

NORTHWOODS GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

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Solon and Mathilda Sutliff House

The Sutliff House at 306 Dahl Street in Rhinelander was designed by architect Hans T. Liebert and built in 1923. Solon Sutliff was a well-known local businessman and a mayor of Rhinelander. The stucco Italian Renaissance style home features a symmetrical façade, a tile roof, exposed rafters, panels with swags, and a second-floor balcony. The house remained in the Sutliff family until at least 1965. The Wisconsin State Historic Preservation Office considers the Sutliff House to be an

“excellent and intact example of the Italian Renaissance variant of the Mediterranean Revival style.”

MARCH 8, 2021 – 6 P.M. ZOOM MEETING

Meetings of the Northwoods Genealogical Society are “typically” held on the second Monday of the month (except July) in the downstairs meeting room of the Rhinelander District Library. Membership dues are \$10.00 individual, \$11.00 family.

CHAIRMAN: Augden Windelborn

VICE CHAIRMAN: JoAnne Rajek

SECRETARY: Martha Cole

TREASURER: Gloria Rahlf

DIRECTORS AT LARGE:

Ila Turgeon

Jan Jacobs

NEWSLETTER: Jan Jacobs

WEBSITE: sites.google.com/site/northwoodsgenso/

NEXT MEETING: April 12th: Zoom Meeting

Upcoming Events:

WSGS Gene-A-Rama: April 9 – 10. See website for more information: [wsqs.org](https://www.wsqs.org)

STATE HISTORICAL LIBRARY, MADISON, WISCONSIN – LIMITED HOURS, SEE WEBSITE.

FAMILY HISTORY LIBRARY – SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH – CLOSED! Offering free online consultations!

RHINELANDER DISTRICT LIBRARY – CURBSIDE PICKUP ONLY – SEE WEBSITE

THIS MONTH: ZOOM MEETING. WATCH YOUR INBOX FOR A ZOOM INVITATION.

NOMINATION COMMITTEE: The nominating committee met by email to nominate a slate of officers for NGS. Nominations may also be made from the floor. The election will be held at the March meeting. Chair: Augden; Vice Chair: JoAnne; Secretary: Martha; Treasurer: Gloria; Director at Large: Ila (1 year); Director at Large: Marie (2 years).

“VITA BREVIS”: [Vita Brevis](https://vitabrevis.americanancestors.org) is a blog of the New England Historic Genealogical Society. It is a resource for family history from [AmericanAncestors.org](https://www.americanancestors.org). The blog offers the subscriber short essays by the Society’s expert staff on their own research. Recent posts include “Research Strategies for 2021”, “Evaluating DNA Matches”, “Finding Confirming Information for a Family Record”, and “Stories in Stone-Cemetery Grave Markers.” To subscribe to [Vita Brevis](https://vitabrevis.americanancestors.org), go to <https://vitabrevis.americanancestors.org>. You will receive email notices of new blog posts.

GENEALOGY TV SERIES: “A New Leaf” is a genealogy series produced by Ancestry. In each episode, a genealogist helps ordinary people discover their ancestors and then prepare a presentation for their families. Ancestry responded to feedback from viewers of “Who Do You Think You Are?” who wanted to see ordinary people learning about their family history. The show is available on Cozi TV (Spectrum 192) on Sundays at 8:30 a.m., www.nbc.com/a-new-leaf and the Ancestry YouTube channel.

WISCONSIN STATE GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY WEBINARS: The Society has a list of many upcoming webinars on their website. The March 16 webinar is “Trello – A Perfect Tool for Creating Your Genealogy Research.” Go to their website <https://wsqs.org> to register for the free webinars.

EUGENE SHEPARD AND THE HODAG: Did you see the segment on WJFW Up North @ 4 with Bill Vancos? He explained the history of the Hodag and its creator, Eugene Shepard. Bill’s presentation was very entertaining and informative. The video segment is online at the Rhinelander Historical Society’s website. www.rhinelanderhistoricalsociety.org

BYU FAMILY HISTORY LIBRARY: The BYU library is closed now on Sundays, but they offer online classes on Sunday afternoons. The classes are for beginning and intermediate level genealogists. The library website has a list of the upcoming classes, an email link for class updates and a Zoom link for the class sessions. The March 21 class is “Pruning Your Family Tree – How to Recognize and Fix Sticky Problems.” <https://fh.lib.byu.edu>

AN OLD SAYING: “To uncover our genealogical truths, we must work as hard to prove ourselves wrong as to prove ourselves right.”

The Northwoods Genealogical Society (NGS) is willing to provide photocopies of obituaries that have appeared in local papers and were included in the Obituary Index. Copies cost \$3. The Society uses the fees generated to purchase materials for the genealogy collection.

If you wish to do your own ancestry research (with a little help from the society) contact the NGS at the email address below to arrange a time when you can be introduced to the resources available.

The Northwoods Genealogical Society is also willing to conduct research for individuals. All research is performed by society members who volunteer to help you. The cost of having NGS research your relative(s) is \$10 per hour with a minimum charge of \$10 to be paid before research begins. Postage, if needed, would be charged separately. All money raised goes to the society to fund the acquisition of new genealogy materials. A [Research Request form](#) is available on our website that will help focus the search (<https://sites.google.com/site/northwoodsgensoc/research>). Fill out the form and email it back to the address below if you want research done. The more information you can provide to the society the quicker and more in-depth will be the results generated.

If you have questions related to having the NGS help you, feel free to contact northgensoc.research@gmail.com That is the email address of our research committee.