

WARREN COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

May 13 7:00 Board Meeting Library. All Welcome.
May 19 7:00 REGULAR MEETING. Indianola Public Library.
"Preservation and Presentation of Genealogical
Materials and Artifacts". Jay DeYoung.
Iowa Heritage Expo, Iowa State Hist. Bldg.
June 13-14 7:00 Board Meeting Library. All Welcome
June 17 4:00-9:00 TRIP TO IGS LIBRARY. Sign up for ride at
June 23 May meeting or call Ev to make arrangements or
meet the group there. The library will be open
especially for us.
June 27 DEADLINE FOR NEXT NEWSLETTER
July 17 7:00 Board Meeting Library. All Welcome.
July 21 5:30-6:60 POTLUCK. Historical Building. Fairgrounds.
7:00 REGULAR MEETING. "Family Books" by Elaine
Bumgarner

Officers 1997:

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Cemetery
Newspaper Abstracting
Courthouse Abstracting
Library Acquisitions
Obituary Committee
Research Requests
County Fair Divisions
IGS Representative-
Region 4
Sheryl Gwinn

Genealogy Research Sites

Iowa Genealogical Society, 6000 Douglas Ave., DSM 515/276-0287
T, W, Th 10:00-9:00, Sa, M, F 10:00-4:00. Closed Sunday.

State Historical Library, 600 E. Locust, DSM 515/281-6200
T-Sa 9:00-4:30. Closed Sunday & Monday.

Des Moines Public Library, 100 Locust, DSM 515/283-4152

M, T, W, 10:00-9:00, Th & F 10:00-6:00, Sa 10:00-5:00. Closed
Sunday.

Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints Family History Center,
3301 Ashworth Road, West DSM 515/225-0416

M, T, W, Sa 10:00-3:00, T, W, Th evenings 6:30-9:00. Closed Friday
& Sunday.

1800 W. Jackson St. Knoxville

M 10:00-2:00, Th 6:30-9:30 PM, Sa 10:00-3:00. Info & appointments
outside regular hours call Janet Long, Director, 515/828-8743.

We welcome new members **Gloria Kriete**, 783 County Line Rd, Hooper, NE 68031-4001 and **Dorothy Stearns**, Box 164, Milo, 50166.

Changes of address: **Helen Hill**, 8183 Palmetto Ave. Apt. 121, Fontana, CA 92335 and **Mary Hart**, RR 3, Princeton, MO 64673-9803.

Remember that we are updating the **Surname Index**. Get the surnames you are researching to Ev soon.

HIGH TECH IS HERE TO STAY

At the April meeting Joyce Brown, education coordinator for IGS, spoke to us about three ways that high tech will affect genealogists.

First, we must watch for the move to digitize county records from 1920 on. We must be sure that the "hard copies" of this data are preserved because the digitized records are easily lost or erased. We must also make sure that these records are still available to the public in a usable way. If there are a limited number of computers allowing access to them and the county officers are using these computers, the public may not have real access.

Also, there is no law requiring records to be kept in any form other than on computer after July 1. She advised us to offer to help the county officers in any way we can in order to help preserve the records and in order to keep aware of what is being done.

Second, she talked about the excitement of having access to so many genealogical records through our home or library computers. She advised us to prepare for buying a computer by taking a course in computer selection and use, or buying a book such as "All About Computers", which she said is a good book for beginners. She also warned us that as genealogists we will still need to go to primary records to verify. There will be a book out this summer updating the guidelines for citing genealogical sources which will include the internet.

Third, there are several computer programs which are designed for keeping genealogical records. Most require "Windows" and when buying a computer "Windows" capability should be included. When evaluating a program we should look at the printouts to see if we like the way the ancestral trees are constructed. We should also evaluate how easy the program is to use and whether it has the capability to store information, get information out easily, write a book (if we want to do that) and scan pictures to add to the text (if we plan on using that). She said the most commonly used programs are "Family Origins" (which is her favorite) and Family Tree Maker. We should always get a program with GEDCOM capability because that allows us to pass our information on to other people who may have a different program. She said that it had been her experience that this process was good at transferring lineage but often did not work with notes.

Her handouts included sample printouts from several genealogical programs, a list of recommended internet sites, and copies of articles on the use of computers in genealogy.

