

**DAVIS COUNTY
OLD SOLDIERS & SETTLERS
REUNION
July 28, 29, & 30, 2016**



*John A. Drake House
Founder and Settler in the Town of Drakesville, Iowa*

**Drakesville, Iowa
170th Year
Souvenir Program**

**The Reunion Officers would
like to give a special**

**THANK
YOU**

**to all of the volunteers who
helped make the 170th Davis
County Old Soldiers and
Settlers Reunion a success!**

AND REMEMBER ...

**The Davis County Old Soldiers &
Settlers Reunion Has Been A**



**Family Fun Event For
170 Continuous Years!**

**Bring The Whole Family For A
Fun Filled Weekend!!!**

John A. Drake House (Pictured on the front cover.)

John Adams Drake, descendent of Sir Francis Drake, born in 1802, founded the town of Drakeville in 1846. An "S" was later added to make it Drakesville.

John established a general store, milling business and packing plant. The packing plant was the forerunner of Armour & Co. Later he engaged in the banking business and opened the Drakesville Bank. He built the brick home where the late Basil and Betty Swaim's home now stands in Drakesville. John died at 78 years of age in 1880 in Centerville.

John's wife's maiden name was Harriet Jane O'Neal, born in North Carolina. They had two sons. John Hamilton Drake, born in Drakesville, was a banker in Albia. He was killed in the Civil War. Francis Marion Drake was a brigadier general in the Civil War. He was a lawyer and banker in Centerville. Drake University was named for him. In 1895, he was elected Governor of Iowa.

**ANNUAL MEETING
Tuesday, September 20, 2016
7:00 pm
at the Park Shelter**

Please plan to attend the Davis County Old Soldiers & Settlers Corporation Annual meeting on Tuesday, September 20, 2016. We will discuss this year's event and begin planning to make next year's 171st Old Soldiers & Settlers Reunion even better.
For more information, contact Dan Wiegand 641-895-2688.

GOVERNING BODY

OFFICERS

President Dan Wiegand
Vice President Buddy Harsch
Secretary Sylvia Schlarbaum
Treasurer Karen Rudd

DIRECTORS

Rex Stewart, Will Bolin, & Marty Thompson

COMMITTEES

Kids & Adult Games:	Jeremy & Jennifer Sample, Lila Thompson, Clarissa Allen, Mary Stocker
Advertising:	Mary Stocker, Virginia Rysdam, Sylvia Schlarbaum, Gloria Garner, Sheila Putnam, Lila Thompson
Drakesville History:	Dorothy Goldizen & Cathy Warner
Parade:	Susie Warner, Sandra King, Sid & Yvonne Maxwell, Brandy Shively, Donna Grim, Shawna Dunkin, Samantha Spurgeon, Jay Schisel
Chair:	Mary Stocker, Virginia Rysdam, Andrea Bogert
Entertainment:	Tammy King, Joe & Lori King
Baby Contest:	Trudi Dunlavy, Mary Cassat
Carnival:	Reunion Officers
Police:	Kevin Woods, Bob Hull
Bingo Stand:	Cathy Warner, Gail & Diane Padget, Justin & Megan Bassett, Tracy & Rheta Morgan
Photography:	Tom Bear
Queen Contest:	Becky Henderson, Madison Henderson,
Bill Bassett Memorial Motorcycle Ride:	Marty Thompson, Scott Hobbs, Phil Porter, Wade Marshall
Ice Cream Social:	Sharon Roland, Barb Cantrell, Reunion Officers, Donna Thompson

COMMITTEES CONTINUED

Membership Tickets:	Barb & Wayne Cantrell, Barbara Moore, Sally & Jackie Henderson, Sylvia Schlarbaum, JoElla Cossel, Glenys Bolin, Cathy Warner, Donna Thompson
Tractor Pull:	Rusty Rysdam, Kevan Bogert, Dan Hutchings, John Mayberry
Pedal Tractor Pull:	Mark Bolin, Adam Bridgman, Cole Swaim
Ranch Rodeo:	Josh Weaver & Dan Wiegand
Frog Jump:	Bruce & Heidi Jones, Boyd White, Connie & Doug White, Ross Jones
Team Roping:	Larry Hubbs, Jr., Barb Cole, Kristi Goodson
Canoe Carnival:	Adam Humble, Buddy Harsch, Bryan Moore
Fishing Tournament:	Lila Thompson, Katie Thompson, Angie Hobbs
Fundraising:	Sharon Roland, Cathy Warner, Joe & Lori King, Reunion Officers



THURSDAY'S SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

TOM RHOADE'S AMUSEMENT ASSOC. & MECHANICAL BULL RIDING!

6:00 PM

TRACTOR PULL

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6:15 PM

EARLY BIRD DRAWING

6:30 PM

QUEEN CONTEST

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7:00 PM

BINGO

**IN THE BINGO STAND, \$100
BLACKOUT BINGO FOLLOWING
STAGE DRAWING.**

SPONSORED BY: CATHY WARNER

8:00 PM

TALENT SHOW

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9:30 PM

DRAWING

(IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING TALENT SHOW)

MEMBERSHIP TICKETS

AVAILABLE AT THE LOG CABIN

**PRIZES GIVEN BY THE REUNION
ORGANIZATION.**

\$200 TOTAL CASH!

