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President's Letter

Election Time! The November meeting is election of officers for 2012 for our Society. It is with delight and sadness that I write this final letter as WCGS president. I have gained a tremendous amount of knowledge about genealogy over the past two years. Much of this knowledge would still be missing from my brain if I had just sat back quietly as a member who came to meetings and did nothing else. I am grateful to all of the people who have guided me and pushed me and found tactful ways to chastise me during my time as president.

We have a super group of nominees. Denise Gripp is our nominee for president. We are very fortunate to have someone so knowledgeable and dedicated to lead our group. The same is true for Karon King, our nominee for vice president. Karon is also responsible for the Warren County Genweb website so her expertise will add much to our meetings. Marieta Grissom, CG, has agreed to join our leadership team as treasurer, and Donna Anderson has agreed to continue her admirable work as secretary.

Did you notice the "CG" after Marieta's name? "CG" and "Certified Genealogist" are service marks of the Board for Certification of Genealogists® and can only be used by authorized associates who have completed a series of studies and complete periodic, peer-reviewed competency evaluations.

WITH LEADERS LIKE THESE OUR ORGANIZATION HAS AN EXCITING YEAR AHEAD!

I won't be disappearing, however. I am planning to continue working on the cemetery projects with Virginia Wheeldon, I will be working at the Warren County Fair, I will continue working with the Historical Society, and maybe I'll have a few seconds here and there to work on my own genealogy research. So if you look real close when you come to our meetings, you might find me sitting in the back with a thoughtful look on my face. And when we get into our discussions, I'll have a sweet smile and I'll be thinking, "Good job, Denise!"

Juanita Ott, President

Program Planning

The WCGS board will begin planning programs for 2012 at their next board meeting and will continue into January. If you have suggestions for subjects and/or speakers, they would be appreciated. What cemetery would you like to visit in June? Contact any of the board members.

REMINDER!

It is time to pay the 2012 membership dues. The year begins in January and ends December 2012. If you would like to pay at this time, please remit \$10.00 with check payable to the Warren County Genealogical Society (or WCGS) and send it to PO Box 151, Indianola, IA, 50125, Attention: WCGS Treasurer.

Calendar:

Tues, Nov 8	7:00 p.m. Board Meeting
Mon, Nov 21	7:00 p.m. REGULAR MEETING Election of Officers for 2012. The Program is: Class 34 & Class 35 at the Warren County Fair by Marieta Grissom
Tues, Dec	No Board Meeting
Mon, Dec	NO REGULAR MEETING - Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!
Tues, Jan 10	7:00 p.m. Board Meeting
Mon, Jan	NO REGULAR MEETING

WCGS regular meetings are held on the third Monday of the month (September through June, except no meeting in December and January) at the Warren County Museum unless the weather is bad. Board meetings are held at the Indianola Public Library.

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Warren County News

The RootsMagic User Group continues to meet at the Warren County Historical building on the second Saturday of the month at 10 am. (We have now reached that time of year when we have to say “weather permitting” as the roads in the fairgrounds may not be cleared.)

Dwight McCormick and Dennis Allen have developed an indexing program that has been used with obituaries but could be adapted to other uses. A trial program is available on the WCHS web site www.warrencountyhistory.org. They invite people to try it out and let them know how it works for them.

WARREN COUNTY FAIR



Donna Crow with her 2011 "Well Rounded Genealogist" Award. Picture was taken by one of her family. Congratulations, Donna!

The following entries are from this year's Warren County Fair. We had lots of good entries that we are printing in this newsletter as a continuation from the last quarter newsletter.

Div 58 – Family Photo Album - Red Ribbon to Donna Crow

This photo album belonged to William Harvie Ford born 6 May 1850 in Theresa Falls, New York. At the time of the 1880 census, he worked as a stone mason in Nevinville, Adams County, Iowa. That is the reference inside the front cover. Most of the pictures in this small album are tintypes and date from this general time frame. William was a brother to my great-great-grandfather, Charles W. Ford. Our branch of the family had a album of similar size and time frame. The amazing thing about this photo album is that it traveled with William to Montana in the late 1880's. He died sometime before 1900 and the album passed to his son, Harry Warren Ford. Harry married and only had a daughter born in 1908 named Frances. Frances Ford married John Baggs and their only child, Darrell Baggs was born in 1945. The photo

