

THE POLK COUNTY POST

*Polk County Genealogical Society (PCGS)
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**Polk County Genealogical Society
C/o Judy Wester
901-8th Street
Centuria, Wisconsin 54824**

VISION STATEMENT:

The vision of the Polk County Genealogical Society is to empower those interested in developing concise, accurate, and comprehensive family histories.

MISSION STATEMENT:

The mission of the Polk County Genealogical Society is to assist in the exchange and dissemination of information for genealogical investigations.

KATHY CLARKS' PARTY

Celebrate a special occasion and join us in honoring PCGS President **Kathy Clark** retiring after 38 years of devoted social service work.

Saturday 12 February 2011

1:00-4:00 p.m.

McKenzie Lanes

Centuria, Wisconsin

Light refreshments will be served.

Please RSVP to:
amber.stress@gmail.com

Thank you to all those who attended the **January program**.

2010-2011 SCHEDULE

***Monday 28 February 2011**

Gather at the Senior Center - 7:00 p.m.
St. Croix Falls Wisconsin
Lynne Schauls, Centuria Librarian will speak on Beginning Genealogy using Public Library resources.
Refreshments to follow.

***Monday 28 March 2011**

Gather at the Senior Center - 7:00 p.m.
St. Croix Falls, Wisconsin
Program: **Judy Wester**, PCGS member
"Polk County Genealogy Website"
Refreshments to follow

***Monday 25 April 2011**

Gather at the Senior Center - 7:00 p.m.
St. Croix Falls, Wisconsin
Program: **Russ Hansen** - PCGS member
"PCGS and the Luck Historical Society"
Refreshments to follow

***Monday 23 May 2011**

Gather at the Senior Center - 7:00 PM
St. Croix Falls, Wisc. - Program:
"Ancestry.com/Family Tree Maker"
PCGS Team presentation
Refreshments to follow.

**NOTE: If you are scheduled to present a program and you believe it may not work out for you - please contact a member of PCGS for rescheduling or if someone of you has a suggestion for a program, PLEASE do not hesitate to share that idea with a board member.
Thank you!**

ARC at River Falls

Weather permitting:

Polk County Genealogy Society once again is scheduled on the second Saturday of **February -the 12th, 2011-** to assist any Polk County researchers who make the trip to the ARC on this particular Saturday.

Time: 9:30 for a half-an-hour refresher course on where Polk County materials are located **until 1:00 PM.**

Judy Wester

volunteered to do a second shift at the ARC on the 12 of Feb 2011, starting mid-morning until closing.

THANKS JUDY!

POLK COUNTY FAIR ENTRIES FOR 2011

Senior Citizens Division

Department [210] - GENEALOGY

The genealogy entries will be judged for: entry completeness
sources used and
ease of understanding.

Charts and other suitable items will be placed on a bulletin board. Printed and electronic books will be inside a locked cabinet.

CLASS A GENEALOGY

Lot. No.

1. Family history book
2. Family history on electronic device
3. Pedigree chart
4. Descendant chart
5. Family Group sheet
6. Century Farm documentation and certificate (may use copies)
7. Century Family documentation and certificate (may use copies)
8. Framed artistic work of family genealogy

Thanks **Judy Wester,**
PCGS member for
putting this together!

Update

The Luck Historical Society Museum (LHSM) extended space to the Polk County Genealogy Society (PCGS) for the club's genealogy research materials, and in return, usually two or three PCGS members staff the museum every second and fourth Monday each month from Noon-3:00 PM.

Genealogy members will assist people doing family history and/or other genealogical projects.

The museum building offers free WIFI access to anyone with a laptop. PCGS has a computer for guests to use and the Luck Public Library, that also shares the building space, is but a dozen steps away with the availability of the library version of <Ancestry.com> to those who wish to sign up at the library desk, follow the rules and use that convenience.

All persons interested in Polk County history please take the time to stop by either Monday of any month - take a tour of the ever-changing exhibits in the Luck Historical Society Museum facility, assist in any of the on-going projects, and/or just stay for a cup of coffee or tea and a time of exchanging ideas.

RECORDS COLLECTION POLICY

for PCGS is still in the discussion stage.

Do you remember the things your mother taught you?

