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Membership Rate Change
Effective January 1, 2016

We have taken into consideration several different suggestions which the society has received in the past and therefore are implementing some changes to the current Membership rates and membership process.

These changes will be effective January 1, 2016.

- Membership renewals can be paid for 2 years at a time.
- Memberships received post marked by 12/31/2015 will get their membership renewed at the current old rates of: Single - $15.00, Family - $20.00
- Memberships received post marked after 1/1/2016 will be at the new rates:
  - $15.00 - Single with GEMS Emailed
  - $18.00 - Single with GEMS Mailed
  - $20.00 - Family with GEMS Emailed
  - $23.00 - Family with GEMS Mailed
- Memberships received post marked by the renewal due date of 2/29/2016 will have their name put into a drawing to receive an additional year membership.
- Have you ever thought of giving a membership as a gift? Please list on the top of the membership form if it is a gift. We will include a letter stating their membership is a gift and whom the gift is from. A membership along with the GEMS Newsletter make a nice any time or Christmas gift.
Bay Area Genealogical Society

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Schedule of Special Events

http://www.BayAreaGenealogicalSociety.org

October 14, 2015 Wednesday Jean Nicolet Project Green Bay, Wisconsin
Second Wednesday of each month, 6:00 PM until library closing, located in the Local History and Genealogy Department on the 2nd floor of the Brown County Library. B.A.G.S. is creating an index of the Jean Nicolet Certificate Pedigree Surnames.

October 17, 2015 Saturday WSGS 2015 Fall Seminar Marshfield, Wisconsin
More information on “Connecting the Dots” is available at http://www.wsgs.org/

October 26, 2015 Monday Reservations due for the Family History Center presentation
email to president@BayAreaGenealogicalSociety.org or call Barbara at 920-330-0026

October 27, 2015 Tuesday B.A.G.S. Board Meeting Green Bay, Wisconsin
Our business meetings are held on the 4th Tuesday of each month, 6:00-8:30 p.m. Meeting will be located in the Brown County Central Library 2nd floor board room

October 29, 2015 Thursday Family History Center Green Bay, Wisconsin
Presentation about the Family History Center at 651 Pinehurst Ave Green Bay from 6:00-8:00 p.m. RSVP by October 26th to email president@bayareagenealogicalsociety.org or call Barbara at 920-330-0026.

October 20-31, 2015 Tracing the Past in Ireland: Genealogy and Culture, Dublin, Ireland
This trip includes the option of tracing your Irish ancestry with genealogist Dave Miller in addition to learning about the fascinating history, culture and art of Ireland. A full brochure is available at www.authentictravelandtours.com

November 11, 2015 Wednesday Jean Nicolet Project Green Bay, Wisconsin
Second Wednesday of each month, 6:00 PM until library closing, located in the Local History and Genealogy Department on the 2nd floor of the Brown County Library. B.A.G.S. is creating an index of the Jean Nicolet Certificate Pedigree Surnames.

November 17, 2015 Tuesday B.A.G.S. Board Meeting Green Bay, Wisconsin
Date changed because of Thanksgiving Day holiday. Meeting will be located in the Brown County Central Library 2nd floor board room.

December 2015 No Wednesday Jean Nicolet project night.
December 2015 No Tuesday B.A.G.S Board Meeting

April 2, 2016 Saturday B.A.G.S. Annual Meeting and Banquet Green Bay, Wisconsin
More information to come in the next newsletter.

Research Trips Salt Lake City, Utah
Research at the Family History Library with help from professional genealogists. For more information go to: http://www.ancestorseekers.com
Family History Center Presentation Workshop
651 Pinehurst Ave Green Bay, Wisconsin

Thursday October 29, 2015
6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

This is an evening that the Family History Center is not normally open so we will have the place to ourselves. There is plenty of free and handicapped parking available.

Please R.S.V.P. by October 26, 2015, if you plan on attending:
Email to: president@BayAreagGenealogicalSociety.org
Phone: Barbara at 920-330-0026

President’s Note

1975-2015 Happy 40th Anniversary Bay Area Genealogical Society.