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album went down the single child line to Darrell in California. That is where I found it in the fall of 2010. No one had had contact with this branch since the late 1890's. Many months of research & a lucky couple of phone calls put me in touch with Darrell Baggs. He gave the photo album to me, as a Ford descendant & very interested party! Imagine my surprise when it arrived and the picture inside the front cover was the same 6 people as the one in the album my father has. Five other pictures in the album are identical as well. I believe the photo is of William, Charles, their 2 sisters: Alma and Agnes, and their parents: Lewis and Frances Ford. A gold mine!! The album has made a long and almost circular path back to Iowa, I will cherish it & share with others as I discover the people who live within the covers.

Div 59 – Books & Legal Documents - Misc. Document– Red Ribbon to Cathy Miller

The Wyoming Massacre took place in the Wyoming Valley, Westmoreland, Pennsylvania, 1778, claiming the life of many and some of them were members of the Slocum family. My dad's 2nd Great-Great Uncle Hugh Foresman was married to Judith Slocum and the petition of February 18, 1839 is a statement provided by Judith's brother Joseph Slocum, Article No. 14, page 20, to the 25th Congress to provide the sufferers relief committed by the savages of the Indians during the revolutionary war. Their sister, Frances, age 5, was captured by the Indians and thought to be dead as the family was unable to find her. The book "The Hardings in America" gives a detailed account that she was later found alive by her biological family. When found she was with the Indians and refused to leave as whites were not to be trusted. She lived the rest of her life with the Indian family, later married an Indian chief and had children.

Div 60– Genealogical Research - Genealogical Map –Red Ribbon to Cathy Miller

George W. Miller

George W. Miller was my husband's paternal Great Great Grandfather. George was born in New York. His parents relocated to what was known as the town of Sheboygan, Wisconsin where my research began with the 1850 census. The following pages of maps show the town of Sheboygan, Wisconsin undergoing boundary restructuring over the years. It appeared that the family moved from time to time, however it may in fact be that they remained in their same residence and the many changes gave them many different addresses.

Research Information

1850 Census – George was listed with his parents Edward and Persis Miller in the town of Scott/Olio, Sheboygan County, Wisconsin at the age of 22.

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Warren County Fair (cont.)

1852 Marriage Record – The town of Mitchell, Sheboygan County, Wisconsin.

1858 – He acquired land in Iowa County, Wisconsin.

1860 Census – Marion, Juneau County, P.O. Mauston, Wisconsin

1861 Civil War record – He mustered out in Marion, Wisconsin

1870 Census – The town of Jackson, Adams County, Post Office Davis Corners, Wisconsin

Div 60– True Story Biography or Autobiography – Red Ribbon to Brenda King

Saturdays at Great Grandma King’s House I remember my mother (Bonnie Clark) taking me to my maternal great grandmother’s, Mary King (Overton) house in Carlisle, Warren County, Iowa. It was usually on Saturdays that we would go and visit the family. Great grandma was a widow and one of great grandma’s daughters, Rose Heaberlin (King) and her husband (Ed Heaberlin) lived with her. We would always go there around 10:30-11:00 in the morning and I remember we would go into their house and follow the path to get into the living room (they were collectors of everything). Uncle Ed would always clean off a spot on the couch for me to sit down and then he would always tickle me. Mom, Aunt Rose and Uncle Ed would go into the kitchen to talk and great grandma and I would stay in the living room and watch the 12” black and white t.v. I quickly found out why the others went into the kitchen to talk because you **didn’t** talk when great grandma’s favorite show came on “**All Star Wrestling**”.

I remember sitting there watching her reactions to a bad call by the “ref” or when one of the other wrestlers would sneak up behind the other one with a steel chair to hit him. She had to be in her late 80’s or early 90’s and I was a little afraid for her because of how excited she would get at these wrestling matches. I remember that she would get so mad that she would actually get up out of her recliner and shake her cane at the t.v., then I looked down at her shoes and her stockings had fallen down to her ankles. She had a very large china cabinet, that Aunt Rose had her collection in, right behind her recliner and the dolls would even start to get a little tipsy in there. I never thought that these wrestling matches was real, I thought they were fake, but I would never tell her that!!!!

