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Minnesota Historical Society (MHS) and Minnesota Genealogical Society (MGS) Genealogy Workshop 16 April 2005

The Minnesota Genealogical Society and the Minnesota Historical Society are pleased to announce a joint Genealogy Workshop on 16 April 2005 at the Minnesota Historical Society. Our focus will be on use of land records, dealing with photographs, creating oral histories, utilizing women's history resources, etc. A tour of the History Center will be available and individual specialists from MGS will be present for consultation on organization of materials, citing documents, and to make suggestions on getting past roadblocks in your research. A registration fee will be required. Watch the MGS website for registration materials and the full program.

Pat Tupper
Education Committee

"Traveling to Do Genealogy and Preparing for the Trip"

Panel Discussion

Saturday, 19 March 2005



Participating Branch Groups

Computer Interest Group
Finnish Genealogy Group of Minnesota
Germanic Genealogical Society
Pommern Regional Group of Minnesota,
Irish Genealogical Society
Polish Genealogical Society of Minnesota
Yankee Genealogical Society
MGS, its Branches and other vendors will have display tables and will be selling books and other genealogically-related items.

Agenda

8:00 a.m.	Registration
9:00 a.m.	Business Meeting
9:15 a.m.	Panel: Traveling to Do Genealogy and Preparing for the Trip
10:30 a.m.	Break
11:00 a.m.	Break-Out Session #1
12:00 noon	Lunch Break
1:30 p.m.	Break-Out Session #2
2:45 p.m.	Break-Out Session #3

Volunteers Needed: Please Step Up to the Plate

I read one time that the world is made up of three kinds of people—those who make things happen, those who watch things happen, and those who ask, 'what happened?' This article is addressed specifically to MGS members who want to be among the first group and make things happen.

Dale Braunschweig of Osakis has resigned as a member of the MGS executive committee.

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Traveling to Do Genealogy and Preparing for the Trip

Panelists: Beth Mullinax, Duane Swanson, Paul Sternberg and moderator Tom Rice, CGRS.

Travel is an important and enjoyable part of genealogy. Three very experienced genealogy travelers will discuss how to prepare for and have productive genealogy excursions both in the U.S. and abroad. There will be ample time for questions.

Beth Mullinax will discuss "Travel Tips Outside the U.S." I. Paperwork—Make sure all is up-to-date!

- II. Basics we take for granted
- III. Packing
- IV. Behavior in a foreign country
- V. Enjoy the experience.

Beth has lived in Europe and has made numerous trips to Ireland on her own and has experience leading groups to do research.

Paul Sternberg will discuss the most effective ways to use a camera as part of a genealogy trip in addition to some tips on how to handle your digital images once the trip is over.

Paul has made five genealogy trips to Germany, two to Poland and

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MGS Newsletter

Newsletter for the
Minnesota Genealogical Society

Editor: Paula Goblirsch

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Submissions: Send articles, announcements and ads to the Newsletter Editor, 5768 Olson Memorial Hwy, Golden Valley, MN 55422-5014 or paulagoblirsch@gmail.com

Advertising: Rates are for publication in a single issue only. Full page (6 3/4" wide x 9" high), \$100.00. Half page (3 1/2" wide x 9" high or 6 3/4" wide x 4 1/2" high), \$60.00. Quarter page (3 1/4" wide x 4 1/2" high or 6 3/4" wide x 2 1/4" high), \$35.00. Classified ads, 3 1/4" wide, \$15.00 per column inch. Discounts: 10% if ad is run in 4 consecutive issues and paid for in advance. 10% if ad is run in both the Newsletter and the Genealogist. Ad copy must be submitted in electronic format and not exceed stated dimensions.

Deadlines: Information and ads must be received by January 1, April 1, July 1, and October 1 for the February, May, August and November issues respectively.

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Future Meetings

Saturday, 18 June 2005

Greater Minnesota meeting

Saturday, 24 September 2005

Annual Seminar

Speaker: Lloyd DeWitt Bockstruck, MA, MS, FNGS, head of Genealogy Section, Dallas Public Library

Saturday, 3 December 2005

Winter Meeting

Fort Snelling Auditorium

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one to Colombia, in addition to several international vacations.

Duane Swanson will discuss basic planning to ensure that one's research time at a distant library/archives is well spent, setting goals, and prioritizing one's research needs to maximize success. Duane's presentation will be based not only on his own research but also on his experiences assisting researchers in the Minnesota Historical Society Library.

Duane, a native and resident of Pine County, Minnesota, holds history degrees from Hamline University and the University of Delaware. He has a dual appointment at MHS as a government records specialist in the Collections Management and Reference departments.

Tom Rice, CGRS is a certified, professional genealogist offering research, consulting and instructional services focusing on the Upper Midwest, Ireland and Scotland. He is a Director of the Minnesota Genealogy Society and the Irish Genealogy Society International.

Break-Out Sessions

Beginning Genealogy

Kathy Lund

An introduction to genealogical research for those who are new to family history research or are interested in reviewing the basics.

Creating a Heritage Album

Vicki Albu and Lynne Cooke

While researching your family history you have no doubt collected a number of photos and other documents of interest. What to do with it all is a big question. Learn some ways to organize it and put it into an interesting format for your family to read and enjoy using photo safe albums and supplies.

Vicki Albu and Lynne Cooke have been researching their family history and know the value of safely preserving family photos, memorabilia and the stories behind them. They have been "Creative Memories" consultants for a number of years

and are pleased to share with others the importance of using photo safe products.

Heirloom Show and Tell

This is open to all ethnic groups. Bring an heirloom—an old photo, clothing or other small objects to show and tell about. Each speaker will have a couple minutes to explain their heirloom.

Contact Paul Sternberg at 612-874-0964 or Paulsternberg@msn.com if you plan to bring an heirloom.

What's Up at the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution (NSDAR) Library?

Mary Kaye Brown, Gretchen Wilhelm

Going to Washington, D.C. and want to do a little specific Revolutionary War ancestry search?

Can't get to Washington, D.C. but want to use the Library of the NSDAR?

Wonder what you can find at the NSDAR Library?

Please consider visiting the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution Library at 1776 D Street N.W. if you do go to Washington, D.C., but that's not the only way you can access this research bonanza. We specialize in the American Revolutionary War period, but don't think that our files for genealogical research don't reach up to 2005! There is no charge to use the facilities in D.C., but there are things you can do from home with or without that airline ticket!

Mary Kaye Brown, National Vice Chairman of Chapter Development-Genealogy NSDAR and Gretchen Wilhelm, MN Society DAR Honorary State Agent and Membership Chairman.

