

Kith and Kin

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Marshfield Cultural Fair 2018 February 24, 2018

What is the Marshfield Cultural Fair?

"All Related, Each Unique: The Marshfield Cultural Fair is a project of the Marshfield Cultural Fair Association (MCFA) of Marshfield, Wisconsin and its partners: the University of Wisconsin- Marshfield/Wood County Office of Continuing Education, Marshfield Social Justice and The Chestnut Avenue Center for the Arts. MCFA is a non-profit organization under the umbrella of the Marshfield Area Chamber Foundation," as taken from the Marshfield Cultural Fair website.

So what does the Marshfield Cultural Fair have to do with the Marshfield Area Genealogy Group (MAGG)?

MAGG has been a part of the Cultural Fair for nearly 15 years and it is time to share a little of what we do there.

This year, MAGG was a part of the "Theme Room," which this year was "Immigration." How many genealogists have dealt with the term "immigration"? I would assume that almost all genealogists have, so MAGG members were there to answer questions fair goers had about genealogy, how to research their immigration and their family history.

Thank you to all of MAGG's members that helped throughout the day in one way or another.

They say "Pictures are worth a thousand words. Enjoy the pictures and captions at the right and on the bottom of page 3.



MAGG member, Al Breden, with his and his wife, Pat's display on the Breden family from Norway, pictures of the ships, passenger lists, home & family in Norway.



Vickie Schnitzler helping answer questions and breaking through part of a brick wall for one of the fair goers. You never know what you might learn if you ask!

President's Message

Dear Friends,

It's that time of year to start thinking about your plans of getting out of the house and working on Genealogy. In addition to hitting the courthouses and cemeteries, don't forget the many conferences that are within driving distance.

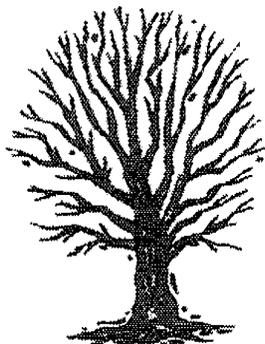
Here is a list of a few of them:

Apr. 13-14, 2018	WSGS Gene-A-Rama, Oshkosh, WI
Apr. 28, 2018	Minnesota Genealogical Society Spring Conf., Mendota Heights, MN
Apr. 28, 2018	Quad Cities Gen. Conf., Rock Island, IL
May 2-5, 2018	NGS 2018 Family History Conference, Grand Rapids, MI
Jul. 14, 2018	German Interest Group Conf., Whitewater, WI
Aug. 22-25, 2018	FGS National Conference, Fort Wayne, IN
Oct. 5-6, 2018	North Star Conference, Brooklyn Center, MN
Oct. 12, 2018	WSGS Pre-Conference, Marshfield, WI
Oct. 13, 2018	WSGS Fall Conference, Marshfield, WI
Oct. 26-27, 2018	Illinois State Gen. Soc. Fall Conference, Springfield, IL

Don't forget that networking at conferences like these are a good way to help break through some of those brick walls that you may have. Just check out the websites for these societies for registration information and lodging. Hopefully we will see you at one of them. Stop by the WSGS booth and say "Hello".

Until the next newsletter, good luck and happy researching!

Vickie



MAGG Officers and Committees

President: [Vickie Schnitzler](#) (2019)
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 (Year office expires is in parentheses.)

The Marshfield Area Genealogy Group is an affiliate of the Wisconsin State Genealogical Society.

Our purpose is to provide meetings and programs of genealogical interest and to provide instruction in genealogical procedures. Also to collect, preserve, and disseminate genealogical data found in the Marshfield area and/or relative to the people of the Marshfield Area.

Meetings are held the fourth Thursday of the month except November and December.

Membership Information

Our membership year is from May 1 to April 30. Individual membership per year is \$12.00 and a Family membership is \$15.00 per year. For hardcopy newsletter add \$6. Membership Forms can be downloaded from our website <http://www.marshfieldgenealogy.com/> and returned with payment to us at: MAGG, P.O. Box 337, Marshfield, WI 54449.

Wausau East High Digitized Yearbooks

The news the other night announced that Wausau East High School has digitized their yearbooks. They go back to 1917.

The link is https://sites.google.com/wausau_schools.org/wausaueasthighschool/yearbooks/home

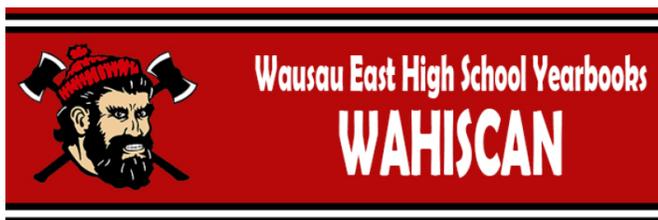
What a good project when the books are falling apart and they have been taken out of the public library years ago because of vandalism.

