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NEW OFFICERS ELECTED

The Marshfield Area Genealogy Group elected new officers at the Annual Meeting on May 22. Each will serve a one year term. They are: President, Don "Schnitz" Schnitzler, Vice-president, Lou Hacker, and Secretary-Treasurer, Sue Weber.

At the June meeting, Barb Heart was selected as the second member at large to our Board of Directors. She will serve as a board member for two years.

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SEPTEMBER MEETING SCHEDULED FOR SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 27TH

The Board of Directors met on June 26, and agreed that the Annual Meeting of Central Wisconsin Genealogical Societies would be held in place of our regular monthly meeting. Therefore, there will be no meeting on Thursday, September 25, but instead, we will meet at the Marshfield Public Library on Saturday, September 27.

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ANOTHER SUCCESSFUL DISPLAY AT NORTHWAY MALL

The Marshfield Area Genealogy Group's informational tables at the Northway Mall, May 24 and 25,

were a big success. In those two days, we were able to answer many questions, help people find their ancestors in some of our indexes, and encourage others to begin recording their own family history.

Another display for later this fall has been discussed, but as of yet, nothing firm has been set.

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DONATIONS RECIEVED

A copy of the "Every Name Index" to the Marathon County Cemetery Inscriptions has been donated to the Group's library by Lucille Leick. Also, a donation of eight dollars has been received from another member, who wishes to remain anonymous, to be applied to the purchase of our next reference book for the library. Thank you both.

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RED & WHITE LABELS

The first \$30 for Red & White Labels we've been collecting has arrived. Those funds will be put toward the price of "The Source" for our group's library. We will continue our collections and would appreciate any ideas for future library aquisitions.

President's Message

Dear Friends,

I would like to thank you all for your show of support in the recent election of officers for the Group. As the president of the Marshfield Area Genealogy Group, I will always try to do my very best for each of you.

As we begin this new year, I would like to take this opportunity to thank our past president, Joann Hilgemann, as well as the other officers and board members, for all their efforts last year. Their work on our behalf is truly appreciated.

I would also like to thank everyone who helped with the informational table at the Northway Mall on May 24th and 25th. As in the past, the display was well recieved and attended.

Our program chairperson, Vickie Hasz, is currently setting the agenda of programs for the upcoming year. Acting on your many good suggestions, I'm sure she'll arrange some interesting meetings that we all can look forward to. Vickie is also busy planning the September 27th meeting of the Central Wisconsin Genealogical Societies. The tentative agenda looks both informational and entertaining, so I hope you all can attend.

As for our next year, I have one primary objective. That being, 'Our Marshfield Area Genealogy Group continues to be the best Genealogy Group possible.' It is my wish that we have a long and enduring friendship which will benefit both you and the group this year and for many years to come.

I look forward to seeing each of you at our upcoming meetings. Enjoy what's left of the summer.

As Always,

Schnitz

FORMS FOR SALE

# of sheets	Family	Pedigree
	Group Sheet	Chart
	cost	
1	.04	.05
10	.35	.45
25	--	1.10
50	1.50	--
100	2.75	--

Forms are regularly available at the monthly meetings of the Marshfield Area Genealogy Group or by contacting, Sherrie Framness, form sales chairperson, at 384-9396, to make special arrangements.

Forms at these prices are available, as a benefit, to members of the Marshfield Area Genealogy Group only.

QUERIES

The Kith and Kin will publish queries of 30 words or less without charge for members of the Marshfield Area Genealogy Group. Queries for non-members will be published for \$1. Please submit one query at a time. Submit your query on a separate sheet of paper with your name and address. The Kith and Kin reserves the right to edit queries and assumes no responsibility for their accuracy.

SPENCER- VANDERVORT- GITMAN

Seeking info on and descendants of Caroline Mae SPENCER, b. 8 May 1868 Hague, NY, d. 28 Mar 1918 Ismay, Montana, m. 8 Oct 1887 at LaGrange, Monroe Co., WI to Alfred E. VANDERVORT, son of Cornelius and Julia Ann (Gitman) VANDERVORT, b. 20 Jul 1865, d. 1 May 1917 Ismay, Montana. Children of Alfred and Carrie VANDERVORT were: Pearl E., Worden C., and Walter S. (also known as TED). Any info appreciated.

