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QUESTER'S STATEWIDE FALL FLING "IT'S A WONDERFUL LIFE BEING A QUESTER"

October 8, 2016

Please join L.M. Shaw #353, Denison; Buena Vista #753, Storm Lake; Fragile Treasures #1372, Kingsley; Mary Harker #1225, Storm Lake; PIA #1002, Ida Grove; and Tlobedo #485, Odebolt as we host the Quester's Statewide Fall Fling to be held Saturday, October 8, 2016, at the First United Methodist Church, 113 South 14th Street, Denison, Iowa.

8:30 A.M. REGISTRATION AT THE METHODIST CHURCH: Time for refreshments and viewing the Chapter Members collections. As always there will be plenty of time to shop at the Treats and Treasures and the Ways and Means tables. Throughout the day there will be many chances to buy tickets for the Opportunity Baskets that the hosting chapters will be donating for raffle.

The Treats and Treasures table needs your help. Donated items are in short supply. We encourage everyone to please bring items with you to donate. Make sure it is a "quality" piece (something you would like to purchase!) and please have it pre-priced. The money from the Treats and Treasures goes towards the cost of printing the Hawkeye Tales and the money from Ways and Means sales go into the State P & R fund which is then awarded throughout Iowa in the form of grants.

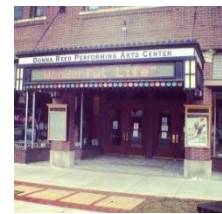
9:30 A.M. PRESENTATIONS:



"HEATH POTTERY"
by Judy Hayworth



"JACK SPRAT GROCERY ITEMS"
by Roxanne Duncan



"THE DONNA REED THEATRE"
by Pat Fleshner

After lunch we will have a brief Informational Session which will include an introduction of the State Officers and will end with the drawings for the Opportunity Baskets.

FOR FRIDAY EARLY BIRDS

Pick up your registration packets at the W.A. McHenry House, 10-5 and at the Methodist Church from 5:30-7.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON: Donna Reed Theatre & Museum (century old Germania Opera House) will be open to tours and showing videos on the movie screen.

FRIDAY EVENING: W.A. McHenry House Museum, circa 1885 "NIGHT AT THE MUSEUM" hear the memoirs of a community as told by some of the early citizens.

SATURDAY

Museum Tours in Denison:



Donna Reed Theatre
Main & Broadway
Friday 10-4
Saturday 1:30-3:30



W.A. McHenry House
1428 1st Ave. North
Friday evening 7-9
Saturday 1:30-3:30

Shopping in Denison:



Miller Alley Antiques
1609 3rd Ave. South
Open 10-5



The Junkery
1327 Broadway
Open 10-5

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Password: Grant Wood

This is case sensitive.

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MEMBERSHIP! MEMBERSHIP! MEMBERSHIP!

We know for a fact that the best way to get new Quester members is still by personal contact.

It is not very hard to do. Ask someone to come to your chapter meeting as a guest, and then invite them to join. Every member is capable of doing this.

LET'S GET STARTED!

Make this the year you increase your chapter membership.

We are going to do it again this year! We are having a membership contest. Same rules as last year, same prizes. Make it a goal to have your chapter win. The awards are in the form of grants for a P&R project your chapter is working on. We will give \$150 to the chapter who brings in the most new members; \$100 to the 2nd place chapter; and \$50 to the 3rd place chapter.

BUT WAIT!

You can earn even more. **We are going to give a \$300 award to any chapter who gets a new chapter organized.** You only need eight (8) people to start a new chapter. That is really not very many people. This is an easy way to make money for your P&R project, and help keep Questers a viable organization in the State of Iowa. *Need help doing this? contact me:*

*Vicki Baker, 1st VP Iowa Questers, Membership & Organizer Chairman
1910 Elm Circle, West Des Moines, IA 50265, vbtagit@live.com or 515-360-8236*

IOWA QUESTERS NEED YOUR TIME AND TALENTS

By Ann Sturgeon Kreager, Nominating Chair



Questers is a volunteer run non-profit organization that can make an impact within your town and the State of Iowa. Volunteers maintain our membership database, support and strengthen our membership, plan and coordinate our annual fall and spring conferences, administer our web site with all

kinds of Quester information, research and edit our biannual newsletter, encourage chapter year books, send informational bulletins, and promote fundraising for our state P&R Grant Fund to help local chapters with their special P&R projects.

Today you turn on the TV or radio and you hear plenty of talk about our upcoming elections. Did you remember Iowa Questers will also be holding elections this winter for a President, Vice President and Corresponding Secretary in our organization? Young, middle age or aging middle age, share some of your free time and support our Iowa Quester organization. Determining if you have the skills to run for office can be fearsome and overwhelming. I've walked that road and many that have served on the State Board have too. YES, Board Members will support and encourage your participation in this new opportunity. Computer experience is essential for the Corresponding Secretary position. Please ask those very knowledgeable Questers in your Chapter to contemplate becoming an officer.

