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# HFFA NEWS

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#### Hello Cousins, Kin, and Other Readers

It's nice to be with you all again. A lot has been going on in HFFA since the November issue. Membership renewals have been coming in, nine new cousins have joined HFFA, Links Book CD orders have been received and fulfilled, and orders for back issues of the Journal have been mailed. A new HFFA Journal has been published, the Frye Fort Cemetery plague is very close to being finished, the Heinrich Frey burial site project is getting underway, and the 2017 Reunion is being planned. That's a lot of work to have accomplished in a short time frame. Since our leadership and membership is scattered across the country it's sometimes hard to get things done. However, there seems to be a new spirit among us and we are definitely getting things done.

If I filled you in about all the things that have been going on it would take about two pages to do. I know what I just said is true because I just deleted those two pages. I'll have to tell you about it all in smaller doses, so stay tuned.

Aside from all the new things going on, my cache of articles for the newsletter is now over 40 pages. It's really great to be able to count on so many of you. Eventually, I'll get to all of them. Thank you all for so many submissions. And, remember, I still want more articles from you. One thing I will talk about right now is membership. We aren't anything if we don't have members, so please send in your membership renewals. It's only \$25.

Most people have renewed and we thank you for that.

This issue of the newsletter will be the last one that many of you will receive unless you renew your membership.

If you don't renew, you also won't be on the mailing list for the Journals, and won't get the news about the 2017 Reunion. You won't get to meet our new cousins. You will be missed, but we rejoice in the confidence shown to us by all who have renewed.

We want to be able to continue sending you all the latest news about our extended family. I don't know of any other genealogy family organization that offers as much as HFFA. It's fun to have cousins across the country to get to know and have conversations with. It's very enjoyable to be part of HFFA.

Sincerely,

Mike Speers, Chardon, OH

# TREASURER'S REPORT:

Dues \$2	2075.00
Cem. Proj	820.00
CD's	75.00
Back Jnls	58.00
Bank	9.98
Total Income	\$3037.98

#### **Expenses:**

Nov. Newsl \$ 70.18	
Off. Exp 177.99	
Journal	
New 1233.57	
Back 6.86	
Total Expenses \$1488.	60

Feb. Balance . . . . \$8463.78

#### **Explanations:**

Frye Fort Cemetery Project has a total of **\$970** when combined with what was reported in Nov. This Spring we will pay the bill for the bronze plaque that is expected to be about \$1900. The HFFA Treasury will pay the difference between donations and the total bill. A maximum amount from the treasury was voted on at the summer meeting to be no more than \$2000, so with our donations, the entire bill can be paid within the framework of that motion.

There was a Class Action Lawsuit against Fifth/ Third Bank. Our reward was **\$9.98**. I have never seen any unwarranted charges against our account.

Office expenses are incurred by Membership Chairman Marti Frye as well as Newsletter Editor / HFFA Treasurer Mike Speers. Jon Fry's Journal expenses are included in the amount charged to HFFA. Any questions, please contact either one of us.

This report respectively submitted by **Mike Speers, HFFA Treasurer.** 

# A Message From Our President Dear Family,

Welcome to our newest members! We look forward to sharing our lineage with you through the newsletter, our Journal and Facebook. Even though the weather in many parts of the country is still very cold, I send each and every one of you a very warm greeting!

We are all very appreciative of the work that **Dick Bell** has done regarding the installation of a historical plaque at the **Frye Fort cemetery** in VA. Dick has done an excellent job of historical review for accuracy, price comparisons and design. He is now in the final stages of preparing to mount the plaque. We look forward to a few photos once it is installed!

Regarding the 2017 HFFA Family Reunion, **Anne Pasieka** has been working with great enthusiasm in coordinating events in Hannibal, Missouri. At this point, we are working on choosing a central location in order to visit the grave sites and other activities Anne is suggesting. We are working on pricing and dates with a few hotels trying to secure the best rate and facilities for the family. We look forward to sharing the big news once the dotted lines have been signed and the ink is dry!