Great grandma King was born September 15, 1891. She married William Edward King, November 10, 1910. William was born September 14, 1868 and he died April 22, 1948.

Great Grandma died September 27, 1989. She was 98 years old when she died. We always thought she was a “tough old bird”!!

Div 60– True Story Biography or Autobiography – White Ribbon to Brenda Morgan

I was 25 years old when my father died at the age of 50. Even though I had heard many of his childhood stories, I hadn’t actually asked him those questions so crucial to a successful genealogical record.

In 1980 I sent for a copy of my father’s birth record. As I looked over the certificate only one item seemed different from what I had expected.

His place of birth was listed as Stoughton, Wisconsin, a place where his parents had not lived since their marriage. Their home was in Lone Rock, Wisconsin, a distance of approximately 100 miles from Stoughton. No one I asked knew the reason for the discrepancy.

Stoughton wasn’t foreign to my history. My grandmother was raised in Stoughton and completed a course of nursing at a local hospital.

She met her husband in Stoughton where he was a druggist. After marriage they lived in Lone Rock where he owned a drugstore.

Within a few years I made a trip to Stoughton to visit my grandmother’s surviving sibling. She was 93, nearly blind and almost deaf!

It was a wonderful visit and I learned “the rest of the story”. Yes, indeed, Dad had been born in Stoughton as was his next two siblings. It seems my grandmother had been very impressed with what she had learned while a nursing student about the importance of cleanliness and sterility of materials and instruments. When pregnant, she made arrangements with the doctor and hospital, and when she was ready to deliver, she got on the train in Lone Rock, made the trip to Stoughton, delivered her baby at the hospital, and after a few days took the train back to Lone Rock.

The year was 1915!

Even though my grandmother died before any of her grandchildren were born, two of them became registered nurses.

Div 62– Photograph Depiction Life Early Iowa - White Ribbon to Donna Anderson

Water. Essential for life. Just turn the tap and you have a seemingly endless supply of safe, clean water. This was not always true, even in the city. This 1920 photo of my grandmother, Maria Hyde, and my mother, Alberta Hyde, shows a pump outside their home at East 29th and Madison Avenue, Des Moines, Iowa. It is hard to imagine a city without a water and sewer system in every part of the city.

Warren County Fair (cont.)

Today there are monitored water systems in cities and rural water system for farms and country houses. Some still have wells, but that number is decreasing. Every so often a city water system shuts down, like Des Moines in 1993 and we learn how important it is to have water.

My family moved to an acreage south of Des Moines, Iowa, in 1957 and I was introduced to “well water”. Although we didn’t have a hand pump, I soon discovered that there was not an endless supply of water. We had a deep well put in and then had plenty of water, but it was hard and had iron in it so it had to be treated. I was really happy to go away to college and back to a city water system.

Div 62– Photo-life in early IA

Photograph depicting life in early Iowa – Brenda King

Hand Milking

This is a picture of my paternal grandfather (Clarence Clark) milking one of the six cows that they had on their farm. The farm was located south of Ackworth, Warren County, Iowa and they had about 26 acres. Dad (Leo Clark), says he remembers when his dad would finish milking, they would bring it into the kitchen where they had a separator on the table. It would separate the cream from the milk. When it was finished separating, grandpa would sell the cream and take the money to buy groceries for the family. I was also asking dad (Leo) about the cat in the picture. He said that grandpa would squirt milk into the cat’s mouth and they would always show up at milking time. This picture was taken May of 1941. The information that I gathered from talking with my dad and the date on the picture, gives me clues in finding more land records or documents for my Grandpa Clark.

FGS Conference – September 7-10, 2011 – Springfield, Illinois

by Marieta Grissom, CG

FGS Conference Top Five:

#5: Something for everyone. Literally, there was something for everyone, even for Dave, who served as a volunteer for the conference. Something for state society members, beginners, intermediates, professionals.

