

NDSGS Newsletter

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Special points of interest:

- ND Genealogical Societies Reports
- ND State Archives Reports
- New Stump the Genealogist Column

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President's Letter

We are now about to experience the quick changing of the weather and that is the way our lives are. We go from cold to warm, to hot, to cool, and then back to cold. As I do my genealogy, I find that I am the same way. I don't really do any family history and then attend a genealogical presentation and then wham!, I start to do something. I then go gung ho for a while until I get bogged down. Then I feel like the door has slammed in my face. What a cycle.

The thing that keeps me going is how am I going to get enough done so that my children and grandchildren will know about where they came from and what history will be of interest to them. My grandchildren were visiting me and we decided to go through some boxes. Here in those boxes were thousands of pictures that my brother had given me a year before his death. As we were looking, most of them had little to no information of who the people on them were. So now my hot project is to find out who these people are. This is going to be a chore and a half since I only have one uncle alive that might know who these people are. The only trouble is he lives in Washington and is 80 years old. I know that you may have a similar situation. Now is the time to remedy it.

Our Society is in need of someone to take charge of Vital Records Access Committee. This committee is in the process of trying to change the law on disclosure of records to make it easier for families to access information on death records. Anyone that is interested in this please contact me at aabuchholz@yahoo.com or by calling 701-250-0920 to get more information as to what has been done. This is very important to get done before the Legislature meets.

We have the opportunity to learn more about genealogy by attending the Family History Workshop in Moorhead, MN on September 24th.

Thank you for all your support.

Alfred A Buchholz, President NDSGS

Next Meeting

The next meeting of the North Dakota State Genealogical Society will be Friday, October 7 at 1 pm CDT in the Legislative Assembly Room, State Archives, Bismarck.

All individuals who have paid their membership are welcome to attend. All genealogical societies in North Dakota who have paid their membership are encouraged to send a representative of their society.

North Dakota State Genealogical Society Minutes

A quorum was not present for the July NDSGS meeting so a business meeting was not held.

The following motion was emailed to the NDSGS membership on July 19, 2016 and approved.

Patrice Hartman made a motion to place a quarter page ad for \$25.00 in the 2016 Family History Workshop syllabus; seconded by Pat Ashley. This workshop will be held in Moorhead, MN on September 24th, 2016.

Presentation on the Theodore Roosevelt Center by Sharon Kilzer and Pamela Pierce on July 8, 2016 at Dickinson State University.

The Theodore Roosevelt Center collects both papers and memorabilia about Theodore Roosevelt. The

center received an appropriation from the Library of Congress to digitize the Theodore Roosevelt collection. The information was scanned from 485 reels of microfilm.

This summer they have 8 interns who are cataloging the collection and doing transcriptions.

A foundation was formed and they will be erecting an authentic replication of the Elkhorn Ranch Cabin and building a Theodore Roosevelt Library on the Dickinson State University campus.

The Theodore Roosevelt Digital Library website is <http://www.theodorerooseveltcenter.org/Research/Digital-Library.aspx>

State Historical Society of North Dakota

New Local Government Records

by Ann Jenks, State Archivist

41779 Burleigh County. Recorder, Marriage License Applications, Licenses, and Certificates, 1874-1925, 6r. (#17323-17325, 17327-17328, 17330)

41780 McIntosh County. Clerk of Court, Marriage Records, 1885-1925, 7r. (#17334-17338, 17345-17346) [41780]

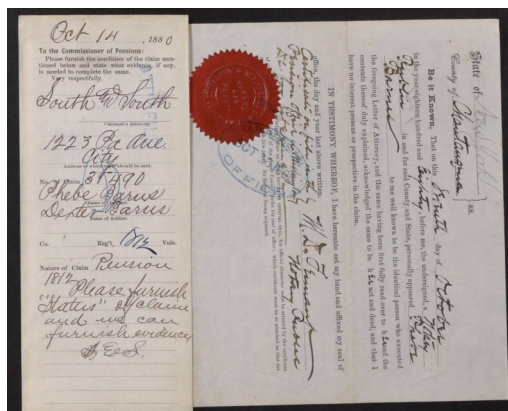
41527 McIntosh County. Clerk of Court, Birth and Death Certificates, 1910-1916, 1943-1978, 1.5ft. (addition) RESTRICTED

War of 1812 Preserve the Pensions Update

The Federation of Genealogical Societies recently announced the receipt of a \$500,000 anonymous donation to the War of 1812 Preserve the Pension fundraising project. This donation will be matched by Ancestry.com to provide \$1 million for the project and achieve the \$3.7 million fundraising goal. Over 4,000 individuals and 115 genealogical and lineage societies contributed to the project and Ancestry.com matched each donation.