Computer Interest Group

Bygones

Tom Rice

Bygones is freeware for recording and organizing all manner of genealogical materials: record extracts, scans, correspondence, and notes. It also serves as a research log and a research-planning tool.

It is ideal for planning a research trip and recording your findings at repositories. You can download Bygones at www.bygonessoftware.com.

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Finnish Genealogy Group of Minnesota

The Finnish Genealogy Group of Minnesota will have a display table.

Germanic Genealogical Society

German Emigration and Immigration Patterns

Lois Edwards

For beginner and intermediate-level researchers. Patterns of when and where Germans came to America can help you track down your ancestors. If you already know when and from where they came, you can learn how their experience was typical or unique.

Pommern Regional Group of Minnesota

Travelogue—Traveling to Pomerania, Kashubia, and West Prussia, now in Poland

Paul Sternberg

Paul will show pictures and share travel tips for this region in northwest Poland. Visiting churches and photographing cemeteries. He saw 88 villages in four days, took 1500 pictures and drove over 1000 miles. All are invited to share in the history and beauty of this region.

Paul Sternberg was president (2002) of the Germanic Genealogy Society of Minnesota (GGS). Currently he serves as board member. He is co-chair of the 2005 FEEFHS Convention, and co-author of the third revision of their Germanic Genealogy book. He is current President (2004-2005), of the Pommern Regional Group of Minnesota (PRG), and its webmaster.

His father's family came from County Schlochau, West Prussia and he has created a web site www.geocities.com/schlochau for researchers of that county. His mother's family is Colombian. He has made five trips to Germany and two to Poland and one to Colombia for genealogy, in addition to international vacations in Egypt, Mexico, London and Paris. He has a Bachelor of Science from the University of Minnesota and is an Eagle Scout.

Irish Genealogical Society

Beginning Irish Genealogy

Beth L. Mullinax

How to begin your Irish research. Organizing what you already have and what you will need to "get across the pond."

Research in Dublin

Florence Baskfield Myslajek

Florence will present information about and experience with principal research facilities in Dublin. She has researched in many of these facilities in her eight trips to Ireland.

Florence has been a member of MGS and the Irish Genealogical Society, International since 1989.

Scottish Genealogy

Tom Rice

Learn how to make significant progress with your Scottish genealogy combining resources on the Internet with those at the Family History Library. Doing a through job here will make a research trip to Scotland that much more productive.

The Irish Genealogical Society will also have a display table.

Polish Genealogical Society of Minnesota

Genealogical Trip—Before You Get There

This panel discussion will help to answer travel related questions, including equipment to bring, pre-travel preparations, how to find/hire a guide, travel arrangements, estimated costs, etc.

A panel of experienced travelers will answer questions—this should be applicable to travel anywhere.

Genealogical Trip—When You Get There

Several presenters will discuss genealogical preparations for a trip; how to use a guide, what to expect at archives/libraries, how to find relatives, how to conduct yourself in a foreign country.

They will also relate some of their experiences. A Q&A session will follow.

Yankee Genealogical Society

Are You Really Stuck? Probably Not!! Suggestions for Increasing Your Success

Harold Hinds

You've run into a brick wall. Who hasn't! Indeed, you may have really reached the end of the line. In that case, no effort will extend it. However, it is more likely that you may not be stuck after all. You might well dissolve that brick wall by a combination of reassessment, analysis, and organization; and by keeping an open mind and casting a broader net."

Harold E. Hinds, Jr., Ph.D. and Distinguished Research Professor of History, University of Minnesota Morris. He has lectured extensively and is author or editor of 19 historical books and numerous history and genealogical studies. He serves as a Director of the Minnesota Genealogical Society and as Associate Editor of *Minnesota Genealogist*.

The Yankee Genealogical Society will also have a display table.

Registration

The cost for this meeting is \$12.00 member/non-member. Registration will be accepted by mail. Lunch is available to pre-registrants for \$6.50.

Location

Woodbury Senior High School
2665 Woodlane Drive
Woodbury MN

Directions

From I-94 (generally, from the north and east)

Take I-94 to the intersection of 494/694. Exit south on 494.

Go about 2 miles, take the Valley Creek Road exit. Cross (left) to the east side of the freeway. Take the first right, going south on Woodlane Drive.

Go about one mile to the 4-way stop at Courtly Rd. After about 100 yards, student and stadium parking lot is the first left entry. Main entry is the left at the stoplight.

From I-494 (generally, from the south and west)

On I-494, about 2 miles northeast of the Mississippi River, take the Lake Road exit, and go south (right). Take the first left at Courtly Road. At the 4-way stop, turn right, going south on Woodlane Drive. After about 100 yards, student and stadium parking lot is the first left entry. Main entry is the left at the stoplight.

Box Lunches

Again this year for your convenience, we will provide an optional box lunch. This can give you more time to visit and browse the vendor tables. Payment for the box lunch must be received in advance, no later than 12 March.

The box lunch will include sandwich (choice of meats), chips, salad, cookie. Also, coffee, tea, milk, and a juice will be available but not part of the box lunch. You are welcome to bring a bag lunch or go to a local restaurant if you prefer.

Volunteers Needed

Volunteers are needed in a number of areas, including set up of tables and chairs before registration starts, and helping at the registration table. The building will be open between 7:00 and 7:30 a.m. for setup.

Vendors

Tables will be available for historic or genealogically related vendors who wish to have displays at the meeting. Requests for tables must be made in advance and the earlier the better. Cost of tables is \$6.00. each. One table per non-profit group is free. Contact Wesley Waring at 763-494-327 or Wesleyawaring@cs.com.

MGS offers an invitation to non-branch genealogical and historical groups to participate in this meeting. If your group would like to have a table or two at this meeting contact Wesley Waring 763-494-3277.

MGS Branching-Out Meeting 2005 Pre-Registration

Registration Fee: \$12.00 MGS Members/Nonmembers, Box Lunch: \$6.50 per person

Saturday, 19 March 2005

MGS Member # _____ (from upper left corner of mailing label) or Not an MGS Member
Name(s): _____

Address: _____

City/State/ZIP: _____ Phone: (____) _____

Amount enclosed \$ _____ \$ _____ \$ _____

Registration Fee (\$12.00 each) Optional Box Lunch (\$6.50 each) Total Enclosed

(The fee for registering at the door is the same.)

Pre-Registration Deadline 12 March 2005

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Thus we have a vacancy and all interested parties should let their interests be known.