Happy Spring and a Blessed Easter to all,

Gene Frye HFFA President Kansas City, KS

# **RECORD KEEPING:**

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- 6. John A. Fry / Mary Jane Leighton
- 7. Luther Calvin Fry / Mary Alice Asay
- 8. Hervey Asay Fry / Augusta Maud Christie
- 9. Robert Luther Fry / Mabel Ruth Coulson
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- 11. Gretchen Elizabeth Fry / 1. Steven Mathew Dolter
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- 9. Robert Luther Fry / Mabel Ruth Coulson
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- 7. Frances Alline Speer / Baird Reed
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- 7. Robert Biddle Frye / Catherine Bell Teeple
- 8. Robert M. Frye / Frances Carter
- 9. Robert Carter Frye / Virginia Whitmyer
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- 6. Marion Francis Fry / Martha Frances McKinley
- 7. Florence Bell Fry / 2. Homeer Tell Sharp
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- 9. Wilma Lynn Sharp / James Paul Mayfield

#### CHANGES and Corrections: Ronnie Ellis.

The new address for **Ronnie Ellis** was reported incorrectly in the Nov. Newsletter. The correct address is as follows: **3712 Lost Oasis Hollow** Austin, TX 78739 ronnie.ellis@utexas.edu

Wilbur Frye, new address and email: 7928 Sawgrass Ct. Pleasanton, CA 94588 Ph. 510-731-7979 email: wcfrye1510@gmail.com

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# In Memorium

# Arlene Patricia Decker Frye

(1932 - 2015) Written and Contributed by Wilbur Frye

Arlene Decker chose to change her last name to Frye on September 26, 1952 by act of marriage to Wilbur Charles Frye in Carson City, NV. It is with great sadness and sorrow I report that in excess of 62 years after our marriage, that in the early morning of May 18, 2015 she passed away.

Arlene and I met during our freshman year while attending Diablo Valley College. We decided to marry at the beginning of our sophomore year and begin a family.

In the fall of 1953, we moved to San Francisco when I was accepted into SF State, graduating in January, 1956. Arlene began preparing to become a full time stay at home mom. Over the next ten years, our family grew to seven members with the addition of 5 children. Our children's name and birth month/year in order of birth: Christopher (11/1953), Jo-ell (01/1956), Jeffery (01/1957), Pamela (05/1959), and Charles (04/1962).

We have nine grandchildren, two step grandchildren, six great-grandchildren and four step-great-grandchildren and two step-greatgreat-grandchildren. Three of our children (Jo-ell, Pam, and Charles) live in the Bay Area, Chris (HFFA Web Master) in Idaho and Jeff in Arizona.

All of our children were able to rotate time with her during her final two weeks with someone with her around the clock.

One month later as I write this, I'm still in total shock. I loved her so...

Wil 6/18/2015.

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- 4. Abraham Fry, Jr. / Hester Johnson
- 5. Thomas Frye, Sr. / Anna West
- 6. Reazen Frye / Caroline B. Eckles
- 7. Thomas Franklin Frye / Sarah Jane Gregg
- 8. Charles Hudson Frye / Belle Smith
- 9. Charles Hudson Frye, Jr. / Irene Lucinda Kersha
- 10. Wilbur Charles Frye / Arlene Patricia Decker

# George Alford Frye (1934 - 2016)

**George Alford Frye,** 81, died at 1:08 p.m. Tuesday (Jan. 19, 2016) at Carle Foundation Hospital in Urbana after a courageous 30-year battle with multiple sclerosis. He was born March 10, 1934, in Cape Girardeau, Mo., to **J. Grant Frye** and **Emma Elizabeth Brucher** Frye. George was the fifth of seven children.

George married **Dorothy M. Tuttle** on Jan. 2, 1955, and they had three children, who survive: **G. David Frye** (Lilabeth) of Champaign, **Janie Catherine Frye** (Vern Knapp) of Tolono and **Karen Louise Frye Stanley** (Roderick) of Houston. Other survivors include his wife; and five grandsons, **Will Harries** of Denver, **Weston Harries** of Columbia Falls, Mont., and **Timothy Frye**, **Luke Frye** and **Dusty Frye**, all of Champaign. George also leaves one sister and two brothers: **Helen Craig**, (HFFA) of Eagle Lake Texas; **Daniel Frye** (HFFA) of Fort Myers, Fla.; and **Ralph Frye** (HFFA) of Lafayette, La. He was preceded in death by his parents; his sister, **Betty Frye Bradbury**; two brothers, **William Frye** and John Grant Frye; and his only granddaughter, Jessica Ann Harries.

