

# Madison County Remembers...

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## From the President,

Spring is a time of surprises. We have had a nice spring so far. It's been cool, with wind and lately some rain. These changes, this variability is part of the charm of living in Madison County, Nebraska. I thought we might skip spring the day the temperature jumped to 92 degrees, but never fear, our high was 43 degrees the next day. Surprises, rain and sunshine. I love this time of year.

Family history has its surprises. We work with the "facts" about our families. We study and ask questions; we do research and begin to believe we know everything. Then we are surprised by something our father says, something our cousin writes in a letter, or a newspaper article about our ancestor. We can do two things when we're surprised. We can deny the validity of the recollection or we can let that surprising tidbit deepen and broaden our understanding of our family. We are not the first generation to change careers or suffer abandonment by a loved one. Our recorded history in America has been one of change. Every group of people has changed and has been changed. There were surprises over the Appalachian Mountains, across the Ohio River, up the Mississippi River, west of the Missouri, and over the Continental Divide. Every war was a surprise. Every grasshopper plague and drought was a surprise. Things have never gone on as they always have. It's only when we look back on the "good old days" that our childhood experience becomes the norm. So, stay curious, be surprised, keep your eyes open to see what's happening.

All this thinking was started by my survey research at the Norfolk Public Library. I'm trying to record a bibliography of local research materials that could be provided to other researchers. I was surprised to find a printed bibliography of Nebraska County research materials, Nebraska Local History and Genealogy Reference Guide by Sylvia Nimmo and Mary Cutler (1986). The book is organized by county and type of record. I see a map of the City of Tilden in 1916, Newman Grove church histories, and Meadow Grove school records. I can use this book for my own research and as a help to other researchers who send queries to our society.

I hope you're surprised this season, surprised by your research and by life.

John Kielty

## March Meeting Minutes

The regular meeting of the Madison County Genealogical Society was held on March 20, 2001, at the First Baptist Church, Norfolk.

There were eighteen members and one guest present. Members in attendance were: President John Kielty, Treasurer Don Monson, Dorothy Monson, Secretary Diane Ramaekers, Karen Rogat, Richard Strenge, Gloria Hintz, Nylotis Moats, Mike Moats, Mel Hintz, Betty Schulze, Marge Fuhrmann, Dale Masters, Jean Masters, David Zaruba, Nancy Zaruba, Joan Moody, and Jeanne Rix. One guest was in attendance: Janice Terry.

The guest speaker for the meeting was Commander John Reding of the Norfolk Fire Department. He talked about various fires in times past and equipment used in earlier days. Various equipment was also on display.

The minutes from the February meeting were read and approved.

Under old business:

NEWSLETTER COMMITTEE: Sent out 97 copies. The next several issues will be back to 12 pages as there are no towns in the next four townships.

RESEARCH COMMITTEE: John Kielty is still working on this.

Under new business: The library will be open one evening a month to start with. The committee is still cataloging information. West Lumber Company of Newman Grove donated some of the plywood and Affiliated Foods donated some racking for shelving.

The Norfolk Chamber of Commerce is sponsoring an Ethnic Day on June 9, 2001. They would like us to set up a booth for the day.

The insurance for the library, which was due, was dropped.

New publications received were displayed. The next meeting is April 17, at the Elkhorn Valley Museum. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted, Diane Ramaekers

## March Program

Commander John Reding presented a program on Norfolk's Fire History. Norfolk was granted the status and rights of a village on September 24, 1881, and a Village Marshal was appointed. In 1884, the first Fire Department, located at 4<sup>th</sup> and Braasch was organized. Equipment consisted of two ladders, two axes and three dozen good workers. Organized volunteers operated hand-drawn hose carts. In 1913, the City purchased a motor-driven hose cart known as the "Old Indian." An old ladder truck was purchased in 1919 and served the City until 1950. Upon delivery of a bare chassis in 1950, the City designed and built a ladder truck that served until 1974, which was then replaced by a Snorkel truck that can reach up to 80 feet. The Station moved to East Norfolk Avenue in 1940 and in 1965 moved to its present location at 701 Koenigstein. The building underwent major renovations in 1988 and again in 1991.

