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MAKE SENSE OF THE PAST... CREATE A VISION FOR TOMORROW

Gratitude unlocks the fullness of life. It turns what we have into enough, and more. It turns denial into acceptance, chaos to order, confusion to clarity. It can turn a meal into a feast, a house into a home, a stranger into a friend. Gratitude makes sense of our past, brings peace for today and creates a vision for tomorrow.

~Melody Beattie

Autumn is a season of thankfulness-- appreciation for friends, family and the legacy of our ancestors. At IGS, we appreciate our members and the dedicated volunteers who devote many hours to documenting, preserving and sharing this legacy with others. Please join us as we express our appreciation at a Volunteer Potluck on Saturday, November 10th, 1 p.m., in the West Wing of the IGS Library. Volunteers are the heart and strength of IGS-- let them know how much their contributions are valued!



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IGS Newsletter

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On the cover:

Fincham Family Thanksgiving,
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Administration - Office of War
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Collection, Library of Congress.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

By Nicoe Hart, IGS President



Greetings IGS Members & Friends,

Members who volunteer at IGS are an essential part of every aspect of the Society. On November 10th at 1 p.m. we will honor our volunteers during a potluck lunch in the West Wing of the IGS Library. Our Board of Directors meeting is also that Saturday morning, and we hope our officers and regional representatives will participate before returning to their home counties (since they are volunteers too). All members and their significant others are invited.

I hope by the time that you read this, a searchable index has been added to the IGS website and those of you who live at a distance from our library have another membership benefit. The goal is to initially load an index for about 60,000 documents. When the Camp Dodge militia enlistment index is complete, it will add an estimated 45,000 more documents to the searchable website index.

Thanks to the continued efforts of Diana Wagner and others, the indexing project is about 33% finished. Those members who originally prepared the index card transcriptions, thank you! The original enlistment forms are now at the State Historical Society Archives.

The strategy group is still hard at work with the goal of presenting the completed project to the Board of Directors at its first meeting in 2013. Norm Veen has been vital in leading the effort and contributing his considerable knowledge as a project leader. If IGS is to achieve financial stability, it needs a long-term plan with a clearly defined mission and vision statements.

The project also divides up the workload using committees and subcommittees with defined duties and responsibilities, time commitments, etc. With one term as President completed, I know that one person or even your executive officers together cannot do everything and be successful. Many tasks mean only a commitment of ten to twelve hours a month or even a quarter for one person. But if not spread out and shared, it's overwhelming for one or four officers.

This is Alice Veen's and Edith Munro's last newsletter as editors. It has been a joy and a privilege to work with them over the last several years. We are in need of new volunteers to edit the newsletters and e-news that are vital for communication with our members. This is one volunteer job that can be done anywhere in the world thanks to the Internet and the proofreaders at IGS where it is ultimately printed/distributed.

--Regards, Nicoe

2012 Fall Conference

The IGS Fall Conference in October was enjoyed by about ninety family history enthusiasts and raised almost \$520 in additional donations for IGS. Speaker Michael Strauss was informative and entertaining in his presentations on military and federal records research. Watch this newsletter and the IGS website, www.iowagenealogy.org, for information about future conferences.

IGS NEWS

Letter to the Editor: Use GoodSearch!

By Diane Densmore

“We all have a cause we care about - whether it's finding a cure for cancer, saving the environment, or many other worthwhile endeavors. But what we don't all have is the time or money to support these efforts as much as we'd like. So, what if we could raise money for our favorite charity by doing something we do every day — searching the Internet?”



Since 2007, the Iowa Genealogical Society (IGS) has been one of over 100,000 non-profit groups that use *Goodsearch* to raise funds. Unfortunately, IGS is not living up to its full potential with this website. IGS has about 1100 members. If only 500 members used *Goodsearch* to do two Internet searches per day (a penny a search), the check for the year would be about \$3600.

Then consider the *Goodshop* part of *Goodsearch*: A percentage of your internet purchase on such sites as Amazon, Ebay, Sears, Office Depot, Best Buy, Expedia, Hotline, Orbitz, just to name a few, also goes to IGS. Don't forget that Christmas shopping will soon be starting.