Take a look.

Pat Kell



1918 WAHISCAN Yearbook



Editor's Note:

Thanks Pat for sharing this with MAGG and the newsletter!!

Wisconsin Historical Society Digitized County Histories

The Wisconsin Historical Society has digitized over 100 of their Wisconsin County Histories and Centennial Books. Most of the 72 Wisconsin counties are represented, all the way from Adams to Wood. Some of the histories digitized on Wood County include:

- *Commemorative biographical record of the upper Wisconsin counties of Waupaca, Portage, Wood, Marathon, Lincoln, Oneida, Vilas, Langlade and Shawano: containing biographical sketches of prominent and representative citizens, and of many of the early..., 1895*
<http://content.wisconsinhistory.org/cdm/compoundobject/collection/wch/id/6854/rec/21>
- *History of Wood County, Wisconsin, 1923*
<http://content.wisconsinhistory.org/cdm/compoundobject/collection/wch/id/39243/rec/63>
- *Commemorative biographical record of the upper Wisconsin counties of Waupaca, Portage, Wood, Marathon, Lincoln, Oneida, Vilas, Langlade and Shawano: containing biographical sketches of prominent and representative citizens, and of many of the early..., 1895*
<http://content.wisconsinhistory.org/cdm/compoundobject/collection/wch/id/6854/rec/21>

Check out the entire list at: <http://content.wisconsinhistory.org/cdm/search/collection/wch/page/1>



Noreen Moen, Pat Breden, and Lorraine Rogers, solving the problems of the day (at left).

Kathleen Engbretson, also a MAGG member, working at the Family History Center's tables (at right).



Online U.S. Atlas of Historical County Boundaries

from Dick Eastman online Genealogy Newsletter, 2/22/2018

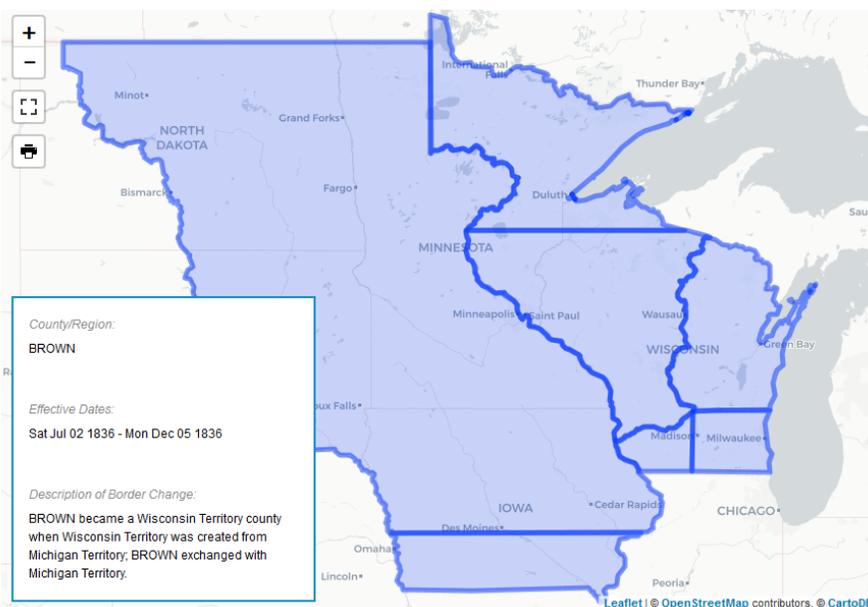
One of the more useful tools for genealogists is the *Atlas of Historical County Boundaries* created by the Newberry Library in Chicago. When I first started in genealogy, one of my biggest frustrations was trying to find records of ancestors in the county where they lived. Many genealogical records are created by counties. In many cases, I knew the town where they lived and I also knew what county the town was in. Yet I couldn't find the records that normally are kept in county courthouses, such as probate records or the deeds of land transfers.

As I gained more experience, I soon learned that the problem was mine. I had looked in the country records for the county lines of today. In many cases, the county lines had moved over the years, even though my ancestors had not moved an inch. Once recorded at the county courthouse, records normally remain at that courthouse forever, even if the county lines are redrawn later and the property or the town in question is then "moved" to a different county.