The first paid driver for the Department was hired in 1910 and was on duty twenty-four hours a day, seven days a week. By 1958, there were eleven paid Fire Fighters. Records indicate that by 1970 the Department employed seventeen Fire Fighters, a Fire Chief and a Fire Marshal. Today, Fire Division employees actually do more Paramedic and Rescue services than actual fire calls since today there are better fire prevention techniques, and better building standards.

John brought in many items to show and tell, making a very interesting presentation.

There were many major fires in Norfolk's history, and hopefully John will come back at another time and give us more details of those.

## April Meeting Minutes

The regular meeting of the Madison County Genealogical Society was held on April 17, 2001, at the Elkhorn Valley Museum and Research Center, Norfolk.

There were twenty-four members and four guests present. Members present were: President John Kielty, Vice-president Mickie Ryan, Karen Rogat, David and Nancy Zaruba, Joan Moody, Tommie Tracy, Dale and Jean Masters, Harold Lyon, Sue Askew, Mike and Nylotis Moats, Jeanne Rix, Richard Streng, Bernice Dewey, Lola Louthan, Dennis and Marilyn Newland, Bette Schulze, Margerie Fuhrmann, Marlyn and Betty Low, Joyce Barlow, and Doug Harbottle. Four guests were present: Betty Lyon, Joyce Rossmeier, Phyllis Kubes, and Amy Mancini-Marshall.

There was no secretary's report as she was absent. The treasurer's report was given by John Kielty in the absence of the Monsons'. Balance on hand in the checking account was \$1309.08 and \$1067.92 in the savings account.

We were informed that Jeanette Koehn, who has been doing our obituary indexing from the Norfolk Daily News, will be moving to Missouri and so will be unable to continue. We are in need of a person or persons who can help us in this work. The volunteers who are helping us for April and May are: John Kielty, Sue Askew, Margerie Fuhrmann, and Nylotis Moats.

We received correspondence from Betty Wiegert. A copy of an article from Farm Journal, January 2001, "In Search of a Claim" was sent to us. Ken Rulf of Grand Junction, Colorado, is looking for information on **Jacob and Eva URSCHER**, who immigrated from Germany on April 4, 1883. Orvin Marquardt of Courtland, Kansas, is looking for information on **August MARQUARDT**. The Allen Co. Public Library in Fort Wayne, Indiana, is requesting a copy of our first issue of the newsletter to complete their collection.

The Madison County Genealogical Society was invited to have a booth at the Northeast Nebraska Ethnic Festival. This will be held in Norfolk on June 9, 2001, beginning at 11 a.m. Mickie Ryan will contact Connecting Point about the possibility of using a computer and internet.

May 2, 2001, will be a "research night" at the Elkhorn Valley Museum and Research Center from 6 to 8 p.m.

Jim Curry from WJAG Radio Station in Norfolk, donated a CD copy to the Madison County Genealogical Library of the "Perspectives" radio program that was aired April 14, 2001. The program was titled, "Walking Through the Past". It contained information from interviews with Dave Zaruba, Nancy Zaruba, Margerie Fuhrmann, Mickie Ryan and Richard Streng, while they were out recording cemeteries. It was played and enjoyed at the meeting.

In the absence of our secretary, Karen Rogat took the minutes.

Respectfully submitted, Karen Rogat

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Child: "Mrs. Clarke says the pledge to the flag for us EVERY morning before class begins.....and I know all of it by heart".

Mom: "Very good! Let me hear you recite it."

Child: "OK. I PLEASURE LEGIONS TO THE FLAG OF THE KNIGHTED STATES OF 'MERICA...AND TO THE PUBLIC FOR RICHES DANCE, ONE ASIAN, UNDER GUARD, INVISIBLE, WITH LIVERY AND JUST THIS FOR ALL... EVERYONE TAKE YOUR SEATS AND NO TALKIN"

## 1889 Norfolk City Directory (Cont.)

### G cont.

Green, L. E., brakeman, res. Pierce betw. 1<sup>st</sup> and 2d aves., 2-h-e.

Green, Mrs. S. E., res. the same.

Greenwald, F. H., shoemaker, res. ne cor. 5<sup>th</sup> and Park ave.

Gregg, Geo., baker, bds. at E. J. Schoregge's.

Gregory, Uriah, carpenter, sw cor. 2d and Madison ave.

Gregory, Mrs. C., res. the same.

Gregory, Miss Minnie, teacher, bds. as above.