We are dedicating this issue of the GEMS of Genealogy, to reflect back on the past 40 years, a reflection on all those that made this society what it is today. We would also like to reflect on how much this society has accomplished, and the life changes that the society has gone through in the past 40 years. Life changes such as entering the age of the computer and researching through the internet.

Within this issue we have listed all of the past board and committee members, a big Thank You to all of you for dedicating your time serving on the board or a committee without each and every one of you we could not have accomplished all that we have. I also want to acknowledge all of our past members as a society we have grown from 21 founding members to at one time up to 275 members, without your contribution we as a society would not have existed.

All of the accomplishments could not have been completed if it was not for all its dedicated volunteers and members. Thank you very much to all that have been involved you have made it the society that it is today.

Looking forward we will meet many changes, challenges and accomplishments; we have a strong society and am looking forward to what the future brings.

Barbara Hoffman
President – Bay Area Genealogical Society
president@BayAreaGenealogicalSociety.org
History of the Bay Area Genealogical

In the spring of 1975 the Bay Area Genealogical Society was formed as an out-growth of a workshop that was held at the Brown County Library October of 1974. The intend of the Society was to assist fellow genealogists in their research. The founder and first president of the society was Steven Krauss, their were 21 Founding Members and by January 1976 there were an additional 60 Charter Members, with a total membership of 80 members.

**Founding Members:** Mrs Adolph Belinské, Rudy and Rosemary Brault, Mary Ann Defnet, Richard Ellis, Albert F Gehrke, Irene Hanson, Carolyn S Harris, Mary Jane Herber, Mrs Josephine J Hurst, Rev John Kastenholz, John R Kessenich, Stephen L Krauss, Don C and Karen M Leibelt, Mary Liedeka, Ruth Nishioka, Ila O’Brien, Patricia Offutt, Carol Ryan, Joyce Sadlon.

**Charter Members:** Verna Andersen, Mrs Harold Boettcher, Mrs Bernice Caramehas, Doris Davis, Mrs Wm Doorley, Mrs Ester Ellis, Richard Flint, Carol Gerlach, Paticia A Hanson, Ruth Hartman, Mrs Mary Hendricks, Fred Hennig, James Hoffman, Paul J Holschbach, Clare Hounsell, Virginia Johnson, Gwen (Maloney) Kuchta, Mrs John LaLuzerne, Olga Laubenstein, Beatrice Laundre, Louis Laverdiere, Mrs Dorothy Lutomski, Dorothy Martin, Frank Massey, Laurel A Meyer, Neoma J Michalski, Jean Mikkelsen, Marjorie G Murphy, Gene and Elaine Nimmer, Shirley O’Donnell, Priscilla Olbrantz, Carol M Plog, Kathleen Raymaker, Margaret Raymaker, Ann C Reeve, Jean R Rentmeester, Jeff Routhieaux, Mrs Edward Selinsky, Judith Sharp, Mrs CE Smith, Anna Smith, Marie T St Louis, Norma E Stuart, Margaret Svejda, Mrs Audrey Walters, Mrs Gordon Ware, Linda J Zabinske, Julia Ann Zakowski, Judy Zakowski, Alfred W Zehms

**Bold Highlights** indicate they are currently a member

Over the years the society has grown to the society that it is today.

- The First **Annual Meeting** was held on March 6, 1976 at the Brown County Library, all members were invited and also to bring a friend. The program included election of officers, a report of the year’s progress, a speaker, a lunch, then afternoon of idea exchange with fellow members and research work in the library.
- Then the age of the computer came about and the society created in 1987 a **Computer Interest Group** (CIG), which had its own board of directors.
- In 1989 the society became **Incorporated** to Bay Area Genealogical Society INC
- Then came the Internet, in 2006 the society introduced their own website: [www.BayAreaGenealogicalSociety.org](http://www.BayAreaGenealogicalSociety.org)
- In 2007 the society had introduced the Cemetery and Gravesite website.
- In 2009 we needed a way for members to contact us and the society **Emails** were created.