#4: Opportunity to meet new people and see old friends. I sat down at a luncheon table and discovered that a friend from Maine was also sitting there. I hadn’t expected to see her at the conference; wonderful surprise! But there was not enough time to make the complete rounds and later found out that some people I wanted to meet were there, but I didn’t find them. Mark Lowe and I reminisced about our mutual Warren County, Iowa, connections. As a teen in 4-H, he traveled on an exchange trip to our county and stayed with Guy and Helen Lester. Helen was a long-time WCGS member.

#3: The vendor area. The vendor area is always a hub-bub of activity. Some companies have product demos going on, genealogy organizations promote their group or their publications, book vendors, gadget vendors; the variety is amazing. The best new product was the Flip-Pal scanner. Dave said we had to buy one!

#2: The great speakers. Sessions included a large number of categories including Technology, Military Ancestors, Strategies & Techniques, In the Heartland, They Came From, Writing and Sharing, Photo Restoration, and a host of other topics. Plus, the first day of the FGS Conference was “Society Day,” filled with topics helpful to any society member.

#1: The opportunity to “buy the conference.” While audio recording of the sessions has been going on for several years, this conference was a little different. Fleetwood, the new audio recording company, was offering the opportunity to “buy the conference.” In other words, for \$332 attendees could buy the recording of every session for which the presenter had signed the contract allowing that session to be recorded. So, instead of buying the nearly 30 sessions I had planned to buy, I could get the recordings for 104 sessions for nearly the same money. Three weeks after the conference I received three DVDs in the mail and immediately started downloading them to my iPod, so I can listen to them as I take my lunch-time walks. Wow! I can continue listening to the conference for weeks and since I have the syllabus material from each session, if I hear something that I want to check the syllabus for, I can easily do that when I return to my home office.

The 2011 FGS Conference will be much more than a happy memory, I will learn from it for months.

MEMBER PROFILE

Donna Anderson has lived in Indianola 36 years and has two grown children. She has been a member of WCGS and IGS for two years. She is currently our WCGS secretary.

Donna retired from the Dept. of Workforce Development as a Training Consultant. She received a BA in English from Simpson with a minor in Education and Theater. She was a volunteer at Living History Farms for 15 years. Donna's hobbies and interests are genealogy, reading and scrapbooking. Her sister-in-law started doing the family research. When she quit, Donna took over and became hooked. The major families Donna researches are ANDERSON, HYDE, HOWARD, HAWORTH, HALL, and PINNOCK.

Advice from Donna: Have patience. Don't assume anything. If someone cannot be located immediately, don't think they aren't there. Keep digging.

Virginia Wagner

NEWS FROM THE FAMILY HISTORY LIBRARY

By Shirley Woodruff, IGS Secretary

Millions of Civil War Service Records Added to FamilySearch

Made available through an affiliation with Footnote.com (Fold3.com), <<http://familysearch.org>> FamilySearch.org recently added millions of Confederate and Union Service Records for soldiers of the American Civil War. The newly added database contains millions of indexed, searchable images. The records include the jacketed folder showing each soldier's name. Other content includes such items as payrolls, muster rolls, appointments, and any other service related records or document specific to the soldier.

New Film Ordering Process For Ordering Films from Salt Lake City

Patrons will place their film orders on any computer with an Internet connection using the new Online Film Ordering system in the Des Moines area beginning September 21, 2011. Film orders using order cards are no longer available at the Family History Center.

The film ordering website is located at

<<https://familysearch.org/films>>

<https://familysearch.org/films>. Patrons create a personal account and select the preferred family history center where the films they order will be sent. They can make payment using a credit or debit card, or by PayPal.

In order to use Online Film Ordering, a patron needs to acquire a FamilySearch or LDS Account with a valid e-mail address. Authenticate by clicking "Sign In" on the top right corner of <<http://www.familysearch.org/films>> <http://www.familysearch.org/films>. Once ordered, the film will come to the Family History Center patrons have selected. The patron will be notified when the film is in the center and when it will be returned.

For additional training on basic functions of the site, please click on "Ordering Help" next to the "Sign In" link.

