## HFFA NEWSLETTER — VOL. 21, Issue #3, Aug., 2016



# HFFA NEWS

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## Hello Cousins, Kin, and Other Readers

There always seems to be a lot of things going on in HFFA that most members are surprised by. I guess that is a reason to have a newsletter. It's my job to keep us informed, at least every three months or so. Here is news about what is going on.

Before I write about anything else, our prayers are with Norm Schulze. He is severely bruised by a chain saw accident that has given him a damaged jaw and a broken sternum. His injuries are not from the chain saw itself but from a small but belligerent hickory sapling that wrestled with him and caused him to topple. The impact was so great that it broke his sternum. Norm can be reached at the following:

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He is home in Clifton, trying to rest. If you know Norm, that's not his usual state of being.

Now, on to other news. We have a new web master, **Richard Wesley Frey,** of Fresno, CA. Go to <a href="https://www.hfrey.org">www.hfrey.org</a> and see what he

has done with our web site. One thing that I like is that he has added all the HFFA Newsletters that have been published since Aug. 2007 when I became editor.

If anyone has a collection of earlier newsletters, than mine, please contact Richard and get them on the web site. That would be interesting reading.

Anne Pasieka has been working hard on next year's HFFA Reunion in Hannibal, MO. More information is available in this issue. We'll start taking reservations either in Nov. or Feb. But, you can reserve your hotel room right now.

We have a block of rooms at a nice property, the Quality Inn and Suites.
Hotel information: 120 Lindsey
Drive, Highway 36, Hannibal, MO
63401. Phone 573 221 4001.

Group Name: HFFA - Phone 573
221 4001. Please call the hotel directly, not the toll-free number.

In this issue you will be introduced to five more cousins who have joined HFFA. Please contact them and say "Hi".

I'm using some of the articles from my cache for this issue, but there still are some new articles as well. My thanks to everyone who has submitted articles for the Newsletter, and hope for more.

Sincerely,

## Mike Speers

Chardon, OH

## TREASURER'S REPORT:

 May Balance . . . . .
 \$7056.50

 Income:
 175.00

 Back Journals . . .
 15.00

 Total Income . . . .
 190.00

#### **Expenses:**

May Newsletter . . . . 63.51 Journal, Back Issues . 4.71 Web Site . . . . . . . . . 239.40

**Total Expenses . . . . 307.62** 

Aug. Balance . . . . \$6938.88

## **Explanations:**

The expense for the Web Site is for a 5-year registration with <u>GoDaddy.com</u> who holds the domain license. Web Master Richard Frey had to pay this fee when he took control of our web site.

This report respectfully submitted by

Mike Speers HFFA Treasurer Chardon, OH

## A Message From Our President

### Dear Family,

Welcome to the dog days of summer! It is hitting hard here in the Midwest. I hope you are enjoying cooler temperatures in your area.

Update on www.hfrey.org website: Chris Frye built the HFFA web site and maintained it for several years, for which the HFFA family and members are very grateful. Due to increased commitments in Chris' business, Chris is now turning over the operation and maintenance of the website to HFFA member Richard Frey.

We thank Chris for his time and willingness to create this avenue of sharing for HFFA members for these many years.

Richard is also experienced in websites and, as such, the website will again be in capable hands.

We thank both cousins for volunteering their time and expertise. As a token of our appreciation, HFFA mailed Chris a Certificate of Excellence for his time and assistance.

www.hfrey.org Go there and explore! We're adding more information all the time and the latest news on the Hannibal reunion in June 2017 will be readily available.