He attended Southeast Missouri State College in Cape Girardeau and the University of Missouri at Columbia. Journalism was his career choice, and in early 1956, he purchased his hometown newspaper in Illmo, Mo., becoming the youngest publisher of a weekly newspaper in the country at that time. He was a skilled writer, editor, photographer and printer.

In 1959, he joined the staff of the Sun-Sentinel in Pompano Beach, Fla., and began writing an outdoor column in the Fort Lauderdale News in 1961. He went on to serve on the editorial staffs of large city daily newspapers, including the Detroit Free Press, The State (Columbia, S.C.) and The Charlotte Observer (Charlotte, N.C.)

In 1971, he left the newspaper business to work for the Baha'i Publishing Trust in Wilmette as production manager and later started his own professional typesetting business in the same town. In 1977, he and his wife relocated to Haifa, Israel, where he worked at the Baha'i World Center as editor of an international newsletter and manager of graphic services for three years.

Returning to the United States in 1981, he continued his career as a free-lance writer and photographer, and as public relations manager for Associated General Contractors of America and managing director of Southern Shows EASTCON Exposition. He retired in 1989 when his illness became too severe for him to work.

In 1962, George became a member of the Baha'i faith, devoting his life to supporting and promoting this religion. He was a popular public speaker for his faith and served on many local, regional and national committees. He was a loving and devoted husband and father, and will always be remembered for his positive attitude, friendly personality, sense of humor and intellectual powers.

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- 3. Benjamin Frye / Catherine
- 4. Benjamin Frye / Ruth Courtright
- 5. Isaac Fry / Gertrude Maria Bentham
- 6. John Bentham Fry / Rebecca Gilbert Tuttle
- 7. Isaac Minor Frye / Laura May Wilson
- 8. John Grant Frye / Emma Elizabeth Brucher
- 9. George Alford Frye / Dorothy Marie Tuttle

# Shirley Catherine Jacobs Frye (1935 - 2016)

**Shirley Jacobs Frye**, 80, of Fort Myers, FL died on February 6, 2016 at Winkler Court. She was born on December 9, 1935 in Commerce, MO, a child of **Leslie Herman**, and **Irene Jacobs**.

She was a resident of Fort Myers since 1959, after moving from Missouri, her husband, **Daniel L. Frye**, was employed with "FRYE WHOLESALE CO", of Fort Myers until he retired. She was a member of First Christian Church, Fort Myers and a member of the Christian Messengers Sunday School Class.

She is survived by her husband of 64 years, Daniel L. Frye, her children, Daniel Howard (Vicki) Frye, William Joseph Frye and Laura Elizabeth Frye, her grandchildren, Jenifer Morosey, Tiffany Beck and Jill Frye and her great grandchildren, Madison and Mason Morosey. In addition to her parents, she was predeceased by her siblings, Marion Jacobs, Hazel Louise Vetter, Ruby Legrand and Herman Jacobs.

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- 7. Isaac Minor Frye / Laura May Wilson
- 8. John Grant Frye / Emma Elizabeth Brucher
- 9. Daniel Levinson Frye / Shirley Catherine Jacobs

# Pet Stories Wanted

by Jon Frye

Max Best's article in our most recent issue of the Journal, which included the stories of Herkimer the rooster, and their dog Ol' Mike, renewed my long-time desire to put together an article about pets in the lives of the Fry(e) family. I think it all began with the story of Ivan Fry's dog Pat who was featured in the "Parting Note" section of the Fall 2009 issue.

No, the animal's pedigree or genealogy isn't important to us, but occasionally such stories do make for an interesting addition to our family's history. Stories handed down from parents or grandparents would be an additional plus as well. Pets may include dogs, cats, horses, and other farm animals etc. There is no particular length for these as they will be part of a compilation hopefully of several stories submitted from members. Anywhere from a paragraph to a page or more will do. Just send them to me at the address listed inside the cover of the Journal.

Thanks. I'm looking forward to hearing from you.

Jon Frye

Jamestown, OH

#### Mrs. Butterworth

**Charles William Frye** (1874 - 1947) was married to **Stella Hanna Butterworth** (1874 - 1910). Therefore, his mother-in-law was **Mrs. Butterworth.** She was probably a very sweet person.

