



DAVIS COUNTY
GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY
NEWSLETTER

Genealogical Society

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206 W. Goode St.

REGULAR MEETING: Third Thursday of each month at 7:30 p.m.

* NOTICE: October meeting at the home of Ben & Mary Ellen Redmon,*

* 701 E. Franklin, Bloomfield, Iowa. PROGRAM; Demonstration *

* on using computer for genealogy work and storing. *

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FROM the President's Desk:

Dear Members,

Well, summer is over and fall is about ready to burst into bloom with all the colorful trees. I hope you all got a lot of research done this summer so you can have fun all winter sorting it out. From the looks of the registration book in the genealogy room at the library, we had a lot of visitors this summer. I would like to thank all of you who have given of your time to help our visitors with their research. Some of you found some real interesting new family ties.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of our members who have in any way given of their time or knowledge to help our society grow and become what it is today. I feel we have increased our membership numbers, library materials, and our individual knowledge of genealogy by the way we give and take at our meetings and by volunteering to help others. Also, with the shelves rearranged, our material is easier to find and we seem to have lots more research material.

At the September meeting we voted to purchase three (3) books that the Wapello County Genealogical Society is putting out. They deal with marriages of Wapello County - 1841-1866. In the future I hope we will be able to purchase other publications from the surrounding societies.

In October, I will be appointing a committee to select candidates for your 1986 officers. Please make my job and theirs easier by accepting to take an office or if you are interested volunteer before you are asked. The jobs are not hard or really all that time consuming. I think you will find many rewards by volunteering to serve the organization.

The I.G.S. Annual meeting is October 26-27 at the Airport Hilton Inn, 6111 Fleur Drive, Des Moines, Iowa. I hope many of you are planning on attending. See more details in this newsletter.

Well, I've run out of anything to say so I'll close by extending this invitation--any member or friend who is interested in computers and genealogy will want to take advantage of Ben & Mary Ellen Redmon's invitation to come to their home for our next meeting, Oct. 17, to see their computer. Time 7:30 p.m. Place 701 East Franklin, Bloomfield. Hope to see you there.

Sue Spilman, Pres.

THINK ABOUT IT!

What will happen to your family heritage records should something happen to you? An uninterested relative could discard all your accumulations in minutes.

Our society members have discussed their family history destinations. Preservation plans were special first page instructions in notebooks, word of mouth instructions, and even a clause insert in their will. Some members had none. Arrange to keep your research alive; you can't take it with you.

--Gateway Diggers, Clinton, Ia.

STATE HISTORICAL SOCIETY

THE State Historical Society, 402 Iowa Ave., Iowa City, Iowa 52240 is open Monday through Saturday from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. on the last Tuesday of each month. The library will continue its practice of closing on Saturday when a state holiday falls on a Friday or Monday.

The following items are from Ancestors Unlimited, McCook, NE 9/3/85:

Spray newspaper clippings. on both sides, with hair spray. This will keep them from turning yellow.

Have you checked with ALL of your living relatives for the information they may be able to provide for your research? Don't miss even one for that person may have a priceless clue.

If you have a vinyl notebook with some printing on the cover that you would like to have removed, try using fingernail polish remover. Most prints can be removed this way, but use only on vinyl type.

SEND YOUR GENEALOGY TO THE LIBRARY OF CONGRESS

To get your genealogy into the Library of Congress you need only pay the postage to get it there, and your genealogy doesn't have to be copyrighted. Some of the expenses of the research can be tax deducted from your income taxes when such a gift is given to the Library of Congress. They will send you an acknowledgment describing your gift. Send your completed genealogy to: Library of Congress, Exchange and Gifts Division, 10 First Street, S.E., Washington, D. C. 20540.

KEEP THE FAITH - Olmsted County Genealogy Society Newsletter, Rochester, MN.

"Keep the Faith," members! Someday you, too, may write a famous book based on your family genealogy work. Did you know that Gone with the Wind developed from family history research by Margaret Mitchell? She was doing research on her mother's family, the O'Briens of Georgia, and it proved so fascinating that she simply altered the family name to O'Hara, and you know the rest!

