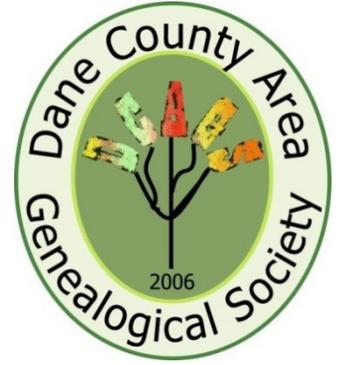


Dane County Area Genealogical Society Newsletter



Genealogy in BadgerLink Presented by Kara Ripley

The March meeting will be held on Thursday, March 5th, at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 4505 Regent Street, Madison, WI

BadgerLink (www.BadgerLink.net) provides Wisconsin residents with online resources. Use BadgerLink to find your roots! Search historic newspapers, census records, Revolutionary War records, full text local and family histories and more!

BadgerLink is a project of the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction (DPI), Division for Libraries and Technology. The project is funded through the Wisconsin Universal Service Fund with partial support provided by the Library Services and Technology Act using funds received from the Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS).

Kara Ripley is the Reference and BadgerLink Training Librarian at Resources for Libraries and Lifelong Learning where she was recently a part of the BadgerLink webpage redesign. Kara has her MLS from Indiana University and before coming to DPI was a reference librarian at a public library.



There is a handout for the presentation. It's more of a note taking sheet. She will also bring bookmarks to distribute to attendees.

Wisconsin residents can access BadgerLink by using their library card at home or at the library.

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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.

The DCAGS Governing Board meets each month. The next meeting will be held on Monday, March 16th, at the Fitchburg Public Library

THINK SPRING



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Illinois State Genealogical Society offers FREE WEBINARS usually 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.

The 2015 ISGS Webinar series is sponsored by [FamilySearch](#)



March 2015
Finding Your Femme Fatales: Exploring the Dark Side of Female Ancestors

Presenter: Lisa A. Alzo, M.F.A.
Date: March 10, 2015,
Time 8:00 PM Central

Description: Male ancestors weren't the only ones who had secrets, or got caught behaving badly. Whether we like it or not, the black sheep of our family may have been the women, and they leave fabulous records! Through sample case studies, this session will show how to use court, census, newspaper, and other key records, and study social history to explore the law breakers, vigilantes, and other scandalous female ancestors. Through sample case studies, learn how to use key records and social history to explore law breakers, vigilantes, and other scandalous female ancestors.

Registration: <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/792741648604580353>

FREE WEBINARS Register at <http://www.familytree.com/upcoming-webinars.php>

Researching with Karen! 3/04/15



Genealogy Serendipity Friday- 3/06/15

Crafting Ancestor Profiles from Start to Finish 3/11/15

Irish Genealogical Records in the 17th-19th Centuries 3/18/15

Where Does It Say That? Learning to Love Indirect Evidence 3/25/15

Genealogy 101, a 3-Session Course in Beginning Genealogy - Part 1 4/01/15

All webinars are at 1PM Central.

The Madison History Roundtable

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

March 12, 2015
Steven L. Oreck, M.A., M.D.

will share with us his personal collection of Civil War-era surgical instruments.

He is a retired Professor of Orthopedic Surgery in the UW School of Medicine & Public Health. He is a retired captain of the US Navy and a Ph.D. candidate in the Department of History for the UW-Madison.

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.

Ireland Parish Records to be Free Online* Reprinted from www.madisoncatholicherald.org

Dublin (CNS) – The Catholic Church and the National Library of Ireland have partnered to make almost 400,000 images of Catholic parish register microfilms available online for free.

A National Library of Ireland statement called the records the single most important source of information on Irish family history prior to the 1901 census. Dating from the 1740s to the 1880s, they cover nearly 1,100 parishes throughout the island of Ireland and consist primarily of baptismal and marriage records.

The digital images will be available, for free, on a dedicated website, which will be launched next summer.

The microfilms have been available to visitors to the National Library of Ireland since the 1970s. However, this project means that, for the first time, anyone will be able to access these registers without having to travel to Dublin. Submitted by Walker Crawford

RECAP FEBRUARY

Joanna Pasowicz, President of the Polish Heritage Club of Wisconsin-Madison, spoke on researching Polish family history, the ins, outs and road-blocks. She and her husband published his family history and they are now working on hers.

She has traveled extensively in Poland, and talked about how the boundary lines have changed throughout the years.

She also gave us information about the Polish Heritage Club of Madison, Wisconsin.