Historical Borders

Select Date of Border Change:

1836-07-03
1836-12-07
1837-03-04
1837-12-21
1838-01-12
1838-01-18
1838-01-19
1838-06-21
1838-06-22
1840-01-06
1840-01-11
1840-02-02



For instance, if your ancestor lived in the town of Smallville in Washington County when the information was recorded at the courthouse and later the county lines were redrawn so that town of Smallville and your ancestor's location were later in Lincoln

County, you still need to look for older records in the Washington County courthouse. Existing courthouse records usually are not moved to a new courthouse when county lines are redrawn.

Experienced genealogists all know that you need to look in the county courthouse for the correct county as of the date the records were filed. But how do you find the the correct county lines as of the date(s) your ancestors lived there and left records? You can find several books at well-equipped libraries that will provide that information. However, the *Atlas of Historical County Boundaries* will provide the information as well without requiring the time and travel expenses of visiting a well-equipped library. Yes, you can find the information without leaving home. The *Atlas of Historical County Boundaries* web site is available **FREE** of charge. You can even download the files to your own computer and save them or use them as you please. The online atlas has been available for years but I find that many genealogists are unaware of its existence and do not know

how useful it can be.

With the *Atlas of Historical County Boundaries*, you can view records on a per state basis, an interactive map, (Continued on page 12 "County Boundaries")

How to Find Your Ancestor's Church

by Amy Johnson Crow

Amy Johnson Crow Newsletter, 25 Jan. 2018

Church records can fill in the gaps caused by non-existent vital records. Even when we do have civil vital records, church records often contain different pieces of information. They can be invaluable to our genealogy research. But to get into these records, it helps to know what church your ancestor attended. Here's how you can find your ancestor's church.

Find the Denomination

Before you can find the particular church your ancestor was a member of, you need to figure out what denomination he or she was. Consider:

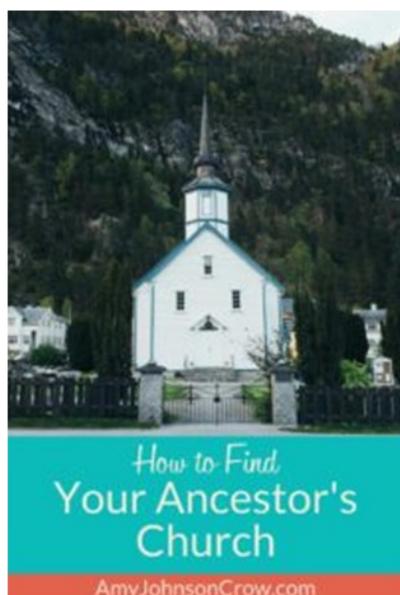
- Where they are buried. Is it affiliated with a denomination?
- Their children's names. For example, Lorenzo Dow was a popular name among Methodist families, as was Francis Asbury. Societies they belonged to. Knights of Columbus is an organization for Catholic men. (The Masons, on the other hand, is not.)

Your ancestor's denomination might be more fluid than you think. If there wasn't a nearby church of their denomination, they might have gone to a church whose teachings were "close enough."

Finding the Specific Church

Once you have an idea of what denomination your ancestor was, it's time to start looking for the specific church.

Cemeteries. Is your ancestor buried in a church cemetery?



Obituaries. Does the obituary state where the funeral took place? If it was in a church, there's a good chance that your ancestor was a member there.

Marriage Records. Look at your ancestor's civil marriage records. Did a minister perform the wedding? If so, research that minister and find out what church he/she was affiliated with. (I have [a step-by-step example of this kind of research here.](#))

City and County Directories. Most city and county directories have a section listing various organizations, including churches. (These listings are usually at the very front or the very back of the directory.) With this list, you can see what churches existed at the time and where they were located. When looking for your ancestor's church, start with the ones closest to where they lived or which have an ethnic identify that matches your ancestor's.

