# Madison County Remembers...

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#### 2010 State Conference

Our Madison County Genealogical Society will be hosting the Nebraska State Genealogical Society Annual Conference. The dates will be April 23 – 24, 2010. The conference will be held at the Holiday Inn Express Motel. The 2009 Conference was last weekend in Scottsbluff. Here is an update for us from Phyllis Masek, Coordinator of the Nebraska State Genealogical Society.

The conference was great. I think we all had a good time. I did some sightseeing and also met up with a relative and got some new family info and some leads on other things. So I am excited.

We had a board meeting on Thursday and picked our first choice for the

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# PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Where do we go from here? That question asked in different situations can result in different answers. Some years ago as I was researching some family information I found an obit for my great grandfather. He died in 1932 and my father was very young at the time. In the obit it stated the survivors, some of whom I already knew as I was growing up. There was a bit of a surprise listing for "and 3 sisters living in Kansas". There is no one around now that would even know anything about them. continued on next page

# **MEETING ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The May meeting will be held on the third TUESDAY, May 19, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. at the HOLIDAY INN EXPRESS. The program will be the MURDER OF FRED REEVES of Emerick on August 27, 1895.

The June meeting will be held on TUESDAY, June 16, at the HOLIDAY INN EXPRESS. We will celebrate the anniversary of our Society and our Society's Newsletter with a historical program, cake and ice cream.

The Holiday Inn Express has two nice meeting rooms just off the front lobby. We'll be holding the 2010 Conference at the Holiday Inn Express and we'll show you the facilities.

> Highlights in this Issue INDEX on page 11

So I am left with "3 sisters living in Kansas" with no first names, no last names and no listing for any cities they lived at the time of my great grandfathers death. Now my question is where do I go from here?

Several years ago I was out looking over the cemeteries here in Madison County. In the Best Cemetery I found a marker for a lady who died in 1934. Someone I had no knowledge of and the only one in that cemetery with that last name. I said, "I bet she has a story to tell." The reason I said that was for on her monument it said the age of her death was at 101 years old. The year was the only death date it showed. Now looking at a daily paper for that time would be a great undertaking. So I went to a nearby community paper, which is a weekly, and looked for her death being mentioned in that paper. I was not able to find anything on her, even if she lived to be 100 plus years. I maybe should have gone to the funeral home to ask them but which one? The funeral homes have been busy and knowing my research was not an urgent matter I did not do any more investigation. That is until now.

The other day in preparation for this newsletter I went to the public library to do some research. I decided to gather information from the city directory and see if there was any-thing there that might be of interest to our readers. At random I made a choice on the early 1930's. Not really thinking about the lady who died in 1934. In looking over the 1930 – 1931 directory I found lots of information that might be of interest for some people. You can see the results of that effort in this newsletter. Since I asked the librarian for more than one book I got 3 of them that covered the years of 1930 to 1935. It was very interesting to go to the 1934 – 1935 book and look up the name of Elizabeth Dunn.

In finding it I discovered the death date also for her. So then I went to find the obit in the paper and to see if "she had a story to tell". And she did. You can read "her story" on page 52.

Have you been taking some time this winter to prepare for any research trips you may take yet this year? Preparation is important in your research efforts. Yes, you may find some information that is easy to find. Other information may be a bit more difficult to obtain. Keep good notes and sources of information for your families. Some day you may discover that hidden information and find it in the most unlikely place. So the question remains for all of us to answer "Where do we go from here?"

What information do we have already in our possession? What information are we still looking for? Do we have something already in our possession if looked at from another view point might lead us to another question or possibly another answer. Do not give up in your search. Continue your efforts in your research and find a way to our meetings. We look forward to seeing you there and having your participation in making our society better.

Richard Strenge

The March program was a tour of some of the Genealogical materials at the Norfolk Public Library. The tour was led by Richard Strenge. He showed the different areas to find the Nebraska History collection, the genealogy books collection, the microfilm collections of papers, etc. There are also city directories, yearbooks and some other items in Closed Stacks that you have to ask library staff for. There are also some index cards and some online databases.

