



# HFFA NEWS

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## Hello, Cousins, Kin, and other Readers,

As you can see, we are welcoming nine new or returning HFFA members this month! It is good to see the organization growing.

A number of our members are also members of the Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) or Sons of the American Revolution (SAR) or other ancestral organizations. I have been asked if we have a list of HFFA members who are also members of any of these groups, but I don't know of any list. It would seem to be a good idea to start such a list with information about the family member who served in the Revolutionary War or the Civil War in case some other descendant would be interested in pursuing such membership. I will start a list that can be shared in a future newsletter if you send me information to **[mfry101@aol.com](mailto:mfry101@aol.com)**.

Is everyone getting excited about the upcoming reunion in Kentucky? Ginny and her mother, Sue Fry, will be there. Gretchen is bringing her daughter Heather and grandson Owen for the first time. After enjoying attending four HFFA reunions, I am disappointed that I won't be able to join you all this time. My son Ron has lung cancer and is undergoing chemotherapy, so I need to stay home. Also, it is getting harder for me to get around. After 52 years of teaching, the last 43 at Coastline Community College, I am finally retiring.

As you prepare for the 2019 reunion, I hope that you enjoy the photographs from the last four

HFFA reunions: 2011 in Winchester, Virginia; 2013 in Kansas City, Missouri; 2015 in Morgantown, Pennsylvania; and 2017 in Hannibal, Missouri.

Here is a photograph of my son Ron and me with the Easter Bunny and a photograph of Gretchen and Ginny in Germantown, Pennsylvania, four years ago. The HFFA Newsletter is a team effort. I collect the information and articles; Gretchen collects photographs and prints out the newsletter copies for USPS mailing; and Ginny formats the newsletter.

Sincerely,

**Marilyn Fry**

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## Dear Family,

Greetings to all of you fine HFFA members! There are just a few weeks until our 2019 reunion, and I'm really looking forward to seeing all of you who have already signed up to attend and also those still thinking of attending but have not yet registered.

Our meeting of Officers and Board members will be at 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, June 19, at the hotel—room location to be determined.

Regarding family records, Past President Gordon Fry has stored these records for several years in his home. We are very grateful for his helpfulness. With Gordon's and his family's assistance, he will get the 17 boxes to me in Kansas City, and I will deliver them to Jon Frye, Vice President/Journal Editor, in Shelbyville at the reunion. It will then be determined by our Board and membership about how to implement disbursement.

Our member Norm Schulze found that the Virginia Room in the City of Fairfax Regional Library has an interest in many of these documents. Again, the disbursement of such documents will be decided by our organization.

Our member Susan Snider Salmon has corresponded with me with a list of good thoughts worthy of consideration for the betterment of our organization. They will be presented to the Board and members during the business meeting.

I wish everyone in our organization the very best of everything and especially look forward to seeing you at the reunion.

Warm regards,

**Gene Frye**

President, HFFA

## Treasurer's Report



**Summary**  
**7/19/2017**  
**through**  
**4/28/2019**

<b>INCOME</b>	19,275.61
Uncategorized	50.00
Dues	7,261.44
Frey Fort Cemetary	155.00
Heinrich Cemetery	565.75
Journal Purchase	428.00
Links Book	90.00
Other Inc	8.00
Past treasurer income	5,771.80
Reunion Fee	3,874.00
Swiss Genealogist	1,071.62

<b>EXPENSES</b>	-3,769.20
Auto & Transport	-180.00
Bills & Utilities	-160.32
Dues & Subscriptions	-71.99
Fees & Charges	-89.46
Journal Expenses	-2,496.29
Misc.	-218.14
Paypal fee	-6.17
Postage	-429.83
Reunion Expenses	-117.00

**OVERALL TOTAL** 15,506.41

**Ralph Frye, Treasurer**

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## 2019 HFFA Reunion

### Door Prizes Wanted

During our banquet at Claudia Sanders Dinner House on Saturday, June 22, there will be a Frey Family Door Prize Raffle. The items should reflect the geographical area of the person or family unit giving the item. They do not have to be wrapped. Please include your name, city, and state on the item you donate. Then give them to Janet Goforth when you arrive in the assembly room. Everyone who brings a door prize will receive a raffle ticket and will then receive a door prize brought by another participant when his or her number is called.