MISCELLANEOUS DIRECTORY.		49
St. John's Cathedral—East side of Tennessee, north of Georgia. Very Rev. August Bessonies; Right Rev. Francis S. Chataud; Rev. D. O'Donoghue and D. Curran, Assistant Pastors. Services from November to Easter, 6:30 a. m., 8:30 a. m., 10:30 a. m., Sunday School, 2:30 p. m., Vespers, 3 p. m.. Summer months, half hour earlier.	St. George Chapel — Northwest corner Church and Morris. E. A. Bradley, Pastor. Services 4 p. m., Sunday School 2:30 p. m.	
St. Mary's Catholic Church—South side Maryland west of Delaware. A. Scheideler, Pastor. Mass 7:30 a. m., 9:30 a. m., Sunday School 2:30 p. m., Vespers 3 p. m.	St. James Episcopal Chapel—Northeast corner West and Walnut. Services 10:30 a. m., 7:30 p. m., Sunday School 2:30 p. m.	
St. Patrick's Church—Southwest corner Dougherty and Short. P. R. Fitzpatrick, Pastor. Mass 8 a. m., 10 a. m., Sunday School 3 p. m.	St. Paul's Cathedral — Southeast corner New York and Illinois. J. Sanders Read, Rector. Services 10:30 a. m., 7:30 p. m., Sunday School 2 p. m.	
REFORMED EPISCOPAL.		
Trinity—Corner North and Alabama (Harmonic Hall.) Rev. Walter Underwood, D. D., M. D., Rector. Services Sunday 10:30 a. m. and 7:50 p. m.		
EVANGELICAL ASSOCIATION.		

R.L. Polk & Co's Indianapolis Directory for 1879 (Indianapolis: R.L. Polk, 1879). Image courtesy [Internet Archive](#).

Things to Keep in Mind

Your ancestor's denomination could have changed during his or her lifetime. Just like today, **people would change their affiliation** because of political differences or join the church of their spouse.

If your ancestor was upwardly mobile socially, he might have **changed churches in order to attend the "in" church**. It wasn't uncommon that members of a certain standing in the community were expected to go to a particular church. This gave people the chance to "see and be seen" by those they wanted to do business with.

Don't overlook **the ethnic aspect of churches**. If your ancestor identified with an ethnic community, he or she might have attended a church not in their neighborhood, but would instead attend an ethnic church further away.

(Continued on page 12 "Your Ancestor's Church")

How Many Ancestors Do You Have?

from Dick Eastman online Genealogy Newsletter, January 26, 2018

Do you know how many ancestors you have? Of course not. Let's simplify the question: How many ancestors do you have in the past one thousand years? Many people do not know the answer to that question. Care to guess? (The answer is given below but please don't peek just yet.)

The number of ancestors is simple to calculate as it is a simple mathematical progression: every person has two parents, four grandparents, eight great-grandparents, sixteen great-great-grandparents and so on. The number doubles with each generation. As you go back in years, the numbers soon become very large.

For this example, I have assumed that a new generation appears on an average of every twenty-five years:

Number of Ancestors

Generation Number	# of Years Before Your Birth	Number of ancestors in that generation	Total ancestors (this generation plus all later generations)
1	-25	2	2
2	-50	4	6
3	-75	8	14
4	-100	16	30
5	-125	32	62
6	-150	64	126
7	-175	128	254
8	-200	256	510
9	-225	512	1,022
10	-250	1,024	2,046
11	-275	2,048	4,094
12	-300	4,096	8,190
13	-325	8,192	16,382
14	-350	16,384	32,766
15	-375	32,768	65,534
16	-400	65,536	131,070
17	-425	131,072	262,142
18	-450	262,144	524,286
19	-475	524,288	1,048,574
20	-500	1,048,576	2,097,150

21	-525	2,097,152	4,194,302
22	-550	4,194,304	8,388,606
23	-575	8,388,608	16,777,214
24	-600	16,777,216	33,554,430
25	-625	33,554,432	67,108,862
26	-650	67,108,864	134,217,726
27	-675	134,217,728	268,435,454
28	-700	268,435,456	536,870,910
29	-725	536,870,912	1,073,741,822
30	-750	1,073,741,824	2,147,483,646
31	-775	2,147,483,648	4,294,967,294
32	-800	4,294,967,296	8,589,934,590
33	-825	8,589,934,592	17,179,869,182
34	-850	17,179,869,184	34,359,738,366
35	-875	34,359,738,368	68,719,476,734
36	-900	68,719,476,736	137,438,953,470
37	-925	137,438,953,472	274,877,906,942
38	-950	274,877,906,944	549,755,813,886
39	-975	549,755,813,888	1,099,511,627,774
40	-1000	1,099,511,627,776	2,199,023,255,550

Answer to the earlier question: If we assume that there is a new generation every twenty-five years, an ancestor born 1,000 years before you would be 40 generations removed from you. You would have 2,199,023,255,550 (that's 2 trillion, 199 billion, 23 million, 255 thousand, 550) unique ancestors born in the previous 40 generations, assuming no overlap (that is, none of your ancestors were cousins to other ancestors).

1,000 years doesn't even take you back to the years in which Charlemagne lived! (April 2, 742 AD to January 28, 814 AD)

Now, how many ancestors have you had in the past 10,000 years? 100,000 years? I'll leave it to you to figure out the mathematics involved. However, the answers obviously are huge numbers!

