

NDSGS NEWSLETTER

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The Official Newsletter of the North Dakota State Genealogical Society



"A NOTE FROM OUR PRESIDENT"

What a busy summer. I had the opportunity to visit several of the genealogy societies in the State. While I have enjoyed doing some presentations, I have enjoyed even more the opportunity to meet so many of a kindred spirit. When you enjoy family history, there is never any difficulty finding something to discuss. As the outgoing president of the NDSGS, I would like to thank so many of you who have worked hard to help us get started. It seems like just yesterday we were talking about organizing and yet it was three years ago. There has been more communication between the societies and networking than ever before. Let's continue to move forward with positive determination.

John Mogren

GRAND FORKS COUNTY 1885 CENSUS INDEX AVAILABLE

For the past three years, the Department of Special Collections at the Chester Fritz Library (UND) has been indexing the Grand Forks County 1885 census. This new publication will also be available at the Moorhead Family History Conference on September 27th, although the price has yet to be determined. The Dakota Territory 1885 census: Grand Forks County Index enumerates 20,454 names and provides a surname index as well as a nativity and an occupation index (both arranged alphabetically).

WILLIAMS COUNTY ENCOURAGES SUMMER CEMETERY SAUNTERS

Members of WCCS (Williams County Genealogical Society) are collecting gravesite information from cemeteries and independent sites. Working to compile this information in book form, the group hopes to continue collecting data through next summer. Any information about gravesites on private land in Williams County would be welcome. Contact Jackl Keck @ (701) 572-7829

INDIANA SEEKS NORTH DAKOTA DATA

THE HISTORICAL GENEALOGY DEPARTMENT OF THE ALLEN COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY IN FORT WAYNE, INDIANA, IS SOLICITING RESEARCH MATERIAL REGARDING WESTERN UNITED STATES, INCLUDING NORTH DAKOTA.

"MATERIALS WE SEEK INCLUDE VITAL RECORD INDEXES, BUSINESS, CHURCH, COMMUNITY OR COUNTY HISTORIES, CEMETERY TRANSCRIPTIONS, OBITUARY INDEXES, BIOGRAPHICAL COMPILATIONS, YEARBOOKS, ETC. WE WILL GRATEFULLY ACCEPT DONATIONS OF ANY OF THE ABOVE MATERIALS, BUT WILL ALSO CONSIDER PAYING FOR THE COST OF PHOTOCOPYING OR PURCHASING ITEMS OUTRIGHT IF PROVIDED THE PRICE AND PUBLISHER'S ADDRESS."

THOSE ABLE TO ASSIST RESPOND TO

ELAINE M. RUHN, REFERENCE LIBRARIAN
HISTORICAL GENEALOGY DEPARTMENT
ALLEN COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY
900 WEBSTER STREET

FORT WAYNE, IN 46801-2270

ALSO, SEE [HTTP://WWW.ACPL.LIB.IN.US](http://www.acpl.lib.in.us)

**CHESTER FRITZ LIBRARY
ADDS TITLES TO UPDATED
"GUIDE TO NORWEGIAN BYGDEBOKER"**

The Elwyn B. Robinson Department of Special Collections at the Chester Fritz Library (UND) has added many new titles to its updated "Guide to Norwegian Bygdebok."

*The guide indexes the Department's extensive collection of Norwegian farm and family history books, which presently total 835 volumes, located in its Family History Room. The bygdebok collection chronicles the history of 491 communities or parishes in Norway. The guide will be available free of charge at the Moorhead Family History Conference to be held on September 27th, by E-mail (slater@plains.nodak.edu) or by contacting the following:
Department of Special Collections
Chester Fritz Library, Box 9000
UND, Grand Forks ND 58202-9000*

YEARLY NDSGS DUES

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

Queries for members = free
Non-members = \$5.00/query

Current officers(1995-97)

John Mogren, President
James Stark, Vice President
Jacki Keck, Secretary
Don Smith, Treasurer

Affiliate Coordinators

Jacki Keck & Frank Lysy
Williston ND 58801



WHAT ARE YOU DOING?

