

## COLONEL DAVENPORT'S STORY: A MAD LIB

(Write your own words in the blanks to create a silly story about Colonel Davenport.)

In 1816 Colonel Davenport came to (1. place) \_\_\_\_\_ with the  
(2. plural noun) \_\_\_\_\_ who were going to build (3. a building) \_\_\_\_\_.  
He had a contract to provide them with (4. plural noun) \_\_\_\_\_.

In 1817 Colonel Davenport got a license to (5. verb) \_\_\_\_\_. He and  
his partners collected (6. plural noun) \_\_\_\_\_ from  
(7. a group of people) \_\_\_\_\_ and shipped them to St. Louis. Hats made  
from (8. adjective) \_\_\_\_\_ (6.) \_\_\_\_\_  
were very popular.

Colonel Davenport and his partners had many other (9. plural noun) \_\_\_\_\_  
and a (10. adjective) \_\_\_\_\_ store in the city of Davenport. With  
money he earned, Colonel Davenport bought many (11. plural noun) \_\_\_\_\_.

After the (12. event) \_\_\_\_\_ forced the (7.) \_\_\_\_\_  
to (13. verb) \_\_\_\_\_, Colonel Davenport built a  
(14. type of building) \_\_\_\_\_ for himself on the island. He encouraged  
(15. adjective) \_\_\_\_\_ people to (16. verb) \_\_\_\_\_ in this area.

The colonel helped found the city of (17. city) \_\_\_\_\_ in 1835. He also took  
part in developing Rock Island, Moline, Port Byron, and (18. city) \_\_\_\_\_.

Colonel Davenport served as both the area's first (19. occupation) \_\_\_\_\_ and one of  
Rock Island County's first three (20. occupation) \_\_\_\_\_. In 1845 he hosted a  
meeting to discuss bringing the (21. noun) \_\_\_\_\_ to the Mississippi.

Colonel Davenport's (22. adjective) \_\_\_\_\_ accomplishments make  
him a founding father of what we now call the Quad Cities.

[Learn more about Colonel Davenport by visiting his home, reading CDHF's books about him, or  
watching the DVD, "The House that Courage Built." Visit [www.davenporthouse.org](http://www.davenporthouse.org) for information.]

## COLONEL DAVENPORT'S HOUSE

(Write your own words in the blanks to create a silly story about Colonel Davenport's house.)

The Colonel Davenport House is the oldest (1. adjective)\_\_\_\_\_  
residence in the Quad Cities. Colonel Davenport started building it after the  
(2. event)\_\_\_\_\_. Before that the colonel and his  
family had (3.verb past tense)\_\_\_\_\_ first at  
(4. place)\_\_\_\_\_and then in a (5. type of building)\_\_\_\_\_.

In 1835 men met in the house to (6. verb)\_\_\_\_\_.

In 1845 Colonel Davenport hosted a meeting in it to discuss bringing the  
(7. noun)\_\_\_\_\_to the Mississippi.

The (8. organization)\_\_\_\_\_bought the Davenport house  
in the 1860s. During the (9. event)\_\_\_\_\_, the  
(10. occupation)\_\_\_\_\_of the Confederate prison camp used it as  
his (11. noun)\_\_\_\_\_. After the war, the (12. occupation)\_\_\_\_\_  
for the Arsenal lived here with his (13. noun)\_\_\_\_\_  
and (14. verb past tense)\_\_\_\_\_in the storeroom.

After the stonemason's (13.)\_\_\_\_\_moved out in 1869, the house stood empty and  
fell apart. The first (15. adjective)\_\_\_\_\_restoration took  
place in 1906. Since 1978 volunteers for (16. organization)\_\_\_\_\_  
work to make the house look (17. adjective)\_\_\_\_\_. They also share  
the story of Colonel Davenport and his home through tours, programs, books, and a DVD called  
(18. movie title)\_\_\_\_\_.

## COLONEL DAVENPORT'S FAMILY: A MAD LIB

(Write your own words in the blanks to create a silly story about Colonel Davenport's family.)

Colonel Davenport helped shape the area we now call the Quad Cities. So did his family.

His (1. adjective)\_\_\_\_\_ son, George L., served as a (2. occupation)\_\_\_\_\_ in Davenport and one of the first (3. occupation plural)\_\_\_\_\_ of St. Anthony's Church. He gave (4. noun)\_\_\_\_\_ to Iowa College, the first college west of the Mississippi to have a (5. noun)\_\_\_\_\_.

The colonel's (6. adjective)\_\_\_\_\_ son, Bailey, served seven one-year terms as Rock Island's (7. occupation)\_\_\_\_\_. During the (8. event)\_\_\_\_\_, he headed the committee that asked (9. organization)\_\_\_\_\_ to (10. verb)\_\_\_\_\_.

Both George L. and Bailey worked to make Colonel Davenport's dream of bringing the (15. noun)\_\_\_\_\_ to the Mississippi come true. This helped our area (16. verb)\_\_\_\_\_.

Colonel Davenport's stepdaughter, Susan Lewis, chose the name for Chippiannock Cemetery from a Mesquakie word that means (17. noun)\_\_\_\_\_.

She and Bailey helped found Trinity Church in Rock Island, which has a stained glass (18. noun)\_\_\_\_\_ in her memory.

When Colonel Davenport's (19. noun)\_\_\_\_\_ was (20. adjective)\_\_\_\_\_, his grandchildren, Naomi and Catherine, gave money to (21. verb)\_\_\_\_\_. Naomi also donated money for a (22. noun)\_\_\_\_\_ at (23. place)\_\_\_\_\_ and the (24. adjective)\_\_\_\_\_ concerts which still take place there in the summer. Some of the money she donated to the Rock Island Public Library paid for its (25. noun)\_\_\_\_\_ in the 1980s.

As you can see, the contributions of Colonel Davenport's family still affect us today.