There is but one problem: all of these numbers are far more than the total number of people who ever lived on the face of the earth.

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The reality is that all families can find lots of cousins somewhere in the limbs of the family tree, resulting in the same ancestor(s) showing up in multiple places in the pedigree charts. Ask anyone who has done French-Canadian genealogy or has researched any families that lived for generations in one small village almost anyplace on earth.

Obviously, you and everyone else have cousin marriages in your ancestry, resulting in individual ancestors showing up in multiple places in your family tree.

(from <https://blog.eogn.com/2018/01/26/how-many-ancestors-do-you-have/>)

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Spoken History: Local History Groups Team Up for Lecture Series

By Kaylin Speth for Explore Marshfield, February 20, 2018

Those interested in learning more about the area's rich history are invited to attend a new lecture series called "Spoken History," underway at the Everett Roehl Marshfield Public Library.

The series is a collaboration between area groups dedicated to the region's history: [North Wood County Historical Society](#), Marshfield Historic Preservation Association, The City of Marshfield Historic Preservation Committee, [Everett Roehl Marshfield Public Library](#), Marshfield Area Genealogy Group and Laird Foundation for Historic Preservation.

The idea for the events grew from the planning for May's Historic Preservation Month activities, of which many groups are involved. "We were finding it hard to squeeze history-focused programs into a month already packed with school and family events," said library director Lori Belongia. "We also wondered if we could better serve the community by spreading the interesting history events throughout the year." ...

Editor's Note: To view the remainder of the article, check out the link below.

(from <http://exploremarshfield.com/spoken-history-local-history-groups-team-lecture-series/>)

CMU Digital Michigan Newspapers



Michigan Newspaper Research

Learn about and explore Michigan heritage through the Preservation of newspapers at the Clarke Historical Library, Mount Pleasant, MI 48859.

Email: clarke@cmich.edu

Phone: [\(989\) 774-3352](tel:(989)774-3352)

Digital Michigan Newspaper Portal



A comprehensive list of Michigan newspaper titles available online from various institutions including the Clarke Historical Library and Library of Congress. <https://www.cmich.edu/library/clarke/Pages/Michigan-Digital-Newspaper-Portal.aspx>

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Digital Michigan Newspapers Database



A database of Michigan's historic newspapers digitized from microfilm. Thousands of pages of local newspapers recording Michigan history as it happened are found here. This database collection is housed by CMU.

<https://chroniclingamerica.loc.gov/newspapers/?state=Michiganðnicity=&language=>

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Odds and Ends from the 1940's

Items Reprinted from the Marshfield News Herald, Marshfield, Wisconsin

National Champs to Compete Here

Track for Motorcycle Hillclimb Said to be in Good Shape

With two national champions on the list of entries, the Marshfield Motorcycle Club is looking forward to a crowd of several thousand people at the annual hill climb to be held next Sunday on Burdock Mound.

The climb drew approximately 2,000 people last year and the club expects to better the mark considerably this year.

The prospect of \$150 in prize money is drawing many entries and at least 35 are expected by the time the big event gets underway. Entries from such famous riders as Joe De Baker, of Moline, Ill., winner of the national 80 cu. Inch title at Rock Island, Ill., and George Haen, of Sheboygan, who captured the 45 cu. Inch amateur title at the same meet, have been received by the local club.

The hill record of 5:32 seconds, held by Sylvester Polocek of Chicago, is expected to be lowered, because the 200-foot hill is now in excellent condition.

Burdock Mound, the scene of the climb, is located 7 miles west of Klondike Corner, via Highway 19, on the Clark County line. Red arrow markers have been erected and will indicate the route to the hill one mile south of the highway.

All motorcycles used in this type of climb are specially built machines, used only for competition such as this.

(from the Marshfield News Herald, August 14, 1940, page 10, column 5.)

ALIENS REGISTER AT 8 A.M.

TUESDAY

Non-Citizens Asked to Bring Necessary Data to Post Office

Registration of aliens will begin at 8 o'clock tomorrow morning at the Marshfield Post Office and will continue until Dec. 26, Postmaster T.F. McDonald said today.

All aliens 14 years of age or older are required to register. Alien children under 14 years of age must

be registered by their parents or guardians. Persons with first citizenship papers must register.

"Registration is free, and the employees at the Post Office will do all in their power to assist you," Mr. McDonald said. "If you are in doubt, please come and inquire and if you cannot register during the day from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. please come and make an evening appointment.

"Please bring with you all information you have as to date of birth, date and port of landing in United States, and the date you applied for first citizenship papers."