Now *Goodsearch* has added *Gooddining*. Register your charge card number, and when you dine out and charge your meal, a percentage of your bill comes to IGS. Right now, the restaurant list in the Des Moines area is short, but does include The Continental (in the East Village), all Burger Kings, and Macaroni Grill. You can check for restaurants in the area when you travel, too.

GoodApp is available for smart phones.

So I would like to encourage all IGS members to try *Goodsearch* for a few days. A penny per Internet search doesn't sound like much, but it adds up, and think of the research resources that could be added and improved if IGS had the money.

Salt Lake City Research Trip

April 7- 14, 2013

**Trip coordinator:
Diane Densmore**

Join IGS for a special research trip to Salt Lake City, April 7 - 14, 2013.



Accommodations are at the Salt Lake Plaza Hotel, conveniently located near the Family History Library.

Cost includes room and hotel van transportation to and from the airport. A genealogy class is taught Monday evening at the hotel.

Single room: \$700

Double room: \$350 per person

Triple room: \$250 per person

Quad room: \$250 per person

Transportation expenses to and from Salt Lake City and meals are NOT included.

A deposit of \$100 is due by December 1, 2012, to reserve your room. The balance is due by February 1, 2013.

No additional bookings will be added after February 1, 2013. Rooms cannot be cancelled after March 1, 2013, without penalty.

You arrange your own transportation. If you fly, ~~Diane needs your flight information~~ with your balance payment.

You are responsible for signing up for hotel van transportation to the airport for departure. It is suggested you do this early in the week. Allow at least two hours before your flight.

Make deposit checks payable to Diane Densmore. For more information, or to make reservations, contact:

Diane Densmore
7167 Espanade St.
Johnston, Iowa 50131
Ph. 515-270-1974

LIBRARY NEWS: Cataloging Corner

By Diane Densmore, Library Acquisitions



We added thirty-three books to our shelves in June and July. New acquisitions for Iowa, by county, include:

Dubuque

- *Iowa Township, Dubuque County, Iowa: Research of the Towns and Their Residents*

Page

- *Family Maps of Page County, Iowa*

Polk

- *Ankeny: The First One Hundred Years*
- *Ankeny Centennial Celebration, 1875-1975*
- *The Tatler, 1916, West High School, Des Moines, Iowa*
- *Dahlstrom Funeral Home Burial Records, Des Moines, Polk County, December 1, 1930 to July 25, 1934*

Ringgold:

- *Family Maps of Ringgold County, Iowa*
- *Images of America: Ringgold County*

Some of the states and their towns/counties with books added to our shelves:

Illinois: Lake

Pennsylvania: Cambria, Mifflin

Surnames for new family history books include:
Brogotti, Chezems, Gezel, Kimmel, Reames

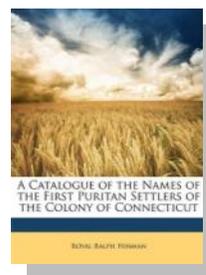
International Books

- *Inventory of Cemeteries in Ontario, A Genealogical Research Guide*
- *Norwegians in America, Their History and Record, A Transcribed Version of the 1907 & 1913 Normaendene I Amerika, deres Historie og Rekord, Volume 3*
- *A Dictionary of Scottish Emigrants to Canada Before Confederation*

Other Books of Interest

- *A Catalogue of the Names of the First Puritan Settlers of the Colony of Connecticut*
- *Virginia Revolutionary Publick Claims in Three Volumes*
- *In Search of George Soule of the Mayflower*

Be sure to check the “Recent Library Book Acquisitions” binder on top of the card catalog cabinet when you’re at IGS. The list of our new books is printed at the beginning of each month.



VOLUNTEER IN 2013

Have you benefitted from the many educational and research services of IGS? Consider giving back a little of your time and talents to help IGS continue a tradition of excellence in 2013.



Newsletter Editor

IGS publishes a printed bimonthly newsletter. A volunteer is needed to serve as editor beginning with the January 2013 issue. The current template is available or create a new design.

Many other volunteer opportunities are available! Contact President Nicoe Hart, nicoehart@gmail.com, 515-778-3521, or the IGS office to join the team!

