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Meeting Date

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, December 4, at 6 p.m. at the Upper Deck Restaurant, 1415 N 46th Street in Superior. Approximate cost: \$15-\$16 per person. We'll be having our annual holiday celebration and no business will be conducted.



Tentative Meeting Topics for 2019

- January 8:** Election Night and sharing
- February 5:** Presidential Genealogy by Jane Sigfrids
- March 5:** Update on changes at the LDS Family History Center
- April 2:** Visit to the LDS Center in Duluth
- May 7:** Eileen Gannon, DNA
- June 4:** Sharing members' genealogical research
- July 9:** Calvary Cemetery tour
- August 6:** www.vintagevickie.com, Proctor resident and professional genealogist
- September 3:** Dan Reed to discuss immigration
- October 1:** Sharing members' genealogical research
- November 5:** Bong Heritage Center. Topic to be decided
- December 3:** Holiday Party at the Upper Deck Restaurant



November Meeting Minutes

November 6, 2018

@ Richard I. Bong Veterans' Museum

The meeting at the Richard I. Bong Center was called to order at 6:03 by President Jim Mattson. Officers present were: President Jim Mattson, Vice President Jan Resberg and Interim Treasurer Jane Sigfrids. Secretary Dave Johnson was absent.

Correction to the October meeting minutes as noted: Bobbi Hoyt was given French Canadian research papers from Mary Long, a longtime Twin Ports Genealogical Society member who has recently passed. Bobbi has not been able to review the research papers as yet. Jan Resberg motioned to correct the minutes and Bobbi Hoyt seconded.

Jane Sigfrids gave a report on the status of the Treasury. Some of 2018 finances still need to be reconciled. The Financial Review Committee has therefore not been able to meet. Jane Sigfrids will be accepting the \$10 yearly dues for 2019.

Committee Reports:

The Executive Board and Program Committees will meet at the Upper Deck on Wednesday, December 12th at 5:15 PM. All members are welcome to attend.

Request Committee Report: no report as Chair Dave Johnson was absent.

Lock-in Report: The event was well attended. Future date for 2019 lock-in will return to early April at the Superior Public Library.

President's report: Parkland Cemetery remains on the agenda.

New Business:

Marlene Case remains as local State Representative to the Wisconsin State Genealogical Society.

A motion was made by Jackie Plunkett and seconded by Jan Resberg to pay \$25 reservation fee to the Superior Public Library for 2019 schedule of meetings. The motion passed.

Preparations for the annual Holiday Party with Twin Ports Genealogical Society: Jane Sigfrids asked attendees to contact her with their menu choices by November 23rd and then interact directly with the Upper Deck in regard to payment for their choices, tax and tip.

The Annual Holiday Party is scheduled for December 4th at 6:00 PM at the Upper Deck. Please bring 25 pennies for genealogy bingo.

A motion was made by Arnold Johnson and seconded by Bobbi Hoyt to pay \$50 fee to the Richard I Bong Center for use of their facilities. The motion passed.

Sharing: John Buczynski has turned over his research to his daughter, Wendy. Jan Resberg and the Proctor Museum were able to help 2 families with research. Several other members contributed their stories of their research successes and failures.

There will be no regular business meeting in December. The next business meeting of Douglas County Genealogy Club will be January 8, 2019 and will include election of Vice President and Treasurer at the Superior Public Library.

A motion to adjourn meeting was made by Jackie Plunkett and seconded by Jane Sigfrids. The motion carried; the meeting adjourned at 7:00 pm.

Jan Resberg spoke on the 100th anniversary of the end of World War I.

Present at meeting were: Judy Aunet, John Buczynski, Don Erickson, Emily Fredrick, Bobbi Hoyt, Arnold Johnson, Marie Mattson, Jackie Plunkett, and Debra Reichert. Guest: Kim Culp

*Respectfully submitted,
Emily Fredrick, Acting Secretary*



Reminder: Membership dues for 2019 are now payable. You can pay at the monthly meeting or send a check to me at:

Jane Sigfrids
4521 S County Rd E
South Range, WI 54874

Please be sure to make your check out to the club, not to me personally. Also, please write "2019 Dues" in the memo field on your check.



December Events

- DCGC – Douglas County Genealogy Club
- TPGS – Twin Ports Genealogical Society
- WSGS – Wisconsin State Genealogical Society
- MNGS – Minnesota Genealogical Society
- WHS – Wisconsin Historical Society



DCGC

The annual DCGC Holiday Party will be held on Tuesday, Dec 4, 2018 at the Upper Deck Restaurant, 1415 N 46th Street in Superior. There is a slight change to our Genealogy Bingo game: each person is asked to bring 25 pennies to use as markers on their game board (in place of the paper squares we've used in the past).