Gene Frye HFFA President Kansas City, KS

#### RECORD KEEPING:

#### **NEW MEMBERS:**

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- 2. Benjamin Frey / Christena
- 3. Christina Frey / Joseph Powell
- 4. Samuel Powell / Catherine P. Yeazell
- 5. Nancy J. Powell / Josiah J. Richards
- 6. Lewis Clark Richards / Rebecca M. Long
- General Grant Richards / Mary Alice Otto
- 8. Helen Marie Richards / George Mansfield Fruit
- 9. Linda Fruit / Delbert King

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- 4. James Fry / Nancy Spears
- 5. Benjamin Fry / Nancy Agnes Kellar
- 6. John A. Fry / Mary Jane Leighton
- 7. Luther Calvin Fry / Mary Alice Asay
- 8. Hervey Asay Fry / Augusta Maud Christie
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- 3. Benjamin Fry / Catherine
- 4. Isaac Fry / Catherine Fry
- 5. Isaac James Fry / Sarah George
- 6. William Fry / Mary Ann Cross
- 7. Walter Fry / Josephine Elizabeth Kelly
- 8. Charles P. Fry / Elsie Frances Cox
- 9. **Eleanor Marie Fry** / George H.

#### Hornbeck

Hi Mike, I am the last of my siblings to join HFFA. Both of my brothers( Alvin G. Fry and Charles Dale Fry) joined a few years ago and have been passing on newsletters and information to me. Then, this summer I discovered my ancestors and I'm wondering where they have been all my life. I am descended from Heinrich Frey through Benjamin, Benjamin, Isaac, Isaac James, William, Walter, Charles Porter. I am really enjoying getting to know them.

**Eleanor Fry Hornbeck** 

From the editor: Eleanor's brother, Alvin, did the impersonation of **Jefferson Davis** at the Kansas City Reunion in 2013.

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- 4. Benjamin Fry / Mary M. Secrest
- 5. Joseph Fry / Catherine Keckly
- 6. Eli James Fry / Leah H. Finley
- Archibald A. Fry / Mary M. Nichol
   Ida May Frye / Onoma A. Harrison
- 9. Mabel V. Harrison / James V. Crable
- 10. John Michael Crable / Nancy Mae Gardner
- 11. Barbara Mae Crable / William Scott McCay

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- 4. James Fry / Nancy Spears
- 5. Benjamin Fry / Nancy Agnes Kellar
- 6. Abraham Kellar Fry / Sarah McFall
- 7. Ann Elizabeth Fry / James G. Gore
- 8. Martha Gore / John Thomas McDaniel
- 9. Ed Stephens McDaniel / Cratie Blankenship
- 10. Harold LeRoy McDaniel / Nancy Ann Tilston

#### 11. Ann Carla McDaniel

For those who enter this information into your genealogy files, you'll notice that Ann is a returning Member of HFFA. Welcome back Ann. It's good to have you on our roster again.

#### **CHANGES and Corrections:**

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**Eddie Dray**, new mailing address: 150 Rainbow Dr. PMB 5058 Livingston, TX 77399

#### **GRADUATIONS**

**Madison Frey,** daughter of **Bruce Frey**, graduated from Granville High School (Ohio) and will be attending Kent State University in the Fall.

- 1. Heinrich Frey / Anna Catherine Levering
- 2. John Frey / Mary Ann Keisler
- 3. Samuel Frey, Sr. / Dianna Wells
- 4. Samuel Frey, Jr. / Rachel Jones
- 5. David Frey / Mary Varner
- 6. Samuel Frey III / Mary Elizabeth Van Winkle
- 7. Allen Frey / Sarah Elizabeth Harrah
- 8. Chester Allen Frey / Goldie Long
- 9. Bernard Chester Frey / Nellie Ann Burchard
- **10.** Bruce Bernard Frey / Trisha Ann McClain
- 11. Madison Laurel Frey

### **MARRIAGES:**

Anne Janelle Speers, daughter of Van Alden Speers, Jr. and Robin Lynn Williams, married Wesley Hermann Hill on 27 Aug 2016 in Aliquippa, PA. Anne is a graduate in music from Geneva College in Beaver Falls, PA. Wes Hill is a graduate of The Ohio State University.