Here is a photograph of the raffle at the 2013 HFFA Reunion in Hannibal, Missouri. We all had many laughs and good fellowship during the raffle. It was great fun!



# Letter from Frances Ramey



I am excited that the HFFA Reunion will be in my hometown, Shelbyville, Kentucky, this year, but I am so very disappointed that I am not physically able to attend it.

Some of you may remember meeting me and my sister, Lucy (Lucille Fry Gray), at the Winchester, Virginia, reunion. She is now buried in the Grove Hill Cemetery behind our grandmother and grandfather, Froman and Sarah Fry. My husband, Charles Ramey, is buried there as well. The website address should be corrected in the newsletter to read [grovehillcemetery.net](http://grovehillcemetery.net). A link to the location of each grave can be found there. [My parents, Paul Davis Fry and Mary Frances Fry, as well

as my brother, Paul Davis Fry, Jr., are buried in Bagdad, Kentucky, 12 miles away.]

Since I am living in Texas now and am unable to visit the cemetery, I would appreciate so very much having photos taken of the graves of my grandparents, Froman and Sarah Fry; baby sister Lucille Fry Gray; and my husband, Charles Ramey. They are all there together.

It is always such a joy to read all the interesting Fry, Frey, Frye articles in the quarterly newsletter and in the journals. I appreciate all who participate in bringing these to us.

With the warmest regards and many thanks,

**Fran Ramey**

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## Corrected Historical Information on Family History in Kentucky



**by Jon Frye**

For our 2019 Shelbyville, Kentucky, Reunion, we tentatively have a variety of excursions scheduled—all of which are pertinent to the Fry(e) migration into Kentucky between 1780 and 1800.

Actually, there were at least four migrations of the sons and grandsons of Old Ben into Kentucky. James Fry, son of Old Ben's oldest son, Abraham, arrived in 1787 and settled north of Paris in Bourbon County, along Cooper's Run and across the road from his brother-in-law Jacob Spears, who was famous for developing and producing Bourbon whiskey. John Fry, son of Old Ben's son Jacob Frye and his wife, Molly, went into Lincoln County in Southern Kentucky in 1780 (the year it was created) and helped establish Carpenter's Station near Hustonville. Old Ben's youngest son, William, settled near Bryan's Station (immediately east of the city of Lexington) about 1784. He died there in 1796, and it was his great-grandson Johnny Fry with whom we are all familiar as the first Pony Express rider to head west from

St. Joseph, Missouri, in 1860. Finally, Old Ben's grandson Isaac Fry (son of Benjamin, Jr.) and his wife, Catherine Frye (daughter of Jacob and Molly Frye), migrated into Nelson County in 1800 and then soon afterward into Shelby County. It was there that they encountered the McGees, and both continued on into Missouri as was the case with many of the Fry(e) family members. (In addition, one of our Benjamins arrived at Lime-stone on the last day of 1784. More work needs to be done here.)

*[Note from Marilyn Fry—in copying this report from Jon Frye's email for the February HFFA Newsletter, I left out the sentence about Old Ben's youngest son, William, who was the one who died in 1796. I am sorry about my mistyping of that!]*



# Heinrich Frey Cemetery Research and Preservation Project



by Norm Schulze

In view of the nature of the job required and the documented knowledge of the HFFA, the project had to undergo a vast increase in scope as reported in prior progress reports. The name of the project reflects the revised scope.

The research part and clean-up part are complete, at least for the present. I will report on the project at the next reunion. Present work continues to document the entire project.

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## New Members

**Owen Donovan Brown**

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1. Heinrich Frey/Anna Catherine Levering
2. Benjamin Frey/Christina
3. Abraham Frye/Agnes Ann Young
4. James Fry/Nancy Spears
5. Benjamin Fry/Agnes ("Nancy") Keller
6. John Fry/Mary Jane Leighton
7. Luther Calvin Fry/Mary Alice Asay (Metz)
8. Hervey Asay Fry/Augusta Maud Christie
9. Robert Luther Fry/Mabel Ruth Coulson
10. Robert Luther Fry, Jr./Marilyn Margaret Lockyer
11. Gretchen Elizabeth Fry/Steven Matthew Dolter/Cabot Douglas Harvey
12. Heather Elizabeth Dolter/Donte Maurice Brown
13. **Owen Donovan Brown**

Owen Brown lives in San Francisco with his mother, Heather Brown, and his brother, Nate Brown. He attends St. Paul Catholic School

where he plays on the basketball team and sings in the choir. He and his mother will be attending the HFFA reunion in Shelbyville, Kentucky, this June. He is looking forward to also visiting Louisville and riding a horse.

