

# Dane County Area Genealogical Society News



## Family History Projects by



**Lori Bessler,  
Reference Librarian at WHS**

There are many ways to share the information you have gathered in your research. Lori Bessler will bring examples to our January 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting and help you to find ways to share your information with family members with various interest levels.

Lori Bessler is a Reference Librarian and Outreach Coordinator at the Wisconsin Historical Society Library Archives. Lori has worked at the Wisconsin Historical Society and Archives since 1988 and has lectured throughout Wisconsin and the Midwest on genealogical topics. She has been researching family history for many years.



The ballots were counted and we are happy to announce that DeAnn McAllan will be our Secretary for the next two years. Walker Crawford is our new President. Walker will continue to serve also as our membership chairman. Congratulations to both of them.



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*Regular DCAGS meetings are generally the first Thursday of each month at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints located at 4505 Regent Street, Madison, WI beginning at 7 p.m.*

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**DCAGS Update:**  
*The DCAGS Governing Board meets the third Tuesday of each month. The next meeting is set for Tuesday, January 15<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m. at the Madison Public Library - Sequoia Branch 4340 Tokay Boulevard, Madison Wisconsin. We invite all members to attend. Please join us!*

George Spracklin will be the speaker at our February 7<sup>th</sup> meeting.

George's topic will be DNA for Genealogy.

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The committee wishes to Thank each and everyone who came to our SHOW and TELL on December 6! And a Thank You to all of the exhibitors that brought their Genealogy to Show and to Tell everyone how they found their Ancestors. A thank you also to all who brought treats for all of us to enjoy!



# Show and Tell 2012





Jennifer Eager Ehle  
 Sandy Garthwaite Zart  
 Kathy Sparks  
 Mary & John Madigan  
 Matt Raines  
 Rollie Littlewood  
 Sharon Kampen

# Exhibitors



Judy McDonald  
 Jim Honer

DeAnn McAllan  
 Joanne Kelley  
 Donna Johnson-Schmidt  
 Joyce Peterson  
 LDS posters



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**"The German Immigration Experience"  
Spring 2013 course at UW-Madison**

Illinois State Genealogical Society offers free WEBINARS, on the 2nd Tuesday of each month. All ISGS webinars are FREE and open to the public when they are presented live. For **Upcoming Webinars:** go to <http://ilgensoc.org/cpage.php?pt=234> to learn more about our upcoming webinars and to register.

**January 2013**

***Beyond the Draft Cards: Additional Selective Service Records***

- **Presenter:** Linda Woodward Geiger, CG, CGL
- **Date:** Tuesday, January 8, 2013, 8:00 pm Central
- **Description:** Explanation of the selective service process including discussion of the three distinct registrations; classification lists; inductees lists; appeals to the President; and records relating to delinquents and deserters.
- **Register:** <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/4690779734341377024>

Once again this coming spring semester, Prof. Cora Lee Kluge is teaching her course entitled "The German Immigration Experience."

It appears in the online Timetable as German 271, and will meet on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 11:00 to 12:15 in 494 Van Hise Hall. The first class will be Tuesday, January 22nd; last class will be Thursday, May 9th.

In case you are not a degree candidate at the UW-Madison, you may be interested in enrolling for this course as a "guest auditor". Guest auditors pay greatly reduced tuition. Information about this can be found by following this link: <http://continuingstudies.wisc.edu/advising/apply.htm> If you are a citizen of the State of Wisconsin age 60 or older, you may enroll in the course as a "senior guest auditor" for free. See information at this Web site: <http://continuingstudies.wisc.edu/advising/audit60.htm>



## German 271 - Spring 2013

### The German

### Immigration Experience

### Professor Cora Lee Kluge

**Tues. - Thurs. 11:00 – 12:15**



This course offers a survey of the immigration experience of Europeans from German-speaking lands. Who were they and why did they come to America? Why did Wisconsin become a particularly strong area of German settlement? What kind of life and what problems and disappointments did German immigrants encounter?

Historical, political, sociological, linguistic, and cultural aspects will be considered, in order both to gain insight into the greatest movement of peoples in modern times and to view the development of the United States from a unique perspective. **No German required.**

For additional information, contact Cora Lee Kluge <[clnollen@wisc.edu](mailto:clnollen@wisc.edu)>.



## President's message

### Keep On Learning!

This is my final president's message. I'll "sign off" with a message I've given numerous times before. Take advantage of all the genealogy education opportunities you can. (1) First and foremost, DCAGS meeting programs, (2) classes offered locally, especially those at the Wisconsin Historical Society, (3) meetings and conferences of nearby state societies and neighboring county and regional societies, (4) national conferences, if you can swing the time and expense, and (5) webinars. We will try to alert you to some of these opportunities on the upcoming events page of this newsletter, but space there is too limited to list more than about half a dozen each month. I will try to use that space to point you to more comprehensive listings of upcoming educational opportunities.