REMEMBER

Be enthused! Be excited! Be proud! These are things that keep your search going. Keep up to date with your records! And put down these references!

CERTIFICATE OR RECORD?? It is quite important to understand the difference between a death or birth certificate and a death or birth record. Unless you are wanting a certificate for a passport or other official record, do not request a certificate for genealogical use. The certificate is simply a formal paper to testify to the date, cause, and place of death. The death record includes somewhat more information, and place of nativity. In a similar vein, if you

ask for a marriage register, not a certificate, you get more information. The marriage register gives the parents; names, place of residence of the bride and groom, often their birthplaces, where they were married, the names of the witnesses, etc. From Ancestors Unlimited 9/4/85.

Standard equipment for cemetery recording is a tablet on a clipboard, a pen, styrofoam and colored and white chalk plus a whisk broom. A soft lead pencil helps, too. A small shovel for uncovering stones may be helpful too. They, the stones, may be covered with plant life and soil. One can make a rubbing on butcher paper with a broad black crayon--the large type that kindergarten children use--as this helps to bring out worn lettering.

REMEMBER--1986 DUES ARE PAYABLE AFTER OCTOBER 1. Dues may be paid to treasurer Olen McMains or secretary Phyllis Thomas. \$5.00 a year.

ILLINOIS MASON RECORDS: Information on the name, birthdate, place of birth, occupation at time of petitioning for membership, and date degrees were conferred for every MASON who received degrees in Illinois since 1840 is available by writing to the office of Grand Secretary, P.O. Box 4147, Springfield, Ill., 48012--Northwest, News

KENTUCKY RESEARCH--Free information about Kentucky newspapers which are on microfilm and are available on inter-library loan, is available from the University of Kentucky. Write; Archives Branch, Division of Archives and Records Management Department of Library and Archives, Commonwealth of Kentucky, P.O. Box 537, Frankfort, KY 40602.

IS THIS YOU? For years you have read and made notes of what you find. Think what a mess of jumbled notes if you should not awake to finish the job. Could your family put it all together in a sane genealogy? You have much in your head that they do not know or cannot read. THINK about it, put it in some organized form today! It has been said that the best labor saving device today is TOMORROW!--Tama County Museum Notes.

UNDERCOVER AGENT-- I push our mementos from drawer to drawer,
From closet to closet, from bookshelf to floor,
From cubby to cubby, from folder to file,
And while shuffling goes on,
I have the qualms of doubt,
I'll move them up, down, side, and back,
IN--but NOT OUT!--Tama County Museum News.

WRITING ON BACKS OF PHOTOS AND PICTURES. Use a Stabilo Art pencil available at art shops for about a dollar for making and writing on the back of photographs and pictures. Ink smears and pencils write too faintly. Beware, though, of using too much pressure, however, and do not write opposite people's faces.

If you have a newsy genealogy find you wish to submit, please send or give to your editor. No copyrighted articles though.

READ OUR ENCHANGE NEWSLETTERS--we get 30 or more each quarter. They contain information on genealogy and how to information from all over the world. We are sending a copy of our newsletter in exchange for them--so we are really paying for them. They are found in separate notebooks on our library shelves.
--Editor.

SOCIAL SECURITY RECORDS--Under the F.O.I./P.A. (Freedom of Information/Privacy Act) which permits release of data when an individual is deceased, records may be obtained from the Social Security Administration. Contact: Social Security Administration, Box 57, Baltimore, MD 21203. A death certificate must accompany the request. Information you will receive: name, name of parents, date and exact place of birth (usually exact place of birth are given even for a foreign birth), residence, place of employment, signature of applicant. Another request can be made for a computer printout of all the places of employment, showing years. From the Genealogical Forum of Portland, Oregon, Inc. March 1985.

WORRY is like a rocking chair . . . It gives you something to do but doesn't get you anywhere!