**Howard Wayne Detamore**

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3. Henry Fry/Fanny Littler
4. Benjamin Fry/Mary Frye
5. Susan Fry/Thomas Littler'
6. Sarepta Littler/John Dunn
7. Sylvester C. Dunn/Sarah Angline Richards
8. Lola Montez Dunn/Maurice V. Russell
9. Olive June Russell/Vyron Boyd Detamore
10. **Howard Wayne Detamore**

Howard writes, "My cousin Joan Russell Risher introduced me to HFFA and encouraged me to apply for membership. I am a retired teacher from the Indiana School for the Blind. I enjoy art and music in my spare time—as well as genealogy research, of course. I am looking forward to meeting everyone."

**Christopher D. Frye**

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4. Abraham Fry/Hester Johnson
5. Thomas Fry/Anna West
6. Reazen Frye/Caroline Echeles
7. Thomas Franklin Frye/Sarah Jane Gregg
8. Charles Hudson Frye/Belle Smith
9. Charles Hudson Frye II/Irence Lucinda Kresha
10. Wilbur Charles Frye/Arlene Patricia Decker
11. **Christopher D. Frye/Darlene Haines**

Welcome back to HFFA, Christopher!

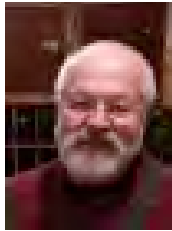
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4. Joseph Fry/Rhonda Smith/Elizabeth Hotsbieler
5. Joseph Pugh Fry/Elizabeth Moss
6. Jesse Pugh Fry/Emma Virginia Hatfield
7. Hertburn Washington Fry/Lettie G. Windle
8. Cabell Peronneau Frye/Valeria Claire/Elizabeth (Betty) Colgan
9. **Don Frye**/Kathleen Franklin (mother of Levi and Anastasia)

Don is a retired Registered Nurse (RN) and a Certified Nurse Midwife (CNM)—the third male CNM in the U. S.

**Kyle David Frye**

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3. Benjamin Fry/Catherine
4. Benjamin Fry/?
5. Issac Fry/Gertrude Marie Bentham
6. John Bentham Fry/Rebecca Gilbert Tuttle
7. Isaac Minor Frye/Laura Mae Wilson
8. John Grant Frye/Emma Elizabeth Brucher
9. Ralph Edward Frye/Marsha "Marti" K. Uptegrove
10. David Edward Frye/Chrystal C. Clement
11. **Kyle David Frye**

Kyle writes, "I was born on July 6, 1996, and am the second child of five of David and Chrystal Clement Frye. My grandparents are Ralph and Marti Fry, who are active members of HFFA. My younger sister, Brianna, has attended several of your national reunions, and she always had a great time and learned a lot about our Frye family. My other siblings are Claretta Frye Hall, Christiana, and Carl.

"The job that I have is working for a railroad maintenance of way company based out of Hamel, Minnesota. As assistant superintendent, I oversee a crew of 10-15 people. We work on a rail grinder, which grinds micro fractures and defects out of the rail to help reduce fuel costs and to prolong the life of the rail. My work takes me all over the country. I get to see other parts of the United States that I otherwise would not have been able to do on my own.

"When I am home in Texas, my hobbies are shooting guns and playing the bass guitar."

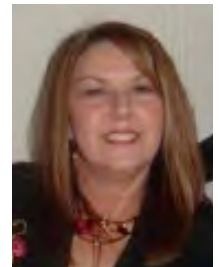
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5. Abraham V. Fry/Catherine Markley
6. Abraham Fry, Jr./Sidney Morrison
7. Mary Jane Fry/James Edward Martin
8. Grace Wilma Martin/Ollie White
9. **Bobbie Harlen White**/Dale M. Lovell

Bobbie writes, "Thank you so much for sending me a copy of the February 2019 HFFA Newsletter. What an interesting read! I love finding out about all my relatives. What a wonderful family! I regret that my husband and I will not be able to attend the reunion this year as we already have vacation plans scheduled, but I look forward to hearing all about it, and hopefully we will be able to attend next time. I look forward to meeting some of my relatives in the future. I am so excited to be a part of this wonderful family!

