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2007 Tentative Schedule
Board meetings 5:30 p.m.
Program meeting at 7:00 p.m.
Osceola Public Library

Monday 23 April - 7:00 p.m.
“Future Directions of Genealogy”
Russ Hanson
Osceola Public Library
Osceola, Wisconsin
Refreshments to follow

*Thanks to Russ Hanson for sending this email concerning the April program.

“I will lead the discussion of where genealogy is headed in the next 25 years. We will look at what is happening now and predict how things will change. Items of interest include: Internet, Computers, DNA, Digital photography, LDS directions, and a look at how to easily make your own family history movie, booklet, CD or DVD, just like Ken Burns (The Public TV historian.)

*Please note date change due to Memorial Day
Third Monday evening
Monday 21 May 2006 - 7:00 p.m.
Bob Williamson - Funeral Practices
Osceola Public Library, Osceola, Wisconsin
Refreshments to follow

PROGRAM ideas for the fall line-up are being requested. If you have a subject you would like to hear more about, or better still, if you are willing to share your knowledge concerning your research, PLEASE share that interest with your Board! New program ideas are always welcome.

Monthly board meeting
5:30 p.m.
SUBWAY, Main Street
Osceola, east side of Highway 35.

Thanks to Jim McCarville for the informative program on researching Irish relatives both here and in Ireland. This program had good attendance with PCGS members as well as several visitors.
**LOOKING FORWARD** to PCGS

Summer Service Project?
PCHS museum in Balsam Lake
every Monday afternoons from
1:00 - 4:00 p.m.

**June, July, August, 2007**

Come join the activity as we do a

**Complete Inventory of Family Names in all the Family Histories**

located at the PCHS Museum in Balsam Lake, Wisconsin.

A master database will be started to compile all of the family names in all the family histories on the shelves at the PCHS museum in Balsam Lake. The purpose is to share, not only the collection with the visiting public researching family history, but also to shorten that search for the elusive name needed to move back one generation.

We all know how much we appreciate an index allowing our search to cover greater ground more efficiently. Without an index a family history book is rarely taken off the shelf. A master hardcopy database will be wonderful!

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**ATTENTION**
The 2007 PCGS yearly membership dues are payable at our monthly meetings or may be mailed to the treasurer. Thank you.

**Polk County Genealogy Society**
Jan-Dec $15.00

Please make your check or money order payable to PCGS and mail, along with your:
Name, Address, State/Zip
to

**Russ Adams**
2410 River Road
St. Croix Falls, Wisconsin 54024

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Wisconsin State Genealogical Society

**2007 GENE-A-RAMA**
13 and 14 April 2007
Oconomowoc, Wisconsin

Information at WSGS at www.wsgs.org

**Minnesota Genealogical Society Library**

5768 Olson Memorial Highway
Golden Valley, MN 55422
(763) 595-3947

**Library Hours:**
Tuesday: 6:30 p.m.-9:30 p.m.
Wednesday: 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.
Thursday: 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. and 6:30 p.m.-9:30 p.m.
Saturday: 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.

**Library Fee:**
There is a $5.00 fee for non-member use of the library. The $5.00 fee can be applied to membership in the MN. Gen. Society, any branches, or the Czechoslovak Gen. Soc. Int'l.

**VETERANS GRAVES REGISTRATION**
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Thanks to PCGS member
Norma Holmbeck
for sharing Polk County information
she discovered at the
Cumberland Public Library:

WISCONSIN’S GOLD STAR LIST
Prepared by
John G. Gregory
Department of War History
State Historical Society of Wisconsin
1925
“This material comprised lists - necessarily imperfect - of officers and enlisted men from Wisconsin who died while serving with the American Expeditionary Force during the World War.” (page 5)

Aageson, James Louis: 23, Luck;
Pvt. 342 Inf. - Overseas;
death from disease (influ)
10 October 1918.

Anderson, Clarence Arthur 21, St. Croix Falls;
Pvt. Infrpl & tngrt, - Camp Grant, US;
death from disease (pneu)
11 October 1918.

Anderson, H. L., 26, Clam Falls,
Sgt. Mgtngentr - Camp Hancock, US;
death from disease (pneu)
15 October 1918.

Auchter, Fred Ernst, 22, Luck;
Pvt. Casdet - Camp Nichols,
death from disease (pneu)
6 November 1918.