IGS Holiday Gift Ideas

- **New membership or renewal in IGS**

Treat your family historian to a year of free access to the IGS Library, admission discounts on classes and events, and our bimonthly newsletter packed with information, research helps, and more. Individual: \$35/Family \$45. Join online: www.iowagenealogy.org or use the membership form in this newsletter.

- ***For My Family... With Love***

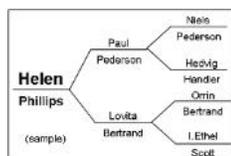
The Iowa Genealogical Society's 40th anniversary compilation of 400+ delicious recipes that have been passed from one great family cook to the next. With photos and stories, you have the opportunity to learn more about the cook and what makes the recipe special. Order online or at the IGS office. \$17.50.



- **Family Name Badge**

2 1/4" x 3 1/2".

Show your family pride with this durable name badge. \$10.00 + shipping & handling. Contact IGS office to order.



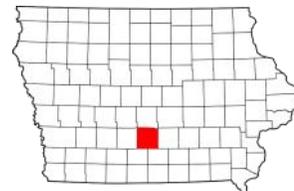
- **Pioneer, Century, or Statehood Certificate**

Honor your Iowa ancestors with a commemorative certificate. Applicants must prove direct descent and prove that their ancestor settled in Iowa by 1846 (Statehood), by 1856 (Pioneer) or more than 100 years prior to the date of application (Century). \$10 per certificate. Applications available at the IGS website or at the IGS Library.



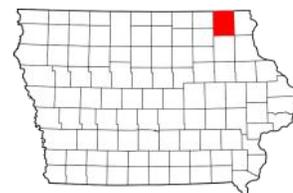
CHAPTER NEWS FROM ACROSS IOWA

The **Warren County RootsMagic Group** will meet the 2nd Saturday of November at the Warren County Historical Museum at the Fairgrounds at 10 a.m.



The **Decorah Genealogy Association**

will celebrate their 20th anniversary in 2013. The **Winneshiek County Historical Society** is also celebrating an anniversary in 2013,



their 50th. The two organizations work so closely together throughout the year that these anniversaries are being planned together for a year of programs and special events commemorating the people and history of Winneshiek County.

Among the special topics to be presented will be:

- The Railroad comes to Winneshiek County
- Winneshiek County in the Civil War
- The Immigrants
- Education in Winneshiek County.

The Rural School Association of Iowa will be holding their annual conference in Decorah in 2013 hosted by Winneshiek County Historical Society. Our Locust School and Highlandville School will be featured at the conference.

We will fill in around these topics with additional programs covering other aspects of these themes throughout the year. Everyone is welcome to join in the celebrations.

Contact us for more information at ddiggers@decorah.lib.ia.us.

CHAPTER PROFILE: DAVIS COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

By Deborah Barker, DCGS President

The Davis County Genealogical Society is active in promoting family history, education, and the preservation of records vital in the search for ancestors.

Research Facility

After almost thirty years at the Bloomfield Public Library, DCGS has moved to a new home across the street in the Old 1923 High School at 200 West Locust., Bloomfield.



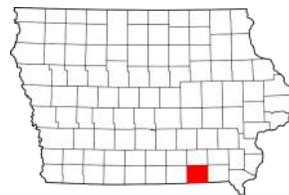
This move has allowed us to inspect, thoroughly clean, catalog and preserve our collection by bringing it out of exposure to mildew and into a humidity-free environment.

The new facility includes an open space for research--we can now accommodate many more researchers at a time.

The DCGS provides access to *Ancestry.com*, high speed internet, and a wireless network, permitting researchers to use their laptop computers or PDA's. A digital reader-printer scans microfilm to a printer or as an image on the PC, then onto whatever media the researcher prefers.

Our research library is open to the public:

Tuesday – Friday, 1 p.m. – 4 p.m.
Saturday 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.



Genealogical Resources & Services

DCGS library resources include family histories, compiled or published by researchers and our volunteers. We frequently receive donations of family works. You will also find the traditional resources of microfilms, census, histories, and many other items that are one-of-a-kind.

Our bound newspaper collection represents over 150 years of printed news. Our indexed newspaper clippings, beginning with 1886, consist of filed births, marriages, deaths, and other tidbits of information. We possess the only known *1874 Grangers Advocate*, published in Bloomfield.