FROM THE PRESIDENT

Spring appears to be here at last. I hope you all are enjoying the rebirth as I am. We wish John Kern a speedy recovery. I told John that people will think up anything (including triple by-pass surgery) to avoid giving a monthly program. We miss you John, and hope you are back with us soon.

I would like to thank Joyce Brown, educational coordinator for IGS, for providing a program on short notice. I have copies of handouts from the presentation, "High Tech is Here to Stay", which compare computer genealogy programs. If you could not attend and would like copies, please call me. 961-3271.

Our May 19 program will be given by Jay DeYoung, our county fair judge for several years. The program is entitled, "Preservation and Presentation of Genealogical Materials and Artifacts". Hopefully this presentation will energize our individual preparations for the county fair.

Our work trip to IGS is scheduled for June 23rd from 4-9 PM. We will sign up at the May meeting for transportation. You may also call me if you wish to attend and will not be at the May meeting. See you all soon.

Ev Brightman

John reports that his recovery has been "slow and bumpy" but he is getting better. Not only is he experiencing the rebirth of Spring but he is reporting the birth of a granddaughter on the 23rd to Ben and Carolyn.

ORPHAN ANCESTOR CHART

Will the person who sent the ancestor chart which has Frances Geraldine Thorn as number 1 on the chart please send your name and address to: JoAnn Harvey, 306 N. 5th, Indianola, IA 50125

NEW FAMILY HISTORY CENTER OPEN IN KNOXVILLE

The Knoxville Branch of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints has opened a new Family History Center at 1800 West Jackson St. Hours are Mondays from 10:00 to 2:00, Thursdays from 6:30 to 9:30 PM and Saturdays from 10:00 to 3:00. All resources available on microfilm at the main Family History Center in Salt Lake City may be ordered through this new branch.

Although the center does not yet have a computer with the "Family Search" program, hopefully, one will be available in the near future.

Questions and requests for appointments outside of regular operating hours may be directed to Janet Long, Director, 701 S. Lincoln St., Knoxville, 50138. 515/828-8743.

From the Marion County Iowa Genealogical Society News

FROM THE ADVOCATE TRIBUNE OF 1903

May 7

Jesse Jacobs is assessor of White Breast Township.

Capt. M. C. Randleman died at 8 AM this morning at his residence, 1159 E. 18th St. Funeral will be at Carlisle Sunday afternoon, under the auspices of the GAR, he served in the Mexican War at age 17 and in the Iowa Regiment in the Civil War. He was born in N. Carolina, Dec. 9, 1830, in early boyhood moved to Indiana and came to Iowa about 1852. He and his sons established the Gee Whiz washing machine factory in East Des Moines.

G. L. Stacy of Russell is the new barber at Woodmansee's.

New Virginia

Births: Charles Stark and wife, a son. E. Bush and wife, a daughter. R. O. Wilson and wife a son.

Marriage Licenses: Clinton R. Motherhead 27 & Maude L. Stone 20. Earl E. Clark 22 & Lulu M. McDole 19.

Palmyra

Ezra Bartholomew died May 1 at 8 PM Friday eve. He was 47 years old, he leaves a wife and 9 children. The burial, conducted by the Modern Woodsmen of Carlisle, was at the cemetery Sunday afternoon.

Bert Putnam has the contract for carrying the mail on the R.R. from Ackworth going south and then east in direction of Sandyville and then back by way of Bundy's Mill back to starting place. This route covers 23 miles. Lin McNattin is carrying the star route mail from Ford to Palmyra by way of Hartford.

Summerset

Bob Headrick shot himself, at his brother Lozo's home Friday afternoon, funeral services were conducted by C.W. Proctor at Wick last Sunday. He had been in poor health several years.

Esther Gates died of a hemorrhage of the lungs last Wednesday evening, buried Lin Grove Cemetery Friday.

May 14

Carlisle

Edith Moore visited a few months with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. V. V. Nail, has returned to her home in Metz, Iowa.

Mr. & Mrs. Leonard Stile, a boy, May 9.

C. W. Powers died at home Sunday afternoon, after an illness of several weeks. He was born in Virginia in 1832 and had lived in Iowa since 1863 and moved to Indianola in 1885. He married 3 times, 1st to Mary L. Stickney in Virginia in 1870, they had two children, 2nd to Lucinda B. Wall in 1876, they had 3 children; Mrs. C. E. Scroggs of Lincoln Township, Wm. Powers of Portland, Oregon, and Hohn of this city. In 1888 he married Mrs. Elizabeth Crosthwait. The funeral will be at 2 PM in the M. E. Church, conducted by Rev. Brown.