Gregory, Walter, clerk, bds. as above.

Griffin, Miss Ella, waitress at Pacific House.

Grimm, L., works at C. Rudat's, foot 2d St. north of Braasch ave.

Grimm, Mrs. F., res. the same.

Grinnell, Miss J. P., 306 Norfolk ave., res. up stairs.

Grinstead, Prof. P. W., res. se cor 10<sup>th</sup> and Park ave.

Grinstead, Mrs. Irene, res. the same.

Gruber, Henry, res. Blaine betw. 1<sup>st</sup> and 2d aves., 1-h-e.

Gruber, Mrs. K., res. the same.

Guild, Jno. L., driver, res. 13<sup>th</sup>, betw. Madison and Philip aves.

Guild, Mrs. M. A., res. the same.

### H

Hahn, Lewis, section boss, res. Blaine, betw. 1<sup>st</sup> and 2d aves.

Hahn, Mrs. S., res. the same.

Hale, Wm. liveryman, nw cor. 4<sup>th</sup> and Braasch ave.; res. nw cor. 7<sup>th</sup> and Hayes ave.

Hale, Mrs. M. D. F., res. the same.

Halverstein, Jay, engineer, res. Madison str., betw. 2d and 3d aves., 2-h-e.

Halverstein, Mrs. J., res. the same.

Hamlin, Miss Inez, waitress at Pacific House.

Harned, Chas., res. 4<sup>th</sup>, betw. Grove and Michigan aves., 3-h-e.

Harned, Mrs. J. M., res. the same.

Hartman, Mrs. L., dressmaker, res. Braasch ave. betw. 2d and 3d., 4-h-n.

Hartman, Miss Lydia, milliner, res. the same.

Harr, Joseph, teamster, se cor of 4<sup>th</sup> and Park ave.

Harr, Mrs. L., res. the same.

Harmon, James, res. se cor 2d and Park ave.

Harmon, Mrs. M. A., res. the same.

Harmon, Miss Lillie, bds. as above.

Harmon, Miss C., bds. as above.

Harris, E. C., superintendent of the F. E. & M. V.; res. Norfolk ave. betw. 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup>, south.

Harris, Mrs. A. R., res. the same.

Hardy, Fred E., res. Norfolk ave. betw. 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup>, 1-h-s.

Hardy, Mrs. N. B., res. the same.

Hardy, H. E., res. nw cor. 4<sup>th</sup> and Philip ave.

Hardy, Mrs. E., res. the same.

Hardy, Elmer, bds. as above.

Hargadine, Geo., 4<sup>th</sup>, betw. Pasewalk and Bluff aves., 3-h-w.

Hargadine, Mrs. A. C., res. the same.

Hargadine, Miss B. A., bds. as above.

Hargadine, H. R., bds. as above.

Hargadine, Mrs. A., res. as above.

Hargadine, Byron, bds. as above.

Hargadine, Chas., bds. as above.

Transcribed by Charlton Ryan, Ph.D.

## Calendar of Events

- May 15, 2001** Regular meeting of the **Madison County Genealogical Society.**
- June 9, 2001** **Northeast Nebraska Ethnic Festival, Norfolk, begins 11 a.m.**
- June 19, 2001** Regular meeting of the **Madison County Genealogical Society.**  
Refreshments to be served by Karen Rogat.
- June 20-21, 2001** **Land Records and Genealogy Symposium, Homestead National Monument, Beatrice, NE.** To register: 402-223-3514. Inquiries to: Homestead National Monument, 8523 West State Highway 4, Beatrice, NE 68310, email: todd\_arrington@nps.gov
- July 10-17, 2001** Two ladies from Des Moines are organizing a **tour to Salt Lake City.** For more information call Hazel at 515-276-0395.
- July 17, 2001** Regular meeting of the **Madison County Genealogical Society.**  
Election of officers for 2001-2002.
- August 21, 2001** Regular meeting of the **Madison County Genealogical Society.**
- September 1, 2001** **New officers for 2001-2002 assume duties.**
- September 18, 2001** Regular meeting of the **Madison County Genealogical Society.**

## Research Center News

This month's article will talk about City Directories and their uses to genealogists and historians as well as lists some of the most recent donations to the Research Center library collection.