- 1. Heinrich Frey / Anna Catherine Levering
- 2. Benjamin Frey / Christena
- 3. Henry Frye / Fanny Littler
- 4. Rebecka Frye / Henry Speers
- 5. Apollos Speers / Elizabeth Cooper
- 6. Noah Speers / Sarah Amanda Ward
- 7. Van Lawrence Speers / Margaret Torrance McClain
- 8. Alden Otis Davis Speers / Katherine Bertha Bonsch
- Van Alden Speers, Sr. / Martha Mimidis
   Van Alden Speers, Jr. / Robin Lynn
   Williams
- 11. Anne Janelle Speers / Wesley Hermann Hill

#### IN MEMORIUM:

Ella Mae Pownell Frye 8 Apr 1931 - 25 May 2016

Ella Mae Frye, 85, of Romney, WV passed away on 25 May 2016. She was the daughter of the late Clarence Taylor "Tater" Pownell and Lena Mulled Pownell. She was preceded in death by husband Melvin Lee Frye, an infant son, one brother Elmo Pownell and two sisters, Viva Cather and Dolene Snyder.

Ella Mae graduated from Romney High School with the class of 1949. She worked at the Sav-a-Lot Pharmacy in Romney and retired from the West Virginia School for the Deaf and Blind after 18 years of service. She was a member of Romney's First United Methodist Church and the United Methodist Women. She served on the Board of Trustees of the Branch Mountain for the Retired School Employees of the School for the Deaf and Blind for 12 years. She is a past member of HFFA.

She is survived by son **Brian T.** (HFFA) and wife **Rachel Frye** of Hope Mills, NC and her daughter **Marcella** and husband **Paul Andreasen** of Ft. Gordon, GA. Her grandchildren are **Sam**, **Esther**, and **Michael Andreasen** and **Jonathan** and **Hannah Frye**.

- 1. Heinrich Frey / Anna Catherine Levering
- 2. Benjamin Frey / Christena
- 3. Henry Frye / Fanny Littler
- 4. Benjamin Frye / Mary Frye
- 5. Henry Tucker Frye / Elizabeth Jane Silket Wilson
- 6. James Mason Frye / Fannie Coyle Baker
- 7. Raymond Edgar Frye / Gertrude May Haines
- 8. Melvin Lee Frye / Ella Mae Pownell

#### Keith L. Huber

24 Mar 1941 - 29 May 2008

The following Find a Grave, #27214760, was found by **Gordon Fry** and submitted by **Richard Bell.** We are about to meet someone who was not in HFFA but someone I wished we had known.

"Keith L. Huber, 67, of Gulfport, MS, formerly of Galva, IL died Thursday, May 29, 2008, as the result of a tractor accident on his farm in rural LaFayette.

"Keith was born March 24, 1941 in rural LaFayette, IL, the son of Howard and Maxine (Peterson) Huber. He attended Galva schools and was in the Class of 1959. In 1982 he founded Keith Huber, Inc., of Gulfport, MS, now the largest independent manufacturer of Vacuum Loading equipment in the U.S.

"Keith's early accomplishments include designing the original Chaparral snowmobile, Mallard Coach the snowmobile and creating the first production model electronic controlled Golf Car. More recent passions include collecting and restoring 57-59 Plymouths and restoring the family farm to era 1949-50.

"He is survived by his father Howard Huber, Galva, IL daughter/best friend, Suzanne Peck, Gulfport, MS, son, Jeffrey Jay Huber, Montgomery, AL, and nephew, Randy Huber, Gulfport, MS, who he loved as a son, and several nieces and nephews. surviving are grandchildren, Gerald L. Peck II, Jason M. Peck, Jennifer (Bryan) Gollogly, and Dacota Hines, two great grandchildren, Garrett M. Gollogly and Linda "Lindy" G. Gollogly, one brother. Kert (Doreen) Huber, Peoria, and one sister, Margo Clark (Keith) Luymes, Galva. Mr. Huber was preceded in death by his mother, Maxine Huber, and brother, Kenneth Huber."