Thanks to **Barb Burch**
Carlton County Genealogy Jan 2011

1. To appreciate a job well done: "If you are going to kill each other, do it outside. I just finished cleaning."
2. Logic: "If you fall out of that swing and break your neck, you are not going to the store with me!"
3. Religion "You better pray, that will come out of the carpet!"
5. Irony: "Keep crying and I will give you something to cry about!"
6. Osmosis: "Shut your mouth and eat your supper."
7. Time travel: "If you don't straighten up, I am going to knock you into the middle of next week."
- 8 Hypocrisy: "If I told you once, I have told you a million times, do not exaggerate."
9. Weather: "This room of yours looks like a tornado went through it!"

Barb: Enjoyed your newsletter in such BIG print. Thank you!

Q and A

How long is a generation? 20-25 years? That seems time for a child to be born, grow up, marry and have children of her/his own, who in turn start a new generation?

-Editor

Other suggestions?

**Polk County Normal School
1904-1960/St. Croix Falls (SCF)
1960-1971/Frederic**

In the fall of 1904, the Polk County Board of Supervisors authorized the establishment of a Polk County Training School (for teachers). The Comer Brothers donated the land, the village of SCF contributed \$5,000.00 and construction started in August 1905. The first class to graduate included:

**Clara Twetten
Selma Anderson
Ida Larson
May Cook
Clara Knutson
Mabel Nelson**
in 1906.

Memorials and Honorariums'

given to PCGS during the calendar year of 2010.

- January: **Helen Hanson
Mrs. Moeding
Paul Koval
Barry McMechan**
- February: **Irene Skog
Stanley Peck**
- March: **Dr. Harry Beck**
- May: **Millie Benson
Pat/Elsie Wood/Anniversary**
- June: **Jean Zeigler
Russ/Dotty Adams/60th Anniversary
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- August: **Elsie Wood/90th Birthday
John Schneider**
- November: **Mike Hamp/Birthday
Doris Rodstrom Wood**
- December: **Stan Peck
Dr. Beck
Jean Noren**

Thank you to all who remembered and honored others with gifts to PCGS.

Genealogy in Time

is a free online genealogy magazine. The Newsletter can be formatted in large print for older eyes. You can easily increase or decrease the font size of the Newsletter. For Windows email programs , it is View / Text Size. With a Mac, it is View / Zoom. Alternatively you can simply click through to the website to read the material in standard size print. MissingLink SoftwareCorp. Ottawa, Ontario, Canada.

From the National Archives

NARA is asking for feedback about the 2010 Census Appraisal and Records Schedule. The decisions about what is permanently kept are being made today and you can have your say. Right now, the appraisals and records schedules of the 2010 Census are available for public review and comment. There is a Record Express blog post and a notice in the Federal Register, but, we also wanted to make sure those of you who follow NARAtions are aware of the opportunity to review and comment.

Both articles above thanks to:
Jim Roberts/Anchorage Genealogy Soc

PASSPORT APPLICATIONS

Copies of Passport Applications **through 1905** can be obtained by writing to the following address:

Diplomatic Records Branch
National Archives Room 5D
Washington D.C. 20408.

Beginning **in 1906** records can be obtained by writing to this address:

Passport Office, Dep't of State
1425 K Street NW
Washington D.C. 20406

A nominal fee will be assessed.

Thanks to: **Bonnie Brandt**
Roots in Washburn County
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AWARDS BANQUET 2010

MCCOGS' Awards Banquet, traditionally the last event of Genealogy Week, was held at the Pleasant Grove UMC. Forty-two members attended the annual event which honors those members who have proven descent from either Muskingum County early settlers or Civil War veterans. The guest speaker, **K. Haybron Adams**, Professor Emeritus of Library Science at Brigham Young University, shared many facts and wonderful stories about the settlement of Muskingum County, Ohio.

Awards were given for

*First Families of Muskingum County:

**Ann Burkhart, Ron Erwine, .
Mary Godbey, Thomas and Mark Mercer,
Patricia Price.**

*Pioneer Families of Muskingum Cty:

Patricia Anne Bozarth

*Civil War Families of Muskingum:

**Patricia Ann Bozarth, Lois Hemming,
Linda Steer, Daniel J. Young**

Many, many thanks to **Brenda Wolfe, Nettie Watson, Rose Ellen Jenkins** and **Sandra Schroer** for giving their time and energy in the cause of Genealogy Week and the Awards Banquet.

Thanks to: **Tricia Shumate Lewis**

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The Polk County Genealogy Society
will staff the Luck Historical Society

Museum on

Monday 14 February 2011 and

Monday 28 February 2011.

12: Noon-3:00 PM

Sometimes refreshments will even
be served!