(1)-\$100 & (2)-\$50

FRIDAY'S SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

1:00 PM

**INVOCATION
KIDS & ADULT GAMES**

2:30 PM

**PEDAL TRACTOR PULL
TRACTOR PROVIDED! 8 CLASSES
3-10 YEARS OF AGE.**
PRIZES AWARDED TO 1ST, 2ND, & 3RD PLACES!

8:00 PM

TEAM ROPING
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7:00 PM

**PARADE PARTICIPANTS ARE TO
REPORT TO GAZEBO IN THE OVAL
PARK UPTOWN BY 6PM FRIDAY
EVENING. FOR MORE INFO. CONTACT
SUSIE WARNER, 641-664-3667**

Division or Organizational Floats

1st \$25 2nd \$20 3rd \$15

Miscellaneous Floats

1st \$25 2nd \$20 3rd \$15

Vintage Cars

1st \$25 2nd \$20 3rd \$15

Mini Floats

1st \$20 2nd \$15 3rd \$12⁵⁰

Decorated Carts & Carriages

1st \$20 2nd \$15 3rd \$12⁵⁰

Open Golf Cart Float Class

\$25 Gift Certificate
Ray's Longbranch

* The following entries are a separate class *

Motorcycles, Mopeds, Motorbikes, Bicycles, Pets, Horses, Costumes

1st \$5 2nd \$4 3rd \$3

7-7:45 PM

**REGISTER FOR CHAIR
TO BE GIVEN TO THE OLDEST
SOLDIER. REGISTER AT THE LOG
CABIN. RULES IN BY-LAWS
ON PAGES 107 & 108.**

FRIDAY'S SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

CONTINUED

7:30 PM

EARLY BIRD 

8:30 PM

\$50 BLACKOUT

SPONSORED BY: VIRGINIA RYSDAM & FAMILY

7:45 PM

**PRESENTATION OF COLORS
BY REED WHISLER AMERICAN
LEGION POST #78**

PRESENTATION OF CHAIR
CHAIR DONATED BY DEAN & MARY STOCKER

**OLDEST SOLDIER ALSO TO BE
HONORED BY VETERANS AFFAIRS**

EARLY BIRD DRAWING

8:00 PM

TEAM ROPING
DRAKESVILLE ARENA

**STAGE SHOW FEATURING
"THE BAKER FAMILY"**

8:30 PM



**IN THE BINGO STAND, \$100
BLACKOUT BINGO FOLLOWING
STAGE DRAWING.**

SPONSORED BY: EAVES TRUCKING, GARY & DONNA EAVES

9:15 PM

DRAWING
(IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING STAGE SHOW)

\$500 TOTAL CASH!
(1) \$200, (2) \$100, (2) \$50

SATURDAY'S SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

8:00 AM

**BILL BASSETT MEMORIAL
MOTORCYCLE FUN RUN**

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9:00 AM

KIDS' FISHING TOURNAMENT

1:00 PM

INVOCATION

KIDS & ADULT GAMES

BABY CONTEST

(INFANT-12 MOS. ON OR BEFORE AUG. 1, 2016)

(12-24 MOS. ON OF BEFORE AUG. 1, 2016)

3:00 PM

FROG JUMP

**ON THE DANCE FLOOR, TROPHIES
AWARDED FOR LONGEST JUMP,
LARGEST FROG, & SMALLEST FROG**

4:00 PM

CANOE CARNIVAL

(IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING FROG JUMP)

WEAR OLD SHOES: NO BARE FEET!!!

NO FLIP FLOPS!!!

7:00 PM

RANCH RODEO

AT THE DRAKESVILLE ARENA

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7:00 PM

EARLY BIRD



EARLY BIRD DRAWING

8:00 PM

\$50 BLACKOUT

SPONSORED BY: LYNCH LAW OFFICE

SATURDAY'S SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

CONTINUED

7-7:45 PM

**REGISTER FOR CHAIR
TO BE GIVEN TO THE OLDEST
SETTLER. REGISTER AT THE LOG
CABIN. RULES IN BY-LAWS ON
PAGES 107 & 108.**

7:15 PM

**STAGE SHOW FEATURING
"THE BOYS"**

8:00 PM

**PRESENTATION OF CHAIR
TO THE OLDEST SETTLER DONATED BY
SUSIE WARNER, DPM.**

8:30 PM



IN THE BINGO STAND

SPONSORED BY: BARB COLE

9:15 PM

DRAWING

(IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING STAGE SHOW)

MEMBERSHIP TICKETS

AVAILABLE AT THE LOG CABIN

PRIZES GIVEN BY THE REUNION

**ORGANIZATION. (2) \$50 GIFT
CERTIFICATES FROM CROP SERVICES,
RAY'S LONGBRANCH, & QUIK TIME.**

\$400 TOTAL CASH!

