On Friday, October 26, 2018 from 9:00-11:30am, ISGS Associate Member leaders are invited to gather to share and exchange information, ideas and strategies to help further their missions, grow their membership and work towards access and preservation of genealogical materials. The agenda includes Allen Nemec, Advocacy Chair for ISGS, who will update us on the advocacy activities on a state level. Details are coming in the invitation.

This is a free event for Associate Member societies, as a membership benefit! There is limited seating, so sign up early. Invitations will come by email in early September. If there are spaces available, non-member society leaders can attend for $10. You do not have to register for the Conference to attend. Contact Caron Brennan at isgssecretary@ilgensoc.org for more information.
REGISTER NOW!  Early registration closes October 4!

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Illinois State Genealogical Society
2018 Fall Conference Registration Form
October 26 & 27, 2018
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ISGS Membership: Individual - $35; Joint - $40

**Total Conference Fees**

*Cancellations accepted prior to October 4, 2018, less a $25 non refundable administrative fee.
No refunds after October 4, 2018.*

**Syllabus: Going Green! Syllabus available as a Digital Download Only. Prior to the conference registrants will receive an email with a link to download, save and print. Registrants are encouraged to download and/or print prior to arrival. Printing not available onsite.**

Register online at [www.ilgensoc.org](http://www.ilgensoc.org) or make checks payable to ISGS and mail with this form to ISGS, P.O. Box 10195, Springfield, IL, 62791-0195.

Questions? Email: isgsconferences@ilgensoc.org
I was looking through the 20th Anniversary edition of the ISGS Quarterly (XX:3) recently. On page 131, there is a letter from “The ISGS Family.” The line that caught my eye was “Our society was no longer a small club but a major organization with every-day needs that were larger than we could expect any volunteer or group of volunteers to perform.” This is in reference to the establishment of an executive secretary position in 1982. What is striking is how relevant that remains today. ISGS continues to grow and expand its services. Who would have ever thought webinars would become a thing back in 1982!

The interesting part of this is that while ISGS does have part-time staff, the majority of the work the Society does is done by volunteers. The 2018 Fall conference chairs are Dawn Carey Henry and Rick Shields. They began working on the conference over a year ago. And, yes, preliminary talks for 2019 have begun! Without the dedication of the Society Board and volunteers, ISGS could not run statewide conferences.

Have you looked at the Prairie Pioneer index on the ISGS website? What about the Military Index? These are examples of the hours of work ISGS volunteers have given to the Society. ISGS volunteers review applications and material to determine if an ancestor qualifies for either program. Much of that work has been done with the goal of helping others in the genealogy community. If you find an ancestor in the Prairie Pioneer index that means someone else has been researching that individual and family and that they have documents!! Maybe those are just the documents you have been looking for to help with a brick wall?

ISGS volunteers have supported the Society in so many ways. As we look back on 50 years of ISGS, I am reminded that each step forward over the years was enabled by a dedicated volunteer. Maybe it was the generation of a new idea, such as webinars. Or it could be assisting in a seamless transition in an existing program, such as the newsletter.

While I want to thank Susan McQuaid the ISGS newsletter editor for her efforts, I would like to thank anyone who typed, mimeographed, folded, stapled or put a stamp on an ISGS newsletter over the last 50 years. Those little things add up to help make ISGS what it is today. Please consider volunteering with ISGS. Volunteer opportunities available are listed here on the left. You can also contact Barbara McKean at isgs2ndvp@ilgensoc.org. We won’t make you lick stamps, I promise!

Laura Marshall Kovarik
President, ISGS
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Volunteer Opportunities
Join in the fun!

With the generous help of volunteers, ISGS is poised for continued success. The positions listed below present some interesting and exciting opportunities for you! Please consider helping ISGS achieve its mission to preserve and disseminate Illinois historical and genealogical materials and to educate and aid those researching their ancestry.

For further details on any of the positions listed below, contact Barbara McKean: isgs2ndvp@ilgensoc.org

Society Liaison Chair
The Society Liaison chair works to ensure the Associate members’ needs are represented within ISGS and its activities.

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Marketing and Publicity committee disseminates information about ISGS, its officers and members, activities and publications. They assist with preparation of press releases, conference notice and implementation of ISGS Social Media.

