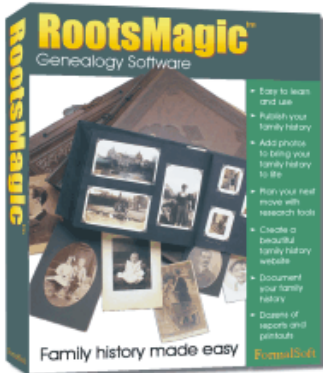


Dane County Area Genealogical Society News



In August Sherry Lloyd will provide a tour of the computer software program RootsMagic.



The “Ins and Outs of RootsMagic” will include not only how to enter data but ways to share information using charts, reports, books or CDs. It is one of the easiest software programs to use but one of the most powerful programs available. RootsMagic is an award winning genealogy software program that has many features

that will allow a beginner or an experienced genealogist the tools to record and share family history.

RootsMagic also has a free software program RootsMagic Essentials.

The August program will demonstrate some of the features of the software including the basics for recording genealogy information, printing reports, wall charts, source management and even publishing your book! Please join us at the 7:00 P.M. meeting on August 7, 2014 at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints at 4505 Regent Street, Madison, WI.



Sherry Lloyd has been researching genealogy for over 25 years. Sherry has attended many genealogy classes and attended several lectures at national and local conferences. She has a Bachelor of Business Administration Finance degree from UW Oshkosh and a Masters of Business Administration degree from Edgewood College. Besides membership in the Dane County Area Genealogy Society, Sherry is a member of several other genealogy related associations.

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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 PM.

DCAGS Update:

The DCAGS Governing Board meets each month.

The next meeting will be on Monday, August 18th, at 6:30 PM, at the Fitchburg Public Library.

Our September meeting will be held on September 4th

Our speaker will be Lori B. Bessler, Reference Librarian and Outreach Coordinator at the Wisconsin Historical Society Library Archives

Topic: The New Wisconsin Historical Society Website

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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.

September's Webinar

Treasures and Hidden Secrets of the Illinois Regional Archives (IRAD)

- **Presenter:** Luana Darby, MLIS
- **Date:** September 9, 2014, 8:00 pm Central
- **Description:** If you research in Illinois, you don't want to miss the resources held in the seven regional archive repositories of IRAD. From vital records to city directories, probate to local histories, each site has its own unique set of records. Learn tips and tricks for getting the most out of your visit, whether long-distance or on site. Come see some of the gems already gleaned from the vast resources of this amazing Illinois asset.
- **Registration:** <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/1778023905401548033>
- **This webinar is sponsored by FamilySearch** (<https://familysearch.org>)



August 27-30, 2014
San Antonio, Texas. With local co-hosts San Antonio Genealogical and Historical

Society and the Texas State Genealogical Society

The FGS conference program provides more than 150 conference programs and workshops on a wide array of topics, including those of local, regional, national and international importance. The exhibit hall offers a chance to explore the latest genealogical gadgets, books, and websites

For a complete list of all of the sessions, speakers, workshops, and special events taking place in San Antonio go to: <https://www.fgsconference.org/program/schedule/>

Conference Registration:

- FULL four day conference registration (Wed. through Sat.) \$250
- Single Day \$99

Please note that luncheons, special events, and workshops are not included in the above prices.

Come to San Antonio and get involved! <https://www.fgsconference.org/registration/>

FREE WEBINARS

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



Debunking Misleading Records

Presented by: Tom Jones
Time: 1 PM Central
Date: Saturday, August 2, 2014.

Researching Your Tennessee Ancestors

Presented by: J. Mark Lowe
Time: 1 PM Central
Date: Wednesday, August 6, 2014

Research Recharge - Turning Old Clues into New Leads

Presented by: Lisa Alzo
Time: 1 PM Central
Date: Friday, August 8, 2014

Find A Grave - The World's Largest Cemetery Database

Presented by: Russ Worthington

Time: 1 PM Central
Date: Wednesday, August 20, 2014

Researching Your Italian Ancestors

Presented by: Ruth Merriman
Time: 1:00 PM Central
Date: Wednesday, August 27, 2014

Researching Your Jewish Ancestors

Presented by: Jennifer Alford
Time: 1:00 PM Central
Date: Wednesday, September 3, 2014



August Webinar



August, 2014

The Hidden Web: Digging Deeper

- **Presenter:** Cyndi Ingle
- **Date:** Tuesday, August 19, 2014
- **Time:** 7:00 PM CDT
- **Webinar Description:** When Google and traditional search engines don't return useful information, don't stop there. We will explore resources that are invisible to Google and hidden deep within web sites and proprietary databases. The "hidden web" lies buried within the collections for commercial web sites, libraries, archives, and museums. We will also talk about the importance of indexes that deep-link into web sites online, thus uncovering hidden gems of information that may not be found easily through a search engine query.
- **Register** at: <http://tinyurl.com/k26tnkg>
Webinar ID: 105-117-171

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.

