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President's Letter

In an attempt to expose the NDSGS to a wider audience it was decided to move our meetings around the state to correspond with local meetings or workshops. Since many North Dakotans attend the workshop in Moorhead we chose to participate there as well.

Our meeting in October will be another wonderful opportunity to attend a family history workshop. Stephen Morse is the featured speaker at *Decoding the Maze*. Besides being the developer of the One-Step Website, making our genealogical searches a bit easier, he was also the architect of the Intel 8086 chip which started the PC revolution 30 years ago. I heard him speak at a National Genealogical Society conference a few years ago and was fascinated by his insights. There will be many other great speakers at this workshop with topics from Norwegian and Swedish research to probate and vital records. Greg Wysk will discuss German-Russian resources at the State Archives. Patrice Hartman will present an overview of the society for those unfamiliar with our mission, then we will hold a brief meeting. Be sure to read about their program on page 3 of this newsletter and send in your registration.

If you are interested in helping staff the NDSGS booth at the Family History Workshop please contact me or stop by the booth.

Hope to see you at our October meeting!

Pat Ashley

Next Meeting

The next meeting of the North Dakota State Genealogical Society will be Saturday, October 2, 2010 at the Heritage Workshop, Room 227, Comstock Union, MSU, Moorhead, Minnesota, beginning at 3:15 p.m. Central Time.

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.

Patrice Hartman will give an overview of the NDSGS followed by a short meeting.

North Dakota State Genealogical Society Minutes

President Pat Ashley called the meeting to order at 11:00 AM on July 9, 2010. The meeting was held in the Legislative Assembly Room at the State Historical Society of North Dakota. Genealogical societies/club representatives present: Patrice Hartman and Pat Ashley, SWNDGS; Greg Wysk, SHSND; Don Smith, BMHGS.

Business meeting

Don Smith made a motion, which was seconded by Greg Wysk that the minutes of the April 9, 2010 meeting be approved as printed. Motion carried.

TREASURERS REPORT

Don Smith gave the Treasurers Report. Motion made by Patrice Hartman and seconded by Pat Ashley to file the treasurers report. Motion carried

OLD BUSINESS

Let Patrice Hartman know if you can help at the NDSGS booth at the Moorhead Workshop on Saturday, October 2nd.

Pre 1925 marriage index. The Great Rivers Network is still having problems setting up the database. We may look at another entity to place this index online.

Patrice Hartman presented a preliminary draft of a letter to the legislators introducing the NDSGS. This letter would be sent after the election in November but before the session begins.

Ann Jenks is working with the Attorney General's office to get more information on what records are restricted and what is not.

NEW BUSINESS

Don Smith made a motion to put an quarter page ad (Cost is \$25.00) in the Moorhead Workshop booklet, seconded by Pat Ashley, carried.

No program was presented as members were encouraged to attend the Initiatives in French workshop beginning at 1 PM.

The next meeting will be held Saturday, October 2nd at 3:15 to 4:30 during the Moorhead Workshop.

Secretary, Patrice Hartman

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The Size of Your Books and of Your E-reader is Determined by Sheep

Here's a bit of historical trivia: the size of the books you read and even the size of your fancy new e-reader are determined by sheep in the Middle Ages.

First, the easy part: e-readers are replacements for books, and most manufacturers deliberately make their e-readers resemble books. Most of the e-reader manufacturers assume that customers want to continue the same "look and feel" so they create e-readers that are the same sizes as books.

Now for the more interesting part: how is the size of books determined? Carl Pyrdum provides the answers in his Got Medieval blog at <http://gotmedieval.blogspot.com/2010/08/why-are-books-so-big-google-penance.html>.

