

WSGS AFFILIATION REQUEST

Under the provisions of Article 2, Section 1 and Article 2, Section 3b, Revised Bylaws of the Wisconsin State Genealogical Society, 18 October 2003 (printed on the reverse) the

_____ (Name of Society)

requests membership in the Wisconsin State Genealogical Society as an AFFILIATED SOCIETY. A check in the amount of \$28.00, payable to "WSGS" is enclosed in payment of one year of Affiliated Society dues. Please mail to: WSGS Affiliation Request, P.O. Box 5106, Madison, WI 53705-0106.

The official mailing address for this society is:

| Street Address or PO Box | City, State and ZIP | URL of website (to be linked to from the WSGS website) |
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Names and addresses of officers and other key leaders to be placed on distribution list for the *WSGS Leaders' Letter*:

| Office | Name | Mailing Address | E-mail Address | Mo / yr term expires |
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| Pres | | | | |
| Vice Pres | | | | |
| Secy | | | | |
| Treas | | | | |
| N/L Editor | | | | |
| Prog Chair | | | | |
| Others | | | | |
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(Signature & Title of Person Submitting Application)

Provisions of Revised Bylaws of the WSGS Relating to Affiliated Societies:

Article II. Membership

Section 1. Qualifications

a. Any person, or organization, who is interested in genealogy, who intends to further the business and purposes of this Society and to abide by the rules thereof, who applies for membership and tenders the necessary dues, shall thereby become a voting member of this Society.

Section 3 b. Organizational Members

1. Affiliates. Any historical or genealogical society, or the like, which meets the qualifications stated above may be granted membership as an "Affiliated Society." Affiliated Societies shall be entitled to one copy of meeting notices or other free publications or mailings of the Society, and to one vote. Additionally, Affiliated Societies may identify themselves as "An Affiliate of the Wisconsin State Genealogical Society" on their communications, publications, web sites, and advertising. Affiliates shall receive such other benefits as the Governing Board may from time to time grant.

The WSGS Mission Statement (WSGS Strategic Plan):

The Wisconsin State Genealogical Society helps people discover the excitement of family history by

- ▲ providing leadership to the Wisconsin genealogical community
- ▲ supporting the genealogical community through education, communication, advocacy, and development of research materials

The WSGS Purpose Statement (Art 1, Revised Bylaws):

The purposes of this Society are exclusively educational, specifically:

- a. to provide an association of persons and organizations interested in genealogy,
- b. to collect, and when practical publish genealogical, biographical and historical material relating to Wisconsin families and their forebears,
- c. to hold meetings and conduct conferences for the education of its members and others interested in genealogy,
- d. to foster and increase an interest in genealogy,
- e. to encourage the establishment of genealogical collections in libraries throughout the state, and
- f. to work with persons and organizations of a like mind to ensure that public records in Wisconsin remain open for genealogical and historical research.

Affiliates of the Wisconsin State Genealogical Society receive the following benefits:

- WSGS monitors budget and legislative proceedings at the state level concerning raising fees for vital records, the availability of records, and other issues of concern to the Wisconsin genealogical community, as well as representing our members and the members of Affiliated Societies in testimony before the Legislature.
- A vote in the election of WSGS Board members.
- The WSGS Newsletter.
- Up to three members of an Affiliated Society may attend Society Leaders Workshops at a reduced rate.
- One member of an Affiliated Society may attend WSGS conferences at the member rate, even if they are not a WSGS member.
- Publication of Affiliate events on the online WSGS Events Calendar by notifying the WSGS Webmaster of them.
- A link from the WSGS Affiliates web page to the Affiliate's website.