On October 14, 1985, the present the Genealogical Library of LDS, Salt Lake City will be closed. During the following two weeks employees, volunteers, and professional movers will transfer the entire collection of books, shelves, microfilm, cabinets, reading machines, furniture, and tons of other equipment to the sparkling new library at 35 North West Temple. The new library will open to the public at 7:30 a.m. on Friday, October 25, 1985. As always the Genealogical Library will be open to the general public. Some two thousand people a day now use the library. This figure is expected to increase as the new library opens and its more modern facilities become known.

World War I Selective Service Records Available.

WWI Selective Service Records are a seldom-used source of genealogical information. Almost every male resident of the U.S. born between the years 1873 and 1900 was required to register for the draft even though he may never have actually served in the war. Some 24,000,000 registration cards which contain information on the registrant's birthdate, race, citizenship, occupation, employer, nearest relative, marital status, and sometimes more information have been microfilmed.

Records are available from the Archives Branch, Federal Records Center, 1557 St. Joseph Avenue, East Point, GA 30044. Information is filed by state and draft board. You must provide a complete name and address. If the individual lived in a metropolitan area, a street address is necessary. According to the Newsletter of the Genealogical Society of Southern Illinois, Nov. 1984, a fee of \$5.00 is charged for this service.--Rochester, MN.

APPROXIMATELY 365 people used our Genealogy Library Room.

Approximately 365 people have used our Genealogy Library room in the Public Library since January 1 according to the registration list. Of these people, 50 to 65 were from out-of-town or out-of-state. They came from: Burlington, Ks; Ashton, SD; Oregon; Napa, CA; Denver, CO; Fayetteville, AK; Salt Lake City, UT; Raymore, MO; Marion College Station, TX; Leneya, KS; Fremont, CA; Los Banos, CA; Washington, UT; and in Iowa from Burlington, Ottumwa, Farmington, Centerville, Des Moines, Ft. Madison, Newton, Keosauqua, Council Bluffs, etc.

SPECIAL GENEALOGICAL RECORDS--The Burlington Public Library has a copy of IGI (International Genealogical Index), a microfiche list of 66 million people throughout the world. The names were taken from a variety of genealogical sources and are very useful to genealogists. The Index names found in the computer of the Genealogical Dept of the LDS are used. It does not include all information known about an individual, but it uniquely identifies each person and gives a batch number which identifies the original source. Entries on the Index are arranged by region, then by surnames and may give an

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individual's spouse or parents or an important date in their life, such as birth, christening, marriage or death.

The microfiche is available for the public to use at the Burlington Public Library. --Regional Rag, Mar-Apr, 85-p.4.

IOWA CENSUS FILM
at the
GENEALOGY ROOM IN THE BLOOMFIELD, PUBLIC LIBRARY

The following is a list of the Iowa census by the year, counties and roll number that are in the Genealogy Room in the Bloomfield Public Library:

Year	County	Year	County
1850	Appanoose, Boone, Benton, Black Hawk, Boone, Buchanan, Cedar, Clarke, Clayton, Clinton, Dallas, and Davis.	1790	First Census of R.I., S.C., VT. & 1840 Census of Pensioners for Revolutionary or Military Services.
1856	Dallas and Davis.	1790	First Census of Maryland.
1860	Dallas and Davis.	1856	Shelly, Sac, Story, Tama, Taylor, and Van Buren and Union.
1870	Davis and Decatur.	1885	Union and Van Buren.
1880	Crawford, Dallas and Davis.	1895	Van Buren
1880	Davis, Decatur, Delaware.	1850	Clark, and Clay Counties, Indiana.
1885	Davis		
1895	Davis		
1900	Davis (part and Crawford.		
1900	Davis (part), Decatur, Delaware.		
1910	Crawford, Dallas, Davis and Emmett.		