Advertising
This committee solicits ads for the ISGS Quarterly, Newsletter, and fall conference syllabus.

Honors and Awards Chair
The Honor and Awards Committee considers recommendations for awards and recognition to be given at the Annual Meeting.

Education Committee Chair
The Education Chair develops and coordinates the Society’s education outreach and programs.

Newsletter Editor
The editor compiles news from Associate Societies and ISGS committees for six bi-monthly issues and a fall special edition.
Welcome New ISGS Members!

Join ISGS or Renew Your Membership Online

To join, go to the ISGS website: ilgensoc.org

Online renewals are open 45 days prior to your current membership expiration date. To renew, you will need to login to the ISGS website and click on the "Your Profile" link in the Members Only dropdown menu. Individual/Associate/Subscription: $35, Joint (two people at same address): $40.

Address Changes Update your information!

If you have a change of either mailing address or an email address or both, it is important to let the ISGS office know. We cannot be responsible for resending issues and other "blast emails" that could not be forwarded to a new address.

If your information has changed, please forward the new information to the ISGS office at isgsoffice@ilgensoc.org or call (217) 789-1968. You can also update your information on the website www_ilgensoc_og. Click on the Members Section on the left sidebar. Enter your login and password. Then click Edit Your Profile in the Members section on the left. Click the Contact Info tab and verify your email address.

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Thank you to the Bureau County Genealogical Society for hosting the ISGS Quarterly meeting August 18, 2018. The day included a tour of the BCGS’s extensive collection. Carol McGee and Elaine Newell were our hosts for the day. If your ancestors are connected to Bureau County, make sure to visit the website at http://bcgenealogy.org. The Society will conduct research for you, but this is a trip you really should find time to make.

Member Dorothy Albert has been to the Assumption Historical Society building in Assumption and found a building full of history and genealogy. The Assumption Historical Society has a collection of obits from the Assumption area dating back to the early 1900s. This collection also includes funeral cards which give date of birth, death, and place of burial. If you are doing research on anyone from this area and time period you should phone 1-217-226-3624 [Susan Banning] for an appointment as they do not have regular hours but will be happy to meet you at the their building in downtown Assumption.

Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library and Museum is hosting a fundraising event on Monday, October 29th. It will be an evening with Doris Kearns Goodwin, best-selling Pulitzer Prize-winning author and “America’s Historian-in-Chief”. She will discuss her latest book, Leadership: In Turbulent Times. “Combining her signature storytelling with essential lessons from four of our nation’s presidents—Abraham Lincoln, Theodore Roosevelt, Franklin D. Roosevelt and Lyndon B. Johnson—Goodwin shows how they recognized leadership qualities within themselves and were recognized as leaders by others.” Tickets are on sale now at https://alplmfoundation.tix.com/Event.aspx?EventCode=1089728

Newberry Library announced the 2018-2019 Research Fellows. Tony Borroughs is a short-term fellow! “Over 50 scholars will join our community of learning and will spend all or part of the 2018-19 academic year as Newberry Fellows. These fellowships, supported by funding from the Newberry as well as from outside organizations, allow researchers to work in the library’s collections while pursuing a variety of projects in the humanities.” More information at: https://www.newberry.org/announcing-our-2018-19-research-fellows

Genealogy Society of Southern Illinois GSSI’s July newsletter included this article on Revolutionary War Veterans: “In this year of the Bicentennial of Illinois, organizations across the state are, in various ways, contributing to the celebration. One such organization is the Long Knives Chapter of Sons of the American Revolution. This chapter recently, honored 4 Revolutionary War Veterans with a ceremony unveiling a stately bronze marker. This stately marker stands at the entrance of the St. John’s Cemetery outside the town of Dongola….The presentation was witnessed by descendants of these soldiers and a large group of attendees. The Long Knives Chapter Honor Guard was dressed in period military clothing and presented arms for a gun salute honoring the soldiers….When you visit a cemetery, look for a Sons of the American Revolution Plaque or a Daughters of the American Revolution plaque. They can be rich in genealogy information.”

