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Polk County Genealogical Society

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VISION STATEMENT: The Polk County Genealogical Society vision is to empower those interested in developing concise, accurate, and comprehensive family histories.

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MISSION STATEMENT: The Polk County Genealogical Society mission is to assist in the exchange and dissemination of information for genealogical investigations.

THANK YOU, **Dorothy Adams** for establishing the 1850-1907 Polk County birth records database, printing sheet after sheet, placing each sheet in a archival sleeve, filing all in a binder and placing the completed project in the Registrar of Deeds office and at the PCHS Museum.

Many, many hours, of page after page of names, dates, parents.

Good job done, Dorothy!

Thank you **John Jenkins,** for teaching the class at the September meeting, about moving our photos (old and new) from negatives, from digital, and from old photo albums into our family history documents .

2006-2007 Tentative Schedule

Board meetings 5:30 p.m.
program meeting at 7:00 p.m.

Monday 23 October -7:00 p.m.

Beginning Genealogy

Barb Oestreich

1st floor, No steps/Osceola Public Library
Osceola, Wisconsin

Monday 27 November - 7:00 p.m.

Swedish Genealogy

Pastor Alan Hagstrom

1st floor, No steps/Osceola Public Library
Osceola, Wisconsin

Monday 11 December - 12: Noon

Holiday Potluck

Home of **Jay** and **Joyce Bergstrand**

Call for directions

Monday 22 January, 2007 - 7:00 p.m.

Individual Stories of Success OR

Not so Much Success.

1st floor, No steps/Osceola Public Library
Osceola, Wisconsin

Monday 26 February, 2007 - 7:00 p.m.

Getting ready for a research Trip

Roundtable Leaders: Board members
1st floor, No steps/Osceola Public Library
Osceola, Wisconsin

Monday 26 March - 7:00 p.m.

Irish Family History

1st floor, No steps/Osceola Public Library
Osceola, Wisconsin

Monday 23 April -7:00 p.m.

Technology Tips

1st floor, No steps/Osceola Public Library
Osceola, Wisconsin

*Note Date Change

Monday 21 May 2006 - 7:00 p.m.

Bob Williamson - Funeral Practices

Location to be announced

LOOKING FORWARD

PCHS museum in Balsam Lake
Mondays **June, July, August,** 2007

Thank you to PCGS members who spent their summer Mondays at the PCGS museum answering genealogy questions for the public .

WSGS 2006 Fall Seminar

Friday & Saturday 13 & 14 October 2006

UW-Fond du Lac, Wisconsin
Friday afternoon 13 October 2006

Paula Stuart Warren

For more information:

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or

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Polk County Fair Winner

CONGRATULATIONS

to

Donna Johnson

11385-335th Street
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for one-year membership

to the

Polk County Genealogy Society .

Thanks to **Dorothy Adams** for answering questions and greeting people at the Polk County Genealogy Booth at the Polk County Fair. - 2006.

St. Croix Valley Genealogy Society
19 October 2006

Room 227 South Hall/Davee Library
UW River Falls, Wisconsin
The Ins/Outs of Writing Your Family
History Book

Anne Crooks

Great Migration Project

The goal of the Great Migration Project was to compile biographical and genealogical information on immigrants to New England who arrived between 1620 and 1643. The first series of this project, called The Great Migration Begins, covers immigrants who arrived between 1620 and 1633. The second series of volumes covers immigrants whose surname starts with A through L and arrived between 1634 and 1635. Three more volumes will complete this series with surnames starting with M through Z. These volumes will be published in complete 2007. Additional volumes will eventually complete the project through 1643. These volumes are currently not online, but in printed format at larger libraries. The Great Migration Project Website is at www.GreatMigration.org

Family history researchers develop good habits to become efficient and effective in your research. An effective researcher is organized. Create and use timelines,

Reiterated throughout the NGS Conference, Chicago/2006 was the admonishment to **always verify data received from others**- whether in book form, oral histories or online! People make honest mistakes, & make honest incorrect assumptions.

The PIPOST - September 2006

2006-2007
Polk County Genealogy Project
**Inventory of Family Names in all
the Family Histories**

A master database will be compiled of all the family names in all the family histories on the shelves at the PCHS museum in Balsam Lake. The purpose is to share, not only the collection with the visiting public researching family history, but also to shorten that search for the elusive name needed to move back one more generation.

We all know how much we appreciate an index allowing our search to cover greater ground more efficiently. A family history book, without an index, is rarely taken off the shelf. A master hardcopy database will be wonderful!

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From the Twin Ports Gen Soc.
"Branching Out"
Fall Issue, Sept 2006 pg2
Guide to Naturalization Records

State by state, county by county, city by city, this GUIDE identifies all repositories of naturalization records, systematically indicating the types of records held, their dates of overage, and the location of original and microfilm records. The GUIDE also pinpoints the whereabouts of federal court records in all National Archives facilities, and it identifies every single piece of information on naturalization that is available on microfilm through the National Archives of the Family History Library System, including the call numbers used by each institution.
<http://www.genealogical.com/index.php?main_page=product_info&item_number=5177>

EVIDENCE!
Citation & Analysis for the Family Historian
Elizabeth Shown Mills

Direct evidence is that which addresses a particular matter and points to a conclusion without the addition of other supporting evidence.

Indirect evidence is circumstantial information that requires us to supply a thought process (and perhaps other evidence) to convert its details into a reliable conclusion.

According to genealogy's now-classic discussion by **Noel C. Stevenson**, J.D. FASG, "Evidence is none the less effective because it is circumstantial, if it be consistent, connected and conclusive," To use indirect or circumstantial evidence effectively, though, genealogists must hone their analytic skills and expand their understanding of the strengths and limits of various source materials.

Baltimore: Genealogical Publishing Co
1997, p45

Over the life of our Group, a yearly program addressed to the genealogy beginner is a project that PCGS has decided is important. This year is no exception.

Barb Oestreich has consented to teach a beginners class at our October meeting. Barb attends a yearly class at Institute in Salt Lake City and will come prepared.

I have been to several "beginning" classes and I **always** learn some new research or writing tip that will improve, not only the finished project, but will also make the "hunt" that much easier and more successful.

Trust to see you and your neighbor
23 October 2006
Osceola Public Library
First Floor - No Stairs.

Rules for Teachers - 1872

- *Teachers each day will fill lamps, clean chimneys, and trim wicks
- *Each teacher will bring a scuttle of coal and a bucket of water for the day's use.
- *After ten hours in school, the teachers may spend the remainder of the time reading the Bible or other good books.
- *Any teacher who smokes, uses liquor in any form, frequents pool or public halls or gets shaved in a barber shop will give reason to suspect his worth, intelligence, integrity, and honesty.
- *Women teachers who marry or engage in unseemly conduct will be dismissed.
- *Men teachers may take one evening for courting purposes or two evenings each week if they go to church regularly.
- *The teacher who performs his Labors faithfully and without fault for five years will be given an increase of 25 cents in his pay, provided the Board of Education approves.

Polk County Genealogy Society

Jan-Dec \$15.00

Please make out your check or money order to PCGS and mail, along with your Name, Address, State/Zip to

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Why did our ancestors migrate?

1. Religious or ethnic persecution
2. Natural disasters
3. Famine
4. Economic problems
5. War
6. Political strife/turmoil/oppression
7. Following family/friends
8. Adoption
9. Slavery
10. Forced relocation of Native Americans
11. Criminal Incarceration of deportment
12. Not a first son
13. Great financial opportunity.

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George G. Morgan
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