City Directories are valuable research tools for locating an individual or a business in a specific area during a specific time. If you are doing genealogy, city directories will help you pinpoint the years your relative lived in a certain location and give you the address, thus allowing you to search land, real estate, and census records for more information.

One of the greatest features of a city directory is the ability to search by address. You can look up your ancestor's address and see if anyone else is living at that address with them. Often several related families lived together at one address, and this can be a great way to find parents, in-laws, siblings, and other collateral relatives.

City Directories for South Sioux City, Hastings, Falls City, Beatrice, Scottsbluff, Nebraska City, Fairbury, Grand Island, Kearney, North Platte, and McCook Nebraska for 1992 were recently donated. Other city directories recently received or cataloged include Aberdeen, Huron, Pierre, South Dakota, for 1992, and Worcester, Massachusetts, for 1882.

The Research Center owns city directories for Norfolk for the following years: 1889, 1896-97, 1915-16, 1919-20, 1922-23, 1924-25, 1926-27, 1928-29, 1930-31, 1932-33, 1934-35, 1936-37, 1939-40, 1944-45, 1948, 1950, 1958, 1960, 1962, 1963, 1964, 1966, 1967, 1968, 1969, 1970, 1971, 1972, 1973, 1974, 1975, 1976-77, 1978, 1979, 1980, 1981, 1982, 1983, 1984, 1985, 1986, 1987, 1988, 1989, 1990, 1991.

If you have city directories that you would be willing to donate to the research center, we would be happy to receive them.

Other new additions include: Mariners of the American Revolution, compiled by Marion and Jack Kaminkow, with an appendix of American ships captured by the British during the Revolutionary War. 973.3 KAM.

## Feature of the Month Union Township

**CITY OF MADISON**, is located in two sections. The North side is located in Sec. 32, Twp. 22 North (Union twp.), and the South side is located in Sec. 5, Twp. 21 (Madison twp.) both in Range 1 West of the 6<sup>th</sup> P.M., Madison County, Nebraska. Information was extracted from the STANDARD ATLAS OF MADISON COUNTY OF 1918, Extracted by Jeanne Rix.

The North side of the city was divided into the following **additions**:

Barnes, F. W. (6 additions)

Barns, W. J.  
Dunkan, J. F.  
Fritz  
Haskin  
Kamrath, Fritz

North  
Northwest  
Original Town  
Ward  
West Side Park

**People living in North side of the City of Madison**

Adelmann, Anna V.  
Annuschat, W.

Barnes, F. W.  
Barnes, P. V.  
Basse, Mrs. W. M.  
Bearfoot, Edith E.

Beatty, Geo  
Bender, F. J.  
Blank, Herman

Bley, L. G.  
Boe, Dick  
Bogue, Rosie L. et al  
Brewer, Susan  
Busteed, W.

Carson, H. E.  
Carson, H. H.  
Carson, Henry  
Carson, Sarah E.  
Chapman, J. W.  
Christian, O. S.-  
    Brookside Farm  
Class, Mathia S.

Davies, J. W.  
Dempsey, G. W.  
Dierks, B. T.  
Dittmer, A.

Dover, Alfred  
Dover, Lydia M.  
  
Feiling, Eliz. et al.  
Fichter, J. H.  
Fraser, A. R.  
Fritz, F. W.  
Froehlich, E.M.  
Froehlick, Emma Elizabeth  
Fuerst, Otto

Gillespie, M.  
Gonser, Anton  
Goodwater, A. F.  
Goodwater, A. W.  
Gores, William J.

Herdon, Eliz.  
Hide, J. R.  
Hide, Jos.  
Huber, Mina

Isenhauer, Mary  
  
Jacob, H.  
Jacobson, Jens  
Jilg, Adolph, Est  
Jones, Lena K.  
Jones, Martha  
Jones, Stephen

Kalzow, C. J.  
Kalzow, Chas

Kamrath, Christina  
Kamrath, F  
Kamrath, Fritz  
Kennedy, T.  
Ketelson, H.  
Ketelson, Hans  
Kilpatrick, Francis A.  
King, J. W.  
Knapp, B.  
Knapp, Carl H.  
Kohl, C  
Kreifels, J.

Lauvel, Joanna  
Lefler, Lizzie  
Lehman, E. E.  
Lestina, Thos.  
Lieber, J.  
Lieber, Jos  
Linse, Johannes  
Lyon, S. B.