"I am gathering information to file an application with the DAR (Daughters of the American Revolution), and I have everything I need for the application but one document. They want a will or Bible record or something that states that Abraham V. Fry (born 1788) and Abraham Fry, Jr., (born 1815) are father and son. I have contacted the Iroquois County branch of the Illinois Genealogical Society & Archives (that is where I

found out about the HFFA Association) and the Ohio Genealogical Society & Archives, trying to find anything that names them as father and son, but I have not found anything yet. I am still trying. If anyone knows of any relative who might have some information, please let me know. I am hoping that maybe one of my HFFA relatives may possibly have something.”

### **Joan Risher**

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7. Sylvester Dunn/Susan Angeline Richards
8. Lola Dunn/Maurice Russell
9. John Russell/Janet Sinclair
10. **Joan Russell**/? Risher

Joan writes, “Thirty years ago, I found a copy of a letter written by my maternal great-grandmother. In the letter, she said that branches of our family had been here since before the Revolution. It sparked my interest in genealogy, and I found that everything that she had written was true. One sentence said, ‘And there was a German that shut the door behind him and came to this country.’ I am interested in learning more about Heinrich Frey. I recently took the DNA test with Ancestry, and it confirmed my research. I am in the Frey family circle.”

### **George Kent Speer**

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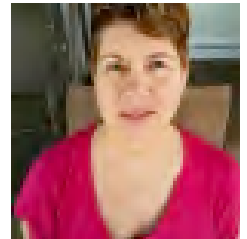
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8. Alexander Burns Speer/Marjorie Mills
9. **George Kent Speer**

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5. Benjamin Fry/Elizabeth Thompkins/  
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6. John K. Fry/Mary E. Elliott
7. John Carpenter Fry/Annie Townsend
8. Charles Floyd Fry/Vere Ford O’Neal
9. Mary Louise Fry/Clarence Douglas Turner
10. James Richard Turner/Margaret Marie  
Gorseigner
11. **Diane Jean Turner**/Raymond Wylde

Diane writes, “I found the HFFA through Heinrich Frey by searching on the Internet. My father and uncle are identical twins, and they didn’t know anything about their mother’s side of the family because my Grandmother Mary Louise Fry Turner died at the age of 25, when my dad and uncle were 6 weeks old. At three years of age, they were placed in the orphanage in St. Louis, Missouri, so that my Grandfather Clarence Turner could work. He would visit them on weekends, and he took them on trips. My great-grandmother Vere Ford O’Neal Fry didn’t like my Grandfather Turner, so after her daughter died, she had nothing to do with my grandfather or the twins, my dad and uncle. It is really sad how there were family members, and none of them would help my grandfather with his very young children. Some of the stories my dad has told me about what he and my uncle went through really hurt



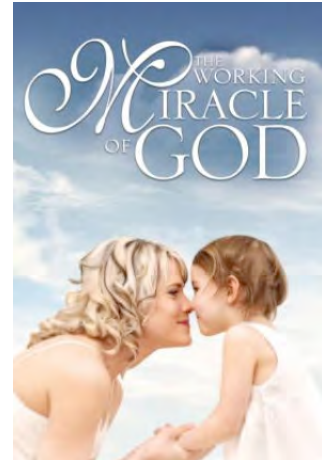
me inside. Later, when the boys were older, my Grandmother Mary Louise Fry Turner's siblings somehow contacted my grandfather. I remember visiting Great Aunt Fern Fry and Great Aunt Maxine Fry and Great Aunt Zelma Fry when I was a child. I never met my Great Grandmother Vere Ford O'Neal Fry; she died in 1969.

"My dad will be 85 in April; my uncle passed away two years ago. What started me searching for ancestors was when my mom was talking about the Indian ancestors in her family. I decided to take a DNA test four years ago, and my dad did his DNA test two years ago. My dad asked me to search for his mother's side of the family, so I kept searching for the Fry, Frye, and Frey family. I got some information from other people on Ancestry. After my dad's results came back, I found a couple cemeteries where some of the ancestors and family members are buried. My dad and my youngest brother took a trip to Southern Missouri and took photographs of the headstones of these family members. To this day, I am still

searching for ancestors and family members for my dad and my mom.