Our knowledgeable volunteers help over 300 visitors a year; many are travelers from all over the United States. We have years of experience when you need help and we offer research assistance for a reasonable hourly rate.

DCGS offers publications for sale to aid the researcher. You will find that most of these publications are not available on-line. The funds once again assist with the Society's overhead costs. We publish a newsletter, filled with Davis County news, pictures and interesting history, available by mail or email.

We will be applying for a local Grant to assist with the purchase of a new copier that can scan, print, copy, and produce our quarterly newsletter; and we are currently having an "Abundance Book Sale." Monies raised are assisting with our newly chosen overhead.

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Education, Activities & Membership

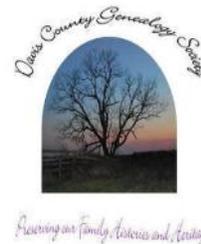
DCGS continues to educate the public, promote interest in genealogy, and archive resources of genealogical interest.

In October our society hosted a Heritage Showcase: a fun-filled day with guest speakers sharing their knowledge on topics such as Rural Schools, Cemeteries, Preservation, Trails, Lost Towns, and much more. Future plans include Quarterly education topics open to the public.

For eight years we have been actively involved in promoting Genealogy Exhibits & Judging by Jay DeYoung of New Sharon at the Davis County Fair. We provide the Ribbon premiums, and the fair board provides the space and Ribbons. This activity keeps Genealogy competitive, presents family treasures to the public, and allows for display of such. Volunteers contribute hours of fair time staffing the booth, conversing with the public and providing instruction and information to beginners. We host a drawing give-away, and usually gain new memberships

We are proud to have on our membership team Dorothy Goldizen, Pioneer/Charter Genealogist. Dorothy was instrumental in creating Genealogy Chapters across the state of Iowa, and is a past President/Officer of the Iowa Genealogical Society.

Our 40th year as a Chartered Society will be celebrated in 2014. We wish to thank the Bloomfield Public Library for being our home for many years and look forward to growing as a society at our new facility.



Since we are a non-profit group, and now have expenses to keep our research facility open, we do appreciate donations. Our membership averaged fifty-five this calendar year. Annual dues for 2013 are \$15 per individual.

For more information contact:

Davis County Genealogical Society
P. O. Box 94
Bloomfield, Iowa 52537

Ph: 641-664-1501

Email: dcdgs@netins.net

Come visit us in Bloomfield, or find us online:

http://iagenweb.org/davis/gene_societ.htm

Like us on Facebook:

<http://www.facebook.com/DavisCountyGenealogicalSociety>

News From the Family History Library

By Shirley Woodruff

In a recent announcement from Rod DeGiulio, executive vice president of records for Family Search International, he stated that a record acquisition project is underway at *FamilySearch*. There is an agreement with the Italian Government to digitize all their civil registration records and publish online all civil registration records for the entire nation. It is estimated there will be over 130 million birth, marriage, and death records. The project is estimated to take over six years to complete.

In Guatemala, *FamilySearch* is imaging civil registration records. In Venezuela, *FamilySearch* is engaged in a project to digitize Catholic Church records of birth, baptisms, and death

from 1800 to 2011. Leaders in Sierra Leone heard of the Guatemalan project and asked if *FamilySearch* would image their civil registrations.



FamilySearch now has 60,000 books and periodicals in its online collection. Within the next several months, it is hoped that users will be able to add corrections to mis-indexed records.

Visit the *FamilySearch* website to learn more about resources available online:

<http://www.familysearch.org>.

HISTORIAN'S PERSPECTIVE: War of 1812--Forging a Nation

By Edith Munro, IGS newsletter co-editor

The IGS fall workshop on veterans' records has prompted me to take a look at one of our semi-forgotten milestones: the War of 1812.

It says something that the Des Moines Library catalog lists just seven holdings on the war, compared to 185 titles on the Civil War. At Barnes & Noble I found only one book devoted to the conflict.

That's too bad, because the war was far more significant than the few details we commonly remember.

Here's a sampling of observations.

First: It was such a small-scale war, fought by an army still cobbled together from state militias of citizen soldiers, many of whom served only a few weeks or months.