Contact: Donald H. Schnitzler
Route 4, Box 418
Mosinee, WI 54455

PHOTOS NEEDED

The Marawood Rural Historical Society is planning several exhibits for next year relating to the City of Marshfield and surrounding area. They would like to include local photographs of Dairying, Agriculture, and community businesses. As such, they would appreciate the opportunity to make copies of any old photos you would be willing to share with the community. Credit to the contributor will be given at each exhibit. To make arrangements for having your photos copied contact: Susan Weber, 387-6099.

NEW NEWSLETTER EXCHANGES ESTABLISHED

We will begin receiving two new newsletter exchanges beginning in August: The Milwaukee County Genealogical Society newsletter, *MCGS Reporter*; and the Monroe, Juneau, and Jackson County Genealogical Society Newsletter.

These newsletters, along with our other exchange newsletters, can be checked out from the library at our regular meetings.

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BOARD MEETING PLANNED

There will be a meeting of the Marshfield Area Genealogy Group Board of Directors immediately following the July 24th meeting. All members of the Board are encouraged to attend.

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NEW MEMBERS

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Marshfield, Wisconsin 54449

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812 W. 5th Street
Marshfield, Wisconsin 54449

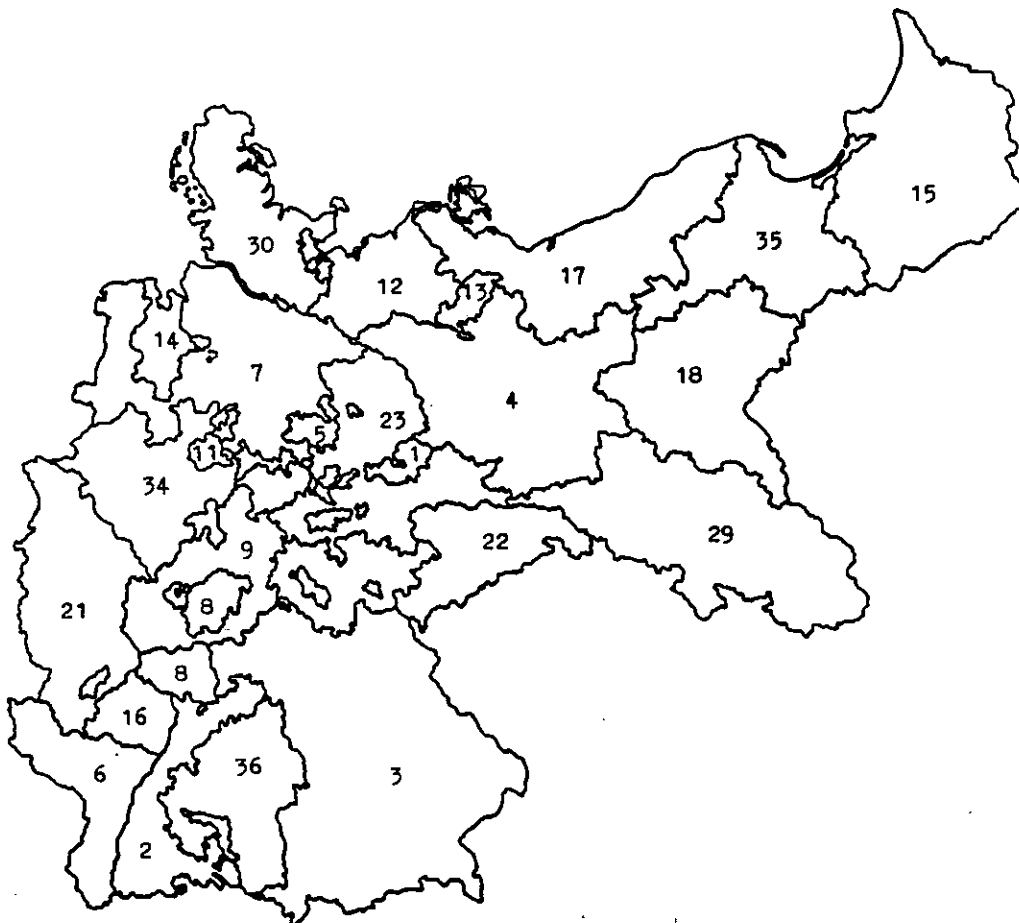
GERMAN GENEALOGICAL INDEX

What is the German Genealogical Index? It is a project to enable genealogists and local historians to find others researching the same surnames and/or localities in all areas of German-speaking Europe. Because genealogical and historical research can be time-consuming as well as costly, it is imperative that the researcher be aware of other individuals who are interested in the same surnames and/or localities. By pooling resources and sharing data the researcher is able to benefit from the experience of others, thus avoiding duplication of effort and expense.