This newsletter is intended to act as a network between the genealogists in our State. If you (or the group you attend) are working on a project or have some news-worthy information to share, please send it to

Jacki Keck

703 West 7th Street

Williston ND 58801-4908

**MOORHEAD
STATE UNIVERSITY**

**SATURDAY HISTORY COURSE
OFFERED AT MSU**

"Minnesota and the Upper Midwest"

- Terry Shoptaugh (MSU Archivist, Dir/NW MN Hx Ctr/Assoc. Prof./Hx)
- 2-credit course/Liberal Studies
- Texts: William Lass
"Minnesota: A History" (1983) + other
- Saturday afternoons: 2:45 - 5:15
- Location: 164 MacLean Hall
- Sep 6 & 20; Oct 11 & 25; Nov 8 & 22; Dec 6
Call (701) 236-2346

Gotta Visit:

How-to Genealogy Site
Published by: Robert Ragan
<http://www.firstct.com/fv/tmapmenu.html>
FREE monthly e-mail
Genealogy Newsletter

'Gotta' Suggestion for a page to visit?

E-mail: flysy@dia.net

Check this space for future sites.

See "Sponge" column for information about researching on the Internet.

GENE^{EOLOGY}

Here's the list
of those attending the
June 20, 1997
meeting

John Mogren (MRLGS)
330 Harriet Avenue
Fessenden ND 58438

Jane Skei (RRVGS)
1035 North 1st
Fargo ND 58102

James T. Stark (RRVGS)
73 Prairiewood Crossing SW
Fargo ND 58103

George Barron (JRGJ)
Route 1 - Box 270
Jamestown ND 58401-9655

Daphne Drewello (JRGJ)
Box 1735
Jamestown ND 58402-1735

Patrice Hartman (SWNDGS)
HCROL - Box 32A
Regent ND 58650

Jean Johnson (Visitor)
RR#1 - Box 189
Spearfish SD 57783

Mayme Johnson
(Prairie Trails Museum)
Box 182
Bowman ND 58623

Clara Bliss (BCH&GS = Box 78)
Box 91
Bowman ND 58623

Dorothy Pearson
(PTM/BCH&GS)
Box 589
Bowman ND 58623

Shirley Jensen (BCH&GS)
RR#1 - Box 36
Bowman ND 58623

Gerald Newborg (SHSND)
612 East Boulevard
Bismarck ND 58505

Dolores Vyzralek (SHSND)
612 East Boulevard
Bismarck ND 58505

Jacki Keck (WCGS)
703 West 7th Street
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Minute Highlights from June 20, 1997

Treasurer's Report: Balance of \$427.88

Old Business:

- (1) 1885 Territorial Census almost completed for Ransom County
Woman in S. Dakota is doing Sargent County; Walsh in progress
- (2) Stutsman County page now in GENWEB
[Reminder: NDSGS = <http://www.usgenweb.com>]
- (3) Website for Mouse River Loop Genealogical Society:
<http://www.geocities.com/Athens/Forum/2079/mrlgs.html>

New Business:

- (1) Annual meeting will be in March (reached by consensus)
- (2) We will meet three times a year
- (3) Next meeting = Election of Officers
John - nominating slate; officers change January 1st
- (4) Newsletter articles due August 15th, mailed last week of August
It was suggested the masthead remain as is with addition:
"Official newsletter of the North Dakota State Genealogical Society"
- (5) Up-date on Cemetery Records Project:
 - (a) There's a website for cemetery locations
 - (b) Bowman County data hand-written; soon to be computerized
 - (c) Williams County is in the process of collecting data
 - (d) Index to RRVGS Library holdings is available for \$7.50
"Eddy Funeral Home Records Index" includes State Hospital
Currently indexing six volumes of West Funeral Home (1975)
RRVGS WWW home page = <http://rrnet.com/~rrvgs/>
- (6) Dolores Vyzralek, Librarian/NDSHS, compiled index of State societies' works available/prices. Inquiries/up-dated information:
Heritage Center, 612 East Boulevard Ave., Bismarck ND 58505
- (7) MRLGS/CND = tour to Fargo on July 8-9; 'host' = RRVGS
They will tour Institute of Regional Studies/RRVGS Library

NEXT MEETING: September 19th @ 1 pm in Heritage Center/Bismarck

NDSGS Newsletter welcomes queries. Use the following example and data to fill out the form on the cover.

