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DAVIS COUNTY GENEALOGY

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TROY GREENLAWN CEMETERY See Page 9

Diana Barker Hatch, Mary, Gary Klicker, Larry Bollman and John Archer have been working on the Troy Cemetery for some time. Wanted to share the map, it gives a great prospective for locating headstones. Their work is not complete. Stones are online at

Iowagravestones.org

President's Notes

2013, a year for reunions. A year for remembering, that the DCGS has been in existence for 40 years. The first newsletter was published in the Spring of 1983, Peggy Arnold, Editor. Meetings were held at the PBL, 3rd Thursday of the month, at 7 PM, and dues were \$3.

Officers were President: Jerry Greene, Vice: Sue Spilman, Secretary: Phyllis Thomas, Treasurer: Olen McMains

Their were 118 documented cemeteries in Davis County. A postage stamp was 20c. Tuesday mornings were workdays and the crew spent their time cataloging, transcribing, clipping, reading and copying, compiling the 1850 & 1860 Census: Genealogy as a hobby has not really changed, maybe just the place of gathering and names of the members and volunteers, although many a charter member still are members today. We continue to use their collections for research.

We continue to build our own collections for future researchers.

DCGS became a chartered member of the Iowa Genealogical Society in 1984. Celebrate! In 2014, we will hold a celebration for the anniversary. Not sure of the gala details, but sure to come.

Dues for 2013 are \$15, this includes digital scanning & camera photo capabilities when at our Library, Quarterly newsletters and queries.

We had no quorums available for meetings the months of December, January & February, due to weather, illness and the cold winter.

So the March meeting was a long one, and we know once again, we will have a busy year with, reunions, walking cemeteries, fundraisers, the Davis County Fair, the Old School, and more . . .

Deb Barker, President & Editor

Copier Grant

We did it, we are proud to boast we are owners of a new color copier! Thank you Davis County Community Foundation Grant. Thanks to MPA for the installation. This machine can scan, staple, print, copy and send by email. Everything we need to produce an exceptional newsletter, along with our booklet items for sales.



2012 ACQUISITIONS-

Surname Books-

Hubbart

Rudd

Leyda

McReynolds

Principals Photographs 1962-2010

1919 Democrat Indexed

Merchants Register, Drakesville

Family History "Remember who you are" Huff Descendants

Ottumwa High School 25th Reunion Yearbook 1964

1886 Posey County, Indiana History

1903 Farmer Biographies

LAST CALL FOR 2013
MEMBERSHIP DUES
SEND \$15 TO PO BOX 94,
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Projects-

Historical Society Bibles

Farmer Biographies 1903

Ava Thompson Collection

1919 Bloomfield Democrat

Bonnie Mares sent a Marriage book she found at a sale, this book has handwritten entries, transcribing for the iagenweb.org/davis See page 8

We have been having a book sale, these items are one of a kind, and periodicals from our collection, that did not fit our needs after the move.

A fundraising sale will be held the weekend of the City Wide Garage sales, donated items are accepted and appreciated.

Old School will be having an open house in May. Stay Tuned for more details.

8 March 1888

Troy Topics

'died March 1, 1888, at his home Northwest of Troy, Montezuma Archer. Mr. Archer was one of the early settlers of the county, and was about 60 years old when he died.

The remains were interred Friday in the town cemetery."

22 March 1888 Floris Flakes

"Chickens and hens have gone to roost,

A hawk flew down, and bit an old goose,

Bit a young duck in the middle of the back,

Made an old drake go quack, quack, quack."

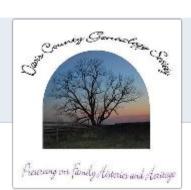
3 April 1888

Troy Topics

"Spring has surely come to remain,

With birds and flowers, wind and rain;

It's come with thunder and lightnin',



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1744 115th St Archer, Hunt, Gaylord, Phelps, Sloan, Ritz, Lemmon	7 Deborah Dr	Box 332	Sickels/Sickles, Wilkerson, Hughes, Riggs, Henderson, Best, Thomas, Mow-	ry/iviowrey	15672 Lilac Ave	Downing, Long, Wilster, Mulhern	1624 S 15th St	105 Village Circle	Bish, Turner, Rigsby, Buchanan	Brown, Hazel Cruikshank 225 S Church, Apt 3	Clark, Westover	31590 Champions Circle	Trombla, Davy, Gibbs, Hawley	5270 Hwy 29	Perry, Hayes, Hays, Hamilton, Thomas, Neff	410 Autry Ave	Bell, Allen, Sharon, Ellis, Fuller, Jackson, Lincoln, Van Wye, Seely	3863 Oakland Rd N E	2035 W 1st St	Cassatt, Black, Stover, Pullen, Brown, Saner, Stober, Slater	21888 265th St	Miller, Cruikshank, Martin, Inskeep, Clancy, Sprouse, Willier	23797 330th St	Weaver, Musgrove, McKinley, Butts, Palmer, Herr, Spencer, Tripp, Mott	3033 Lincoln Ave	18224 280th	513 Via El Encantador	12 Lily Pond Dr	Henry, Nogle, Jones
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The Bloomfield Democrat

August 15, 1940

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Hold Rites for Last Veteran

Service Held Today For B. S. Armstrong, 95 Years Old

Benjamin S. Armstrong, Davis County's last surviving Civil war veteran, died at his home in Bloomfield at 6:15 o'clock Tuesday morning. He celebrated his 95th birthday anniversary last March 4th. One of the now comparatively few remaining members of the Grand Army of the Republic in Iowa, Mr. Armstrong was active until the past few months. Confined to his home most of last winter, his health Since W. J. Shuck, failed rapidly. former Fox River Township resident, moved to Appanoose County about a year ago, Mr. Armstrong has been Davis County's lone surviving Civil war veteran

Final rites were held at the Curl Funeral home this morning with Rev. L. D. Thomas preaching the funeral sermon. Burial rites were at the I.O.O.F. cemetery with an American Legion firing squad firing a final salute to Davis county's last surviving Civil war veteran. Taps were sounded for the veteran by Robert Hotchkiss.

