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HELLO COUSINS, KIN, AND OTHER READERS

Happy Winter everyone. Hope the Christmas and New Year Holidays were rewarding to you. Now we look forward to Spring and Easter with the rebirth of life that is promised us.

Continuing the theme of renewal, let me remind everyone that our HFFA memberships must be renewed. Many people have been sending their \$25 checks to our Membership Chairman, but some have not. Now is the time to renew. The process is simple, make a check for \$25 made out to HFFA and send it to:

Marti Frye 308 Bellevue Plantation Rd. LaFayette, LA 70503

We are looking forward to the HFFA Reunion in Kansas City, MO June 12 – 16. All the details are included in a Supplement added to this issue. Rose and I have attended reunions in Morgantown, PA, Des Moines, IA, Coffeeville, KS, Mineola, TX and Winchester, VA. Now we'll add Kansas City, MO to the list. Each reunion is different, each reunion introduces us to new cousins in this extended family, and each reunion gives us many happy and unique memories. Please read the Supplement and make your plans to head to KC in June.

During our reunion in Morgantown, PA in 2000, we went on a bus ride that went all over the Pennsylvania countryside looking at churches, homes, and burial grounds. At the Winchester Reunion in 2011, Norm

Schultz had a slide show presentation of that bus trip. One of our cousins, Richard Bell of Greencastle, PA was inspired by the slide show and wanted to know where we went and what we saw. He received enough information from Fanny Frey, Charles Burgess, and Norm Schultz to recreate the trip and produce a document that anyone should be able to follow. I've been able to see a preliminary draft of the document and am looking forward to visiting Philadelphia, Montgomery, and Berks Counties in PA and revisit the area covered on that bus trip. To be honest, it was all a blur to me back in June 2000. I hope to be a little more focused when I try to recreate the trip.

You will see in our **Record Keeping** section that we are introducing six new members to our association of cousins. Welcome to **Missy Childs** of Machesney Park, IL; **AI Fry** of Plattsburg, MO; **Sue Fry** of Berkeley, CA; and **Nanci Zander** of Bellingham, WA., **Gretchen Kroll** of Fairfax, VA, and **Erick Mullen** of Washington, DC. We hope you enjoy being part of HFFA.

I know that our president, Gene Frye is working hard to create a wonderful reunion for us in June. Our registration fee includes four meals, three admissions to museums, bus rides on two days, professional speakers, and much more. It all sounds like a wonderful time. Please read the Supplement at the end of this issue and send in your registrations early.

Mike Speers Chardon, OH

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Balance, Nov., 2012 \$5544.06

Deposits \$2128.00 Expenses \$1659.32

CURENT BALANCE, FEB. 26, 2013\$6012.74

Notable expenses in this period include \$87.64 for the November newsletter and \$168.70 for expenses for Christmas greetings from HFFA to our members and \$1400 for the HFFA Journal.

Deposits came from membership dues of new members, renewals for 2013 (and sometimes beyond), and the sale of back issues of the HFFA Journal.

This report respectfully submitted by

Mike Speers, Treasurer of HFFA

QUERY

Hi, Mike;

Do you have (or does anyone in HFFA have) a compilation of which of our members belong to either the SAR or DAR, and through which ancestor they claimed membership? I ask because I belong to the **SAR**,as does my older brother (his daughter is in the DAR). The three of us got in through the same line of descent from a ancestor who was Philips in Revolutionary War. We want to check out adding additional lineages, and knowing this from HFFA descendants would be a great place to start. Thanks!

> Mark Friden Star Lake, NY

Dear Mark,

Recently we asked **HFFA** members if they were part of **DAR**, **SAR**, etc. Those results were on page 5 of the **Nov. 2012**

Newsletter. However, the question you are asking was not covered by the survey. I invite all the **DAR** and **SAR** members in **HFFA** to contact either you or me with the identification of their Frey/Frye/Fry ancestor they used for their membership.

Mark Friden 15 Leonard Dr. Star Lake, NY 13690 unionpoint@yahoo.com

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Since the Survey Results were published, I received some additional responses. One, from **Anne Pasieka** asks the same questionas Mark did. She writes:

When I was reading your newsletter I wondered how many of the people you listed had their applications under the surname of Fry/Frye/Frey??