The War of 1812 pension files have not been microfilmed and are among the most requested documents at the National Archives. Now they will be available to everyone for free at Fold3. As of 12

September, 4,001,500 images have been digitized with 7.2 million more images to be captured. They are working on last names beginning with M.



These files have been digitized in color with amazing clarity. Be sure to check out this free resource at <https://www.fold3.com>. Registration for a free account is required to download the images.

A brief history of the war and records created by the conflict is included in a free video on Ancestry Academy at "[Ancestors, Family, and Associates in the War of 1812 Records](#)." The video features David Rencher, AG, CG, FUGA, FIGRS. A free Ancestry Academy account is required to watch the video.

State Historical Society of North Dakota

New Book Acquisitions

by Rachel White, Head of Technical Services SHSND

New since June:

NORTH DAKOTA LOCAL HISTORIES:

Blair, Todd and Karen Garvey, editors. *Tumbleweed feed and gopher trapping for pocket money : tales from the good old days in southeast and south central North Dakota, a treasury of 20th century memories*. Hickory, North Carolina : Hometown Memories, LLC, 2015.

Diamond jubilee : 75th anniversary of Napoleon, North Dakota, June 4-5-6, 1959. Napoleon, North Dakota : Historical Committee, 1959.

1898-1988 Lehr centennial. Lehr, North Dakota : np, 1998.

Fischer, Arthur J. *A century of worship, June 11-12, 1988 : Berlin Baptist Church, Fredonia North Dakota, centennial 1888-1988*. np : np, 1988.

Jaeger, Janis Christofferson, comp. *Greetings from Kloten, N.D.* North Dakota : J. C. Jaeger, 2015.

Kloten school reunion, 2012. North Dakota : s.n., 2012?

Litchville High School Trojan yearbook. Litchville, North Dakota : Litchville High School, 1951.

Our Savior's Lutheran Church, Mercer, North Dakota : serving our Lord and Savior since 1916 : a time to celebrate.

Valley Grove Lutheran Church, Kloten North Dakota 1882 to 2011. North Dakota : n.p., 201?

FAMILY HISTORIES:

Bitz, Luella and Carol Halverson. *Just [family] heritage, 1838-1978*. Lodi, California : Bitz, c1978.

Brumley, Anna Knopp. *A history of the Knopp family, 1771-present*. United States : A. B. Knopp, 2002.

Courage enough : Mon-Dak family histories, Richland County, Montana. Richland County, Montana : np, 1975.

Descendants of Jacob Schaeffer. South Dakota : s.n., 1982.

Descendants of John P. Bender. South Dakota : s.n., 1981.

Fleming, Charles F. *Carlisle Township to the Capital City : a lifetime of memories*. Bismarck, North Dakota : Carlisle, 2014.

Groethe, Osborne V. *Saga of an immigrant : from Norway to North Dakota : Sven O. Groethe, 1882-1964 : the life story of an inspired and courageous Norwegian*. United States : Osborne V. Groethe, 2013.

Mayer, Arlys Kosanke. *Windmills and church spires : an autobiography*. Np : np, 1995.

Our family tree : Simon Hirsch, Julianna Rieger Hirsch. United States : s.n., 1982.

Our times, our lives : Dawson County family stories. Glendive, Montana : Dawson County Tree Branches, 1989.

Valenta, Vicky L., compiler. *Santee Dakotah genealogy : in memory of our people, the Santee Sioux of Nebraska*. United States : n.p., 2015.

OTHER:

Dendy, Mandy. *To Korea and back : the story of Vern Huber*. North Dakota : M. Dendy, c2016..