(3)-\$100 & (2)-\$50

**SHARON ROLAND PRIZE, WOLFGANG
PUCK PRESSURE OVEN.**

\$100 BLACKOUT

DANCE - "THE BOYS"

(IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING DRAWING)

HISTORY OF OLDEST SOLDIERS & SETTLERS

CONTINUED FROM THE 2015 BOOK

2015 Book: 1905-1940

2016 Book: 1941-2015

August 28-30, 1941

Oldest Soldier: Charles Grey, 66 years.

Oldest Settler: Samuel Joseph Patterson, 88 years.

September 11-12, 1942

Oldest Soldier: Fred Albertson, 53 years, Co. B. 35th Inf.

Oldest Settler: Emma Hockersmith of Belknap.

September 1-3, 1943

Oldest Soldier: John Shellard, Sigourney, IA, 70 years.

Oldest Settler: Mrs. Sarah Gailey, born January, 8, 1856, 87 years.

September 1-3, 1944

Oldest Soldier: W.G. Walker, Eldon, IA, 75 years.

Oldest & Longest Settler: Mrs. D. E. DeVault, 85 years.

August 31 - September 1, 1945

Oldest Soldier: W.K. Burdett, Ottumwa, IA, 56 years, WWI.

Oldest Settler: Dan Moughler, 89...all his life.

August 30-31, 1946

Oldest Soldier: Robert Cong, 68 years, Spanish American War.

Oldest Settler: S.C. Rose, lived in Davis Co. since 1855, 92 years.

August 28-30, 1947

Oldest Soldier: James G. Hopkins, 66 years.

Oldest Settler: F. Maines, always lived in Davis Co., 88 years.

September 3-4, 1948

Oldest Soldier: D.W. Matheney, 69 years.

Oldest Settler: L.B. John, 88 years.

September 9-10, 1949

Oldest Soldier: Mr. June Harris, 64 years.

Oldest Settler: Mrs. Alice Mack, 94 years.

September 1-2, 1950

Oldest Soldier: Mr. Jess Harper, 63 years.

Oldest Settler: J.B. Stufflebeam, 87 years.

August 31- September 1, 1951

Oldest Soldier: Mr. W. E. Harris, 74 years.

Oldest Settler: Harriett McIntosh, 90 years.

September 18-19, 1952

Oldest Soldier: Jacob Birchmier, 61 years.

Oldest Settler: W.W. Golpin, 89 years.

August 27-29, 1953

Oldest Soldier: H.P. Hobbs, 89 years.

Oldest Settler: Mrs. Mahola Wilson, 94 years.

September 29-31, 1954

Oldest Soldier: Claude Knedler, Pulaski, IA, 66 years.

Oldest Settler: John Hopkins, 85 years.

July 29-31, 1955

Oldest Soldier: Ray Cary, 69 years

Oldest Continuous Settler: Henretta Myers, 88 years.

July 20-22, 1956

Oldest Soldier: Fred Hoffman, 69 years.

Oldest Continuous Settler: David Ward, 85 years & 8 months.

July 26-28, 1957

Oldest Soldier: Wesley Clayton, 66 years.

Oldest Settler: Laura Augspurger, 88 years.

July 25-26, 1958

Oldest Soldier: Barney F. Ruby, 69 years.

Oldest Continuous Settler: June Burton, 92 years.

July 24-25, 1959

Oldest Soldier: Charles E. Howard, 68 years.

Oldest Settler: A.E. Day, always lived in Davis Co., 91 years.

July 22-23, 1960

Oldest Soldier: Ray Conklin, 71 years.

Oldest Settler: A.W. Leonard, 81 years.

August 4-5, 1961

Oldest Soldier: Franklin J. Birchmier, 71 years.

Oldest Settler: Mary Johannessen, 90 years.

August 3-4, 1962

Oldest Soldier: Herbert Arney, 72 years.

Oldest Settler: John Dunfrund, 93 years.

August 2-3, 1963

Oldest Soldier: Clyde McClure, 73 years.

Oldest Settler: Walter M. Minear, 88 years.

August 7-8, 1964

Oldest Soldier: Harry Fickel, 72 years.

Oldest Settler: Wilson Fite, 97 years.

August 5-7, 1965

Oldest Soldier: Roy Melton, 76 years.

Oldest Settler: Alva Evans, lived in Davis Co. all his life, 90 years.

August 4-6, 1966

Oldest Soldier: Ernest L. Jackson, 74 years

Oldest Settler: Mrs. Lorena Wilson, 87 years.

August 3-5, 1967

Oldest Soldier: W.T. Starr, 72 years.

Oldest Settler: S.M. Johnston, 91 years.

August 1-3, 1968

Oldest Soldier: Floyd Steele.

Oldest Settler: J. Walter Day, 88 years.

August 7-9, 1969

Oldest Soldier: Ray Rominger, 78 years.

