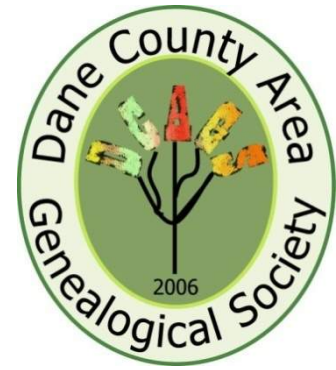


# Dane County Area Genealogical Society News



## Genealogy Research and Cartographic Resources

UW-Madison map librarian Jaime Stoltenberg will link genealogical research and map resources for DCAGS members at The Church of Latter-day Saints, 4504 Regent Street, 7 p.m. March 6. This talk will provide an overview and



introduction to the collections within the Arthur H. Robinson Map Library at UW-Madison that are popular for genealogical research. Maps, aerial photos, plat books, and other research resources will be highlighted. In addition to the physical print collections housed on the UW campus, there will also be an overview of valuable online resources that include digital cartographic materials.

Jaime Stoltenberg, map and geospatial data librarian in the Department of Geography, is pictured in the Arthur H. Robinson Map Library in Science Hall at the University of Wisconsin-Madison on June 24, 2013. (Photo by Bryce Richter/UW-Madison)

Jaime has been the Map and GIS librarian at the Robinson Map Library since November 2003. She received her B.S. degree in Biological Aspects of Conservation and a masters degree in Library and Information Science from the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee. She was the Geographic Information Systems (GIS) librarian at Cornell University's Albert R. Mann Library prior to taking over the Robinson Map Library at the University of Wisconsin-Madison. She is a member of North American Cartographic Information Society, the American Library Association, the Wisconsin Library Association, the Wisconsin Association of Academic Librarians, and the Wisconsin Land Information Association.

Jaime is responsible for acquiring, cataloging, and providing reference/access services to all the materials within the Robinson Map Library including maps, atlases, and digital geospatial data. She teaches introductory workshops in GIS and does class-based instruction in geography, landscape architecture, urban & regional planning, and library and information studies.

Jaime can be contacted at: [jstoltenberg@wisc.edu](mailto:jstoltenberg@wisc.edu). Information found on <http://www.geography.wisc.edu/maplib/staff.html>.

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*Regular DCAGS meetings are generally the first Thursday of each month at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints located at 4505 Regent Street, Madison, Wisconsin beginning at 7 p.m.*

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**DCAGS Update:**

*The DCAGS Governing Board meets each month.*

*The next meeting will be on Monday, March 17th at 6:30 PM at the Fitchburg Public Library.*

**Our April** meeting will be held on April 3<sup>rd</sup>.

**Our speaker** and the topic will be posted on the website.

[www.dcags.org](http://www.dcags.org)



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Illinois State Genealogical Society offers FREE WEBINARS on the 2nd Tuesday of each month. All ISGS webinars are FREE and open to the public when they are presented live. Go to <http://ilgensoc.org/cpage.php?pt=234> to learn more about the upcoming webinars and to register.

**March 2014**

**Going Nuclear: DNA Discoveries to Trace All Lines of Descent**

- **Presenter:** Debbie Parker Wayne, CG, CGL
- **Date:** March 11, 2014, 8:00 pm Central
- **Description:** Learn to link families using autosomal DNA test results from any testing company. Maximize impact on your genealogical research goals. Includes how to use test results such as those from 23andMe and Family Tree DNA Family Finder tests.
- **Registration:** <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/5053293122685075970>
- This webinar is sponsored by FamilySearch (<https://familysearch.org>)



**FREE WEBINARS**

REGISTER at <http://www.familytreewebinars.com/upcoming-webinars.php>

**Using Google Earth for Genealogy**

In this extremely popular class Google Earth Guru Lisa Louise Cooke will teach you how to unlock mysteries in your research: from unidentified photographs, to how an ancestral location looked a hundred years ago or more, to plotting homesteads precisely using land patent legal descriptions. You'll learn how to interpret the genealogical records you already have in new and exciting ways using layers, overlays, forensic analysis, and little known online tech tools. You will be amazed to discover that Google Earth is one of the best free genealogical tools available. Presented by **Lisa Louise Cooke** at 1 PM on Wednesday, March 5, 2014.