An Evening with the Authors of *Midnight Assassin*

Marieta Grissom, CG

The authors of *Midnight Assassin* visited Drake University on Thursday, October 20. Co-author Patricia L. Bryan, herself a lawyer and a professor of law at the University of North Carolina, spoke to two law classes during the day and to a group that gathered in the evening at Cowles Library. Tom Wolf, her husband and the other co-author, told me he doesn't often get to sit in her audience. During her presentation Patricia explained the connection of Susan Glaspell, an 1899 Drake University alum, to the *Midnight Assassin* story. She also told other details about Susan's life and her other writings, in addition, to telling the group more about Margaret Hossack and her story, as described in the book.

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I hoped that Patricia was going to discuss her latest publishing endeavor: *Her America "A Jury of Her Peers" and Other Stories* by Susan Glaspell, co-edited by Patricia L. Bryan and Martha C. Carpentier and published in 2010 by the University of Iowa Press. While she mentioned this book, it was apparently not her primary purpose. This latest book is a collection of twelve short stories by Susan Glaspell, and it is a gem. Writing in the early decades of the twentieth century, Susan's masterful use of satire, fable, unconventional characters, and subconscious reality reveal her insight into inner thoughts, as well as into the abused and forgotten, yet her stories are refreshing and amazing for her time. Usually I read the "Introduction" of a book for insight into the book; in this case, I read the book for better understanding of the "Introduction."

I always enjoy talking with and listening to Patricia and Tom. They had hugs for me and, of course, asked about my mother, who assisted Patricia and Tom with their research on *Midnight Assassin* when she was the librarian at the Warren County Historical Library.

The following newspaper clipping was found in a hardbound copy of the 1895 Census of Iowa that was on the shelf at the WCHS. It had been used as a scrapbook and most of the clippings were poetry.

Married, at high noon, March 21st, 1900, at the home of the bride's parents. Mr. J. L. Kemp and Miss Louie Hossack, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Hossack of Medora, Rev. Maxson, of Jamison, officiating. The bride was attired in white cassimere trimmed in silk, the groom wearing the regulation suit of black. Both looked very nice. They are among our best young people, the bride being a successful teacher and the groom an industrious, promising young man. Friends and relatives to the number of about sixty responded to the invitation, witnessed the ceremony and joined with the happy couple in the festivities of the hour. They were the recipients of many presents of beauty and value. The couple will make their home at Medford and start out in life with the best wishes of all their acquaintances.

The following December Louie's father John would be murdered by an unknown assailant, the "Midnight Assassin".

IGS News

There will be a Spring Conference Saturday, April 14, 2012. Eric Basir, owner of a photo retouching studio in Evanston, IL, will lecture on "Photo Restoration from Start to Finish," "Dating Photos and Photo/Document Software for Genealogists," "Photo/Document Preservation" and "Fixing Color Photos with Adobe Photoshop." Mr. Basir serves the genealogical community as a teacher, author, blogger and columnist for two genealogical publications. He recently published a full photo restoration course.

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IGS News (cont.)

Two-thirds of the IGS Library facility's south wall has been repaired and Two Rivers Glass is working to re-install the framework and glass panels on that area. That work is very exacting to insure that the framework will support the 1/4 inch thick glass panels.

The construction costs will be \$2,000-\$3,000 more than anticipated. The old parapet cover is too damaged to be reused. The parapet cover is critical in keeping moisture out of the many holes that have been drilled into the parapet (the part of the external wall that rises above the flat roof) over the years. Duerson Roofing is the contractor and we were able to pick a royal blue color close to IGS's blue to give the building our brand.

Individuals, IGS Chapters and IGS Special Interest Groups are encouraged to support the campaign and help preserve Iowa's premier family history library. Send your tax-deductible contribution to: Iowa Genealogical Society, Saving Face Campaign, 628 East Grand Avenue, Des Moines, Iowa 50309-1924. Donations received to date total **\$23,000.00**.

Every dollar raised is important and deeply appreciated.

Take the Ankeny Challenge!

The Ankeny Genealogical Society has made a generous donation of \$100 to the Iowa Genealogical Society. AGS challenges other chapters and individuals to match their donation!

Meet the German Challenge!

The German Interest Group has donated \$6,650 and challenges other interest groups, chapters and members to match their donation!

IGS UPCOMING PROGRAMS AND EVENTS CALENDAR

All programs take place at the IGS Library, 628 East Grand Avenue, Des Moines, unless otherwise noted.