Births: Mr. & Mrs. E. A. Clark, a girl born Monday evening. Mr. & Mrs. Wm Turnipseed, a girl, May 11.

The 3-year-old son of Phil Foland died Thursday of poison. He'd found an empty poison bottle and put water in it and drank it. Funeral services were Saturday at 10 AM. conducted by Rev. Brown.

Miss Hains commenced school again Monday at Green Castle, it had been closed on account of scarlet fever.

Births: Hearty Scroggs & wife a son born Friday. The Tom Lewis's a son.

Milo

Birth: Henry Burgess & wife a daughter on Thursday.

East Otter

Lois Estella Kindel, youngest daughter of Tom and Nancy Kindel died Friday at 8 PM of brain fever. She was 1 year, 4 months old.

New Virginia

Miss Smalley, the Happy Hollow School teacher sprained her ankle.

May 21

Milo

Frank Knouse sold his town property to Dave Shane and will move to the farm which Sloane sold to Dollison.

Carlisle

M. Wickersham of Des Moines has rented the farm belonging to Mrs. Elizabeth Keeney and moved there last week.

The Charles Rodgers have another girl.

The roller mill burned at Indianola.

Lacona

The meat market owned by J. M. Trimble and W. A. Jones was moved from E. Main Street to the south room in the Jones block on Northwest Street.

Cool

Former resident W. Harrison Frater died May 11 at Ashwood, Oregon, he leaves 2 brother, 1 sister and 8 children, some are Mrs. Hohn Sandy of Cool, Wesley, Clay, Glen and Charles and Grant of Boise City. He was born in Licking County, Ohio, October 1, 1835, came to Iowa in 1856 and settled at Lawrenceburg, working for sometime in Mr. Condit's mill, then he bought a farm. When the Civil War broke out he enlisted in the 1st Iowa Cavalry in 1862. He married Rose from Tennessee. She died 6 years ago. His body arrived here Saturday eve and he was buried Sunday afternoon in the Odd Fellows Cemetery at Liberty Center.

Marriage licenses: Albert Rhodes 36 & Winnie Eckles 26. A. P. Walker 35 & Iva V. Warden 16.

H. C. J. Goodale died Thursday morning at 2 AM. He suffered a stroke. He was born October 10, 1834, at Rutland, Vermont. He was 68 years, 7 months and 5 days. He married Eliza P. Sterns of Red Wing, Minnesota September 26, 1859, moved to Indianola in 1870 and soon after moved to his farm 5 miles south of town. Five years ago he retired and moved to town. He leaves his wife, a daughter, and 2 sons. They are Mrs. Eda Law, Doran J. and Harry J., all live near by. Funeral service were at home, conducted by Rev. D. W. L. Brown on Saturday at 2 PM. Warren Lodge #53 of which he was a member was in charge. He was buried beside his brother.

North Liberty school students with perfect attendance were Carl and Roy Moon, Clare and Caroll Blattenberg, Emma, Tom, Sam and Lora Sandy, Lula Fetters, Gertie and Clarence Wilson, Blanche Jacobs, Hallie, Maudie and Pearl Bumgarner. Ones who missed 1 day were Kate and Mollie Brebner, and Pearl Moon. Ones who missed 2 days were Paul and Maude Graham. Ada Baugh is teacher.

Submitted by JoAnn Harvey

IOWA HERITAGE EXPO '97
JUNE 12-14

This year the theme for the expo is "Vital Communities: showcase the past, imagine the future". Thursday will be involved with Heritage Education Training and participants will qualify for college credit. Friday and Saturday are the days when non-credit seminars will be offered.

Those that fall in the genealogy category are: Lineage Societies; The Family History Library; Help! Where Do I Go to Find Answers In My Genealogical Research; The Property Probate Connections; Genealogy on the Internet; Researching Quaker Ancestry in Iowa; Introduction to Genealogy; Icarians in Iowa; and Iowa Research: It's a Long Way to Tipperary. There are many other seminars of general and historical interest. Cost for one day, including lunch, is \$45. Cost for two days, including lunches, is \$65. I have two extra copies of the schedule. Ruth

LOOKING AHEAD

August	TRIP TO HISTORICAL LIBRARY.
September 15	REGULAR MEETING
October 25	DISTRICT MEETING. Indianola.