McElhoes, B. L.  
McVittie, William  
Miller, James  
Miller, W. H.  
Murphy, John H.  
Norton, Harry L.

Olin, Peter

Palmer, M. G.  
Penhollow, Cassa

**North side of City of  
Madison (cont)**

Peterson, Christine  
Preuss, Otto  
Prince, F. R.

Rakowsky, A.  
Ray, N. H.  
Reed, A. M.  
Reed, W. E.  
Reigle, J. W.  
Reissinger, Katrina  
Remender, A. E.  
Rummans, A.

Scheer, Otto Z.  
Scheler, Louisa  
Schmidt, V. P.  
Smith, Anna C.  
Smith, Eva V.  
Smith, Matilda M.  
Smith, Sarah E.  
Smith, Thos. E.  
Steiner, Frank  
Sterner, E. K.  
Sterner, W. D.

Strom, H. S.  
Studts, Jacob  
Sutton, Agnes

Valoochkna, Anna E.  
Vlazny, Jacob

Warrick, F. J.  
Weiland, A.  
Wetzel, M.  
Wetzler, Harry  
Wolfgram, August

Young, Claus  
Young, Nancy J.

Zessin, L. A.  
Zigler, Jos. Est.

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**People living in  
Southside of the City of  
Madison**

Addvman (sp), Sidney  
Allen, W. V.  
Alstadt, Fred  
Austin, I. J.

Bender, F. J.

Danke, F. J.  
Davis, F. A.  
Davis, Hattie B.

Feiling, Eliz. et al.  
Field, W. H.

Garrett, M. C.  
Gates, Jennie  
Gores, William

Haris, Geo.  
Hennes, Ed  
Hennes, Mary A.

Hennes, Matt C., Jr.  
Hodson, D. T.  
Housel, Newton A.  
Hume, Emma D.  
Hume, J. B. est  
Hume, Jas B.

Jilg, Adolph, Est

Kamrath, Christina  
Knapp, B.  
Knouber, Matt

Latowsky, Carl  
Lowman, H. C.  
Lyon, E. A.  
Lyon, Hannah E.

Madden, Patricia H.  
McKeen, Celia D.

Nichols, Rosalie

Otterpohl, Mary

Pearse, Myra H.  
Petersen, F. A.  
Richardson, Mark  
Rowlett, Edwin

Schmidt, Louise  
Smith, C. S.  
Spence, Ellen  
Steinbeck, Marie  
Stibley, Jos.  
Stuart, L. A.

Taylor, W. E.  
Thatch, Mary L.  
Twing, H. C.

Underwood, C. F.

Warrick, E. K.  
Warrick, Nanny E.  
Warrick, W. S.  
Wolfgram, August

Zbornik, Fred  
Zumbrumm, M. Est

**UNION PRECINCT**, Township 22 North, Range 1 West of the 6<sup>th</sup> P.M. Madison County, Nebraska. Names of persons living on or owning land in Union Precinct extracted from the **STANDARD ATLAS OF MADISON COUNTY OF 1918**. Extracted by Jeanne Rix.

Besk, F. W., Sec 14  
Best, H. F., Sec 32  
Beuttner, Aug, Sec 19  
Bickley, L. V., Sec 19

Bickley, Mrs. L. V., Sec 19, 29  
Brandt, Geo. M., Sec 29, 29  
Brandt, Therese, Sec 29  
Bretschneider, M., Est, Sec 10

Bretschneider, Est, Sec 3  
Brosh, John, Sec 5  
Buettner, Martin, Sec 26  
Buettner, F. A., Sec 11

**UNION PRECINCT (cont)**

Byrant, Sarah, Sec 24  
Byrant, Willis, Sec 28

Carson, Frank, Sec 6  
Chapman, J. W., Sec 25  
Christian, O. S., Sec 33 –  
    Brookside Farm  
Copeland, V. W., Sec 8

Davis, Ben C., Sec 19  
Davis, Martha A., Sec 4  
Dieter, Adam, Sec 27  
Dieter, John, Jr., Sec 34  
Dorr, Geo W., Sec 31  
Dover, Alfred, Sec 4  
Dover, F. J., Sec 23  
Dover, H. D., Sec 25, 26  
Dover, J. W., Sec 24  
Dover, T. E., Sec 23, 25, 26

