



Dane County Area Genealogical Society News

Back to Basics and More at the February 1, 2007 Meeting

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The program, "Back to Basics and More," will provide us with information on general genealogy for both the beginning researcher and the advanced. The February meeting presenter will be Nancy Emmert.

In this program Nancy will not only review the basics of genealogy but will provide new information and new methods for your research. This program will be useful for you if you are new at genealogy or have

reached a brick wall in your research.

Nancy Emmert is a Certified Genealogist by the Board for Certification of Genealogists and a member of the Association of Professional Genealogists. Nancy has served on boards of many genealogical organizations including the Wisconsin State Genealogical Society as the current Program and Education Chair. Nancy has a BA in History and a MS in Accounting. Nancy has

lectured at the National Genealogical Society and Federation of Genealogical Societies Conferences as well as our society. We are fortunate to have such an accomplished lecturer as a member of Dane County Area Genealogical Society.

Please join us at the February 1, 2007 meeting held at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints located at 4505 Regent, Madison, Wisconsin beginning at 7 p.m.

Writing Your Family History

Easily create and publish family keepsake books, by using templates from Heritage Makers was the scheduled program topic for the January 4th meeting of the Dane County Area Genealogical Society. Although the scheduled speaker was unable to be present, Pat Skubis came prepared with a slide presentation titled Create and Publish Keepsake Books using

templates from Heritage Makers or Snapfish.

Heritage Makers is committed to building lasting legacies of family heritage. Their unique products use the power of story to help capture heritage before it fades. Their primary product line of custom hard-bound books and related publishing products include the following: 8x8 Storybooks with patterned borders,

Heritage Photo Journals for coffee-table albums, 8x8 Designer Storybooks with full-bleed images, 4-generation family tree Roots Books, Simple and Fun Scrapless Series Books in several pre-designed themes, 12x12 large-format Designer Scrapbooks for copying and binding traditional scrapbook layouts, Custom Hero Posters, and Family Folds.

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

DCAGS Update:

The DCAGS Governing Board meets the 3rd Monday of each month. The next meeting is on Monday, February 19 at 6:30 p.m. at the South Madison Library, 2222 S. Park St. We invite all members to attend. Please join us!

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Writing Your Family History continued...

The My Family Tree/Roots templates allow you to add family photos, birth and death dates, and short write ups, about yourself and your ancestors going back three generations. This book is a mixture of set templates and pages that can contain your own inserted photos and write-ups. It is a full color, 26 page, 11 x 7 book. The final page of the book features a family tree with the individuals who are included in the book. Priced at \$59.99.

The Storybooks are the perfect way to share treasured stories of the people and events that are the foundations of your heritage. Heritage Makers easy-to-follow Story booking Planners and online story booking tips take the guesswork out of the authoring process. Specifications: 8"x8" full color, customizable layouts, choice of background patterns and colors, 26 pages expandable to 78, stitched and library bound. Starting price \$49.99 and additional pages cost \$1.99 per 2 pages.

Storybook cue sheets guide you thru writing about the life of your family member.

Suggestions for topics help you focus on subjects that you might like to include.

Heritage Makers NEW 8" x 8" or 12" x 12" digital scrapbooks are full color hard bound solutions for designers who want the freedom to create their very own 100% customizable, timeless keepsake. They are also great for scrapbookers who want to create duplicates of their work!

Some of the other products offered, are creating photo journals and personalized calendars, brag books, greeting and post cards.

Customers can purchase a Publisher Account for a one-time set-up fee of only \$19.95. This gives them access to their own Publisher Account where they can create projects, organize photos, and view the latest products and features, and more. Each customer will have their own account ID and password to log in to Publisher.

A customer can waive the one time publisher fee by doing one of two things: 1) Host a celebration for a consultant or 2) Purchase a credit at a celebration.

Contact your sponsor for more details. If you do not have a sponsor contact Heritage Makers support. To learn more, visit <http://www.heritagemakers.com/index.cfm>.

Pat's presentation then acquainted us with Snapfish by HP. Using Snapfish you can, develop photos, Create Memory Books & Pocket Photo Books. Create Photo:

- Puzzles
- Clipboards
- Stickers
- Postage Stamps
- Balls
- Mugs
- Candy Tins
- Tee, Sweatshirts & Bibs

Memory books come in three sizes: Hardcover (8 x 11) \$19.99, Paper back (5 x 7) \$12.99, 3 Pocket books (2 x 3) for \$14.99, and extra pages can be added for \$1.99 per 2 pages.