All data received for the Index is indexed by both surname and locality. This enables the researcher to quickly determine who is interested in a specific sur-

name, village, district, province, etc. Remember that researchers interested in the same village or district may be able to offer you data from published histories, or may be able to guide you in your research in that particular area. Thus, the locality index can be as important as the surname index.

Another important function of the index is to preserve valuable genealogical data which otherwise might not be published. Many Americans have genealogical data gleaned from German documents brought to the United States by their immigrant ancestors. Baptismal, confirmation, and marriage certificates, military certificates, family Bibles, etc. offer a wealth of useful information, especially if they list the village of origin across the Atlantic. It is precisely the type of data which can be published and preserved in the German Genealogical Index. (cont. next page)



Germany circa 1900

1. Anhalt
2. Baden
3. Bayern (Bavaria)
4. Brandenburg
5. Braunschweig (Brunswick)
6. Elsaß-Lothringen (Alsace-Lorraine)
7. Hannover
8. Hessen
9. Hessen-Nassau
10. Hohenzollern*
11. Lippe
12. Mecklenburg-Schwerin
13. Mecklenburg-Strelitz
14. Oldenburg
15. Ostpreußen (East Prussia)
16. Pfalz (Bavarian Palatinate)
17. Pommern (Pomerania)
18. Posen
19. Reuss-Gera* (Thüringen)
20. Reuss-Greiz* (Thüringen)
21. Rheinland
22. Sachsen (Saxony) [kingdom]
23. Sachsen (Saxony) [province]
24. Sachsen-Altenburg* (Thüringen)
25. Sachsen-Coburg-Gotha* (Thüringen)
26. Sachsen-Meiningen* (Thüringen)
27. Sachsen-Weimar* (Thüringen)
28. Schaumburg-Lippe*
29. Schlesien (Silesia)
30. Schleswig-Holstein
31. Schwarzburg-Rudolstadt* (Thüringen)
32. Schwarzburg-Sondershausen* (Thüringen)
33. Waldeck*
34. Westfalen (Westphalia)
35. Westpreußen (West Prussia)
36. Württemberg

* not identified on this map

The general locality refers to the country, German state, province, principality, etc. in which a specific village, town or city is located. The Index contains data on surnames and localities in East and West Germany, Switzerland, Austria, Luxembourg and the Netherlands, as well as former German settlements in eastern and southeastern Europe (Poland, Hungary, Czechoslovakia, etc.).

The specific locality is the village, town, or city in which a surname is found. The "Kreis" (district) is very important because it helps to differentiate between villages of the same name in various provinces.

Participation in the German Genealogical Index is open, free of charge, to anyone who has data for the index. This nationwide project involves individuals from a wide variety of genealogical and historical societies throughout the United States. To participate in the Index, write: German Genealogical Index, P.O. Box 10155 Minneapolis, Minnesota 55440.

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BOHEMIAN RESEARCH

The Czechoslovak government, under Russian Rule, more or less discourages searches in Czechoslovak Archives, except by citizens living in the country. The government prefers this procedure: Contact your nearest Czech Embassy for them to conduct a search for a fee. But--fees can go quite high, and no pre-search estimate is given. You would need to give the name of the person whose ancestry is being searched, place of birth, marriage, and death (with dates), and name of parents if known as well as religion. The

cost of a "running account"--tracing several generations--is based on time spent. Some lines can be traced, and in other cases no records seem to exist. It takes several months for a report, and a deposit of at least \$30 is required for such a search. Address correspondence to: Embassy of Czechoslovakia, 3900 Linean Ave. N.W., Washington, DC 20008.

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WISCONSIN STATE OLD CEMETERY SOCIETY

The Wisconsin State Old Cemetery Society is attempting to identify old cemeteries throughout the state and to encourage restoration and preservation of burial sites.