Our Quester web site has the Credential form and Nominating form for you to fill out and mail to me by the November 15, 2016 deadline. Ann Sturgeon Kreager, PO Box 4, Adel, IA 50003. You may also e-mail the form to me at Amst48@aol.com.

From the Tinker's Desk,

“KEEP IT SIMPLE”!!!

tinkeycarol@gmail.com



I think Iowa Questers deserve to know what I said about them in my oral report at the International Quester Convention. Note: you have to read fast to get it done in the allotted two minutes. So, here is what I said:

“Change was in the air for Iowa this year. We went from having four area days in the fall to one statewide event - the Fall Fling, then held our regular State Day/Council Meeting in the spring. Both events were highly successful and fun. Iowa had 125 chapters with 1,722 members this year.

It seemed the chapters were kind of out in left field by themselves, so I inaugurated a monthly "Tidbit" email to chapter presidents to make them feel more connected with the State Board. The Tidbits included promoting upcoming events, gave reminders and deadlines, and some tips for them to try. This has been well-received by the presidents. Thank goodness for email, because if letters had been sent, it would have cost \$980.00.

Last summer was the 8th year Iowa Questers have given Preservation & Restoration Awards to 4-H'ers for their projects at the Iowa State Fair, in hopes of instilling in the young people the importance of preserving the past for future generations. Several chapters are now doing similar programs at the county level.

This year Iowa Questers donated more than \$23,000 to P & R projects on the International, State and local levels. Some of the projects were: helping to restore the first black church in Mt. Pleasant; restoration of a cemetery monument; and provision of cemetery markers for those unmarked in Babyland.

Equally, if not more important are the more than 13,000 volunteer hours donated by Questers, which according to the *Independent Sector* is valued at \$306,280. More importantly, many museums would not be able to keep their doors open without our volunteers who clean, polish, paint, repair, decorate, serve as docents, office help, store clerks, and greeters. Their help is invaluable.

Iowa Questers would like to thank you for coming to help us celebrate 50 years as a Quester State!” (end)

I'm proud of my Iowa Questers. They did a wonderful job planning and hosting the International Convention. I heard so many Questers commenting on how much fun they were having and how friendly everyone was, and that was due to the 300 plus Questers that were helping during the five days to make sure the out-of-staters found out how truly amazing Iowa and Iowa Questers are. There were some Questers that went way above and beyond what was expected of them and will long be remembered by those coming to visit our great state and getting to see it first-hand.

Now that we have celebrated our first 50 years, we can't rest on our laurels. We've got work to do (right here in River City) and every city and town across Iowa, if we expect to reach the ripe old age of 100. We had five chapters disband with more than 45 members, and that's on top of our usual attrition. So, Questers, we need to get out and beat the bushes and dig deep down in the trenches to find new members that might not even realize they want to become a Quester.

You do know Questers is the best kept secret around, so let's change that and spread the word. Let them know that we aren't just about collecting, we educate (never too old to learn) and we restore and preserve things for future generations (and maybe even ourselves). So get out there and "talk-a-little, talk-a-little, talk-a-little", or maybe it should be, "talk-a-lot, talk-a-lot, talk-a-lot" about Questers.

Questing together,
Carol Tinkey, Iowa Quester President

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

The TERRACE HILL TEA will be held on DECEMBER 5, 2016

2017 STATE DAY will be April 7th and 8th in the QUAD CITIES

ATTENTION CHAPTER TREASURERS

Please encourage your chapter to send donations to our Iowa Funds - Preservation & Restoration; the President's (Project) Fund (read about it below); Glass; and Terrace Hill Funds. Send these donations to the State Treasurer:

Doreen Dorenkamp, 220 Pebble Creek Drive,
Mason City, IA 50401.

International Quester funds can also use your support - P & R - Scholarship - Fellowship. Send these donations directly to: The Quester Headquarters, 210 South Quince St., Philadelphia, PA 19107-5534.

During the year, please send all changes in your membership - new members, change of addresses, deaths etc., promptly to the State Treasurer and she will send them on to the proper places.