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Over the years the society has worked on many projects:

- **Cemetery project** began in the Fall of 1976, through much work and dedication we currently have the 72 Brown County Cemetery records located on our website and also available in book form. The sizes of the cemeteries in Brown County vary from one burial plot to over 35,000 in a single cemetery.

- **1880 Census project** began in the Fall of 1977, this included indexing the 1880 census.

- **Birth Record project** began in July of 1979, this included indexing the birth records of the Brown County Courthouse for 1907-1931.

- **Jean Nicolet Certificate project** In the summer of 1984 there was a celebration In honor or the 350th Anniversary of the Landing of Jean Nicolet at Red Banks. In 1983 the society started looking for descendants of the early pioneers, the public was asked to submit a pedigree chart for ancestors whom arrived in Green Bay and Brown County before 1880. Upon submission of their pedigree chart they received a (framable) “Jean Nicolet Certificate”. The #1 certificate was mailed to Eugenia Bulis LeGrant who is a direct descendant of Jean Nicolet! When the Jean Nicolet Certificate project was over, they had issued 1,889 certificates to people all over the United States.

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History of the Bay Area Genealogical Society (continued from page 6)

- **Jean Nicolet Surname project**  The Jean Nicolet Certificate project produced many pedigree charts along with the proof material, this information is located at the Brown County Central Library in the Local History and Genealogy department. It is a current on-going project of the society to index all of the surnames located on these pedigree charts. Our goal is to at some time have an index located on the societies website indicating the surnames. A nice tool for researchers.

These are only a few of the projects that the society has worked on, there have been many more, thank you all for dedicating time to complete these projects. These projects are very helpful to the community in their own research.

Written and compiled by Barbara Hoffman
Information taken from the GEMS of Genealogy Newsletters
Thank you to Mary Jane Herber—founding member, for corrections.

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**Message from one of the remaining B.A.G.S. Founding members.**

The Bay Area Genealogical Society is 40 years old. That makes all of us who were there at that beginning 40 years older also. Thanks to the Founding and Charter members who worked hard, typed the cemetery lists with manual typewriters and no correcting ribbons. To Mary Ann Defnet who was there for the newsletter, the Jean Nicolet certificate project (she hand lettered all the certificates) and typing newsletters. To Myra Michaletz and at least three different types of computers, from TRS80 to Commodore and forward, not to mention many, many databases for cemetery list. To Barbara Ray for the last computer work which was needed to complete the cemeteries. There are certainly many, many more who walked cemeteries, proof read, printed, sorted and participated in other aspects of keeping the Bay Area Society functioning for all these years. Congratulations to all of you

Mary Jane Herber - Local History and Genealogy Librarian, Brown County Library
**Board Members and Committees**

**1975 – February 1976**
- President: Stephen Krauss
- Vice President: John Kessenich
- Recording Secretary: Carol Ryan
- Corresponding Secretary: Ruth Nishioka
- Treasurer: Mary Ann Defnet
- Members at Large: Don Leibelt, Mary Liedeka, Ila O’Brien
- Membership: Joyce Sadlon
- GEMS Newsletter Editor: Mary Jane Herber

**March 1976 – February 1977**
- President: John R Kessenich
- Vice President: Carol Ward Ryan
- Recording Secretary: Clare Hounsell
- Corresponding Secretary: Ruth Nishioka
- Treasurer: Mary Ann Lurquin Defnet
- Members at Large: Paul Holschbach, Stephen Krauss, Don Leibelt
- Membership: Vacant position
- GEMS Newsletter Editor: Mary Ann Defnet, Mary Jane Herber

**March 1977 – February 1978**
- President: Carol Ward Ryan
- Vice President: Dorothy Beno Lutomski
- Recording Secretary: Mary Rousseau Liedeka
- Corresponding Secretary: Dawn Smith Tiefert
- Treasurer: Mary Ann Lurquin Defnet
- Members at Large: Rev John Kastenholz, John Kessenich, Don Leibelt
- Membership: Vacant position
- GEMS Newsletter Editor: Mary Ann Defnet, Mary Jane Herber