Members have the privilege of requesting the society to make searches of its records for burial sites. Such requests for limited to one per year without charge; additional requests should be accompanied by a donation to the society. A search includes a check of the files by the archivist and a search by the county coordinator. Requests must be limited to two burials at any one time; a SASE must be included with these requests.

The society's newsletter, *Inscriptions*, is published quarterly and includes articles on the restoration and preservation of old cemeteries, queries by members, reports of activities and notices of future meetings.

Annual membership dues are \$6. Send to: Bernadine Boulia, Treasurer WSOCS, 3325 South 26th Street #18, Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53215.

SCOTTISH SETTLEMENTS IN THE U.S.

Information is being sought about Scottish settlements within the U.S., Canada and elsewhere, which may aid others in tracing their lineage back to Scotland -- particularly the locations of colonies of Scots who came to America before or shortly after the Revolution. Names of settlers and indication of origins in Scotland or North Ireland are welcome. Information should be sent to: *The Highlander*, editor, A. Maxim Coppage, 2225 Hillsborough Ct. No. 3, Concord, California, 94520.

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IMPORTANT DIFFERENCES

An ANCESTRY begins with a single individual and traces back in time to include the male and female lines of that person's ancestors.

A GENEALOGY, on the other hand, begins with a single ancestor and traces forward in time to include all descendents to the present. --from *Trail Breakers, Clark County (WA) Genealogical Society*.

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NORWEGIAN RESOURCES

Two parishes in Norway, Gol and Al, are putting together books about the emigrants from these areas. If you have family data, vital statistics, etc. pertaining to families, send copies to: Gol, Hallingdahl, Terjue Ostro, 3550 Gol, Norway; or Al, Hallingdahl, Oleiv Braaten, Nte, 7700 Steinjer, Norway. --from *The Illuminator, Zion (IL) Genealogical Society*.

CERTIFIED GENEALOGICAL INSTRUCTOR

Certification as a genealogical lecturer (CGL) and genealogical instructor (CGI) is now possible through the Board for Certification of Genealogists. Information regarding the process is from: Board for Certification of Genealogists, P.O. Box 19165, Washington DC 20036.

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MARRIED MORE THAN ONCE

Relatives and ancestors who were married more than once and had children from each marriage often pose problems in charting. Ruth Nielsen, P.O. Box 2502, Sepulveda, CA 91343 has developed a *Multiple Union/Extended Family Pedigree Chart*, possibly a first, that provides a means to show half and step brothers and sisters, their parents, and their spouses and children. The 11 x 17 chart is 3-holed punched and fit into a standard notebook. As a tool for obtaining more data and clarification, copies of the completed chart can be sent to surname organizations, and distant relatives for confirmation and/or extension of the information that is recorded. Send SASE to Ruth Nielsen for price list. --from *the Genealogy Week Section of Antique Week*.

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HELP IN ALSACE-LORRAINE

For possible help in Alsace, contact the Genealogical Circle of Alsace, Strassbourg, Alsace, 4 rue Fischart, France.

CHURCH RECORDS IN WISCONSIN

Church Records in Wisconsin may be found in a variety of localities.

The religious denominations most encountered in research are Catholic and Lutheran. Catholic records are still most often found either in the custody of the original parish or at the diocesan headquarters. Lutheran church records may also be found at the individual congregation level or in many cases at the appropriate Synod archives: for the Missouri Synod, Concordia Historical Institute, 801 DeMun Ave., St. Louis, Missouri 63105; for the ALCA, The American Lutheran Church Archives, Wartburg Theological Seminary, Dubuque, Iowa 52001; and for the Wisconsin Synod, the Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary Library, 6633 West Wartburg Circle, 117 N., Mequon, Wisconsin 53092. The State Historical Society's Archives has acquired microfilms of a variety of church records, including many Methodist, Baptist, Congregational, Lutheran and other denominations, but many more can still be found elsewhere.--from the *Tri-State Trader, Genealogy Section, article on Wisconsin Research Opportunities* by James Hansen.

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CANADIAN VITAL RECORDS

Alberta--Complete records from 1898. Some births from 1853. Some deaths from 1893. Fee: \$7. Address: Division of Vital Statistics, Dept. of Social Services & Community Health, Texaco Bldg. /Main Floor, 10130--112 St., Edmonton, AB, T5K 2K4. Note: New application forms SSCH 1564 DVS 18A are to be used.