WAY Hiram WAY b. 04 May 1851 in England, m. Rhoda Ann SHAVE 12 Dec 1878 in England,
SHAVE arr US 1883, set Hawley/Fergus Falls MN, farmer/stonemason, dau: Annette, El izabeth,
SEBLEY Mabel, Carrie, Elsie & Alberta, d. 12 Dec 1878

Also researching ASH, EPLER, DAVENPORT, LUNDHAGEN families

Jacki Keck, 703 West 7th Str, Williston ND 58801-4908

Abbreviations Used in Queries

aft	after	corres	correspondence	info	information
aka	also known as	d	died, death	m	married, marriage
anc	ancestor(s)	dau	daughter	m1	married first
arr	arrived	desc	descendant(s)	m2	married second
b	born	div	divorced	mo	mother
bap	baptized	d/o	daughter of	par	parents
bef	before	dp	death place	poss	possibly
bp	birth place	emigr	emigrate from	prob	probably
btwn	between	exch	exchange	res	resided, residence
bro	brother(s)	fa	father	set	settled
bur	buried	fam	family	sib	sibling(s)
cem	cemetery	g	grand	sis	sister(s)
ca	circa	gg	great grand	s/o	son of
ch	child, children	ggg	great great grand	twp	township
Co	County	immigr	immigrate to	unk	unknown

"flysy"

.....on the web

Hello there!
I'm Frank Lysy
from Williston, ND, your resident expert on the net.
E-mail me at flysy@dia.net with questions you may
have regarding genealogy on the internet. E-ya later!



Do you know this place?



This is one of the earliest sketches of the place we know as Chicago! It's just one more example of the gems found on the internet!

YOU KNOW YOU'RE AN ADDICTED GENEALOGIST WHEN...

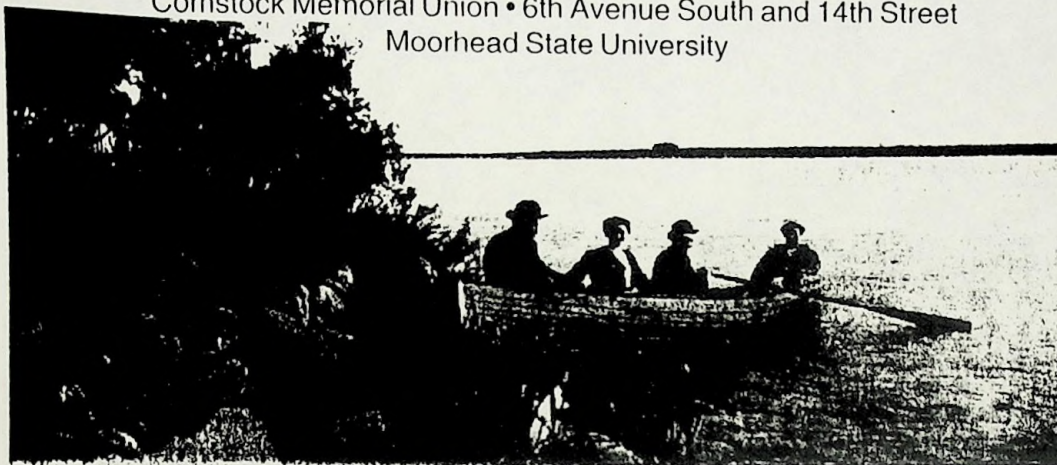
- You brake for libraries.
- You get locked in a library overnight and never notice.
- You hyper ventilate at the sight of an old cemetery.
- You'd rather browse in a cemetery than a shopping mall.
- You'd think every home should have a microfilm reader.
- You'd rather read census schedules than a good book.
- You know every town clerk in your state by name.
- Town clerks lock the doors when they see you coming.
- You're more interested in what happened in 1697 than 1997.
- You store your clothes under the bed and your closet is carefully stacked with notebooks and journals.
- Stewart, Taylor, and Rose are household names, but you can't remember what you call your dog.
- You can pinpoint Harrietsham, Hawkhurst, and Kent on a map of England, but you can't locate Topeka, Kansas.
- All your correspondence begins, "Dear Cousin".