**March 1978 – February 1979**
- President: Dorothy Lutomski
- Vice President: Don Leibelt
- Recording Secretary: Mary Liedeka
- Corresponding Secretary: Doris Davis
- Treasurer: Ruth Nishioka
- Members at Large: Dick Flint, Rev John Kastenholz, Carol Ryan
- Membership: Vacant position
- GEMS Newsletter Editor: Mary Ann Defnet, Mary Jane Herber

**March 1979 – February 1980**
- President: Don Leibelt
- Vice President: Albert Gehrke
- Recording Secretary: Mary Liedeka
- Corresponding Secretary: Doris Davis
- Treasurer: Judy Sharp
- Members at Large: Dick Flint, Ila O’Brien
- Membership: Vacant position
- GEMS Newsletter Editor: Mary Ann Defnet, Mary Jane Herber

**March 1980 – February 1981**
- President: Albert Gehrke
- Vice President: Ann Abts
- Recording Secretary: Dolores Clover
- Corresponding Secretary: Dawn Tiefert
- Treasurer: Karen Leibelt
- Members at Large: Don Leibelt, Mary Liedeka, Ila O’Brien
- Membership: Mary Ann Defnet
- GEMS Newsletter Editor: Mary Ann Defnet, Mary Jane Herber
- Historian: Doris Davis
- Publicity: Dorothy Lutomski
- Christmas Tree: Ila O’Brien

**March 1981 – February 1982**
- President: Ann Abts
- Vice President: Rev John Kastenholz
- Recording Secretary: Dorothy Lutomski
- Corresponding Secretary: Marion Dow
- Treasurer: Dick Ellis
- Members at Large: Doris Davis, Al Gehrke, Mary Liedeka
- Membership: Mary Ann Defnet
- GEMS Newsletter Editor: Mary Ann Defnet, Mary Jane Herber
- Historian: Doris Davis
- Publicity: Dorothy Lutomski
- Christmas Tree: Ila O’Brien

**March 1982 – February 1983**
- President: Rev John Kastenholz
- Vice President: Carol Manning
- Recording Secretary: Pat Greiling
- Corresponding Secretary: Mary Liedeka
- Treasurer: Richard Ellis
- Members at Large: Ann Abts, Doris Davis, Martha Jolly
- Membership: Mary Ann Defnet
- GEMS Newsletter Editor: Mary Ann Defnet, Mary Jane Herber

**March 1983 – February 1984**
- President: Charles Schaut
- Vice President: Jack Kessenich
- Recording Secretary: Pat Greiling
- Corresponding Secretary: Mary Liedeka
- Treasurer: Richard Ellis
- Members at Large: Doris Davis, Carol Manning, Tim Ryan
- Membership: Vacant position
- Historian: Doris Davis
- GEMS Newsletter Editor: Mary Ann Defnet, Mary Jane Herber

**March 1984 – February 1985**
- President: Jack Kessenich
- Vice President: Angela Fitzgibbons
- Recording Secretary: Pat Greiling
- Corresponding Secretary: Mary Liedeka
- Treasurer: Doris Davis
- Members at Large: Rodger Herson, Kristen Olson
- Membership: Vacant position
- GEMS Newsletter Editor: Mary Ann Defnet, Mary Jane Herber

**March 1985 – February 1986**
- President: Jack Kessenich
- Vice President: Angela Fitzgibbons
- Recording Secretary: Pat Greiling
- Corresponding Secretary: Mary Liedeka
- Treasurer: Doris Davis
- Members at Large: Charles Schaut
- Membership: Vacant position
- GEMS Newsletter Editor: Mary Ann Defnet, Mary Jane Herber

