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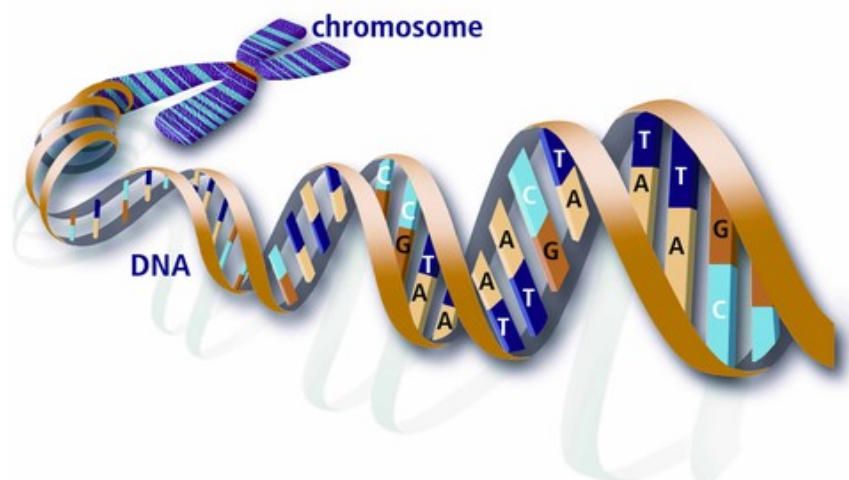
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Please join us for our October 13 meeting to find out more about our society. Election of officers will be held at our October 13 meeting. If you would like to be an officer notify Patrice Hartman at [patrice@ndsupernet.com](mailto:patrice@ndsupernet.com).

Pat Ashley will be speaking on DNA and how to use it to advance your research.



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Come join us and ask your research questions and spend some time researching in the archives.

## **Next Meeting**

The next meeting of the North Dakota State Genealogical Society will be Friday, October 13 at 1 pm central time 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.

## In Memoriam—George Barron



George was honored by the North Dakota Genealogical Society in April 2013. An excerpt from the article that appeared in the Spring 2013 *NDSGS Newsletter* follows.

George Barron began his career in Jamestown ND as a science and chemistry teacher for

High School for 36 years beginning in the fall of 1951. He had previously taught for one year at Cleveland, ND. George retired from teaching in 1986. In approximately 1988 at the request of his daughter, George started helping her with their family's history project. That was all it took, George was "hooked."

George's first genealogical projects compiled and published included: The Berner Book – for a mini reunion of the cousins of his wife, Jewel. Each family was given a copy at the reunion. In addition George created a self guided tour of family sites in the Jamestown and rural area for the cousins during the weekend reunion in 1994; *The Barron Family from Banffshire, Scotland to Moody County, Dakota Territory, USA Book* in 1995 with his cousin Norma Johnson of New Mexico. This book details their two lines of the Barron clan. Their book won 1<sup>st</sup> Prize at the Family History Workshop in Moorhead, MN.

George belonged to the James River Genealogy Club since his conception in 1991 in Carrington, ND. He began doing searching for Stutsman County in 1991.

His summer projects included reading tombstones in cemeteries of Stutsman County Supplement 1 in 1991 and Supplement 2 in 1992 aided by his wife, Jewel, and their "cemetery" Golden Retriever dog. Various cemeteries in Logan County and Kidder County in 1996; Foster County-1997; Sheridan County and Eddy County-1998; did field work on revision of Cemeteries of ND Wells County-1986-1998; Rural and Village Cemeteries of Stutsman County-1999; Most Cemeteries of Jamestown, Stutsman County-2000; Morton County cemeteries, 2001, Rural and Village Cemeteries in Barnes County-2002; Cemeteries of Valley City-Barnes County-2003; Sioux County cemeteries-2004; Northern and Southern LaMoure County cemeteries in 2005; Highland Home Cemetery of Jamestown ND along with Griggs County cemeteries in 2007. He was aided by his

traveling cemetery buddy, Daphne Drewello, of Jamestown and his ever faithful cemetery Golden Retriever. Together they traveled thousands of miles, read thousands of tombstones and collected thousands of records to aid in getting the most correct information. Following the collection process, George created books for each of these cemeteries which can still be obtained today through a donation to the James River Genealogy Club.