Eklund, Peter, Sec 13

Feiling, Chas., Sec 14  
Funk, John, Sec 29

Gall, Emil, Sec 11, 12  
Gall, Herman, Sec 10  
Gall, Otto E., Sec 10, 15  
Galp, B. Maria, Sec 31  
Glenn, A. W., Sec 35

Hangartner, Fritz, Sec 6  
Harsham, W., Sec 18, 19  
Heintz, Aug., Sec 10, 16  
Hetrik, B. B., Sec 32  
Hume, J. B. Est Sec 36  
Hume, Jas. B. Est., Sec 26

Jansen, R., Sec 11  
Jansen, Robt., Sec 15  
Johnk, H., Sec 6

Kaiser, Robert, Sec 7  
Karella, V., Sec 12  
Kilpatrick, Joseph, Sec 7, 21  
Klug, Leopold, Sec 8

Knull, Chas, Sec 7  
Kreifel, John, Sec 34  
Kreitman, George, Sec 32

La Fleur, Wm. A., Sec 35  
Landgraf, John, Sec 28, 33  
Lindner, Joseph, Sec 34  
Linn, R. W., Sec 8  
Lodge, Samuel, Sec 1  
Long, Thos, Sec 25  
Looman, Grace E., Sec 35

Malone, Ambrose, Sec 16  
Malone, Anna, Sec 17  
Malone, Elizabeth C., Sec 16  
Malone, Francis, R., Sec 17,  
    20  
Malone, J. J., Sec 5, 16  
Malone, James C., Sec 17  
Malone, Jos. S., Sec 17 - Pilot  
    Stock Farm  
Malone, M. B., Sec 18  
Moran, Ada, Sec 22  
Moran, Kate, Sec 21, 22  
Martin, W. R., Sec 6 -  
    Pleasant Valley Farm  
Mass, R., Sec 12  
Muse, M. Lillie, Sec 9

Nahrstadt, Andrew, Sec 13  
Nahrstadt, Mrs. S. E., Sec 13  
Neidig, E. J., Sec 20, 21, 28  
Neidig, Frank, Sec 29  
Neidig, H. G., Sec 20  
Neidig, Henry., Sec 15  
    (farmed with John F.)  
Neidig, Henry G., Sec 20  
Neidig, John F., Sec 15  
    (farmed with Henry)

Ochsner, Dellak, Sec 27  
Ochsner, N., Sec 22  
Ochsner, Norman, Sec 27

Parker, W. L., Sec 22  
Peterson, H., Sec 31  
Peterson, Henry, Sec 32, 33  
Prachar, Jos, Sec 28  
Probanz, David, Sec 2

Probanz, J. F., Sec 11  
Purdy, H. M., Sec 33  
Purdy, Nancy, Sec 2  
Purdy, Wm., Sec 1

Radant, Aug, Sec 23, 24  
Rakowsky, Gustav, Sec 12  
Remender, Albert, Sec 4  
Robertson, D. K., Sec 30 –  
    Twin Burn Farm  
Rogan, Cath C., Sec 6

Scheener, O. V., Sec 32  
Schilling, Adolph, Sec 2, 3  
Schilling, F., Sec 3  
Schmidt, V. P., Sec 32  
Schmitt, N., Sec 13  
Schwank, Emil F. A., Sec 31  
Schwank, Gus Adolph, Sec 21  
    Goodland Farm  
Schwank, Margaret, Sec 21  
Schwartz, Frank A., Sec 18  
Stahl, C. C., Sec 24  
Stark, Wm., Sec 31  
Stephens, Joseph, Sec 31  
Stork, George B., Sec 1  
Stork, W. W., Sec 5  
Streit, Dennis, Sec 16

Teske, C., Sec 27  
Tyrrel, P. H. Sec 20  
Tyrrel, S. P., Sec 20

Upton, F. C., Sec 22, 23  
Upton, Eliz., Sec 24  
Upton, R. M., Sec 23

Vanderohe, H., Sec 2, 11, 14  
Varner, H. A., Sec 7

Wakely, Clara A., Sec 20  
Werkmeister, H., Sec 22  
Werkmeister, H. F., Sec 26  
Wetjen, Wm., Sec 36  
Whitman, Maggie, E., Sec 9  
Wilson, Grace, Sec 18  
Wittgow, Wm., Sec 24, 35, 36  
Wright, Mrs. G., Sec 1



### 1899 Union Township, Madison County, Nebraska

The following is a selection from the Plat Book of Madison County, Nebraska 1899. The heading inside is *Patrons' Directory of Madison County, Nebraska*.