**Sources and Citations Made Simple, Standard, and Powerful**

If genealogy without documentation is mythology, recording our citations is essential to sound genealogical research. In this webinar, Geoff Rasmussen will 1) explain what makes a good citation, 2) demonstrate how to properly and consistently record the citation, and 3) provide insider tips and tricks for using Legacy's

SourceWriter. Presented by **Geoff Rasmussen** at 1 PM on Friday, March 7, 2014

**Some Lesser Known Irish Resources**

This webinar is an overview of some lesser known Irish resources that may provide additional information about your Irish ancestors. Some of the sources that will be discussed include school records, taxation sources and court records. Presented by **Judith Eccles Wight** at 1 PM on Wednesday, March 12, 2014

**50 Most Popular Genealogy Websites**

**Confusion.** Too many "favorites" lists. Too many "Top 100" lists. Too many opinions. Indeed, that's just what the myriad of "top website" lists are: somebody's opinion. Well, it's time to make a better and truly useful list! Based on an extensive study of genealogical web traffic, here are the 50 most visited real genealogy websites. Since these are the most visited sites, they must be doing something right and providing some value to their visitors. Count them down, and learn what you've been missing. Presented by **Kory Meyerink** at 1 PM Central on Wednesday, March 19, 2014.

**7 Habits of Highly Frugal Genealogists**

Learn how savvy genealogists are finding success with seven basic habits of frugality. You'll not only find a list of key resources but more importantly you'll learn how to embrace the "mind set" of finding the best ways to save money while researching your ancestors. Presented by **Thomas MacEntee** at 1 PM Central on Wednesday, April 2, 2014.



**March Webinar: DNA and Genealogy**

**Presenter:** Colleen Fitzpatrick



- **Date:** Tuesday, March 18, 2014
- **Time:** 7:00 PM CST
- **Webinar Description:** DNA is not as difficult to understand as you might think! Whether you are having trouble spelling DNA or you are an old hand at genetic genealogy, this talk is for you! Understanding your DNA results, connecting with long lost cousins, and gaining insight into family history through DNA has become easier than ever. And what if your DNA is different from the rest of the members of your

family? Should you hide under the bed? Refuse all incoming phone calls? No! You have a terrific opportunity to discover the interesting family history if your DNA doesn't match anyone else's. In this talk, you will learn the basics of DNA, how to 'do' genetic genealogy, and what you can derive from your DNA results. Colleen explains how DNA can be combined with paper genealogy to provide a more powerful toolbox for solving genealogical mysteries. Colleen also gives success stories in tracing otherwise lost family history-unexpectedly connecting a group to a geographical region and to historical events occurring there. This talk on DNA is very different from others you might have heard. No matter what level of understanding you have about genetic genealogy, this talk is for you!

Register at: <https://tinyurl.com/k8nxcvm>

Webinar ID: 156-601-187

After registering, you will receive an email with information and a link to join us the night of the webinar and handout information. Please remember that this is a first come first serve webinar. Registering does not hold a spot for you. Those that log in first will be admitted to the webinar.

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**Gene-A-Rama 2014 will be taking place in Manitowoc, Wisconsin, at the [Holiday Inn](#) on April 4th-5th, 2014. The Holiday**



**Inn is located at 4601 Calumet Ave, Manitowoc.** Our main speaker will be **Lisa Alzo.**

Other presenters are: **Grace Dumelle, George Findlen<sup>CG</sup>, Vickie Schnitzler, Kay Scholz, and Edith Wagner.**

To lower your fees by ten dollars, registration must be post- marked by March 6<sup>th</sup>.

Gene-A-Rama 2014 is hosted by the [Manitowoc Genealogical Society.](#)

Click on the link to view the Gene-A-Rama 2014 [brochure](#).



The Computer Assisted Genealogy Group of Northern Illinois announces their first all day conference to be held May 17, 2014. The conference starts at 8 AM.



with Thomas MacEntee  
and CAGNI presenters

Register now for CAGNI's first ever day-long conference, GeneaQuest! GeneaQuest 2014 features nationally-acclaimed genealogy blogger and genealogy-tech professional Thomas MacEntee. Thomas's keynote address, *Genealogy: The Future Is Now* will present the programs, apps, and websites that are hot now and also tell how you can prepare for the genealogy technology of the future.

Breakout sessions and computer labs featuring CAGNI's own presenters Caron Primas Brennan, Nancy R. Thomas, John Stryker, Sandra Trapp and Michelle Bray Wilson will deep-dive into Genealogy Apps, Google Tools, Ancestry.com, FamilySearch, Family Tree Maker, Genetic Genealogy, Picasa and Flip-Pal.

Visit our [GeneaQuest page](#) for complete program and speaker information.

Join us also at GeneaQuest's exclusive GeneaUs Bar for informal discussion in your favorite genealogy or technology specialty area.