Slumber Parties:

Nov. 12-13, Autumn Leaves Research Slumber Party, 4:00 pm Sat. through 6 am Sun. at the IGS library. Reservations required. Cost of \$25 per person includes a light supper.

Class schedule:

Beginning Genealogy

Saturday, Dec. 3, 10:30 am - 12:30 pm at the IGS library. Free. Pre-registration suggested.

Interest Groups:

- African-American Interest Group Meeting: First Tuesday of every month at 7 pm
- German Interest Group Meeting: First Monday of every month at 7 pm

Irish Interest Group Meeting: Third Tuesday of every month at 7 pm

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Legacy Interest Group Meeting: Third Thursday of every month at 1 pm

- Norwegian Interest Group: Fourth Tuesday of each month at 7 pm

For more information about any IGS programs, or to register for classes, contact IGS: 515-276-1924, igs@iowagenealogy.org. Website: <http://www.iowagenealogy.org>.

IGS Library Hours

Monday, Wednesday, Friday & Saturday: 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.
Tuesday & Thursday: 10 a.m. - 9 p.m.
CLOSED: November 24 - 25; December 24 - January 2.

VOLUNTEER IN 2012 AT IGS

Volunteer opportunities abound in 2012. Grant writing, education, events, library and website development are just a few of the committees that need people. New projects will include cemetery walking, digital pictures, digital scanning of documents and a host of tasks to complete various databases. New projects start with identifying the project and then seeking funding to accomplish it.

If you have a talent for writing or experience with grant writing, IGS can use you. Many other volunteer opportunities are available. Contact the IGS office to learn more and to volunteer: 515-276-0287; igs@iowagenealogy.org.

A NEW EDITOR FOR THE *HAWKEYE HERITAGE*

Shirley Woodruff, IGS Secretary, has assumed the duties of *Hawkeye Heritage* Editor.

The *Hawkeye Heritage*, published quarterly, is IGS's premier source for Iowa-specific genealogy, history, methodology, and resources of enduring value. The *Hawkeye Heritage* promotes the purposes of IGS to its members by increasing interest and enthusiasm for our Iowa heritage.

Download and read past issues at the IGS website:

<http://www.iowagenealogy.org/library/collections/publications-2/#hawkeye>. Back issues are also available in a print format.

Please submit articles to Shirley Woodruff, hawkeye_heritage@yahoo.com, or to the IGS office: 628 East Grand Avenue, Des Moines, Iowa 50309.

The deadline for submissions to be included in the Fall *Hawkeye Heritage* is **16 November 2011**. The deadline for submissions to be included in the Winter *Hawkeye Heritage* is **31 January 2011**.

SALT LAKE CITY RESEARCH TRIP - June 3 - 10, 2012

Trip coordinator: Diane Densmore. Join IGS for a special research trip to Salt Lake City, June 3 - 10, 2012. Accommodations are at the Salt Lake Plaza Hotel, conveniently located near the Family History Library.

Cost includes room, hotel van transportation to and from the airport, and tips to van drivers. A genealogy class is taught Monday evening at the hotel. Transportation expenses to and from Salt Lake City and meals are NOT included.

Single room: \$700 / Double occupancy: \$350 per person / Triple occupancy: \$250 per person / Quad occupancy: \$250 per person

From the "Weekly Indianola Visitor" of January 17, 1861

Warren County Teachers' Institute

The Institute convened in the Seminary building at Indianola, Iowa on Monday, Dec. 24th, 1860.

Notwithstanding the day came in and continued with a violent snow storm, yet a goodly number of teachers was on hand at the commencement; there being fifty-two present from our County, one from Madison, and seven from Polk.

Institute was, at 9 o'clock, opened with prayer by Professor E. W. Gray.

On motion of J. C. Clarke, Mr. W. M. White was elected as permanent President of the Institute.

J. C. Clarke was then elected Secretary,; and P. R. Crosthwait, assistant Secretary.

As a standing Committee on Programme were elected Professor Gray, Julius Chapelle Clarke, Isaac C. Wright, A. J. Applegate, and John Embree.

