

February 2012 Newsletter  
Randolph County Genealogical Society

We had a little snow on the ground that morning, when we woke up, but nine of our members, including all the board members, came to our meeting that afternoon. By the time of the meeting, the snow had pretty well melted.

The quilt we discussed for a raffle, had been quilted and hemmed and was on display during the meeting. We discussed sending a colored picture on a page of tickets to each member, giving them a better idea of what the quilt looked like and giving them the opportunity to participate in the fund raiser. Janice Zang offered to copy the letter on her computer, as we don't have a color copier. Thank you, Janice.

On April 24<sup>th</sup>, 2012, we will be co-sponsoring, with the Chester Public Library, a program about the War of 1812. This year is the Bi-Centennial year for that War. Gillum Ferguson, of Naperville, Illinois, has written a book, "*Illinois in the War of 1812*", and is coming to speak about that war, sometimes called the "Second War for American Independence."

The role Illinois played in the war was a pivotal event in the state's early history, but until now there has been scant attention paid to events in this state during the war. That gap has now been filled with the first full-length and comprehensive book on the subject.

This program will be held at 6:30pm, in the lower level of the Chester Public Library on Tues. Apr. 24, 2012. We hope all members who live near Chester will be able to come out for this interesting program. Mark your calendar!

If you have not sent in your dues for 2012, please do so—the annual dues are \$25.00. If you don't remember if you've sent your dues, check your label on the envelope to see what year you are paid up to.

Our next meeting will be on Tuesday, March 13<sup>th</sup>, 2:00pm, at our library.

Check out the back-side of this letter to see if you can help a fellow member with a research quest.

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## Member Research Request

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Dennis is having difficulty finding information regarding his mother's family. He would appreciate finding and sharing with anyone researching the ancestors and descendants of the following:

Friedrich Heinrich Carl Moeller & Mina Runge:

Friedrich Heinrich Carl Moeller, was born in 1833, Hannover, Germany. He married Mina Runge on 11 Nov. 1859, in Randolph Co. IL. They lived in Blair, Randolph Co. IL.

Mina Runge was born 1842, in Illinois, died before 1880.

George D. Meyer & Marie Shoenhoff:

George D. Meyer, was born 11 Jan. 1833, Hannover, Germany. He married Marie Shoenhoff in 1866, in Randolph Co. IL. They attended Zion Lutheran Church. He died 16 Jan. 1912, is buried in Zion Luth. Cemetery.

Marie Schoenhoff, was born 7 Aug. 1830, Hannover, Germany. She died 12 Apr. 1830 and is buried in Zion Luth. Cemetery

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Do you know anything about these two couples. Who were their parents? What were their children's names, who did they marry, and did they have children?

Here is the queen sized quilt we talked about in last month's newsletter. We hope you will buy some tickets--\$1.00 each chance, or 6 for \$5.00. Fill in your name and address on the tickets and enclose the money with them and send back to Randolph Co. Gen. Soc. #13 Westwood Dr. Steeleville, IL, 62288. Drawing will be Sep. 11, 2012.



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