#### MADISON COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY Meeting Minutes March 21, 2009

The regular meeting of the Madison County Genealogical Society was called to order by the President, Richard Strenge with 12 members and 1 guest present.

<u>Announcements:</u> Our web page is up and running, the work has been done by Magee Designs of St. Edward. Members were able to view it on a computer that had been set up.

Upcoming programs – April will be a DVD on "Ancestors"; May "Frederic Reeves Murder" which comes from a query we received. Meeting location will be announced.

The program was "Researching at the Norfolk Public Library" given by Richard Strenge.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned. Respectfully Submitted, Susan Askew, Secretary

#### April Meeting:

The Madison County Genealogical Society met on April 18, 2009 at the Norfolk Public Library at 2 pm in the meeting room with 7 members present.

The meeting was called to order by vice-president Nancy Zaruba in the absence of the president. Notes were taken by Iola Louthan as the secretary was absent. The treasurer's report was read by Nancy Zaruba in the absence of the treasurer.

Announcements were made concerning the Nebraska State Genealogical Society Conference which was held in Scottsbluff on April 30, May 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2009. There was also a Spring Genealogy workshop held in Omaha on Saturday April 25 sponsored by the Greater Omaha Genealogical Society focusing on German research.

Discussion was held about a couple of interesting genealogy related TV series: The Locator in which Troy Dunn, locates missing people and reconnects family with lost loved ones whether adopted, separated, or whatever circumstances. This is on WE tv. Another new series that should be starting soon is called: Who Do You Think You Are? Which takes celebrities back to their roots and helps them dig up their family's past. This should be on NBC. It was originally scheduled to start the end of April in the 7:00 pm Monday time slot. But it has been delayed.

Plans are being made for the next State Genealogical Society Conference which will be held here in Norfolk on April 23 and 24, 2010 at the Holiday Inn Express.

The dvd "Records at Risk" was shown for the program. It is part of the Ancestor's series that was previously shown on public television. It was a very interesting film telling the need to keep our records in safe places especially in times of fire and flood. Many records have been destroyed by relatives that were not interested, while cleaning out estates. Please make arrangements for your precious family history to be given to some historical or genealogical society or museum or family member. Refreshments were served by Margie Fuhrmann. The meeting was adjourned.

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## Funeral Sunday for Mrs. Dunn

Funeral rites for Mrs. Elizabeth Dunn, Norfolk's oldest resident who died yesterday morning at the age of 101, will be conducted Sunday afternoon at 1:30 o'clock in the First Methodist Episcopal church by the pastor, the Rev. George S. Morrell. Burial will be made in the Best cemetery west of Norfolk.

Mrs. Dunn died of old age complications at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Peter V. Underwood, 1026 South Thirteenth street.

Source: The Norfolk Daily News, Thursday, March 22, 1934 on page 2.

# City's Oldest Resident Dies At Age Of 101

#### Mrs. Elizabeth Dunn Succumbs to Complications of Old Age

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#### Was Born in Tennessee

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#### Had Made Her Home with Daughter Mrs. Peter V. Underwood, 1026 South Thirteenth Street. Since 1912

Mrs. Elizabeth Dunn, Norfolk's oldest resident, who observed her 101<sup>st</sup> birthday anniversary Sept. 16, died Wednesday morning at about 9 o'clock at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Peter V. Underwood, 1026 South Thirteenth street. Complications of old age caused her death.

Mrs. Dunn suffered a fracture of the right arm and two fractures of her left leg in a fall about a year ago, but practically recovered. She had been bedfast since a paralytic stroke she suffered over twelve years ago.

Born Sept. 16, 1832, at Morristown, Tenn., she spent many years in the south coming to Iowa in 1884. She was married twice, her first husband, Abraham Jackson, was killed in the Civil War, and in 1883 she was married to Sherman S. Dunn. Since 1912 she had made her home with her daughter in Norfolk.

Funeral arrangements have not been announced.