I am a member of DAR with multiple Patriots. I also am a Mayflower descendant (Allerton) but do not belong to The Mayflower Society. There is also the Society of The Sons and Daughters of Pilgrims. I also have the qualifications for the Jamestowne Society of Richmond, Virginia. I am also qualified for The National Society for Colonial Dames on several lines and have numerous participants to qualify me for **Daughters of Union** Veterans of the Civil War (DUV). Another Civil War group is the National Society Daughters of the Union 1861-1865, Inc. The Confederacy group is **United** Daughters of the Confederacy (UDC) There are two union organizations and two Confederacy organizations. I have one relative that signed up on both sides and one of my families had brothers fighting on both sides (Missouri was a bit confused!!!) I have a hard time balancing my interests in doing research and participating organizations.

> Anne Pasieka Arlington Hts., IL

Shirley Marshall wrote to tell us she is a member of United Daughters of the Confederacy.

I verified the service of Jesse Pugh Fry and Joseph P. Frye, both serving in cavalry units.

Currently, I am the registrar for Turner Ashby 184 U.D.C. in Winchester, VA.

Shirley Marshall Winchester, VA

22nd & Chatty

One of our cousins, **Ginny Santos**, of San Francisco, CA began a new business in 2010. The name, 22nd & Chatty comes from her home which is one of the "painted ladies" in San Francisco, and is on the corner of 22nd St. and Chattanooga.

She makes special and beautiful handbags. Her website

www.22ndandchatty.com

tells us

"She draws her inspiration by all that surrounds her, the architecture of the city, the neighborhoods, and most importantly, the people. Color and texture drive her as they reflect the adventurous free spirit who travels off the beaten path.

Always distinctive, always impeccable. Handcrafted and limited."

We thank **Marilyn Fry** of Costa Mesa CA for this information. Ginny is her sister-in-law.

BOOK PUBLISHED

Congratulations to Julie Olson. Her book, "Emerging From the Darkness - Poetry From the Heart" has been published and is on sale at various book stores and online at Barnes & Noble and Amazon.com. Signed copies from our cousin Julie can be ordered directly from her.

"I'm just so "excited" about sharing my thoughts, feelings and most of all my heart while going through the grieving process of losing my mother, being laid off. It all took a silent toll on me but with the help of music and writing. I made it through one of the toughest emotional times. I wrote several poems while sorting, bagging, tagging and filing many of my mother's things. The book is dedicated to my mother with acknowledgements to other women in my family who either influenced or inspired me. Plus a thank you to Diane Jarvi and the musical Duo "Patchouli" for their great musical inspirations over the past couple of years they really kept me going artistically. I know that I've shared several particular poems with some people already, but now am happy to share a whole range of topics that touched me in one form or another." -Julie

Over the years, the readers of this HFFA Newsletter might have noticed how much a fan I am of Julie's prose and poetry. I've included both in many newsletters and still have some of her works in my "stash" for future use. We are all proud to have one of our cousins listed as a published author. I know that I am. My signed copy has arrived and I'm enjoying it very much. - Mike

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RECORD KEEPING

New Members:

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- 1. Heinrich Frey / Anna Catherine Levering
- 2. John Frey / Mary Ann Keisler
- 3. Daniel Frey / Maria C. Grob
- 4. Abraham Fry / Susanna Ginter
- 5. Samuel Fry / Anna C. Grob
- 6. Wm. Theolopholis Fry / Mary Fenner
- 7. Oliver Rolland Fry / Pearl E. Chadwick
- 8. Barbara W. Fry / Joseph S. Abraham
- 9. Mary S. Childs / Lawrence Martin

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- 1. Heinrich Frey / Anna Catherine Levering
- 2. Benjamin Frey / Christena
- 3. Benjamin Frey, Jr. / Catherine
- 4. Isaac Frye / Catherine Fry
- 5. Isaac James Fry / Sarah "Sally" George
- 6. William F. Fry / Mary Ann Cross
- 7. Walter Fry / Josephine E. Kelly
- 8. Charles P. Fry / Elsie F. Cox
- 9. Alvin Fry / Dena L. Lowe

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- 1. Heinrich Frey / Anna Catherine Levering
- 2. Benjamin Frey / Christena
- 3. Joseph Frye / Ann Funk
- 4. Benjamin Frye / Mary Secrest
- 5. John Frye / Maudy Snapp
- 6. Margaret Frye / Daniel Rhodes Hoxie
- 7. Ida May Hoxie / William J. Rankin
- 8. Nellie Louise Rankin / Rolla Lanning
- 9. Ida Eloise Lanning / Delbert H. Mullen
- 10. Jerald Delbert Mullen / Linda C. Lopez
- 11. **Erick Christopher Mullen** / Kelly Suzanne Craighead