- 1. Heinrich Frey / Anna Catherine Levering
- 2. Benjamin Frey / Christena
- 3. Abraham Fry, Sr. / Agnes Ann Young
- 4. Abraham Frye, Jr. / Hester Johnston
- 5. Benjamin Frye / Sarah Schaffer
- 6. Thomas Fry / Mary Ann Kitchel
- 7. Hester Ann Fry / William Wilde
- 8. Harriette Mae Wilde / Kenneth Bolin
- 9. William Bolin / Fern Bloom
- Maxine Mae Bolin Peterson / Howard Wesley Huber
- 11. Keith L. Huber

## Reunion 2017 - Hannibal, MO

## by Anne Pasieka, Hannibal Reunion Host

Well with a little more than twenty weeks left until the New Year, the Heinrich Frey Family Association has been working hard to plan an interesting and enjoyable reunion for you!

We have many exciting events planned for the 3-Day Reunion. The registration forms should be on the website, <a href="www.hfrey.org">www.hfrey.org</a>, or in the HFFA Newsletter (in Nov, and Jan.) or a paper copy can be obtained by emailing Gene Frye (<a href="fryetravel@aol.com">fryetravel@aol.com</a>) or Anne Pasieka. (<a href="mailto:Anne1001@aol.com">Anne1001@aol.com</a>)

Please note that Hannibal is about 80 miles away from the St. Louis airport so we need to try to help those who may be flying in to carpool with other Frys. Please let our president know if you plan to fly.

On **Wednesday, June 14,** we will be having our board meeting at **6:30 pm**. Don't forget you can get an extra day before and after the reunion so you will have more time to see the local attractions in the area. Whenever you are coming into town, try to make Riverview Park an opportunity to see some great camera shots overlooking the Mississippi River.

Thursday, June 15, is Hannibal Day which will be set aside for our business meeting and several special speakers talking about the Frey/Frye/Fry Family of Marion, Ralls, and Monroe Counties. Also Norman Schulze and Richard Bell will be presenting information about the ongoing Virginia/Pennsylvania cemetery projects that they are planning or may have completed. Our Association member, Eddie Dray will be presenting a historic tour of the Mark Twain Cave. An "on your own" dinner at the Mark Twain Dinette with "Music Under the Stars" or Sawyer's Creek for dinner for those who have younger children is suggested.

Friday will be Louisiana, MO Day with a visit to the Jordan-Buffalo Cemetery where our oldest Missouri ancestor, James Fry is buried. We will travel to Mark Twain State Park and Museum in Stoutsville,

Missouri. An "on your own" two hour dinner cruise will be offered for the Mark Twain Riverboat.

Saturday, June 17, is our Palmyra Day where we will be taking a guided tour of the town, including viewing our Abraham Keller Fry's building that is mentioned in the Marion County History. Also on this day we will be honoring the charter members of our association and enjoying some entertainment at our luncheon. There is also a cemetery walk if there is enough interest. Our final evening banquet will be a buffet held at Fiddlesticks which is a restaurant adjacent to the hotel parking lot.

Breakfast is served in the hotel for those who are staying there. Lunch on Thursday, Friday and Saturday is included in your registration fee along with the Saturday evening banquet. Prices will be included in the registration form.

Please make the **HFFA Reunion June 15-18, 2017** a part of your plans for next summer. I know you will enjoy the many events that will be available to everyone!

Anne Pasieka Arlington Heights, IL

## Small Town Kansas Girl Sees the World

by New Member Linda King

Let me introduce myself:

I am **Linda (Fruit) King.** I have been chasing my ancestors since 1980. That chase was sporadic until I retired in 2007.

I grew up in Kiowa County, Kansas – about 100 miles west of Wichita – on a farm. My dad was a farmer, plumber and electrician. Mom was a homemaker.

I retired in 2007 after having worked for a software company for 32 years. This software catered only to the financial industry. The last 12 years of my employment was in the international

department — literally working in many countries the world over supporting our clients. I consider this small town farm girl very fortunate to live and travel to countries I only dreamed about in my childhood. This wasn't as glamorous as it may sound as we were expected to "hit the ground running" and most time working far beyond the "normal" 40 hours a week. The first two years after I retired I just stayed at home.