#### Lost Sight in One Eye

When she was 4 years old Mrs. Dunn lost the use of her left eye, the sight having been destroyed by a flying chip of wood at her childhood home in Tennessee.

Mrs. Dunn's father died when she was 5 years old and when she was 12 her mother sold their Tennessee property and joined a caravan headed toward Missouri. In 1844 the family landed at Unionville, Ia., after a long journey by covered wagon, and there Mrs. Dunn spent a considerable portion of her life.

After her first husband had left to fight in the Civil War, a son was born, but he never saw his father. He is J. A. Jackson, now a Des Moines, Ia., manufacturer.

After her marriage to Mr. Dunn, they moved to Kansas. There a daughter was born to them, now Mrs. Underwood.

Mrs. Dunn was again widowed in 1885 and with her daughter returned to Unionville, Ia., where the daughter was married to Mr. Underwood.

For more than sixty years, Mrs. Underwood and her mother were not separated from more than three weeks at one time.

#### Pump Was A "Wonder"

During Mrs. Dunn's 101 years of life, practically all of the conveniences of modern life have been invented and developed. One of the "wonders" which startled Mrs. Dunn when she was 12 years of age was the sight of a stream of water pouring from the spout of an ordinary hand pump. She saw this during a visit to Bowling Green, Ky., and up to that time Mrs. Dunn had never seen water come from anything but a spring or a stream. Source: <u>The Norfolk Daily News</u>, Wednesday, March 21, 1934 on page 2.

# Gleanings from 1950

Extractions by Richard Strenge

#### Church Funeral For Mrs. Knycl Sunday

Rev. B. A. Phillippi of Clarkson helped to conduct the funeral service for Mrs. Otillie Kyncl at the First Presbyterian church on Sunday afternoon. The pastor, Rev. Hal E. Schenck, led the service and gave the sermon with the Rev. Phillippi adding the obituary and brief eulogy in the Bohemian language.

Mrs. Anton Kyncl passed away at Norfolk last Wednesday and would have been 42 years of age on May 21. She was born at Colome, South Dakota, to the Kucera family and grew up in that vicinity. She married Anton Kyncl on February 4, 1930 at Winner, South Dakota.

Source: excerpts from Madison Star-Mail Thursday, May 4, 1950 on page 1.

#### Christiansen Rites At Funeral Home

The funeral for Nickolas Peter Christiansen was held at the Resseguie Funeral home on Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Burial was at Crown Hill Cemetery. He was 82 years, 2 months and 22 days old. He had lived in Madison as a retired farmer for many years.

Nickolas P. Christiansen was born in Schleswig-Holstein February 8, 1868, and came to America when 14 years of age, living almost continuously in Madison county ever since. He married Carolina Scheer on January 30, 1894. To this union six children were born, all of whom survive their father's death.

Source: excerpts from Madison Star-Mail Thursday, May 4, 1950 page 1.

#### Sister of Tom Farrell Dies in Lincoln Hotel

Mrs. T. E. Farrell accompanied her husband's brother-in-law, R. F. Wilson, to Minneapolis Saturday for the funeral of Mrs. Wilson sometime this week.

The death of Mrs. R. F. Wilson of Minneapolis occurred just nine days after she had attended the funeral of her brother, Tom Farrell, here at Madison. With her husband she had gone on to Lincoln and was taken by a heart attack while staying at the Hotel Cornhusker. Source: <u>Madison Star-Mail</u>, Thursday, April 20, 1950 on page 1.

#### Madison Pioneer Dies in S. Dakota; Services Sunday

Francis Dover, 92, Madison county farmer and pioneer, died at the home of his son in Martin, S. D. on March 22. Francis E. Dover was born at Silver Creek, Delaware County, on August 21, 1857. He was educated in Massachusetts and when yet a young man came to this state. On December 24, 1881 he was united in marriage with a cousin, Miss Jane Dover of Madison. To this union four children were born, two sons and two daughters, three of whom preceded him in death. Mrs. Dover died on October 19, 1905.

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On May 23, 1911 he was united in marriage with Mrs. Rose E. Emery of Sansarc, S. D. She passed away on May 19, 1934.