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- 2. Benjamin Frey / Christena
- 3. Abraham Fry, Sr. / Agnes Ann Young
- 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 Christie
- 9. Robert Luther Fry, Sr. / Mabel Ruth Coulson

10. Bruce Cousion Fry / Mary Sue Kenney Fry

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- 2. Jacob Frey / Margaret Ease
- 3. Jacob S. Fry / Margaret Springer
- 4. Daniel S. Fry / Ann Allenbach
- 5. Elizabeth A. Fry / Jacob C. Gerges
- 6. Daniel F. Gerges / Hannah J. Reiff
- 7. Jacob R. Gerges / Clara May Allenbach
- 8. Linwood Ivan Gerges / Ethel Mae Beard
- 9. Nancy Ann Gerges / James Gary Zander

Gretchen S. Kroll

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Gretchen is entering as an associate member. She has direct links to many of our associated families, but not the Frey family.

NEW ADDRESS

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Graduation

Mary Sue Hubbard will be graduating from Murray State University on 11 May 2013 with a Bachelors of Science in Nursing. Her graduation comes exactly 40 years since graduating from Western Kentucky University with an Associate Degree in Nursing. In the intervening 40 years between degrees she has worked as an RN in acute care hospitals. She writes "about 5 years ago I decided to return to school and advance my degree. Now with only 4 years until retirement I am glad I will be "finishing strong" professionally. I think my Grandmother Frye would approve!"

Mary Sue Hubbard of Murray, KY

IN MEMORIAM

Mary Elizabeth Cooley Fry (1925 – 2012)

Mary Elizabeth Cooley Fry, 87, of Hutchinson, KS died Dec. 19, 2012. She was born Nov. 24, 1925, in Cunningham, Kan. Her parents were Glen Waldo Cooley and Beatrice Jones Cooley.

She attended school at Cunningham and graduated in 1944. To fulfill her desire of becoming a nurse, Mary joined the U.S. Army Cadet Corps and graduated from William Newton Memorial Hospital School of Nursing in 1947 as a Registered Nurse.

On Dec. 20, 1946, she married **Milton Shannon Fry**. They were blessed with three

children, James Milton Fry (wife Jean), Marilee Ann Kruse (husband Al Kruse), and Timothy Shannon Fry (wife Connie Schrock-Fry). She leaves sister, Eugenia Wise-Moore; several beloved nieces, nephews and cousins. In addition there are six grandchildren, Jamie Ann Fry, Amie Kruse Long, Lori Elizabeth Kruse Raile, Erin Shannon Kruse Perkins, Hayley Loree Fry Jones and Matthew Shannon Fry. She was also blessed with five greatgrandchildren, Colton Kruse Raile, Lucas Reid Raile, Carter James Long, Avery Ann Long and Elayna Loree Jones

Mary proudly served in the nursing profession in hospitals in Winfield. Lawrence, Newton and Hutchinson. She retired after serving Dr. John Mull in the Hutchinson Clinic for 15 years. Every patient who would see her outside the clinic would comment on her sweet, caring nature. After retirement, she was a volunteer for the Blood Mobile and as a "reader" in Hutchinson grade schools. Trinity United Methodist Church played an important role in Milton and Mary's life. They were active members of the D.U.O. Sunday school class. Mary folded bulletins and newsletters for many years on Thursday mornings, but the love of her church life was singing in the chancel choir for over 40 years. Although she has not been able to sing the last two years, almost every Wednesday, she commented on how she missed singing in the choir. Thank you, Bill Anschutz and choir, for lovingly including her in your choir family. Mary and Milton traveled extensively, visiting all 50 states, Canada, Ireland and England. Their Good Sam camping club was a highlight of their retirement years.

Sent in by: Lowell Fry of Wentzville, MO

- 1. Heinrich Frey / Anna Catherine Levering
- 2. Benjamin Frey, II / Christena
- 3. Benjamin Fry, III / Catherine
- 4. Benjamin Fry / Ruth Courtright
- 5. Abraham V. Fry / Catherine Damude
- 6. Joseph Fry / Elizabeth Rorick
- 7. Frank W. Fry / Josephine Shannon
- 8. Milton S. Fry / Mary Elizabeth Cooley

Harriet M. Frye Carter

(1928 - 2013)

Harriet M. Frye Carter, 84, of Monongahela, PA died 25 Jan 2013. She was born in North Charleroi, PA 12 Sep 1928, a daughter of the late William Frye and Alice Swingle Frye.