Since I "retired" I have served 8 years on the board of The Wichita (KS) Genealogical Society. 3 ½ years of those years were as President. Trip director – 3 years and the past 4 years as editor of our quarterly magazine. I am also on our Homeowners Association board – the past 6 years as president. I am on the board of my DAR chapter. Then in my spare time I volunteer one morning a week at the local food bank and 1 day a week at the Wichita Public Library Genealogy Dept.

I can be found traveling to the places my ancestors lived, researching in Libraries, Archives, Cemeteries and anyplace that may tell me about their lives.

I have 2 grown sons, 6 grandchildren and one great grandson, who was born in May.

In addition to spending hours on searching for my ancestors I also enjoy gardening, traveling (again) and quilting. Oh yes, and spoiling those grandchildren and "Lacy", my 7 lb. Maltese.

I am looking forward to attending the Frey Reunion in 2017 in Hannibal, Mo.

Linda King Derby, KS

## Adult Truths:

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- I can't remember the last time I wasn't at least kind of tired.
- You choose your cereal for the fiber, not the toy.

(To be continued.)

#### **HFFA Has Another New Author**

The following notes were received when I made my internet plea for more new material for this issue of the Newsletter. **Ed Dray**, who will be our tour guide at the Mark Twain Cave at next year's reunion, sent the following notes:

Hi Mike.

I want to let you know that I have published my first book, entitled "My Journey to the Clouds". This book is available as an ebook on Amazon Kindle and Barnes & Noble Nook.

Here is an abstract of it's content:

## My Journey to the Clouds

Sometimes funny and sometimes heartbreakingly sad, this book documents the journey of a small boy, dreaming of becoming a pilot, to a man who flew jet aircraft in many parts of the world.

His journey took many turns along the way, but this young boy grew into a man, never losing sight of his dream, even as the reality of life interfered, interrupted and delayed reaching the goal. Travel along as the young man serves his country in the US Air Force, marries and starts a family, and finally begins to pursue his dream, finding success in a manner familiar to many who believe in dedication and hard work.

The adventures and misadventures along the way are told in a clear, down to earth manner, and ends with encouragement for a person who dreams of a particular goal in their life, to never give up the quest.

**Ed Dray** Mission, TX

Congratulations to Ed and best wishes on the book. We'll see you at the Reunion. Ed has gone from being a pilot to becoming a full-time RV'er. He and Marilyn travel the country in a fifth-wheel RV. He was a speaker at our reunion in Coffeeville, KS.

Ed and Marilyn also have a website / blog that they keep during their RV travels:

www.mytripjournal.com/Dray-TheHappyWanderers

#### A Guide to Rare Orchids

#### Mark Friden

One of our cousins, Mark Andrew Friden, lives within the boundaries of the Adirondack State Park. There are over 200 communities inside the park, the most famous is Lake Placid, the home of the 1932 and 1980 Winter Olympics. Mark resides in Star Lake, NY, a much smaller town inside the park borders.

This past year, something interesting and unexpected happened to Mark when a writer for National Geographic Magazine contacted him about some rare orchids found in the Town of Clifton, St. Lawrence County, NY. The story in the National Geographic is titled "Millions of Orchids Are Blooming in an Abandoned Iron Mine" was written by Michelle Z. Donahue, and published on-line May 12, 2016. Mark is the Clifton, NY Town Historian where the abandoned mine is located.

The rare orchids are found on land owned by the company that owns the now-closed mine. Once the article came out in May, Mark reports that "Everyone local and their cousin wanted to see the orchids! But, in May, they were not in bloom. And, the people who own the land are dead-set against trespassers (the land is posted). . . . I wound up being the liaison between the Benson Family's local caretaker and the botanists and media."