Source: excerpts from Madison Star-Mail Thursday, March 30, 1950 on page 1.

#### Farrell Obituary

Thomas E. Farrell, whose funeral was held at the First Presbyterian church on Thursday, April 6, was a true son of Erin, born at Scotstown, County Monaghan, Ireland, the 17th of September, 1887. His father William also had been born in Scotstown and his mother, Jane Gilbert Farrell, in the same county at Castleblainey. Coming to this country at 21 years of age, he was united in marriage with Miss Elsie M. Farnsworth and set up his home. The Farrell's had three sons and a daughter. Mr. Farrell found employment with the Union Pacific railroad and had been stationed at Stromsburg and at Platte Center in addition to his sixteen years here in Madison. Many railroading friends, including the assistanat division superintendent from Omaha, were present at his funeral.

Source: excerpts from Madison Star-Mail Thursday, April 13, 1950 on page 1.

#### Tilden Child Killed When Truck Falls Upon Her

Marcia McClatchey, 3-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James McClatchey of Tilden, was killed Sunday in a truck mishap two miles south of Tilden.

Source: excerpt from <u>Battle Creek Enterprise</u>, Thursday, May 11, 1950 on page 1.

#### Anthony Robinson, 87, Dies

Anthony K. Robinson, 87, one of Madison county's oldest citizens, died Sunday afternoon at the home of a daughter in Newman Grove. He had been in failing health for some time.

Mr. Robinson came to Madison county when a young man. He was the husband of Mary Bickley Robinson, who died in 1941. Burial was in Crown Hill cemetery at Madison. Source: <u>Battle Creek Enterprise</u>, Thursday, May 11, 1950 on page 1.

#### Visitors

Mrs. Harry Ashley and son, David, of Hay Springs spent a few days this week at the home of Mrs. Ashley's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Leo. Werner.

Source: <u>Battle Creek Enterprise</u>, Thursday, May 11, 1950 on page 1.

# Norfolk City and Madison County Nebraska Directory 1930 --- 1931

The following information was extracted from this directory by Richard Strenge. The names below are for those who were shown to have moved from Norfolk and the new location of their residence. Names were typed as found in the directory.

Adock, Charles M. (Helen), moved to Madison, Neb. Allen, Dean F., moved to Plainview, Neb. Anderson, Chris L. (Mabel), moved to Portland, Oregon Anderson, Clara, moved to Joliet, Illinois Anderson, John C. (Carrie W.), moved to Omaha, Neb. Anderson, Werner (Helen), moved to Sioux City, Iowa

"History is a pact between the dead, the living, and the yet unborn." —Edmund Burke

