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## ***2016 Fall Quarterly Program Sunday November 20***

The Fall Quarterly Program of the Putnam County Historical Society will be held 1:30 p.m. Sunday November 20, 2016 at the Agricultural Museum, 501 Old Hwy 26 in Hennepin.

Rusty and Cindy Stimmel will share some of their Adventures in Probate. Rusty and Cindy were the volunteer team from Family Search who spent about five months earlier this year imaging naturalization, guardianship and probate records at the Putnam County Courthouse.



Family Search is the non-profit organization sponsored by the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints that maintains the largest online collection of family history and genealogy resources. Our Putnam County records will eventually be indexed so that they can be searched without having to manually go through the original documents to find information on an individual.

Everyone is invited and admission is free. The Agricultural Museum is handicapped accessible.

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## ***2017 Winter Quarterly Program Sunday February 12***

The Winter Quarterly Program of the Putnam County Historical Society will be held 1:30 p.m. Sunday February 12 at the Agricultural Museum, 501 Old Hwy 26 in Hennepin.

Come hear Randy Keller of McNabb share his love of Abraham Lincoln as he discusses his collection of Lincoln memorabilia. We will update this information in the next Putnam Past Times in January.

Everyone is invited and admission is free. The Agricultural Museum is handicapped accessible.

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## ***Pulsifer House Winter Closing***

Pulsifer House will close for the winter at 3:00 pm Friday December 16. It will reopen at 10:00 am Wednesday March 15, 2017 when the regular hours of Wednesdays and Fridays between 10:00 am and 3:00 pm will resume.

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## *In Memoriam*

We mourn the loss of the following Putnam County Historical Society members and friends. Over the years all have supported the Society's goals and programs. All will be sadly missed.

Dorothy Keller  
Ron Moews (Life)

Margaret Redshaw (Life)  
Elaine Theisinger (Life)

Joyce Troyan

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## *Memorials & Tributes*

The following Memorials honor the lives of members and friends of the Society:

**Leslie Boers** – Keith & Rita Gehm.

**Jane Downey** – Richard & Bernice Forney.

**Dorothy Keller** – Sharon Clausen, D. Kendall Griffith, Keller Family, Joyce Kemp, Gene & Linda Litherland.

**Ronald Moews** – Mary Jane Kidd.

**Thomas Morfoot Sr & John Marten Family** – Marianne Morfoot.

**Edward Paxson** – Sharon Clausen, Phil & Nancy Hopkins, Paxson Family.

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## *Recent Donations*

The Putnam County Historical Society thanks the following donors for gifts to the Society in recent months:

**Gary Boggio** – 2 Veteran caps from Marion Kuhn's Veteran's Flight, 5 photos (steamboat at Hennepin; Ellinor Frances Watts; Munnis home; Frances Raley Coleman; Frances Raley, Edna Lake, Litha Watts, Edith & Ruth Ramsay), glass negative of Fred Coleman home, 2 postcards (Henry lock & main street Bradford 1908), primitive folk art painting, 2 wooden eye-glass mailers, advertising mailer & recipe pamphlet, blank sale slip pad (Village Green antique store).

**Mary Alice Hatton Brown** – photos of Charles Mercy Hatton & a flower girl dress worn by Mary Alice Hatton at wedding of Ken Petersen & Mabel Hansen.

**Barbara Bruch** – The Epitome, Vol 1, No 1, June 1899.

**Lucinda Dixon** – material on Senachwine Township, the Wheeler site, Undercliff & Senachwine Lake collected by Virgil Bogner.

**Karl Erb** – Putnam County Soils, 1937.

**Patricia Fivek** – photo of Fred Balestri home ca 1960 (moved to Hennepin).

**Doris Gunn Haub** – tool box and 9 tools belonging to Charles Gunn, blow torch, oil can, lead bar, 2 corn huskers.

**Sharon Johnson** – "Defeat" sewing machine belonging to Alice Allen Prentiss.

**Emma Jo O'Conner** – rural mail carrier's directory, manual of carrier's duties, photo of carrier.

**Loretta & Lloyd Schrowang** – 14 dress patterns (3 Advance, 4 Butterick, 3 McCalls, 4 Simplicity).

**Nina Stachewicz** – Memoir of Classes 1890 to 1903 and painting of barn.

**Sidney Whitaker** – Prairie Farmers Directory (Bureau County 1916), model of Salem Swedish Lutheran Church of Putnam by Ed Vladika (1999), 4 advertising brochures (The New Champion 1894, 1897, Deering Co Why Bonanza Farming Pays 1894, Deering Harvester Co Forty Harvest Seasons 1858-1898), Nye family ledger 1907-1921.

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# Memberships 2016

Memberships are the life-blood of the Society. Those listed below have participated or renewed during this year's Membership Drive. An \* indicates the member has upgraded in the Endowment Categories or changed category in the Annual Categories. An \*\* indicates a new member.