**March 1986 – February 1987**
- President: Angela Fitzgibbons
- Vice President: Mary Rousseau Liedeka
- Recording Secretary: Dorothy Lutomski, Sr Dolores Wagner
- Corresponding Secretary: Rev John Kastenholz
- Treasurer: Doris Davis
- Members at Large: Charles Schaut
- Membership: Vacant position
- GEMS Newsletter Editor: Mary Ann Defnet, Mary Jane Herber

**March 1987 – February 1988**
- President: Mary Liedeka
- Vice President: Kris Olson
- Recording Secretary: Dorothy Lutomski
- Corresponding Secretary: Dave Young
- Treasurer: Doris Davis
- Members at Large: Angela Fitzgibbons, Ida Flavion, Jack Kessenich
- Membership: Vacant position
- GEMS Newsletter Editor: Mary Ann Defnet, Mary Jane Herber
March 1988 – February 1989
President: Rev John Kastenholz
Vice President: Dave Young
Recording Secretary: Dorothy Luotomski
Corresponding Secretary: Ken Kieper
Treasurer: Doris Davis
Members at Large: Ida Flavion, Mary Liedeka, Faye Wood
Membership: Mary Ann Defnet
GEMS Newsletter Editor: Mary Ann Defnet, Mary Jane Herber
Library Consultant: Mary Jane Herber
Historian: Ida Flavion
Publicity: Jack Kessenich
Church Records Survey: Kris Olson

March 1989 – February 1990
President: Kathy Hornby, Ken Kiepe, Dave Young
Vice President: Kathy Hornby, Ken Kieper
Recording Secretary: Dorothy Luotomski, Neoma Michalski
Corresponding Secretary: Ruth Nishioka
Treasurer: Doris Davis
Members at Large: Ann Abts, Rev John Kastenholz, Faye Wood
Membership: Bob Huiting
GEMS Newsletter Editor: Angela Fitzgibbons
Library Consultant: Mary Jane Herber
Church Records Survey: Ida Flavion, Kris Olson
Cemetery Chairman: Faye Wood
Sales: Doris Davis

March 1990 – February 1991
President: Judith Sharp
Vice President: Don Windmuller
Recording Secretary: Myra Michaletz
Corresponding Secretary: Faye Wood
Treasurer: Doris Davis
Members at Large: Ann Abts, Dorothy Martin
Membership: Bob Huiting
GEMS Newsletter Editor: Judith Sharp
GEMS Editorial Staff: Nadine Adamski, Virginia Johnson, Sandra Shackelford
Library Consultant: Mary Jane Herber
Church Records Survey: Ida Flavion
Cemetery Chairman: Faye Wood
Sales: Vacant position

March 1991 – February 1992
President: Robert Ziemer
Vice President: Dale Borell
Recording Secretary: Myra Michaletz
Corresponding Secretary: Rose Jordan
Treasurer: Doris Davis
Members at Large: Ann Abts, Dorothy Martin
Membership: Virginia Johnson
GEMS Newsletter Editor: Judith Sharp
GEMS Editorial Staff: Nadine Adamski, Virginia Johnson, Dorothy Martin, Sandra Shackelford
Library Consultant: Mary Jane Herber
Cemetery Chairman: Rose Jordan, Sue Zanzig
Church Records Survey Chair: Ida Flavion
Sales: Vacant position

March 1992 – February 1993
President: Dale Borell
Vice President: Myra Michaletz
Recording Secretary: Dorothy Martin
Corresponding Secretary: Rose Jordan
Treasurer: Doris Davis
Members at Large: Ann Abts, Faye Wood
Membership: Virginia Johnson
GEMS Newsletter Editor: Ron Renquin
GEMS Editorial Staff: Nadine Adamski, Mary Jane Herber, Virginia Johnson, Rose Jordan, Kris Olson, Faye Wood
Library Consultant: Mary Jane Herber
Cemetery Chairman: Rose Jordan, Sue Zanzig
Sales: Doris Davis
Computer Interest Group Chairperson: Yvonne Fercy

