

# WARREN COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

Volume 24 Number 4

July-August 1997

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## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

July 21 5:30-6:60 POTLUCK. Historical Building.  
Fairgrounds. Bring a covered dish and table  
service.  
7:00 REGULAR MEETING. "Family Books" by Elaine  
Bumgarner

July 26 Noon Entries due at Fair.  
1:00 Judging of entries.

August 22 9:00 AM Bus leaves Trinity parking lot for trip to  
Historical Library in Des Moines.

Sept. 9 7:00 BOARD MEETING. Library.  
Sept. 15 7:00 REGULAR MEETING. Library.  
Oct. 25 District Meeting.

NO BOARD MEETINGS IN JULY AND AUGUST

### Officers 1997:

Pres.	Ev Brightman
Vice Pres.	Louise Pilmer
Treasurer	Jane Godwin
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Corres. Sec.	Thelma Pehrson
Registrar	JoAnn Harvey
Librarian	Elaine Bumgarner
Historian	Kate Kauzlarich
Newsletter	Ruth Hall
Past Pres.	Donna Crow

### Active Committees:

Cemetery
Newspaper Abstracting
Courthouse Abstracting
Library Acquisitions
Obituary Committee
Research Requests
County Fair Divisions
<u>IGS Representative-</u>
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.

## QUERIES

Need information on **Wheeldon** family. Lived in Carlisle and Hartford area. Need parents of **Mahala Wheeldon Lewin**, were they **E. W. and N. Siverly**? Also any information on **John A. Wheeldon** b 1875 and d 1953 (need month and date to find obituary). **Elijah Benedict Wheeldon** b 1812 and d 12 Aug. 1893.

Lois Larsen; 14 Kirkby Circle; Bella Vista, AR 72714

**Van Scoy** relatives. Is anyone researching these relatives in New Virginia and Osceola areas? Other names are **Sweeney, Smyers, Proudfoot, Messenger, and Griffith**.

Mark Rains; 501 W. Center; Alma, MI 48801  
<mark.rains@emich.edu>

Still searching for family buried in Lacey Cemetery. **Catherine Brady** d 1861, **Rebecca Jane Allen** d 1873, **Elizabeth Brady** d 1873.

Mrs. Kathi Woolridge-Tweet; Box 1126; Nome, AK 99762-1126

## ADDRESS CHANGES & ADDITIONAL E-MAIL ADDRESSES

Doyle Woods<dlwoods@ibm.net>

Address change:

James E. Sherriff  
8802 Oakmont Dr.  
Santa Rosa, CA 95409-6441

Missed earlier:

Lois Larsen  
14 Kirkby Circle  
Bella Vista, AR 72714

## FAIR JUDGING

Genealogical entries at the fair will be judged at 1:00 on the afternoon of July 26. It will take a couple hours. This is a good time to learn about preparing exhibits. People who have listened to the judging say it is an experience worth the time.

## WE ARE SHARING NEWSLETTERS

At the last regular meeting we began a sort of "lending library" for the newsletters that we exchange. Members can sign out the file of a particular groups' newsletters until the next meeting. A list of our exchange newsletters is in the program book.

## FROM THE PRESIDENT

Greetings-hope all are enjoying the summer as I am. The seventeen year locusts add an interesting perspective.

Twelve members and two guests took advantage of our trip to the IGS Library on June 23rd, eight members using the community van.

Please remember our Potluck at the Warren County Historical Museum on July 21st. We will eat from 5:30-6:30 and the program by Elaine Bumgarner will begin at 7:00. Bring a covered dish and your own table service. Last year we had a nice variety of food and a chance to visit. We will sign up for fair set-up and coverage duties at the potluck. Remember the fair July 26th. See you all there.

The trip to the Historical Library is planned for August 22nd. A van will be available again. The charge is \$2.50 round trip. The van will leave the Trinity parking lot at 9:00 AM and will leave the library at 4:00 PM. Sign up will be available both at the pot luck and the fair.

Plans continue for the district meeting October 25th. Added to our tour of the Warren County Historical Museum and Library will be a presentation by Dr. William Reisman who has recently completed a book entitled, "If the Stones Could Speak". The presentation will cover the significance of emblems and shapes of headstones throughout the country. I hope we will have a good turn out for the day from our membership.

See you at the Potluck. There will be no executive board meeting in July or August and the trip to the Historical Library will take the place of our August regular meeting.

Ev Brightman

## CEMETERY COMMITTEE

The cemetery committee met on June 21st and decided to pursue republishing the cemetery book through the use of scanned and corrected copy from the old book.