Oldest Settler: Mrs. Mertie (Walter) Minear, 92 years.

July 30-August 2, 1970

Oldest Soldier: Robert R. Cox, 77 years.

Oldest Settler: C.A. Wood, 88 years.

July 29-31, 1971

Oldest Soldier: Elvin McCullough, 78 years.

Oldest Settler: James E. Treckler, 90 years.

July 28-29, 1972

Oldest Soldier: George R. Daniels, 83 years.

Oldest Settler: Maude Hunt, 89 years.

July 27-29, 1973

Oldest Soldier: Reuben Horgrone, 78 years.

Oldest Settler: W.B. Guthrie, 88 years.

July 26-27, 1974

Oldest Soldier: J.F. Howard, 80 years.

Oldest Settler: Bessie Fleming, 91 years.

July 25-26, 1975

Oldest Soldier: Lester McClure, 80 years.

Oldest Settler: Albert Fox, 92 years.

July 30-31, 1976

Oldest Soldier: Obed Eaton, 81 years.

Oldest Settler: Walter Kinsinger, 88 years.

July 29-30, 1977

Oldest Soldier: Ralph Harris, 81 years

Oldest Settler: Frank Hilpert, Troy, IA, 88 years.

July 28-29, 1978

Oldest Soldier: A.A. Rupe, lived in Bloomfield, 83 years.

Oldest Settler: Mrs. Frankie Ellenberger, 90 years.

July 27-28, 1979

Oldest Soldier: John O. Sullivan, 83 years.

Oldest Settler: Mamie Clayton, 87 years.

July 25-26, 1980

Oldest Soldier: George Yahnke, 84 years.

Oldest Settler: Ray Daniels, 91 years.

July 24-25, 1981

Oldest Soldier: Nathan Hopkins, 84 years.

Oldest Settler: Katie Shaw, lived in Bloomfield, 93 years.

July 30-31, 1982

Oldest Soldier: Emery Schlarbaum, 87 years.

Oldest Settler: Elroy Hancock, 93 years.

July 29-30, 1983

Oldest Soldier: Pearl Cameron, 79 years.

Oldest Settler: Rhena Johnston, 90 years.

July 27-28, 1984

Oldest Soldier: Edwin Cummings, 72 years.

Oldest Settler: Otto Porter, 90 years.

July 26-27, 1985

Oldest Soldier: Edgar Blankenship, 74 years.

Oldest Settler: Harry Miller, 90 years.

July 25-26, 1986

Oldest Soldier: Demar Wilkinson, 75 years.

Oldest Settler: Ray Tharp, 91 years.

July 23-25, 1987

Oldest Soldier: Dale Hining, 77 years.

Oldest Settler: Hazel Harper, 92 years.

July 28-30, 1988

Oldest Soldier: Harold Jones, 77 years

Oldest Settler: John M. Jones, 90 years.

July 29-31, 1989

Oldest Soldier: Wendall Bridgeman, 77 years.

Oldest Settler: Ernie Mincks, 89 years.

July 26-28, 1990

Oldest Soldier: Rex Turner, 77 years.

Oldest Settler: Lila Baker, 91 years.

July 25-27, 1991

Oldest Soldier: Leonard "Barney" Harwood, 79 years.

Oldest Settler: Ruth Runkle, 91 years.

July 23-25, 1992

Oldest Soldier: Kenneth Locker, 77 years.

Oldest Settler: Mae Swindler, 96 years.

July 29-31, 1993

Oldest Soldier: Estel Brown, 83 years.

Oldest Settler: Glady Jones, 93 years.

July 28-30, 1994

Oldest Soldier: Victor Fitzgerald, 82 years.

Oldest Settler: Dova Sutter, 94 years.

July 27-29, 1995

Oldest Soldier: Basil Swaim, 79 years.

Oldest Settler: Cleo Lunsford, 84 years.

July 25-27, 1996

Oldest Soldier: Dewitt Fine, 83 years.

Oldest Settler: Kenneth Hunter, 87 years.

July 24-26, 1997

Oldest Soldier: Emmett Porter, 70 years.

Oldest Settler: Allen Long, 87 years.

July 23-25, 1998

Oldest Soldier: Jean McConnell, 79 years.

Oldest Settler: Leola Hubbartt, 91 years.

July 29-31, 1999

Oldest Soldier: Denzyl Harbour, 65 years

Oldest Settler: Elmer Weilbrenner, 92 years.

July 27-29, 2000

Oldest Soldier: Dalton Vorkis, 85 years.

Oldest Settler: Paul Bullock, 93 years.

July, 2001

Oldest Soldier: Rex Guinn, 84 years.

Oldest Settler: Lowell Lamb, 89 years.

July 25-27, 2002

Oldest Soldier: Ralph Tews, 85 years.

Oldest Settler: Milo Long, 90 years.

July 24-26, 2003

Oldest Soldier: Clair Roberts, 81 years.

Oldest Settler: Jason Johnson, 89 years.

July 29-31, 2004

Oldest Soldier: Leland Jones, 81 years.