Mrs. J. C. Clarke, Miss Hattie V. Condit, and Mr. G. G. Barnett were appointed a committee on By-Laws

The list of members who attended was:

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| W. M. White | Mary Leach |
| E. W. Gray | Jas. Barnwell |
| J. C. Clark | Sarah Shepartd |
| Ellen M. Owen | Sophia Vinton |
| A. J. Applegate | S. T. Shepard |
| Thomas H. Braderick | G. H. Thomas |
| Abby A. Walker | J. A. Moore |
| Ellen R. White | N. Mosher |
| Carrie H. Young | S. A. Gaylor |
| Frances S. Young | John Shion |
| J. W. McCaffrey | A. Read |
| Sarah E. Hanford | E. H. Morgan |

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| Achsa B. Freeman | Robert Cleland |
| D. W. Nichols | J. M. Russel |
| W. M. Bryandt | Ellen Graham |
| Annie E. Wakefield | Electa Wells |
| P. R. Croswait | Chas. Vinton |
| N. M. Thompson | R. T. Harbison |
| J. B. Williston | Isaac C. Wright |
| W. G. Silcot | William O. Curd |
| H. Turner | Solomon Haodson |
| Geo. Coles | Jas. Wakefield |
| J. K. McGinnis | Ann Todhunter |
| S. K. Hall | Anil Todhunter |
| Wm. Wright | Jas. Embree |
| C. W. Coleman | John Embree |
| A. Sayer | P. J. Chapman |
| Margaret Barnwell | Enoch Wood |
| Mary Bundy | Candace Wood |
| Cynthia Bundy | Hettie V. Condit |
| Geo. M. Walker | Elizabeth Graham |
| John D. McLeary | Cyrus Boyd |
| Leander Chaffln | E. M. Croswait |
| John Wycoff | O. Thompson |
| G. G. W. Barner | J. R. Taylor |
| C. E. Moorman | Mary Wakefield |
| John Kern | |

From Polk County:

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| E. D. Hawes | J. S. Greene |
| C. A. Mosher | W. R. Harney |
| N. T. Weber | W. K. Bird |
| R. P. Woodruff | |

From Madison County:

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| John Miller |
| Annie C. Miller |

The following gentlemen were elected Honorary members.

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| P. Gad Bryan, Esq. | G. W. Clark, Esq. |
| T. L. Dilley, Esq. | J. T. Lacy, Esq. |
| Jas. H. Knox, Esq. | J. J. Cozad, Esq. |
| Lewis Todhunter, Esq. | J. S. Jones |
| A. F. Sperry | J. T. Corbit |

(Some of the names were obviously misspelled in the newspaper but they are recorded here as they appeared)

The following resolutions were among those adopted as part of the Instututre:

That written rules for the government of a school are inexpedient.

That corporal punishment can not be entirely dispensed.

That no teacher should use tobacco.

That teachers should prevent their pupil from chewing tobacco during school hours.

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That like services should receive like compensation, whether rendered by male or female teachers.

IGS Fall Conference

The Conference on October 14th and 15th was presented by Billie Stone Fogarty of Oklahoma. Her classes were a mixture of history and genealogy, -probably more history than was expected. Much of the history concerned the Indians of the southeast who were later removed to Indian Territory (Oklahoma). Some of it concerned the status and role of women in Colonial America.

The Cherokees were not the only tribe to follow a "Trail of Tears" to Oklahoma but they are the most associated with the term. Many tribes of the southeast and southwest, and even some from the northwest, were forcibly removed to Indian Territory.

In researching American Indian ancestry, the primary information needed is the name of their tribe. All records and resources are organized by tribe. There were many tribal rolls completed between 1817 and 1924 and these often have a lot of information about a person. Many of these rolls are online at accessgenealogy.com. Also, many records are on file at the American Indian Archives in Oklahoma City at <http://www.okhistory.org/research/collections/index.html>

On October 29th, I attended a "trails" conference in Fayetteville, Arkansas. We heard about the Cherokee Trail of Tears that passes through this area and on to Oklahoma. On the afternoon bus tour we saw several segments of the trail. A lot has been done to mark it and map it in this area.