(from the Marshfield News Herald, August 26, 1940, page 1, column 4.)

COUPLE AT MANNVILLE OBSERVES FIFTIETH ANNIVERSARY

A large number of relatives and friends gathered at the home of Mr. & Mrs. Matt Britten Sr., route 3, Sunday afternoon, to pleasantly surprise them on the occasion of their fiftieth wedding anniversary. A picnic supper was served to approximately 97 guests. Two lovely wedding cakes, a gold and white one baked by Mr. Ed Zettler and a vari-colored one baked by Mrs. Arthur Paul, were presented to the couple.

Married in Marshfield

Matt Britten Sr., 79 years old, was born in Trier, Germany. When he was two years old, his parents came to the United States, settling in Hilbert, Wisconsin. In 1885, he came to Bakerville to make his home with his sister, Mrs. Mary Jonas.

He was married to Miss Elizabeth Poppy on August 30, 1890, at Marshfield. Mrs. Britten, 76 years old, was born in Hanover, Germany. When she was six years old, she came to the United States with her parents, settling in Rantoul, Calumet County. When a young woman, she moved to Bakerville.

Helped to Fight Fire

After their marriage, they moved to a farm home near the present John Leukel home. Mr. Britten worked in the saw mills and coal kilns at Mannville, a prosperous lumbering town. Both Mr. and Mrs. Britten helped to fight the fire that destroyed Mannville,

which was never rebuilt.

In 1895, they bought a piece of wild land in the town of Spencer, west of Mannville. They gradually built it up to a modern farm, on which they now reside.

Both are in good health.

Mr. Britten was a carpenter by trade. Many of the farm homes around Marshfield, McMillan and Ebbe were built by him in partnership with George Spang.

Parents of Three Sons

Mr. & Mrs. Britten have three sons, Matt Jr., who lives on an adjoining farm, and William and Louis at home. They have four grandchildren, Matt III, Alice, David and Harvey Britten. One son, John, died in infancy.

Relatives who attended the celebration were Mrs. Mary Jonas, Mrs. M. Kottmeyer, Mr. and Mrs. Ermon Trudeau, Mr. and Mrs. George Roehrborn, Mr. and Mrs. Gust Oestreich and son Arnold, Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Oestreich, Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Oestreich, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Steinwagner and family, and Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Paul, and son Arthur and Gordon, all of Marshfield; Mr. and Mrs. John Jonas and family of Bakerville, Mr. and Mrs. Nick Bell and daughter Leona of Ebbe, Mr. and Mrs. John Poppy and family, and Mr. and Mrs. Ed Zettler and son Eugene of Richfield, and Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Heinzen and son Charles of Medford.

(from the Marshfield News Herald, August 27, 1940, page 7, column 1-2.)

LOCAL COUPLE IN BUSINESS HERE 15 YEARS

After 15 years of work without a vacation W.H. Biegler of Marshfield will return to his job tomorrow morning after enjoying his first holiday.

Mr. and Mrs. Biegler, proprietors of the Pleasant Hill Market 401 S. Cherry street, this week are marking their 15th anniversary in the grocery business in Marshfield.

The couple came here from Stevens Point in 1925 to establish the grocery. Mr. Biegler had been employed in a market in Stevens Point. The couple rented the store from John Kirschner of Marshfield, now deceased. They are now purchasing the store from H. E. Haight.

Mr. Biegler spent his vacation in Hayward where he was born.

(from the Marshfield News Herald, August 9, 1940, page 6)

REGISTRY TOTALS 25 ON FIRST DAY

Approximately 150 Non-Citizens Believed to Reside in Territory

A total of 25 aliens was registered and fingerprinted at the Marshfield Post Office yesterday, the opening day of registration for non-citizens. Postmaster T. F. McDonald said today. It is believed there are approximately 150 aliens living in this territory.

A few Non-citizens also came to the Post Office and obtained preliminary blanks to be filled out at their leisure at home.

Registration is compulsory and failure to register will result in fine or imprisonment. Registration is being carried on in the basement of the Post Office and will be carried on until December 26 under Federal law.

"Most of the aliens reporting so far have all the information necessary," Mr. McDonald said. "However, if any persons are in doubt as to their citizenship, they should come to the Post Office and inquire about their status. Attendants will explain the regulations." *(from the Marshfield News Herald, August 28, 1940, page 1, column 7.)*

REFRESHMENTS FROM HOME APPRECIATED

Joe Glassner, Marshfield, brought cheer to a lot of the Marshfield guardsmen at Camp McCoy during the week when he dumped off five cases of beer.