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- 3. Jacob Frey / Mary Catherine Pugh
- 4. Joseph Fry / Elizabeth Hotsbeiler
- 5. Jacob Frye / Catherine Moss
- 6. Isaac Long Frye / Elizabeth Woolley
- 7. Charles William Frye / Stella H. Butterworth

# Genealogy: A Personal Connection to Historical Events

by New Member Philip Bartok

I've always loved history. History and science were always my favorite subjects in school, and in my leisure time I've always been drawn to science, science fiction, and history. But realizing the greater financial rewards of science, I chose engineering as my profession, which constrained the time available to pursue my interest in history.

This denial of my historical side was only alleviated by our move from California to Kentucky in 2008. I started touring civil war battlefields, at which I would become entranced with visions of the battle that had been fought on the hallowed ground I stood upon.

At the same time, my wife, bored with retirement, began researching her own Kentucky ancestry. Soon I was helping with on-line research, and falling victim to the neophyte genealogist's affliction: believing other peoples trees were true simply because they led where I wanted to go. Pretty soon I had my wife's tree connected to middle ages European royalty, Roman emperors, and Attila the Hun.

Then I saw it all evaporate: one commoner ancestor was supposed to have a famous father, but researching the father in reputable history books showed no such child. Obviously, some amateur genealogist had made the leap that all persons of a surname were related, so if two happened to be of ages that could be fatherdaughter, then they must be. Oh well, live and learn.

This is one place where DNA testing comes in handy: separating fact from fiction where there is no paper trail that can be followed.

In fact, it was through DNA testing that two good things were proven: one, that my wife really is related (by an as-yet unknown ancestor) to a minor aristocratic family: the line of the Scottish Munro's. the Barons of Foulis, and that I really am related to Heinrich Frey. The latter was confirmed because HFFA treasurer Mike Speers contacted me after seeing that he and I were Ancestry.com DNA matches through our common ancestors, Henry Frye / Fanny Littler. Until then, I had no idea that there was a Heinrich Frey Family Association. Now I'm a proud member.

Genealogy is just researching the history of extended families, but it gives an amazingly personal connection to historical events that one's ancestors lived through. There are few experiences as satisfying as standing at the grave of a distant ancestor, or standing where you know from history that one fought in battle, stood in court, plowed his field, or landed as an immigrant. Such moments are some of the greatest enticements of genealogy, along with sharing them with newfound friends who just happen to be previously unknown relatives.

# Philip Edward Bartok Knoxville, TN

From the editor: That last paragraph of Phil's essay is priceless. He has put words to the exact thoughts and feelings that many of us have had. - Mike

# Chemist / Crafter / Genealogist

#### by New Member Heather Crow Wright

Hi, I'm Heather Wright. I live in Virginia Beach with my husband Trevor, brought here in 1993 courtesy of my dad and the Navy. It's home but Pennsylvania feels like home too, having spent lots of time with family in the Pittsburgh and Uniontown areas. I'm only learning now how deep my PA roots really run. I enjoy DIY projects around the house, gardening, crafts, and genealogy. I work as a chemist with the Chesapeake Bay Program and enjoy selling jewelry and other original crafts I've created at craft shows.

I was curious about my family history as a child but didn't pursue it. I dabbled while in college, but it's been over the past 3 years or so that I've really dug in. I had a head start on my paternal line with a Cunningham & Reed family book and on my maternal Italian line with a little booklet put together by my 1st cousin twice removed.

One of my favorite finds: My grandfather's parents immigrated from Italy (he in 1912, she in 1920) and were married within four months of her arrival. Insert imagined Hollywood love story. According to my grandma though, my great grandmother came only to visit her brother and only stayed because she couldn't bear the thought of the boat ride home. My romantic bubble was burst and I just had to laugh.

I'm related to everyone here through my father's paternal line, but must admit I haven't really explored it in depth quite yet. I've touched on the Italians but focused mainly on both grandmothers' lines. I've found lots of documentation but my favorite is something more personal, a story or photo, something to make the person more real. I highlight signatures as an event in my database so I can see their penmanship.

While I've been rolling along with some families I've barely been able to start the Crow line. My grandfather, **Harry Madison Crow, Jr.** was raised by his great aunt and did not keep in touch with the Crows. I found a relative in Florida last year who was able to share some info but it's still a mystery. I think I'm going to have to start ordering records. If anyone happens to have Crows from the Smithfield/Old Frame area of Pa I could use your help. I know they ventured to Texas and Florida too.