(WSGS CONTINUED)

**Wisconsin State Genealogical Society
Society Leaders Workshop - A Local
Society Officer and Board Member
Training**

**Saturday, September 20, 2014
Marshfield Clinic, 1000 N Oak Ave.,
Marshfield, WI 54449**

Morning Program:

- 8:30 a.m. Registration opens (coffee & juice served)
- 9:00 – 10:00 a.m. Welcome: "Your Society on Facebook"
- 10:00 – 10:15 a.m. Break (popcorn)
- 10:15 – 11:00 a.m. "Blogging: What can you learn?"
- 11:15 – 12:15 p.m. "Workshop or New Members?" Learn the basics of setting up workshops sponsored by your society and some of the advantages your society might get in return.

**12:15 – 1:00 p.m. Lunch – Sloppy
Joes, Chips, Veggies/Pickles, Bars,
Water
(Please bring your own lunch, if
Sloppy Joes are not in your diet plan.)**

Afternoon Program:

- 1:00 – 1:45 p.m. "By-Laws: How Does Your Society Rank?" (Bring along a copy of your By-Laws for a hands-on evaluation workshop.)
- 1:45 – 2:00 p.m. Break (cookies/bars)
- 2:00 – 2:45 p.m. "Award Winning Newsletters: Let's All Do It" (Bring along copies of several of your newsletters for a hands-on evaluation workshop)
- 2:45 – 3:30 p.m. "Brick-Wall/Fact Finding on Society Issues" (Bring along problems that your society might be having in regards to membership, fund-raising, speaker or whatever to discuss)
- 3:30 - 3:45 p.m. Wrap Up

**DCAGS board will sponsor
attendance for three members.**

Registration fee and a \$35 mileage allowance will be paid. If you are interested in attending this workshop please let Walker know at (608) 206-3182 or walker@viridis.ws, before August 25th.



Source: <http://dailyreporter.com>

UW Mini Course - # 4740.201

Genealogy

Interested in discovering your family's history? We will look at how to begin genealogy, what resources are available, how to keep track of your information and genealogy standards. You will learn how to find information on the Internet as well as the large amount of information available at your local libraries. Emphasis will be on using free computer programs and Internet sources.

- **INSTRUCTOR:** *Sherry Lloyd is an experienced genealogist with over 25 years of experience.*
- **Dates:** Tuesdays, September 23- October 7
- **Time:** 6:00 – 8:00 PM
- **Location:** Union South UW, 1308 W Dayton St., Madison, WI, 53715, Parking available in attached ramp.
- **Cost:** \$54.50, Union Members and UW Madison students pay \$10 less.

More Information: see

<http://www.union.wisc.edu/minicourses.htm>, or to register online https://apm.activecommunities.com/minicourses/activity_search?



**A Genealogy Fair Will Be
Held in Stoughton at the
Church of Jesus Christ of
Latter-day Saints,
825 S. Van Buren (Hwy 138)**

**Saturday, September 27, 2014
9 AM to 12 PM**

More details will appear in the next newsletter.



Memorial

DCAGS Member Robert H. White, Ph.D., internationally known research scientist passed away peacefully at work on March 19, 2014.

He leaves behind his wife, Margie White; two step-children; three grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; a brother; sister-in-law; two nephews; and a niece. A memorial service will be held at a later date. Online condolences may be made at www.gundersonfh.com.

The History of the Wisconsin State Fair Cream Puffs

For 90 years, Fairgoers have enjoyed the delicious cream puffs. It is the most popular food item among Fair goers – an average of 350,000 are consumed each year, and more than 387,000 were enjoyed in 2013.