"I have 11 different trees on Ancestry, and I have the Legacy program on my computer. I am related to the Fry/Frye/Frey family, the Bobbit family, the O'Neal or O'Neill family, the Spears or Speers family, the Bradshaw family, and the Froman family and, of course, the Turner family and others. I am the oldest of 7 children, and my parents have 18 grandchildren and 28 great-grandchildren. My parents are still living; they are both veterans and have been married for 66 years."

Diane J. Wyde has published a book about her Christian Faith and the way God has helped her: *The Working Miracle of God*.



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## Obituaries



**Joyce Elaine Rivera**, 76, of Waynesboro, Pennsylvania, died Sunday, June 10, 2018 in the Chambersburg Hospital. Born February 19, 1942, in Waynesboro, she was the daughter of Lester and Pearl (Frey) Brown. Mrs. Rivera graduated from Smithsburg

High School with the Class of 1960. Then, she graduated from the Washington County School of Nursing in 1963.

Joyce and her husband, the late Barry L. Stevenson, were married on March 25, 1995. Mr. Stevenson died on February 2, 2015.

Mrs. Rivera worked as a Registered Nurse at Columbia Presbyterian Hospital in New York City; Hospital Presbyteriano in San Juan, Puerto Rico; Baptist Hospital in Nashville, Tennessee; and the Chambersburg Hospital in Waynesboro. She was a member of the Welty Church of the Brethren, Smithsburg, Maryland, where she served as Deacon, church clerk, and children's Sunday school teacher; she was also the cemetery manger.

She enjoyed gardening, reading, and working on her ancestry and genealogy. She was a member of the Smithsburg Historical Society; Antietam Historical Association; Association of Waynesboro; Heinrich Frey Family Association; and Fahrney-Keedy Auxiliary, where she was a past president.

She is survived by one son, Michael Daniel Rivera, of Las Vegas, Nevada; one stepdaughter, Elizabeth Stevenson; and her husband, Chaitan Narsule, of Somerville, Massachusetts; and five grandchildren: Michael Daniel Rivera, Jr.; Luis Martinez; Liz Martinez; and Ittai Martinez, all of Las Vegas; and Luke Narsule of Somerville. She is also survived by two brothers, Lester Brown, Jr., of Smithsburg, Maryland, and Donald Brown of Rohersville, Maryland, and numerous nieces and nephews.

In addition to her parents and husband, she was preceded in death by one sister, Betty Rohrer, and one infant brother, Gerald Brown.

Joyce was one of the organizers of the HFFA Reunion in Morgantown, Pennsylvania, in 2015.

# News from Members

**Harold Frye** shares the following: “**Brody Warren Frye**, the third child of **Christopher Vaughan Frye**, made his entrance into the world at 10 pounds and 11 ounces. He traces through his father, Christopher Vaughan Frye>Harold Butler Frye>William Howard Frye>Arthur Frye>John Henry Frye>James William Fry>John M. Fry >Benjamin Frye>Joseph Fry>Benjamin Frye>Heinrich Frey.”  
Congratulations to the family!



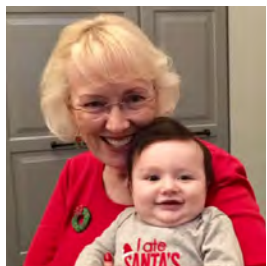
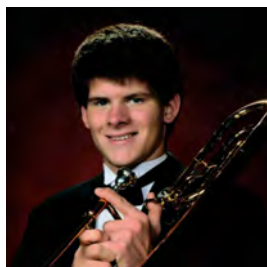
**Grandma Claire Denham Voegtly** and **Great-Grandmother Carolyn Fry Denham** are pleased to welcome two new baby boys into the family.

On November 28, 2018, **Hannah Voegtly Smith** gave birth to **Huxley Braiden Smith**. Parents and baby reside in Concord, California.



**Casey Voegtly Roe** gave birth to **Odin Arthur Roe** on May 11, 2019. Parents and baby live on a ranch on Mt. Diablo in California.

They also congratulate **Nicholas Voegtly** on his graduation from Ygnasio Valley High School.