I'm looking forward to getting to know my newly found cousins and learning about this part of the family!

# **Heather Wright**

Virginia Beach, VA

A little boy was attending his first wedding.

After the service, his cousin asked him, "How many women can a man marry?"

"Sixteen, the boy responded.

His cousin was amazed that he had an answer so guickly. "How do you know that?"

"Easy," the little boy said. "4 better, 4 worse, 4 richer, 4 poorer."

# **Orphan Trains**

#### From Wikipedia

The Orphan Train Movement was a supervised welfare program that transported orphaned and homeless children from crowded Eastern cities of the United States to foster homes located largely in rural areas of the Midwest. The orphan trains operated between 1853 and 1929, relocating about 200,000 orphaned, abandoned, or homeless children.

Three charitable institutions, Children's Village (founded 1851 by 24 philanthropists), the Children's Aid Society (established 1853 by Charles Loring Brace) and later, the New York Foundling Hospital, endeavored to help these children. These institutions developed a program that placed homeless, orphaned, and abandoned city children, who numbered an estimated 30,000 in New York City alone in the 1850s, in foster homes throughout the country. The children were transported to their new homes on trains that were labeled "orphan trains" or "baby trains". This relocation of children ended in the 1920s with the beginning of organized foster care in America.

**Cecelia Sheehan**, b. 1892 in Manhattan, NY and died at the age of 102 in Arkansas County, AR was one of these children from the Orphan Train. In 1895, at the age of 3, Cecelia was put on an Orphan Train and hopefully was bound for a better life. The trains traveled across the country stopping in towns to ask for homes for the children who traveled on those trains. A home was found for her in Higginsville, MO with **Frank** and **Kristine Bell.** 

Cecelia began work at 16 with the Citizen's Telephone Co. as an operator. She worked there for more than 25 years. She married **Wesley L. Graham**, a descendant of **Heinrich Frey**.

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- 4. Benjamin Fry / Mary M. Secrist
- 5. Joseph Fry / Catherine Kackley
- 6. Rachel Fry / Samuel Bumgardner
- 7. Rachel Frances Bumgardner / John W. Reynolds
- 8. Alberta King Reynolds / William Dearborn Graham
- 9. Wesley Linton Graham / 2. Cecelia Sheehan

# Graves of the Unknown

#### Contributed by Richard Bell

A cousin sent me a clipping from the Northern VA Daily from Dec 4, 1956. It is from Kerchaval's History of the Valley and tells of a family, living on Turkey Run in Shenandoah County, VA west of Marlboro, who were killed by Indians in 1758. A Mr. Fry saw the killings, pursued the Indians and recovered two captives. He also buried the murdered victims, but the place of burial was lost to history. In 1908 The Smith farm where the victims had resided was owned by A E Robinson. He unearthed five skeletons lying side by side. The skeletons were between the fence and the road. He reburied the skeletons where he found them and placed a slab to mark the spot. In 1908, about 2,000 people attended the installation of the marker. Mr. Robinson vowed that this burial site would be cared for for as long as it was under his jurisdiction.

> **Richard Bell** Greencastle, PA

# Query

**From the editor:** This query was found on our HFFA Facebook page. I thought it was worth repeating in the Newsletter. - Mike

"I apologize for my lack of knowledge regarding the Fry/Frey/Frye family, but can anyone tell me the connection between Heinrich Frey and the Mennonite Church in Germantown? Also, is anyone a member of the Germantown Historical Society?"

# **Chance Wimberley**

Colbert, OK

- If you are going to try cross-country skiing, start with a small country.

 Statistically, 6 out of 7 dwarfs are not Happy.

- It was a whole lot easier to get older than it was to get wiser.

# Progress and Status of Our Frye Fort Cemetery Plaque Project

**Chuck** and **Bev Veatch**, current owners of Frye Fort, have been most gracious in accepting HFFA's offer to place a plaque and cornerstones in the family cemetery on their property. They have also approved the design of the plaque.

**Cornerstone markers** engraved with the letter "F" have been ordered and delivered. The text of the plaque has been sent to the foundry. The sign company will send me an artist's proof, which if approved, will allow casting within the next several weeks.