In a significant battle like Lundy's Lane, deaths numbered less than 200 on either side.

Second: It was primarily fought along the U.S.-Canadian border, even though major events like the burning of Washington, D.C., and the Battle of New Orleans are better remembered.

Fighting raged from Fort Dearborn (now Chicago) to as far east as Lake Champlain, from the Battle of Tippecanoe near Lafayette, IN, to the Battle of the Thames, near London, Ontario, where Tecumseh was killed.

Much of the conflict was in the Niagara Falls area, including battles like Queenston Heights, where there's a monument to General Brock, one of fourteen British soldiers killed in the battle.



And did you know that one reason the British burned Washington, DC, is that York, Canada (now Toronto) had been burned earlier in a U.S. raid.



What was decisive in the end is that the borders didn't change, that the dispute was settled over who would control the Old Northwest Territory and the Great Lakes.

Third, while the U.S. had legitimate disputes with Britain over the impressment of sailors, much of the enthusiasm for war came from western settlers who fervently believed that Canada should be "liberated" from British rule.

At the time, there were only three states west of the Appalachians – Kentucky, Tennessee, and Ohio – but the west already wielded enough clout to influence national policy.

For Canadians this looked like naked aggression. It's illuminating today to visit Fort Henry, Kingston, Ontario, and see the ambitious defenses Canada was building as late as 1837 to defend itself from us.

Finally, it's clear that the war advanced the growth of both Canadian and U.S. national identity. It is significant that prior to 1812, President James Madison typically wrote "the United States are" – because he focused on states in the plural and saw "united" simply as an adjective describing them.

But by war's end, Madison was writing "the United States is." He had come to see "United States" as a single entity and a singular noun.

If all you remember about 1812 is Johnny Horton's 1959 song *The Battle of New Orleans*, now is a great time to rediscover this history. Walter Borneman's *1812: The War that Forged a Nation*, (available in paperback) is a good source.

And if an ancestor of yours served in the war, you'll realize he played a more important role in our history than you may have suspected.

TIPS AND TECHNIQUES: A War of 1812 Resource Checklist

By Alice Hoyt Veen, IGS newsletter editor

Do you have, or think you have, a War of 1812 ancestor on your family tree? How can you know? Here are some resources and strategies for discovering your ancestor's War of 1812 experience.

First Steps: Family tradition, personal papers or cemetery records

Always a good first step, these may include an obituary or local history, cemetery marker or funeral home record. Be sure to check where all the family and descendants lived for local histories-- you never know which sibling or child might have preserved the story.

Was he a Volunteer?

The War of 1812 was primarily fought by volunteer state militia troops. If you know where he resided, you may find him in state archival muster rolls or indexed federal records, National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) Record Group (RG) 94.

Index to Compiled Service Records of Volunteer Soldiers Who Served during the War of 1812. NARA microfilm publication M602 or FHL microfilm series 882,519 - 882,752. Or search online at *Ancestry.com*.

Even if you find him in federal records, the states are a great resource for military history, muster rolls, pensions, and information about local recruitments.

Was he "Regular Army?"

Look for his enlistment in NARA RG 94: *United State Army Register of Enlistments 1798 - 1914.* NARA microfilm publication M233, 81 rolls. Also online: *Ancestry.com*.

Discharge Certificates and Miscellaneous Records Relating to the Discharge of Soldiers from the Regular Army, 1792-1815. NARA microfilm publication M1856, 6 rolls.

Was he a Sailor?

These personnel files are not indexed, and a search must be made at the National Archives. You'll need to know the name of the ship your sailor served on; Ship Muster Rolls are also located at the Archives.

The exception are records for vessels of the Lake Erie Station. These can be searched online at *Fold3.com*.

Was he a Marine?

Search RG 127, *Muster Rolls of the U.S. Marine Corps, 1798-1892* NARA microfilm publication T1118, 123 rolls. Online: *Ancestry.com*.

Was he a Prisoner of War?

Index to War of 1812 Prisoner of War Records. NARA microfilm publication M1747.

Records Relating to War of 1812 Prisoners of War. NARA microfilm publication M2012.

Federal Records

Three basic record groups housed at the National Archives are good beginning resources for your ancestor's war experience.