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Angel, Albert W. (Vera H.), moved to Wakefield, Neb. Ballard, Charles S. (Anna), moved to Battle Creek, Neb. Barger, Learned A. (Bertha S.), moved to Newport, Neb. Bartee, Mon R. (Blanche M.) moved to Battle Creek, Neb. Barton, R. B., moved to Madison, Neb. Bergquist, Fred (Marie), moved to Beresford, South Dakota Blank, Otto (Freda), moved to Foster, Neb. Bogue, William I., moved to Tilden, Neb. Boock, Allan (Hedwig B.), moved to Grand Island, Neb. Bordy, Nathan, moved to Genoa, Neb. Breyer, Arthur W., Jr., moved to Chicago, Illinois Brummond, Louise, Mrs., moved to Hoskins, Neb. Buettner, Marie A., Mrs., moved to Madison, Neb. Buskirk, Floyd W. (Ema E.), moved to Kenosha, Wis. Butterfield, Edgar W. (Ida M.), moved to Omaha, Neb. Casselman, Serverina, Mrs., moved to Meadow Grove, Neb. Claggett, Ernest D., moved to Cincinnati, Ohio. Clark, Edward H. (Frances M.), moved to Omaha, Neb. Clayton, Aldred B. (Emma L.), moved to Bancroft, Neb. Cole, William M. (Lillian), moved to Winner, South Dakota Cook, Isaac T. (Cora V.), moved to Meadow Grove, Neb. Courtney, George F. (Helen L.), moved to Sioux City, Iowa Courtney, J. Lyle (Sue), moved to Battle Creek, Neb. Crahan, Herbert W. (Ann K.), moved to Omaha, Neb. Daniel, Homer M. (T. Marie), moved to North Platte, Neb. Dodson, Morton (Lillian), moved to Lincoln, Neb. Doell, Arthur W. (Maude F.), moved to Omaha, Neb. Dunn, Cora, Mrs., moved to Chicago, Illinois Fredrickson, August (Ada), moved to Fremont, Neb. Freschauf, Florence J., Mrs., moved to Humphrey, Neb. Gaylord, Roscoe L. (Mabel H.) moved to Fremont, Neb. Giles, Frank A. (Helen W.), moved to Des Moines, Iowa Goldfein, Joseph W., moved to St. Paul, Minnesota Good, E. A., Dr., moved to Edgar, Neb. Gores, William J. (Bessie), moved to Omaha, Neb. Gow, Harold S. (Rosella), moved to San Diego, California Graven, William C. (Theodosia), moved to Fremont, Neb. Gruen, Paul B. (Nell F.), moved to McCook, Neb. Haas, Charles W. (Helen), moved to West Point, Neb. Hadley, Earl (Anna C.), moved to Bloomfield, Neb. Hansen, Alfred (Ethel), moved to Lincoln, Neb. Hedrick, Clarence O., moved to Chadron, Neb. Herre, Robert M. Jr. (Jennie P.), moved to Ainsworth, Neb. Hillberg, Clifford (Edna), moved to Wausa, Neb. Housh, Glen G. (Florence), moved to Omaha, Neb. Hull, W. Lott (Mamie), moved to Wood, Neb. Ingels, Earle D. (Agnes C.), moved to Chicago Heights, Illinois Kent, Leo (Margaret), moved to El Reno, Oklahoma Knuth, Bernard F. (Marie), moved to Omaha, Neb. Kuehl, Carl (Alma), moved to Fremont, Neb.

#### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

June 20, 2009 - Wichita, KS -Kansas Council of Genealogical Societies - "Trace your Roots with DNA," "Welcome to Roots Television," "Reverse Genealogy" and "Find that Obituary!"

July 10-11, Genealogy and Land Records Symposium, a partnership between Homestead National Monument of America and Southeast Community College's Continuing Education Department. Location is SCC's Continuing Education Center in Lincoln.

September 2-5, The Federation of Genealogical Societies and the Arkansas Genealogical Society, Statehouse Convention Center in Little Rock, Arkansas

April 23-24, 2010, Nebraska State Genealogical Society state conference, Norfolk, NE www.nesgs.org/~mcgs

April 30-May 1, 2010—National Genealogical Society Annual Conference—Salt Lake City (Amtrak train/seminars to get there)

#### **Newspapers Going Digital**

Nebraska newspaper coverage of historical events and everyday life from 1880 through 1910 is going digital. The Nebraska Digital Newspapers Project, part of the free national online database, is funded through a two-year "We the People" grant provided by the National Endowment for the Humanities. It will allow about 100,000 pages of Nebraska newspapers to be included in the Library of Congress website at: http://www.loc.gov/ chroniclingamerica/