IOWA QUESTER YEAR END FINANCIAL REPORT

June 1, 2015 to May 31, 2016

SUMMARY OF ACCOUNTS

Budget/Checking Account	\$15,785.29
General Savings Account	18,958.05
P & R Account	17,122.70
President's Project Account	3,194.02
Glass Account	2,286.74
Terrace Hill Account	<u>2,509.97</u>
Total Funds—May 31, 2016	\$59,856.77*

Opening Balance Budget/Checking \$15,485.28*

INCOME

Treats & Treasures	2,168.65
Donations & Misc.	225.00
Members' Dues	
2015-16 Additional Dues	189.00
2016-17 Dues	<u>11,172.00</u>
Total Income	\$13,754.65

EXPENSES

Hawkeye Tales	\$ 3,321.53
Website	411.80
Office Expenses:	
Printing	294.22
Supplies	173.54
Postage	276.42
Board Mileage	1,198.98
Treasurer's Bond	105.00
Member Recruitment	300.00
2016 Int'l Convention Fund – President	612.40
Miscellaneous	
Room Rental (Le Mars meeting)	35.00
Bank Service Charges	22.47
Int'l's Fund honoring Irene Retirement	<u>300.00</u>
Total Expenses	\$7,051.36

Transfer Out

P&R portion \$1.50 x 27 dues	40.50
Excess 2014-2015 Funds	5,862.78
President Convention Fund	<u>500.00</u>
	\$6,403.28

Account Balance May 31, 2016 \$15,785.29*

*\$300 carry-over balance (not to be used) included in each account.



Update!

**President's Project:
"Iowa's Music Man – Meredith Willson"**

I am so excited! I just got back from volunteering at Music Man Square and was treated to the **premiere showing** of the first conversion from reel to digital format of films belonging to Meredith Willson. This first batch consisted of 10 reels, of not the choicest material, just to see the quality of work done by a local company. Most of the films were from the 1940s and the results were surprisingly good. There was one film we were really excited about, and that was of activities during the weekend of the premiere showing of "The Music Man," right here in River City (Mason City) in 1962. Held in conjunction with the premiere, was the North Iowa Band Festival featuring over 100 bands from across the state, queen candidates, and floats.

Once more film is converted, they will "cut and paste" to make a story of Meredith's life. There was one section we saw that was "typically Meredith." He and his second wife, Rini, were in Italy. They were coming out of a building and there was a puddle of water. Meredith whips off his suit coat and pretends to lay it over the puddle so Rini's feet would not get wet. There was also film that showed Meredith's parents, and his brother Cedric and wife.

The "Music Man" is as popular as ever. This summer the musical is being performed in several hundred places across the United States. There are many more reels to convert.

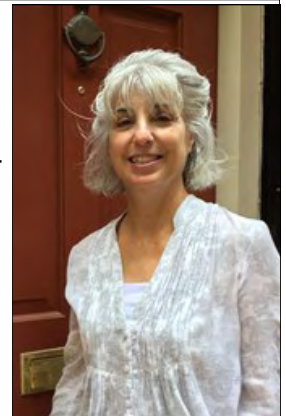
Your donations to this project are much appreciated and will help showcase **the real Music Man, Meredith Willson.**

Carol



Welcome!

Pictured at right is the new Office Administrator at International Headquarters in Philadelphia, JoAnn Longo. Contact her at 215-923-5183.



PROGRAM BOOK AWARDS

It's the beginning of a new year and 2nd Vice President Christine Walter wants to remind chapters that program yearbooks are due.

But this year we have a surprise!

We are giving a \$50.00 award for best program book to be used for your P&R Project. So get out your most creative ideas and jazz up your book and win! Please send your program yearbook by September 24th, so she has time to judge them before the Fall Fling event.

Mail your books to:
Christine Walter 2nd Vice President,
1420 West Ave Burlington, IA 52601.



Yearbooks will be reviewed and displayed at the Fall Fling on October 8th in Denison and at State Day in the Spring.

The 2015-2016 Yearbook of the Year recognition was awarded to **P.I.A. #1002, of Ida Grove**, at 2016 State Day in Oskaaloosa.

Chapter yearbooks submitted to the International Questers were judged on their cover, contents and creativity. Two Iowa chapters were presented certificates at Convention in Des Moines in May by International 2nd Vice President Ginger Williams. Winners were:
Fourth Place: Old Dudley #1221 of Carlisle, and
Honorable Mention: Siouan #36, Sioux Rapids.

8 Things That Should Be Included In Your Chapter Yearbook

- 1) **Quester motto and colors.**
- 2) **Quester address, phone and email.**
- 3) **What's in a name.**
- 4) **Founders Day Topic.**
- 5) **Programs for the year.**
- 6) **Chapter member list.**
- 7) **Officers of your chapter.**
- 8) **State and International Officers.**

PRESERVATION & RESTORATION GRANTS AWARDED

Twenty five grants were awarded at the 2016 International Convention in May in Des Moines for a grant total of \$77,857.52. Two Iowa chapters were grants recipients. **L.M. Shaw #353**, Denison, received \$2,329.75 for restoration of stained glass windows.