On March 8

March Facts

The name of March comes from Latin Martius, the first month of the earliest Roman calendar. It was named for Mars, the Roman god of war who was also regarded as a guardian of agriculture. Martius was the beginning of the season for both farming and warfare, and the festivals held in his honor during the month were mirrored by others in October, when the season for these activities came to a close. Martius remained the first month of the Roman calendar year perhaps as late as 153 BC,

National Pig Day is always March 1st. It recognizes and gives thanks to domesticated pigs. For some unknown reason, big, pot-bellied pigs seen in zoos are often the symbol of the day. Pigs are clever, intelligent, and can be taught tricks. National Pig day is celebrated by zoos, too. Activities include Snort Offs, Pig Outs, and online Pig Chats.

However you choose, do not miss celebrating this day. Celebrate at "Pig in a Fur Coat" 940 Williamson St, Madison, Wisconsin.



National Anthem Day is on March 3rd. The *Star-Spangled Banner* is the national anthem of the United States of America. It was written by Francis Scott Key. The song officially became our national anthem on March 3, 1931. Many people think the *Star Spangled Banner* was written during the Revolutionary War. It was actually written during the war of 1812 (1812-1814).

In August 1814, the British army detained Dr. William Beanes as a prisoner of war. He was a friend of Francis Scott Key. On Sept. 13, 1814, Francis Scott Key and a U.S. negotiator boarded a British vessel where Beanes was being held. He negotiated his friends release. But then, Francis Scott Key was detained that day along with the negotiator. They were held until after the attack on Fort McHenry, which guarded the harbor and city of Baltimore. He watched the bombardment of the fort from the ship. The next morning, he was ecstatic to see that the American flag was still flying over Fort McHenry. This historic event inspired Francis Scott Key to write "The Star-Spangled Banner" the following day (September 14, 1814).

The War of 1812



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Johnny Appleseed Day is on March 11th and/or September 26th. Why two dates? Johnny Appleseed Day honors one of America's great legends. Johnny Appleseed was a real person. John Chapman was among the American settlers who were captivated by the movement west across the continent. As Johnny Appleseed travelled west, he planted apple trees along the way, and sold trees to settlers. With every apple tree that was planted, the legend grew.

- John Chapman (aka Johnny Appleseed) was born on September 26, 1774.
- He was a nurseryman who started out planting trees in western New York and Pennsylvania.
- During the life of John Chapman, the "West" was places like Ohio, Michigan, Indiana, and Illinois.
- According to legend, Johnny Appleseed led a simple life and wanted little. He rarely accepted money and often donated any money he received.
- It is believed that he died on March 11, 1845, from what was referred to as the "winter plague"

Celebrate today with an apple rich menu. Include fresh apples for snacks, and some applesauce or apple pie for dessert. And, make plans to plant an apple tree.

Girl Scout Day is always March 12th. This date celebrates the creation of the first Girl Scout group on March 12, 1912. Lady Olave Baden-Powell, founded Girl Guides. The wife of Lord Baden-Powell (who created the Boy Scouts), she was born on February 22 (1889).

On March 12, 1912 Juliette Gordon Low started the first Girl Scout group in Savannah, Georgia, with 18 girls. The Girls Scouts became a national organization, and was chartered by the U.S. Congress on March 16, 1950. Today, there are millions of girls involved with Girl Scouts.



Are you a cookie monster? Americans eagerly await the annual Girls Scout cookie drive. It teaches the girls valuable skills, and generates income to support girl scouting activities. And, you get to munch on a variety of delicious cookies. Most people buy several boxes.

National Pi Day When: Always March 14th. National Pi Day celebrates Pi, a mathematical concept and a number that never ends. At least no one has found the end yet. Often, we round it off to 3.14. If you are a mathematician, this is your day. For National Pi Day is a celebration of mathematics. More specifically, it celebrates "Pi". Join the celebration at the Hubbard Avenue Diner.



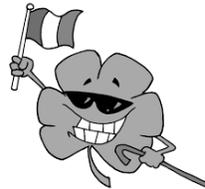
Today is the birthday physicist Albert Einstein. Einstein was born on March 14, 1879. The date is also represented as 3.14. We strongly suspect some combination of these two facts is why someone created the day on March 14th. However, "Pi" was around long before Albert Einstein was born. Eat pie on Pi day.

Learn About Butterflies Day is celebrated on March 14th. It is a fun day, because everyone likes butterflies. When I first heard about this special day, I thought Oh, how cool! Butterflies are neat and fun to watch, flittering about the yard during the summer months. But, then I thought: Why holds learn about Butterflies Day in March?