Deceased are her husband, **Harold C.** "Butch" Carter, who died June 2002 and son **Dale Carter** who died Nov. 2011.

Surviving are four sons and daughter-inlaws, Ricky and Vickie Carter of Davie, FL, Larry and Nan Carter of Charleroi, James Carter and his wife Ellen Wolfson of Davie, Terry and Michelle Carter of Monongahela; a daughter and son-in-law, Diane and Jason Yamamoto of Canonsburg, PA; 11 grandchildren, Tracey (Vince) Bavuso, R.J., Katie, Felicia, Troy, Camryn, Casey, Kori, and Brook Carter and Brett and Derek Radaker; three stepgrandchildren; four great-grandchildren; sister Wilma Jean and husband Clyde Porter of Charleroi; and daughter-in-law Lynn Carter of Easly, SC.

Sent in by **P. Richared Carson** of **Confluence**, **PA**

- 1. Heinrich Frey / Anna Catherine Levering
- 2. Benjamin Frey / Christena
- 3. Samuel Fry, Sr. / Christena Speers
- 4. Abraham Fry / Isabella Ringland
- 5. Smith Frye / Mary Ann Mitchell
- 6. Harvey J. Frye / Maie Reeves
- 7. William Thomas Frye / Alice Swingle
- 8. Harriet Mae Frye / Harold C. Carter

Virginia E. Royston

(1920 - 2012)

Virginia Royston, 92, of Edwardsville, IL passed away 14 Oct 2012. She was born to William E. and Margaret L. (Corcoran) Waters on 22 Mar 1920 in East St. Louis, IL.

She was married to **Cornelius J. Royston** on 15 Mar 1941. He preceded her in death on 30 Jun 1999.

Survivors include one daughter Linda Beanland (Roger) of Decatur, IL; one son Jim Royston (Vicki Stevens) of Edwardsville, IL; two grand-children, Connie Royston (HFFA) of Edwardsville and Roger W. Beanland (Tabitha) of Lenoke, AR; one gr-grandson, Colin J. Beanland and an expected gr-grandchild; one sister Catherine Williams (Dallas).

Virginia was formerly employed at SIU-Edwardsville as the secretary for the Dean of Social Studies.

Sent in by: **Connie Royston** of **Edwardsville, IL**

- 1. Heinrich Frey / Anna Catherine Levering
- 2. Benjamin Frey / Christena
- 3. Abraham Fry, Sr. / Agnes Ann Young
- 4. James Fry / Nancy Speers
- 5. Rebecca Frye / Robert G. Anderson
- 6. James G. Anderson / Hannah McAdams
- 7. William C. Anderson / Anna E. Kile
- 8. Edward L. Huber, Sr. / Mary Ann Anderson
- 9. Edward L. Huber, Jr. / Elsie A. Dresch 10. Alice Irma Huber / William Charles Yanousek
- 11. Dennis Lee Yanousek / Linda Lee Royston
- 12. Connie Lee Royston (granddaughter of Virginia E. Royston)

Connie Royston sent a more personal story about her grandmother **Virginia E. Royston** that I thought we would find interesting. - Editor

The grandmother I just lost was the one who, along with my grandfather, raised me. She is from my non-Frye side. I never had the chance to meet my father's mother. She passed of a heart attack in 2008, but we never met. My grandfather William Yanousek passed on shortly after I was born. He was a coal miner and died of black lung disease. Therefore, I did not know the Frye side of my family very well.

My mother's parents, my maternal grandparents, were wonderful people. They were the two biggest blessings in my life.

Virginia (Waters) Royston, grew up in East Saint Louis, Illinois where her father.

William Earl Waters (born in Belle Rive, Jefferson, Illinois), owned a grocery store in East Saint Louis, Illinois named "Waters' Market". During the Great Depression, he accepted due bills for customers, many of which were never repaid, and he went out of business.