Mark continues his story: "Fast forward to July. The botanist, Grete Bader, wanted to come back to see the orchids again, and it was arranged that I would be her "local escort". She would be bringing a photographer with her from Adirondack Life magazine, and another College of **Environmental Science and Forestry** (ESF for short, part of Syracuse University) student as well. The photographer wanted to take dawn photos. So, on the appointed day, we met in an old cemetery at 4:45 a.m. Talk about creepy. I drove us in as far as abandoned dirt roads would allow, and from there we followed GPS coordinates to get to the orchids. They were amazing! Small flowers, but very beautiful. The area has become a wetland, and is also filled with millions of wild cranberry plants. We ate wild blueberries on the way, and saw sundew (a

carnivorous plant), bloodwort, and other wild flowers.

"About 90 minutes after our initial group of four came out, I escorted a second group, this time including Grete's advisor at the ESF (who discovered these orchids over 30 years ago), a Senior Editor from Adirondack Life magazine, a writer from Associated Press, an AP photographer, two more ESF people, and the local caretaker (whose chose to sleep in and skip the earlier expedition). This was in addition to the three I took in at 4:45 that morning. Afterwards, the magazine editor interviewed me for some local color and background information. Their publication comes out every other month (along with other special issues intermittently), and it appears the story on Clifton's orchids will appear in early 2017.

"There may not be any mining going on here any longer, but the lawyers for the family who own the land are very concerned about people trespassing to see the flowers, due to liability issues. There are active lumbering and excavating operations going on on their land, and anything could happen to anyone at any time, if they are in the wrong place (and nobody knows they're there). So, I feel very fortunate that I have been able to see these amazing plants up close."

Rose pogonia (pogonia ophioglossoides)



The article in the National Geographic can be found here:

Millions of Orchids Are Blooming in an Abandoned Iron Mine

#### Mark Friden

Star Lake, NY

## The Way it Was - Part of the Fizz-Bang Period of my Life

by **Dan Frye** 

I think the beginning of my quest for experience in the "Big Bang" time of my life, began when daddy was trying to kill the big Bermuda grass patch in the upper garden. It was in the area across from where my brother John and Irma now live.

Daddy brought home several bags of weed killer that we were to sprinkle over the patch of grass to do a total kill of the Bermuda. When we were spreading it, the man which lived on the corner lot by the garden, came over to see what we were doing. He must have been a chemist of some sort. We told him we were using Sodium Chlorate to kill the grass.

He was a smoker and took out a pack of cigarettes and peeled off the tin foil that covered the cigarettes. He showed us, that when we would take a pinch of the Sodium Chlorate and put it in the piece of tin foil, fold it, and lay it on the sidewalk and hit it with a hammer. it would explode with a bang. **WOW**, this was so exciting!!!!!

Later that year, I ran across a small can of powdered Red Phosphorus. Having a chemistry set, I did some experimenting, and found that if I mixed a little of the phosphorus with the sodium chlorate, it would explode when mashed or thrown onto a hard object. It was like using a torpedo.

I was in Illmo High School at that time, and we had a P.E. teacher that was a bully and also the coach of the ball teams. He also taught the HEALTH class in the downstairs class room. His office was next door to the class room. Big Coach Lawson was a hard taskmaster and if we caused any trouble he would run us through a "belt line." In this

line students would swipe your butt, hard with belts as you ran through.

I thought I would get even with him, so I made a little foil packet of phosphorus/ sodium chlorate and put it on the floor outside his door. I wrote on the floor with chalk "do not step on this". Of course, he would do anything you didn't want him to do.

He came out his door, saw the little packed of aluminum foil, and smacked his foot on it.

#### WHAM!!!

A large explosion and big cloud of white smoke rose up, and his foot rose up about even with his butt!!

He limped around for a couple of days while investigating for the culprit. Luckily for me, he never did find out who did it.

**Dan Frye** Ft. Myers, FL

## 100 Attend Frye Reunion

[From the editor: The following newspaper article was found by Irvin Heishman. He estimates that it came from the early 1940's. The Frye family held many reunions in that era, most of them held at Frye Fort. Our current organization, HFFA, began about 1992 and holds reunions every two years at places across the country.]