Okoboji Queen #1489, Spirit Lake, was awarded \$3,784.00 to restore windows in the 1936 Baker Township Schoolhouse which is being renovated at the Prairie Arts Histor-



Above: Colleen Lemkuil, Okoboji Queen #1489 accepts grant award from Int'l President Ginger Robbins. Right: Carol Tinkey, State President holds her Founder's Award Certificate.



ical Park site in Sheldon.

The Founder's Award, which is the highest honor for research conferred on Questers by fellow members, is presented at the International Convention each year in honor of Jessie Elizabeth Bardens. The topic for 2016 was "The Ethnic Heritage of Iowa." Our own State President, **Carol Tinkey**, was awarded Third place for her paper entitled:

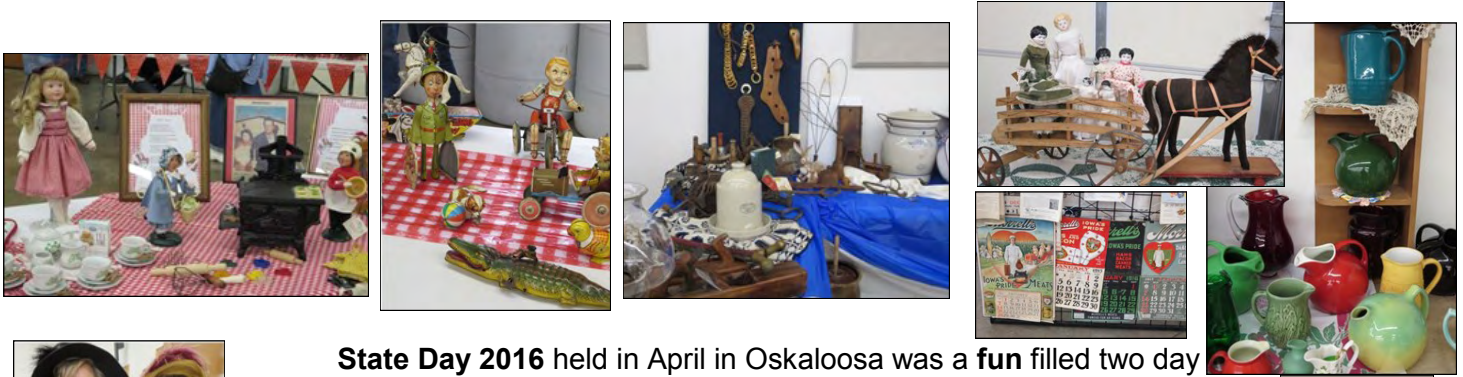
"10,000 B.C. to A.D. 1870's—From Native Indians to

A Note from your State Parliamentarian

Hello Iowa Questers. I hope this summer has been a time of relaxation and fun. It was such a joy to see so many of you attending and volunteering when we Iowans hosted the International Convention in Des Moines. Hope to see you at Fall Fling in Denison in October. I'll have Chapter Policy Forms with me. Also you may get the forms on the Iowa website. In fact all the forms you will need for your chapter are now available on our website.

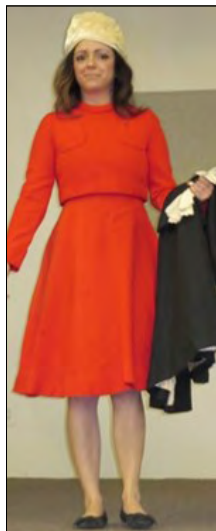
As you get together for your first meeting in September, look over your present Chapter policies and make any changes needed. Your new Officers may want to read through them at your meeting. Be sure if you have any questions or need help with anything, call or email me anytime.

Diane Mansheim, Antiquer's #284, 319-752-3473;
 bdmanshm@gmail.com



State Day 2016 held in April in Oskaloosa was a fun filled two day celebration of the 50th anniversary of Iowa Questers. Early Bird tours on **Friday**, kicked off the event. Three lovely homes were open for tours, and many of the buildings and sites in and around the downtown square are on the National Registry of Historic Places, including the Mahaska County Courthouse, a Carnegie Library, the 1912 bandstand, and the restored 1876 Iowa Building. Questers capped the evening by celebrating with an old fashioned birthday party, complete with cake, ice cream, gifts, and fellowship.