My grandma's lifelong habit of eating raisin bran for breakfast, which she was adamant about (no other breakfast would do), stemmed from having started off eating it from the bulk barrels at her father's grocery store. My grandmother's uncle, Moses Frank Waters, also owned a grocery store in East Saint Louis, and two of her other uncles, Orley Morton Waters and Guy Webster Waters, were doctors in the East Saint Louis, Illinois area. Her aunt, Irene Waters, was a dentist in East Saint Louis, Illinois, her office located in the historic "Spivey Building" which still stands, although gutted and ruined by decades of vandalism.

Grandma was very proud of her Irish heritage and loved all things Irish. Her grandfather, Michael Corcoran, had come over to the States from County Mayo, Ireland (her mother was Margaret (Corcoran) Waters). On her father's side, she was descended from the Campbell Clan of Scotland through her great-grandfather, Moses Frank Waters, who married Elizabeth Campbell, the daughter of Dougald Campbell of Scotland.

I always figured that grandma's Irish and Scottish heritages contributed a bit to her feistiness and her stubbornness, as she always stood her ground, if she thought herself to be in the right. She always told me that she "never took any sh** off of people, and you (meaning I) had better not either".

She loved people in general, especially babies. She was outgoing, always saw the positive in life, and loved me unconditionally. The loss of her was the greatest loss in my life.

I'll always remember a couple of personal characteristics. She was a toe wiggler and a lip biter. It sounds strange, but those two quirky things were what I always looked for

when I was with her. She always wiggled her toes and bit her bottom lip. That was my Grandma.

Connie Royston of Edwardsville, IL

Jefferson Davis is in HFFA

One of our new members, **Al Fry**, (see page 4) is a Civil War Re-enactor. His chosen role is that of the President of the Confederate States of America, **Jefferson Davis**.

The following article comes from an article written by Ken Newton. It was sent to HFFA by **Marian Sarantha** of Buffalo, WY.

Ken Newton can be reached at <u>ken.newton@newspressnow.com</u>.

The pecking order of Civil War re-enactment descends from a lean guy in a stovetop hat. A preserved union attaches its reverence to **Abraham Lincoln**.

AI Fry feels content presenting the side of the "other president."

The Clinton County resident calls **Jefferson Davis** an overlooked figure in the nation's history, the leader of the Confederacy lost in the long shadows of the Great Emancipator.

"I consider it an honor to be able to represent him, even though in some areas he might even be hated," Mr. Fry says. "It may be a little bit politically incorrect today."

The re-enactor has portrayed the president of the seceded South before historical and genealogical groups as the 150th anniversary of the Civil War unfolds. His home contains assorted histories and writings of Mr. Davis, research for fleshing out the character. Mr. Fry got arm-twisted into taking the role last year at a reenactment in Plattsburg, MO but he now warms to each performance.

Nothing in his past would suggest such an interest. Part of the sixth generation of the Fry family to live in Clinton County, he admits an ongoing fascination with history

without any formal training in his background.

He traveled in the Navy for four years, saw other lands and gained a broader insight about the world.

Returning home after his hitch, he worked for more than 35 years as a mechanic and inspector at the TWA maintenance facility in Kansas City.

No one in his family had a bent for the theatrical, though Mr. Fry hesitatingly stepped forward for a civic purpose. And he liked it, wanted to further develop the character.

Mr. Davis had a lot of strings on which to pull. Born in 1808, he earned a commission at the U.S. Military Academy and served under the command of **Zachary Taylor**, the future president. Mr. Davis fell for Mr. Taylor's daughter, Sarah, and resigned his commission in order to marry her.

Their union lasted but three months as both contracted malaria, which proved fatal for the new bride. Mr. Davis retreated to a Mississippi plantation, later to marry again, command troops in the Mexican-American War and enter politics. He served as secretary of war and in Congress.

These positions in Washington put Mr. Davis in a position to give speeches about constitutional adherence and the perils to the South of secession. He knew, the reenactor says, that the North had far more resources for a fight.

But when Mississippi voted to separate from the Union, Mr. Davis resigned from the Senate in 1861. In his farewell address, he cited a constitutional sovereignty granted to all states. ("There was a time when none denied it," the senator told his colleague. "I hope the time may come again.")

He wanted to command the state military of Mississippi. Instead, the Confederate States of America called him to the presidency, a position he reluctantly took.

Mr. Fry, dressed in the way of a southern statesman, includes in his presentations the criticisms that would be leveled at the Davis presidency, including his failure to devise a plan for turning back Union encroachments.

The presenter acknowledges history's prerogative to deliver the victors their spoils. "In this world," he says, "whoever wins is right."

