

Polk County Genealogical Society, Polk County Wisconsin

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

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

2014 PCGS
dues are due.

Thank You.

December's
Polk County
Genealogical Society
"Finger-Food" Holiday Event ,
held on the coldest day of that
week, while not robustly attended,
was enjoyed by one and all.
Thank you all for the good food,
better conversation and a hale and
hearty constitution in proving our
Wisconsin resilience in face of
adverse weather.

(I think of our ancestors in the
same weather with a horse and
buggy/hot bricks wrapped in
blankets then around six kids /off
to grandma's house for a Holiday
Event. Makes me feel like a
'weather wimp' for not making the
party! - Editor)

Polk County Genealogy Society

**2014 - Dues
\$5.00 a year**

are due on/near

1 January 2014.

Please forward to:

Judy Wester

901-8th Street

Centuria, WI 54824

2013 PCGS Schedule

Monday 27 January 2014

1:00 - 3:30 p.m. - RRC within the Luck Museum, Luck, Wisconsin

Business meeting on 27 January 2014 will address the "Genealogy Roadshow"(1) project featuring a noteworthy citizen of Polk County (living or deceased) to explore thru research the family genealogy. Once completed PCGS will present a family history to known kinfolk. Suggestions are welcome - final decision will be by vote of the membership.

Beginning the fourth Monday, 27 January 2014, the PCGS classes will once again get under way. From January thru April 2014 these classes will be held in the Amery Public Library 10-11:30 a.m. (Ask for PCGS at the front desk.) The first class will review the basic concepts of good genealogy work to "develop concise, accurate and comprehensive family histories," (2) stressing the difference between first-hand vs suggested evidence, authentic vs duplicate materials, original or major sources vs secondary or minor sources.

The class period in February will focus on land records (providing our guest speaker is available) subsequently followed by two class sessions, at the Amery location, devoted to putting down specific details of a family story (amusing or sad or celebratory) that you wish to record and save for your family.

May-December 2014 the PCGS classes are once again set to be held at the **RRC** within the Luck Museum, 10-11:30 a.m., the 4th Monday of each month. Additional classes in Luck will continue to focus on getting your story(ies) researched, written, accurate, saved and printed.

(1) Public TV Program - Autumn of 2013
 (2) PCGS Vision Statement

Please check out the PCGS website and email comments or inquiries to the PCGS email address: <polkgen@gmail.com>

Thanks to **Russ Hanson** for supervising this website.



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ArtCat Geographic Field Codes

LaCrosse	L 2
Lafayette	L 3
Langlade	L 4
Lincoln	L 5
Manitowoc	M 2
Marathon	M 3
Marinette	M 4
Menominee	M 54
Milwaukee	M 6
Monroe	M 7
Oconto	O 2
Oneida	O 5
Outagamie	O 8
Ozaukee	O 9
Pepin	P 4
Pierce	P 5
Polk	P 6

Will finish in February 2014 issue

Polk County Normal School Grads

Class of 1950

Juliana Chase Doris Chell

Shirley Clementson Joyce Johnson

Lorraine Gehrke Yates Gloria Holmberg

Duane Lundgren Lucile Maxon Gerd

Jane McLeod Irene Moltzer Drier

Joan Northquest Robinson

Iris Lumsden Leora Wikstrom

Vivian Turner Emma Cockerham

George Whitner Dorothy Lauritsen Sund

Jeanne Alling, Author

I Heard the School Bells Ringing

28 November 1863

Polk County Press

The Polk County Press, in addition to listing the men drafted, also printed an analysis of the draft in Polk County in the 28 November 1863 issue. Most of these men did not serve in a Wisconsin regiment.

THE DRAFT IN [POLK COUNTY] - The draft in this county has fallen rather severely upon the poor class of our citizen. Out of the whole number drafted over one-half of them are men of small means and in some cases large families. Then the towns which have sent the largest number of volunteers are called upon the greatest number of [drafted] men. St. Croix Falls which has furnished a large excess of volunteers, takes the lead having the greatest number to furnish, while Farmington which has heretofore sent but her even quota has but three drafted. So with Alden and Osceola, both of which have sent an excess is called upon quite heavily - the number drafted being FIVE and SIX respectively.

We learn that our quota was fixed at the War Department and that no official in this State has had any hand in the matter. We think that the draft was conducted fairly as far as the Commissioners were concerned, still the heavy quota assigned is certainly very unjust and the injustice done must be charged to the War Department. Steps should now be taken to fix our quota for the January [1864] call so that it will fall more justly upon those which are deficient in their quotas. We trust no time, or effort will be wasted, but that we immediately take steps towards having matters righted in some way.

[Following is a] list of drafted men for Polk, Burnett, Douglas, Ashland and LaPointe counties:

POLK COUNTY:

Town of Alden:

M.J. Godfrey	James I. Brunett
John Hemenway	A.P. Peabody
Philip Beale	

Town of Farmington:

R.Volkering	Michael Lynch
Elisha Creach	

Town of Lincoln:

John Morehouse

Town of Osceola:

Robert Hyslop	Robert Wilson
John Wilson	Robert Hill
Jefferson Atwood	
Swede Nelson	

Town of Sterling:

James T. Cragin

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List of Drafted Men - November 1863
Polk County, Wisconsin

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Town of St. Croix Falls:

C.H. Churchill	B.G. Reynolds
Edward Masterson	Geo. Comer
Michael Hurley	John Tousunee
Barney McHugh	Wilson Loveless

BURNETT COUNTY

Murdock Ghism	Samuel McClure
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DOUGLAS COUNTY

35th Sub-District - Superior

Henry P. Holcomb	Charles Lord
H.H. Peipin	James Newton
E.W. Anderson	
August Zacnan	
Frank Morrissey, Junior	
Jeremiah Martell	

ASHLAND COUNTY

36th Sub-District - LaPointe

Leonard Wheeler

LAPOINTE COUNTY

37th Sub-District - Bayfield

A. Agnus
 A. McDonald
 B. J. Harvey Nourse
 C. B.F. Bickler

Additional information on Wisconsin in the Civil War and/or Northwest Wisconsin can be found at the ARC -

University of Wisconsin-River Falls.
 Thanks to **Kathy Otto/ARC** and
Darcy Brock / SCVGS

A.B. Peabody
Baptism and Confirmations 1856-1894

Wisconsin State Historical Society,
 Film #P82-5340

Alden/Feb 1889 **Ethel Jessamine Parslow**
 B: Feb 1888, Parents: **Lemon/Jessie Benton**

Alden/ Mar 1889 **Maude Edith Folsom**
 B: Sep 1888, Parents **Harry Augustus/Ella**

Wagon Landing / Sep 1889

Mary Amelia Turner B: 1859

Medora Turner B: 1859

Calista Charity Turner B: 1876

Ida Lula Turner B: 1878

Parents: **Paul/Mary Amelia Humphrey**

Violet Mabel Jennie Gordon B: 1855

Parents: **John/Jennie**

Wagon Landing / Mar 1890

Lottie Bridge B: 1879

Alane Bridge B: 1881

Walter Bridge B: 1883

Mabel Bridge B: 1885

Arthur Bridge B: 1887

Parents: **Frank / Sivinina**

(continued in later issues)

Thanks to **Nancy Hawkinson, SCVGS**

PLEASE

don't forget - the 2014
 membership dues may be
 sent to

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 Thank You!