George's winter projects included creating many indexes and creating a book for each project along with data bases that he maintains on a daily or annually basis: Obituary index to Stutsman County Record, 1930-1941 and 1942 to January 1961 (closing); Newspaper Obituary Indexes for Cleveland, ND 1914-1925, Courtenay 1901-1922, Kensal 1903-1942, Medina 1905-1920 & 1929-1934, Montpelier 1914-1934, Pingree 1908-1930, Streeter 1908-1930, Woodworth 1912-1935.

Published Marriage Indexes – Stutsman County records 1884-1975, Stutsman County records 1975-2002, pre 1925 marriage index on Stutsman County is on the internet at [usgenweb.org](http://usgenweb.org)

Other Compiled and Published General Indexes by George –

- *Graduates of Stutsman County through 1925*, 2003
- *Early Death Registers of Stutsman County 1893-1943*, 2001
- *All Stutsman County Burial Permits in existence*, 2004
- Published Jamestown, (ND) Area Photos, 2009 (abt 1500 entries)
- *Murders, shooting, killings, suicides & general unusual deaths* – on 3<sup>rd</sup> book (currently 6,000 entries gleamed from newspapers)
- *Graduates of Stutsman County Schools, 1926-1935*, 2010
- *Indexes to Stutsman County School Census 1901-1941 (many volumes), 1943, 1945, 1947, 1949, and 1951.*

This article falls far short of listing all of the contribution George Barron has made to genealogy buffs searching for information on their ancestors in Stutsman County and its area.

His obituary is at [www.hautfuneralhome.com](http://www.hautfuneralhome.com).

# State Historical Society of North Dakota

## New Book Acquisitions

by Stephanie Kom, Head of Technical Services—Archives

New since June:

### NORTH DAKOTA LOCAL HISTORIES:

*Grand Rapids comes alive in 2005: celebrating 125 years, July 8-9, 2005.* Grand Rapids, North Dakota: [Grand Rapids 125th Book Committee], [2005].

*Kulm Baptist Church history, 1892-2017.* [N.p.: n.p.], 2017.

*Mountrail County plat book & directory.* Jamestown, North Dakota: Great Plains Directory Service, 2017.

Schultz, Donna. *Cemeteries of Woodworth, North Dakota: Gem Lunde, Trinity, 1905-2016.* [N.p.: n.p.], 2016.

### OTHER:

*The Sigdalslag 2014.* [N.p.]: Sigdalslag, 2014.

## New Local Government Records

by Ann B. Jenks, State Archivist

41812 Adams County. Clerk of Court, Administrator's Record, 1907-1972, 25v.

41813 Adams County. Clerk of Court, Application for Seed Grain and Feed, 1912, 1ft.

41814 Adams County. Clerk of Court, Birth Records, 1911-1982, 1.5ft. RESTRICTED

41807 Adams County. Clerk of Court, Cemetery Record, 1914, 1v.

41834 Adams County. Clerk of Court, Civil Case Files, 1907-1991, .5ft.

41823 Adams County. Clerk of Court, Coroner's Inquests, 1909-1975, .75ft.

41833 Adams County. Clerk of Court, Criminal Case Files, 1935-1997, 3ft.

41815 Adams County. Clerk of Court, Death Records, 1907-1999, 1ft. RESTRICTED

41805 Adams County. Clerk of Court, General Index – Civil, 1919-1944, 1v.

41811 Adams County. Clerk of Court, Insanity Record, 1908-1918, 1v. RESTRICTED

41804 Adams County. Clerk of Court, Judgment Dockets, 1909-1997, 4v.

41816 Adams County. Clerk of Court, Judgment Record, 1908-1981, 6v. RESTRICTED

41806 Adams County. Clerk of Court, Justice Docket – Civil & Criminal, 1907-1944, 6v.

41830 Adams County. Clerk of Court, Letter Record,

1908-1923, 1v.