Still, Mr. Fry finds the constitutional case made by Jefferson Davis 150 years ago has a parallel with current events. The argument over states' rights, he insists, remains much the same today, only with greater federal overreach.

"We should be able to learn from the mistakes of those that go before us," he says. "We are continually at war. That really hasn't solved much. But we do it over and over."

Mr. Davis, jailed for a time after the war, would travel widely and write extensively before his death at age 81. His views on constitutional authority carried the weight of his education and experience, but his history barely registers with Americans.

Mr. Fry has a small forum in which to present a significant man. It is not Lincoln, whose legacy remains assured. Rather, it is the nation's other president at an important time. The re-enactor believes it a story worth remembering.

We welcome **AI Fry** to HFFA. Perhaps we will see his alter ego, **President Jefferson Davis** at the upcoming reunion in KC.

LUGE INVITE

Everyone;

This is the sport I am a world and Olympic level official in. I know all these kids, and it's a great look at our sport!

http://uverseonline.att.net/tv/show/luge#play=dk_dk_exc_sp0201 feb13.mp4

Mark Friden of Star Lake, NY

WHY NOT ROOTSWEB?

When trying to find some family relationships on the internet, many people tell us not use Rootsweb. My bet is that we all do. I know I have used it. In fact, I've used it a lot.

Recently I was on Rootsweb and found someone's contribution that was titled: FRY, LEVERING, MARKLEY, SPEERS, FROMAN. It sounded perfect! Those are surnames of the families that interest me. I was prepared to learn a lot and also compare my data with that which was on this site.

Then I found out why you can't rely on Rootsweb! This site listed 20 children for **Heinrich Frey** and **Anna Catherine Levering**. Unfortunately, this "researcher" had three Abrahams, three Jacobs, two Henrys, two Christens, two Williams, and two Elizabeths along with one Benjamin, Rebecca, Joseph, and Christina. What he did not have was a Samuel or a Catherine.

Was it my job to compare his three Abraham Frys and pick the best one or was I to pick and choose whatever data he had with each of his Abrahams? It sure left me confused.

Why not Rootsweb? Maybe I found the answer. Will I still use Rootsweb? Probably, but I'm going to be looking to see if Database: 3235968 is the source of information, and not use it, unless I need a family with three Jacobs in it.

Mike Speers of Chardon, OH

From the Internet

Light travels faster than sound. This is why some people appear bright until you hear them speak.

Going to church doesn't make you a Christian any more than standing in a garage makes you a car.

A fine is a tax for doing wrong. A tax is a fine for doing well.

My Fingertips, My History

I flip through the pages of so many memories
I flip through my history... the one they left for
me

Each page a part of their story
Each page filled with their glory
Some dog eared, some torn, they trace back to
before I was born

As my fingertips gently turn each page, I feel their history, I feel their age
Dates are recorded and their story is told
Dates are recorded and begin to unfold
One by one, page by page, I see into their parts
One by one, page by page, I see into their hearts

The photos, the clippings that they held onto so that we would someday know
The photos, the clippings scattered out upon the floor now with a new place to go
I gather them up for their history, to remember their time

I gather them up... to pass them down the family line

Records of places and things they had done so long ago
Records of places and faces they knew back when life was slow
The hand written messages, letters and postcards I read with such pride
The hand written messages, letters and postcards that now fill me inside

I flip through the pages of so many memories
I flip through the pages of history ... the one they
left for me

Julia A. Olson of Parkers Prairie, MN

HFFA KANSAS CITY REUNION 2013

Dear Family,

"I'm going to...Kansas City....Kansas City, Here I Come..."

Even though it is February, we are in the midst of the final preparations for **the HFFA June 12-16 reunion in Kansas City!** Please make your hotel reservations today and plan your vacation around this educational learning event about our family lineage.

As stated in the last newsletter, **The Hyatt Place at the Kansas City Airport** has been chosen to host our family. Please call **1-800 -233 - 1234** and ask for **the HFFA group rate**, from \$99 per night. We look forward to seeing you and we need your support! **The number of booked rooms determines our cost for the meeting space so we really appreciate your attendance**, and we know it will also be a fun time for all!