Compiled service records

These consist of records of rank, military unit, dates of enlistment and discharge. If the soldier served with a state militia, that state is named, and the unit is usually identified by the company captain's or commander's name. If a soldier reenlisted into a different company, there may be more than one service file for him, identified by each military unit or company captain. Remember enlistments were mostly short-term: anywhere from thirty to ninety days, based on the optimism of the federal government for a speedy outcome to the war. Don't overlook those multiple service files.

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Pension files

Service-based pensions for War of 1812 veterans and their widows were not enacted until 1871, almost sixty years after the war. Needless to say, your ancestors may not have survived to the age when they would qualify for this benefit.

A veteran's declaration for pension might include his dates and places of birth, enlistment, and discharge, and his residency. A widow might state her age, residence, maiden name, date and place of marriage to the soldier, and the date/place of his death. Names and birthdates of living children might also be included. Remarried widows were also eligible for pensions based on their former husbands' service, RG 15.

Index to the War of 1812 Pension Application Files, NARA microfilm publication M313, 102 rolls. FHL microfilm rolls 840,431 - 847,532. Also available online: *FamilySearch.org*.

Old War Index to Pension Files, 1815 - 1926, NARA microfilm publication T316, 7 rolls. FHL microfilm rolls 821,603 - 821,609.

Index to Pension Application Files of Remarried Widows Based on Service in the War of 1812, Indian War, and Regular Army Service Before 1861. NARA microfilm publication M1784, 1 roll. FHL microfilm roll 2,155,462.

Bounty land files

The enticement of bounty land in exchange for military service was established during the war itself, with subsequent acts passed in 1842, 1850, 1852 and 1855. Each act defined qualifications for land grants--with widows and minor children gaining eligibility in 1850.

Land was typically granted in the military districts of public-land states such as Ohio and Illinois, although later tracts were granted anywhere in the public domain. Applicants provided proof of service, usually by personal affidavit and the affidavits of reliable witnesses. Information included the soldier's age at application, his military rank and unit, and the period of service.

His widow's or children's applications might include the date and place of the soldier's death. If approved, the file would show the patent number, location and the number of acres granted. RG 49.

War of 1812 Military Bounty-Land Warrants, 1815 - 1858, NARA microfilm publication M848, 14 rolls. FHL microfilm rolls 983,163 -983,177.

Bureau of Land Management, General Land Office Records:

<http://www.glorerecords.blm.gov/>

Search land warrants online for free.

Order military records online from the National Archives, or download order forms: www.archives.gov.

NATF Form 85: Order for Copies of Federal Pension or Bounty Land Warrant Applications.

NATF Form 86: Order for Copies of Military Service records.

Or contact NARA via U.S. postal service:

The National Archives and Records Administration
8601 Adelphi Road
College Park, MD 20740-6001

More !!

Once you find your War of 1812 ancestor, don't settle for just the basics-- there's much more available to enhance your understanding of your ancestor's war experience. Investigate other National Archives and state archives resources, veterans' and lineage society records, local newspaper accounts, and read, read, read good historical works on the war itself.

EDITOR'S NOTE: This is my last issue as IGS newsletter editor. It has been a pleasure and privilege to be your editor for the last three years and I've enjoyed working with everyone to produce a quality publication for IGS.

With appreciation
and best wishes,

Alice Hoyt Veen



RESOURCE REVIEWS

DISCOVERIES ONLINE

Society of the War of 1812 in the State of Iowa

<http://www.Iowa1812.org>

Facebook:: www.facebook.com/iowa1812

The Society of the War of 1812 in the State of Iowa is an affiliated state society of the General Society of the War of 1812.

Membership consists of male persons above the age of eighteen years who are lineal descendants of those who participated in or served during the War of 1812, in the Army, Navy, Revenue Marine, or privateer service of the United States.

The organization's purpose:

- to educate the public and perpetuate memories of the War of 1812
- to collect and secure for preservation documents relating to that period
- to encourage the research and publication of historical data including memorials of patriots of that era
- to cherish, maintain and extend the institutions of American freedom, and foster true patriotism and love of country
- to secure a more faithful prosecution of these ends by the promotion of good fellowship among the members of the Society

Work is underway to compile a list of known War of 1812 veterans who lived or are buried in Iowa. Visit their website to see the current lists.