This event will be held at Elgin Community College, Building E. [Map](#) [Program Brochure](#)

## Madison History Round Table

**March 13: John Zimm, author, *This Wicked Rebellion, Wisconsin Civil War Soldiers Write Home***

The MHRT meets the second Thursday of the month at the Radisson Hotel, 517 Grand Canyon Drive, Madison. Reservations are not required. Social hour begins at 6:00 PM, with a catered dinner if reservations are made

two days in advance to John Driscoll, 608-274-0996. The presentation begins about 7:15 PM. Contact Jennifer Eager Ehle, 608-302-1722, or Bill Sayles, 608-274-9342, for additional information.



## 2014 NGS Research Trip to Allen County Public Library

Registration is now open for the NGS research trip to the Allen County Public Library in Fort Wayne, Indiana, from 20–23 August 2014. Under the guidance of research consultants Janet A. Alpert and Patricia Walls Stamm <sup>CG, CGL</sup>, participants will have four days to research at one of the largest genealogical libraries in the Midwest. This is the first time NGS is sponsoring a research trip to Fort Wayne. Won't you join us? For more information, cost, or to register for the trip, visit [http://www.ngsgenealogy.org/cs/ft\\_wayne\\_research\\_trip](http://www.ngsgenealogy.org/cs/ft_wayne_research_trip).

The Allen County Public Library is home to the Fred J. Reynolds Historical Genealogy Collection, the second largest genealogy collection in the United States. The NGS four-day, three-night trip will give participants access to more than 350,000 printed volumes and 513,000 microforms to choose from for family history research during the library's hours of Monday to Thursday 9:00 a.m.–9:00 p.m. and Friday and Saturday, 9:00 a.m.–6:00 p.m. The library is also home to PERSI, the Periodical Source Index. The library has a copy of every article indexed in PERSI in more than 11,000 periodicals. For additional information about the Allen County Public Library, visit their website and print the genealogy center brochure: <http://www.genealogycenter.org/pdf/AboutUsBrochure.pdf>.



Free charts: two decorative family tree templates, a five-generation ancestor chart, a family group sheet designed for recording information about a nuclear family, and a useful relationship chart to help you deduce how a specific family member is related to you.

<http://www.familytreeuniversity.com/free-family-tree-templates/>

## Writer's Workshop



**Presented by**  
**Kate**  
**Thommes and**  
**Nancy**  
**Thomas**

**Saturday, March 8th** at 10:30 am

For a map, click on the link below

**Schaumburg Township Public Library**

Address

**Schaumburg Township District Library**  
130 S Roselle Road, Schaumburg, IL 60193

Get inspired to get started writing about your family and the research you have accomplished. Tips will be given and time to begin writing will be offered.

## What's New in Technology



**Presented**  
**by Ed**  
**Rosenthal**

**Saturday, March**  
**15th** at 10:30 am

**Location:** Schaumburg Township Public Library

Ed Rosenthal will present his very popular annual survey of emerging technologies. Sharing of the insights he gains from keeping tabs on new developments in the computing and digital imaging scenes will provide us all with a glimpse of what new tools will soon be available to leverage in our favorite obsession—genealogy! You won't want to miss this program. <http://caggni.shuttlepod.org/>



## Genealogy TechTrek

25–26 April  
2014

Hennepin Technical College  
9000 Brooklyn Boulevard,  
Brooklyn Park, Minnesota

*featuring*  
**Thomas**  
**MacEntee**

Thomas specializes in using technology and social media to improve genealogy research and connect with the family history community.



**Friday April 25:** Evening reception and lecture by Thomas MacEntee

*You Use WHAT for Genealogy? Wonderful Uses for Unusual Tools*

**Saturday April 26:** full day of educational sessions!

Three plenary sessions from Thomas MacEntee:

*Building a Research Toolbox*

*Managing Your Genealogy Data*

*Google for Genealogists*

20 breakout sessions presented by Midwest genealogy educators on social media, images, genealogy programs, genealogy websites, getting printed materials via the Internet, websites for Czechoslovak and Pommern research, and geography/mapping.

*Silent Auction, door prizes, vendors!*

Registration opens in early March at [www.mngs.org](http://www.mngs.org).