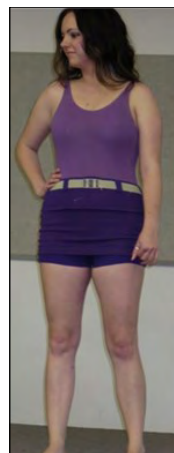
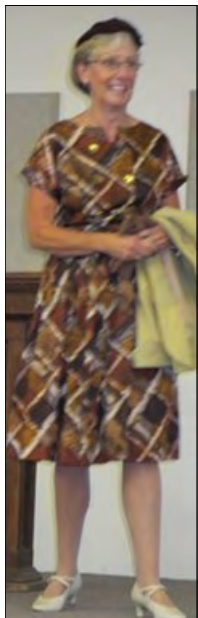
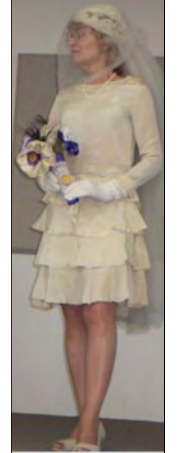
"A Spring Day in the Country" was the theme for **Saturday's** event that was held at the Nelson Pioneer Farm and Museum. Questers were encouraged to wear their denim, calico and other country clothes for a fun day celebrating Iowa's pioneer heritage. Guests were entertained and enlightened by speaker Valerie Van Kooten of Central College in Pella. Ms. Van Kooten gave a presentation entitled "Iowa's Pioneer Cemeteries" which was followed by "Square Dancing" with the Lads and Lassies Square Dance Club. After lunch, Ms. Van Kooten narrated "The Women of the Iowa Prairie Meet Rosie the Riveter: 100 Years of Iowa Fashion" as our hostesses modeled vintage clothing.



President Carol Tinkey conducted Saturday's business meeting. First Vice President Vicki Baker announced the winners of the membership drive for 2016. **Hanna Lou #497**, Waterloo, won \$150 for 1st place with 5 new members. Second and Third place winners tied, so **Neta Snook #882**, Ames, and **Pearls of Wisdom #1186**, Muscatine each received \$75. The monetary awards will be used toward P & R projects in their communities. Second Vice President Christine Walter gave special **Yearbook of the year recognition to P.I.A. #1002 of Ida Grove.**

Additional business included the installation of **new State officers** by President Carol Tinkey. Installed for two year terms to serve from June 2016 - June 2018 were **Christine Walter**, Orchard City #1206 of Burlington as Second Vice President; **Doreen Dorenkamp**, Chautauqua Circuit #889 of Mason City as Treasurer; and **Barbara Rardin**, Mamie Eisenhower #357 of Boone will serve as Recording Secretary.

A BIG THANK YOU to our hostesses: Chief Mahaska #505; Chief Kish Ke Kosh #683; Rippling Waters #1161; Wapello #1267; Bonnifield #1012; and William Henry Coop #1102.





Registration crew: L to R: Nancy Brown, Lynne Petty, and Sandy Parker



L to R: Linda Fox, Inez Grahet, Susan Stearns, and Ramona Reese



Mary Beth Hunt, State Day Chair



2016-2017 Iowa Administrative Board, L to R: Christine Walter, 2nd VP; Doreen Dorenkamp, Treasurer; Sheila Gerot, Corresponding Secretary; Vicki Baker, 1st VP; Carol Tinkey, President; Barbara Rardin, 2nd VP; Ann Sturgeon Kreager, Ex Officio/Nominating Chair.



L to R: Vicki Baker 1st VP; Carol Tinkey, President; Sheila Sapienza, Recording Secretary.



2016-2017 Committee Chairs L to R: Jan Johnston, Historian; Diane Mansheim, Parliamentarian; Melinda Seegmiller, Hawkeye Tales Editor; Connie Cooper, 4H judge; Sherry Byriel, P&R Ways & Means Chair.



Ann Brouwer



Betty Stanley



L to R: Judy Teveson, Paula Anderson, Diane Mansheim

"IT'S A WONDERFUL LIFE BEING A QUESTER"**STATEWIDE FALL FLING REGISTRATION**

(Limit one person per form – please print)

Saturday, October 8, 2016
 First United Methodist Church
 113 South 14th Street
 Denison, Iowa 51442

Registration Deadline: October 1, 2016

Late fee of \$5.00 after deadline

Registration Cost: **\$25.00**Make checks payable to: **Iowa Questers Fall Fling**Mail Registration and checks to: **Penny Kinney, 1316 5th Avenue North, Denison, Iowa 51442**Chapter Name & Number _____ Officer yes no

Board Position or Chapter Office Held: _____

Name _____ Street Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Phone () _____ Email _____

 Lodging: Boulders Inn & Suites Oak Ridge, Denison. Phone: 712-263-2833 (let them know you are a Quester).
 For other lodging call Sandi Sharp 712-674-3234 or Teresa Keairnes 712-269-2204.


Rose Hill #498 of Iowa City, chartered in 1971, celebrated their 45th anniversary during an April meeting at the home of Jean Forbes. Present were from left top: Donna Trolliet, Margery Stell, President Sherry McKay, Marcia Simpson, Sandra Gingerich, Mary Lou Baender, Ruth Zach, Gloria Dunlap, Mary Jane Harris, Nola Edwards (charter member), Jean Forbes, Cathy Shaw, Grace Jochimsen, and Wendelin Guentner. Members not present were Pat Hayek (charter member), Cherry Sparks, Susan Hultman, and Jill Stutsman. Wendelin presented a very informative program "Teddies & Friends - Steiff Animals." Her collection grew from childhood presents.