Beauchamp, Arthur, 21, Luck,
Rct Rctdep - Camp Shelby, Miss; US,
death from disease (pneu);
10 November 1918.

Carlson, Joseph E. 34, Amery
Pvt. 16 Inf. - Overseas;
death from disease (pneu)
30 September 1918

Davis, Wiley D. 20, Clear Lake
Pvt. 16 Inf. - Killed in Action
21 January 1918.
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CENTURY CHURCH CONGREGATIONS
Polk County Memories 1978
Polk County Historical Society

Methodist Episcopal, now UMC
Osceola 1854
First Baptist, Osceola 1857
Methodist Episcopal, now UMC
St. Croix Falls 1859
First Presbyterian,
St. Croix Falls 1865
Zion Ev. Lutheran
East Farmington 1865
Assumption Catholic
East Farmington 1869
Cushing Lutheran 1870
East Immanuel Lutheran
RR#4 Amery 1870
West Immanuel Lutheran
Pine Lake 1870
Balsam Lutheran
RR # 3 Amery 1872
Bethesda Lutheran
Sand Lake 1872
Grace Lutheran
West Sweden 1873
West Denmark Lutheran 1873

St. Patrick’s Catholic
North of Long Lake, Milltown Township, moved to Balsam Lake in 1955, now Our Lady of the Pines 1875

Moe Lutheran
Clear Lake Township 1875

Scandinavian Ev. Lutheran now Milltown Lutheran 1875

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Indian Scout Books
www.indianscoutbooks.com
for Native American lines

Scottish Censuses (1841-1901)
www.scotlandspeople.gov.uk.
(pay-per-view)
“IT WAS I WHO DID IT”
Women’s Role in the Founding of the Nation
by Carol Berkin
Professor of History: Baruch College, Graduate Center/City University of N.Y.

“In the 1770s, King George III was convinced that all of the problems with his colonies could be laid at the feet of “that brace of Adamses” and the rebellious mobs of Massachusetts men. As it turned out, he was wrong - not only about the widespread nature of American discontent and desire for independence, but also about the gender of many of his Massachusetts opponents. Abigail Adams, as much as her husband John, supported an American revolution, and rebellious crowds of Massachusetts women picketed the shops of merchants who broke the boycott, staged mass spinning bees to show their solidarity with American resistance to British taxation, and served as spies for the American army. And, after independence was won, women played a central role in ensuring that the republic would survive.”

The Colonial response to British “trade regulations and levying new taxes” was that colonial legislatures immediately “drafted constitutional arguments against these novel changes, and assemblies fired off petitions demanding the repeal of legislation such as the Stamp Act and later the Townshend Acts. The British government found it easy to ignore the fiery rhetoric of a Patrick Henry or a John Adams. But, the Americans had another strategy that Parliament could not ignore: the boycott of British goods.”

“The success of this boycott depended heavily upon women’s participation, for it was wives and mothers who were the primary purchasers and consumers of these goods. The determination of these women to honor the boycott sent English profits tumbling and this drop in profits in turn sent English merchants rushing to their government to demand repeal.”

“The boycott strategy politicized women’s domestic sphere-and women with it. In New England, hundred of young women flocked to publicly staged spinning bees, taking quick lessons on what was, by the 1760s, almost a lost art. Wearing the homespun that these women produced became a badge of honor, a sign that you were indeed a “daughter of liberty.”

Once the war began, “women were vital participants in every aspect of the struggle for independence. Girls and young women served as spies and couriers for American generals … women organized massive fund-raising operations to finance Washington’s ragtag army … as men went off to war, women took over the management of farms and shops … women proved resourceful in devising substitutes for scare but needed supplies, i.e. walnut ash replaced salt as the preservative for winter meat … when the traditional rum rations, that were every soldier’s due, could not be found, women produced corn liquor and rye whiskey. “

Thousands of white colonial women, “whose loyalty to their husbands (and sons) also meant loyalty to the King ... and separation from sisters, brothers, parents, and the need to adjust to ... life in Nova Scotia, Halifax (or Ontario), ... transforming a strange land into a new home.”

“Valley Forge was no stag affair; wives, mothers, and sweethearts were there, gathering firewood, cooking meals, washing the filthy clothing of their husbands, sons, and their comrades; nursing the sick and the wounded ... perhaps King George should have paid closer attention to the Daughters of Liberty who helped found a new nation.”

Excerpts taken from Phi Kappa Phi Forum
Summer 2006, FOUNDERS p15-19