## Local Swiss Resources Available in New Glarus

In addition to cheese, grazing cows that defy gravity on mountain sides, William Tell, and Heidi, Switzerland has four national languages (German, Italian, French, and Romansh), two major religions (Catholic and Reformed), dozens of dialects (even speakers of the same language may not understand each other), roads named after farms (not addresses as we would recognize them), and citizenship rules which derive from the community rather than the state or country. In nearly all



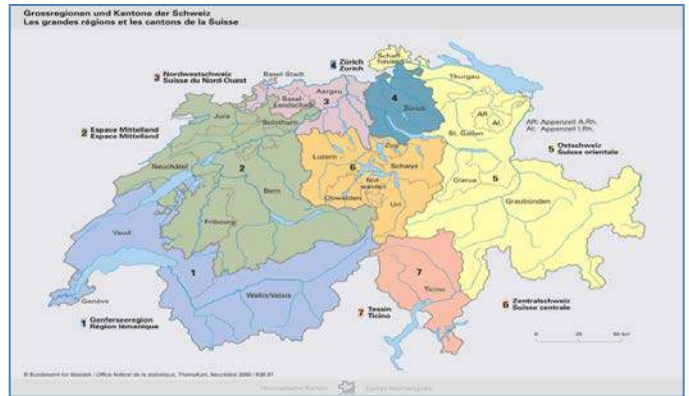
instances, Swiss citizenship is based on inherited rights maintained in a specific community. For a relatively small country in the middle of Europe, that seems like a large



helping of complication. Luckily for DCAGS, Beth Zurbuchen, president of the Swiss Center of North America based in New Glarus, was on hand at the February meeting to help make sense of how to search for Swiss genealogy records.

Although the first Swiss immigrants arrived in Pennsylvania, Virginia, North Carolina, and South Carolina between 1710 and 1750, the Swiss did not arrive in the New Glarus-Monroe area of Wisconsin until around 1845. The upper Midwest is where the majority of descendants of the Swiss immigrants are mainly found. Most came to America seeking opportunity, because typical Swiss farms could not support large families and only the eldest son could inherit property.

Beth Zurbuchen stated that one of the basic tools for Swiss family research is the “Family Name Book” (Familiennamenbuch der Schweiz). This book contains the surnames of all the families who possessed rights of citizenship in a Swiss community as of 1962. If a surname was “extinct” prior to 1926, it will not appear in the book. This book will give the community and canton where the surname exists, but the more common names can appear in hundreds of communities and as many as 25 cantons. Because citizenship was conferred at the community level (think village), and not at the canton (think state) or country (think federal level), the researcher needs to know what



village his ancestors came from in order to obtain family records.

If an ancestor was living in Switzerland during the 19<sup>th</sup> century, records will be recorded in the “Register of Citizens”—although not all children were recorded. The civil registrar responsible for issuing certificate of citizenship began keeping formal registers of families in 1929 per federal law. Registrations for births, marriages, and deaths became federal law in 1876—prior to this, church ministers kept official records. Some of these registers go back centuries. The bottom line: you need to know the community your family came from to make progress in Swiss records.

The Swiss Center of North America is located at 507 Durst Road, New Glarus, Wisconsin 53574. The phone number is: 608-527-6565. E-mail is: [info@theswisscenter.org](mailto:info@theswisscenter.org). For more information, see their Website: [theswisscenter.org](http://theswisscenter.org). The Center is open M-F from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and by appointment. They will gladly help as they can, but they request that you gather as much information as you can before you call.

Submitted by John Madigan

### 2014 NEW GLARUS VISITOR'S GUIDE

Enjoy the fun, food, shops, and attractions.

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<http://swisstown.com/download-visitor-guide/>



## Dublin Coddle - Irish Sausage, Bacon, Onion and Potato Hotpot By French Tart on February 27, 2008



### About This Recipe:

"This traditional supper dish of sausages, bacon, onions and potatoes dates back at least as far as the early eighteenth century. It seems to be more of a city dish than a rural one: it was a favorite of Jonathan Swift, author of Gulliver's Travels and dean of Christ Church Cathedral in Dublin. In Dublin itself, coddle retains its reputation as a dish that can be prepared ahead of time and left in a very slow oven while the people who're going to eat it have to be out of the house for a while - making it an excellent dish for very busy people! The name of the dish is probably descended from the older word caudle, derived from a French word meaning "to boil gently, parboil, or stew". This recipe would also work VERY well if cooked in a crock-pot, reduce the liquid

by about half if cooking the coddle this way. Serve with Guinness and Irish soda bread. "