You can choose different covers, label photos, use different backgrounds and layouts for each page. To learn more visit: <http://www.snapfish.com/howitworks>.

Puzzle of the Month is a new feature. It is a great way to share what we know. A member may submit (on a 4 x 6 card) a basic puzzle and give it to a program committee member. At each meeting a new puzzle will be announced and any member can offer direction, an answer or you can bring the info to the next meeting. Each puzzle of the month will be printed in this newsletter as well as the answer/solution to last month's puzzle. Everybody learns!

Puzzle of the Month

I have a great grandmother whose last name is SHOOTERRIPPING from Beckham, Westfalen, Germany. I cannot find

the name anyplace. I was in Germany and they said was not a German name. A person thought it might be Dutch. Any ideas?

Bring them to the February 1 meeting and we will discuss the Puzzle.

Upcoming Events

GERMAN GENEALOGY SEMINAR

When: Saturday, March 17, 2007
9:00 AM - 3:30 PM

Where: Barron County Courthouse SE Auditorium, 330 E. LaSalle Street, Barron

Featuring: Accredited Genealogist Stephen Barthel

Sponsored by: The Blue Hills Genealogical Society-Barron County, Inc.

To register go to:
<http://www.rootsweb.com/~wibhgsbc/announcements.htm>.

Wisconsin State Genealogical Society's Gene-A-Rama 2007

When: April 13-14, 2007

Where: Oconomowoc, Wisconsin

Information about the conference including the schedule of lectures, can be found at <http://www.rootsweb.com/~wsgs/gar2007.htm>.

The Milwaukee County Genealogical Society's Biennial Workshop

When: April 21, 2007

The featured speaker will be Cyndi Howells. For more information check their website,

<http://www.milwaukeegenealogy.org/>.

2007 NGS Conference

"Rediscover Virginia: 400 Years of Family History"

When: May 16-19, 2007

Where: Richmond, VA

The program will feature the 400th Anniversary of the settlement of Jamestown. Information, including the schedule of lectures, can be found at <http://www.eshow2000.com/ngs/2007>. Early registration deadline is March 30.

Expand Your German Research

When: Saturday, July 14, 2007

Where: Greenhill Center of the Arts, University of Wisconsin-Whitewater, Whitewater, WI

Featured Speaker: Larry O. Jensen of Salt Lake City, Utah

Sponsored by the German Interest Group-Wisconsin

Registrations postmarked by July 1st are guaranteed lunch and a syllabus. For more information and a registration form: <http://www.rootsweb.com/~wigig/index.html>.

2007 FGS Conference

"Meeting at the Crossroads of America"

When: August 15-18, 2007

Where: Fort Wayne, Indiana

For more information go to: <http://www.acpl.lib.in.us/genealogy/FGS07AnnouncementFlyer%20FinalWeb.pdf>. Early registration deadline is June 1. The program details (lecture titles, etc.) have not yet been published.

The Czechoslovak Genealogical Society International 11th bi-annual Genealogical/Cultural Conference

When: October 18-20, 2007

Where: Alliant Energy Center Exhibition Hall in Madison

The Illinois State Genealogical Society 2007 Conference

When: October 20, 2007

Where: the location has not been announced

The Wisconsin State Genealogical Society Fall 2007 Seminar

When: October 27, 2007

Where: Wausau, Wisconsin

President's Message

2007 has started out on a very good note. I am happy to announce that we now have a complete Board, thanks to "Walker" Walker-Crawford who has accepted the position of Historian. Don't be surprised if they ask you to join one of their committees.

The program committee has held their first

meeting this month and is busy lining up a full schedule for the upcoming year. This is a big job, so if you would like to join them, contact Fay Schoenemann or Joan Nagle. I know they would like your input and help.

We are also working on printed name tags and planning for an

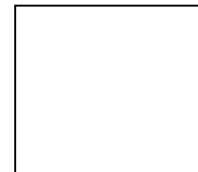
educational fair to be held later this year.

Sherry Lloyd will be conducting the February meeting in my absence. Pat Stone and I wish to thank Sherry for doing this, since neither Pat nor I are available on that date. See you all in March.

Pat Skubis

A BIG thanks to all of you for sending in your suggestions for upcoming programs.

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