Oldest Settler: Nina Bolin, 83 years.

July 28-30, 2005

Oldest Soldier: J.D. Graves, 77 years.

Oldest Settler: Irene Selix, 85 years.

July 27-29, 2006

Oldest Soldier: Rex Games, 81 years.
Oldest Settler: Betty Swaim, 82 years.

July 22-23, 2007

Oldest Soldier: Bob Wuthrich, 68 years.
Oldest Settler: Helen McElderry, 85 years.

July 23-25, 2008

Oldest Soldier: Rex Bowersox, 61 years.
Oldest Settler: Glady Hulen, 87 years.

July 23-25, 2009

Oldest Soldier: Dean Dixon, 84 years.
Oldest Settler: Lucille McConnell, 87 years.

July 29-31, 2010

Oldest Soldier: Lewis Graves, 87 years
Oldest Settler: Ida Piper, 84 years.

July 28-30, 2011

Oldest Soldier: Rex Simmons, 89 years.
Oldest Settler: Victor McClure, 86 years.

July 26-28, 2012

Oldest Soldier: Danny O'Brian, 66 years.
Oldest Settler: Alma Lanferman, 90 years.

July 25-27, 2013

Oldest Soldier: Floyd Porter, 86 years.
Oldest Settler: Doris Lawson, 92 years.

July 26-28, 2014

Oldest Soldier: Victor McClure, 89 years.
Oldest Settler: Rex Simmons, 92 years.

July 30-August 1, 2015

Oldest Soldier: Robert Leyda, 86 years.
Oldest Settler: Betty Spilman, 89 years.

**2015
OLDEST SOLDIER**



Bob Leyda

**2015
OLDEST SETTLER**



Betty Spilman

**2015 GRAND MARSHALS
Karen & Harlan Rudd**



**Davis County Old Soldiers &
Settlers Reunion Presents:**

MIDWAY BY AMUSEMENT ASSOCIATES



CARNIVAL

Thurs., July 28th • Fri., July 29th • Sat., July 30th

**Advanced Ride Wristbands Available
at area businesses only \$20!**

At Reunion Time \$25

Carnival tickets good all day!

TRACTOR & TRUCK PULL

THURSDAY, JULY 28TH • 6:00 PM
(WEIGH-IN & SIGN-UP STARTS AT 5:00 PM)

LAPLANDER RULES - JEFF WHITE SLED
\$15 PER HOOK

CASH PAYBACK

1st Place: 20% 2nd Place: 10%

FARM CLASSES:

3500; 4000; 4500; 5000; 5500; 6500; 7000; 8500; 9500;
10000; 11000; 12000

COMBINED ANTIQUE:

3250; 3500; 4000; 4500; 5500; 6500
(1957 & older 3.5 mph speed limit)

CLASSIC:

3500; 4000; 4500; 5500; 6500
(1958 & older open speed limit)

OPEN TRUCKS:

4x4 gas 6800 lbs.; 4x4 diesel 8500 lbs.

For more info. contact:

Rusty Rysdam
641-208-7776



TALENT CONTEST

THURSDAY JULY 28, 2016 • 8:00 PM

CASH PRIZES!!!



3 AGE GROUPS!!

12 & UNDER

1ST PLACE \$25

2ND PLACE \$15

3RD PLACE \$10

AGE 13-17

1ST PLACE \$50

2ND PLACE \$25

3RD PLACE \$10

18 & OVER

1ST PLACE \$100

2ND PLACE \$50

3RD PLACE \$25

*Call for sign up

*Limited Spots Available

*Performance Time is limited to
5 minutes

*CD Player and Electric
Keyboard available upon request

13-17 Age group winner will
perform on Friday night
before main stage show!!

18 & Over Age group
winner will perform on
Saturday Night before the
main stage show!!

Call Joe or Lori King at 641-799-4854 or 641-799-1442 by Tuesday, July 26, 2016 to get signed up. Entries will be accepted on a first come first serve basis.

The Davis County Old Soldiers & Settlers Reunion is committed to giving people of all ages a stage to showcase their talent in a family, friendly environment.



Please come join us !!



DRAKESVILLE REUNION

TEAM ROPING

Friday, July 29th

8:00PM

#12 6 Head Match Roping
NOT RECOGNIZING ELITES

\$150/Roper

Drakesville Arena, Drakesville, Iowa 52552

Food On Grounds

Camping Available

Trophies for 1st & 2nd Place Teams

\$500 ADDED

For Entries call or text

Dan Wiegand

641-895-2588



Entertainment for Whole Family
Carnival Rides, Mechanical Bull, Stage Shows

DRAKESVILLE REUNION
RANCH RODEO

Sat., July 30th 7:00PM

Calcutta Auction at 6:00PM

\$75/MAN 4 MAN TEAMS 4 EVENTS

Mugging

Doctoring

Trailer Loading

Stray Gathering

Drakesville Arena, Drakesville, Iowa 52552

Food On Grounds

Camping Available

60% PAYBACK • \$500 ADDED

For Entries call or text

Dan Wiegand 641-895-2588

Entertainment for Whole Family

Carnival Rides, Mechanical Bull, Stage Shows

Old Soldiers & Settlers

BILL BASSETT



Start at the Shelter House
Saturday, July 30th
Sign up 8 a.m.
Leave at 9:00 a.m.