March 1993 – February 1994
President: Myra Michaletz
Vice President: Ann Abts
Recording Secretary: Dorothy Martin
Corresponding Secretary: Rose Jordan
Treasurer: Doris Davis
Members at Large: Nadine Korotev, Patricia Foley
Membership: Kris Olson, Ron Renquin
GEMS Newsletter Editor: Mary Jane Herber
Cemetery Chairman: Rose Jordan, Sue Zanzig
Sales: Vacant position
Computer Interest Group Chairperson: Kathy Hornby

March 1994 – February 1995
President: Ann Abts
Vice President: Vacant position
Recording Secretary: Jean Christianson
Corresponding Secretary: Rose Jordan
Treasurer: Doris Davis
Members at Large: Nadine Korotev, Patricia Foley
Membership: Rose Jordan
GEMS Newsletter Editor: Lisa Youngblood
GEMS Staff: Ann Abts, Nadine Korotev, Myra Michaletz, Sue Zanzig
Library Consultant: Mary Jane Herber
Cemetery Chairman: Ann Abts, Sue Zanzig
Sales: Vacant position
CIG Chairperson: Yvonne Fercy

March 1995 – February 1996
President: Lisa Youngblood
Vice President: Michael Religa
Recording Secretary: Jean Christianson
Corresponding Secretary: Eileen Swanson
Treasurer: Doris Davis
Members at Large: Patricia Foley, Gerald Lemerond
Membership: Nadine Korotev
GEMS Newsletter Editor: Lisa Youngblood
GEMS Staff: Ann Abts, Nadine Korotev, Myra Michaletz
Library Consultant: Mary Jane Herber
Publicity: Patricia Foley
Cemetery Chairman: Ann Abts, Sue Zanzig
Sales: Myra Michaletz
**Board Members and Committees**

**March 1996 – February 1997**
President: Dale Pinkston  
Vice President: Dave Miller  
Recording Secretary: Rosemary Nighorn  
Corresponding Secretary: Eileen Swanson  
Treasurer: Richard Flint  
Members at Large: Barb Bubolz, Gerald Lemerond  
Membership: Nadine Korotev  
GEMS Newsletter Editor: Lisa Youngblood  
GEMS Staff: Ann Abts, Nadine Korotev, Lynn LaPlant, Myra Michaletz  
Library Consultant: Mary Jane Herber  
Publicity: Patricia Foley  
Cemetery Chairman: Ann Abts, Sue Zanzig  
Sales Chairman: Myra Michaletz

**March 1997 – February 1998**
President: Patricia Foley  
Vice President: Don Liebelt  
Recording Secretary: Rosemary Nighorn  
Corresponding Secretary: Eileen Swanson  
Treasurer: Myra Michaletz  
Members at Large: Barb Bubolz, Gerald Lemerond  
Membership: Nadine Korotev  
GEMS Newsletter Editor: Trish Simon  
GEMS Coordinators and Staff: Ann Abts, Myra Michaletz, Nadine Korotev, Diane Swanson  
Bulk Mailing: Sandra Kresse  
Library Consultant: Mary Jane Herber  
Publicity: Barb Bubolz  
Cemetery Chairman: Ann Abts, Sue Zanzig  
Sales: Vacant position  
Query Chairperson: Judy LuMaye

**March 1998 – February 1999**
President: Patricia Foley  
Vice President: Don Leibelt  
Recording Secretary: Helen Carlson  
Corresponding Secretary: Eileen Swanson  
Treasurer: Myra Michaletz  
Members at Large: Vacant position  
Robert DeLaruelle, Barb Foster, Gerald Lemerond, Mark Kohls  
Membership: Nadine Korotev  
GEMS Newsletter Editor: Gary & Trish Simon  
GEMS Coordinators and Staff: Helen Carlson, Patricia Foley, Myra Michaletz, Nadine Korotev  
Bulk Mailing: Sandra Kresse  
Library Consultant: Mary Jane Herber  
Publicity: Neoma Michalski  
Cemetery Chairman: Ann Abts, Sue Zanzig  
Sales: Barbara Goska  
Query Chairperson: Judy LuMaye