The cost of the 2013 HFFA reunion is \$\frac{\\$65 per person}\$. This includes a multitude of eats and events, including our all day meeting with two breaks and buffet lunch, two hot buffet lunches while touring, three museum admissions and our farewell banquet on Saturday night! What great value! See the enclosed reservation form for more information. (At this point, we are planning for the two days of bus transportation to be paid by the HFFA.)

Wednesday, June 12 – We're trying to make it as easy as possible! For those coming by plane, upon arrival to the Kansas City airport (MCI), please collect your baggage and call **The Hyatt Place at 816 891 0871**, choose option "0", advise your location and a courtesy van will be sent to pick you up.

The HFFA registration desk will be open on Wednesday from 4-8PM and on Thursday from 7-30-9AM

(If you arrive early on Wednesday and like to visit out-of-town baseball stadiums, the Kansas City Royals baseball team is playing at 1:10PM vs. the Detroit Tigers. This is their only home game during the Reunion.)

The Officers' Meeting will be at 7PM in The Hyatt Place Hotel. Location to be advised.

Thursday, June 13 –As a guest at the hotel, remember your delicious Kitchen Skillet™ breakfast is included daily from 5:30-9:30AM. Registration will be open from 7:30-9:00AM. The meeting will begin at 9:00AM. Besides our informed family members and leaders, guests from the University of Missouri Historical Society and the National Archives will address the family. Your two breaks and lunch buffet are included in your registration fee. The election of officers will take place today, along with a discussion on the site for the 2015 HFFA reunion. Our prized past HFFA Journals will also be available for sale. They are \$5 each or 5 for \$20.

Dinner is on your own tonight. All attendees have available The Gallery Market, at The Hyatt Place, with a new Gallery Menu featuring Signature Flatbreads, light bites and more. Options include freshly prepared greens and sandwiches as well as an array of tempting pastries and sweets, including their new Gourmet Cupcakes and a coffee bar offering hot or cold Starbucks® specialty coffees.

You may want to take advantage of the hotel's shuttle to the Zona Rosa shopping center for fine dining, fast food options and shopping. www.zonarosa.com. Please request your shuttle time a few hours prior to your departure time. There is a Wendy's within walking distance.

Friday, June 14 – We will meet at The Hyatt Place at 8:45AM to board the buses for a 9:00AM departure for St. Joseph, Missouri. We have a 10:00AM appointment at the Pony Express Museum, where the famous overland mail service by horseback began on April 3, 1860. Jon Frye was the first rider to ride west from this site. The state-of-the-art exhibits illustrate the need, creation, operation and termination of the Pony Express. There is also a one room schoolhouse and we will see the larger-than- life bronze statue of a Pony Express rider dedicated in 1940.

The two other museums we visit are the **Patee House** and the **Jesse James Home**. The Patee House, an 1858 National Historic Landmark, was a pioneer hotel that was the headquarters for the Pony Express. It was St. Joseph's Civil War headquarters for the Union Army and Provost Marshal's office; it is listed as one of America's Top Ten Western Museums. You can climb aboard the 1860 train that brought the mail to St. Joseph for the Pony Express, ride the "Wild Thing" carousel (additional fee) and/or sip a sarsaparilla in the Buffalo Saloon! Yee-haw!

Right next door is the Jesse James Museum, where outlaw Jesse James was shot and killed on April 3, 1882. As the Jesse James Museum can accommodate a maximum of 20 guests at a time, we will alternate visiting the museums. A hot buffet lunch is included at the Pony Express Museum. We should return to The Hyatt Place about 5PM; dinner is on your own tonight. Three museum admissions, a hot lunch and drink are included in your registration fee.

Saturday, June 15 – We will meet at 8:15 AM for an 8:30AM departure from The Hyatt Place to travel approx. 20 miles northeast of the airport to the "Old Benjamin Fry Farm". The present owner built a reconstructed cabin of how and where they think Benjamin Fry lived. **NOTE:** Closed-in flat shoes should be worn in the fields and perhaps bring an umbrella if the Missouri sun is out in full force!

Notes from Jerry Fry: "We will be visiting the farm, cemetery and reconstructed cabin of the **Benjamin Fry** who was the son of **Isaac and Catherine Fry**. On this present-day McCulloch farm is the **Fry cemetery**, burial place of **Isaac Fry** (son of **Benjamin Frye 1723-1813**) and wife **Catherine Frye** (daughter of **Jacob Frye 1726-1808**) and their children, **Benjamin Fry** and **Solomon Fry** and wives.

