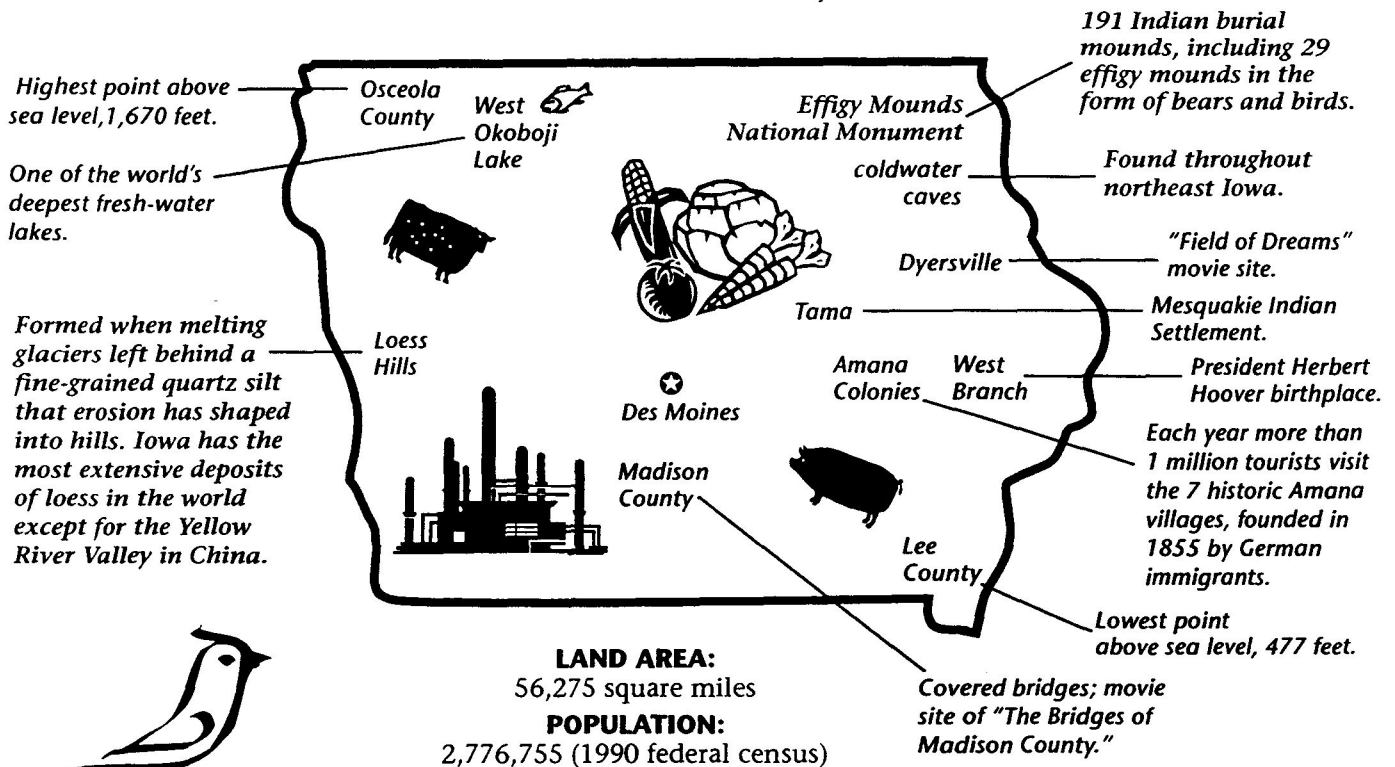


Quick **IOWA** Facts

From the State Historical Society of Iowa



State motto:

"Our Liberties We Prize And Our Rights We Will Maintain"

State symbols:

flower - wild rose

tree - oak

song - "The Song of Iowa"

bird - eastern goldfinch (also

known as American goldfinch)

rock - geode

Capital:

Des Moines

Sites of national significance:

Herbert C. Hoover Presidential Library and Museum, West Branch

Herbert C. Hoover Birthplace, West Branch

Amana Colonies, Iowa County

Living History Farms, Urbandale

Effigy Mounds National Monument, near Marquette

Sites that people like to visit in Iowa:

Amana Colonies

Covered bridges of Madison County

"Field of Dreams" movie-filming site near Dyersville

"Albert the Bull" at Audubon

"Pocahontas" at Pocahontas

Boone and Scenic Valley Railroad, in Boone County

Garden Grove and Mount Pisgah Mormon camp sites

Lake Rathbun, Lake Red Rock, Saylorsville Lake, Coralville Lake

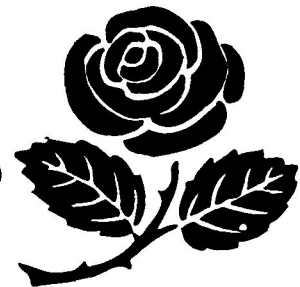
Iowa State Fair in Des Moines

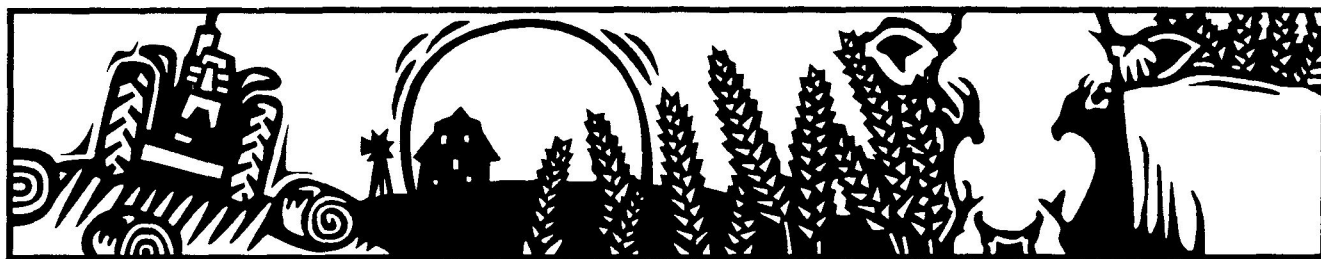
Villages of Van Buren, in Van Buren County

Mesquakie Pow Wow near Tama

Midwest Old Threshers Reunion, Mount Pleasant

Hobo Days, Britt





U.S. presidents born in Iowa:

Herbert Clark Hoover, president from 1929 to 1933

U.S. vice-presidents born in Iowa:

Henry Agard Wallace, vice president from 1941 to 1945

Iowans who have served on the United States Supreme Court:

Samuel Freeman Miller, served from 1862 to 1890

Iowans of national recognition:

Norman Borlaug, winner of the Nobel Peace Prize in 1968

Carrie Lane Chapman Catt, leader in the campaign for woman suffrage

James Van Allen, nuclear physicist, discovered the Van Allen Belt

John L. Lewis, labor leader, organized the Congress of Industrial Organizations

Jessie Field Shambaugh, originator of the 4-H Club movement

Grant Wood, artist, best known for the painting "American Gothic"

George Washington Carver, African-American agricultural scientist,
educated at Simpson College and Iowa State University

Nellie Verne Walker, noted sculptor, created the statue of Keokuk

Mary Louise Smith, first woman to be chairperson of a national political party

George Gallup, creator of the polling technique that bears his name

Annie Turner Wittenmyer, leader of the Sanitary Commission during the Civil War

William F. "Buffalo Bill" Cody, scout, hunter, and creator of the "Wild West Show"

Abigail Van Buren (Dear Abby) and Ann Landers, widely-read advice columnists
in newspapers

Native American Indian groups who have lived in Iowa:

Ioway – various areas within what is now Iowa

Mesquakie – moved in from eastern areas and lived along the Mississippi River; settlement
in Tama

Sac – moved in from eastern areas and lived along the Mississippi River

Winnebago – moved in from Wisconsin and lived in northeast Iowa

Pottawattamie – moved in from Michigan and lived in southwest Iowa

Sioux – moved in and out of northwest Iowa