INFORMATION CALL
Marty Thompson
641-799-0462

Mechanical Bull Riding Contest

- 4 Member Teams
- \$50.00 Team Entry Fee
- Cash Prizes

**Davis County Old Soldiers
And Settlers Reunion
Drakesville City Park
Saturday July 30, 2016**

**Team Registration Begins at
6:00 PM**

**Competition Begins at
7:30 Pm**

**Contact Sharon Roland to
Pre- Register your team or
for more information.**

719-659-2875

www.daviscountyossr.org

www.facebook.com/DavisCountyOssr

GARDEN & FLOWER SHOW

at Drakesville Old Soldiers & Settlers

July 28, 29 & 30, 2016

in the Green Building

1. Entries open to All Davis County and surrounding areas.
2. Each exhibitor must purchase a \$1.00 membership ticket.
3. Only one ribbon or prize per class to each exhibitor with more than one entry.
4. Entry Week - Wednesday, July 27th 6:00-8:00 p.m. & Thursday, July 28th in the Green Building 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. Judging after entries closes.
5. There will be a grand prize for best of show in each division.

Grand prizes donated by:
Crop Service, Inc.
Bloomfield Greenhouse,
Making Memories Flowers & Gifts
The Flower Shop Maggie's Avon

For information call:
Chairperson-Maggie Smith PH: 641-664-1357

Vegetables

Division 1 - Below Ground Crop

- Class: 1. Potatoes - three
- a. White
 - b. Red
 - c. Other
2. Carrots - three
3. Beets - three
4. Onions...any kind - three
- a. White
 - b. Yellow
 - c. Other
5. Turnips - three
6. Any other below ground vegetables not mentioned.



Division 2 - Above Ground Crop

- Class: 1. Tomatoes - three
- a. Large
 - b. Roma
 - c. Cherry (5)
2. Peppers...any kind - three
- a. Bell
 - b. Hot
 - c. Others
3. Cabbage - one head
4. Pumpkins....any variety - one
5. Squash...any variety - one
6. Watermelon - one
7. Cantaloupe - one
8. Cucumbers - three
- a. Pickling
 - b. Slicing
9. Green Beans - five
10. Zucchini - one
11. Any Other



Big Vegetables

Division - 3

- Class:
1. Largest onion - plate of three
 2. Largest cucumber
 3. Largest melon
 4. Largest onion
 5. Longest green bean
 6. Longest cucumber
 7. Zucchini
 - a. Largest
 - b. Longest



Division - 4 - Cut Flowers

3 flowers displayed in appropriate container

- Class:
1. Asters
 2. Dahlias
 3. Gladioli
 4. Marigolds
 5. Roses
 6. Snapdragons
 7. Sweet Peas
 8. Zinnias
 9. Lilies
 10. Misc. - other cut flowers



Flower Arrangements

- Class:
1. Natural flowers mixed bouquet
 2. Silk flower arrangements
 3. Dried flower arrangements
 4. Hanging basket
 5. Wild flower arrangement

Potted Plants

- Class:
1. Geraniums
 2. Violets
 3. Other flowering plants
 4. Foliage plants
 5. Vines
 6. Any other non-flowering plants





The Baker Family

The Baker Family is located in south central Missouri. They have quickly become fan favorites performing at events throughout the United States. Achievements include:

- *1st place 2014 Oklahoma State Band championship
- *1st place 2013 Pickin in the Pines Flagstaff, AZ Band Championship
- *2nd place 2014 Silver Dollar City Youth Band Contest winners

The band consists of **Trustin Baker: 17 yrs old** on Fiddle/Banjo/lead vocals/harmony. He has many accolades to his credit including 2015 Runner-up Grand Master Fiddler Nashville, TN, 2015 Tennessee State Grand Champion fiddler, 2015 Arkansas State Champion 2013 Jr- National Grand Master fiddler, 2011-2014 Missouri Jr. State Champion, 2012 Texas freshman State Champion, 2014 Oklahoma Jr. State fiddle champion, 2011-2012 Arkansas Jr State fiddle champion. **Carina Baker: 14 yrs old** on mandolin/lead vocals/harmony/jig dancer. She is a 2014 SPBGMA nominee Female vocalist of year.

Elijah Baker: 12 yrs old Upright Bass/lead vocals/harmony and **Carrie Baker (mother)** guitar/lead/harmony.

You are sure to enjoy the amazing instrumentation, vocals, and fun entertainment this group will provide. They will be performing on Friday night following the parade.

Find out more at: <http://www.thebakerfamilybluegrass.com>

THE BOYS



We're a modern country music band playing the top hits on the radio right now. We have a handful of our own songs as well. We're all from Southeast Iowa and we're here to bring the party.