British Columbia--Although civil registration officially began in 1872, early records are incomplete. Some baptism records date back to 1849. Fee: \$10. Address: Division of Vital Statistics, Ministry of Health, Parliament Bldgs., Victoria, BC V8V 1X4.

Manitoba--Civil Registration began 1882 but incomplete until 1920. Church records (incomplete) will be searched when denomination known. Fee: birth, marriage & death certificates \$8; Genealogical Searches \$15; Disinterments (includes copy of death) \$28. Address: Office of Vital Statistics, Dept. of Health & Community Services, Room #104/Norquay Bldg., 401 York Ave., Winnipeg, MB R3C 0P8.

NEWFOUNDLAND--Civil Registration began in 1892. Records in custody of the Registrar of Vital Statistics. Fee \$4. Address: Registrar of Vital Statistics, Dept. of Health, Confederation Bldg., St. John's, NF A1C 5T7.

NORTHWEST TERRITORIES--The records are complete from 1925. Fee \$2. Address: Registrar of Vital Statistics, P.O. Box 1320, Yellowknife, NT X1A 2L9.

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND--Civil Registration began 1906 but some marriage records go to 1783. Fee: \$5. Address: Director of Vital Statistics, Dept. of Health, P.O. Box 3000, Charlottetown, PE C1A 7P1. --from the *Tri-State Trader Genealogy Section*.

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YEOMAN DEFINED

"Yeoman" is a term carried over from the colonial days and usually meant the person was a free holder, or one who owned small landed property.

1878 ATLAS OF WISCONSIN
Patron's Directory for Marathon County

(Continued from *Kith and Kin*, Vol. 3, No. 1)

Village of Wausau

Johnson, R. H., Editor *Central Wisconsin*, born Milwaukee, Wisconsin 1846.
Kelly, N. T., Lumber, born New York, came to Wisconsin 1850.
Lohmar, H. J., Editor *Wausau Wochenblatt*, born Prussia, came to
Wisconsin 1855.
Markstrum, K. S., Painter, born Stockholm, Sweden, came to Wisconsin
1874.
McCrossen, James, Merchant and Lumber Dealer, born New Brunswick, came
to Wisconsin 1851.
Ringle, John, County Clerk, born Wisconsin 1848.
Ringle, Valentine, Editor *Wisconsin River Pilot*, born Wisconsin 1847.

Editor's Note:

This concludes our publication of the Patron's Directory from the Atlas of Wisconsin, 1878, for Clark, Wood and Marathon Counties.

At this time, I would like to thank Vickie Hasz for her contribution of this material. Also, I'd like to invite each of you to submit other genealogical information for publication. Records pertaining to the Marshfield area from sources other than the county courthouses are especially appreciated.

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Stratford Cemetery Discovered

Early this year, the Village of Stratford proposed selling a piece of village property, located east of Stratford on Highway 153. Since that time, they have learned that this site was a cemetery.

Upon closer examination of the property, three grave markers have been found as well as several bases. The three marked graves are of:

Jacob J. Schmid	Ferdinand Carlson	William Speicher
b. Aug 16, 1867	b. Sep 15, 1841	1863 - 1937
d. Dec 22, 1891	d. Apr 18, 1901	