Dorothy Chandler has retired as our MGS **room scheduler**. If you are interested in volunteering for this position or would like more information about what the job entails, please contact Chief Librarian Jean Jensen at the MGS library at 763-595-9347.

Ms. Jensen has sent out a strong plea, also, for a new crop of **library volunteers** since we continue to have long-term volunteers retiring each month. The library can use you.

Ms. Chandler's decision to let others do some work is not an isolated incident. MGS's founding generation is has done its duty and now needs to attend to other things in their lives.

This is exactly why I have sent this appeal out before over the past year or so, looking for new blood and new energy to carry on MGS's work. While we are in the process of looking at how we are organized and how we do business in the long term, we still want—and need—to keep the doors open and the society operating on a day-to-day basis.

Specifically MGS needs members for **library** (which is different than being a library volunteer), **membership, fundraising, and building, awards**—as well as others committees that are showing signs of life and productivity, namely **program, education, greater Minnesota societies, marketing, and publications**, with this **newsletter** in search of an assistant editor. We have other committees, of course, but this is where my energy is going now to grow the organization and where I believe we must focus in 2005 if we are going to hit 2006 at full force.

Since I have written about these activity centers before, I am focusing specifically now on the **building and fundraising committees** in requesting timely volunteers for timely tasks. David Cross has been, for all practical purposes, the building committee for some years and now is stepping aside to give others the op-

portunity to serve. I asked him to provide me with a description of the committee and its charter for the next year or so. This is what he wrote:

Building Committee

The building committee should keep track of and respond to needs related to the library building. Important things to work with include:

Look at the options for the future. The existing building will be for sale in the near future and the building committee needs to provide the input MGS, the branches and the Czech group needs to decide what action to take.

- Stay and work with future owners.
- Buy this building.
- Move to new rented space.
- Move to new owned space.
- ...

Working with the library staff and treasurer in several areas.

- New equipment needs:
 - The recent copier acquisition
 - The need for some new shelves (TBD)
 - Space needs
- Day to day operational items:
 - Clean the lock on the east door (needs to be done).
 - Dehumidifier needs (one needs to be repaired now).
 - Paper supplies, also tape, etc.
 - Yearly payment reallocation with the treasurer and the branches.

Fundraising Committee

MGS has been a unique position for many years, generating sufficient revenues from membership dues and incidental fees to operate. A new era is upon us and we are now like the greater majority of not-for-profit organizations that simply have to raise money to operate. The fundraising committee has two key objectives:

- Generate revenue from an annual fund drive.

- Generate revenue for legacy gifts and bequests.

Our first vice president, Rod MacRae, has agreed to chair the start up activities, but is seeking some good help. The quickest way to make this work is for you let Mr. MacRae know directly from you that you are available to help. His telephone number is 612-377-0130. Please give him a call. Thank you.

Otherwise, if you want to make things happen, please contract me at mgs@mercercermercer.com or 651-493-2240.

John Whitty Mercer
President

Cash Donations to MGS

The following people made cash donations to MGS in May, June, August, September, November, and December 2004.

H. Maureen Beuning
Leonard & Rosalie Bruce
Esther Craine
Roberta Everling
Adrienne Harty
Geraldine Haynes
Eunice Holz
Sheryl Hove
Clayton Irmen
Pauline Jagusch
Eloise Kimball
Gregory Kishel
Kathy Lambert
Francis Lavacot
Grant Lawless
Robert Luedke
Vivian McGonagle
Virginia Mehregan
Morris & Phyllis Olson
Scott & Cathy Olson
Dolores Pederson
Shirley Reinecker
Edna Robbins
Thomas Ross
Moira & Richard Rummel
Barbara Sonnen
Carol Tindell
Donna Turbes
Carol Volstad
Elaine Winkler
Robert Trushenski

2005 in 2005— Members that is!

Recruit one for MGS today.

We are asking each MGS member to do exactly what the slogan says. MGS depends upon members for support—the more members, the more support—in revenue, volunteers, and expertise.

Membership numbers are down, a trend shared with other societies nationally. However, trends need not be self-fulfilling prophecies.

In fact, the role of prophets is to foretell what will happen if folks don't take steps to turn things around. We have heard from the prophets; now is the time for action.

Membership is currently around 1,400. If each one of us recruits one new member over the next few months, we can meet—and even exceed—our membership goal of 2,005. Please take the challenge and talk it up—and recruit a member today!

A membership form is included in this newsletter. When you sign folks up, write your name at the bottom of the form so we know that it was you who did the recruiting.

**Remember our goal:
2005 in 2005—
members that is!**

**Our request of you:
Recruit one for MGS
today.**

Results of MGS' Member Survey 2004

Thank you for returning our Member Survey sent out with the ballots.

A total of 1462 surveys were mailed to members. Just under 10% (144) were returned: 78 were from the Twin Cities Metro area; 17 were from non-Metro Minnesota; 20 were from non-Minnesotans; and 2 were from Canadians. 8 people did not give addresses. There were 21 Beginners, 71 Intermediates, and 20 Advanced genealogists; 20 did not designate their skill level.

Does the MGS serve your interests? yes (72), no (16), somewhat (31), branches, yes (5), unable to use the library (5).

Our focus this year was on serving members who cannot visit our library, yet it was deemed the greatest benefit of membership (42). Due to lack of volunteers we really cannot expand the hours nor can we become a lending library. A pleasant surprise was that 26 mentioned their fellow genealogists as a great benefit! Coming in third were the conferences (24). Publications garnered 20 votes, with an additional 10 for the MGS Newsletter. Learning about resources earned 17 mentions and workshops 13. Also mentioned were the research policy, articles, MGS Branches, referrals to professional genealogists, education, local resources, study groups, and mailings.

Project Growth members will be culling wisdom from the suggestions given for non-Metro members and for our publications. Be assured that *The Minnesota Genealogist* is getting back on track! Editor John Mercer and team promise to quickly close the gap from Summer 2003 to Winter 2004. Our Education Committee under Pat Tupper welcomed topics suggested by members. We have a speaker's bureau with the contacts posted online. In addition we already have two self-help study groups: in Research and in Writing. These are open to all, no need to register. They are a good way to benefit from your fellow genealogists! Please check the website for dates of meetings.

John Mercer has also reorganized the MGS Research Committee. Judging from the survey, this will be very popular, particularly if correspondence can be by email. Costs will rise, however, as it is very time-consuming for volunteers. A big thank-you to those who volunteered; your name has been given to the appropriate committee person. We are hoping to accelerate several transcription projects.

Many members suggested improvements for our web site, www.mngs.org, that had already been made! I too was unaware of what Jim Robasse has provided

there. Did you know that we have...?