RECENT ADDITIONS TO THE GENEALOGY LIBRARY:

Donated by:

1. Genealogical Books in Print, 4th ed., 1985 - Society purchase.
2. Revolutionalr Record of Maryland by Brumbaugh & Hodges, 1978--Vera McMains.
3. Botetourt Co., Virginia, Early Marriages, Wills and Some Revolutionary War Records by Warrell, 1976-----Vera McMains.
4. Directory of Scottish Settlers in North America, 1625-1825, Vol. 1, by Dobson, 1984-----Vera McMains.
5. Virginia Wills and Administrations, 1632-1800 by Torrence, 1977-Vera McMains
6. Passengers and Ships Prior to 1684-Penn's Colony #1 by Sheppard, 1970- - - - -Vera McMains
7. List of Emigrants to America from Liverpool, 1697-1707 by French, 1978 - - - - -Vera McMains.
8. Immigrant Ancestors by Virkus, 1978 - - - - -Vera McMains.
9. English Estates of American Colonists by Coldham 1980 - - - -Vera McMains.
10. Handbook on Irish Genealogy, 1973 - - - - -Vera McMains.
11. Farmer's Union, Liberty Local No. 299 Minute Book, January 1918 - December 1930 (Wesley Chapel, Wyacondah Twp. Area) -Vera McMains
12. McReynolds: A Noble Clan by McReynolds, 1980- - Dorothea McReynolds Rudd
13. Ancestors and Descendants of Thomas Benton McReynolds by Rudd, 1984 - - - - -Dorothea McReynolds Rudd
14. The Battin Family Genealogy by Hubler, 1984- - - - -Mouraine Hubler
15. Laplanders and Tulips by Greene, 1984 - - - - -Jerry S. Greene
16. Americans from Sweden by Benson, 1950 - - - - -Jerry S. Greene

ORIGINAL ENTRIES, SOAP CREEK TOWNSHIP, DAVIS COUNTY, IOWA (T70-R14W)

Name	Date of Entry	Name	Date of Entry
John Allen	5-17-1850	Anthony W. Carpenter	8-18-1850
Isabella Allen	10-1-1847	Anthony W. Carpenter	8-18-1850
SCHOOL FUND LAND		Thompson R. Crosthwait	12-21-49
George Aldridge	9-27-1848	Henry H. Cramer	11-12-1849
Thomas Bare?	4-23-1849	John D. Devin	6-7-1850
John A. Bartlett	5-5-1849	Willoughby Davis	1-30-1850
Thomas Bare	5-23-1849	Thomas Devin	4-16-1850
John A. Bartlett	6-5-1849	Patrick Dawson	7-7-1851
James R. Bruce	4-4-1850	Adolph deLaSalle	
Lafayette Bare	7-20-1846	de Lowvoise	12-30-1850
David Baer	8-6-1846	Green B. Duff	6-15-1848
Lafayette Bare	11-1-1847	Felix Dickerson	12-15-1848
John Bare	7-20-1846	John A. Drake	1-15-1849
Lafayette Bare	7-16-1849	John Dodd	5-7-1849
John Bare	7-20-1846	Frederick Eberling	6-28-1853
Caleb Bales	10-23-1854	Evan C. Evans	1-8-1850
James Berry	12-7-1854	Phillip G. Erhard	11-1-1847
Joseph M. Bell	12-11-1854	John W. Ellis	5-11-1853
Charles C. Bell	10-23-1848	Thomas B. Edwards	12-14-1848
Davis H. Bell	12-29-1849	William Edwards	5-25-1850
Lafayette Bare	11-1-1847	Andrew Elswick	6-27-1846
Lafayette Bare	12-12-1848	David E. Eckert	1-19-1853
Jacob V. Bare	7-20-1846	P. G. Erhard (Farhard)	9-27-48
Jacob V. Bare	12-2-1847	Thomas M. Easley	6-9-1849
Thomas Bare	5-28-1849	A. W. East	6-20-1849
Thomas Bare	5-3-1850	Wm. McKendree	
Thomas Bare	5-3-1850	Findley (Finley)	1-28-1850
James A. Benedict	5-20-1848	Wm. McK. Findley	3-15-1848
James Berry	11-27-1846	John A. Fitzpatrick	7-21-1848
Silas Breeding	6-16-1848	Thomas H. Fitzpatrick	12-29-50
Jesse C. Blankinship	7-20-1846	Elizabeth P. Fees	5-14-1849
Jesse C. Blankinship	3-30-1849	Mosses Greenough	4-16-1855
Elias Baldwin	11-4-1854	John Griner	8-13-1855
Jesse C. Blankinship	6-27-1846	John Goorley	9-28-1852
Samuel Bryte	10-26-1847	Christian Green &	
Jesse C. Blankinship	9-10-1849	Mosses Green	10-26-1847
Samuel Bryte	10-28-1847	Mosses Green	7-10-1849
Alexander Breeding	8-22-1849	Lydia Gifford, heir & Sis.	
Alex Breeding	9-11-1850	Hecox, decd.	11-16-1846
Daniel Brown	6-5-1850	Wm. E. Groff	1-2-1851
James Berry	12-6-1847	SCHOOL FUND LAND	
Milton Breeding	4-29-1851	Mosses Greene	4-13-1849
John Brown	2-26-1858	Bernhart Henn	5-9-1850
SCHOOL FUND LAND		Maxfical Hunter	4-16-1850
Lafayette Bare	12-4-1849	Anderson Hunter	4-22-1851
John Cummings	3-23-1850	Jacob Huffman	9-29-1851
David P. Crumrine	6-29-1850	Jo Hickinbottom	3-15-1851
Henry H. Cramer	1-14-1850	Nathaniel O. Hinman	10-27-1846
Jonathan Cohagen	6-10-1852	Joel Harbour	11-7-1846
Thompson R. Crosthwait	11-21-46	Henry Hays	11-4-1854
Henry Carter	10-12-1846	Jo Higinbotham	3-5-1852
Henry Carter	10-12-1846	James H. Hickox; Daniel	
Thompson R. Crosthwait	7-20-46	Hickox; Reuben Hickox;	
James W. Carr	9-10-1849	Benj., David, Edward M.	
Robert Catlett	5-22-1852	Leonard, Richard, Margaret Perkins;	
		Lydia Gifford Bro. & Sis of	