A couple of specific opportunities to mark on your calendar: The Federation of Genealogical Societies (FGS) 2013 national conference will be held in Fort Wayne, Indiana, on 21-24 August. The 2013 Wisconsin State Genealogical Society (WSGS) Gene-A-Rama will be held in Wausau on 5-6 April; Paula Stuart-Warren will be the featured speaker. The 2013 WSGS Fall Seminar will be held in Janesville on 28 September.

And above all: pitch in to help DCAGS be the best society it can be. I'll be helping out, and I'd like to see each of you do what you can as well. Get in touch with Walker Crawford to see where help is most needed.

*Rollie Littlewood* (608)273-0211



### Free Genealogy Webinar

MyGenShare FREE webinars are a hit. Webinars are part of the MyGenShare portfolio of educational resources.

**Note: All Webinars are Mountain Time Zone**

[1. Fifty Google Searches Every Genealogist Needs to Know](#) Wed. Jan. 23, 7:00 PM

[2. Effective Strategies for Researching Newspapers](#) Thurs. Jan. 17, 10:00 AM

[3. The 30 Second Genealogist...How to Find Genealogy Answers You Want Now](#)  
Fri. Jan. 4, 7:00 PM | Wed. Jan. 9, 10:00 AM  
Wed. Jan. 16, 7:00 PM | Fri. Jan 18, 7:00 PM

[4. Supercharge Your Research: Cut Ten Years off Your Learning Curve](#)  
Mon. Jan. 3, 7:00 PM | Tues. Jan. 13, 3:00 PM

[5. Identifying and Using Records-Part 1: Vital Records, U.S. Census, Religious Records, Land Records, Etc](#) Sun. Jan. 6, 3:00 PM

[6. Identifying and Using Resources-Part 2: Directories, Newspapers, Immigration and Naturalization Records, Etc](#) Sun. Jan. 6, 4:30 PM

[7. Use a Digital Camera to Cut Your Research Time by Half](#) Mon. Jan.. 7, 10:00 AM

[8. How to Become the Sherlock Holmes of Genealogists](#) Tues. Jan. 8, 10:00 AM | Thurs. Jan. 31, 7:00 PM

[9. Digitally Preserving Your Family History and Heritage](#)  
Wed. Jan. 9, 7:00 PM

[10. Saturday Seminar Jan 12, 2013: Top 20 Lessons Genealogists Need to Know](#)  
(Lessons 1-5) - Session #1 10:00 AM  
(Lessons 6-10) - Session #2 11:30 AM  
(Lessons 11-15) - Session #3 1:00 PM  
(Lessons 16-20) - Session #4 2:30 PM

[11. Quick Start for Family Historians](#)  
Fri. Jan. 11, 10:00 AM | Fri. Feb. 1, 7:00 PM

[12. The Purpose of Temple and Family History Work for Mormons](#)  
Sun. Jan. 20, 3:00 PM

[13. Ten Ways to Supercharge Family History Research at Home](#)  
Wed. Jan. 16, 10:00 AM

[14. Ancestor Immigration and Migration: Keys to Unlocking Family History](#)  
Thurs. Jan. 10, 10:00 AM

[15. How to Discover Treasures in the Library, Archives and Societies](#)  
Tues. Jan. 15, 10:00 AM

[16. Conducting Oral Interviews: The Most Important Research You'll Ever Do](#)  
Thurs. Jan. 10, 10:00 AM

[17. Ah Ha! I'm a Genealogist and Love'n it](#)  
Mon. Jan. 14, 7:00 PM

[18. Genealogy Treasures: How to Find, Learn and Share Genealogy One Generation to the Next](#)  
Mon. Jan. 21, 10:00 AM | Tues. Jan. 29, 10:00 AM

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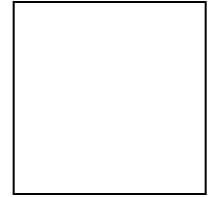
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# See you on January 3<sup>rd</sup>

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### We have three new members

to announce this month. The first is Margaret "Margi" Draak. Margi lives in Madison and is interested in research in Germany. The names she is researching are Albrecht, Planow and Schuett.

Next we have Julie Peterson Conrad also of Madison. Julie has interest in Dane, Iowa, Juneau, Lafayette and Milwaukee Counties; Minnesota, South Dakota and Wisconsin; England, Denmark, Germany and Norway. Her names of interest are Buckingham, Golliner, Hoveland, Huxtable, Kinsman, May, Oleson and Peterson. She has interest in DNA applications, historical references and telling life stories.

Our third new member is Winifred McAllan. Winifred lives in Madison and is a Mac/Reunion user. Her names of research are Braden and Stiles, her countries are Scotland and England, the country of her birth.

Please take a moment to welcome these members when you see them at our meetings. If you'd like to contact any of them please let Walker Crawford know and he will connect you.