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DCGS Meetings are Held the 3rd Thursday of the Month @ 7 PM,

Old School, Library

200 W Locust

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#### Winter Hours

December 1 thru February 28 Mon, Tues, Wed Closed Open Thurs, Fri 1–4 PM Saturday 10 –12

## **Presidents Letter**

2013 wraps up as a fruitful year for us. We continue to hold together as a Society, Stand strong with Volunteers, and never lack the ability to trace down and preserve family heritage.

Many Societies have discontinued their newsletter. To me, this [the newsletter] should be the lucky charm in the cereal box. The compilation or treasure of something not available to every other visitor or researcher. This newsletter should give insight to rare documents and data that may or may not have been compiled in such a fashion before. And at a later time benefit other researchers, as it is to be shared and archived.

Next on the agenda is to Index a

## l decade of newsletters, any Volun-

teers?

Our Membership numbers about 60. Volunteers about 12.

2013 wrapped up with our Holiday meeting in December and good companionship. Officers will remain the same, Plenty to do going forward.

We had many new acquisitions, and continually look to enhance our collections.

2013 is the 40th year to be established as a Society. 2014 the 40th year as an Iowa Charted Society. There fore, Celebrations to come!

Stop on over!!

Deb Barker ~ President & Editor

## What is your 2014 Goal?

Do you block off time to work on genealogy, only to reach the end of the day with a mere fraction of your goals accomplished? Do you feel pressured by a lack of time, lack of energy or lack of focus? Instead of letting time manage you, you need to learn the skills to manage time your way.

Me too, Help! Let's pledge to make time regularly for our hob-

by. Keep a log, are you getting the time for you? Plan to organize. Stick to it, treat yourself. This is a lot like kicking a bad habit or losing weight, you've got to be dedicated. Set goals to take down that brick wall, planning and dedicating time is the first whammy. The 2nd part is to celebrate the takedown! Let us know your celebrations!

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#### DES'MOINES SUNDAY REGISTER\_

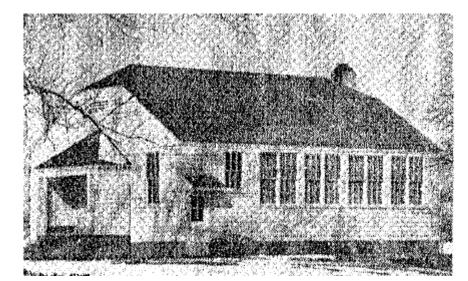
Finally Abandoned in Davis County- **lowa's Last Log Cabin School** April 7th, 1940 Pleasant Ridge School, Lick Creek Township

The children at Pleasant Ridge school, didn't know how distinctive their school was until workmen started to tear it down. And then it was revealed to them they were attending a log cabin school of true pioneer variety– a fact for many years hidden by plaster on the inside and a clapboard exterior.

A new building recently [1940] was completed for Pleasant Ridge School and with the passing of the old structure, lowa department of public instruction officials believed the state has seen the departure of the last log cabin school — a type that once dotted the prairies.

The Pleasant Ridge School which records shown was completed in 1863, remained just as sturdy as it was the day its square-sawed logs were joined together. But its interior was considerably crowded when its 30 pupils were assembled.





1950

## School To Open In Floris Area

FLORIS.—Most of the schools will open in Lick Creek township next Monday. Mrs. Wayne Speer will again teach the higher grades at Floris. Mrs. Hollis Wilkinson recently resigned from the lower grades, as she is moving to Moline. Others are: Mrs. Edith Rysdam, Bunker Hill; James Matt, Liberty: Mrs. Flora Downing, Pleasant Hill; Gladys Woolard, Pleasant Ridge; and Hazel Small, Union.





#### 1950

Other teachers with schools opening in Salt Creek township Monday are Mildred Higbec, Salt Creek; June Vandergriff, Eagle; Pauline Lewis, White Elm; Gladys Kneedler, Center; and Nora Rogers, Bear Creek.

#### **About** 1928,

Front Row- - Facing East towards Hwy 63, Annabell Lester, Dorothy Perry, Gertrude Perry, Lloyd Pilcher, Dorothy Clark, Ausman Perry, Evelyn Ware, Jess (Bud) Lester, Everett Amelang, Roy Mitchell

2nd Row—Eugene Pilcher, Carl Amelang, Mildred Jones, Bill Lester, Clarence Ware, Frances Perry, Lucille Pilcher, Oval Brechenridge, Harold Ware, Sylvia Pilcher, Madeline Jones, Marie Amelang (Boas), Opal Pilcher, Paul Jones,

#### Teacher in back is Howard Rupe



# DOWN THE ROAD

On Old Hwy 63 between Midway and North County line, there was a special stop. A fella could get a bit of fuel, a cold soda, and the days news from the proprietor. That would be Henry Dyer in this case. Charles Henry Dyer member of F O E 114 & A O U W, lived in Davis & Wapello counties. Born to Wm H & Lydia Foster Dyer, Married to Flora B Yoder, February 7, 1960.

