Dear Relative:

The most interesting items grow from a desire to preserve our heritage and background for future generations. This Thiessen family register comes from such a desire - a desire that generations yet to come may appreciate the rich background that is theirs. Much time and effort has gone into the preparation of this book. Many thanks go to all who have answered questionnaries and special requests and to all who cooperated by giving data for their families.

A family record is never complete, but only a beginning. This beginning, hopefully will give each family the opportunity - yes, the responsibility to try to keep the record up to date as the family increases with the years. Extra space has intentionally been left for this purpose.

In the book; the number on the left is the generation number of that person: The children of Jacob Thiessen are generation number 2, the grandchildren of Jacob Thiessen are generation 3, etc. This is followed by the name, the date of birth, marriage date, and on the extreme right, the death date. The direct descendant is listed first; the in-law is listed directly below the direct descendant - then the children of that couple. The complete alphabetical index of names is at the end of the book.

With so many names and dates, and so much transcribing and compiling, errors are inevitable. I beg your pardon and can assure you that the errors are definitely not intentional.

It is hoped that you will receive as much enjoyment from the record, as those who have worked to bring it to completion.

Sincerely,

Katie Regehr Buller