"Our next stop will be in the 'old' cemetery at Plattsburg where the graves are of my great-great grandfather William Fry (son of Isaac 'James' Fry and Sarah George) and wives, Mary Ann Cross and Dulcenia Jones. Also buried there, is Polly Ann Brassfield Fry, wife of Elijah Fry (son of Isaac and Catherine Fry).

"Then we proceed to **the 'new' cemetery at Plattsburg** where many of the other Clinton county Frys are buried, including my great grandfather **Walter Fry** and some of his children, some of the children of **Solomon Fry** (large Fry stone near the west entrance) and as I mentioned above, **Ben Fry** who was originally from Platte County and his children. There are other small church cemeteries around the county that contain Fry graves." **Jerry (and Dorothy) Fry can be reached at 816-353-0772."**

Jerry Fry has been instrumental in organizing this day trip to Clinton County and will be presenting an historical review during our meeting on Thursday, June 13.

After a hot buffet lunch at the Courtside restaurant in Plattsburg, we will visit the Elmwood cemetery in Kansas City, where the McGees are buried, prominent Kansas-Citians, who also have a street named after them. Mrs. McGee was a Frye, daughter of Isaac Fry, Sr., whose children all came to Missouri. One son was named Frye McGee. We continue to the downtown area for a walk along the mighty Missouri River (about 150 yards from the bus to the river) to view a commemorative plague acknowledging the achievements of the McGees. We'll make a guick

drive by of the statues of **Meriwether Lewis (HFFA relative) and William Clark**, overlooking the confluence of the Kansas And Missouri rivers, before heading back to the hotel.

For our last evening together, we'll enjoy some delicious Kansas City brisket in a relaxed and casual atmosphere for our **farewell banquet at 6:00PM at The Hyatt Place**. After dinner, we are honored to have **Alvin Fry**, a new member from Plattsburg, MO, present a **Jefferson Davis**, **President of the Confederacy**, impersonation. **(See the HFFA Newsletter, p. 7.)**

Sunday, June 16 – As we conclude the 2013 HFFA reunion, we hope you will join us for a family church service at 9:30AM at The Hyatt Place.

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Gene Frye, President of HFFA and Local Host

If you are interested in becoming an officer of the HFFA, please advise President Gene Frye. The officers are: President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and five positions of Director at Large.

The election will be held at our business meeting on June 13, 2013.

We are looking for a site for the 2015 HFFA reunion. If you are interested in hosting the reunion or have a suggestion for the location, I would like to hear from you.

If you care to donate to our Door Prizes, please bring them along. Please submit any topics for discussion during the reunion to Gene at FryeTravel@aol.com.

I welcome your comments and look forward to seeing your reservations for The Hyatt Place in June!

Gene Frye, President

2013 HFFA Reunion – Kansas City!

Thank you for completing the reservation form and returning it to Mike Speers with \$65 per person. Name(s) for name tag. Home Address Phone numbers _(Cell) _____(Home)____ **Email address** Call The Hyatt Place 1800 993 4751 & ask for the HFFA Reunion to get our special group rates! Bonus!! Your stay at The Hyatt Place includes a delicious Kitchen Skillet™ breakfast from 5:30-9:30AM. AGENDA: **Wednesday, June 12:** HFFA Officers meeting at 7PM **Thursday, June 13**: Meeting at The Hyatt Place Hotel from 9AM-5PM with **buffet** lunch and morning and afternoon breaks Yes, how many attending_____ Dietary concern Friday, June 14: Full day bus tour to St. Joseph, MO visiting Pony Express, Patee House and Jesse James Museum with hot lunch Will ride bus _____ Will drive self Dietary concern _____ Saturday, June 15: Full day Plattsburgh and KC bus tour with hot lunch Will ride bus Will drive self Dietary concern Saturday, June 15: Banquet - 6:00 PM at The Hyatt Place Hotel Dietary concern _____ Yes, how many attending _____ **Sunday, June 16:** 9:30AM Family Church Service at The Hyatt Place Hotel (check out is noon) Yes, how many attending \$65 per person if paid before May 1 OR \$70 thereafter Checks are payable to HFFA and please mail to Mike Speers 10470 Penniman Drive, Chardon, OH 44024 by May 1, 2013

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New members are asked to send a copy of their direct line from Heinrich Frey to themselves to Marti Frye and to Charles Burgess, addresses shown above. Membership includes four issues of the Newsletter and two of the Journal each year.