



# The ACGS Time

The Anoka County Genealogical Society Newsletter

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Anoka County Genealogical  
Society (at History Center)  
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Hours: .

Tuesday – 10:am-8:00 pm  
Wed-Fri - 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.  
Every Saturday-10:00 am-4:00 pm

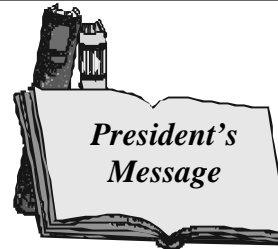
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## Welcome

Membership is \$9 per year  
(\$5 for seniors) and runs from  
September 1st –August 31<sup>st</sup>  
Thank you for your continued  
support.



Happy Holidays!

As you prepare for Thanksgiving and Christmas – give thanks for all of your ancestors! Without them you would not be here.

This month I will have the opportunity to meet four more of my newly discovered cousins. It has been an eventful year as I was able to break through a 20 year brick wall and finally find my Grandfather prior to 1930. He had a previous wife, 5 more children and I found 10 more cousins. I have a lot to be thankful for this Thanksgiving.

The cookbook is finished and available at the History Center in Anoka. Pick up your copies soon. They make great Christmas gifts. There will also be some available at the ACGS Potluck on December 3<sup>rd</sup>, 6:00 PM at Coon Rapids United Methodist Church Please RSVP to Cathi at 763-757-9367 or [cwebergen@comcast.net](mailto:cwebergen@comcast.net) so we can have enough tables ready.

Make Family your top priority this holiday season. Let go of the ‘busyness’ of the season and spend time with your relatives doing fun activities. Make family memories that will last a lifetime.

Cathi Weber, President



## **“It’s Your History”**

QCTV Cable Show about Anoka County History includes a segment on Genealogy.

Check your local Cable schedule to see when it is on in your area.

### **ACGS Christmas Potluck**

December 3, 2007 6:00 PM  
Coon Rapids United Methodist Church  
10506 Hanson Blvd NW  
Coon Rapids, MN  
RSVP: Cathi – 763-757-9367 or  
cwebergen@comcast.net

**Bring a recipe from the cookbook**

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Check out this article on Ancestry.com  
**Three Genealogical Exercises**  
by George G. Morgan

<http://www.ancestry.com/learn/library/article.aspx?article=11896>

George shares three exercises that he uses for honing his research skills. Check it out today.

Here are some other Web sites worth checking:

**RootsWeb**  
[www.rootsweb.com](http://www.rootsweb.com)

**Family Search**  
<http://www.familysearch.org/>

These are some good genealogy magazines that have online articles:

**Family Tree Magazine**  
<http://familytreemagazine.com/>

**Ancestry Magazine**  
<http://www.ancestrymagazine.com/>

**Internet Genealogy**  
[www.internet-genealogy.com](http://www.internet-genealogy.com)

**Family Chronicle**  
[www.familychronicle.com](http://www.familychronicle.com)

Take time from your  
research to learn about  
new resources and  
how to use them.

# *Intermediate Genealogy*

## *What's Next?*

Cathi Weber

Review the Basics: You've filled in what you know on your Family Group Sheets and Pedigree Charts

Use the clues that you find as you review your research to lead you to new resources. The smallest clue may be the link that you need. I was able to connect two families by matching the handwriting on 2 totally different documents. What you may think is a false path may actually be the right path with incorrect information.

Persistence pays off if you pay attention to the details.

### **Now What?**

- ◆ Review what you have.
- ◆ Write down your questions.
- ◆ Where are you missing information?
- ◆ Do you have all your sources listed?
- ◆ Make a time line. Are there large gaps?

### **Where to go next:**

Family Sources:

- ◆ Baby Book
- ◆ Family Bible
- ◆ Newspapers
- ◆ Scrapbooks
- ◆ Photo albums

Death Records

- ◆ Death Certificate
  - Name, sex,
  - Age, birth date & location
  - Occupation
  - Death date
  - Cause and place of death
  - Informant
- ◆ Obituaries
- ◆ Wills
- ◆ Probate/Estate
- ◆ Land Transfers

Census Records

- ◆ 1930 census was released to the public in 2002
- ◆ 1930 Census was taken in April
- ◆ Check Alternate spellings
- ◆ Watch for family connections
- ◆ Pay attention to neighbors

Take a Road Trip

- ◆ Library or Archive - to look at newspapers, cemetery and probate records
- ◆ Visit cemetery
- ◆ Family members

Photos

- ◆ Compare photos with cousins or other families

Scientific Evidence DNA Testing

- ◆ Paternal - Related through male line
- ◆ Maternal – related through female line
- ◆ Y- Chromosome
  - The smaller of the unmatched pair of sex chromosomes found in the male of humans and most animals.
  - Is used to establish the genetic profile of deceased ancestors along one's direct paternal line. It is passed largely unchanged from father to son. This inheritance pattern follows the passing of the surname common to many cultures.
- ◆ Y-DNA Test
  - Testing of living male descendants to see if there is a match of the Y-DNA to prove common ancestry.
- ◆ MTDNA
  - The Maternal DNA test is available for both males and females to uncover information about your mother and her female relatives.

Check out web sites for more information about DNA. Here are a few that I found:

<http://www.dna.ancestry.com/welcome.aspx>

<http://www.dnaancestryproject.com/>

<http://www.familytreedna.com/>

<http://genealogy.about.com/b/a/069124.htm>

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**TIME DATED MATERIAL**

The Anoka County Genealogical Society

***Family Favorites Cookbook***

\$15.00 – (\$13.50 for ACGS Members)

Get your copies at the History Center

Or order online <http://freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.com/~relativememory/> (\$3.50 P& H)

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