- Our online library catalog (the Irish collection is on their website)
- Information on conferences and classes
- Calendar of events
- Links to the Branches of MGS
- Surname lists (if you submit your surnames of interest)
- Links to member's personal web pages (if submitted)
- Publications for sale
- Lists of cemeteries located in each county (Aiken through Dodge completed)
- List of research facilities in the Twin Cities
- Contacts for researchers and speakers
- A forum for posting your queries and messages?

You want more databases? Does anyone have any to submit? Please contact us.

We will keep you posted on our efforts to assist members in their genealogical searches! Thanks again to all who participated!

Kathy Lund
MGS Project Growth
mlund8307@yahoo.com

Minnesota Genealogist
A Word or Two About
Obituaries
Paula Goblirsch and I are in the process of developing an article for the *Minnesota Genealogist* on obituaries that provide genealogical and family history information. Prior to the Roaring 20s obituaries were often colorful, full of lots of opinions about the deceased, and revealing of community dynamics. Our earlier request for contributions has yielded a few

good ones but we would like to have more to round out the article.

While the obituaries of famous Minnesotans—J. J. Hill, being an example, are readily available to us for use—we are looking for those of your family members. If you have a contribution to make to this effort, email mgs@mercermercer.com or send it to the *Minnesota Genealogist* at the MGS Library.

John Whitty Mercer
MGS President

MGS Web Site

Do you have family photographs needing people identified and, perhaps, the story of the photograph? Or have you come across a photograph of unknown origin but the studio mark or a note on the back suggests it has a Minnesota connection? We encourage members to use the service provided by our webmaster to post copies of old family photographs. If you are interested, please contact our webmaster, Jim Robasse at jim_robasse@ll.net to determine the most effective way to send the material to him, e.g., original copy, fax, email, and so forth.

Access to Birth Certificate

Access to birth certificates has been a major issue for genealogists these past few months as Congress considered new homeland security legislation. While the 9/11 commission's recommendations appear for the most part to have been enacted into law, there is some confusion as to the fate of access to birth certificates. I have received a goodly number of opinions in my efforts to produce a status report for MGS members. I asked our MGS-MHS liaison, Duane Swanson, to help me out. I appreciate his good work. Please take note and appropriate steps in response to what Mr. Swanson says:

I'm not sure that I can of substantial help because the genealogical pundits have not analyzed the language in sufficient detail (or at least not in a forum to which I am privy). What seems clear is that the language most offensive to genealogists was removed and that the Secretary of Health and Human Services was required to come up with standards for birth certificates, but at the same time, those standards may not include a single design to be imposed on each state. I think it is safe to encourage your readers that continued vigilance is required as the standards are drafted, debated and promulgated.

Wanted: Editor for Minnesota Families, Newsletter of the Minnesota Genealogical Society

Published 4 times a year in February, May, August and November.

Duties of the editor

- Solicits information for newsletter including quarterly program, branch news, new at the library, and calendar. Other information at editor's discretion.
- Writes copy as necessary.
- Edits copy for spelling, grammar, and style.
- Lays out publication in software of editor's choosing (currently PageMaker).
- Prepares publication to send to printer in Adobe PDF format.
- Knowledge of graphic manipulation helpful, but not necessary.

Any files and information in possession of the current editor will be made available.

Contact Paula Goblirsch, 651-227-4523 or paulagoblirsch@gmail.com, if interested in the position.



Have you researched your family's history, but not gotten around to writing it yet? I can help turn your research into the family history you have been working toward.

I am a memoir writer who can do the tasks you have no time, or interest, for — drafting a history from your records and stories, editing what you have written, making suggestions about format and style. What I write will be yours, both the disc and print versions and any copyrights.

Don't put off writing until you have finished that last bit of research. We can start now and get it done. An addendum may always be added if new information is found.

Prices are reasonable and based upon time spent.

 Susan Sternfels
Phone: 651-489-3495 • E-mail: sssternfels3495@comcast.net

Branch and Interest Groups

Branch Council meetings are held quarterly at the MGS Library. See the MGS & Branch Calendar for dates.

Computer Interest Group

Contact: Ray Kleinow, 952-890-7605 or rayk29@comcast.net

Web site: www.rootsweb.com/~mnmngscig/

Library staffing: 6:30 to 9:30 p.m., first Tuesday of each month

Meetings: 7 p.m. on the 3rd Tuesday of even-numbered months, except Dec.

Location: MGS Library lower level meeting room

Membership dues: \$7.50/year

National Danish-American Genealogical Society

Contact: Diane Greve, 612-781-2197

Web site: www.danishgenealogy.org

Meetings: 7 p.m., the 4th Monday of each month, except Aug. and Dec.

Location: Danish American Center, 4200 Cedar Ave. So. Entrance on 42nd Ave., Minneapolis MN

Membership dues: \$12/year individual; \$15.00/year family

Eastern Europe

Contact: Ed Brandt, 612-338-2001 (2-10 p.m. CST) or brandtfam@prodigy.net

Finnish Genealogy Group of Minnesota

Contact: Joan Dwyer, 612-822-0743 or dwyers@ties2.net

Meetings: 9:30 a.m. on the 4th Saturday of every month except June, July, Aug. and Dec.

Location: MGS Library lower-level meeting room unless otherwise noted

Library staffing: noon to 3 p.m., 4th Saturday of each month

Membership dues: \$10/year

French/Canadian/Metis Genealogical Society

French/Canadian, contact: Denise Breault, 651-552-1362 or dabreault@worldnet.att.net; Ruth Charest, 763-476-7943

Indian and Metis, contact: Dorothy Chandler, 952-832-9923 (before 9 p.m. CST) or patdot831@aol.com

Meetings: Four workshops per year

Germanic Genealogy Society

Contact: Joy Curtin, jcurtinggs@comcast.net

Web site: www.rootsweb.com/~mnggs/GGS.html

GGs Library: Theodore Buenger Memorial Library, Concordia University, 275 N Syndicate St. Hamline & I-94, St. Paul MN

Meetings: GGS holds several workshops each year in the winter, spring and fall. See the MGS & Branch calendar or the GGS web site for dates.

Membership dues: \$12/year

Icelandic Genealogy Group

Contact: Patricia Allred, 612-729-0456

Irish Genealogical Society Intl

Contact: Nancy Grell, 763-525-1463

Web site: www.rootsweb.com/~irish

Library staffing: 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., second Saturday of each month.

Library catalog: http://www.rootsweb.com/~irish/library/lib_card_cat.htm

Meetings in 2005: 9 a.m. on 19 Feb., 21 May, 27 Aug., 19 Nov.