## "Large Number Gather At Cedar Creek Despite Bad Weather"

"Approximately 100 members of the Frye family held their annual reunion Saturday at the old **Frye Fort**, three miles north of Wheatfield despite inclement weather which sent Cedar Creek to a level that made it impossible for traffic to cross the stream.

"Harry M. Windle of Winchester was chairman of the program. The Rev. Courtney H. Anderson presented the speakers and guests from a distance among them William Frye of Washington, who is a high official in the Postoffice Department and Dr. Frye of Hedgesville, W.Va. Miss Betty Bradfield of near Winchester accompanied by Mr. Windle sang several selections.

"In addition to Mr. Windle, members of the program committee were **Joseph** and **W. Miller Frye**, Wardensville, W.Va., Mrs. **Emma Frye Stickley**, Vaucluse, and **Fred Ridings**, Stephens City."

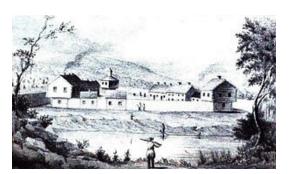
Submitted by **Irvin Heishman**Wardensville, WV

## ANOTHER FRYE FORT submitted by Ivan Dean Lancaster

From Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia.

## **Fort Frye**

Part of the Northwest Territory of the United States in Beverly, Washington County, Ohio.



Fort Frye at Beverly, Ohio

## **Built 1791 by Joseph Frye**

"Fort Frye was a triangular-shaped defensive fortification built by a group of pioneers from the Ohio Company of Associates who moved about twenty miles up the Muskingum River from the settlement of Marietta, Ohio to a location near the mouth of Wolf Creek. During 1789 the pioneers established settlements now known as Waterford and Beverly on the southwest and northeast banks of the Muskingum, respectively. The settlements were located about 13 miles downriver from a small group of pioneers at Big Bottom. During January and February 1791, following the massacre at Big Bottom and the start of the Northwest Indian War, the settlers built Fort Frye at Beverly.

"The form of the fort was triangular, which is rather uncommon in military defenses. But as they were in a hurry, and it saved them one line of curtains, while the block houses at the angles defended the sides just as well as in any other form, it was adopted. The base of the triangle rested on the river, distant only a few paces from the bank, and was about two hundred feet in length. One of the other sides was somewhat longer, so that the work was not a regular triangle. At each corner, was a two story block house, twenty feet square below, and a foot or two more above.

"The two longer sides were filled in with dwelling houses, some of which were two stories high, and others of less height, while a considerable portion were built barrack fashion, with only one roof, pitched inward, so that the rain from it fell within the garrison. The spaces not occupied by buildings were filled in with stout pickets.

"Broad, substantial gates, near the northern block house, led out through the palisades into the highway and fields, while a smaller one in the curtain on the bank, called the water gate, afforded an opening to the river. A line of palisades, twelve feet high, at the distance of thirty feet, inclosed the whole, and descended to the river."

Contributed by **Ivan Dean Lancaster** Trafalgar, IN

editor's Note: Joseph Frye, the builder of Fort Frye in Beverly, OH comes from Puritan roots in Maine and Massachusetts. An article dated 21 Dec 2013 in the Marietta (Ohio) Times has an article about his ancestors and his descendants. It is clear that he is NOT a descendant of Heinrich Frey. However, we thank Ivan Dean Lancaster for his article about this particular Fort Frye. This Fort is no longer in existence.

#### The Horse Borrower

From the records of the late **George Bennett (HFFA)** 

Following are the notes relating to **Jesse Pugh Fry**, **1841 - 1921**.

"Jesse Pugh Fry, fought with the Confederacy and was at the battle of Tom's Brook (Virginia) with his brother Joseph Presley Frye and against his (their) second cousin Samuel Fry III who was in the 18th Pennsylvania Cavalry.