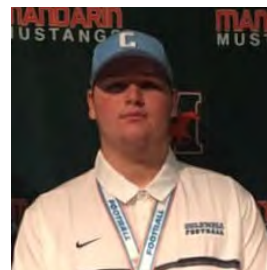


**Elaine Hatfield Powell** also has a new grandson, **James David Powell**, born September 5, 2018.

She also said that she presented a program to her genealogical society on “Finding my FRY Family,” where she told the story of her journey to find her true Fry family. To prove her line, she used both Y-DNA and auto-

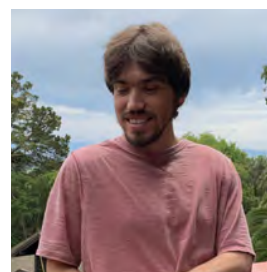
somal DNA tests to confirm that she is, indeed, a descendant of Heinrich Frey. She also visited several repositories in Missouri and gathered many documents along the way. She met new Fry cousins and collaborated with others who helped her to prove her line of descent. She says, “I am very excited to attend my first FRY reunion this summer and look forward to meeting even more FRY cousins in Kentucky in June.”

**Victor Johnson** is proud to announce “My grandson **Zach Mills**, has been accepted to attend Columbia University in New York City. Zach has received both an Academic Scholarship and an Athletic Scholarship in Football to Columbia, where his great-grandfather, Victor’s father, received his Ed.D. after World War II. Zach’s link to Heinrich Frey is through his great-grandmother, Helen Frye Johnson, my mother.



“New York City is a long way from Jacksonville, Florida, and Zach got offers from other programs closer to home but selected Columbia after a visit to the campus. He is looking forward to getting a good education while being able to play football.”

**Sue Fry** congratulates two of her grandsons, both sons of HFFA Member **John Fry**, on their graduations. **Coulson Fry** is graduating from Berkeley City College and transferring to San Francisco State University.



**Logan Fry** is graduating from Berkeley High School and enrolling in Berkeley City College in the fall.

**Darci Wilson** had a stroke last October. After spending time in the hospital and months in a rehab center, she is home at last and would welcome cards and phone calls: 210 Crest Avenue, Charleroi, Pennsylvania 15022, (724) 483-4623.



# Books Written by a Frey Family Member

By Mike Speers

This photograph of a happily married young couple in front of their Iowa farmhouse is misleading. The lady you see was found hanging in their barn. Her husband was one of the earliest suspects in her murder.



The book is *Seeking Signs*, written by Staci Mercado, who is one of our Frey family cousins. Her uncle, Dennis Lee Frey, used to be a member of HFFA. Her maiden name is Frey.

This book is historical fiction. Staci took court testimony and newspaper articles as her base and created a fictional story about the real-life characters and situation. It is a fun and suspenseful read, especially knowing that, when you close the book, you are looking at two of the main characters in the story.

Staci Mercado won a Midwest Book Award for this 2013 novel. Her writing has also been published in various literary reviews and magazines. She teaches creative writing in her local high school as well as in various writing workshops and college classes. Now she has a second

book, *Honey Whiskey Murders*, in which she uses the same formula of using an unsolved case



and creating a story around the facts as found in court proceedings and public newspapers. She brings back some of the people found in her first book, enriching their story, and she creates new characters to add their dynamics to the story.

I found her books in my local library. They are also available on Amazon in paperback, Kindle, and Audiobook.

P.S. from Marilyn Fry

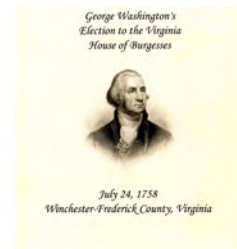
I bought my trade paperback copies of these two books from Powells.com, the famous big book store in Portland, Oregon. I, too, enjoyed reading these books. It was fun knowing that I was reading something written by one of my husband's cousins.

Here is the beginning of the first book by the person who solves the mystery:

*I became a private investigator the day my sister died. Never mind that I was only a girl of 13 and she was 32. Thirteen and a girl is as good as anything else. All you need is common sense, the ability to observe things, and some sneak in you. To tell you the truth, my age and the fact that I was a girl helped me blend in and appear harmless to the one who killed her.*

# A Book About George Wash- ington's Election to the Virginia House of Burgesses

John Crone has written a book on George Washington's Election to the Virginia House of Burgesses, an election that took place July 24, 1758, in Frederick County, Virginia. In addition



to details about Washington's first election to public office, the book contains information about each of the 395 men who voted that day. Five Frys were among the voters: Abraham, Benjamin, Jacob, Joseph, and Samuel. Of course, many of our group will be descended from others on the list as well.