Tony Burroughs Received the Weinberg Fellowship to Research Slave Schedules. He researched at Newberry Library doing a statistical analysis of slave census schedules. “The most difficult task in African American genealogy is identifying the last slave owner. This challenge is imperative to bridging the Civil War divide to trace enslaved ancestors. A detailed, scholarly study of researching and analyzing slave schedules will help bridge that divide and advance scholarship in African American genealogy and family history.”
Fox Valley Genealogical Society will be hosting their fall conference on Saturday, September 29 at Grace United Methodist Church in Naperville, Illinois. The featured speaker will be Jill Morelli. Her lively presentations on intermediate and advanced methodologies, unique records sets, and midwestern research convey information that is readily usable by attendees whatever their skill level. [https://ilfvgs.org/education/conference/](https://ilfvgs.org/education/conference/)

Fulton County Historical & Genealogical Society held a monument dedication on Saturday, July 28th at Greenwood Cemetery in Canton, Illinois. "This memorial is erected as a tribute to all those men, women, and children who were laid to rest in the Fulton County Poor Farm Cemetery in Buckheart Township and moved to Greenwood Cemetery in Canton, Illinois. From circa 1850 to 1952, these needy and dependent individuals were buried in the Fulton County Poor Farm Cemetery. This memorial stands as a permanent reminder of those named individuals and unknown souls. We remember with open hearts these beloved ancestors who were lost but now are found. May this site service as their final resting place and a sanctuary of peace."

The listing of names and the memorial was a culmination of research led by the society's president Cathy Parsons. The Fulton County Board closed the Poor Farm in 1953. Remains were moved to the Greenwood Cemetery. No signs or markers were used to identify the burial site of those from the Poor Farm. In keeping with part of their mission to remember and honor the forgotten, the Fulton County Historical & Genealogical Society decided it was important to recognize these Poor Farm residents who had not been identified in any other way. Donations are still being sought to pay for the $6000 memorial. Tax deductible donations may be sent to the Fulton County Historical & Genealogical Society at P.O. Box 583, Canton, IL 61520. To learn more about this project and this society, please contact Cathy Parsons, President at digger2cp@yahoo.com or on Facebook: [https://www.facebook.com/FCHGS/](https://www.facebook.com/FCHGS/).

Fountaindale Public Library in association with Plainfield Public Library and the Ulster Historical Foundation of Belfast are hosting a full day Irish Genealogy Workshop in Bolingbrook, Illinois on Saturday, October 13, 2018. For those that can’t attend in person, there will be a live streaming webinar available. Visit Fountaindale Library’s [genealogy blog](http://www.fountaindale.org) for all the webinar information.

Chicago Genealogical Society and Chicago Public Library are co-hosting a Family History Day at Harold Washington Library, 400 South State Street, on October 20, 2018. The free program offers “a full day of genealogy learning. There will be three to four lectures in the auditorium and the multi-purpose rooms will be staffed with genealogists and librarians to answer your research questions.”

Saint Clair County Genealogical Society launched its new website on 10 August, 2018. The URL will remain as it was, [https://stclair-ilgs.org](https://stclair-ilgs.org) however, some pages that were bookmarked will not work so please use the link given here.
50th Anniversary Giveaways!

As part of the ISGS 50th Anniversary celebration, ISGS members will be eligible for a number of giveaways throughout the year.

Some of the items on the list include:

- One Annual Membership, new or renewal
- One Fall Conference registration
- ISGS publications, including the Illinois Insider’s Guides, Prairie Pioneer books and Ancestor Charts
- Death Certificate Look-ups

Make sure your contact information is up to date in case you win!

Now is the time to make sure your contact information is up to date. Login and check your member profile. If you don’t remember how to login, there are instructions on the website.

Congratulations to more winners in the ISGS 50th Anniversary Giveaway!

Reid M.  Patti G.  Carolyn D.

Prizes will be coming in the mail.

Thank you ISGS members for being part of our 50th Anniversary!

Thank You

ISGS would like to thank the following individuals for their kind donation.