The soldiers had just returned from a particularly difficult maneuver and the refreshments just naturally disappeared.

A letter to the News-Herald today from a member of Company C requested that Mr. Glassner be thanked publicly for his thoughtfulness *(from the Marshfield News Herald, August 29, 1940, page 6, column 5.)*

(More 1940's articles to be continued in next issue)

**Clark County Wisconsin Homesteaders
Homesteading Act of May 20, 1862: Homestead Entry Original (12 Stat. 392)**

(Continued from last issue of "Kith N Kin")

Names	Date	Doc #	Twp - Rng	Aliquots	Sec. #
PARRET, POLETE	4/10/1874	710	026N - 001E	NW ¹ / ₄ SW ¹ / ₄	27
			026N - 001E	E ¹ / ₂ SE ¹ / ₄	28
			026N - 001E	SW ¹ / ₄ SE ¹ / ₄	28
PATTERSON, CHARLES H	9/15/1871	303	027N - 002W	SE ¹ / ₄ NE ¹ / ₄	19
			027N - 002W	SW ¹ / ₄ NW ¹ / ₄	20
PAYNE, JAMES H	11/12/1900	5934	023N - 002W	W ¹ / ₂ NE ¹ / ₄	20
			023N - 002W	W ¹ / ₂ SE ¹ / ₄	20
PEDERSON, MARTEN	4/30/1880	2002	029N - 001E	SW ¹ / ₄ NE ¹ / ₄	30
			029N - 001E	NW ¹ / ₄ SE ¹ / ₄	30
PEDERSON, PEDER	4/30/1880	2003	029N - 001W	S ¹ / ₂ SW ¹ / ₄	26
PEET, EZRA	3/15/1884	4936	023N - 001W	SW ¹ / ₄	12
PERKINS, DANIEL C	1/20/1880	4109	023N - 001E	E ¹ / ₂ NW ¹ / ₄	34
			023N - 001E	N ¹ / ₂ SW ¹ / ₄	34
PERKINS, HUGH E	6/1/1880	4151	023N - 001E	S ¹ / ₂ SW ¹ / ₄	26
			023N - 001E	S ¹ / ₂ SE ¹ / ₄	27
PERKINS, MINOR S	1/20/1880	4108	023N - 001E	N ¹ / ₂ SW ¹ / ₄	27
			023N - 001E	NE ¹ / ₄ SE ¹ / ₄	28
PERRY, CURTIS E	5/4/1894	5054	026N - 004W	SE ¹ / ₄	18
PETERS, EURBIN	5/15/1876	1294	026N - 001E	E ¹ / ₂ NE ¹ / ₄	9
			026N - 001E	W ¹ / ₂ NW ¹ / ₄	10
PETERSON, GEORGE W	11/20/1875	1165	028N - 001E	SE ¹ / ₄	32
PETERSON, M B	3/1/1877	1466	027N - 001E	NW ¹ / ₄	5
PETERSON, PETER	9/20/1884	2975	029N - 004W	NE ¹ / ₄ NW ¹ / ₄	32
PHELPS, ARTHUR M	6/1/1882	2522	029N - 003W	E ¹ / ₂ NE ¹ / ₄	36
PHILLIPS, JONATHAN	5/20/1873	1795	023N - 002W	N ¹ / ₂ NE ¹ / ₄	12
PHILPOTT, TOM B	12/15/1873	539	026N - 001W	NW ¹ / ₄	9
PICKERING, BYRON	11/20/1884	5138	023N - 001E	E ¹ / ₂ SE ¹ / ₄	10
			023N - 001E	SW ¹ / ₄ SE ¹ / ₄	10
PICKITT, SAMUEL H	11/5/1878	1800	027N - 001E	N ¹ / ₂ SW ¹ / ₄	26
			027N - 001E	SE ¹ / ₄ SW ¹ / ₄	26