Name	Business	Post Office	Sec.
Barnes, P. J. ....	Farmer and Stock Raiser .....	Madison .....	32
Besk, Mrs. Caroline .....	Farmer and Stock Raiser .....	Madison .....	14
Bickley, W. L. ....	Farmer and Stock Raiser .....	Madison .....	19
Bohannon, A. H. ....	Farmer and Stock Raiser .....	Madison .....	19
Carson, H. H. ....	Farmer and Stock Raiser .....	Madison .....	6
Christian, O. S. ....	Farmer and Stock Raiser, Feeder and Shipper.....	Madison .....	33
Davis, Ben C. ....	Farmer and Stock Raiser .....	Madison .....	19
Hagglund, John J. ....	Farmer, Stock Raiser and Thresher .....	Madison .....	1
Heintz, Aug. ....	Farmer and Stock Raiser .....	Madison .....	10
Herrington, D. C. ....	Farmer and Stock Raiser .....	Madison .....	2
Long, Jerry .....	Farmer and Stock Raiser .....	Madison .....	8
Neidig, F. ....	Farmer and Manufacturer Sorghum Syrup .....	Madison .....	29
Oshsner, K. ....	Farmer and Stock Raiser .....	Madison .....	27
Rummans, A. ....	Farmer and Stock Raiser .....	Madison .....	18
Scheffe, J. ....	Farmer and Stock Raiser .....	Madison .....	30
Schilling, Fred .....	Farmer and Stock Raiser .....	Madison .....	2
Schmitt, Nick .....	Farmer and Stock Raiser .....	Madison .....	13

### 1918 Union Township, Madison County, Nebraska

The following is from the Standard Atlas of Madison County, Nebraska.

This is a selection of business and people found in 1918 Patron's Reference Directory of Madison County, Nebraska. The date following a name indicates the length of time the party has been a resident in the county.

The following is a list of individuals in Union Township in 1918. The abbreviations are as follows: S. for Section; P. for Precinct [or township]; P.O. for Post-office address.

**Degroat**, Anton, Duncan-Mead Farm, farmer and Breeder of High Grade Stock, S. 9, P. Union, P.O. Madison. 1886.

**Dieter**, John, Farmer, S. 34, P. Union, P.O. Madison. 1870.

**Gall**, Emil, Farmer, S. 11, P. Union, P.O. Norfolk, 1893. Mr. Gall has served as Director of School District No. 11 for two years.

**Gall**, Otto E., Farmer, S. 10, P. Union, P.O. Madison. 1884.

**Kaiser**, Robert, Farmer and Breeder of Graded Stock, S. 7, P. Union, P.O. Enola. 1882.

**Malone**, J. J., Farmer and Breeder of Hereford Cattle, Pilot Knob Stock Farm, S. 17, P. Union, P.O. Madison. 1881.

**Neidig**, Ed., Farmer and Breeder of Graded Stock, S. 20, P. Union, P.O. Madison. 1876. Mr. Neidig has served as School Treasurer for five years.

**Rowlett**, N. P., General Merchandise, Boots, Shoes, Hardware, Oils, and Produce, S. 5, P. Union, P.O. Enola. [year not listed].

**Schwank**, Emil F. A., Farmer and Breeder, S. 31, P. Union, P.O. Madison. 1889.

**Stork**, G. B., Farmer. S. 1, P. Union, P.O. Norfolk. 1871.

**Tyrrel**, P. H., Farmer, S. 20, P. Union, P.O. Madison. 1879.

**Varner**, H. A., Farmer, S. 7, P. Union, P.O. Enola. 1888.

Prior to 1906, Madison County boasted about its two new Pratt bridges. Madison was among the few Nebraska counties which applied for financial aid to build new bridges using state-approved plans.

Enola is a community in Union Township. The small town acquired its name from its founder, T. J. Malone. One would wonder how that could be, but *Enola* is *Malone* spelled backwards without an *m*. Enola's post office existed from January 22, 1906, to December 31, 1909 (Perkey, Elton. *Perkey's Nebraska Place-Names*).