Nancy Gaynor
Christine Giovanni
Betty Fisher
Eileen Lennon
Carol Burget
Kathleen Pool
Marcia Moore

Secretary of State and State Archivist
Jesse White Announces

“100 Most Valuable Documents” Online Exhibit

In recognition of Illinois’ Bicentennial Celebration
Secretary of State and State Archivist Jesse White is proud to announce the online exhibit “100 Most Valuable Documents,” is now accessible on the Secretary of State’s website. To view “100 Most Valuable Documents” visit http://bit.ly/100DocsILArchives.

ISGS is looking for an old iPad, tablet, or laptop computer to use at the organization’s outreach booth. The device only needs to access the Internet and have Wi-Fi capabilities.

If you have an item to donate please contact Laura Kovarik at isgpspresident@ilgensoc.org.

Thank you!
ISGS 2018 Webinar Schedule

Registration for the 2018 webinars is now open! You'll find a fantastic lineup of presentations and speakers and we hope you will join us for a wonderful educational experience.

The ISGS webinars, which are live lectures/presentations that you can attend via a computer with an internet connection, are held as a live broadcast on the second Tuesday of each month at 8:00 PM Central. The live broadcast of each webinar is FREE to the public. ISGS members who are unable to attend the live broadcast are able to access recordings of all past webinars through the Members Section of the ISGS website, to watch at their convenience.

Finding Scottish Ancestors Online
January 9, 2018, presented by Nancy Loe

Illinois Digital Resources
February 13, 2018, presented by Tina Beaird

Finding Clues for Your Immigrant Ancestors in Ethnic Newspapers and Publications
March 13, 2018, presented by Lisa Alzo

Friedrich Eiler in Illinois: Fragments Fuse to Identify One Individual
April 10, 2018, presented by Jill Morelli

Want to Honor Your Revolutionary Roots? Resources for Applying to a Revolutionary War Lineage Society
May 8, 2018, presented by Bryna O’Sullivan

Ohio and the Early Gathering of the LDS Church
June 12, 2018, presented by Peggy Clemens Lauritzen

Museums Have Records, Too! Locating Your Ancestors Behind Closed Doors
July 10, 2018, presented by Melissa Barker

National Archives Resources at the Chicago Branch
August 14, 2018, presented by Jane Haldeman

Researching Pre-fire Chicago
September 11, 2018, presented by Ginger Frere

Chicago Rises from the Ashes: The Columbian Exposition Gives Perspective to the Family Historian
October 9, 2018, presented by Jean Wilcox Hibben

1918: The Prairie State ‘Over There’
November 13, 2018, presented by Lisa Oberg

Some Followed the River, Some Took the Train: Finding Ancestors of the Great Migration
December 11, 2018, presented by Angela Walton-Raji

All webinars take place at 8:00 PM Central time.


You may also want to review our Webinar FAQs at http://ilgensoc.org/cpage.php?pt=316.

Don’t forget to spread the word! Forward this email onto your friends and colleagues, post the information to social media sites and/or your blog/website, or print out a few copies of our webinar flyer to hand out at your local society meetings. The flyer for the 2018 series can be accessed at https://ilgensoc.org/cpage.php?pt=227.
Genealogy Events

Event Listings

Associate Members are encouraged to send event listings for the newsletter to isgsnewsletter@ilgensoc.org. Newsletter deadline: 12 days before the month of publication.

For the ISGS website, send listings to: isgswebmaster@ilgensoc.org.