You must remember that the earliest books were not printed on paper. In medieval days, they were printed on parchment. What is parchment? Sheep's skin. You remember when you graduated from college you got the ol' sheepskin? That's because the diploma was supposedly

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Decoding the Maze

35th Annual Family History Workshop, Moorhead, Minnesota

Decoding the Maze is the theme for the 35th Annual Family History Workshop to be held Saturday, October 2, 2010, at Minnesota State University Moorhead. The 2010 Family History Workshop features Stephen Morse the creator of the One-Step Website for which he has received both the Lifetime Achievement Award and the Outstanding Contribution Award from the International Association of Jewish Genealogical Societies, Award of Merit from the National Genealogical Society, first-ever Excellence Award from the Association of Professional Genealogists, and two awards that he cannot pronounce from Polish genealogical societies. In his other life Morse is a computer professional with a doctorate degree in electrical engineering. He has held various research, development, and teaching positions, authored numerous technical papers, written four textbooks, and holds four patents. He is best known as the architect of the Intel 8086 (the granddaddy of today's Pentium processor), which sparked the PC revolution 30 years ago.

Stephen's sessions will be "One-Step Webpages: A Potpourri of Genealogical Search Tools," "One-Step Webpages: A Hodgepodge of Lesser-Known Gems," "Deep Linking & Deeper Linking: How I Get the Most Out of Existing Search Applications," and "From DNA to Genetic Genealogy: Everything you wanted to know but were afraid to ask."

The workshop schedule also includes many other session topics including beginning genealogy, strategies for solving Swedish genealogical research problems, getting the most out of Ancestry.com, seven habits of effective genealogy, vital records on the Minnesota frontier, German-Russian resources at the ND State Archives, cracking the code to beginning German research, beginning research in Pommern/Posen; North Dakota vital records, 19th Century military records, beginning Norwegian genealogy, Norwegian on-line genealogy resources, probate records: a genealogical & family history treasure, reconstructing your family's

small US business: accessible records, beginning youth genealogy, family history center/family search, genealogical software: how do the top programs compare?, British intelligence: smart strategies for tracking down English, Scottish and Welsh ancestors. In addition the North Dakota State Genealogical Society will hold their regular meeting.

The Family History Workshop runs from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. on October 2, 2010, in the Comstock Union on the Minnesota State University Moorhead campus at 615 14th Street South in Moorhead. The luncheon program features a special speaker and presentations of family history research awards. An exhibit hall featuring booths for more than twenty organizations and vendors is open throughout most of the day.

The workshop cost of \$40 includes four lectures of your choice, the workshop syllabus with all handouts, and morning & afternoon coffee breaks. Noon luncheon is provided at no additional cost for those whose pre-registration and payment are received by September 25, 2010. Walk-in attendees are welcome. A limited number of luncheon tickets are available for walk-in registrants on a first-come basis.

Youth ages 11-17 may attend the special Beginning Youth Genealogy session, three other sessions of their choice and lunch for \$10. Space is limited and on a first come first serve basis.

For more information about the workshop, the presenters, the family history research book contest, and pre-registration materials visit www.heritageed.org or contact Continuing Studies, UPO Box 82, 1104 - 7th Ave. S, Minnesota State University Moorhead, Moorhead, MN 56563, or (218) 477-5862. Check us out on Facebook at www.facebook.com/pages/Moorhead-MN-Family-History-Workshop/179596648592. The 35th Annual Family History Workshop is sponsored by the Heritage Education Commission of MSUM.

CORRECTION: The envelope sent by Henry Buehner of Bailey, North Dakota to Munster, Germany in 1909 was not shown in the article entitled "Philatelic Genealogy in North Dakota: Immigrant Origins and Domestic Family Ties" (*NDSGS Newsletter*, 1 (Summer 2010): 8, 13). The envelope can be seen on the Philatelic Genealogy website (<http://philgen.org>) by searching on Buehner.

State Historical Society of North Dakota

by Rachel White, Head of Technical Services SHSND

Here are new books since May:

Reflections by Doris Asplund McDill

Abstracts & index of deaths, the Journal : Divide County, Crosby, N.D., 2005-2009 by Rod Gillund

History of the Church of God in North Dakota by Anna Emilie Koglin

Swedish immigrants to Sheyenne, North Dakota : Anders Gustaf Nilson and Gerda Gerofina Forsberg by Dennis Raymond Nelson

One hundred twenty five years : the history and chronology of the North Dakota State Hospital by Sally Van Beek, Nancy McKenzie, Alex Schweitzer

The Carver family from England to Massachusetts to the Midwest compiled by Nancy Lee Carver Link

100 years : Reeder ND centennial, 1908-2008

Regent reflections, 1910-2010 : celebrating a century by Marlene Kouba, Carol Witte