IT WAS AMAZING!

Total Number Registered: 641

Total Number of Questers: 603

Total Number of Guests: 38

Iowa Questers: 310 attended representing over 70 chapters and many had never attended an International Convention before.

Number of States Represented: 26

Number of Provinces Represented: 2

The Core Committee appreciates your willingness to serve when asked. A huge THANK YOU to Iowa Questers for helping on many areas of the convention.



CONVENTION CORE COMMITTEE:

Front row L to R: Susan Laws; Elaine Estes, Past State President. Second row L to R: Dottie Butts; Sue Heng, International Convention Chair; Martha Rasmussen; Ivy Ward. Third row L to R: Diane Mansheim; Vicki Baker, Past State President; Ann Sturgeon Kreager, Past State President; Lee Hamill, Past State President; Connie Cooper; Chris Lorenz. Top row L to R: Bev Curtis; Carolyn Snell; Paula Duncan; Sonya Ferguson; Gloria Filean; Jane Mertesdorf; and Margaret Shay.

THANK YOU SUE HENG AND THE CORE COMMITTEE FOR ALL YOUR WORK!

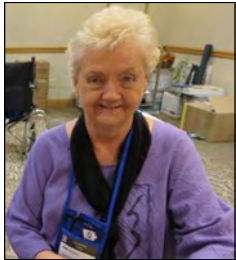
IT WAS AMAZING!



Della Weems and Meredith McHone-Pierce, Lik Skillet #812, Van Meter; and Christine Walter, 2nd VP at the registration table.



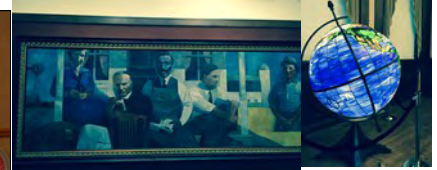
Sue Heng, International Convention Chair



Jan Johnston, Historian helped assign tables.



Ivy Ward



Carolyn Snell and Martha Rasmussen served as convention tour, coordinators



Margaret Shay, Chris Lorenz, and Jane Mertesdorf served up Hospitality and Informative displays.



Winners chose an item from daily door prizes drawings.



Sherry McKay and Donna Troillet, Rose Hill #498



Quester collections displayed included "Books by Iowa Authors" belonging to Elaine Estes, Past State President and "Gurley Candles" provided by Chris Lorenz of Yesterday's Heritage #809, Cedar Falls.



Bob Mansheim, Sheila Sapienza, Melinda Seegmiller, and Sherry Byriel sell 50/50 Raffle tickets to raise funds for P&R.





State President Carol Tinkey, far right joins in singing at the Farewell Dinner.



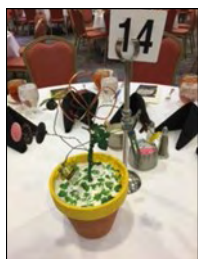
L to R: Vicki Baker, Past State President; Fay Gish Hill, Past State President; Sue Fontaine, Okoboji Queen #1489; Elaine Estes, Past State President; and Colleen Lemkuil and Daphne Davis also of Okoboji Queen #1489 celebrate.



Chapters created elegant "What's In A Name" centerpieces for the Convention Annual Banquet



Welcoming crew including Susan Laws, Volunteer Coordinator at right.



Centerpieces left reflected the "Art of the Great Depression" theme of the Annual Luncheon. The program focused on the works of Iowa artist Grant Wood.



Bob Hamill, International Teller, and Lee Hamill, Past State President at the Farewell Dinner.

REMEMBERING IOWA QUESTERS

Peggy Ell, a member of Orchard City #1206 in Burlington, passed away in February. She was a very outgoing and pleasant lady who served her chapter in various positions. Her collections included doll houses, paper dolls, and kaleidoscopes. Her talents included acting in Community Theater. She will be greatly missed.

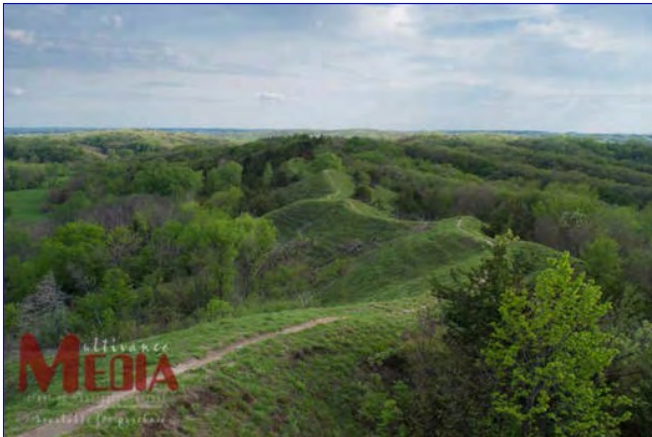
Marybeth Seggerman, an active member of Fragile Treasures #1372 in Kingsley, passed away in February. She and her husband, Lowell, enjoyed several collections together.