The organization's Facebook page includes a photo album of gravesites of 1812 veterans that have been found in Iowa. They welcome submissions of War of 1812 gravesites in Iowa.

If you have information or gravesite photographs for a War of 1812 veteran that lived or died in the State of Iowa, or if you would like more information about the Society of the War of 1812 in Iowa, contact: iowa1812@gmail.com.

DISCOVERIES IN BOOKS

War of 1812 Genealogical Resources

Eales, Anne Bruner and Robert M. Kvasnicka, *Genealogical Research in the National Archives of the United States*. Washington, D.C.: National Archives and Records Administration, 2000.

Peterson, Clarence Stewart. *Known Military Dead During the War of 1812*. Baltimore: C.S. Peterson, 1955.

Schweitzer, George K. *War of 1812 Genealogy*. Knoxville, Tennessee: Geo. K. Schweitzer, 1983.

Smith, Dwight L. *The War of 1812: An Annotated Bibliography*. New York: Garland Publishing Co., 1984.

White, Virgil D. *Index to War of 1812 Pension Files*. Waynesboro, Tennessee: National Historical Publishing Co., 1989.

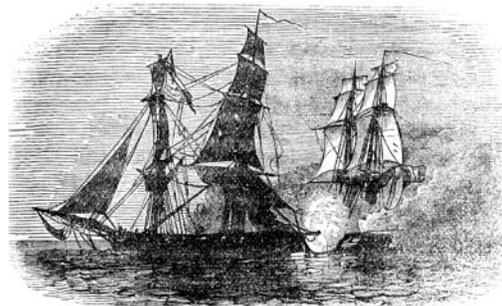
War of 1812 Historical Resources

Borneman, Walter R. *1812: The War That Forged a Nation*. New York: Harper Perennial, 2005.

Daughan, George C. *1812: The Navy's War*. New York: Basic Books, 2011.

Grant, John. *The War of 1812: A Guide to Battlefields and Historic Sites*. Nashville, Tennessee: Turner Publishing, 2011.

Heidler, David S. and Jeanne T. *Encyclopedia of the War of 1812*. Santa Barbara, California, 1997.



IGS CALENDAR

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

NOVEMBER 2012

Wednesday, November 7

Iowa Research: Part 2. 6 p.m. - 8 p.m.
Theresa Liewer, instructor. Preregistration required.
Cost: \$5 IGS members/\$10 non-members.

Discussion will include cemetery records, including the Iowa Gravestones Project on USGenweb, naturalization records, land records, probate records and newspapers. Special attention will be paid to the records that can be obtained through the State Historical library.

Saturday, November 10

IGS Volunteer Appreciation Potluck. 1 p.m. West Wing, IGS Library. All IGS members are invited.

Monday, November 12

Hidden Gems of the IGS Library. 6 p.m. - 8 p.m.
Debi Chase, instructor. Preregistration required.
Cost: \$5 IGS members/\$10 non-members.

Thursday, November 15

Lives & Times

Life in the 1920s: The New Woman. 7 p.m.
They painted their lips scarlet, bobbed their hair, smoked in public and exposed their legs. Called "Flappers" and the "Lost Generation," the behavior of young women in the 1920s scandalized their mothers. In quieter ways they voted, gained degrees, worked jobs outside of the home and were the original "super moms."

Join historian Phil Parks as he explores the era of the Roaring '20s. No registration is required for this free program. Donations appreciated.



Saturday, November 17

Using FamilySearch Successfully
10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Debi Chase, instructor.
Preregistration required. Cost: \$5 IGS members/
\$10 non-members.

Beginning Genealogy. 1:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.
Preregistration suggested. Free.

Saturday - Sunday, November 24 - 25

Research Slumber Party. 4 p.m. Saturday through 6 a.m. Sunday. Preregistration is required.
Cost: \$25 per person includes a light supper.

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African American Interest Group meets the **first Tuesday** of each month at 7 p.m.

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Norwegian Interest Group meets on the **fourth Tuesday** of the month (except December) at 7 p.m.

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English-Welsh Interest Group meets on the **fourth Thursday** of the month at 7 p.m.

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