41828 Adams County. Clerk of Court, Miscellaneous Records, 1908-1981, .75ft.

41829 Adams County. Clerk of Court, Miscellaneous Record, 1911-1979, 1v.

41803 Adams County. Clerk of Court, Notary Public Record, 1907-1981, 2v.

41808 Adams County. Clerk of Court, Record of Liquor Affidavits, 1908-1928, 1v.

41809 Adams County. Clerk of Court, Stallion License Record, 1910-1937, 1v.

41810 Adams County. Holden Township, Jury Records, 1908-1944, 1v.

41825 Dickey County. Auditor, Hunting Licenses, Resident and Nonresident, 1946-1954, 1v.

41821 Dickey County. Auditor, Real and Personal Property Assessments, 1884-1995, 84ft.

41831 Dickey County. Auditor, Township, School District and Village Records, 1883-1968, 4ft.

41827 Dickey County. Auditor, Transfer Record, 1910-1929, 5v.

41826 Dickey County. Auditor, Voter Registration, 1924-1930, 5.5ft.

41818 Dickey County. Bucyrus Township, Township Record Book, 1928-1944, 1v.

41820 Dickey County. Kent Township, Township Records, 1887-1982, 15v.

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# North Dakota Genealogical Society Reports

## Red River Valley Genealogical Society

*by Keith Zeutschel*

RRVGS continues to add to its collection of resources as we have acquired several books from donations and also by purchasing some from a local antiques dealer. We strive to have as much information available as we can so that your visit to our library can be as fruitful as possible. Our summer hours are now in effect but we will soon return to winter hours as Bonanzaville reduces hours for the winter months.

Currently we are open on Thursday and Friday from 1:00 – 4:00 PM. And on Saturday from 11:00 – 3:00. In November we switch our hours to Friday only 11:00 – 3:00.

The library will once again have a presence at the Heritage Workshop in Moorhead on Sept 23.

## James River Genealogical Society

*by Barb Caine*

James River Genealogy Club meets at 7:00 p.m. the first Tuesday of the month April through November alternating between Carrington & Jamestown ND. We welcome guests to attend our meetings and we gather informally at Pizza Ranch for pre-dinner dining

The August meeting was a preview of Teri's presentation at the Moorhead Heritage workshop. It

is an interesting program about maternal french ancestors and finding them using the PRDH.

We have lost a vital member of our club. George L. Barron has passed away leaving a legacy of many searching tools and databases to his credit. We will miss him greatly.

[www.hautfuneralhome.com](http://www.hautfuneralhome.com)

## Southwest North Dakota Genealogical Society

*by Patrice Hartman*

The SWNDGS has started to hold meetings again. The May meeting was about newspaper research and how many new free websites are available. The June meeting was cancelled due to members being out of state. Pat Ashley shared her DNA research in July and what websites to view for DNA research. We will meet again on Oct. 23.

Our regular meetings are held on the fourth Monday of the month at 6 PM at the Dickinson Area Public Library. We usually meet in the lower level of the library. We invite anyone who is interested in genealogy to attend. Contact Patrice Hartman for more information. [patrice@ndsupernet.com](mailto:patrice@ndsupernet.com)