**The plaque** will be mounted on a metal post. The plaque will be bronze with the text in raised letters on a black background. Delivery should be about a month.

**Installation** will be in late March or early April by family and friends. We will publicize the installation date through **Mike Speers.** Anyone wishing to help is invited to join us.

Total cost will be about \$1900 with \$970 (so far) covered by member donations.

Thank you's to Jon Frye, Thelma McKenzie, Janie Wilmer, Norm Schulze, Charles Frye, Bev Raber, and Charles Burgess for help with the plaque wording.

> **Richard Bell** Greencastle, PA

# Introducing the HCPPP

The Heinrich Frey Cemetery Preservation and Protection Project, led by Norm Schulze is now being introduced to the HFFA membership.

At the 2016 Reunion in Pennsylvania, we were able to visit the burial site of **Heinrich Frey** and **Anna Catherine Levering Frey**. It's on a private parcel of land that was once the property of **Heinrich Frey**.

The burial site is completely overgrown and filled with ground hog holes. It is bordered by a steel pipe supported on the corners by cement piers. It has been reported by **Bev Raber** (HFFA) that she was told by an elderly man who was a near-by neighbor that there once had been tombstones in the cemetery. She was told that another neighbor(s) took it upon themselves to remove the tombstones some time back. We don't know the names of those people nor the reason for taking the tombstones. This could have been 50 or more years ago.

**Norm Schulze** has done some preliminary investigations and has sent the following:

My basic plans are:

1. Use whatever help I can obtain from the membership along the lines discussed above, the primary goal being to determine who may be buried there;

2. Determine what rights we have may be legally granted in the deed ;

3. Research possible burials and develop draft wording;

4. Make a marker decision and implement;

5. Develop a work-flow for the cleanup and marker installation;

6. Include the use of ground-penetrating radar to try to locate burial sites.

All work will be coordinated in detail with the current owner and, at a higher level, with the HFFA staff. I will update the membership, as appropriate, in future HFFA Newsletters.

Most of all, what is needed is information about who else is buried or could be buried at this site. There is a paucity of information in HFFA on families other than Ben's. We urgently need information from anyone with information about who could be buried with Heinrich and Anna.

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#### **Norm Schulze**

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#### The Importance of Walking

If walking was good for your health, the postman would be immortal.

# The Robert Luther Fry, Jr., Wing of HFFA

**Bob Fry,** who passed away in 2010, joined HFFA after discovering his DNA matched some known HFFA members. **Dick Bell** contacted Bob and told him about HFFA, and now there are 10 Bob Fry family members in our membership.

**Bob** and **Marilyn Fry** are the anchors. Their three children, **Gretchen**, **Steve**, and **Ron** have joined. (Gretchen is HFFA Secretary.)

Gretchen's children **Heather Brown** and **Molly Patten** are members.

Bob's sister, **Carolyn Ruth Fry Denham** has joined. So has his deceased brother's wife **Mary Sue Kenney Fry** as well as her daughter **Virginia Sue Fry Santos.** 

At our reunions we have met Bob, Marilyn, Gretchen (and Cabot), Carolyn, Sue, and Ginny.

Thank you all, it's great to have so many from one family unit join and participate in HFFA.

#### Glen Frey of the Eagles

Recently, 18 Jan 2016, **Glen Frey** co-founder of the famed group The Eagles passed away. Immediately, many people wrote an email asking if we were part of "his family." The answer: only in a musical sense as I'm sure most, if not all, enjoyed their music.

**Ronnie Ellis** and **Jack Lauman** of **HFFA** responded with the answer about Glen Frey being a descendant of Heinrich Frey. In short, the answer is **no.** Here are their findings:

#### From Ronnie Ellis:

**Glenn Lewis Frey,** b. 6 Nov 1948 in Detroit, MI to **Nellie Marie Markham**. Nellie's first husband was **Robert George Cedar**, who married her 30 Mar 1946 and they were divorced on 6 Jun 1949, making him most likely Glenn's birth father. I didn't find a MI birth certificate.

Nellie married **Edward Warren Frey** on 15 Sep 1951 in Detroit, MI. Edward was born in Bath Co, PA. I haven't researched to determine if he is descended from Heinrich.

The parents of Glenn's stepfather were **Elmo Johnson Frey** and **Alice Helena Smith**.