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NPS Web Site

In preparing for the trip to Fayetteville and the tour of the Pea Ridge Civil War battle site (which is crossed by a segment of the Trail of Tears), I did some background research on the Battle of Pea Ridge and the Battle of Wilson's Creek, which was fought about 50 miles north of Pea Ridge in Missouri just south of Springfield. Both were important battles early in the war and determined the status of Missouri as a non-confederate state. Several Iowa companies fought in both battles. The National Park Service web site on the battles has a link to a search for Civil War combatants on both sides. It lists the Regiment the person fought with and a little other information including their rank on entering and leaving the war. It does not say whether they left it dead or alive.

I think this is useful as a quick index to indicate which records to search for more information. Most history libraries, including the WCHS library, have detailed histories of each Iowa regiment and more information on the men who served in them.

These battle sites are an eight to nine hour drive from the Indianola area and are worth the trip. This also puts a traveler close to a museum of George Washington Carver, the Indian trails, the route of the Butterfield Stage, the Santa Fe Trail, the capital of the Cherokees in Talequah, Oklahoma, and the beginning of the Cherokee Trail to the goldfields of California.

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Two Interesting Web Sites

These are from the "Web Resources" column in *News'nNotes* of the St Louis Genealogical Society written by Bob Goode.

www.mocava.com is a genealogy search engine that can bring up some surprising results.

<http://chroniclingamerica.loc.gov> has a large archive of newspapers from all over the U.S.

From the 1892 Iowa Farmer's Directory

(Summerset (town to be featured for Log Cabin Days in 2012))

Andrew, W. E.	Dowell, T. C.
Ash, Abe	Dyer, Alex
Beltz, A. R.	Dyer, James
Bishop, C. W.	Dyer, Robt.
Bishop, Hannah	Flowers, D. S.
Bishop, J. F.	Foust, Eph.
Bishop, Levi	Hall, N.
Bishop, L. K.	Hanby, J.
Bishop, Senter	Handly, J. M.
Blackford, M. E.	Hastie, W. A.
Blackford, Simeon	Howery, David
Brandon, A. W.	Howery, Henry
Brandon, S. A.	Jackson, M. D.
Brandon, S. C.	Jackson, Scott
Callicutt, K.	Lamphire, Wm.
Clulow, Wm.	Lewis, I. C.
Cochrane, Robt.	Lewzader, Isaac
Courtney, M.	Lundy, J. W.
Courtney, Wm.	McKee, John, F.
Cummings, P.	McGuire, J. K.
Davis, Geo.	Malone, Mary A.
Davis, Leander	Martin, S. W.
Davis, S. J. Mrs.	Martin, Wm.
Dickson, W. R.	Mason, A. L.
Ditto, J. A.	Mason, J. A.
Dixon, Robt.	Mason, J. B.
Dixon, Wm. R.	Mason, John
Mason, J. W.	Sherpy, J. M.
Mason, W. W.	Surber, I. S.
Miller, Thos.	Surber, J. C.
Myers, T. L.	Vance, Jennie
Patten, T. D.	Wadsworth, R.
Pilmar, G. D.	Ward, Wm. C.
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There are a number of names from the “**Weekly Indianola Visitor**” of **January 17, 1861** on pg 7; and names from the Summerset area in the **1892 Iowa Farmer’s Directory** on pg 8-9.

Family Tree Magazine sends me e-newsletters. Top stories this week include [Social Security Administration policy changes](#) that’ll affect the Social Security Death Index so many genealogists use, and [free searchable databases from Ancestry.com’s partnership with the Holocaust Memorial Museum](#).

It goes on to say: We (NTIS) receive Death Master File (DMF) data from the Social Security Administration (SSA). SSA receives death reports from various sources, including family members, funeral homes, hospitals, and financial institutions.

Q: What change is SSA making to the Public DMF?

A: Effective November 1, 2011, the DMF data that we receive from SSA will no longer contain protected state death records. Section 205(r) of the Act prohibits SSA from disclosing state death records SSA receives through its contracts with the states, except in limited circumstances. (Section 205r link - http://www.ssa.gov/OP_Home/ssact/title02/0205.htm)

Q: How will this change affect the size of the Public DMF?

A: The historical Public DMF contains 89 million records. SSA will remove approximately 4.2 million records from this file and add about 1 million fewer records annually.

REMINDER: DMF users should always investigate and verify the death listed before taking any adverse action against any individual. -- Judy Richards

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