### *New Local Government Records (Continued from page 3)*

41819 Dickey County. Kentner Township, Township Records, 1886-1988, 19v.

41835 Dickey County. Superintendent of Schools, Reorganization Records, 1921-1989, 2ft.

41817 Dickey County. Yorktown Township, Records, 1908-1995, 15v.

41824 Dickey County. Village of Merricourt, Records, 1910-1990, .5ft./12v.

41781 Grand Forks County. Marriage Records, 1875-1906, 10r. (#17569-17573, 17580-17584)

41797 Grant County. Marriage Records. 1916-1932. 1r. (#17501)

41832 Sargent County. City of Forman, City Auditor. Audit Reports, 2008-2011, .1ft.

41822 Sheridan County. Treasurer, Marriage Records, 1909-1925, 5r. (#17541-17544, 17551)

# North Dakota Genealogical Society Reports

## Minnkota Genealogical Society

by Michael Swanson

The Minnkota Genealogical Society (MGS) is composed of members from northeast North Dakota and northwest Minnesota. We meet the second Tuesday of each month, usually at the Campbell Library in East Grand Forks, MN. MGS officers for 2017 are Mike Swanson (President), Nancy Larson (Vice-President), Lenore Anderson (Secretary), and Ron Baker (Treasurer). Our society has nearly 50 members and we average 25-30 attendees at our monthly meetings.

In June, we learned about the basics of Polish genealogical research from Sherlyn Meiers, director of the Marshall County Historical Society in Warren, MN. Her interactive and informative presentation prompted discussion and questions from members. As part of her presentation, Sherlyn demonstrated several relevant websites on Polish genealogy.

Our annual summer picnic took the place of a formal program for July. We gathered at the Myra Museum (Grand Forks County Historical Society) for good

fellowship and delicious food. For the second year in a row, inclement weather forced us to eat indoors.

For our August program, member Ron Baker gave a presentation about Manitoba research. He demonstrated several websites including those for vital records, census records, and local histories. In addition to this presentation, member George Schubert spoke about a book that he and his two daughters recently completed as a tribute to his late wife Arline. Among other things, he talked about the factors he considered to include some deeply personal information in the book.

The topic of committing genealogical research, family stories, and the like into written formats will continue for our September and October meetings. It is encouraging that several of our members have published books and are willing to share their experiences with others.

## Digitized Marriage Records

by Ann B. Jenks, State Archivist

Here is what *FamilySearch* has:

### State Historical Society of North Dakota – State Archives Marriage Records on microfilm:

41624 Adams County. Clerk of Court, Marriage Records, 1907-1925, 3r. (#16912-16914)

41728 Bowman County. Clerk of Court, Marriage Licenses and Certificates, 1907-1925, 1r. (#17111)

41636 Burke County. Clerk of Court, Marriage Records, 1910-1929, 1r. (#16946)

41618 Cass County. Clerk of Court, Marriage Records, 1877-1925, 28r. (#16818-16819, 16831, 16836-16837, 16860-16861, 16882, 16897-16899, 16916-16918, 16923-16926, 16930-16931, 16957, 16963, 16976-16977, 16984-16987)

41678 Eddy County. Clerk of Court, Marriage Records, 1890-1925, 5r. (#17038, 17043-17046)

41638 LaMoure County. Clerk of Court, Marriage

License Applications, Licenses & Certificates, 1883-1926, 6r. (#16947-16951, 16956)

40681 McHenry County. Clerk of Court, Marriage License Records (includes typed index), 1905-1925, 4v./8r. (#15575-15579, 15588-15589, 15613)

41708 McKenzie County. Clerk of Court, Marriage License Applications, Licenses, and Certificates, 2r. (#17088-17089)

41596 McLean County. Clerk of Court, Marriage Licenses and Certificates, 1907-1928, 6r. (#16784-16789)

41641 Mountrail County. Clerk of Court, Marriage License Applications and Certificates, 1909-1925, 2r. (#16998-16999)

41674 Ransom County. Clerk of Court, Marriage Records, 1882-1925, 5r. (#17033-17037)

41668 Richland County. Clerk of Court, Marriage

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*Digitized Marriage Records (Continued from page 5)*

Records, 1877-1925, 4r. (#17003-17005, 17015)

41699 Sargent County. Clerk of Court, Marriage License Applications, Licenses and Certificates, 1885-1925, 4r. (#17060-17063)

41727 Sioux County. Clerk of Court, Marriage Licenses and Certificates, 1916-1925, 1r. (#17106)

March 2017 sent:

41771 Bottineau County. Clerk of Court, Marriage Records, 1887-1925, 5r. (#17177-17181)

41769 Dickey County. Clerk of Court, Marriage Records, 1887-1925, 3r. (#17167-17169)

41779 Burleigh County. Recorder, Marriage Records, 1874-1925, 6r. (#17323-17325, 17327-17328, 17330)

41548 Pembina County. Clerk of Court, Marriage Records, 1872, 1881-1932, 8v./3ft./6r. (#17170-17174, 17202)

When Grand Forks is finished that will be sent to *FamilySearch* as well as Cavalier and Nelson.