## Endowment Categories

### Platinum:

Gilda Dysart

### Golden:

Lois Boyle  
Darlene Cofoid  
William Gage  
Nancy Maze

### Life:

Joan Anderson\*\*  
Alice Bohlen  
Rhonda Cross\*  
Nancy Dauber\*\*  
Dysart-Cofoid Funeral Home  
Laurie Glenn  
Mary Hufnagel\*  
Roger Hufnagel\*  
Debra Kimme  
Jane Lenkaitis  
Matt Miller  
Quentin Pletsch  
Don Reed  
Verna Reed  
Charles Robinson Jr  
Betty Ruppert  
John Shimkus  
Lynn Shimkus  
Viola Strout  
Kenneth Toedter\*\*  
Charles Wheeler\*\*  
Diane Wilson

## Annual Categories

### Business:

First State Bank  
Keith Gehm  
Granville National Bank  
D. Kendall Griffith\*  
Wayne Hundley  
North Central IL Coun of Gov  
Spring Valley City Bank  
Village of Granville  
Village of Hennepin

### Family:

Emil & Diane Capitani\*\*

### Contributing:

Sandra Aeschliman  
Susan Campbell  
Louise Colby-Dean

## Annual Categories

Kay Drake  
William & Ellen Entwistle Jr  
Kenji & Janice Farinelli\*  
George Hawthorne\*\*  
Arch & Judy Hopkins  
Margaret Hundertmark  
Neil & Grayce Mesner  
Michael Miglio\*\*  
Charles & Sydney Morine  
Nevin & Margaret Morine  
Robert & Linda Morrison\*  
Margaret Parlato  
Gerald & Elinor Petersen  
Francis & Bernice Read  
Anthony & Gretchen Rigazio  
Stanley & Delores Shevokas  
Ron & Kathy Spratt\*  
Harold Steele  
John & Lyla Striet  
John & Cynthia Teegarden  
Ron & Alma Toedter\*  
Mark & Mary Walmsley  
Joe & Kathryn Whitely  
Brooks & Mary Whitney\*

### Couple:

Jay & Linda Allen  
Paul & Karen Bailey  
Wilson & Ruth Bent  
Robert & Deborah Bogatitus  
August & Rose Bonucchi  
Sherylee & Albert Brady Jr\*\*  
Donald & Nancy Brandstatter  
James & Jean Burger  
Doug & Betty Clinton  
Miles & Mary Crook\*\*  
Robert & Patricia Dawe  
David & Elaine Day  
Stephen & Diane Donini  
Charles & Barbara Doyle  
William & Alba Ellena  
Roy & Mary Fearman  
Richard & Bernice Forney  
Donald & Betty Glenn\*\*  
Richard & Cheri Glenn\*\*  
Trent & Jan Griffith\*\*  
Richard & Candace Haar  
Robert & Mary Helander  
Dave & Thelma Holmbeck\*\*  
Phil & Nancy Hopkins  
Thomas & Jane Hopkins

Gene & Nancy Johnson\*\*  
William & Carolyn Kraft  
Joe & Ruth Krakovsky\*\*  
Aloysius & Rita Kunkel  
Fred & Ferne Lippincott  
Harold & Beth Mabis  
Arthur & Mary Martin  
John & Ellyn May  
Ron & Marlene Migliorini\*\*  
Randi & Tina Naumann  
John & Jennifer Oien  
Jerry & Carol Patterson\*\*  
Edward & Barbara Paxson  
Joseph & Patricia Piccinelli  
Alex & Carole Rolando  
Carl & Carol Sauter  
Robert & Janice Schuster  
James Spolar  
Randy & JoAnn Steffens  
Eric & Kim Swartz  
Dave & Nancy Thompson  
Gilbert & Diane Tonozzi  
Albert & Ola Urnikis\*\*  
Lewis & Carol Vaessen  
Ken & Karen Verda  
James & Rose Wall  
Kenneth & Diana Williamson

### Individual:

Steven Adolphson  
Darrell Alleman  
Allen Co Public Library  
Margaret Barnes  
Shirley Mae Barnes  
Ruth Bent  
Burton Brooks  
Roger Bunting  
Lois Chiado\*\*  
Patricia Clark\*\*  
Amanda Condit  
Dorothy Dippel  
Marilyn Donoho\*\*  
Margaret Eattoni\*\*  
Joseph Engelhaupt  
Karl Erb  
Betty Evans\*\*  
Charlene Fassino\*\*  
Donna Forney  
Norma Gehm  
Ruth Gehm  
Georgianne Grant

Mary Gualandi  
Sheila Haage  
James Hantak  
Doris Haub\*\*  
Janice Haws  
Emma Haywood  
Jeanne Holdcraft  
Debra Holmes  
Carol Hood  
Matt Hostetter  
Dolores Jessen  
Ronald Kinkade  
Carol Kirk  
Bonnie Lester  
Eleanor Litherland  
Pauline Marchiori  
Jovanna Mear  
Marilyn Medearis  
Kathy Mekley\*\*  
Norma Miller  
Alice Nash\*\*  
Pattie Ong\*\*  
Sandi Palm  
Joe Panier  
Sarah Paxson  
Sarah Piccioli  
Thomas Pomatto\*\*  
Michael Pulliam  
Margery Read  
Mark Read  
James Reavy  
Nancy Reichen  
Walter Reichen  
Judi Roberts  
Noelle Sauter  
Mike Schaab  
Michael Schelter  
Carol Serrine  
Ilene Shaw  
Robert Smith  
Marguerite Sons  
Jean Strack  
Judy Kays Terando\*\*  
Angeline Troglio  
Charles Turner  
Marge Van Ness  
Ila Weddell\*\*  
Robert Wheeler  
Betty Lou Whitlock

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# *Some of the Steamboats that Served Hennepin*

