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**The date is set for our
Family History Fair to
be held at Burlington
High School**

**Commons. It will be
Sat Sept 27, 2014 from
9 to 3. Set up will be at
8 am.**

From The President

Thank you for all contributing to our discussion at the February Meeting. We learned alot about the pros and cons of sharing our Genealogical research, photographs, and documents.

- One of the main reasons for sharing is to pass on our family research to future generations. Even if you have no direct descendants interested in our information it can be of interest to other relatives now or in the future.
- If someone shares with you be open in sharing back.
- Most felt there were more pros than cons.
- Ask before sharing others stories or photographs that belong to others.

Dick shared the tentative upcoming programs for 2014. The program for March is sharing favorite web sites. Dick with lead the discussion and show samples of some of the top 100. Bring along some of your favorite and feel free to bring your lap tops if you want . Watch our web site to see what the April Program will be about .

Bonnie

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This song is passed on to us from Dick Ammann:  
YESTERDAY (to be sung to the tune of the Beatles' song -  
Yesterday)

Yesterday,  
All those backups seemed a waste of pay  
Now my database has gone away

Oh I believe in yesterday

Suddenly,  
There's not half the files there used to be  
And there's a deadline  
hanging over me  
The system crashed so suddenly.

I pushed something wrong  
What it was I could not say

Now my data's gone  
and I long for yesterday-ay-ay-ay.

Yesterday,  
The need for back-ups seemed so far away.  
Thought all my data was here to stay,  
Now I believe in yesterday.

We still are looking for an Editor. In the meantime it will be a joint effort of our members. Please submit stories to me by the Wed before the newsletter comes out. Next newsletter will be May/June 2014. Have your articles to me by Wed 7<sup>th</sup>. Word document format or plain text are preferable.

Google : Check out Google Blogger to get a free blog. It is easy to do and you can set it for only certain people or groups to see or for the public. There are easy to read instructions. Also you can search for your surname to see if others have a blog to read about your relatives.  
Ancestry.com: Did you know that you can pick which country to look at in the site? If you look in the bottom right hand corner, you will see a drop down menu on the right of the heading "Visit Our Other Sites". Some choices are : Canada, United Kingdom, Germany, France and others. Also short cuts to things like Roots Web, Fold 3, My Family.

**Tentative 2014 Programs** The date for our Writing your Obit will be known soon.  
April or May – Maps in family history. Presented by Dick. How maps can add to family history research and stories. Sites for historic maps, both physical repositories and on-line.

April or May – Field trip to UW-Parkside Archives, with tour and research time – a Wednesday instead of the meeting in Burlington. Carpooling from Burlington Gateway building.

June – Stock photos and images to enhance family history – Bonnie and Dick – postcards, Google images, online photo archives (Wisconsin Historical Society), etc.

July – annual picnic at Wemhoff Park

Aug – Internet tools for genealogists: RSS readers to facilitate web news accumulation, Google tools, and more. Bonnie Bolster.

Sep – Annual members' sharing session: new discoveries and how they were found.

Annual family history fair: either 27 September.

Oct – Organizing computer files, photos, and paper files – Judy Rockwell

November – Stories of military service, veterans, and local wartime activities at home – Round-table sharing session, moderated by Dave Nelson.

December – no meeting