Here is what *Ancestry* has:

#### **Ancestry microfilm for digitization – April 2016**

41771 Bottineau County. Clerk of Court, Marriage Records, 1887-1925, 5r. (#17177-17181)

41636 Burke County. Clerk of Court, Marriage Records, 1910-1929, 1r. (#16946)

41618 Cass County. Clerk of Court, Marriage Records, 1877-1925, 28r. (#17167-17169)

41769 Dickey County. Clerk of Court, Marriage Records, 1887-1925, 3r. (#17167-17169)

41678 Eddy County. Clerk of Court, Marriage Records, 1890-1925, 5r. (#17038, 17043-17046)

40681 McHenry County. Clerk of Court, Marriage License Records (includes typed index), 1905-1925, 4v./8r (#15575-15579, 15588-15589, 15613)

41708 McKenzie County. Clerk of Court, Marriage License Applications, Licenses, and Certificates, 2r. (#17088-17089)

41596 McLean County. Clerk of Court, Marriage Licenses and Certificates, 1907-1928, 6r. (#16784-16789)

41641 Mountrail County. Clerk of Court, Marriage License Applications and Certificates, 1909-1925, 2r. (#16998-16999)

41674 Ransom County. Clerk of Court, Marriage Records, 1882-1925, 5r. (#17033-17037)

41668 Richland County. Clerk of Court, Marriage Records, 1877-1925, 4r. (#17003-17005, 17015)

41699 Sargent County. Clerk of Court, Marriage License Applications, Licenses and Certificates, 1885-1925, 4r. (#17060-17063)

41727 Sioux County. Clerk of Court, Marriage Licenses and Certificates, 1916-1925, 1r. (#17106)

#### **Ancestry microfilm for digitization - Feb. 2017**

Burleigh County. Recorder, Marriage Records, 1874-1925, 6r. (#17323-17325, 17327-17328, 17330) [41779]

Pembina County. Clerk of Court, Marriage Records, 1872, 1881-1932, 6r. (#17170-17174, 17202) [41548]

LaMoure County. Clerk of Court, Marriage Records, 1883-1926, 6r. (#16947-16951, 16956) [41638]

Bowman County. Clerk of Court, Marriage Records, 1907-1925, 1r. (#17111) [41728]

## **Visualizing the Chronicling America Newspaper Search Results**

Chronicling America is a great way to view historic newspapers from 1789-1925 for free. It is located at <http://chroniclingamerica.loc.gov/>. Now there is a unique way to search their newspapers.

The Georgia Tech Research Institute partnered with eHistory at the University of Georgia to create a search portal that displays the results on a map along with a frequency graph.

Enter a search term and the resultant articles are

displayed on a map along with a timeline. The brighter dots have more results, clicking on the dots displays the newspapers and issue dates and provides the option to view a pdf of the article or view it on the Chronicling America website.

This is a wonderful way to visually display search results. Check it out at <http://usnewsmap.com/>.