The Upper Deck has requested that attendees make their dinner selection from one of four menu options: roast beef, chicken kiev, baked cod or the salad buffet. The options cost between \$12 and \$15.



WSGS Webinar

Secret Societies: Finding Your Ancestors in Fraternal Organizations

Presenter: Michael Strauss

Date: Tuesday, December 18, 2018

Time: 7:00 pm CST

Description: Were your ancestors Free Masons? Did your family have a connection with the I.O.O.F or the Daughters of Rebekah? Discover the rich history and genealogical material that await you with membership records, historical research, and photographs of your family who may have belonged to one or more of these secret societies or female auxiliaries.

Register

at:

<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/7343375765735486211>

After registering, you will receive an email with information and a link to join us the night of the webinar and handout information. Please remember that this is a first-come, first-served webinar. Registering does not hold a spot for you. Those that log in first will be admitted to the webinar. If you have problems connecting to the software, be sure to check that your browser software is running the most current version available.



MNGS Webinar

PERSibilities: Better Research with ACPL's Periodical Source Index

Presenter: Carrie Taplin, CG

Date: Wednesday, December 5

Time: 7:00 pm to 8:15 pm

Description: This presentation will look into PERSI, discuss its partnership with Find My Past (FMP), and provide tips and techniques for getting the most out of this valuable genealogical resource. The presenter will demonstrate a variety of search tips and examine some of the nuances with the FMP search interface, discuss how researchers can obtain copies of the journals they locate on PERSI, report on FMP's ongoing digitization work (and tell how societies can get involved in the digitization process). And mini-case studies will illustrate how PERSI can enhance genealogical research.

Carrie Taplin, CG is related to Roy Rogers. Or at least the stories her grandparents told her as a child said so. As a result, she has been working on finding her true heritage since the year 2000. She is a regional and national speaker. Carrie is a native of Wood County, Ohio who now lives near Austin, Texas.

Cost: Free!

Please see the Events page at mngs.org for registration information.



Every attempt is made to keep **Upcoming Events** pertinent and timely. We invite all area genealogy organizations to submit their events with contact information for publication her to jnjsig@yahoo.com

As always, if you have additional dates for the calendar or if you find a date in error, please email me at jnjsig@yahoo.com



News from the Internet

Record and Share Your Family History in Five Steps

[Dick Eastman- November 23, 2018- Genealogy Basics](#)

I don't see many genealogy-related articles in the New York Times but J.D. Biersdorfer has written a great article that has now been published by the media giant. Quoting from the article:

"Holiday gatherings offer a great time to create a multimedia digital archive of interviews with your relatives so they can share their memories with the current – and future – branches of the tree."

And:

"Many people have pieced together their family tree. But how much do you really know about the early lives of your living relatives, especially those with decades of stories to share?"

"To learn more, take the time to talk during family gatherings over Thanksgiving and the holiday season. And make sure to save that oral history for future generations: Record and preserve it with a multimedia digital archive, with video or audio, or with both. Here are five simple steps to get you started."

You can learn more at: <https://nyti.ms/2zrnXc3>.



New Historical Records on FamilySearch: Week of November 19, 2018

[Dick Eastman- November 21, 2018- Online Sites](#)

The following announcement was written by FamilySearch:

FamilySearch added an astonishing **79.5 million indexed Lutheran records from Germany**, and almost one million more from the **Ireland 1901 census**. Other countries include **Benin, Costa Rica, Portugal, South Africa** and the **United States (Michigan, Georgia, and Montana)**.

As always, thanks to Dick Eastman at blog.eogn.com for permission to use the preceding articles.



Committee Memberships - 2018

Executive Board

Jim Mattson (President)
Jan Resberg (Vice-President)
Dave Johnson (Secretary)
Jane Sigfrids (Interim Treasurer)
Judy Aunet (at-large)
Marlene Case (at-large)
Emily Fredrick (at-large)
Bobbi Hoyt (at-large)
Jackie Plunkett (at-large)

Program Committee

Jan Resberg (Chair)
Judy Aunet
Jim Mattson
Jane Sigfrids

Financial Review Committee

Marlene Case
Dave Johnson
Jane Sigfrids

Research Request Committee

Dave Johnson (Chair)
Emily Fredrick
Jackie Plunkett
Jane Sigfrids

Library Lock-In Committee

Judy Aunet
Jackie Plunkett
Jane Sigfrids
Leslie Mehle – library liaison

Newsletter Editor: Jane Sigfrids