Velma Smith, a founding member of P.I.A. #1002 in Ida Grove, passed away in April. An active Quester for 35 years, she held offices in her chapter and served as Treasurer on the State Board. Velma had many antiques and collections and loved blue willow china. She is missed greatly.

Members of Lik Skillet #812 of Van Meter, are remembering **Phyllis Briley**, who passed away in March. Notably, she was one of the few women to own a successful key club during prohibition days. Phyllis also owned a horse boarding business, an antique shop, and was owner and operator of the Bed and Breakfast "Old Bob Feller House." She was an active Quester for over 25 years.

Welcome Iowa's Newest Chapter– Broken Kettle #1510 Chartered March 3, 2016



The valley of the Broken Kettle Creek which runs through Plymouth County was named because of prehistoric middens, or mounds, in which broken kettles and pots were found (radio-carbon-dated 10-12,000BCE, probably Paleo era). Burial places of early peoples were also located nearby. The kettles may very well have been made from the excellent clay found nearby the creek, also used by later indigenous natives (woodland Indians circa 1000-1300BC). An extended drought may have caused the area to only be used as hunting grounds for centuries, until the coming of the White Man. After European peoples arrived, many stories of blizzards and grass fires on

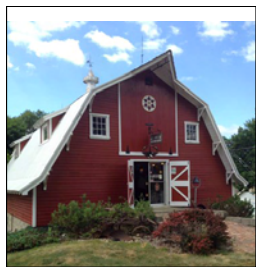
the prairies of the Broken Kettle have been documented.

The early Europeans (1830's) settled along the Broken Kettle Creek, which reaches towards the present Sioux City, Iowa. Many tributaries join the creek flowing into the Big Sioux River, which forms the NW boundary of the State of Iowa, joining the Missouri River at Sioux City. A stagecoach stop from Sioux City to Yankton had a stop and post office on the route (Military Rd, Yeomans, and Broken Kettle). In one early history, reference is made about an 'old wood road' near the Broken Kettle Creek. Settlements in the watershed of the Broken Kettle Creek include Ruble, Crathorne, Milnerville, Sunnyside, and Adaville as well as many early rural schools and churches.

The 25 mile-long Broken Kettle Creek begins and ends in Plymouth County, rising in Preston Township, flowing S by SW, meeting the Big Sioux in Hancock Township, approximately 3 miles NE of Jefferson, SD. The Creek flows through the northern edge of Iowa's famed Loess Hills, which extend south into Missouri. Although much of Iowa has loess soil, these hills were formed by the wind; the only other incidence of loess drifting in the world occurs in China.

The Broken Kettle Grasslands Preserve, 3000 acres within the Loess Hills, holds Iowa's largest herd of bison (no cattle genes), 200 species of plants, and 150 species of birds.

The Broken Kettle area has historically served as home for people, unique plants and animals, birds, insects, reptiles, and other forms of life for millennia. It is an apt name for Questers residing in northern Plymouth County.



Jim Hass History Barn



J. A, Kirchner House



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Members of three NW chapters: **Siouan #36**, Sioux Rapids; **Mary Harker #1225**, Storm Lake; and **Okoboji Queen #1489**, Spirit Lake, enjoyed a special day together when they attended a historic preservation day in Peterson in June. Those present toured the Heritage House, Clay County's first frame house built in 1867; the J. A. (Gust) Kirchner House; the 1860's Fort Peterson Blockhouse; the French Memorial Museum; the antique farm machinery building; the Rock Forest one room school; and the Jim Hass History Barn. Following a pioneer lunch, Jim Hass was presented with the National DAR Historic Preservation Award.

Members of **Orchard City #1206** of Burlington will celebrate their 25th Anniversary on December 11th.



Front L to R: Jonda Conkel, Elaine Fischer, Melissa Nystrom, Bev Siekman, and Gay Lynn Braddock.
Back L to R: Peggy Eil (deceased), Diane Mansheim, Sandy Wisehart, Rita Phenicie, Mary Hoffman,
Nancy McKee, Mary Burk, Kathleen Helmer, Sandy Hendrichsen, Chris Walter, and Rhonda Mueller.

Decidedly Collectable: States Patterns in the Iowa Quester Glass Collection

Laurie Olk, Glass Collection Chair, has announced a new exhibit that will display at the Brunner Art Museum at Iowa State University in Ames from **August 23, 2016 - July 2017**.