E-MAIL IS FUN

My e-mail address is: hallross@aol.com

If you want to make your address known to other members of the society then send me an e-mail to let me know I can put it in the newsletter.

If you want to contact one of the societies with which we exchange newsletters (see page 7 of the program book for a list) then let me know and I will check the newsletters for an e-mail address. There is also an address for IGS and many other places on the internet with information. Ruth

FROM THE STATE ASSOC. FOR PRESERVATION OF IOWA CEMETERIES

Headstones replaced-A recent issue of the Department of the Army's Retirement Service Bulletin states that the Veteran's Administration will replace a previously furnished government headstone at government expense if the headstone is cracked, broken, destroyed, or otherwise illegible. Request for replacement of a headstone should be made in writing by a family member or other responsible person. The request should state the condition of the headstone and the request should be sent to: Director Monument Service (24), Veterans Administration; n, Washington, DC 20420.

Madison County GS has renovated three large cemeteries. Norma Junkin reports Calvin McVay has been one of the hardest workers.

FROM OTHER NEWSLETTERS

Greater Omaha G. S. (April issue) is offering to pay half the cost of any 2 or 4 census films donated to their public library.

Their newsletter has a "Beginner's Column" that in the current issue talks about using wills, probates and estate settlements as a record source. They suggest reading the will of everyone bearing the surname you are searching in that area in case there is a connection. Note those who buy at estate sales because they may help you establish relationships. Phrases such as "my now wife" may indicate previous marriages. If writing to a courthouse for information as for "all papers pertaining to an estate settlement" rather than just the will on the chance that the person may have died intestate.

From the February issue:

Q. How many genealogists does it take to screw in a light bulb?

A. None. Actually, they're more interested in knowing about the first bulb that occupied the socket.

Tips they have taken from other newsletters:

Try interposing a piece of 100% polyester organza between a black and white glossy print and the glass plate of a regular photocopy machine. The resulting copy will often be not only acceptable, but better than the unfiltered copy at a fraction of the cost of laser copies.

To get rid of the gray background when you copy old yellow newspapers, select the "photo" option on the copier.

If printed copies turn out too light or blurred try using a colored sheet of plastic over these pages. Yellow and pink are the best colors.

There is also a very good article on organizing your genealogical materials as you go along.

From the Wayne County Genie News. Do you have an ancestor who was a doctor but you do not know where or when? There is an index of every known doctor in America since 1607. Write to: National Institute of Health Library; 9000 Rockville Pike; Bethesda MD 20892.

From Madison County G. S. by way of the St. Louis G. S. The Family History Library has 2150 microfilms of US passport records from the National Archives. They date back to 1796 but were not very popular until the time of WWI.

KEO-MAH Tracers (Keokuk & Mahaska Counties) is planning a genealogy day at the Penn Central Mall on May 17th.

Clarke County Roots & Branches carries a request for information for a book on Woodburn. Send history, remembrances, or information on any family group that considered Woodburn their primary residence to: Steve & Lynnette Davis, 501 Clarke St., Woodburn, IA 50275. "We will also need photos-we can take ones off of your pictures by camera, or you may send a clear photocopy."

The next volume of their cemetery book should be out in June. New funeral home books will be coming through IGS.

In the Missouri St. G. Assoc. Journal a list of "Men, Mostly Civil War Veterans, Examined by Dr. George W. Taylor for (Increased) Pensions" includes Edgar P. Nunnally of Hartford, IA, CoC52IaInf The association's state meeting will be August 1&2 in Columbia. For info write: PO Box 833, Columbia, MO 65205-0833.

The new co-presidents of the GS of Central Missouri are Charles and Laurie Shawyer. Charles is from a family with associations in Milo and Indianola. The journal of the association includes a series of "Know Your County Tour" articles.

Iowa Heritage Illustrated (formerly the Palimpsest) in the winter issue has an article on water-powered mills in Iowa which includes many pictures.

The GS of Linn County Iowa newsletter has a registration list for the encampment at the G. A. R. convention of 1908 which includes W. F. Clevenger of Lacona A 48th Ia.