**September 2018**

- **4 September 2018**—Elgin Genealogical Society, Elgin—Your Next Step: Write Your Family History, Steve Szabados [elginroots.com](http://elginroots.com)
- **8 September 2018**—North Suburban Genealogical Society, Northbrook, IL—Creating and Sustaining Your Family Newsletter: Genealogy Rich Source Material, Janis Minor Forté [ngsisi.org](http://ngsisi.org)
- **11 September 2018**—Lake County Genealogical Society, Mundelein, IL—The Most Helpful Genealogy Tools You’ve Never Used, Marsha Peterson Maass [www.lakecountyilgenealogy.org](http://www.lakecountyilgenealogy.org)
- **13 September 2018**—McHenry County Illinois Genealogical Society, Crystal Lake, IL—The Most Helpful Genealogy Tools You’ve Never Used, Marsha Peterson Maass [www.lakecountyilgenealogy.org](http://www.lakecountyilgenealogy.org)
- **15 September 2018**—British Interest Group of Wisconsin & Illinois (BIGWILL), Richmond, IL—Discovering Your UK/Irish Roots Online, Debra Dudek [http://www.bigwill.org/meet.htm](http://www.bigwill.org/meet.htm)
- **15 September 2018**—Computer Assisted Genealogy Group (CAGNNI), Hoffman Estates, IL—Beyond the Records: Putting Flesh on the Bones of Your Civil War Ancestors, Karen Heinrich [www.caggni.org](http://www.caggni.org)
- **20 September 2018**—Fox Valley Genealogical Society, Naperville, IL—Sanborn Maps: A New Direction for Your Research, Laura Kovarik [https://ilfvgs.org/](https://ilfvgs.org/)
- **22 September 2018**—Naperville Public Library, Naperville, IL—Czechoslovakian Genealogy Guidance, Roger Liska [www.naperville-lib.org](http://www.naperville-lib.org)
- **22 September 2018**—Decatur Genealogical Society, Decatur, IL—Grand Army of the Republic, Nathan Pierce [DecaturGenSoc@att.net](mailto:DecaturGenSoc@att.net)
- **29 September 2018**—Friends of Wimmer Cemetery, Auburn, IL—Storied Cemetery Walk [https://www.facebook.com/WimmerCemetery](https://www.facebook.com/WimmerCemetery)
- **29 September 2018**—Wisconsin Historical Society, Madison, WI—Citing Sources - George Findlen [https://www.wisconsinhistory.org/](http://www.wisconsinhistory.org/)

**October 2018**

- **4 October 2018**—St. Clair County Genealogical Society, Belleville—Ask the Experts [stclair-ilgs.org](http://stclair-ilgs.org)
- **6 October 2018**—Northwest Suburban Genealogical Society, Arlington Heights, IL—Newspaper Research: Beyond the Birdcage, Debra Mieszala, CG℠ [www.nwsgenealogy.org](http://www.nwsgenealogy.org)

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9 October 2018—Schaumburg Township District Library, Schaumburg, IL—How DNA Can Help Your Genealogy, Tony Kierna  genealogywithtony.wordpress.com

10 October 2018—Decatur Genealogical Society, Decatur, IL—Beginner’s Class (also on October 17, 24, 31)  DecaturGenSoc@att.net


13 October 2018—Fountaindale Public Library District, Bolingbrook, IL—Ulster Historical Foundation: Irish Genealogy Workshop  www.fountaindale.org

13 October 2018—North Suburban Genealogical Society, Northbrook, IL—Members Show and Tell  nsgsil.org

13 October 2018—Wisconsin State Genealogical Society, Madison, WI—Fall Conference, Louise St Denis  www.wsgs.org

20 October 2018—Chicago Public Library & Chicago Genealogical Society, Chicago, IL—Family History Day  www.chipublib.org

20 October 2018—Naperville Public Library, Naperville, IL—Make the *Genealogy Organizational Challenge* Work For You, Marsha Peterson-Maass  www.naperville-lib.org


29 October 2018—Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library and Museum, Springfield, IL—An Evening with Doris Kearns Goodwin  https://www2.illinois.gov/alplm/Pages/default.aspx


10 November 2018—Lake County Genealogical Society, Mundelein, IL—Fall Workshop, Curt B. Witcher  www.lakecountyilgenealogy.org

10 November 2018—Naperville Public Library, Naperville, IL—Advanced Polish Genealogy Research, Jason Kruski  www.naperville-lib.org

10 November 2018—Genealogy Society of Southern Illinois, Carterville, IL—General Meeting  http://ilgssi.org/

10 November 2018—Wisconsin Historical Society, Madison, WI—Getting Started With Your Genealogy  https://www.wisconsinhistory.org/

13 November 2018—Illinois State Genealogical Society, (Webinar) 1918: The Prairie State “Over There”, Lisa Oberg

14 November 2018—Decatur Genealogical Society, Decatur, IL—Annual Meeting  DecaturGenSoc@att.net

17 November 2018—British Interest Group of Wisconsin & Illinois (BIGWILL), Richmond, IL—Compiling Your Medical Family Tree” by Marsha Peterson-Maass  http://www.bigwill.org/meet.htm