Location: MGS Library lower-level meeting room.

Membership dues: \$25/year plus \$5.00 U.S. for foreign

Luxembourg

Contact: Karen Whitmer, 612-869-1759 or whitmerj@aol.com

Norwegian-American Genealogical Association

Contact: Jeri Johnson, 763-434-5074 or jerijon@aol.com

Web site: www.NorwegianAmerican.org

Meetings: 6 p.m. on the last Wednesday of the month

Location: MGS Library lower-level meeting room

Membership dues: \$15/year individual, \$20/year family plus \$6 for foreign

Ostfriesland

Contact: Lin Strong, 651-583-2883 or lstrong@cornernet.com

Web site: www.rootsweb.com/~mnoogs/

Membership dues: \$15/year U.S., \$22/year for foreign

Polish Genealogical Society of Minnesota

Contact: Terry Kita, 612-927-0719 or terry.kita@atk.com, or John Kowles, johnkow@att.net

Web site: www.rootsweb.com/~mnpolgs/pgs-mn.html

Library staffing: 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. on the 2nd Thursday of each month and noon to 3 p.m. on the 4th Saturday of each month

Meetings in 2005: 12 Feb., 9 April, 10 Sept., 8 Oct., 12 Nov.

Membership dues: \$15/year, \$40/three years

Pommern Regional Group of Minnesota

Contact: Paul Sternberg, 612-874-0964 or Paulsternberg@msn.com

Web site: www.rootsweb.com/~mnpgrm/PRG.html

Meetings: 6:30 p.m. on the 4th Tuesday of every month, with the exception of Nov. and Dec.

Location: MGS Library lower-level meeting room unless otherwise noted.

Membership dues: \$8/year

Research Study Group

Contact: Gay McClellan
hapedaze@comcast.net

Informal meetings are devoted to helping each other with research problems, setting objectives and strategizing future research. The research study group is a Project Growth initiative. See the MGS & Branch Calendar for dates, times and locations.

Swedish Genealogical Society of Minnesota

Contact: Lois Anderson,
charlois1999@yahoo.com

Web site: www.rootsweb.com/~mmsgsm/

Meetings in 2005: 1 p.m., Saturdays, 19 Mar, 11 June, 15 Oct.

Location: American Swedish Institute, 2600 Park Ave., Minneapolis, MN.

Membership dues: no membership dues, *Tidningen* subscription \$10/year plus \$2.00 for foreign

Writing Group

Contact: Kathy Lund,
miscmute@aol.com or 952-595-9437

A group sharing approaches to writing a family story. The writing group is a Project Growth initiative. See the MGS & Branch Calendar for dates, times and locations.

Yankee Genealogical Society

Contact: Jim Carr, 763-473-7432 or
j1carr@attbi.com

Web site: www.mngs.org/yankee

Library staffing: 9 a.m. to noon, fourth Saturday of each month

Meetings in 2005: 1 p.m., 19 Feb. at the MN History Center; 7 May, 27 Aug.
Location: MGS Library lower-level meeting room unless otherwise noted.

Czechoslovak Genealogical Society International

CGSI is an independent organization, but their reference collection is kept at the MGS Library. Hot line: 763-595-7799. Contact: CGSI@aol.com

Web site: cgsi.org

MGS Library staffing: 6:30 to 9:30 p.m., second Thursday of each month

Mailing address: Czechoslovak Genealogical Society International, Inc., PO Box 16225, St. Paul, MN 55116-0225

See the CGSI web site for meeting dates and locations.

Membership dues: \$20/year, \$30/year for foreign

Branch News

Danish Genealogical Society

All meetings 7 p.m. Mondays at the Danish American Center, 4200 Cedar Ave. So., Minneapolis.

28 February – “Resources for Danish Research at the Minnesota Historical Society” by Scott Nelson.

28 March – “Danish Language Camp” by Scott Medberg.

25 April – Potluck Dinner at 6:00 p.m. followed by “Denmark, Here We Came” by Linda Lange and Myra Madsen.

Germanic Genealogical Society

FEEFHS

11th International Conference
19-21 August 2005

Meeting location: Four Points Sheraton, 400 North Hamline Avenue, St. Paul, Minnesota “Dare to Discover: Exploring Central and Eastern European Ancestry.”

The Germanic Genealogical Society and the Federation of Eastern European Family History Societies (FEEFHS) are partnering to bring you this event.

Irish Genealogical Society

Saturday, 19 February, 9:00 a.m.

Meeting Location: MGS Library lower level meeting room.

Suggested donation: \$8 or \$5 for IGSI members.

Topic: “*Momma Said You Were Irish: How to Prove She Was Right*”

When we start with nothing more than the family story that our ancestors came from somewhere in Ireland, how can we find out something specific about the who, where and when of our genealogical legacy? Colleen McClain, IGSI Board member and veteran Irish genealogy researcher, will use case studies to show step-by-step where to begin, where to locate resources, and pitfalls to avoid. In a multimedia presentation focused on using Internet and archival sources, as well as methods she has used while researching in Ireland, Colleen will inform both the novice and the seasoned researcher.

Pommern Regional Group of Minnesota

All meetings 7 p.m. on Tuesdays in the lower-level meeting room of the MGS Library.

22 February – 5th Annual “Heart of Pommern,” heirloom show and tell

22 March – Anges Daluge will talk about the Munich underground during WWII and her efforts to smuggle Jews and pilots out of the country as a child spy.

19 April – Our translation meeting. Bring one page of German to be translated.

24 May – Paul and Joan Nagel will speak about German migration to the U.S. and tell the story of a Minneapolis woman with Pomeranian roots who survived WWII and managed to get to the U.S. under the Marshall Plan. Joan Nagel, a professional genealogist will take questions from the group.

Minnesota Genealogical Society Library



Location

Minnesota Genealogy Center
5768 Olson Memorial Hwy
(Highway 55) (north frontage road)
Golden Valley MN
The entrance to the parking lot is on the east side of the building.

Bus Routes

Metro Transit routes #19 and #755/6.

Phone

763-595-9347

Web Address

mngs.org

Library Hours

Wednesday, Thursday, Saturday

9 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Tuesday, Thursday

6:30 - 9:30 p.m.

The Library will be closed the following days in 2004:

19 Mar	Quarterly Meeting
22-26 Mar	Holiday

26-30 May	Holiday
18 June	Quarterly Meeting
28 June-4 July	Holiday
24 Aug -5 Sept	State Fair
24 Sept	Quarterly Meeting
22-26 Nov	Holiday
3 Dec	Quarterly Meeting
6-31 Dec	Holiday

Library Accessibility

The library collections, lower-level meeting rooms and rest rooms are accessible by elevator.