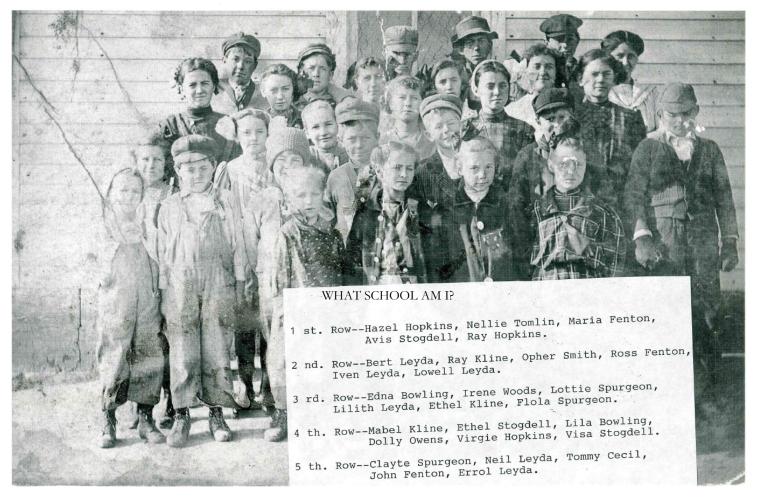
Born at Pleasant Plain, in Clermont County, Ohio, March 4, 1845, Mr. Armstrong came to Davis County with his parents when he was nine years old. The family settled on a farm north of Troy. David Armstrong, a surviving brother, still resides on the old home place.

Mr. Armstrong enlisted for service in the Union Army, at Pulaski, November 12, 1863. He was a member of Company E, Third Iowa Cavalry. During his two years of service, he escaped serious injury but encountered many exciting experiences. One of them was the battle of Mark's Mill. Bloomfield soldier and the rest of the troop with 1,006 mule teams were riding through the rain. The teams stuck in the mud and while the men attempted to get them out, the rebels attacked and the Yanks were forced to run, every man for himself. Another highlight of Mr. Armstrong's war experience was the time when he and four other Union soldiers guarded Jefferson Davis, the president of the Confederacy, after his capture. He was honorably discharged from the Union army at Atlanta, Georgia, August 9, 1865. He was the last surviving member of Company E. and one of the only two living veterans of the Third Iowa Cavalry.

In June 1938, Mr. Armstrong attended the reunion of the Blue and the Gray on the 75th anniversary of the Battle of Gettysburg, held at the site of the famous battle.

Mr. Armstrong was married December 16, 1872 to Rachel S. Gore, who survives him. Other survivors include the brother, David Armstrong, north of Troy; an only child, Mrs. R. D. Sullivan, a grandson, Lowell Sullivan, all of Bloomfield; a granddaughter, Mrs. R. S. Underhill, of Davenport; and three great grandchildren.

Benjamin S Armstrong & Descendants will be recognized, by the Sons of the Union Veterans in their 2014 Celebration.



Dorothea Rudd has donated her collections, of research and work representing years of the love and labor of Genealogy. We at DCGS very much appreciate being able to host her collection.

If you are not sure what to do with your genealogy collection, we can certainly host it too. We file collections by Surname and shelve in our wonderful research library. We can share with other researchers and descendants for years to come. Forty years into this hobby as a society, but more so as enthusiasts for future generations to come, DECENDANTS. Historical Davis County, is so because of the meat on the bones of our ancestors. We will continue to share, collect and protect these priceless heirlooms.

Volunteers take special projects, too. Like the Mrs Thompson estate collection. There were boxes of newspaper scraps, of obituaries, weddings, and reunion information. It has came to life, and is now in the index phase. Thank you to Terri Miller for her hard work!

Our very own vice president, Karen Prosapio, keeps the current year obituary collection up to date.

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Bonnie Mares sent a 3 ring binder, 250 page Marriage book she found at a sale, this book has handwritten entries, copied by charter members from courthouse records in 1984-85. I am currently transcribing for the iagenweb.org/davis web page: marriages. This book covers the very earliest recorded marriages in Davis County, up to Book 13, 1936. What a treasure when completed, the work in progress can be viewed on the website.

LUTHER HUNT DEAD

Luther Hunt died at the home of his son, James Hunt of Pulaski, Saturday, Jan. 11, of a lingering illness. Short funeral services were held at the home Monday. The body was taken to Belknap for interment.

Luther Hunt died at the home of his son, James Hunt, Saturday Jan., 11th from a lingering illness. Short funeral services were held at the home Monday, after which the remains were taken to Belknap for burial. According to the obituary, Mr Luther Hunt was taken to Belknap for Burial. The two (2) closest cemeteries are Kingdom and Harbour, I have walked and documented both of these, and did not find his stone. So I went to the WPA records and found a record for Luthern Hunt in Johns Cemetery, West Grove Township, having a birth date of 1832, death 11 Jan 1919.

On the 21st of January 1921, the newspaper reports:

Grandpa Hunt died at the home of his son, Jim Hunt, Saturday night, He was taken to West Grove for burial.

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