Manuscripts

Lindegren family papers, 1917-1943

Digital Horizons

Most of the work for the Dakota Mosaic project has been completed, and is available for viewing here: <http://www.digitalhorizonsonline.org/cdm4/browse.php?CISOROOT=/ndshs-dm>

Items new this year are from:

- Cass County Historical Society
- Pembina County Historical Society
- Richland County Historical Society
- Towner County Historical Society
- Walsh County Historical Museum of Minto
- Bismarck State College Library Archives
- Dickinson State University
- Barnes County Historical Society
- Pioneer Trails Regional Museum
- Enderlin Historical Society and Museum, Inc.
- Wimbledon Community Museum

This year's digitized items include photographs, motion picture films, oral history interviews, books, and postcards.

New collections added to the SHSND's collection on Digital Horizons (<http://www.digitalhorizonsonline.org/cdm4/browse.php?CISOROOT=%2Fuw-ndshs>) include:

- the Trousdale Collection from the Mott, N.D. area;
- photos from the Zip to Zap festival;
- items featuring the family of the Marquis de Mores;
- Deborah Hall Hertz and the Fort Berthold area;
- and photographs of the Alexander G. Burr family and Bottineau, Rugby, and Lake Metigoshe areas.

State Historical Society of North Dakota

New Local Government Records

by Ann Jenks, State Archivist

Since the last newsletter here is a list of what we have accessioned:

- 41441 Benson County. Auditor. Real and Personal Property Assessment Records, 1970-1990. 6ft.
- 41440 Emmons County. Clerk of Court. Judgment Transcripts, 1916-1930. 1 ft.
- 41442 Kidder County. Clerk of Court. Criminal Case Files, 1887-1925. 1.6ft. Separated from 41048.
- 41445 McLean County. Clerk of Court. Probate Case Files, 1884-1999. 163ft.
- 41443 Morton County. Social Services. Social Services Board Minutes, 1945-1984. [RESTRICTED]
- 41444 Ward County. City of Minot. Commissioners Proceedings, 1887-2001. 14r.
- 41449 Wells County. Clerk of Court. Coroner's Record, 1904-1938. 1v.
- 41448 Wells County. Clerk of Court. County Court Journal, 1907-1923. 1v.
- 41447 Wells County. Clerk of Court. Inheritance Tax Record, 1913-1918. 1v.
- 41450 Wells County. Clerk of Court. Judgment Record Books, 1894-1931. 11v.
- 41446 Wells County. Clerk of Court. Will Record. 1890-1916. 1v.

New Library Director at the Dickinson Public Library

by Patrice Hartman

Renee Paasch recently assumed the duties of library director when Cheryl Tollefson retired after 37 years with the Dickinson Area Public Library.

Cheryl oversaw two additions to the library, purchased three bookmobiles, and helped organize the Friends of the Library. She was also involved in automating the library. Tollefson was named Librarian of the Year in 2005 by the North Dakota Library Association.

Renee started working at the library in 1984 as a part-time shelver. She has a bachelor's degree in business

administration with a library science minor. Her most recent position was as the library's interlibrary loan and acquisitions librarian.

The library has eight part-time and five full-time employees who work to keep up with the new technology challenges.

Renee loves her job and working with the public. Someone always has questions or needs help with research.

GOT METHODISTS IN YOUR BACKGROUND?

Dakotas United Methodist Historical Society is starting a new season with the Summer issue of "News & Notes." Membership for the quarterly newsletter is \$10.00 made out to DUMHS and sent to the editor. Queries and articles are welcome.

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North Dakota Genealogical Society Reports

James River Genealogy Club

by George Barron

Our most recent get together was a club picnic in honor of our 20th birthday. It was an elaborate affair, catered in the Carrington City Park, and organized by members Julie and Bob Mendez, Carrington. The caterer grilled the big steaks just outside the park shelter, so in addition to eating them, we also got the mouth watering aroma. Thanks much, Bob & Julie! Some of us old geezers who have chewing processes that tire, were even able to take home some residual steak for stay at home dogs and cats. Max, my golden retriever sez "Happy Birthday James River Genealogy Club!"