"Civil War Service: Company C, 12th Virginia Cavalry. Nearly 1500 hard riding, saber slashing men from ten counties in the Shenandoah Valley served in the 12th Virginia Cavalry. It was organized June 21, 1862 with ten companies and participated in over 100 skirmishes and battles over the next three years.

"Perhaps the unit's greatest achievement occurred at the **Battle of Brandy Station** on 9 Jun 1863. As a Union flanking movement threatened to destroy J.**E.B. Sturart's** cavalry corps, a bold and reckless charge by the 12th Virginia helped to thwart the Yankee attempt, thus securing the key position for the Confederates.

"Other notable 12th Cavalry actions included the capture of Union railroad trains in the Shenandoah Valley; adventurous missions deep into West Virginia in 1863 and 1864; assisting with the capture and roundup of over 2000 head of cattle far behind Union lines in the famous "Beefsteak Raid"; and participating in the last charge at Appomattox only two hours before Lee's surrender.

"Jesse's son, Hertburn Washington Frye, recounted that his father was known as a "fine judge of horseflesh" and during the war was often sent forth to obtain new mounts for his unit. Since they still hung horse thieves in those times his exploits weren't discussed in public but, with Hertburn's tongue lubricated with "fine sipin' whiskey" he would tell of Jesse "slippin' over them hills towards Kentuck' to "borrow" a few head for the cause". It seems that Jesse had relatives and friends that were sympathetic to the South all over, especially in the counties that were in West Virginia.

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These folks helped by giving Jesse shelter, provisions, and assistance with the borrowin'.

"After the war, Jesse went back to breeding and training mules. He would have upwards to twenty teams (that's forty mules) working at a time. Each team would pull a pan, big scoops with two wooden handles similar to a wheel barrow sans wheel, used to move dirt. He helped construct many of the water reservoirs in the Shenandoah Valley and the adjoining West Virginia counties. It also gave a lot of men work, as teamsters, when they needed it after the war. But, when a job was done it meant moving to a new location, from one rented farm to the next, a nomadic life that seemed to suit Jesse."

**George Bennett** 

1936 - 2010

## A Book Review

by Dick Bell

A Brief Review of "It Is a Good Work: Saint John's Lutheran Church of Winchester Frederick County, Virginia"

The HFFA 2011 Reunion held in Winchester, VA., visited the **Saint John's Lutheran Church** in Mount Williams on the last day of the gathering. There are many Fryes buried in the churchyard. Now the church has published a nice paperback book covering the years 1787 until 1937. The book is divided into three chapters, each covering a period of a new house of worship for the congregation. For each period, vignettes of the church's pastors and historical events affecting the congregation are included.

Many names of members are included that are familiar to those of us who like to explore genealogy: Frye, of course, and many families whom the Fryes married such as Bean, Kackley, Snapp, Richard, White, Clowser, Rosenberger to name a few.

There some entries about the nearby Iron industry. In fact the early names of the church were "Old Furnace Church", "Valley Old Furnace Church", and "Taylor Furnace Church". Photos and text about the iron industry are informative.

The book contains many images of pastors, the church, items for worship, and communicant rolls. There are detailed endnotes for this volume, but no index of individuals, which would have been helpful to genealogy buffs.

A second volume of church history is in preparation. I was told there will be a chapter on the burials and churchyard markers in this book.

To order a copy, call (304) 5813992. Cost is \$22, which includes shipping and a return envelope for payment.

**Richard Bell** 

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#### For the Good of the Order

Our **webmaster**, **Richard Frey**, has asked me to send out a request for any pictures dealing with Frey, Frye, Fry family members, houses, gatherings, etc. Direct them to his email or his home, and he can put them onto our website. Wouldn't it be great to have access to an album with many old pictures of our ancestors? Let's get our photos to Richard right away.

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- 3. Sometimes I'll look down at my watch 3 consecutive times and still not know what time it is.
- 4. Time may be a great healer, but it's a lousy beautician.

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The Links Book cost \$15 per CD. Please contact Marti Frye.