Several people have said that they will help the committee by re-walking the cemeteries, that are still in use, to locate and place the new graves. The committee could use more help. No one will be "assigned" to work on a cemetery alone unless they want to be. Those who are interested in helping in this way with a "favorite" cemetery or any cemetery should call Ev Brightman, 961-3271. They would like to complete this part of the project by early fall.

A sub-committee will be working with the scanned material on their computers. Right now it looks like we will be working either with Windows or Wordperfect on PCs. This would be a good winter project for someone interested in wordprocessing. If you can help the sub-committee or want more information call Ruth Hall, 961-5043. We will meet sometime in August to organize.

FROM THE JULY AND AUGUST ADVOCATE-TRIBUNE OF 1902 & 1903

July 2, 1903

Milo: Mrs. Teeter, from near Red Rock, visited Pastor Condit's family. She is a sister to Mrs. Condit. She also visited her grandfather Moorehouse.

Eugene Harlan is now running the Harlan Lumber Yard, but next Monday Frank P. Runyan will be installed as manager.

Indianola: C.F. Enos will take possession of the Indianola Lumber Company about July 10. He was in the clothing business on the south side 3 1/2 years, before that he was in the lumber business 8 years.

The new Maxwell & Copeland residences built on the old Baptist Church site are about ready for occupancy.

Alfred Clark & Thomas Hightower came to Warren County in 1846 and they may be the oldest settlers living here.

Milo: Earnest Dunn left for N. Dakota where he will manage a lumber yard.

Sally Smith went to Cedar Falls to take a normal course.

Ackworth: Robert Williams is working at the Sandyville cheese factory.

Mrs. Cora Anderson and children of Carlisle visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Willits.

Carlisle: Wm. Rice has purchased Charles Person's farm and will move there soon.

Effie Hamilton closed her school in the Roberts district.

Cora Hamilton plans to go to Colo to teach.

Mrs. Geo. Lewis is visiting her aunt, Mrs. F .V. Halterman near Hartford.

Summerset: Mrs. Cassidy visited her daughter, Mrs. J.M. Goldisen of Palmyra.

Frank Shawver has moved to Indianola.

Cumming: C. Reynolds and family of Des Moines visited her sister, Mrs. W. Hammond.

Mrs. Dora Missener visited her father, Harvey Cole.

Marriage License: Fred O. Nutting 24 & Mary P. Boyd 24; Homer Cox 22 & Myrtle Perkins 20; O.W. Snell 35 & Ethyl Wilson 21; T.C. Morrison 28 & Nora V. Chumbley 23; Vern Presnell 26 & Lizzie Bryce 18.

July 9, 1902

Indianola: Henry Hanich is enjoying a visit from his brother Charles of Chicago.

Ted Kennedy has gone to Perry as editor and manager of Rodebaugh's Rippey Register.

L.D. Carpenter, D.D.S., northeast corner of the square.

Carl Ries is the new barber at Woodmansee's.

Mrs. J.S. Peck and son, Johnie, went to Mulvane, Ks, to visit her parents, Capt. E.J. Kuhn & wife.

Lacona: Mrs. Nettie Freeman of Des Moines is visiting her sister, Mrs. S.D. Gray, S.W. of town.

F.W. Thackeray is the east side grocer.

Gurson Romback went to Germany to visit. It had been more than 25 years since he was there.

Palmyra: Chas. Goldizen's 6 year old son has returned from council Bluffs where he was attending the deaf and dumb school.

Mrs. Sadie Douglass of Des Moines is visiting her parents the G.A. Epps.

Sandyville: Jimmy Green resigned as clerk at the store of Chas. Perkins.

August 6, 1903

Indianola: Mrs. S.B. Richards is moving to Duncombe.

Treasurer M.M. Morrison and wife and daughter, Pearl, will take a trip to the Pacific coast.

Mr. Bliss sold his mercantile business to Bud Sutton.

Fred Atwood has traded with Frank Knouse for a harness shop. Thomas Simms will continue as foreman.

Cumming: John Thompson will move to the Henry Irvine property in August.

Palmyra: Wess Mitchell and wife of Winterset visited their daughter, Mrs. Coy Craig. Wess's brother Aaron Mitchell of Colorado visited also. The two brothers went to the army from here in the dark days of sixty.

Ackworth: Joseph Farley and Wm. Putnam started their first trip delivering the mail.

Carrie Nation made her appearance at Motor a few days ago and smashed a few beer bottles for the boys.

Belmont: Mrs. W.H. Talbot visited Uncle Reuben Bloom.