Alan Trullinger, a Carrington plumbing contractor ran an ad in the newspapers announcing a meeting to take place at the Foster County Museum at 7PM on July 16, 1990 for anyone interested in forming a genealogy club. Many of us from surrounding counties responded and we decided to meet in Carrington on the first Tuesday of each month. And we were off and running! Quite a number of us who attended that first meeting are still hooked.

The 2010 July issue of our newsletter featured a history of each of the programs we have held since the beginning, along with information on other genealogy workshops and visiting professional lecturers and traveling national road shows. In addition to the fourteen county cemetery books we have for sale, the club has published

a couple hundred other books, like school census indexes, obituary indexes, burial permit indexes, indexes to history books lacking indexes etc. We have about 125 members in eighteen states. We donated funds to help put the ND death index up on the net, and have been trying to get the ND marriage index up as well. Our members are able to use Ancestry.com from their home computers. Our newsletter is delivered both by mail and by e-mail.

Our September 7th program at Jamestown will feature members bringing stories on genealogical discoveries they have made by serendipity, that is accidental, unplanned, discoveries.

Our July meeting, held at the Alfred Dickey Public Library, Jamestown, featured a demonstration by Katie Morehouse, with a presentation on Amelia Bloomer. Katie had presented this program and other similar programs as part of a national history contest. She was quite convincing in her official "bloomers"!

We hope to get all of our members who will attend the upcoming Moorhead State University Family History Workshop, to also attend our ND State Genealogical Society's meeting to be held there.

"Happy Birthday, James River Genealogy Club!"

Southwestern North Dakota Genealogical Society

by Patrice Hartman

At our July meeting several members brought heirlooms to share including paintings, tools, clothing and a quilt. At our August meeting we will be looking at final pension payment vouchers. An upcoming meeting will focus on a research problem to solve and report on at the next meeting.

Our regular meetings are held on the third Monday of the month at 7 PM at the Dickinson Public Library. We usually meet in one of the basement meeting rooms. We have members from Stark, Hettinger and Dunn Counties who attend the meetings. Contact Patrice Hartman for more information.

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NARA Lists Microfilm Publications and Original Records Digitized by Commercial Partners

The National Archives and Records Administration has now posted a list of all the documents that have been digitized and placed online by commercial partners. The partners are Ancestry.com and Footnote.com.

If you want to see what is available online, first go to <http://www.archives.gov/digitization/digitized-by-partners.html>

North Dakota Genealogical Society Reports

Mouse River Loop Genealogical Society

by Diane Stevens

The Mouse River Loop Genealogical Society meets the first Saturday of the month at 1:00 in the lower level of the Minot Public Library. Please come and visit.

Queries are received most months and various members take them and do research or direct the one inquiring to the place or person where information can be found on the family heritage they are looking for. Mike Bartlof has handled several Canadian queries in the last 18 months. One that he has helped will be visiting an ancestor's homestead in his province. What a feeling of helpful accomplishment.

John Mogren reported in the May meeting that the Renville County would be featured in the next volume of the RECORD.

Networking continues to be of interest to our members. Sometimes a book is brought to share how an individual

or family has put together information to hand down through the generations. Other times old documents are kept in binders. There are so many good ways to preserve our family heritage. At one meeting we were asked to give our middle name and tell if we knew why we were given that name. Interesting!

For me the summer has been good. Two of our children's families have been home for a couple of weeks each. Many fun and cherished memories were made. Now I am looking forward to getting back to doing more family research. I am having difficulty finding information on how or where my Great Grandfather died on my mother's paternal side. I keep trying and one day I hope to find it. Is persistence the key? Sometimes I get weary in trying.

I wish you well in your family searches.

Williams County Genealogical Society

by Gloria Johnson

The Williams County Genealogical Society has not met since the last newsletter or during the summer. Our next meeting will be October 9th with a meeting and time of sharing summer searches.

Of Interest: The "Ghost Lab" has been in Williston in August filming an episode on the bowling alley and Sport Den Bar. A waitress who works at the bar, stated they did catch some good evidence including voices. They are on the Discovery channel and the segment will be aired later this fall.

We continue to sell and update our cemetery book of Williams County Rural Cemeteries - 287 books have

been sold. We also continue to update our A-Z file on obituaries of burials in Williams County and on file at the local library.