Names	Date	Doc #	Twp - Rng	Aliquots	Sec. #
PIERCE, AUSTIN	12/27/1905	7174	024N - 004W	N $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$	4
			024N - 004W	SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$	4
			024N - 004W	SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$	4
PIERCE, DANIEL	3/21/1898	5614	024N - 004W	SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$	8
PIERCE, GUSTAVUS A	8/1/1883	2844	029N - 001 E	E $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$	24
PIERCE, JANE S	1/10/1876	1218	026N - 002W	NE $\frac{1}{4}$	12
PIERCE, JAY W	9/20/1884	3041	027N - 001 E	NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$	32
PLATT, JOSEPHINE M, PLATT, OTIS	6/1/1878	1694	028N - 001 E	SW $\frac{1}{4}$	24
PLATT, STEPHEN G	4/30/1880	2022	028N - 001 E	NE $\frac{1}{4}$	6
PLOCKELMANN, FREDERIC	5/9/1891	3852	029N - 001 E	W $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$	4
POPPY, GUSTAVUS	10/5/1888	3386	028N - 002W	Lot/Trct 8	20
POPPY, WILLIAM	7/2/1877	1563	026N - 001 E	S $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$	10
POTTERUD, EVEN J	10/1/1880	2015	029N - 001W	W $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$	26
PREBBENOR, HERMAN	4/13/1889	3646	028N - 003W	SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$	5
PRESHER, BENJAMIN M	10/1/1872	1301	023N - 002W	Lot/Trct 1	4
			023N - 002W	Lot/Trct 2	4
PRIEST, L K	10/1/1880	2111	029N - 001 E	S $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$	30
PRIMMER, CHANCEY R	9/11/1903	6494	023N - 003W	NW $\frac{1}{4}$	2
PRIMMER, CHARLEY W	4/28/1899	5683	023N - 003W	NE $\frac{1}{4}$	2
PUHLMAN, HEINRICH	10/1/1880	2196	029N - 001W	E $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$	26
QUARME, IVER O	7/21/1890	3432	029N - 001 E	W $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$	10
RADKE, HERMANN	1/15/1884	2947	029N - 001W	E $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$	14
RAHN, FERDINAND	9/20/1884	3002	029N - 001W	N $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$	2
RAHN, FREIDRICH	9/20/1884	3001	029N - 001W	S $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$	2
RANDALL, WILLARD P	11/5/1878	1787	028N - 003W	N $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$	3
			028N - 003W	SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$	3
RAYMOND, ALONZO	7/13/1875	1067	027N - 001W	SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$	23
			027N - 001W	E $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$	23
			027N - 001W	SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$	23
REED, THOMAS	5/10/1870	536	024N - 001W	SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$	18
			024N - 001W	NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$	19
			024N - 001W	NW $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$	20
REINDEL, JOHN	9/11/1903	6509	023N - 003W	SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$	26
			023N - 003W	N $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$	26
			023N - 003W	SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$	26

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or choose the time slots that best meet your requirements. You can search by location or by time or by both. To use the web site for the first time, select a state from the map on the site's home page to view all of the Atlas' content related to that state, including shapefiles, chronologies, and metadata. If you cannot quickly find the information you seek, narrow the search by choosing from the available list of options. Probably the most useful option for genealogists is to display maps by dates.

A lot of helpful information about the site can be found on the "Using the Atlas" page at: <http://publications.newberry.org/ahcbp/usingatlas.html>

This is a web site worth bookmarking. You probably won't need to use it often but, if you do ever have a need, it can supply the information you seek quickly.

The *Atlas of Historical County Boundaries* is available at the Newberry Library's web site at: <http://publications.newberry.org/ahcbp>

(from <https://blog.eogn.com/2018/02/21/online-u-s-atlas-of-historical-county-boundaries/>)

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Finding the Records

Of course, once you figure out your ancestor's church, you'll want to get into the records! First, see if that church is still in existence. If it is, contact them to see about the availability of their records. If the church doesn't exist, here are a few suggestions:

- If the church has a hierarchy, check with the next level up. For example, if the Catholic church that your ancestor attended has closed, check with the diocese.
- Check with nearby churches of the same denomination. If the church merged with another one, they might have transferred their records to that church.

Contact the local genealogical or historical society. They are the people most familiar with the records in the area. They should be able to point you in the right direction.

(from <https://www.amyjohnsoncrow.com/how-to-find-your-ancestors-church/>)

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Upcoming Meetings

March 22, 2018

"Challenges of African American Genealogical Research" James Walker, President for the Stevens Point Area Genealogy Society will be talking about researching his family and how historical events had an impact on comprehensive records.

April 26, 2018

"Historic Marshfield Tax Records" Don Schnitzler will be discussing historic tax records in Marshfield that are available, where to find them and what kind of information you'll find that will be helpful to genealogists.

May 24, 2018

Program to be Announced

June 28, 2018

Program to be Announced

July 24, 2018

Annual Potluck Picnic. Location to be determined.

Meetings of the Marshfield Area Genealogy Group are regularly held at 7:00 p.m. on the fourth Thursday of each month at the Everett Roehl Marshfield Public Library upstairs in the Felker Family Genealogy and Local History Room, except July (month of our family picnic) and November & December (no meetings) unless otherwise specified.