Library Fees

There is a \$5 fee for non-MGS or non-branch members to use the library. The \$5 fee can be applied to membership in the Minnesota Genealogical Society, any of the branches, or the Czechoslovak Genealogical Society International.

Photocopies, Microfilm, CDROMs

A photocopier and microfilm/microfiche readers are available for patron use. Photocopies are \$.20 each. Computers are

available for searching our CDROM collection. See our web site for a list of CDROMs.

Library Catalog

The Minnesota Genealogical Society collection does not circulate and is available for research only at our library. The most recent version of the catalog is available for searching on computers at the library. The online catalog is updated quarterly. The catalog is available online at mngs.org/onlinecatalog.html

Library Volunteers

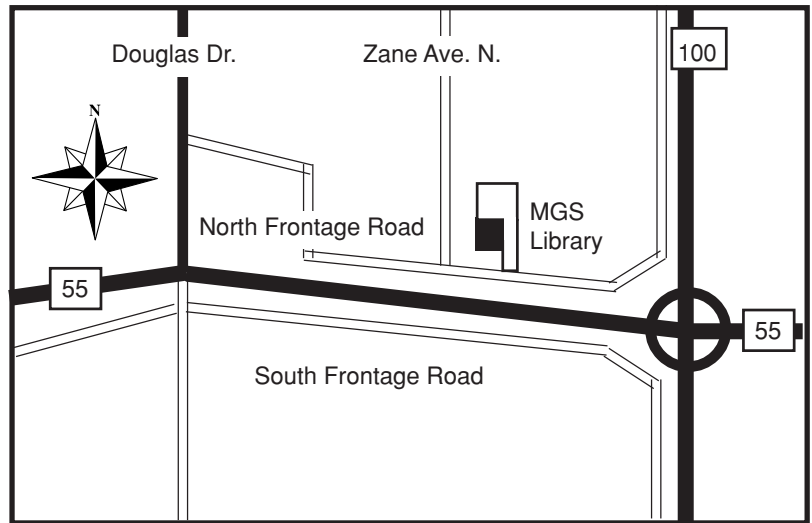
Volunteers are needed to staff the library. Duties include opening and closing the library, answering the phone, and helping walk-in patrons find the materials they want. New volunteers are paired with an experienced volunteer to learn the ropes. No experience is necessary.

If you are interested in volunteering at the library, contact Jean Jensen, 952-890-6520 at home, or at the MGS Library on Wednesday or Thursday, 9 a.m.-3 p.m.

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Thank you to the people who volunteered in August, September and October.

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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		Computer 6:30-9:30 p.m.		6:30-9:30 pm		
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		6:30-9:30 p.m.		Czech & Polish 6:30-9:30 p.m.		
closed	closed		9 a.m.-3 p.m.	9 a.m.-3 p.m.	closed	9 a.m.-3 p.m.
		6:30-9:30 p.m.		6:30-9:30 p.m.		
closed	closed		9 a.m.-3 p.m.	9 a.m.-3 p.m.	closed	Yankee 9 a.m.-noon Polish/Finnish noon-3 p.m.
		6:30-9:30 p.m.		6:30-9:30 p.m.		

MGS Research Policy

The Minnesota Genealogical Society is pleased to offer a service that provides research in our library. One half hour of research in our library is \$5 for members of MGS and \$10 for non-members. The fee must be received prior to research being done. We will bill for additional research time, photocopies at 20 cents per page and additional postage.

Please submit a check or money order made payable to *Minnesota Genealogical Society*, and enclose a business sized, self-addressed, stamped envelope (SASE) for a response. You may include your email address for a more rapid reply.

The Minnesota Genealogical Society does **not** participate in the Interlibrary Loan program. Our collection does not circulate and is available for research only at our library.

For a list of independent researchers, please send a SASE to MGS at the address found above. MGS neither endorses, nor is responsible for the quality of their research services.

The Minnesota Genealogical Society **does not have vital records** (birth, death or marriage) or censuses other than those listed, and we do not have **naturalization records**. Minnesota vital records information may be obtained by contacting the county where the vital record was created.

Naturalization and death records are on film at the **Minnesota Historical Society**, 345 Kellogg Blvd., St. Paul, MN 55102.

Write to MGS for vital record addresses at no charge. Please include a business-sized, self-addressed, stamped envelope (SASE) for a reply.

Some of the research materials in the MGS library includes:

- **Minnesota Censuses:** 1850 and 1900; Polk County: 1880 and 1885
- **Minnesota Census Indexes:** 1870
- **City Directories:**
 - Duluth (1931-1957, 1970), Hopkins (1941-1960)
 - Minneapolis (1873-1987), St. Paul (1876-1991)
 - Rochester/Olmsted County (1913-1990), Fargo/Moorhead (1961-1991)
- **Obituaries:** Mpls. 1988-1997; St. Paul 1991-1997; Anoka 1990; Burnsville 1988-1991; Long Lake 1992-1999; Nicollet Co. 1998; Pipestone Co. 1980's-2000; Prairie Island 1923-1983; Stillwater 1987-1988; St. Anthony 1989-1994; Worthington 1998-2000; additional years available for some communities.
- **Minnesota Civil War rosters:** Index for....*Minnesota in the Civil and Indian Wars, 1861-1865*
- **P.E.R.S.I. (Periodical Source Index for the genealogical collection at the Allen County Library, Fort Wayne, IN)**
- Minnesota county histories
- Surname files and general county cemetery information
- Minnesota county genealogical society addresses, county courthouse addresses, information about holdings of county historical societies and their addresses.
- Wide variety of genealogical information concerning other states
- Family histories
- Additional genealogical collections: Computer research; Czechoslovak; Germanic, Irish, English; Scottish; Canadian; Polish; Scandinavian-Danish, Finnish, Icelandic, Norwegian & Swedish; Yankee; Indian/Metis.

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Other Minnesota

Minnesota Historical Society

Minnesota History Center, 345 Kellogg Blvd. W., St. Paul MN. 651-296-2143. Hours: Sunday to Monday, closed; Tuesday, noon to 8 p.m., Wednesday through Saturday, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Web site: www.mnhs.org. Phone: 651-296-2143. Email: reference@mnhs.org. There is no fee to use the library.