#### From Jack Lauman:

Wrong Frey's. He was adopted by his mother's second husband **Edward "Eddie" Warren Frey.** His father (1st husband) was **Robert George Cedar**. Eddie Freys' family is from Northampton Co., PA. This Frey family arrived shortly before the Revolutionary War and is not a relation to Heinrich Frey who came to America in 1685, preceding the Revolutionary War by 91 years.

# A Sad Story About a Burial

When I came across the following story it saddened me. It tells us about something we don't have to deal with much anymore. This time it happened to one of our cousins, **Miss Georgie M. Baker** of Mount Williams, Frederick County, Virginia. - **Mike** 

# Complying with Health Order, Church Officers Close Door On Remains Which Are Buried at Night

Found on Find a Grave #108041163

"When the body of **Miss Georgie Baker**, the young woman who died in Memorial Hospital here (Winchester, VA) on Sunday from influenza was taken late Tuesday evening to **St. John's Church**, eighteen miles southwest of this city for burial, the undertakers were confronted with a refusal to permit the body to be taken into the church as they stated the local Board of Health for the county had ordered all churches to be closed up during the present epidemic.

"It was explained that they only desired to place the body in the church over night and have the funeral yesterday at 10 o'clock, but the church authorities refused to open the doors on account of compliance with the health board's order.

"By this time it was ten o'clock, at night, hence the only recourse was to inter the body in the grave which had been prepared in the church yard which was done with the assistance of the churchmen, undertakers and City Health Officer J. Robert Doran, who had accompanied the remains to the church on behalf of the city of Winchester.

"Miss Baker, who was 18 years of age, was born and reared in the vicinity of St. John's Church but had come to Winchester some months ago to seek employment. A week ago she was taken ill and was removed to the hospital here. Her death occurred on Sunday. She is a daughter of **David Baker** and leaves several brothers and sisters."

- 1. Heinrich Frey / Anna Catherine Levering
  - 2. Benjamin Frey / Christena
  - 3. Joseph Fry / Ann Funk
  - 4. John Fry / Anna Cloweser
  - 5. Joseph Henry Fry / Sarah Richard
  - 6. Henry Richard Fry / Sarah E. Brill

7. Henry Richard Fry, Jr. / Rachel Virginia Bucher

- 8. Sarah Emma Fry / David Benjamin Baker
- 9. Georgie M. Baker

#### Find a Grave **#108041163**

Buried: St. John's Lutheran Church Cemetery (We visited this church and graveyard during the 2011 Winchester Reunion.)

Her mother had passed away at age 39, just a few months earlier. No cause was identified.

# Marshall, Citizen Soldier

A Book Written by **William Fenner Frye, Jr.** published by Bobbs Merrill, 1947

Many of our HFFA members enjoy books about WWII. Here is a book written by one of our cousins, **William Fenner Frye, Jr.** (1908 - 1961.)

It can be accessed on the internet and read in it's entirety. Although it's considered a rare book because of its publication date (1947) it is available for purchase on-line. Or, check your local library.

- 1. Heinrich Frey / Anna Catherine Levering
- 2. John Frey / Mary Ann Keisler
- 3. Daniel Frey / Maria Catharina Grob
- 4. Abraham Frey / Susanna Ginther
- 5. Samuel Frey / Anna Christina Rank
- 6. William Theopholis Fry / Mary Fenner
- 7. William Fenner Frye / Hattie Belle Booth
- 8. William Fenner Frye, Jr. / 1. Mary Shelsa Sanders, 2. Ida May Atkinson

# Found on Wikipedia:

"Heinrich Frey (b. about 1660 in Alsace, Germany) is considered the progenitor of another notable Fry family in the United States. Having arrived in Pennsylvania around 1685, Heinrich Frey and his family is credited with holding the first charter for the land that became Philadelphia and building what is considered today the historical "Old Town" section of that city. The Heinrich Frey Family Association<sup>[3]</sup> is dedicated to promoting genealogical research and fostering connections between the descendants of Heinrich Frey (which are thought to include, among many others, Nicolas "Fry" Charney founder of *Psychology Today* and Bill Haslam, 49th Governor of Tennessee)."

If anyone finds the links for **Nicholas Fry Charney** and **Bill Haslam** and can trace them to **Heinrich Frey**, please let us know.

Our thanks to **Chance Wimberley** who brought this to our attention.

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