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The hotel provided separate lodging for men and women, which was typical for this period. The accommodations were accessible by two separate sets of stairs - one for men and one for women.

With no heating upstairs, the rooms were cold in the winter. The downstairs office provided the warmest place for guests and locals to loaf about. In addition to the salesmen and travelers who arrived by train, area farmers would often stay overnight when they brought their wheat or corn to the local mill for grinding.

Around 1920, Frank and Ada Munn purchased the building. The Munn's discontinued running a hotel and began selling automotive products out of the front office. They started making candy in the old hotel before moving that enterprise to an adjacent house (also visible in photo), which they named the Candy Kitchen.

About 1921, a brick structure was built behind the former hotel to house Drakesville's light plant that provided electricity for the town until rural electrification arrived in the 1930's. While this brick building is still standing, the old hotel and Candy Kitchen were taken down in 1970.

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History of the Drakesville Lumber Company

Drakesville Lumber Co. was owned by John Wormhoudt. Curt Ross was the Manager, then later became a partner. There was a John Deere dealership as well, and it was owned by Wormhoudt and Ross. Rex Simmons returned home from the Navy in 1946 and became the bookkeeper and salesman. He applied for GI bill funds and that money somehow reimbursed the lumber yard for his salary. Other employees at that time included John Shepherd, Eddie Thompson, Cliff Foster, Walter Foster and Asher Hougland.

The Drakesville Lumber was located in the white building at the SE end of the oval. There was a big display glass in the west side to show off their wares. To the west (where the little red building sits) was the machinery repair shop (much bigger) and then to the west of that was the actual lumber yard. Here the actual lumber was stored in buildings that went almost to the Jones Produce building.

In 1953, Rex went to Denniston & Partridge Lumber in Bloomfield to be the Manager (it was located off the N.W. corner of the square). After the closing of Denniston Partridge, he became an employee of the Eclipse Lumber in Bloomfield (located across from Boone Body Shop). The Eclipse Lumber Co. wanted Simmons to move to Northern Iowa to another Eclipse Lumber location as manager, but he didn't want to leave the area.

Drakesville Lumber was still in business at this time. John Wormhoudt's interest in the business was being transferred to Wormhoudt Lumber (Henry & other Children). Henry Wormhoudt approached Simmons about buying his family's half interest in the business. Rex told him he didn't have the money to do that, but Wormhoudt told him that his sister did have the finances. So, she loaned Rex the money.

In August, 1956 Simmons and Ross moved the lumber business to Bloomfield. They built the building across from the fairgrounds that we knew as Bloomfield Lumber. A small building at that location was used until the new one was finished. At the same time, the John Deere dealership was sold to Earl Mikels and moved to Bloomfield.

While living in Drakesville, Rex, Lorraine and family lived in what would have been the John Lanferman (in the next block south of the Lumber bldg.) home and then later to the south of City Hall (known as the Gray property). To the east of the Lumber Yard building in the 2nd house (at that time) lived Rex's parents - Marion and Ohio Simmons. There was another home beside the lumber yard where Rex's brother, Max and Lorene Simmons (it is no longer there) lived with their family. Rex, now 96 years of age and his wife Lorraine, now 92, still reside in their own home in Bloomfield.