## ***Family History Workshop Schedule—Horizon Middle School East Campus, Moorhead, MN 23 September 2017***

8:00-8:30	Lobby: Registration and Refreshments				
8:30-8:45	Welcome				
8:45-10:00	<b>Paula Stuart-Warren</b> New Englanders in the Midwest	<b>Teri Raiche</b> Using PRDH for French-Canadian Research	<b>Gary Ball-Kilbourne</b> Redeeming Family Heirlooms & Finding Genealogical Artifacts Online	<b>Barbara Witteman</b> Story Writing	<b>Jackie Marler</b> Gathering the News for Family Histories
10:30-11:45	<b>Paula Stuart-Warren</b> The Farmer in the Dell...and in Many U.S. Records	<b>Jackie Marler</b> Beginning to Gather Your Family History	<b>Jerimiah Moerke</b> Genealogy and DNA 101	<b>Rick Crume</b> A Guide to FamilySearch.org	<b>Tony Tilton</b> Make Mine Digital
11:45-1:15	Luncheon – Awards – Carol Knodle: It's Not Your Grandparent's Family Bible				
1:15-2:30	<b>Paula Stuart-Warren</b> Research Rewards in County Courthouse and Town Hall Records	<b>Rick Crume</b> Online Genealogy: A Quick Tour of the Best Sites	<b>Daniel Sauerwein</b> Civil War & Military Records: Uncovering your Ancestor's Service	<b>Michael Swanson</b> Getting the Most out of Ancestry.com	<b>Linda Westrom</b> Counting Noses – Census Records
3:00-4:15	<b>Paula Stuart-Warren</b> Controlling Chaos: Organizing Your Genealogical Materials	<b>Michael Harvey</b> Preserve your Legacy	<b>Janel L. Holaday</b> The Major Hereditary Societies and Documenting Lineage for their Membership Applications	<b>John Beving</b> 19 <sup>th</sup> Century Military Records from lesser known sources	<b>Verlyn Anderson</b> Norwegian Genealogy Research – Online Resources

## **Stump the Genealogist**

We are going to try something different for this column. Send in your genealogical questions to see if we can answer them. We may ask for help from our members or the various repositories in North Dakota. Questions should relate to North Dakota research.

Answer for the summer newsletter question.

How would you find the street address of St. John's Episcopal Church of Dickinson, ND in 1898?

Look at the Sanborn digital maps on the library of Congress website for Dickinson in 1898, image 2. Address 623 Sims. Actually only says Episcopal Church.

## **Citation Corner**

If you can't find a death record where else might you locate the information given in a death record? Funeral Home records, cemetery records, church records and family sources all need to be researched for this information.

I have an interesting record for one of my great aunts who died in 1914. The Tekamah Mortuary Record included the following information. Frances Fittro, residence, Tekamah. Cause of Death: Cancer. Died: September 15, 1914. Buried: September 16, 1914. Age: 46y 6m 25d. Place of burial: Tekamah Cemetery.

This was the abstracted record. I was unable to find the original Tekamah Mortuary Record. I was also unable to find a death certificate or an obituary so I was pleased to

find this. It actually gives quite a bit of information.

The source citation would contain the following pieces of information: place of record, type of record, date, where the record was from and the person's name.

So the source citation would look something like this. Burt County Museum (Tekamah, Nebraska) to Patrice Hartman, copy, 2008, providing Tekamah Mortuary Record for Frances Fittro, Tekamah Cemetery.

Remember to search the local area museums and historical societies, libraries or perhaps even the state level historical societies and museums as they may hold some of these treasures.

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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

Website: [www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~ndsgs/](http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~ndsgs/)



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## Upcoming Events

21-23 September 2017. Montana State Genealogical Society. Annual conference, Billings. For more info: <http://montanamsgs.org/>

23 September 2017. Heritage Education Commission. Family History Workshop, Moorhead, MN. For more info: <http://www.heritageed.com/>

6– 7 October 2017. Minnesota Genealogical Society North Star Genealogy Conference. Brooklyn Center, MN. For more info: <https://mngs.org/cpage.php?pt=98>

**13 October 2017. North Dakota State Genealogical Society meeting, 1-3pm, State Archives, Bismarck.**

13-15 October 2017. Great Canadian Genealogy Summit. Halifax, Nova Scotia. For more info: <https://cangensummit.ca/>

21-26 January 2018. Salt Lake Institute of Genealogy. Salt Lake City, Utah. For more info: <https://ugagenealogy.org/aem.php?eid=24>

28 February-3 March 2018. RootsTech 2018. Salt Lake City, Utah. For more info: <https://www.rootstech.org/>

**13 April 2018. North Dakota State Genealogical Society meeting, 1-3pm, State Archives, Bismarck.**

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