Glass patterns first appeared bearing states names in 1897, near the height of the Art Nouveau movement in the United States. The American glass manufacturing companies had recently survived winter gas shortages, a strike by the glass workers union, a depression, and a struggling economy. Naming patterns after states was a resourceful marketing approach that fostered interest in the pressed glass table sets after such difficult years in the industry. The States Patterns were produced by several glass companies, however the leading manufacturer was the United State Glass Company (US Glass), a conglomerate formed in 1891 of over 18 formerly independent manufacturing companies.

In 1897, the first patterns introduced by the US Glass Co. were No. 15029 (Indiana), No. 15048 (Pennsylvania), No. 15049 (Maryland), No. 15050 (Ohio), No. 15051 (Kentucky), and No. 15052 (Illinois). These first states series were well received, so in the following year five additional state patterns were produced. Between 1898 and 1903, US Glass Co. produced twenty-five additional patterns bearing states names for a total of 36 patterns. At least one example from all US Glass Company's 36 state patterns can be seen in this exhibition along with several additional glass companies' and their state named patterns.

By Laurie Olk, Glass Collection Chair, olkart@yahoo.com

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<p><u>OCTOBER 2016</u></p> <p>10-1 Deadline Quester Quarterly</p> <p>10-1 Registration Deadline for "FALL FLING"</p> <p>10-7 State Board Meeting 8:30a.m.</p> <p>10-7 & 8 "FALL FLING" in Denison Registration: Friday 10:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. Saturday 8:30-9:30 a.m.</p>	<p><u>NOVEMBER 2016</u></p> <p>11-1 Deadline for submitting recommendations for Int'l Officers</p> <p>Int'l P & R grants given in even years</p> <p>11-15 Deadline for receipt of State Officer Nominations. Mail to: Ann Sturgeon Kreager PO Box 4 Adel, IA 50003</p>	<p><u>DECEMBER 2016</u></p> <p>12-1 Q. Quarterly online</p> <p>12-5 Terrace Hill Tea</p> <p>12-15 Deadline for sending items for Spring Hawkeye Tales STATE DAY article needed Send to: Melinda Seegmiller, Editor 237 Lexington Avenue Iowa City, IA 52246-2414 siggydmala@mchsi.com</p>
<p><u>JANUARY 2017</u></p> <p>1-1 International Ballot Mailed</p> <p>1-10 State Board Meeting 7:00pm</p> <p>SUPPORT OUR STATE PROJECTS Mail Donations to: Doreen Dorenkamp, Treasurer 220 Pebble Creek Drive Mason City, IA 50401</p> <p>Register for International Convention</p>	<p><u>FEBRUARY 2017</u></p> <p>2-1 State Ballot Mailed</p> <p>2-1 Deadline Quester Quarterly</p> <p>2-15 Postmark deadline for State P&R Grants Awarded in 2017</p> <p>Mail to: Lee Hamill, P&R Chair 3634 Honey Hill Dr. SE Cedar Rapids, IA 52403</p>	<p><u>MARCH 2017</u></p> <p>3-1 Founders Award Paper Due Topic: "Key West -500 Years of History" Mail to: Founder's Award Entry The Questers Headquarters 210 South Quince Street Philadelphia, PA 19107</p> <p>3-6 Postmark deadline for Returning Ballots for State Officers</p> <p>3-15 Annual Chapter Reports Due Mail to: Carol Tinkey, President, 27 N. Willowgreen Ct. Mason City, IA 50401</p> <p>3-15 Q Quarterly online</p> <p>3-18 State Board Meeting 9:30 a.m. Des Moines</p>
<p><u>APRIL 2017</u></p> <p>4-7 & 8 STATE DAY in Quad Cities</p> <p>SEND DUES TO STATE TREASURER Deadline: April 30, 2017</p>	<p><u>MAY 2017</u></p> <p>5-1 Dues are Delinquent if not sent before today</p> <p>Mail Int/State Dues to: Doreen Dorenkamp, Treasurer 220 Pebble Creek Drive Mason City, IA 50401</p> <p align="center">May 5– May 7 INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION Hilton Hotel, St. Petersburg, FL</p>	<p><u>JUNE 2017</u></p> <p>6-1 Deadline Quester Quarterly</p> <p>6-14 State Board Turn Over Meeting Riverside 9:30 a.m.</p> <p>6-15 Deadline for sending items for Fall Hawkeye Tales. FALL FLING Information Needed</p> <p>Send to: Melinda Seegmiller, Editor 237 Lexington Avenue Iowa City, IA 52246-2414 siggydmala@mchsi.com</p>

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You do not need a professional grant writer. You do need to answer all the questions on the form and supply the additional paperwork requested **by February 15, 2017** which is the deadline to apply. I encourage chapters to give this some thought.

Iowa grants are partially funded by chapter donations so please consider the Iowa P& R Grants fund when making your chapter donations.



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