The county seat of Madison is just south of Enola, and Madison's paper, *The Madison Star-Mail*, occasionally carried news items about happenings in little Enola, like the following:

Miss Viola Carson who is teaching school near Enola spent Sunday with the homefolks (19 April 1907).

J. L. Davis of Enola made a cattle shipment (19 April 1907).

Mrs. T. J. Malone and Mrs. Fay Malone of Enola attended the Episcopal bazaar.... (26 April 1907).

While in Enola Tuesday we had the pleasure of being shown through [sic] the fine new home of T. J. Malone which is all modern and up-to-date and speaks well for the growth of that little burg. Fay Malone also has built him a fine new modern home. Business seemed to be rushing and numerous teams were tied to the hitch racks and the merchant, Mr. Diefenderfer, was doing a lively business (26 April 1907).

Miss Hyacinth Malone passed through our city [Madison] Friday evening from Omaha to her home at Enola. She is attending the Sacred Heart Convent and has not been well for a few weeks and came home for a short rest. She will graduate in June (3 May 1907).

Also in *The Madison Star-Mail* is the account of a storm in Madison, which Enola also endured:

The most severe electrical storm of the season occurred last Tuesday evening lasting from 7:30 until 9 o'clock.... A lady in front of the Prince Hotel was knocked from her chair on the porch into the street. Thomas Smith and Harry Lamb both received a severe shock. Lightning striking a tree in front of Smith house. Mr. Smith was rendered unconscious. Mr. Lamb who was sitting along side of him felt the sting of the electricity but received no ill effects. Dr. Gadbois was summoned to the Smith home and found his neck and arm burnt. Albert Fellows who resides in the south part of town also received a slight shock (26 July 1907).

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## Pleasant Valley Cemetery

Pleasant Valley Cemetery, sometimes known as the Besk Cemetery and the German Lutheran Cemetery is located from Madison Junctions Hwy. 81 & 32 go north on Hwy 81 for 4 and 4/10 miles, then east 1 and 6/10 miles on the South side of the road. It is located in Union Township T 22 N, R 1 W, Section 14. There was never a specific church affiliated with this cemetery.

Last names of persons buried in this cemetery are:

Annuschat	Jauch	Rakowsky
Besk	Karella	Schilling
Blasz	Klawonn	Schmelling
Bley	Klug	Schmitt
Bretschneider	Koberg	Schulz
Christiansen	Love	Schumann
Gall	Marr	Stuckwisch
Henseleit	Modrow	Unknowns
Hintz	Polenske	Vonderohe
Jansen	Problesch	Wolff

### Gleanings

A new version of the Illinois death index has been issued by the Illinois Dept. of Public Health which covers deaths in Illinois from 1916 to 1947. This includes 17 more fiche than the previous version. This index contains dates and places of deaths by county and death certificate numbers. Source: The Lincoln-Lancaster County Genealogical Society NEWSLETTER, Lincoln, Nebraska Volume 25, No.3, March 2001 via Will/Grundy Counties, Illinois, Genealogical Society Quarterly, Winter, 2000-2001.

### New Web sites of interest.

Czech genealogy: <http://www.genea.ca/zdoje/svet.htm>  
Ellis Island Records: <http://www.ellislandrecords.org>

### New additions to area libraries:

Leila Stahl Buffet library in West Point : *Index of Irish Wills, 1484-1858*, on CD covers all of the Irish counties.

Family Histories available in the Platte Valley Kinseekers Library in Columbus include: Ahrens, Barrows, Bender, Benz-Schmeller, Blaser, Daniels, Derthicks, Ernst, Galley, Gigax, Glur, Grotleuschen, Hill, Holcombe, Huthmacheer, Jostes, Karlin, Larson, Loseke, Mason, Mohlman, Osten, Paprocki, Peach, Riddle-Beavers, Ripp, Schrant-Eckholt, Stoffel, Weir, Zelasney.

Nebraska State Genealogical Society Library in Beatrice:

*Fenner-Broughton Family History,*  
*Cemetery Records, Seward County, Nebraska,*  
*Frederick Heiderstadt: His Ancestors and His Descendants,*  
*Stockholm Lutheran Church, Shickley, NE, 125 Anniversary 1875-2000.*

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