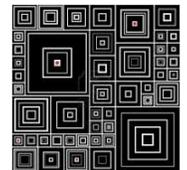
There is logic to this. As we approach summer, we get outdoors and become busy with all of the activities of summer. Locally you can learn about butterflies, bees, and how many other pollinators provide critical ecosystem services by pollinating both food crops and wildflowers alike by attending a class GARDENING FOR POLLINATORS at Olbrich Gardens on Monday, March 23rd, 6:30-8:30 PM.

Erin Go Bragh - Saint Patrick's Day is on March 17th. Saint Patrick's Day is in honor of the Patron Saint of Ireland, who brought Christianity to the Emerald Isle in the 400's AD. It is truly a day of celebrating Irish history, ancestry, traditions and customs. Are you Irish perchance? Well, the saying goes everyone is a little Irish on Saint Patrick's Day.



Erin Go Bragh is perhaps the most common Irish term you will hear. It means "Ireland Forever". Did You Know? Over 34 million Americans are of Irish descent. That's almost nine times the population of Ireland!

National Quilting Day When: Third Saturday in March. The National Quilting Association started National Quilting Day in 1991. National Quilting Day celebrates fabulous quilts and those who make them. Definitely a ladies' hobby, quilting is a skill that produces warm and beautiful results.



Today is a day to recognize and appreciate the quilt makers, the skill and the results. If you are a quilt maker, spend a minute to recognize and appreciate that you have truly been blessed with a special skill. If you are not a quilt maker, wrap yourself into a quilt and enjoy the warmth.

Clam on the Half Shell Day is on March 31st. Boy, the world really needs a day like today. You must be elated that someone was smart enough, and had the insight, to create this day for us to enjoy and savor.



Visit <http://www.holidayinsights.com/> for more information.



President's Message



I hope if you haven't yet signed up for the Wisconsin State Genealogical Society Gene-A-Rama you will soon. I look forward to these events every spring as the speakers provide me with great information to apply to my research and the energy encourages me to make the time to do it! Find the application at wsgs.org.

We are in need of board members that are willing to serve as both President and Treasurer. I will continue in the role of president for another month or two but for personal reasons I need to start phasing out my involvement with DCAGS. I will continue on as membership chair through the summer but if you want to learn that role please let me know as well. Kathy Sparks resigned from the Treasurer position last month. She's done a great job for us and if you get a chance please thank her for her service.

Walker Crawford



Volunteers needed for Gene-A-Rama

DCAGS will be the host society for WSGS's Gene-A-Rama on March 27 and 28th. As part of hosting we will need to provide volunteers through both days to help with registration and other monitoring duties. We also need folks to gather door prizes that will be awarded throughout the conference. If you would like to help with either of these please email Walker at hedrickboy@icloud.com or sign-up at the link available on dcags.org.



Researchers Notice

DCAGS provides a list of member individuals that are available for paid assistance with genealogy research. DCAGS does not endorse any of these individuals; we simply provide a forum of connection. Each of these members can be contacted through the information listed on the membership directory.

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Apple Slab Pie



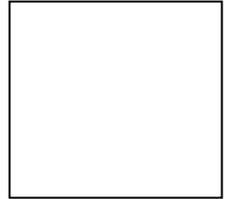
Ingredients

- 1 box Pillsbury™ refrigerated pie crusts, softened as directed on box
- 1 cup granulated sugar
- 3 tablespoons all-purpose flour
- 1 teaspoon ground cinnamon
- ¼ teaspoon ground nutmeg
- ¼ teaspoon salt
- 1 ½ tablespoons lemon juice
- 9 cups thinly sliced, peeled apples (9 medium)
- 1 cup powdered sugar
- 2 tablespoons milk

Directions

1. Heat oven to 450°F. Remove pie crusts from pouches. On lightly floured surface, unroll and stack crusts one on top of the other. Roll to 17x12-inch rectangle. Fit crust into 15x10x1-inch pan, pressing into corners. Fold extra crust under, even with edges of pan.
2. In small bowl, mix granulated sugar, flour, cinnamon, nutmeg, salt and lemon juice. Add apples, stirring to coat. Spoon apple mixture into crust-lined pan.
3. Bake 33 to 38 minutes or until crust is golden brown and filling is bubbly. Cool in pan on cooling rack 45 minutes.
4. In small bowl, mix powdered sugar and milk until well blended. Drizzle over pie. Let stand until glaze is set, about 30 minutes.

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