Hoffman, Thomas J. *The Catholic Colony of Landau, Russia*. San Diego, California : T. J. Hoffman Schaffner, 1993.

Marsh Mont. : remembering the yesteryears, 1910-1997. Billings, Montana : Pub. House, 1997.

Lykken, Vernon K. *Diary, S. Sgt. Vernon Lykken, B-17 gunner, 8th Air Force, European Theater, WW2*. North Dakota : V. K. Lykken, 2016?

Sladky, Anne, editor. *Our Hadeland ancestors*. United States : Hadeland Lag of America, Inc., 2015.

Warns, Marvin, Leona Warns and Loretta Neuhardt. *Declaration of intention, state of South Dakota of McPherson Co. SD, of Leola, SD*. Aberdeen, South Dakota : M. & L. Warns, L. Neuhardt, 1998.

Wentzel, Jerry, Alvern Wentzel and Arleen Wagner. *Landing in Fisher : a history of Fisher, Minnesota*. Crookston, Minnesota : Ye Ole Print Shoppe, Inc., c2016.

North Dakota Genealogical Society Reports

Red River Valley Genealogical Society

by Linda Zeuschel

The Red River Valley Genealogical Society is proud of its new home in the main entrance building to Bonnazville USA in West Fargo ND. If you are in the area please stop by to see our new facility. Remember this is a volunteer library so be sure to check if someone is working by calling our phone at 701-239-4129. Our normal hours are Thursday 1:00 PM - 5:00 PM, Friday and Saturday 11:00 AM - 3:00 PM from May through October. During the months of November through April we are only open on Thursday and Friday. Follow us on Facebook or check our web site at www.redrivergenealogy.com <<http://www.redrivergenealogy.com>>. You may also schedule a

different time by emailing us at rrvgs@fargocity.com to work with someone who will meet with you.

Plans are being discussed to celebrate our 50th anniversary in 2017. Be sure to join us. More information later as plans are set.

We are also working on a Workshop to be held at the library sometime in the spring.

In July 2017 we are planning to host the North Dakota State Genealogical Society meeting in our library.

Bismarck Mandan Historical and Genealogical Society

by Alfred A. Buchholz

I find that what our society has done is very important to other societies and to a lot of libraries around the country. We have been getting a lot of requests for our books and publications. One of these orders was for over \$1000 worth of materials.

I am so thankful for our editor of our newsletter, "The Dakota Homestead". We get people that join our society from other states just to get that newsletter. I know that the editor puts a lot of time in to it to make it the best it can be.

We wish that we had a place to put all of our publications, materials, equipment, and the copies of other newsletter publications that we receive so that

members and other people wanting to do research could find what they are looking for.

We have had lots of response to our presentations that we put on each month and invited others to join us. We meet on the second Thursday of the month at the Bismarck Veteran's Memorial Library, 515 N 5th St., Bismarck, North Dakota, in room C at 7pm. The months that we don't meet at the Library are January, July, August, and some months that we have tours.

For more information e-mail us at: info@bmhgs.com

Thank you for all your support and wish you a happy fall. Make sure to attend any workshops that may be available.

Stump the Genealogist

For this newsletter we are asking you our readers for the answer to the following question:

How would you find the death of someone who was rumoured to have been shot and killed in North Dakota in 1884?

To answer send a list of what sources can be checked to either Patrice at patrice@ndsupernet.com or Pat at pashley@ndsupernet.com.

For example: Church records, indexes to deaths in North Dakota, cemetery records.

We will publish the responses in our Spring Newsletter, and email the answers to the membership for those who don't want to wait.

Family History Workshop Registration

Workshop Registration Information

Cost: \$49 includes luncheon for those whose registration and payment are received by Friday, September 16, 2016. Walk-ins are welcome, however, the luncheon is not guaranteed for registration fees paid after Friday, September 16.

Workshop Location:

Horizon Middle School
3601 12th Ave. S., Moorhead

From Interstate 94 take EXIT 2B [34th St.] to Moorhead; turn right onto 34th St. S. and go north; turn right onto 12th Ave S.; turn right on 40th St. S. The second right on 40th St. will take you directly to the larger parking lot on the south side of Horizon Middle School. Please enter from the south door #16 adjacent to the parking lot.