I have just finished putting together a family history book on my dad's side of the family (ZEILER) and will be going to a family reunion in Denver area August 22nd. I am hoping to get more information at this reunion and come back with lots of data to work on.

NARA Archivist Blog

David S. Ferriero is the 10th Archivist of the United States, overseeing the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA). He maintains a blog to reach his audience. Topics include NARA holdings, records man-

agement, open government, collaboration, technology, and special events. His blog may be read at <http://blogs.archives.gov/aotus/>.

North Dakota Genealogical Society Reports

Bismarck Mandan Historical and Genealogical Society

By Alfred A Buchholz

Hello:

Summer is almost gone, and what have I got done? Well to start with we had a great combined convention-workshop on July 9th and 10th at the North Dakota Heritage Center. This was such an exciting event. The heritage and genealogical information was of the utmost standards. Having Anna Fechter from Ancestry talk about the World Achieve Project and giving several lectures on doing research. The great lectures of Greg Wysk from North Dakota Heritage Center, the talk of Steve Axtman from the State Library, the French talks and interactions, the fantastic food and entertainment at the Elks Club. The program at the Elks was fantastic. I especially enjoyed the flute playing of Mr. Jerome and the fine talk that he gave. And then there was the Saturday night entertainment at the Belle Mehus. It was worth more than the 12 dollars that I paid for the ticket.

All in all, this convention and workshop was just fantastic and we at the Bismarck Mandan Historical and Genealogical Society would like to thank The North Dakota Legislature for providing the funds for the grant that we received to help put this fine program on. We also want to thank the IF Midwest and Dr. Virgil Benoit for being a partner in this great adventure and the North Dakota State Historical Society for the use of the Heritage Center. I know that there were many other people that contributed to this great effort and we want to thank them too.

I am including just one of the e-mails that we at BMHGS received

To: info@bmhgs.com

Hello,

Many thanks for your support of the IF event this past week in Bismarck.

I appreciated all the care and hard work that went into creating such a memorable event, and also for the way all the members were so welcoming and friendly to me. You all really made my visit to Bismarck something special, and Bismarck can be so proud of its wonderful ambassadors in your group.

Best of luck with all your future research and thanks again!

sincerely,

Anne Marie Plante

Minneapolis, MN

This is the reason to become a member of the BMHGS and if not please join us on the second Thursday of each month at the Bismarck Veterans Memorial Library at 7pm in the lower level. Our next meeting in September will feature Cathy Langemo with Family History Publishing and In October UTTC Native American History/Genealogy and November will be The How To of Source Identification by Patrice Hartman. December will be our Traditions of Sharing Christmas Goodies.

Thank everyone again that contributed to this great program.

Red River Genealogical Society

Library Location: 112 North Univ. Drive Fargo

Over the past year the society has reorganized its library, combining the Minnesota and North Dakota collections into one location. This was done to accommodate the new reference material we have received through donations.

One project the society is starting is an overhaul of the society's website. The purpose behind this is to update the information and to make it more user friendly.

The society library is also home to the library of the Hallinglag of America. This is an organization of the descendants of emigrants from the Halling Valley in central Norway

The society will not be moving at this time or anytime soon.

NEW LIBRARY HOURS:
SUMMER HOURS: April-October
Tuesday, Wednesday & Saturday
11-3:00 pm

WINTER HOURS: November - March
Tuesday & Saturday
11-3:00 pm

You may want to call before your visit. 701-239-4129 or 701-799-5156

Cousins Across the Ocean

by Pam Furstenau

Pride in their heritage and significance of family history followed the Icelanders that moved to North America. A team of researchers have developed a unique project that helps visiting Icelanders connect with their Western Cousins. George Freeman and Pam Olafson Furstenau from North Dakota, and Hálfðan Helgason of Iceland are partners in this exciting project that is enriching the lives of many people. The joy and excitement surrounding the Cousins Project is very rewarding. Finding a “lost cousin” is a great opportunity to share photos, stories, and information that is not available anywhere else. These connections have increased the tourism to Iceland when the North American cousins are invited for a visit to the “Homeland.”