Jasper Sutton has traded a farm to Mr. Bliss for his store in Milo and he will be a merchant again.

Elmer park will have a sale on the 19th and move to Idaho this fall.

Liberty Center: Mr. and Mrs. Frank Thorn and Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Halterman, from near Cool, visited their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Sanford Thorn.

Hammondsburg: John Derrough and family have moved back from Missouri Valley.

The people here will now receive the mail from Ackworth since this part of the route has been transferred from Indianola.

W.P. Taylor has sold his bowling alley to L.A. Bellows and plans to go to Los Angeles, California.

Mike Smith plead guilty to bootlegging in mayor's court and was fined \$20 and trimmings.

Flora Pryor has resigned her position as stenographer to Brown & Lacy and plans to go east. Ella Van Pelt has taken Flora's job.

August 13

Palmyra: The three threshing machines belonging to George Caufman, George Patterson and Charlie Maxwell are kept busy between showers.

Mrs. P.R. Bruce's father, Mr. Onstot of Denmark, Iowa, is visiting her.

Mrs. Park is moving to Carlisle.

## Deaths

### July 2, 1903

Cumming-Mrs. Etherington of near Orilla, was laid to rest at Pleasant Ridge Cemetery on Tuesday.

### July 9, 1903

Carlisle-Mrs. Margaret P. Foulke, age 66 yrs. died at her home July 1. She was born at Brightwell Mills, near Fayette City, Penn. She married Lazarus Kennedy Foulke and they moved in October 1857 to Mendon, Ill. In the fall of 1867 they came to Des Moines where they lived 8 yrs. They had 7 daughters and 1 son, only 2 are living. They are Wm. F. Foulke of Carlisle and Mrs. Cora Brooks of Boone. She was buried July 1 in the family plot at Woodland Cemetery in Des Moines.

Samuel Madison, son of Jacob and Cornelia Madison of Conger was born in Polk County Aug. 18, 1878 and came with his parents to Warren County Nebr. of 1888. About 2 years ago while employed by the C.G.W.R.R. he broke a rib which never healed good and he developed a malignant sore. On Dec. 24, 1902 he went to Methodist Hospital in Des Moines for an operation and later another operation. After 6 months of painful suffering, he died June 27. He is survived by his parents, 2 sisters, 2 brothers, one was his twin. He was buried at Blair Chapel, June 28th, services conducted by Rev. S.W. Lee.

Grandpa Moorehouse died Friday at 4 AM. He lived with his son Frank. He was 89 years old.

Rev. W.H.H. Smith died at his home here Friday and was buried Sunday. His funeral was conducted by Revs. Brown, Smith, Bartholomew and Priest Shelton at the M. E. Church. He was in the War of the Rebellion.

### July 16, 1903

Ida May Laverty died at Mercy Hospital in Des Moines. She had applied to become a nurse at Mercy and was accepted on condition she undergo an operation for a slight impediment of speech. She submitted to the operation and died from the effects of ether administered. She was the only surviving child of Mrs. Sarah Laverty. She was 24 years old.

### July 30, 1903

Adam Braucht died at his home in Indianola, Saturday, July 25, age 77 years. He was born in Dauphin County, Pa. in 1826, was married to Sarah Ann Spousles in 1847 and some 10 years later they came to Squaw Township. They had 11 children, six of whom survive, Charles, Mrs. Emma Gier and Laura F. of Indianola, Louis R. and William A. of New Virginia, and Mrs. Cora Kintergh of Liberty. His wife died on May 23, 1886, and on September 2, 1886, he married Mrs. Mary E. Thompson. They had no children. Interment was at Hewitt Cemetery.

FROM OTHER NEWSLETTERS

Linn County Heritage Hunters The registration at the G.A.R. Convention of 1908 includes, from Warren County, Rob. M. Moore, Indianola A, 54th Ind. Inf.

Wayne County Genie News Among things in a "DID YOU KNOW THAT..." article:

- "mister" was used only for men of wealth and/or education?
- a retired man might be listed as "gentleman"?
- "freeman" once meant a young man, not yet married?
- the word "housekeeper" once meant property owner, and could be used for a male as well as a female?
- a Pioneer Cemetery is a cemetery that has not had more than six burials in the past 50 years?

- "cenotaph" is a word found on tombstones which mark an empty grave? The stone is a memorial to an individual group buried elsewhere.

or

- the Masonic Library in Cedar Rapids has records from all over the world and includes material for all genealogists, not just those with Masonic ancestors? Their material includes Civil War information, all Iowa count histories, information on other fraternal organizations, biographical and special collections. (IGS Newsletter, Aug. 1996)

- there was a man who moved when he heard that 3/4s of all accidents happen within ten miles of home?