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Larrabee, James D. (Mary A.), moved to Lincoln, Neb. Launt, William R. (Thelma), moved to Chadron, Neb. Lee, John R. (Marie), moved to Sioux City, Iowa Long, Leonard J., moved to Chadron, Neb. Lovelace, Walter L. (Edna), moved to Omaha, Neb. Lundeen, Elmer J. (Helen), moved to Pierce, Neb. Luschen, Louise G., Mrs., moved to Stanton, Neb. Marquis, Van W. (Hazel C.), moved to Denver, Colorado McDonald, Michael J. (Maud A.), moved to Beemer, Neb. McGuire, Thomas J., moved to Columbus, Neb. McLellan, John R. (Ruth), moved to Alliance, Neb. McNabb, Newell H. (Marguerite), moved to Chicago, Illinois Miller, Harry B. (Leone R.), moved to Galesburg, Illinois Morris, Millard F. (Ruth M.), moved to Denver, Colorado Nelson, Minnie C., Mrs. moved to Lincoln, Neb. Nicholas Gurdon H. moved to O'Neill, Neb. Nichols, Lloyd A. (Vivian M.) moved to Omaha, Neb. O'Malley, Frank C. moved to Omaha, Neb. Orr, Peter M., Rev. (Anne B.), moved to Lexington, Neb. Pearce, Loren C. (Elvira A.), moved to Aurora, Neb. Pitzer, Roy E. (Helen R.) moved to Scottsbluff, Neb. Rapp, Robert E. (Blanche E.) moved to Omaha, Neb. Ries, John H. (Dolores) moved to Lindsey, Neb. Riordan, John F. (Mayme K.) moved to Omaha, Neb. Robare, Sterling A. (Bessie) moved to Columbus, Neb. Roberts, Edward (Margaret) moved to Zanesville, Ohio Rose, Carl P. (Ferne), moved to Marshalltown, Iowa Sanders, Lloyd H., moved to Storm Lake, Iowa Scheerger, E. E. moved to Chambers, Neb. Seifert, Leonard P. (Agatha) moved to Minneapolis, Minn. Sexson, Eugene H. (Marie) moved to Omaha, Neb. Siercks, Otto H. (Thelma B.) moved to Hutchinson, Kansas Sinclair, Duncan E. (Grace), moved to Mobridge, South Dakota Smith, Clarence W. (Mykie F.), moved to Minatare, Neb. Smith, Robert Y. (Wilhelmina) moved to Kansas City, Missouri Stenger, Alfred A. (Mary) moved to Columbus, Neb. Stevens, Lloyd R. (Rosella) moved to West Point, Neb. Stringfield, Rollie C. (Lillie B.) moved to Peru, Neb. Suiter, Emma A., Mrs. moved to Kansas City, Missouri Sutherland, Charles G. (Nollie) moved to Omaha, Neb. Swanson, Harry L. (Constance) moved to Sioux City, Iowa Teigeler, John G. (Florence M.) moved to Lincoln, Neb. Tilley, Albert C. (Frances H.) moved to Lincoln, Neb. Uecker, Eugene A. (Lillie) moved to Hadar, Neb. Van Horn, James H. (Ann) moved to Salt Lake City, Utah Walker, Paul A. (Opal A.) moved to St. Joseph, Missouri Waugh, Truman C. (Ruth L.), moved to Lincoln, Neb. Wells, Fulton L. (Josephine), moved to Stanton, Neb. Whalen, Erzia O. (Kate H.) moved to Battle Creek, Neb. Woolsey, Charles, moved to Davenport, Neb.

#### QUERIES

A query was received from Verna Mosby of Allen Park, Michigan about the murder of Fred Reeves of Emerick in 1895. Mr. Reeves is her great great grandfather. In working on her query we have the bones of an interesting story that will become the May program for our Society.

Another query was received from Garry Immerman about Morgan cemetery. The only marked grave there is Dr. G. Morgan who died in 1876. It seems Dr. Morgan is Garry's great-great-great grandfather and Dr. Morgan's first name is Guilson (which we did not know). There were no newspapers here at the time to hunt for an obit, but he know that he came from Crawford Co., Wisconsin and before that from locales in Indiana, Michigan and New York. Now that he has a death date he's going to seek an obit in those locations as the family (Ann Morgan Froding from Tri-County Pioneers) may have written back to friends and relatives. Does anyone have any more information about his cemetery and burials?

The Winona County, MN Historical Society is seeking information on Mary Louisa Ward's family of Madison. They have more than 300 letters written by or to Mary Lou while she was in college there. I have her marriage license to Charles Belknap but if anyone has more please contact me. They will exchange info.