One of the difficulties that confront the visiting Icelanders when searching for family in North America is name changes. When the families immigrated to America, they did not always keep their same name. A few examples are Sigurdsson became Laxdal, Sveinsson became Swanson or Swearson, Samsonarsson became Samson.

In 2003, at the Deuce of August Icelandic Celebration in North Dakota, George organized a Genealogy Center. Pam volunteered to help him and that was the beginning of a great partnership. Hálfðan has a wonderful database headquartered in Iceland. George and Pam contribute their North American research to Hálfðan and he assists them with information from Iceland. This collaboration makes the project very fun and very successful. A

highlight at the Deuce is when Hálfðan is available over a video and audio link through Skype.

By 2007, the Genealogy Center was becoming a well known and active place. Tim and Susan Sigurdson Powers provided their home in Mountain as a dedicated space for the Genealogy Center. Many cousins were meeting each other and the “Cousins Across the Ocean” project was given an official name. Tour group leaders in Iceland, such as Jónas Þór, inform their tour groups about this program and the visitors contact George and Pam with their requests and information. It is now a year-round project but it is highlighted during the Deuce of August Celebration.

George, Pam, and Hálfðan are passionate about keeping the stories and the information alive. The Cousins project is a volunteer effort. Each of them has an extensive Genealogy Resource Library to research the information in addition to online subscriptions and their own databases. The team also works with Nelson Gerrard from Manitoba, Valgeir Þórvaldsson from Hófsos, and Magnús Haraldsson from the Iceland Genealogy Forum.

Next year marks the 112th annual Icelandic Celebration on July 29, 30, and 31, 2011. Many fun activities will be held during the weekend. Come to North Dakota! Explore the area where many Icelandic pioneers settled. Find more information on our website: www.august2nd.com or join us on Facebook at “August the Deuce.”

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printed on parchment, although many colleges stopped that practice years ago.

Some of the early books were also printed on vellum, which is essentially the same thing except that it is made from calfskin.

In the good ol' days, the maximum size of a book was determined by the size of the sheep or the calf when slaughtered. Actually, that was quite large, typically bigger than any book you would want to hold while reading. The monks who created books before Gutenberg's invention of the printing press soon learned to fold the parchment and vellum into practical sizes:

- Fold a sheet of parchment once (two leaves/four pages per sheet) for a folio; if you fold sheets of paper once without a cover, you've got a tabloid.
- Fold twice for a quarto (8 pages/sheet), the size of a

big dictionary or big laptop.

- Fold three times for an octavo (16 pages/sheet), a hardcover or Kindle DX.
- Fold four times for a duodecimo (24 pages/sheet), a trade paperback/iPad.
- Fold four times (in a slightly different way) for a 16mo, a mass-market paperback/e-reader.
- Fold five times for a 32mo, a notepad/old-school smartphone sized.
- Fold six times for a 64mo, or as Erasmus called it, a Codex Nano (rarely seen but could be called a vest pocket book).

The result is that books are as big as they are because medieval sheep were as big as they were. If you wish the pages were just a bit bigger, blame the medievals for not having bigger sheep.

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NDSGS Dues

Individual	\$5.00
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

We're on the web!

www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~ndsgs/

Upcoming Events

23-25 September 2010. Montana Genealogical Society Annual Conference, Lewiston. For more information: <http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~mtmsgsgs/Conferences/2010%20Conference.htm>

1-2 October 2010. Minnesota Genealogical Society Conference, St. Paul. For more information: <http://www.mngs.org/quarterly.shtml/#northstar>

2 October 2010. Family History Workshop, 8am—4:30pm, Moorhead, Minnesota. For more information: <http://heritageed.org/>

2 October 2010. North Dakota State Genealogical Society meeting, 3:15pm-4:30pm in Room 227, Comstock Union, MSU, Moorhead, Minnesota

10-14 January 2011. Salt Lake Institute of Genealogy, Salt Lake City, Utah. For more information: <http://www.infouga.org/>.

8 April 2011. North Dakota State Genealogical Society meeting. 1-3pm in Legislative Assembly Room, State Archives, Bismarck.

11-14 May 2011. National Genealogical Society Family History Conference, Charleston, South Carolina. For more information: http://www.ngsgenealogy.org/cs/conference_info.

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