#### April 28, 1888 - December 20, 1955

1899 SCHOOL REPORT FOR DISTRICT NO.2 LICK CREEK TOWNSHIP TEACHER: Frank Skinner The following pupils were perfect in attendance for the month: Dan Haves Eddie Skinner Roy Howel Charles Dyer Mary Hayes Winnie Hayes Katie Hayes Tressa Hayes Rosa Amelang Cora Amelang Mary Amelang Lily Dyer Dora Post Cora Garretson

FLORIS. — A lot of traffic of highway 63 between Hodges station south of Ottumwa and the Midway station west of Floris came through Floris Tuesday morning due to the road being blocked on the detour at the Wabash railroad tracks by a semitrailer in the ditch.

#### TORNADOES

#### **STRIKE @ FLORIS**

**BUYS OIL BUSINESS.** FLORIS.—Ira L. Wilkinson of Bloomfield, formerly of Floris, has purchased the Phillips oil bulk plant in Bloomfield, known as the Blue Grass Oil Co., from John M. Garrett and will take over November 1. He will operate the new Phillips station on the northeast corner of the square. Wilkinson operated a drug store here for a number of years.

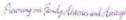
May 1949, A Tornado struck in the Midway Community, west of Floris, about 4 PM Saturday, wrecking or damaging a number of farm buildings and unroofing part of the service station and store operated by Harley Barker. The worst damage was at the O A Dooley farm, a mile east of highway 63, where a large barn was flattened, a hay loader blown on top of the wreckage, the garage demolished, the 2nd barn extensively damaged and a tree uprooted. At the Charles Bride farm 1/4 of mile to the east, the barn was shifted off its foundation, a shed unroofed and a brooder house demolished. There was also slight damage at the Aaron Emanuel and Les

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2013 In Review





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New acquisitions: IOOF Digital Photos, see at iagravestones.org Bloomfield Mercury Oval Photographs of General Weaver & wife, Mr Wonn & Family Floris photo's 1958 Band Booster Calendar Gile Genealogy Chicago Tribune 2012 Obituaries, Marriages & Births Oak Spring Country School documents Pleasant Ridge Country School documents

2014 OFFICERS DEBORAH BARKER, EDITOR & PRESIDENT KAREN PROSAPIO, VICE PRESIDENT VICKI HOUK, SECRETARY PAT HOWK, TREASURER

Moore, Alvin	74	Mary J Hagger 55	23	10-Jan-00	Residence Milton, IA	Henry	Jane Lew- is Holmes
[2nd Mrg]	rg]	[3rd Mrg]				Josiah Lufts	Harriet Taylor
MOORE, DAVID		SARAH McMAINS	B 390	28 Jun 1868			~ ` ~
Moore, David F		Priscilla Miller	2573	10 Sep 1876	10 Sep 1876 John W Boyer		· ·
Moore, Dennis		Fannie Garl	446	23 Dec 1877	Jessie Bain		
MOORE, E A		EMERETTA OGDEN	A 168	28 Jun 1860			
Moore, Edward W		Aura F Elliott	2 33	13 May 1869			
Moore, F W		Mary M Wallace	2 429	27 Aug 1874			
Moore, Frederick G	28	Mary Elizabeth Morris 22	1123	11 Feb 1892	Caroline Ogden	Frederick G	Adaline Jones
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MOORE, GEORGE H		LETITHA TWERHEIM	A 320	4 Jul 1850			
Moore, George W		Jane Burrows	2 548	27 Feb 1876	Wm Burrows		
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Moore, J H	43	Jennie A Colston 19	196	10 Oct 1889	CE & Clara Hunt	Michael	Abigail Lisle
		[2nd Mrg]				Wm Colston	Agnes Haney
MOORE, JOHN		MATILDA JANE BENNET	B 244	1 Sep 1866	Abraham Bennett		
Moore, John A	24	Martha Henderson 24	1138	15 Feb 1893	15 Feb 1893 At Brides Parents	ЕG	Aladine Jones
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Moore, John J		Margaret Perry	2 152	25 Dec 1870			1222-
Moore, John W		Elizabeth E Huffstetter	2 191		18 May 1871 Wm T Moore		
							Martha J
	,						Town-
Moore, Lewis Michael	25	Joy Gertrude Shelton 19	1 160		29 Jan 1895 At Brides Father	Jacob	send

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DAVIS COUNTY MARRIAGES

2014 Family Group Sheet & Biography Collection Please complete and send to us, we are compiling for our 40th !!

FAMILY GROUP SHEET OF THE			FAMILY
	Source #		Source #
Full name of husband		Birth date Birth place	
His father		Death date	
His mother with maiden name		Deathplace	
		Burial place	
Full maiden name of wife		Birth date	
		Birth place	
Her father		Death date	
Her mother with maiden name		Deathplace	
		Burial place	

Other Spouses		Maniage date, place, etc.	
Source #s		Source #s	
Children of this marriage	Birth date & place	Death date, place & burial place	Maniage date, place & spouse

## Biographical Outline of the Life of \_

#### (Name of Person)

With information on education, military service, marriage(s), children, illnesses, religious milestones, migrations, residences, jobs, family events, land purchases, court appearances, death & burial, etc.

Date Age Event and Place Documentation   Birth Place  <	
Prace	

# 2014 Dues for Membership

# \$15 per Person

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