Genealogy Help Desk

Located in the Library's Weyerhaeuser Reference and Hubbs Microfilm rooms, the Genealogy Help Desks are staffed by trained genealogy volunteers. The volunteers can help beginning genealogists get a good start on their family history or consult with veteran researchers who have encountered problems in their search. The Genealogy Help Desks are staffed at various times during the week as well as Tuesday evenings. Call 651-296-2143 to check on the current schedule.

MHS Classes

Call 651-296-2143 or register online at www.mnhs.org/library/classes/

MHS classes are \$7 (\$5 for MHS members) unless otherwise noted.

I'm New Here: Introducing the Library

Free. All sessions 9:15 to 10:15 a.m.

19, 26 February

5, 12, 19, 26 March

2, 9, 16, 23, 30 April

7, 14 May

Picturing the Past: Caring for Your Family Photos, Films and Videotapes

6 to 7:30 p.m.

8 March 2005

Discover Genealogy Workshop

16 April 2005

Time: To be announced

Fee: To be announced

Whose House Was This?

10 May 2005

6 to 7:30 p.m.

Notice Board

Your Family History could Land You on TV

The following is an announcement from History Detectives:

January 5 - Did your family make its mark on history? Your genealogy research could land you on History Detectives, the hit PBS program, produced by OPB TV, which returns for its third season this summer.

Is your family history connected to a significant moment in America's history? Let History Detectives in on the story! If your genealogy research has turned up clues that your ancestors played a key role in a history-making event, History Detectives wants to help you piece the puzzle together. You and the ghosts of ancestors past could appear on PBS's hit series this summer!

History Detectives will also feature a school-kid History Detective this summer along with their cool case. Kids are urged to ask relatives if there is a family mystery that needs solving, then grab a parent and go to the History Detectives Web site where you can submit it together. The detectives are looking for stories about old houses, family heirlooms, or local legends that might contain a fascinating mystery from our nation's past. If your story is chosen, you'll appear on the programs and solve your mystery right alongside our detectives on TV.

Submit your mystery online at pbs.org/historydetectives or by mail:

History Detectives

Oregon Public Broadcasting

7140 SW Macadam Ave.

Portland, OR 97219

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Events & Meetings

15 February 2005

February Meeting

St. Cloud Area Genealogists, Inc.

Stearns History Museum

St. Cloud, Minnesota

Speaker: Joe Farry. Topic: The Railroads in Central Minnesota. See www.rootsweb.com/~mnsacag/SCAG/Index.htm for more information.

26 February 2005

Genealogy Workshop

Dakota County Genealogical Society

130 Third Ave. N

South St. Paul, Minnesota

8 a.m.-12 Noon

Call 651-451-6260 for directions

Speaker: Darlene Joyce, CGRS, and noted lecturer is tentatively scheduled to present a 4-hour workshop stepping us through the process of genealogical research, compilation, analysis and publication. Topics likely will include Digging out Sources; Constructing a Timeline for Ancestors, Compiling Research into A Published Genealogy. A nominal fee will be charged to defray costs. Info: Call 651-451-6260 for directions; www.geocities.com/Heartland/Flats/9284/index.html

7-12 March 2005

7th Annual

Genealogy Computing Workshops

Carl Sandburg College

Galesburg, Illinois

Six days of genealogy computing workshops, presented by Michael John Neill, genealogist, author, and lecturer. Info: mneill@sandburg.edu; 1-877-236-1862 (ext. 5337—leave detailed message)

15 March 2005

March Meeting

St. Cloud Area Genealogists, Inc.

Stearns History Museum

St. Cloud, Minnesota

Speaker: Annette Atkins, a History Professor at St. John's University. She has written a book about the grasshopper plagues and public assistance in Minnesota. See www.rootsweb.com/~mnsacag/SCAG/Index.htm for more information.

24 March 2005

Annual Meeting

Minnesota Sioux Uprising

Dakota County Genealogical Society

130 Third Ave. N

South St. Paul, Minnesota

7 p.m.

Speaker: Mary Bakeman, owner, Park Genealogical Books, and well-known genealogical speaker and publisher will speak on the topic of the Minnesota Sioux Uprising. Info: Call 651-451-6260 for directions; www.geocities.com/Heartland/Flats/9284/index.html

22-24 April 2005

2004 Conference

Ohio Genealogical Society

Wilmington, Ohio

Theme: "Settlers and Builders of Ohio, Discovering Family History Resources and Strategies." The program includes 29 speakers in a total of 61 sessions on a broad array of topics. Info: Ohio Genealogical Society, 713 South Main St., Mansfield OH 44907-1644; www.ogs.org; (419) 756-7294; email: ogs@ogs.org

23-24 April 2005

Gene-A-Rama 2004

Wisconsin State Genealogical Society

Oconomowoc, Wisconsin

Featured speaker: John Philip Colletta. Info: www.wsgs.org

24 April 2005

"Genealogy and Genetics"

The New England Historic Genealogical Society

Featured speakers John Chandler, Ph.D.; New England Ancestors genetics editor

Anita A. Lustenberger, CG; Thomas H. Roderick, Ph.D.; and Thomas H. Shawker, M.D. Topics will include an introduction to tracking your genes and DNA testing, the design of DNA studies, mtDNA and Y chromosomal analyses, and how to compile a family health history. Info: email Amanda Batey at tours@nehgs.org.

24 April 2005

"Your Family History: Doing It Right—Doing It Better"

6th Annual April Workshop

Newberry Library Friends of Genealogy Chicago, Illinois

Speakers: Tony Burroughs and Tony Hoskins. Info: www.newberry.org/nl/genealogy/L3gfriends.html; 312-255-3510

24 April 2005

Quad Cities Genealogical Conference

Scott County Iowa Genealogical Society, Davenport, Iowa

Blackhawk Genealogical Society, Rock Island County, Illinois

Moline, Iowa

Info: www.rootsweb.com/~ilbgsrim/news/2004GenConference.html

19-22 May 2005

Conference in the States

National Genealogical Society

Sacramento, California

Keynote speakers: Dr. Tukufo Zuberi, sleuth for the PBS series History Detectives, is Professor of Sociology and Director of the Afro-American Studies Program at the University of Pennsylvania. He has written more than 35 scholarly articles. John Philip Colletta, Ph.D., a faculty member of IGHR and the Salt Lake Institute, conducts workshops at the National Archives, teaches courses at Washington, D.C. area universities, and lectures nationally. Info: www.eshow2000.com/ngs/; conference@ngsgenealogy.org; NGS,

4527 17th Street North, Arlington, VA
22207-2399; 800;473-0060 ext. 112

24 May 2005

Topeka Genealogical Society

32nd Annual Genealogy Conference

Topeka, Kansas

Featured speaker: Lloyd deWitt
Bockstruck. Info: 785-233-5762;
l i b r a r y @ t g s t o p e k a . o r g ;
www.tgstopeka.org

27-29 May 2005

Ontario Genealogical Society

Annual Seminar

Windsor, Ontario (across the border
from Detroit)

Theme: "Cross Border Heritage." It has
been many years since the OGS has had
a seminar so close to the US border.
Many in the States have Canadian an-
cestry and so would benefit with our
speakers, topics and the huge bookroom
where all the counties will be represented
with experts to talk to. Web site:
www.ogsseminar.org.