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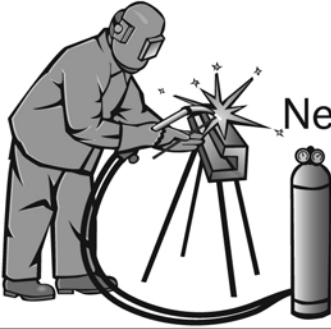
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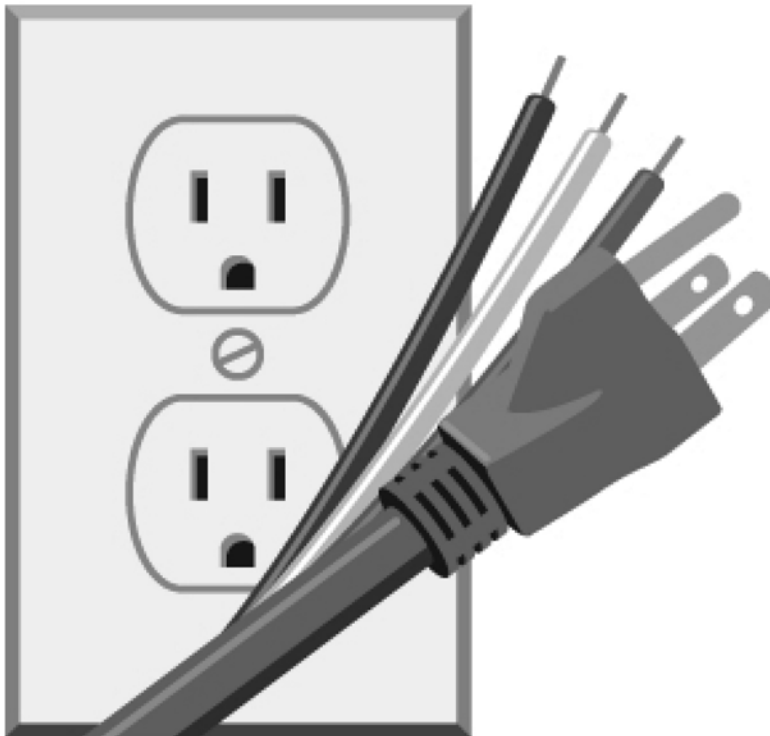
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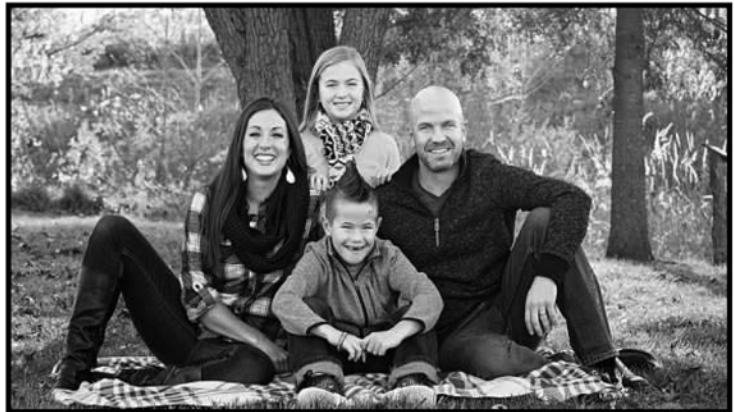
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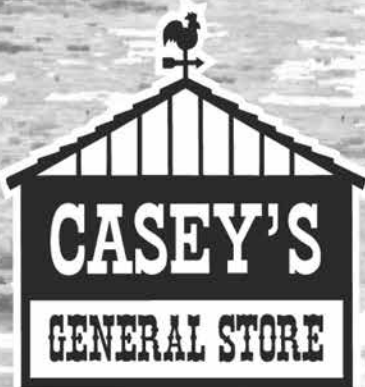
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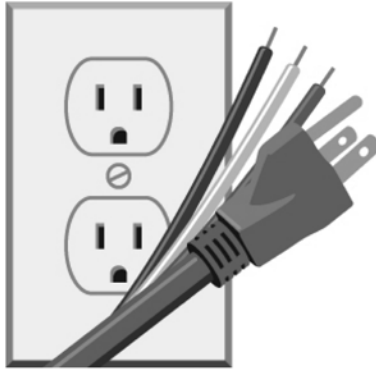
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ARTICLE ONE

Committees:

There shall be no less than three (3) parties serving on any one committee.

The committee chairman shall be appointed by the Governing Body at a special meeting, following the election.

Committees shall work in conjunction with the Governing Body.

There shall be no less than twelve (12) committees.

ARTICLE TWO

Finances:

The Treasurer shall not issue any warrants or dispose of any money, credits or property belonging to the Old Soldiers & Settlers Corporation without consent of the Governing Body.

All properties, money and credits acquired by the Committees and Officers of the Corporation shall be filed and paid to the Treasurer.

All Officials and Committee members, with the exception of the police, shall receive no compensation or reimbursement for services rendered on behalf of the Old Soldiers and Settlers Corporation of Drakesville, Iowa.

All police shall receive the sum of \$25.00 per day for time actually served as police, with the exception of night watchman whose salary is to be determined by the Governing Body.

ARTICLE THREE

The purpose of this Corporation is for entertainment and enjoyment solely-no political party or any organization of any kind shall be permitted to take part on any program.

Ticket sellers on all rides shall receive two dollars (2.00) per hour.

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ARTICLE FOUR

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Premiums:

The Treasurer and Governing Body shall have the jurisdiction of all premiums given as prizes.

ARTICLE SIX

Amendments:

Amendments to these Articles may be made at any annual meeting of the members or at any special meeting of the members called for that particular purpose, by the affirmative vote of at least two-thirds of the members present and voting.

ARTICLE SEVEN

Parking:

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All campers, tents or otherwise, shall pay a fee of \$10.00/night.

ARTICLE EIGHT

Chairs:

An individual registering for the chair given to the Oldest Soldier and the Oldest Settler can only win a chair one year as the Oldest Soldier and one year as the Oldest Settler, but not in the same year. This amendment shall override any previous chair rules.

The individual registering must register in person the day of the Reunion and must be present to accept the chair. The decision reached by the Committee as to the winner will be determined by the age of the Oldest Soldier attending the Reunion who is now a resident of Davis County and has been constantly for the most years.

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ARTICLE NINE

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ARTICLE TEN

Prizes donated by merchants for the drawings will be given to only immediate members residing in the same household. They must be present and come forward to claim their prize at that time. Anyone who is donating their time working for the Reunion Corporation that particular evening and leaving his or her name with the Membership Committee or a Reunion officer are exempt and will get their prize. This does not apply to the prizes given by the Reunion Corporation each evening. You do not have to present to win them.

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