GRHS GENEALOGY RESEARCH POLICY

It is gratifying to note that you are interested in gathering information about your ancestral family heritage. One of the primary aims of our Society is the encouragement of persons interested in preparing their family histories. We are very interested in preserving such histories in our Society library for the benefit of others doing family research. These will benefit future generations who may seek information about their roots.

Our Society has on file pedigree charts, obituaries, passenger lists, family, church, community and county histories, German newspapers and resettlement papers on microfilm, and Polish land records plus other sources of information. There is a possibility that the answer to your inquiry may be found in our files.

Since information in our library is not available to those too distant to visit our library and research on their own, the staff will research our files for you. Due to the time involved in doing an extensive search, a fee is charged. A fee of $25 per hour if you are a current member of GRHS, or $40.00 per hour if you are not a current member, plus copy costs will be charged to search library files for items checked below. Since some research requires less time, several records may be searched. Therefore, you may want to check several items below and also mark the order you wish to have records searched.

If you choose not to mark the records, the staff will search the ones they deem useful after evaluating your request. Return this form, along with a check for the estimated amount due, to the above address. Please include a pedigree chart or other helpful information for use in researching our files.

___ Ancestral village maps (please specify which village)
___ Cemetery lists for a given surname (please specify which cemetery and surname)
___ Census records for North Dakota and South Dakota, 1900 (please specify which county)
___ Church records (please specify religion and location)
___ County histories - U.S. and Canada (please specify which county and state or province)
___ German newspapers on microfilm (please specify name of paper, year, issue, page, and name of person and community – index is located at www.grhs.org)
___ Obituary files
___ Passenger list extractions
___ Pedigree charts and family data sheets
___ Polish land records (index located on odessa3.org and genealogy.drefs.net/Introduction.htm)
___ Resettlement documents (EWZ and Fragabogen) on microfilm (please specify microfilm number, frame number and name – index located on odessa3.org and www.grhs.org)
___ Village research project materials (please specify which village)
___ Any other research

Money paid for research will be used to maintain and purchase additional genealogical material for the GRHS Library.

Please include your complete name and mailing address and amount of time requested. You will receive an invoice for any outstanding balance. Please submit payment upon receipt.

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