10-16 July 2005

National Institute on Genealogical Re-
search

National Archive

Washington, D.C.

The National Institute on Genealogical
Research (NIGR) offers on-site and in-
depth examination of the common and
less-known federal records there. This
intensive week-long study opportunity
is for experienced genealogists and also
for archivists, historians and librarians
interested in using federal records for
genealogical research. It is not an intro-
ductory course in genealogy. Info:
www.rootsworld.com/~natgenin/; email
NatInsGen@juno.com; or write to
NIGR, P.O. Box 724, Lanham, MD
20703-0724.

13-21 August 2005

Reunion for Descendants from Red
River Settlement and Lower Fort Garry

The Lower Fort Garry Volunteer Asso-
ciation is planning a reunion of the de-
scendants of HBC employees and set-
tlers from the Red River Settlement and
Lower Fort Garry. This will be part of
the celebrations of the 175th anniver-
sary of Lower Fort Garry National His-
toric Site during 2005-2006. Info: Com-
mittee Chair, Barbara Gessner, Box 394,
Selkirk, MB R1A 2B1,
r r . r e u n i o n @ 3 w e b . n e t ,
www.redriverdescendantsreunion.org

19-21 August 2005

Federation of Eastern European Family
History Societies

11th International Conference

Four Points Sheraton, 400 North
Hamline Avenue

St. Paul, Minnesota

Theme: "Dare to Discover: Exploring
Central and Eastern European Ancestry"

The Germanic Genealogical Society
(GGS) and the Federation of Eastern
European Family History Societies
(FEEFHS) are partnering to bring you
this event. Conference updates will be
posted on the GGS website at
www.rootsworld.com/~mnggs/GGS.html
and on the FEEFHS website at
www.feeffhs.org

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**Minnesota Birth Index
1935-2002 at Ancestry.com**

Ancestry now has a Minnesota Birth In-
dex, 1935-2002 as part of its U.S.
Records Collection.

This database is an index created by the
Minnesota Department of Health to ap-
proximately 4.2 million births occurring
in Minnesota between 1935 and 2002.
Information contained in this index in-
cludes child's full name, father's full
name, mother's maiden name, birth date,
birth county, and state file number. With
the information provided in this index,
you may be able to obtain a copy of a
birth certificate. If possible, it is impor-
tant that you do this because oft times
more information is provided in an origi-
nal record than is provided in its index.
For information on how to order a copy
of a birth certificate, visit the Minnesota
Department of Health web site.

New Address

Anoka County Genealogical Society
2133 3rd Ave N.
Anoka MN 55303

***Remember our goal:
2005 in 2005—
members that is!***

***Our request of you:
Recruit one for MGS
today.***

MGS & Branch Calendar

CALENDAR

*Meeting held at location other than the MGS Library

12 Feb Polish Genealogical society of MN 10 a.m.
 15 Feb Computer Interest Group 7 p.m.
 19 Feb Irish Genealogical Society 9 a.m.
 19 Feb *Yankee Genealogical Society 1 p.m.
 22 Feb Pommern Regional Group 6:30 p.m.
 23 Feb Norwegian-American Gen.Assoc. 7 p.m.
 26 Feb Finnish Genealogical Society 9:30 a.m.
 28 Feb *Ntl. Danish-American Gen. Soc. 7 p.m.
 12 Mar MGS Board Meeting 9 a.m.
 19 Mar *MGS Quarterly Meeting Library Closed
 19 Mar *Swedish Genealogical Society 1 p.m.
 22-26 Mar Holiday MGS Library closed
 22 Mar Pommern Regional Group 6:30 p.m.
 26 Mar Finnish Genealogical Society 9:30 a.m.
 28 Mar *Ntl. Danish-American Gen. Soc. 7 p.m.
 30 Mar Norwegian-American Gen.Assoc. 7 p.m.
 1 Apr MGS Newsletter deadline
 5 Apr Branch Council Meeting 7 p.m.
 7 Apr Germanic Genealogical Society 7 p.m.
 9 Apr Polish Genealogical society of MN 10 a.m.
 19 Apr Computer Interest Group 7 p.m.
 23 Apr Finnish Genealogical Society 9:30 a.m.
 25 Apr *Ntl. Danish-American Gen. Soc. 7 p.m.
 26 Apr Pommern Regional Group 6:30 p.m.
 27 Apr Norwegian-American Gen.Assoc. 7 p.m.
 1 May MN Genealogist deadline

7 May Yankee Genealogical Society 1 p.m.
 14 May MGS Board Meeting 9 a.m.
 21 May Irish Genealogical Society 9 a.m.
 23 May *Ntl. Danish-American Gen. Soc. 7 p.m.
 24 May Pommern Regional Group 6:30 p.m.
 26-30 May Holliday MGS Library closed
 7 June Branch Council Meeting 7 p.m.
 9 June Germanic Genealogical Society 7 p.m.
 11 June *Swedish Genealogical Society 1 p.m.
 18 June *MGS Quarterly Meeting Library Closed
 21 June Computer Interest Group 7 p.m.
 27 June *Ntl. Danish-American Gen. Soc. 7 p.m.
 28 June-4 July Holiday MGS Library closed
 1 July MGS Newsletter deadline
 25 Jul *Ntl. Danish-American Gen. Soc. 7 p.m.
 4 Aug Germanic Genealogical Society 7 p.m.
 16 Aug Computer Interest Group 7 p.m.
 25 Aug- 5 Sept State Fair MGS Library closed
 27 Aug Irish Genealogical Society 9 a.m.
 27 Aug Yankee Genealogical Society 1 p.m.
 10 Sept Polish Genealogical society of MN ... 10 a.m.
 24 Sept *MGS Quarterly Meeting Library Closed
 *Meeting held at location other than the MGS Library.
 See the MGS web site, <http://mngs.org/calendar.html>,
 for the most up-to-date calendar.
 The MGS Library lower-level meeting rooms
 are accessible by elevator.



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