**March 1999 – February 2000**
President: Dr George O’Hearn  
Vice President: Gerald Abitz  
Recording Secretary: Rosemary Nighorn  
Corresponding Secretary: Barbara Foster  
Treasurer: Myra Michaletz  
Members at Large: Don Leibelt, Gerald Lemerond, Neoma Michalski  
Membership: Sandra Kresse  
GEMS Newsletter Editor: Gary & Trish Simon  
GEMS Staff: Patricia Foley, Myra Michaletz, Sue Zanzig  
Bulk Mailing: Sandra Kresse  
Library Consultant: Mary Jane Herber  
Publicity: Neoma Michalski  
Cemetery Chairman: Ann Abts, Sue Zanzig  
Sales: Barbara Goska

**March 2000 – February 2001**
President: Dr George O’Hearn  
Vice President: Gerald Abitz  
Recording Secretary: LaVonne Whiting  
Corresponding Secretary: Carole Derbique  
Treasurer:  
Members at Large: Ginny Hunt, Mark Kohls, Don Leibelt, Gerald Lemerond, Neoma Michalski, James McConnell  
Membership: Sandy Kresse  
GEMS Newsletter Editor: Gary & Trish Simon  
GEMS Staff: Myra Michaletz, Sue Zanzig  
Bulk Mailing: Sandra Kresse  
Library Consultant: Mary Jane Herber  
Program Chairman: Gerald Abitz  
Cemetery Chairman: Myra Michaletz  
Sales:  
Query Chairperson: Sr Dolores Wagner

**March 2001 – February 2002**
President: Bruce Shafer  
Vice President: Mary Jane Herber  
Recording Secretary: Barb Guyes  
Corresponding Secretary: LaVonne Whiting  
Treasurer: Carol Derbique  
Membership: Sandra Kresse  
Members at Large: Gerald Abitz, Joyce Hannemann, Ginny Hunt, Linda Lehrer, Gerald Lemerond, Mark Kohls  
GEMS Newsletter Editor: Trish & Gary Simon  
Library Consultant: Mary Jane Trish Herber  
Cemetery Chairman: Ann Abts, Sue Zanzig  
Sales: Myra Michaletz

**March 2002 – February 2003**
President: Bruce Shafer  
Vice President: Mary Jane Herber  
Recording Secretary: Barb Guyes  
Corresponding Secretary: LaVonne Whiting  
Treasurer: Vacant position  
Members at Large: Gerald Abitz, Joyce Hannemann, Gerald Lemerond, Mark Kohls, Linda Lehrer, Debbie, Lankford  
Membership: Sandra Kresse  
GEMS Newsletter Editor: Trish & Gary Simon  
Library Consultant: Mary Jane Herber  
Cemetery Chairman: Ann Abts, Sue Zanzig  
Sales: Linda Lehrer

**March 2003 – February 2004**
President: Mark Kohls  
Vice President: Vacant position  
Recording Secretary: Barb Guyes  
Corresponding Secretary: LaVonne Whiting  
Treasurer: Arleen Fitzgerald  
Members at Large: Gerald Abitz, Linda Lehrer, Judy Janssen, Gerald Lemerond, Debbie Lankford, Dana VandenHeuvel  
Membership: Sandra Kresse
Board Members and Committees*

March 2003 – February 2004 (continued)
GEMS Newsletter Editor: Mary Jane Herber
Library Consultant: Myra Michaletz
Cemetery Chairman: Sue Zanzig
Sales: Trish and Gary Simon

March 2004 – February 2005
President: Arleen Fitzgerald
Vice President: Dick Flint
Recording Secretary: Trish and Gary Simon
Corresponding Secretary: Mary Jane Herber
Treasurer: Mary Zimmerman
Members at Large: Mary Liedeka, Sherry Vander Missen

