or e-mail Sharon Worm sworm@wirr.com). Husbands and Wives are welcome. Bring a wrapped \$5.00 gift to participate in the BINGO. Everyone who brings a gift will go home with one. The club will supply the plates, plastic ware, & napkins. See you all there.



Just Braggn' by unknown

TV shows that are helpful for Ancestry and Genealogy:

Generations Project
BYU Channel 567 =AT&T

Ancestors
<http://www.byub.org/ancestors>
BYU Channel 567 = AT&T

Question And Ancestors
<http://www.byutv.org/show>
BYU Channel 567 =AT&T

Search for...
Own Channel 256

Sunshine's Corner by Claudia Schiller



Spreading sunshine to members:

- ☞ Paul Jaeger who fell and broke his hip
- ☞ 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

Kudos To:

- ☞ Suzanne Dibble for volunteering to head our newly created position of Librarian who will be cataloging and distributing all of the donated books, pamphlets and magazines from Kenosha Public Library.

Welcome to our new members:

September: Kathy Lill-Bonner, Donna Burchfield, Batty Howen, Sharon Madsen

October: Dawn Jurgens

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



MEMBER PROFILE

Name: Lynn Petts

A tiny bit about yourself:

I have been doing genealogy for 45 years. I am married with 3 sons and 5 grandchildren. Genealogy is my main hobby. I love doing family history and recording family events. I also like to read.

How long have you been a member of KCGS? 4 year

What first got you interested in genealogy?

School in Junior High and trying to trace who my son got his allergies from.

What is the most interesting or unusual fact you

have found so far in you research? Meeting new relatives I never knew before.

What is your favorite web site besides

Ancestry.com? None

Which committees for KCGS have you volunteered

to serve on for far? Bringing a snack

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: 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

CLUB HISTORIAN: Someone to keep track of all the history for the club.

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
DOROW	12	CARMINARO	9
JOSSART	13	SORENSEN	46
NOLAN	41	WORM	36
VERWAY	61	ZIMMER	29
GILMORE	10	REYNOLDS	24



Cemetery Project of Kenosha County Cemeteries

By Judy Uelmen, Vice -President

I wanted our club to leave a footprint behind to help family historians find their ancestor's headstones before they crumble or deteriorate and become illegible. We have started a cemetery project to take photos of headstones, input the data on a spreadsheet, and up load it to our website. Photos can be emailed as requested by individuals. Volunteers need to contact me and let me know what cemetery they want to do in Kenosha County to avoid duplicate work and build teams for the larger cemeteries. Volunteers will be able to do this independently or with a team at their own pace.



European Genealogy Sites

- GENUKI www.genuki.org.uk
- Avotaynu www.avotaynu.com
- PolishRoots www.polishroots.org
- Swedish Root www.genealogi.se/roots
- Danish Demographic Database www.ddd.dda.dk/ddd_en.htm
- Digitalarkivet www.digitalarkivet.uib.no
- The Genealogical Society of Finland www.genealogia.fi
- Genlia www.genlias.nl/en
- JewishGen www.jewishgen.org
- Federation of Eastern European Family History Societies www.feefhs.org

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Elected Officers

- President.....Tom Nielsen
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- Secretary.....Sylvia Canada

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Permanent Officers

- Corresponding Secretary.....Judy Uelmen
- Historian..... Open
- Newsletter Editor..... Trisha McMaster
- Program Line-up.....Sharon Worm

Appointed Officers

- Activities Chairperson.....Open
- Digital Equipment..... Don Kueny
- Display Case Chairperson.....Suzanne Dibble
- Education..... Open
- Hospitality..... Sharon Worm
- LibrarianSuzanne Dibble
- Publicity..... Judy Reynolds
- Refreshment... .. Open
- Sunshine..... Claudia Schiller
- Surname Book Chairperson.....Judy Uelmen
- Webmaster..... Jeff Huff

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Our Corresponding Secretary heard from Sadie Bishop who wrote:



Hello!

“I just wanted to send you a quick email to say thank you for your webpage. I work for a library and host weekend activities for middle school aged children and every year in October we do a genealogy project with the kids and their families. Your page had some great stuff that we were able to share with the kids. Just wanted to say thanks for all the help! ☺

One of the girls in my group, Melanie, found a great resource during computer time that I thought I'd share with you, <http://www.peoplefinders.com/article-people-search-genealogy-resources.aspx> . Could you add this to your list? ... Plus, I thought it would be a great addition to your resources. If you have any advice for doing genealogy projects with kids, I'd love to hear it. Thanks again, and have a great week.

Take care,
Ms. Sadie Bishop☺”

ANSWER:

We e-mailed her a copy of September's newsletter with the article titled: "I Spy With My Genealogy Eye..." along with a copy of this issue. I also checked out her recommended site. WOW! It has a lot of very interesting material. It contains information on how-to's, hiring a professional to even common research errors. Go check it out for yourself and see what you thought you knew but didn't really. Melanie, Keep up the great work, it is just an awesome site.