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Zachary, Isaiah C. (Florence) moved to Sioux Falls, South Dakota Zeissler, John H. moved to Bonesteel, South Dakota Zieg, Henry (Alma J.) moved to Neligh, Neb.

# Norfolk City and Madison County Nebraska Directory 1930 --- 1931

The following information was extracted from this directory by Richard Strenge. Names were typed as found in the directory. The following were listed in the directory showing their death date and their age. This is for those listed in Norfolk, Nebraska.

Askey, James N., Died Jan. 29, 1929, age 81 Beels, George N. Died Sept. 16, 1929, age 79 Boyd, Horatio N. Died Jan. 13, 1939, age 81 Bridge, Charles S. Died Nov. 20, 1930, age 82 Butterfield, George D. Died Sept. 29, 1929, age 61 Died July 23, 1929, age 93 Craig, John S. Daniel, Corties L. Died Nov. 9, 1939, age 53 Deck, Herman Died May 14, 1929, age 70 Devlin, Daniel E. Died Nov. 2, 1930, age 36 Farage, Thomas W. Died Aug. 14, 1930, age 84 Faubel, John Died Feb. 20, 1929, age 81 Felger, Jacob O. Died March 12, 1930, age 73 Fox, Frank W. Died July 12, 1929, age 35 Harrington, John J. Died May 26, 1930, age 75 Higginbotham, William Died April 24, 1930, age 60 King, Richard B. "Bud" Died Sept. 27, 1929, age not listed Kissinger, Charles A. Died Aug. 11, 1929, age 74 Klawitter, Paul Died March 2, 1929, age 51 Klug, Henry E. Died April 10, 1930, age 60 Lambert, Lydia E. Mrs. Died March 30, 1930, age 62 Luke, Hiram H. Died Jan. 22, 1930, age 75 Luschen, William J. Died Oct. 1, 1930, age not listed Machmuller, Rudolph Died Oct. 6, 1930, age 52 Maher, William B. Died March 23, 1929, age 52 Marquardt, Elizabeth, Mrs. Died Nov. 11, 1930, age 70 Mittelstaedt, Mary, Mrs. Died Oct. 12, 1930, age 49 Moore, Elbert L. Died March 26, 1931, age 51 Moriarty, Daniel W., Rev., Died Oct. 22, 1930, age 72 Moxley, William L. Died May 29, 1930, age 41 Muffly, Charles E. Died May 20, 1930, age 65 Needham, Leonard S. Died March 12, 1930, age 67 Nordwig, Fred. Died Nov. 26, 1930, age 84 Parish, Charles P. Died March 17, 1930, age 69 Pasewal, Herman A. Died Dec. 11, 1929, age 75

#### MCGS ELECTIONS

A nominating committee will be selected in May to solicit prospective officers for the next year. Any member may also nominate candidates but nominations will cease by the June meeting after which ballots will be prepared and mailed out to all members to vote. All votes must be received back by the July meeting when they will be tallied and the winners announced.

President—(leads meetings, gets mail, handles queries)

Vice-president—(leads meetings in absence of President, organizes programs, helps with queries)

Secretary—(records minutes of meetings, notifies area media outlets of meetings)

Treasurer—(pays bills and keeps financial records for the Society)

Newsletter Editors—(writes and publishes the bi-monthly newsletter)

Webpage Editor—(works with the Society's webpage)

All positions are open and available to anyone with an interest in helping to improve the Society.

#### Email about Best Cemetery

The following comment about our web page was received recently.