The Eastern Nebraska GS newsletter tells of a recent program by member Gloria Kriete (new member of the WCGS) based on her trip to Switzerland to look for her roots.

Also from that group:

A little girl, walking with her mother in the graveyard, reading one after another the praises of those who slept beneath, said: "I wonder where they bury the sinners."

The latest issue of Hawkeye Heritage, a publication of the IGS, has a list of all the state's genealogical societies with their addresses.

If you want to pursue any of these items further call Ruth Hall 961-5043. I have back issues of the newsletters.

From Ancestors Unlimited, newsletter of the Southwest Nebraska GS, who borrowed it from South Bay City GS, Torrance, CA:

Genealogists Resolutions for the New Year

I WILL, attend meetings of the societies to which I belong.
I WILL, get my dues in on time this year.
I WILL, keep my correspondence current.
I WILL, contact relatives.
I WILL, get my documentation in order.
I WILL NOT, spend more than \$100 per week on genealogy.
I WILL NOT, stay up after 2 AM working on the family tree. BUT
I WILL, WILL, WILL have FUN, FUN, FUN.

PUBLICATIONS ABOUT WARREN COUNTY

AVAILABLE THROUGH THE IGS: PO Box 7735, Des Moines, 50322. Call to verify price and S&H costs, etc.

Warren County Marriages

#0473 1849-1879 (72 pages @ \$ 9.40)

#0474 1880-1899 (96 pages @ \$12.50)

Warren County Newspapers-Deaths, Probates & Obits.

#1947 1857-1876 (55 pages @ \$ 7.20)

#1728 1877-1885 (81 pages @ \$10.50)

#1727 1886-1889 (72 pages @ \$ 9.40)

#1948 1890-1893 (48 pages @ \$ 6.20)

#1949 1894-1895 (60 pages @ \$ 7.80)

AVAILABLE FROM WCGS: Jane Godwin, 808 W. Detroit, Indianola, 50125. 515/961-3363. Iowa Residents add 5% for state sales tax.

Birth Records of Warren County, Through 1920 Hardbound. 295 pages, indexed. \$15 + \$3 postage.

Atlas of Warren County: For the Years 1847, 1872, 1887, 1897, 1902-1903, 1915, 1919-1924 Softbound. 162 pages. \$35 + \$4 postage.

To join the Warren County Genealogical Society or renew your membership send:

_____ \$6.00 for individual membership

_____ \$9.00 for family membership

Name _____

Address _____

Telephone _____ E-mail _____

Are you interested in helping with any of the following committees:
(see page 3 for descriptions of committee activities)

_____ Fair	_____ Library	_____ Program
_____ Finance	_____ Vital Records	_____ Cemetery
_____ Telephone	_____ Publications	_____ Family Records
_____ Special Events		

Comments:

Mail this form to: Jane Godwin, Treasurer; 808 West Detroit; Indianola; 50125 or bring it to the November meeting.

FROM THE IGS

An anonymous donor has challenged the IGS to raise money to build or purchase their own building. The president, Don Southwood, is asking members to contribute their ideas about the future of the organization and its needs in order to help a planning committee in visualizing the facility.

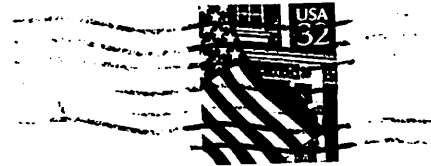
Benton County has formed a genealogical society. Dues are \$10 per person or \$15 for a family. They have received word from the county auditor that they will be getting old records from them to store and abstract from. For information contact Roshan Lynn, 1616 8th Ave., Belle Plaine, 52208. 319/444-2210

June 14-German Conference, Bavarian Inn, Des Moines. Guest speaker Larry O. Jensen, author of *Genealogical Handbook of German Research* and editor and author of *German Genealogical Digest*. Contact Myrtle Van Dyke, Registrar, 6126 Terrace Drive, Johnston, 50131-1590. 276-9260

June 28-Ye Olde Genealogie Shoppe Workshops, Des Moines. Presented by Pat and Ray Gooldy of Ye Olde Genealogie Shoppe in Indianapolis. Call 276-0287.

October 10-11 IGS Conference in Marshalltown. Contact Judy Weber, 306 SW 4th St., Greenfield 50849

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