In 1924, a unique undertaking was launched – the Dairy Bakery at the Wisconsin State Fair. That was the year the Wisconsin Bakers Association and the State of Wisconsin began their joint venture to establish and operate a bakery using genuine Wisconsin dairy products in front of thousands of observers. It was to be operated on state property — State Fair Park — and administered by the Wisconsin Bakers Association. The idea was, and still is, to promote Wisconsin's dairy products. <http://www.wistatefair.com/wp/original-cream-puffs/>

That first year, the Dairy Bakery occupied 400 square feet and produced a variety of bakery goods. In 1936, the bakery made 34 products and sold 27,108 cream puffs. By 1954, the bakery occupied 3,600 square feet and the product line was more specialized. Cream puffs were emerging as the public's favorite product. The Dairy Bakery was closed in 1944, 1945, and 1946 due to the war. Many people missed being able to indulge themselves in their favorite whipped cream desserts. So when the bakery reopened in 1947, people were delighted they could buy cream puffs at the fair again. And they did! The word spread and the cream puff craze was born.

Cream puffs continued to gain in popularity to the point they have become a State Fair tradition in Wisconsin. Many people feel, "You haven't been to the fair until you've had your cream puff." It is estimated that at current fairs one out of every four Fairgoers consumes a cream puff. Be sure to read the full story at <http://originalcreampuffs.com/2013/history/>. The Wisconsin State fair runs from July 31 to Aug 10, 2014. Visit the fair and enjoy a cream puff or follow the recipe below and make your own at home.

Ingredients

- 1 cup water
- 1/2 cup butter
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 1 cup all-purpose flour
- 4 eggs
- 2 tablespoons milk
- 1 egg yolk, lightly beaten
- 2 cups heavy whipping cream
- 1/4 cup confectioners' sugar
- 1/2 teaspoon vanilla extract
- Additional confectioners' sugar

Directions

- In a large saucepan, bring the water, butter and salt to a boil over medium heat. Add flour all at once and stir until a smooth ball forms. Remove from the heat; let stand for 5 minutes. Add eggs, one at a time, beating well after each addition. Continue beating until mixture is smooth and shiny.
- Drop by 1/4 cupfuls 3 in. apart onto greased baking sheets. Combine milk and egg yolk; brush over puffs.
- Bake at 400° for 30-35 minutes or until golden brown. Remove to wire racks. Immediately cut a slit in each for steam to escape; cool.
- In a large bowl, beat cream until it begins to thicken. Add sugar and vanilla; beat until almost stiff. Split cream puffs; discard soft dough from inside. Fill the cream puffs just before serving. Dust with confectioners' sugar. Refrigerate leftovers.
- Yield: 10 servings.
- Prep: 25 min. Bake: 35 min. + cooling

Nutritional Facts: 1 filled cream puff equals 340 calories, 29 g fat (17 g saturated fat), 196 mg cholesterol, 197 mg sodium, 14 g

carbohydrate, trace fiber, 5 g protein. © Taste of Home 2014 The Wisconsin Bakers Association has served these treats at our state fair since 1924. —Ruth Jungbluth, Dodgeville, Wisconsin Read more: <http://www.tasteofhome.com/recipes/state-fair-cream-puffs#ixzz38XDGuce> - Pat Skubis

The Madison History Roundtable

meets the second Thursday of the month, September through May, at the Radisson Hotel, 517 Grand Canyon Drive, Madison, WI.

On September 11, 2014 at 6 PM, the first speaker of the fall season will be Michael Edmonds, Deputy Director of the Library, Archives Division at the Wisconsin Historical Society. His topic will be about the 50th anniversary of the 1964 Freedom Summer Project. Edmonds will talk about why the Society has one of the nation's finest civil rights collections, what happened that summer, and how the WHS is commemorating it this year. People can attend just the program at about 7:15 PM, or make reservations for a meal at 6 PM which precedes the program. Reservations are required by Monday before the Thursday PM meal. Reservations can be made by email madison.history.roundtable@gmail.com

There is no advance registration for the programs. Annual membership is \$30.00/year. More information is available about the Madison History Roundtable on the web www.mhrt.info and Facebook page. You can also contact Bill Sayles (608-274-9342) or Jennifer Ehle for additional information (608-302-1722). All are welcome.