John Crone previously authored a history of St. John's Lutheran Church, attended by Frey-Fry-Frye family members through the years, and a book on the individuals laid to rest in the church cemetery. This new book is similar in format with 198 pages with excellent reproductions of the many area photographs included. The cost is \$20 for the book and shipping. For more information or to place an order, email j4bnb4@hotmail.com.

**Virginia (Jennie) Kavage**

# TRAVEL TO SCOTLAND

By Dennis Frey

Here is a Cautionary Tale that involves travel, the TSA, and gunpowder.

In June 2017, my wife's parents celebrated their 65th wedding anniversary. To celebrate, her family and she and I flew to Edinburgh, Scotland. After spending a day and a half there, we boarded a Windstar ship and sailed around Scotland, stopping at various tourist stops. It was amazing. I learned that the more scotch I drank the more haggis I could consume. Haggis is sheep innards cooked in a sheep stomach.



My nephew Bruce and his family liked our stories of Scotland and urged us to return to Edinburgh for a family vacation trip. Therefore, in June 2018, Melody and I returned with my side of the family for another good experience. Our hotel was a five-minute walk to public transportation and the train station. Bruce and I made our pilgrimage to Roslyn Chapel. It is best known from The Davinci Code, but to us it has special significance to Masonry. It was very satisfying.

There were many museums to explore. We attended the

Surgeons Museum and found it to be fascinating. However, it was very graphic with showing real body parts, so some family members and other patrons had to leave.

There is a lot to experience in the Edinburgh area. It is well worth the trip. Our family really liked the Harry Potter books and movies, so we visited the places where J.K.Rowling got her inspiration to write her books. We went on two ghost tours, one of which involved a cemetery. This cemetery is the same one where J.K. Rowling spent time and where she came up with the names of characters in her books. We visited a joke shop that was an inspiration for J.K.'s various plots and discovered how the Wesley Brothers Joke was written in her books. This shop was the beginning of the unknown trouble that was yet to unfold for family members. We purchased "SNAPS" there. They are little bundles of gunpowder encased in paper that, when tossed or stepped on, cause minor explosions. Our family used these a lot a few years ago for practical jokes. My family could not resist these little "bundles of joy" and purchased a few. My wife gave me "the stink eye," so I gave my snaps to Bruce and his family. They were not used judiciously. Another prank that upset our wives was, when we were in an elevator with strangers, I would act as if I didn't know Bruce and would say to him, "Aren't you the doctor treating Ebola patients in Africa? Shouldn't you be in quarantine?" Bruce would start coughing and would say that he doesn't believe in quarantines. This would give

the other people in the elevator a mild panic.

Now comes the cautionary part of my tale. My wife and I usually fly separately from Bruce and his family; in this instance, this was a really good thing for us. Since Bruce handled and exploded the snaps the most, he had lots of gunpowder residue on him. His family had three airport stops prior to entering the U.S. Each time, they were "red-flagged." The Transportation Security Administration (TSA) pulled them aside, and they had to remove everything from their luggage at each screening site. Yikes! For once, I was glad that I listened to my wife. Anyway, we had a memorable time. I hope that this "Cautionary Tale" is educational.

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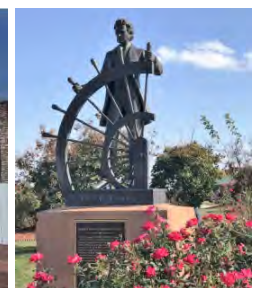
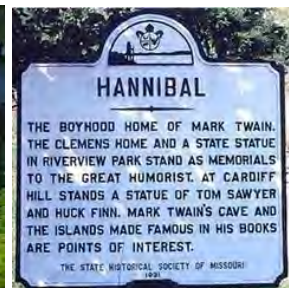
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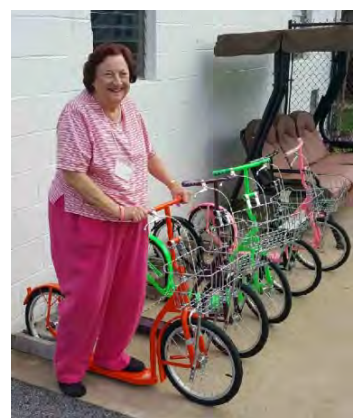


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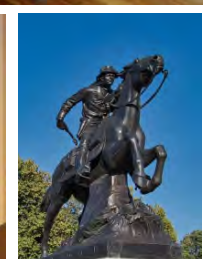


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