March 2005 – February 2006
President: Jack Grotke
Vice President: Paul Grotke
Recording Secretary: Myra Michaletz
Corresponding Secretary: Mary Jane Herber
Treasurer: Mary Zimmerman
Members at Large: Mary Liedeka, Sherry Vander Missen

March 2006 – February 2007
President: Mary Jane Herber
Vice President: Myra Michaletz
Recording Secretary: Mary Jane Herber
Corresponding Secretary: Mary Zimmerman
Treasurer: Mary Zimmerman
Members at Large: Mary Liedeka, Sherry Vander Missen

March 2007 – February 2008
President: Mary Jane Herber
Vice President: Trish and Gary Simon
Recording Secretary: Mary Jane Herber
Corresponding Secretary: Myra Michaletz
Treasurer: Mary Zimmerman
Members at Large: Mary Liedeka, Sherry Vander Missen

March 2008 – February 2009
President: Mary Jane Herber
Vice President: Dr George O’Hearn
Recording Secretary: Mary Jane Herber
Corresponding Secretary: Myra Michaletz
Treasurer: Mary Zimmerman
Members at Large: Mary Liedeka, Sherry Vander Missen

March 2009 – February 2010
President: Mary Jane Herber
Vice President: Kent Immerfall
Recording Secretary: Debi Finendale
Corresponding Secretary: Mary Zimmerman
Treasurer: Mary Zimmerman
Members at Large: Mary Liedeka, Sherry Vander Missen

March 2010 – February 2011
President: Mary Jane Herber
Vice President: Robert DeLaruelle
Recording Secretary: Vacant position
Corresponding Secretary: Linda Lehrer
Treasurer: Joyce Hannemann
Members at Large: Bette Ahlers, Leon Behnke, Barbara Chouinard, Debi Finendale, Pat McNamara, Barbara Ray, Missy Smith

March 2011 – February 2012
President: Paula Griepentrog
Vice President: Vacant position
Recording Secretary: Bobbi Joe Eisenreich
Corresponding Secretary: Linda Lehrer
Treasurer: Joyce Hannemann
Members at Large: Bette Ahlers, Leon Behnke, Barbara Chouinard, Debi Finendale, Pat McNamara, Barbara Ray, Missy Smith

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Greetings from one of the remaining B.A.G.S. Founding members.

I'm still here but had to give up my research work after 40 plus years. I want to thank the organization that gave me an opportunity to learn much, to acquire new friends, and to do something that was a real pleasure for me. The assistance I was able to give hundreds of fellow ancestor-seekers in finding a village of origin was especially enjoyable - and all without a computer!! Not out of mind, my thanks again to B.A.G.S. board from years ago who gifted me with a Lifetime Membership. I appreciate still, their kindness. I hope to continue reading the quarterly “GEMS” to learn how B.A.G.S. goes on to serve the genealogical patrons in our area and beyond.

Happy Hunting

May Ann Defnet—a B.A.G.S. Founding Member
MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

WE WANT TO MAKE YOUR B.A.G.S. MEMBERSHIP AS USEFUL AND HELPFUL AS POSSIBLE. PLEASE FILL OUT THIS APPLICATION AS COMPLETELY AS YOU CAN.

☐ New Membership  ☐ Renewal Membership

MAY WE SHARE THIS INFORMATION WITH OUR MEMBERS?  ☐ YES  ☐ NO

APPLICANT INFORMATION

Name:
Address:  Phone:
City:  State:  Zip Code:
Retired  ☐ Employed outside the home  ☐ Email:

Surnames you are researching:

COMMITTEE INFORMATION

Please check the B.A.G.S. Committees that interest you! Being on a committee lets us get to know you and lets you share interests with us.

☐ Social Activities (Programs, Annual Meetings, etc.)  ☐ Sales (B.A.G.S. publications)
☐ Newsletter (write articles, develop, layout)  ☐ Website (develop content)
☐ Workshop (make presentations)  ☐ Jean Nicolet (transcribe, data entry, proofing)
☐ Willing to assist as needed  ☐ Board member or Committee member

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