How to Register:

Online:

Go to <https://communityed.moorheadschoools.org>.
Pay with Visa, MasterCard or Discover.

Call: 218-284-3400

Pay over the phone with Visa, MasterCard or Discover.

Mail or Walk In:

Bring or mail your registration form and payment to:
Moorhead Community Education
2410 14th St. S.,
Moorhead, MN 56560

Family History Workshop Registration Form

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

Registration Fee: \$49/Person _____ (Qty) X \$49 = _____ (Total)
(\$40 includes conference, materials, refreshments, luncheon)

Make checks payable to ISD 152 or charge to:

☐ VISA ☐ MasterCard ☐ Discover

Card No. _____ Exp. date: _____

Please indicate special dietary needs: _____

*List additional registrations on a separate sheet.

Citation Corner

A recent article by Thomas W. Jones in the *Association of Professional Genealogists Quarterly* explored the use of waypoints in citations.¹ Waypoints, or “bread crumbs,” form a path from a collection title to the image using titles and numbers connected by greater-than signs (>). The current citation style, based on publications, works well when images are searchable and logically arranged, but with more and more unindexed records being digitized it may be time to adopt a new style.

As an example, I will use a will found in the New York Probate Records collection at *FamilySearch*. Looking at the image, write the citation from back to front. Begin with the item you are looking at, in this case: Abram Wolever will, 19 November 1873.

Insert the image numbers in front: images 239-240, Abram Wolever will, 19 November 1873.

FamilySearch provides three waypoints above the image that can be copied and pasted in the citation: New York Probate Records, 1629-1971 > Madison > Wills 1873-1874 > vol P > images 239-240, Abram Wolever will, 19 November 1873.

The first waypoint is the collection-level URL (New York Probate Records, 1629-1971) which can be pasted into the citation along with the download date.

(<https://familysearch.org/search/collection/1920234> : accessed 9 August 2016) > New York Probate Records, 1629-1971 > Madison > Wills 1873-1874 > vol P > images 239-240, Abram Wolever will, 19 November 1873.

Finally insert the publication title (website) at the beginning so the result is:

FamilySearch (<https://familysearch.org/search/collection/1920234> : accessed 9 August 2016) > New York Probate Records, 1629-1971 > Madison > Wills 1873-1874 > vol P > images 239-240, Abram Wolever will, 19 November 1873.

This style may not work for every situation, but is another tool in your citation toolbox.

¹ Thomas W. Jones, “Genealogy > Citations > Waypoints: An Option for Locating and Citing Unindexed Numbered Online Images,” *Association of Professional Genealogists Quarterly* 31 (June 2016): 71-79.

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Supporting	\$10.00
Society (1-10 members)	\$5.00
Society (11-25 members)	\$10.00
Society (26-50 members)	\$20.00
Society (51+ members)	\$35.00

Website: www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~ndsgs/



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Upcoming Events

22-24 September 2016. Montana State Genealogical Society. Annual Conference. Missoula. For more info: <http://montanamsgs.org/conferences.html>.

23-24 September 2016. Germanic Genealogy Society. Fall Conference. Inver Grove Heights, MN. For more info: <http://www.gsgsmn.org/eventListings.php?nm=38#nm38er27>

24 September 2016. 41st Family History Workshop. Moorhead. For more info: <http://www.heritageed.com/>.

29 September—1 October 2016. Minnesota Genealogical Society. North Star Genealogy Conference, Edina, MN. For more info: <http://mngs.org/aem.php?eid=1>.

1-2 October 2016. Discover Your Swedish Roots Workshop, Lindsborg, Kansas. For more info: <http://www.mcphersoncountyks.us/index.aspx?nid=388>.

7 October 2016. North Dakota State Genealogical Society meeting, 1-3pm, State Archives, Bismarck.

15 October 2016. Rapid City Society for Genealogical Research. Seminar. Rapid City. For more info: <http://rcsgr50.wixsite.com/rcgenealogy/seminar>.

7 April 2017. North Dakota State Genealogical Society meeting, 1-3pm, State Archives, Bismarck.

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