Do you know a speaker or have a special topic you would like to have a program on? Please share your ideas with Donna Johnson-Schmidt at donna53705@aol.com



President's Message:

What's old is new. This is a lesson that I was reminded of this week. Our newsletter editor and past-president, Pat Skubis, was recently visiting the newly redesigned Wisconsin Historical Society website for some information. While there she decided to try out their search function and found two new references to her grandfather that were not available previously. I think too often we are tempted to check off places we have checked, especially virtual sites. Instead when we find a website that we believe should have information pertinent to our searches we should make a note to come back and check again in a set amount of time. This amount of time can vary based on the site but I would recommend no more than letting a year pass. Not only is new information being scanned and indexed constantly but search functions continue to improve. And, we learn new information that might help us in our searches as well – or maybe a name isn't the same as we thought it was a year ago. Happy searching! Walker

Procedures for Researching in the Dane County Register of Deeds Office for the Balance of 2014

In the April DCAGS newsletter I wrote that the Dane County Register of Deeds (ROD) would not be allowing any onsite searching of vital records between 30 May 2014 and 1 January 2015. Since that time the ROD office has gone out of their way to accommodate our needs as best they could, and have opened their temporary quarters to limited onsite searching.

The ROD office is located on the third floor of 345 W. Washington Ave. (the Meriter Clinic building) while their regular quarters are being renovated. Their space there is greatly reduced, especially for vital records functions. Vital records searching is limited to one person at a time. The ROD staff cannot provide searching assistance in these temporary quarters, so search appointments are restricted to experienced genealogists. One must phone ahead of time to Kristi Chlebowski (608/267-8814) or Elizabeth Caulfield (608/267-1515) to schedule a searching appointment. At these phone numbers you are likely to encounter voice mail, so be prepared to leave a phone number at which you can be reached. Searching appointments are scheduled for 2 hour time slots on Monday thru Thursday ONLY, from either 10:00 am to noon or 1:00 to 3:00 pm. Note that there are no electrical outlets in the vital records search area.

Real estate record searching does not require an appointment. Submitted by Rollie Littlewood

DCAGS Pendarvis Historical Site Outing, Mineral Point, WI – Saturday July 12th

The group of twenty met at Soldiers Memorial Park at noon for Subway sandwiches and refreshments, prior to the scheduled interpretive tour by the site's staff. When we arrived from across the street we were broken into two

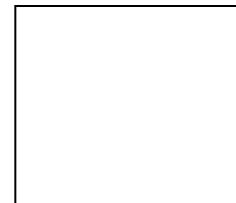
groups, one called the "goat climbers" and the other the "flatlanders." An obvious mischaracterization, as I observed no flatland. After a short introduction to what we were going to see, the tour began. In the 1830s and 1840s, lead and zinc deposits close to the surface, attracted the Cornish miners and their families from Cornwall, England. They used the abundant golden limestone in the area to construct some of their homes. Over time the mining petered out and many of the miners and their families were attracted west to the gold mines. By the 1930s the area fell into disrepair and vacant stone dwellings were being demolished. Bob Neal returned to his hometown and was dismayed to see so many being destroyed. When Edgar Hellum visited Mineral Point, Bob discovered a fellow preservationist and they decided to save one house which they named in Cornish tradition Pendarvis.

Our tour began with a typical cottage of limestone with wood floors, simple and sparsely furnished kitchen, living area with a fireplace and upstairs for sleeping. The beds were rope strung by the children every day and the mattresses were of straw or grass. Lanterns lit the quarters and the outdoor privy provided needed relief.

Pendarvis House was restored as an inn and eating place where saffron cake, plum preserves, scalded cream, and buttered bread with tea were served in the 1930s. The house did not have a kitchen as food preparation occurred in an adjacent restored building in the rear stone patio area. Seating was very limited and cozy. Heat was provided by a fireplace and, of course, lit with lanterns.

Last on the schedule was the local pub or tavern which also served as a meeting place. Its décor was simple and functional. In 1970 Bob and Edgar retired and they sold to the Wisconsin Historical Society their holdings and a portion of their collections. Our tour guide was dressed in period attire and was very knowledgeable, including many of the current residents of Mineral Point. The outing was very informative and well worth the time spent. Thank you, Donna for making it all happen. — Jim Benes

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August is named after Augustus, first Emperor of Rome who chose it as it was the month of his greatest triumphs. He died in August AD¹⁴.

Until 8BC, the Romans called August 'Sextilis' as it was the sixth month of their year.

The Anglo-Saxons called August by the name Weod-monath (weed month) as it is the month when weeds grow most rapidly.

'August' is the only name of a month that features among the top 1,000 men's names..

Twenty-two per cent of Norwegians named August were born in August.

The birthstone in August is the peridot or sardonyx.

The flower is the gladiolus or poppy.

<http://www.express.co.uk/fun/top10facts/418937/Top-10-facts-about-August/>