ORIGINAL ENTRIES, SOAP CREEK TOWNSHIP, DAVIS COUNTY, IOWA (T70-R14W) cont'd

John Hickox alias Hecox, dec'd 11-16-1846
 Jesse Harbour 11-1-1847
 Nathaniel O. Himmam 10-27-1846
 Rueben James 3-31-1850
 Lemuel James 5-2-1849
 Elias Kuhn 11-4-1851
 Frederick Khun 9-10-1849
 Frederick Kime 10-11-1854
 John Kelsey 12-21-1849
 Ezra M. Kirkham 9-23-1848
 Thomas I. Killian 3-8-1850
 Mosses A. Kirkham 1-22-1849
 C. B. Kefler 1858
 Samuel W. Kesler 2-16-1858
 Cornelius B. Kesler 2-16-1858
 Ward Lamson 11-13-1851
 John R. Lewellen 12-12-1849
 Ward Lamson 11-13-1851
 Andrew J. Leap 12-16-1850
 George W. Leap 12-16-1850
 Samuel W. Leap 1-24-1850
 Joseph R. Lee 6-22-1850
 George L. Laughlin 10-12-1846
 Isaiah Lowe 1-1-1850
 Harrison V.R. Lord 3-24-1850
 William E. Lowe 9-27-1847
 James Lowe 12-29-1849
 Theophile Lasalle 10-24-1848
 SCHOOL FUND LAND
 G. W. Lester 6-9-1849
 assigned from Thomas M. Easley
 George Miller 6-29-1852
 John Miller 9-19-1853
 Davis W. Morris 8-25-1846
 James Martin 6-27-1846
 Joseph Miller 7-20-1846
 David Murphy 1858
 John G. McConnell 6-27-1851
 Jesse H. McMath 1858
 Jane H. McMath 2-17-1858
 Mary A. Neidigh 12-14-1848
 SCHOOL FUND LAND
 Joseph Nibel 9-27-1848
 Simon Overturf 2-11-1850
 Eli Overtu 11-19-1849
 Sarah Ann Pickett 1-8-1850
 Hiram Pagett 5-15-1854
 Daniel T. Putman 6-26-1851
 Robert Parks 9-27-1847
 Abram H. Putnam 6-26-1846
 Margaret Perkins 11-16-1846
 Sis & heir of John Hickox dec'd.