YOUR VOYAGE TO DISCOVERY

Family History Workshop XXII

September 27, 1997 • 7:55 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Comstock Memorial Union • 6th Avenue South and 14th Street
Moorhead State University



YOUR VOYAGE TO DISCOVERY						
7:55 - 8:25	Registration and Refreshments					
8:25 - 8:40	Entire Program Introduction and Announcements					
8:45 - 9:55	Room 101 When the Sources are Wrong Henry Z. Jones, Jr.	Room 121 Port of Call: Sweden Rev Paulson	Room 205 By Sea and By Land: Church Records and Passenger Lists Bill Bekkerud/Darlene Marler	Room 208 First Step of the Voyage: Beginning Genealogy Grace Cochrane Bobrowski	Room 203 Beginning General Software and CD-ROMs Rick Crume	Room 227 Using Genealogical Resources on the Internet Jeanne Alm
10:05 - 11:15	Room 101 Tracing the Origins of Early 18-century German Palatine Emigrants Henry Z. Jones, Jr.	Room 121 What Can You Find in Your Norwegian Trunk? Vallyn Anderson	Room 204 Researching the Institute of Regional Studies John Bye	Room 208 First Step of the Voyage: Beginning Genealogy Grace Cochrane Bobrowski	Room 203 Family History Center: What's There and How to Use It Chuck Walen	Room 227 Using Genealogical Resources on the Internet Jeanne Alm
Noon	Speaker: Bjørn Støre-Jakobsen, member of Norwegian Sami Association					
1:10 - 2:20	Room 101 Some later Palatine arrivals to the middle colonies; 2. Palatines in Ireland Henry Z. Jones, Jr.	Room 121 The Path to Cultural Autonomy Bjørn Støre-Jakobsen	Room 205 Your Czech/Slovak Ancestors: How to Find Them Marcela Fafek	Room 208 Researching Your Icelandic Ancestry Arlene Steingrasson	Room 203 Computer Resources at Family History Centers Chuck Walen	Room 227 Compiling Your Family History Using Family Tree Maker Software Jeanne Alm
2:20 - 3:20	Booths and Refreshments (booths listed below)					
3:20 - 4:30	Room 101 Family Tradition: How to Separate Fact from Fantasy in Genealogical Research Henry Z. Jones, Jr.	Room 121 Questions and Answers About Your Sami Roots Rev Paulson/Vallyn Anderson/Carl Mayo	Room 205 Colonial America: Searching in New England Alice Elvengren	Room 208 Logging Your Research for Future Generations David Gilligan	Room 203 So You Have Grandma's Photos and Papers: How What Larry Probst	Room 227 Advanced Genealogy Software and CD-ROMs Rick Crume

*Indicates a repeat session.

Pre-Registration Form: Family History Workshop XXII

To pre-register for the workshop, including lunch, return this form with your payment of \$25 by September 19, 1997. Make check payable to Moorhead State University and mail to: Continuing Studies, Moorhead State University, 1104 7th Avenue South, Moorhead, MN 56563

☐ Enclosed is my check for \$25 which registers me for the workshop, lunch provided

Name _____

Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

QUERY SUBMISSION FORM

Name(s)

Information (dob/dod/area lived in/marriage/offspring/etc)

Also Researching:

Respond to:

Address:

Queries are FREE to members

Non-members = \$5/query

() Interested in membership

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