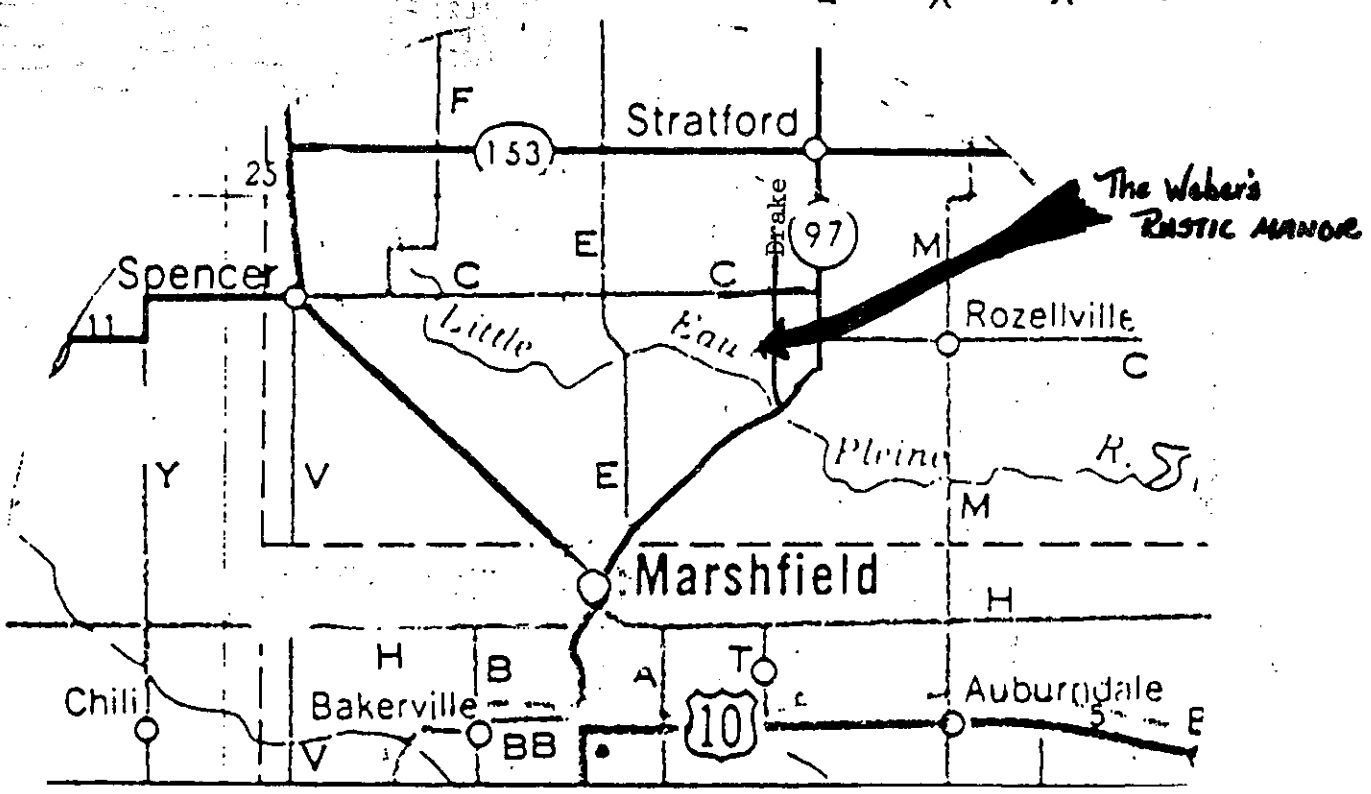
The village has plans to abandon the cemetery, relocate the graves, and sell the property. They would first like learn the identity of all individuals buried there, as well as contact relatives of those persons.

If you know of any family member having been buried in a cemetery east of Stratford, you are asked to contact: Margaret Bruebaker, Stratford Village Clerk.

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Directions to Sue Weber's House for August 28th Informal Get-together

From Marshfield go North on Highway 97, about 4 miles. Just after you pass county Highway "T" you will cross the Little Eau Pleine River. Turn Left on the road immediately past the bridge, Drake Avenue. Just over a mile up the road, on the left hand side, is the Allen Weber farm. A sign in the front yard clearly marks the home.



* * * CALENDAR OF EVENTS * * *

Thurs. July 24.....The History of Clark County, Wisconsin. Jess W. Scott, a local historian and new member of the Genealogy Group, will discuss the local history of Clark county.
7 p.m.
McMillan Town Hall

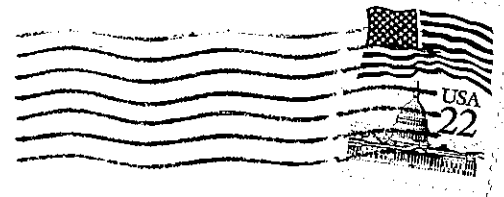
Thurs. August 28....Informal Genealogy Research Get-together. In the absence of our regular meeting, an informal get-together will be held at Sue Weber's home. In addition to our group library and cemetery records, Karen Boerboom will have her 1880 soundex records on hand for your use. Also, use of the photocopy machine will be available for five cents a page.
1 to 5 p.m.
and/or
7 to 10 p.m.

(directions to Sue's on page 19)

Thurs. Sept. 25.....No Regular meeting.

Sat. Sept. 27.....Joint Meeting of Central Wisconsin Genealogical Societies.

Marshfield Public Library.



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