THE VETERANS ADMINISTRATION has discovered some 10 million duplicates of 20th century military records thought to have been destroyed in a 1973 fire. Write to National Personnel Records Center. GSA, 9700 Page Blvd., St. Louis, MO 63132 (ILGS Teaser) ILLINOIS RESEARCH VIA INTERLIBRARY LOAN. Films of the Illinois state census schedules for 1855 and 1865, the federal population schedules for 1850, 1860, 1870, 1880, and 1900, as well as the 1900 Soundex are available through the Interlibrary loan system. The NAME INDEX TO EARLY ILLINOIS RECORDS (census records index 1810-1850) and the war indexes are also available on loan from the State Library. These should be requested by the surname for which you are searching. The address for this request is: Illinois State Library, Centennial Building, Springfield, IL 62756. These can be ordered by most any library for use in that library on the microfilm reader.

SUGGESTION FROM THE POSTAL SERVICE Folded self-addressed, stamped envelopes (SASE's) put into other envelopes for mailing can cause problems in the new automatic machines, jamming them and causing mutilation of the mail. The recommendation is that when including SASE's, that they be mailed in #11 envelopes, enclosing #9 or #10's unfolded. If enclosing more than two pages of paper, they recommend using 9" x 12" envelopes.

Monroe County GS by way of the Union Roots, Nov. 1994.

**DOS AND DON'Ts FOR PHOTOS**

DO take at least one roll of black and white film a year.  
DON'T rely solely on color film. It will begin to fade in two years.

DO store an album in an upright position in a room where you live.

DON'T store in an attic or basement which can be too hot or too cold, or too dry or too humid.

Clark County GS (Vancouver, Washington) about making records of tombstones of old tombstones. A collection of suggestions.

-Play with the lighting when photographing. Use a flash even in daylight and shoot the stone at an angle so that the flash casts a shadow.

-Shoot the stones at night, using flashlights to illuminate the stone or use mirrors in daylight to use natural light.

-Take a rubbing of the stone. Look up instructions for this in a book.

-It is not a good idea to put foreign material on the stone. If you must, brush on chemically-inert powders. You can use talcum powder for darker stones or powdered graphite for light stone. Avoid chalk or soil as both are acidic. From SKP GENIES

A member of the society has listed several web sites.

Genealogy Resources on the Net:

<http://pmgmac.micro.umn.edu/Genealogy.html>

Cyndi's List of Genealogy Sites:

<http://www.oz.net/~cyndihow/sites.html>

The Quaker Corner:

<http://www.rootsweb.com/~quakers/index.htm>

Links Civil War Genealogy:

<http://www.nashville.com/~jack.masters/gencw.htm>

German Research Association:

<http://www.feefhs.org/gra/frg-gra.html>

Maps-Countries, States, Cities:

<http://www.mapblast.com> (and/or)

<http://www.mapblast.com/mapblast/aboutmap.html>

Genealogy and the Civil War:

<http://www.outfitters.com/illinois/history/civil/cwgeneal.html>

**WHAT SITES DO YOU USE?**

If our members are using the web to find genealogical information please write a little about the site and how you use it and I will use it in the newsletters.

**HAVE YOU READ A GOOD GENEALOGY BOOK LATELY?**

If you have read or used a genealogy book from the Indianola Library or any library please write a little about it for the newsletter. It will help others know what is available.



PUBLICATIONS ABOUT WARREN COUNTY

Available through the IOWA GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY: 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)

For those publications available through the Warren County Genealogical Society see page 10.

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

- \_\_\_\_\_ \$6.00 for individual membership
- \_\_\_\_\_ \$9.00 for family membership

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

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Telephone \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Are you interested in helping with any of the following committees:

(see page 3 for descriptions of committee activities)

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| _____ 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 next meeting.

**PUBLICATIONS ABOUT WARREN COUNTY**

Available from the **WARREN COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY**: 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.

**IOWA GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY CONFERENCE, MARSHALLTOWN  
OCTOBER 10-11**

This year's conference, entitled "Family Ties", will be held at the Iowa Valley Continuing Education Conference Center on the campus of the Marshalltown Community College in Marshalltown. Featured speakers will be James and Paula Warren from Minnesota. Topics include "Family Reunions", "Internet and Genealogy", "Quaker Ancestors", "The IGS Library", "Irish Research", and "German Research". For more information, contact Judy Weber, 306 SW 4th St., Greenfield, IA 50849. From the IGS newsletter.

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