### Ingredients:

- 2 kg (4 1/2 pounds) potatoes
- 2 large onions, peeled and sliced thickly
- 450 g (approx 9-10) good quality pork sausages
- 450 g (16oz/1 lb) bacon, piece thick cut
- 500 ml (2 1/3 cups) water
- 1 ham stock cube or 1 beef or 1 chicken stock cube, if ham stock isn't available
- 3 -4 tablespoons fresh parsley, chopped
- salt ( to season)
- coarse-ground pepper ( to season)



Authentic Irish Soda Bread (easy 4 ingredient recipe)

<http://www.gather.com/viewArticle.action?articleId=281474977289367>

### Directions

1. Peel the potatoes. Cut large ones into three or four pieces: leave smaller ones whole. Finely chop the parsley. Boil the water and in it dissolve the bouillon cube.
2. Grill or broil the sausages and bacon long enough to color them. Be careful not to dry them out! Drain briefly on paper towels. When drained, chop the bacon into one-inch pieces. If you like, chop the sausages into large pieces as well. (Some people prefer to leave them whole.).
3. Preheat the oven to 300F / 150°C In a large flameproof heavy pot with a tight lid, start layering the ingredients: onions, bacon, sausages or sausage pieces, potatoes. Season each layer liberally with fresh-ground pepper and the chopped fresh parsley. Continue until the ingredients are used up. Pour the bouillon mixture over the top. On the stove, bring the liquid to a boil. Immediately turn the heat down and cover the pot. (You may like to additionally put a layer of foil underneath the pot lid to help seal it.).
4. Put the covered pot in the oven and cook for at least three hours. (Four or five hours won't hurt it.) At the two-hour point, check the pot and add more water if necessary. There should be about an inch of liquid at the bottom of the pot at all times. Or slow cook in a crock pot.

**Prep Time:** 15 minutes.

**Total Time:** 4 hrs 15 minutes.

**Servings:** 4-6

<http://www.food.com/recipe/dublin-coddle-irish-sausage-bacon-onion-and-potato-hotpot-288885>





## President's Message:

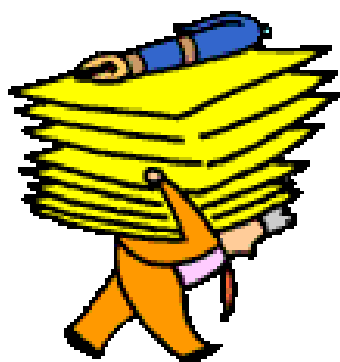
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With spring's approach I hope you're planning your 2014 genealogy educational adventures. There are so many opportunities in addition to the monthly meetings offered by DCAGS. To name a couple we have the upcoming Wisconsin State Genealogical Society's Gene-A-Rama and Webinar Series and the Wisconsin Historical Society's Webinar Series. Plus we have so many other opportunities to expand our knowledge of history and genealogy through the numerous historical and cultural centers in the Dane County area. And don't forget the programs offered through our college and university systems and other locals groups on learning to write and document your stories.

You also have a wealth of resources in your fellow DCAGS members. Each person has listed their information so that others might ask questions. So often questions help both the person asking and the person answering learn. To help get this going we will be having a peer help session at an upcoming meeting. This will be a chance for a group of members to sit down and for each individual to share a brick wall they've encountered. The group will then brainstorm ways around the wall based on their collective experience. I'm personally looking forward to this session and hope you will too.

Lastly, we're in the process of planning our non-traditional meeting for July and would like your ideas. Please send these to our program chair, Donna Johnson-Schmidt or to me. We're open to visits just about anywhere that can be accomplished in a day via driving.

Thank you and see you in March! Walker Crawford, President [walker@viridis.ws](mailto:walker@viridis.ws)



# Articles Needed!

Putting together the newsletter is a project shared by a number of our members. Articles are submitted by our speakers and a several of the members have volunteered to do a re-cap of the programs.

Upcoming events, classes, and webinars are submitted from various sources. Proofreaders check for errors before the newsletter is posted on the web or sent out in the printed form.

There is a printing and mailing crew working behind the scenes. The newsletter committee is the largest group in our organization and as the editor I wish to thank every one of them.

But in order to put together a new newsletter each month, new material is needed. So I am asking you to participate. Send me your favorite recipe, a story about one of your ancestors, a request for help for a problem you are having, or share a new resource that you have found. Long or short articles are needed. Email me at [skubie27@live.com](mailto:skubie27@live.com) or mail to Pat Skubis, 1472 Sayles Trail, Belleville, WI, 53508

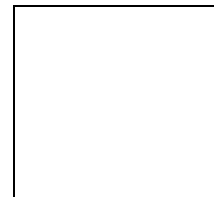
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**See you on  
March 6<sup>th</sup>**

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