I was looking for the Besst Cemetery online and came across an article written by Cleo Deuel titled History of Best Cemetery. My parents knew the Deuels. I can't think of the name of the man. In any case he had all the records of the Best Cemetery according to my mother, Fannie Casselman Besst. My dad was Harry Delmar Besst. I thought the article was wonderful, and my Uncle Clyde Best was mentioned as playing the piano. My family left that area in March of 1945. I am glad the cemetery is being kept up. I thought the article was very interesting and forwarded it to members of my family. Donna Chellew (818) 341-1466

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Pobanz, John F. Died June 4, 1929, age not listed Ricke, William Died Nov. 18, 1930, age 65 Schwede, Fred F. Died Oct. 14, 1928, age 65 Scott, James T. Died Feb. 25, 1930, age 50 Tibbs, Edward H. Died Aug. 23, 1929, age 40 Tobola Frank Died Sept. 21, 1930, age 54 Uttecht, Ferdinand H. Died Nov. 11, 1930, age not listed Vrinders, James S. Died Dec. 11, 1929, age 70 Walters, Elizabeth, Mrs. Died Feb. 4, 1929, age 84 Whalen, Frank M. Died July 2, 1929, age 72 Woods, Roy J. Died Dec. 3, 1930, age 65 Ziemer, Louis Died March 8, 1928, age 69		Ma ety be "ol am it r dre	Websites of Interest Have you taken a look at the Madison County Genealogical Soci- ety's new updated website? It has been a number of years that the "old" one was available. A great amount of effort was made to bring it more up to date. It now has hun- dreds of bits of information for you.
braska Boysen, Bro as Katherine Dowling, Sc	and in the city directory for Madison, Ne- oder Died July 23, 1930, age 80. Wife listed e P. loman M. Died Nov. 23, 1930, age 81	Check it out by going to http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/ ~nemcgs Take a look at the Resources link to see what is new. You can also see our webpage by going to http:// www.nesgs.org/~mcgs	

speaker, however that person has not to gotten back to me so we cannot announce the name. As soon as I get a response, I will let you know. We are hoping this person has not booked another conference.

Heard exciting news at the conference as the National Genealogical Society's annual conference is in Salt Lake City next year at this time (that is why we changed the dates for our societies' conference to 4/23-4/24 2010. They are also talking about having a special Amtrak train that picks people up and they would have seminars and activities on it.

I also spoke with a lady who might be interested in doing a session on German or Czech genealogy. Would that be of interest in your area?

Your society can look for local speakers or speakers from the Nebraska Humanities who might be in your area. We will probably try and have 4 sessions for each day. We can do some alternate sessions if we can find some. A lady from Ancestry.com spoke this year and gave us tips on using Ancestry to the fullest. We maybe could get her again, if your group is interested.

I will let you know as soon as I hear.

RECTORY TO BE CONTINUED IN THE NEXT ISSUE

We heard from the speaker and it is a go! **Paula Stuart-Warren** will be the speaker for 2010. I do not have any other details than that. Will have more info after the July board meeting. I believe that she will do 6 sessions. continued on next page

Probably, have your group start thinking about ideas for the Friday night event. Whether it is going to a museum, a library, or we have a speaker over dinner. This year we had a speaker and dinner (food okay but not the greatest). In Lincoln we went to the Quilt Show, some went to the Tractor Museum and then came back and heard a guy who played a lot of instruments – Dinner was on our own. We will possibly consider doing something on Thursday evening also, but it will be something simple like an extra session, or vendor night.

Probably will need maybe 2 additional sessions (1 for each day) – this can be 2 different speakers or 1 who does 2 sessions. We maybe can request someone from Ancestry again, if you guys are interested in that.

We are just going through the evaluations right now so will get back to you on things we probably need to do differently next year. Overall, the conference went well.

If your group can get some ideas (even 1) for Friday night, or extra speakers (1 can be from the Humanities), I can present it to the Board in July. Once we can get this all decided, we will start putting the information up on our website.

Do you have any good genealogy libraries or historical museums in your area? I want to do something new this next year. I met up with a relative in Scottsbluff and learned that a lot of my dad's family was out in the panhandle. If I would have known that ahead of time, I could have done more research while there. So I thought if others knew that their ancestors were in Madison County, they could come a day ahead and do some research.

Also, maybe give us a list of what is there to see - attractions. We can list this information on our website.

Hope this helps. I will have more time next week to go through the list and see what else your group will want to start on. Your group might also want to decide if they want to have a table or two to sell any books that your society has published. Thanks, Phyllis (emails to mcgs@cableone.net or write to PO Box 1031, 68702

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