

Haas & Bauer

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Special Mailing

This newsletter normally just goes out to aunts and uncles. This special mailing is going to 1st cousins. I have also enclosed family tree printouts. (You have to cut and tape them together.)

The purpose of this mailing is to see who is interested in getting "involved" with this search. This newsletter will describe several hot-topics that you might want to get involved in.

Objectives

Get as much as we can as quick as we can.
Quantity is better than quality.

Make copies of documents instead of taking notes. Mistakes will be made in reading documents. But if you have a copy of the original document, others can easily check facts.

My research is focused on ancestors instead of descendants. This means that I am more interested in dead great grandparents than live cousins.

Information will be shared at the cost of making copies. Genealogy can be expensive. There is no need for you to have to pay for death certificates and other documents that I have copies of.

We will have over 30,000 pieces of "paper" before we are done. To organize this data and make cheap copies ALL data will be put on

computer.

Trip to Germany

My parents and I are planning a trip to Germany in the fall of 1999. This will not be a sight-seeing trip. My idea of a good time will be to spend several days in local cemeteries and churches.

My parents have already been to Germany (before I started this genealogy project.) When they went, we didn't know a lot about either family. Numerous opportunities for gathering data were missed. (If my aunt Rita Ruhland wasn't a good collector of stuff, we wouldn't have some key data on the Bauer family.)

One thing that we are working on is a list of things to do : get thousands of pictures of where our ancestors lived, what happened to the mystery people. One thing I have found out, is that you trip across really interesting stuff when you are looking for something. If you want to get involved this would be a good place. Let us know about YOUR ancestors. If we know about them, we can look for them.

We want to reduce the number of "Too bad you didn't.." or "You should have..". Would of's , should of's , could of's stink.

Wisconsin State Historical Society

It is amazing what they have in Madison. It will take years to complete research at Madison.

A few of the things we have gotten are :
detailed data about the ships our ancestors
came to America on, found out about
unknown relatives in Germany, the history of
St Patricks written in 1890, a history of St
Luke's, census records through 1920.

If you want to get a feel for what is available,
log onto their web site and play with
ARC CAT (and online catalog)

Church of Latter Day Saints

I have started visiting their church in
Milwaukee. Because of their religious
beliefs, Mormons are the world's best
genealogists. In Salt Lake City, they have
almost "everything" in the world on microfilm.

I have sent for their microfilm that contains
marriage and permission to move records
from 1800 to 1910 from the German
"county" our ancestors came from. They
have over 100 rolls of microfilm on this topic
alone. (They also have Catholic church
records from Germany.)

This will allow us to research German
records without having to be in Germany.

Sauk County Court House

Because Sauk County is so small, you are
given free run of all birth, marriage, death,
land and estate records. In larger counties
you have to stand in line and request
individual documents. We have a number of
good stuff from here.

You can also get arial photos (taken in an
airplane) of any part of Sauk County very
cheap here.

Computer & Electronic Stuff

We have almost every piece of hardware and
software that can be had. We have scanners,
a digital camera, a Hi8mm camcorder, tools to
hook computers to TVs, VCRs and
camcorders.

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Do you want to be involved

share

hardware

digital camera

Hi8 camcorder

handheld taperecorders

two document scanners

device to connect PC to TV

device to connect Film to PC

CD-R

2 **software**

microsoft publisher 95

family tree maker

world family tree disks

ata/documents/pictures

death certificates

census data

plat maps

church documents

articles

books

Email distribution

1860 Federal Farm Census

Last month's Trivia

This month's trivia