Elijan Putman 6-27-1846
 Calvin W. Phelps 10-27-1846
 SCHOOL LAND FUND
 Elijah Putnam 9-27-1848
 John T. Rater 1-8-1849
 Conrad Reim 3-16-1850
 Henry G. Reim 6-27-1846
 James T. Ranes 6-27-1846
 Arthur M. Ranes 6-27-1847
 Henry Rime 10-20-1849
 John A. Ranes 10-20-1849
 George W. Ranes 5-5-1849
 Seth Richards 7-9-1849
 Andrew A. Roland 11-27-1848
 James Ranes 6-27-1846
 Thomas F. Randolph 5-9-1850
 Timothy N. Reynolds 10-31-1855
 Thomas F. Randolph 5-9-1850
 David A. Ryall 10-28-1847
 William W. Rankin 11-3-1847
 Presley Ross 2-19-1852
 Power Richey 7-20-1846
 Elsberry W. Reynolds 6-27-1846
 John Smith 9-8-1851
 Isreal Shadley 6-2-1849
 Thomas Smart 5-7-1849
 David M. Saums 12-2-1847
 David Shewey 6-21-1848
 Ephraim Stout 6-27-1846
 Grenup Stark 10-27-1846
 Ithamer Starr 10-12-1846
 Leander Starr 10-12-1846
 James Sims 6-27-1846
 Daniel Shewey 8-10-1846
 Greenup Stark 10-27-1846
 David Shearer 10-29-1849
 Henry Taylor 11-9-1847
 William H. Taylor 6-29-1850
 Benj. F. Updike 1858
 Ernest B. Vogel 12-12-1849
 Martin Varner 4-23-1850
 Barman Vaugh 6-19-1855
 Martin J. Varner 9-24-1851
 John B. Valle 1-28-1860
 Jesse Williams 9-26-1855
 William M. Watt 11-19-1849
 Miles White 3-19-1853
 Chesley Woodward 11-20-1848
 George Wood 9-21-1849
 John G. Wood 6-29-1850
 Robert S. Wright 6-16-1855
 Geo. N. Woodard 1858
 SCHOOL FUND LAND
 Chesley Woodward 11-22-1848

1985 IOWA GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY CONFERENCE

Time: October 26th and 27th - Saturday and Sunday.

Place: Airport Hilton - 6111 Fleur Dr., Des Moines, Iowa 50321

Cost:	member	non-member
Saturday 26 Oct. - lectures only	\$ 8.00	\$10.00
Saturday 26 Oct. - lectures and lunch	\$14.00	\$16.00
Saturday 26 Oct. - lectures and banquet	\$18.00	\$20.00
Saturday 26 Oct. - lectures, banquet, lunch	\$24.00	\$26.00
Sunday 27 Oct. - lectures only	\$ 8.00	\$10.00
Sunday 27 Oct. - lectures and lunch	\$14.00	\$16.00
Saturday and Sunday - entire package	\$35.00	\$40.00

Program:

Saturday - Carol Schiffman - Maps, Atlases and Gazeteers
Dr. Geo. Schweitzer - Research in North Carolina
Research in Tennessee

Banquet - Our 20th Anniversary Celebration
Presentation by Historical Museum Foundation

Sunday - Dr. Geo. Schweitzer - War of 1812
Carol Schiffman - How to Get the Most from Mormon Branch Library
Filming by the L. D. S.

I'm glad I had ancestors
Life wouldn't be the same.
If, when I got in trouble,
I had no one to blame.

Our chapter still belongs to the Census Microfilm Rental Program. Members contact Verle Arnold, phone 664-2437, to order film. Rental fee \$4.00 per roll.

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