17 November 2018—Computer Assisted Genealogy Group (CAGGNI), Schaumburg, IL—General Charles Dawes: the 100th Anniversary of WWI, RJ Lindsey  www.caggni.org

Genealogy Events
Continued


5 January 2019—Northwest Suburban Genealogical Society, Arlington Heights, IL—DNA How to Organize All This Genealogy Stuff, Lisa Louise Cooke [www.nwsgenealogy.org]

12 April 2019—Rock County Illinois Genealogical Society, Moline, IL—Annual Quad Cities Genealogical Conference, Beth Fouk [www.ricgs.org]


21-24 August—Federation of Genealogical Societies—Annual Conference, [https://fgs.org/]

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Illinois Bicentennial Family Certificate

The Illinois State Genealogical Society announces the introduction of the Illinois Bicentennial Family Certificate program, an official project of the Illinois Bicentennial celebration!

Available only during this Bicentennial year, the Illinois State Genealogical Society will issue Illinois Bicentennial Family Certificates to honor those who contributed to our state's rich history to direct descendants of early pioneers who were living in Illinois in the year of Statehood (1818), and whose family has continued to be proud residents of our State for each generation since that time, with the applicant being a current resident of Illinois.

Honor your Illinois ancestors and apply today!

Download the application [here].

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Conference on Illinois History
October 4-5, 2018, Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library, Springfield
The state's largest meeting devoted to the history of the Prairie State

The conference includes sessions that feature topics such as Abraham Lincoln, archaeology, Civil War, digital resources, early statehood, immigrations, museums, politics, race and popular culture. The mid-day presentation on Thursday is a roundtable discussion on Illinois Bicentennial Exhibits and will include speakers from prominent state museums and archives. On Friday Frank Cicero Jr. author of Creating the Land of Lincoln: The History and Constitutions of Illinois, 1778-1870, describes the events of April 1818 that shaped the State of Illinois. Teachers will benefit from workshops on a variety of topics.

TEACHERS: To receive CPDUs for the conference, teachers MUST have their Educator Identification Number when signing in at the conference. If you have questions, contact the Education Department at 217-558-8935.

The program can be viewed at: [https://www2.illinois.gov/alplm/library/programs/Documents/conference18.pdf]

On-line registration available at [www.presidentlincoln.illinois.gov](http://www.presidentlincoln.illinois.gov) (click on "special events tickets").
Save $$$

ISGS Death Certificate Lookup Service

The current pricing for one certificate is $6.00 for ISGS members, $10.00 for non-members (you can order as many as you would like). Compare that to the $17.00 rate at sites such as Genealogy Online for Cook County. Currently, only 1916-1947 certificates listed at the Illinois Death Certificates database at cyberdriveillinois.com can be obtained through the ISGS lookup service.

Revenues Support ISGS Operations
Proceeds directly support ISGS. So please remember to take advantage of this service, whether you are a member of ISGS or not!

Requesting a Death Certificate: The Simple Process

- Go to the Illinois State Archives Death Certificate Index.
- Search for the individual death certificate(s) you want, and copy down the information exactly as it is displayed. (Note: 1948-50 certificates are indexed but not microfilmed and thus are unavailable.)
- **Order Online** - If you would like to order online using a MasterCard, Visa, Discover, American Express or a PayPal account, you can use the shopping cart at http://ilgensoc.org/cpage.php?pt=59. Your information is kept safe and secure by the PayPal payment service.
- **Or Order by Mail** - If you would prefer to mail your request, print out the ISGS Death Certificate Request Form and transfer the death certificate information to the form. Mail the form along with your check made payable to the Illinois State Genealogical Society to the address shown on the form. (Note: Credit cards are only available online.)

If you have any questions, visit http://ilgensoc.org/cpage.php?pt=59

For more information, email isgsoffice@ilgensoc.org or call (217) 789-1968
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The Illinois State Genealogical Society Quarterly is read by over 1000 members and is held in many libraries throughout IL and the U.S. The Quarterly is published four times a year. The editor accepts original, unpublished submissions for inclusion in upcoming issues. If you would like to contribute, please refer to the ISGS website for submission guidelines. All inquiries go to isgsquarterly@ilgensoc.org

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