

Spring 2005



2005 Family Reunion

As you are aware the **Frey/Fry/Frye Reunion** will be held in **Coffeyville, Kansas on June 17, 18 & 19, 2005**. We would like to welcome you to Coffeyville and we look forward to being host to the reunion.

We have 30 rooms reserved at **Super 8 Motel** phone numbers are 620-251-2250 or 1-800-800-8000 or fax 620-251-3846. The Motel is located at 104 W. 11th Street at the junction of highways 166 & 169. The rates are \$49.41 (2 beds for 2 people, \$6.00 per additional person), A single king size bed \$49.41. A credit card will hold the room and there is no charge to cancel. **BE SURE AND MENTION THE FRY REUNION.** If you want a **non smoking** room please state it when you make reservations. They will hold these rooms **until June 1, 2005**. There is a Sirloin Stockade in the same building, so you can sleep and eat without driving. **RV sites** with water and electricity are available at Walter Johnson Park through the Chamber of Commerce at 620-251-2550.

Coffeyville is a farming community with oil, and industry, we also have Amazon.Com's largest distribution warehouse, and transmissions for John Deere tractors are made here. We hosted the National Junior College football Championship game this past December. Coffeyville is located in the middle of the United States; we are 800 miles from Columbus, Ohio, 700 miles from Denver and Albuquerque, 650 miles from San Antonio, and 600 miles from Chicago.

Local points of interest are the Brown Mansion, the old Condon Bank along with death alley where the Dalton gang (5 of them) rode into town to rob two banks. Only one survived, four of the gang along with four citizens died in the robbery. The Dalton Museum is in the same block as the bank. There are plaques where the citizens died. We also have an 18-hole golf course and a new large Aquatic center for those who are interested.

Reservations for the reunion are to be made by sending a check to Gordon Fry made out to **HFFA in the amount of \$15 for members and \$10 for each guests and non-members**, the fee includes the cost of the meal at the Sirloin Stockade on Saturday evening. Please have reservations in by the 1st of June.

Gordon Fry's address is 305 North Edgewood Drive, Coffeyville, KS 67337-1243. If you have any questions please feel free to contact Gordon Fry at 620-251-3182 or e-mail gry1@cox.net.

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

At the 2002 reunion, a set of proposed Bylaws was tabled. Therefore, at our next reunion in June, it will be necessary to again vote on a new set of Bylaws. In order to meet the objections raised at that reunion, I have rewritten or eliminated those parts of the Bylaws in hopes they will be more acceptable. For the greater part, there has been little change in the Bylaws. One change has been using directors instead of clan leaders as members of the board. The committee who worked on this thought five directors should be adequate. A major change has been in Article VIII Section I.

THE HEINRICH FREY FAMILY ASSOCIATION BYLAWS

ARTICLE I - Name

The name of this organization shall be the HEINRICH FREY FAMILY ASSOCIATION

ARTICLE II - Purpose

To foster and perpetuate research into the genealogy of Heinrich Frey in the United States of America from his arrival in the area of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania in the late seventeenth century as an emigrant from Altheim in the province of Alsace. He married Anna Catharine Levering on 26 April 1692. Their children were Jacob - circa 1694, William - circa 1695, Henry - circa 1698, Abraham - circa 1700, Benjamin - circa 1702, John - circa 1703, George - circa 1705, Elizabeth - circa 1717, Rebecca, and Amelia - circa 1719.

ARTICLE III - Status

Section 1

The Association shall be a non-profit organization operated exclusively for the purpose specified in Article II above.

Section 2

No member shall receive compensation for his or her services, but the Treasurer will reimburse members for Board approved expenses incurred on behalf of the Association.

Section 3

In the event of dissolution of the Association, and after discharge of all obligations, remaining assets shall accrue to the benefit of the National Archives trust Board.

Section 4

The fiscal year of the Association shall run from January 1 through December 31.

ARTICLE IV - Membership and Reunions

Section 1

Any person who is a direct descendant of the above children of Heinrich Frey is eligible for descendant membership in the Association upon application and payment of the annual contribution amount in effect at the time of the application. Lineage confirmation will be the responsibility of the Family Historian acting under the provisions of Article VIII, Section 7, and will require documentation as evidenced from public records, authentic family records (such as Family Bible entries) or unpublished historical records. Only descendant members may vote or hold office in the Association.

Section 2

Associate membership is available to any person who cannot document his/her direct line back to Heinrich Frey and to any person who is interested in the Frey family genealogical research. Associate membership is also available to a surviving spouse of any direct descendant of Heinrich Frey. Classification of persons in the Associate category shall be the responsibility of the Family Historian acting under the provisions of Article VIII, Section 7. Associate members shall contribute the same annual sum as descendant members, but they may not vote or hold office in the Association. They may, however, appear at general membership meeting and present argument or information of interest to the Association.

Section 3

Honorary membership may be awarded by the Board of Directors to those persons who have shown extraordinary support for the Association. Such membership carries no obligation for the payment of any contributions or assessments, not does it permit voting or holding office.

Section 4

Lifetime membership may be awarded by the Board of Directors to those members who have made extraordinary and invaluable contributions to the life of the Association. Such membership carries no obligation for the payment of any contributions or assessments, and only descendant members may vote or hold office.

Section 5

Reunions may be held at the pleasure of the membership on either an annual or bi-ennial basis.

ARTICLE V - Membership Contributions and Assessments

Section 1

An annual contribution sum shall be determined in accordance with the provisions of Article VI, Section 1 and Article X.

Section 2

Non-payment of contributions or assessments is sufficient cause to terminate membership. Members are granted a 30 day grace period beyond the normal due date for receipt of contributions to make payment. If payment is not made by the end of the grace period, membership will be terminated. Membership may be reinstated after receipt of formal application and payment of appropriate contributions or assessments. Association publications scheduled for release during a member's paid up active status, but which are not released until after the membership is terminated, will be furnished such member notwithstanding.

ARTICLE VI - Meetings

Section 1

A general membership meeting will be held during each annual or bi-ennial reunion at which time reports will be given by the President and others. Officers and directors shall be selected for the next period. The need for any adjustment in the contribution sum or special assessment shall be determined and other business transacted, as may be required.

Section 2

The rules contained in the current edition of Robert's Rules of Order, revised, shall govern the Association in all cases in which they are not inconsistent with these bylaws or any rules of order the Association may adopt.

ARTICLE VII - Governance

Section 1

The Board of Directors shall be composed of the Executive Officers and designated Directors.

Section 2

Members wishing to serve as Board Members until the next Reunion should submit their names to the incumbent President prior to the annual or bi-ennial meeting. Officers and five Directors for the new term will be elected from those volunteers and any nominations from the floor.

Section 3

The Board of Directors shall have supervision, control and direction of the affairs of the Association, shall determine its policies or changes thereto within the limits of the Bylaws, shall actively prosecute its purpose, and shall have direction in the disbursement of funds.

Section 4

The Board shall meet in conjunction with the scheduled

reunion, at the call of the President, at a time and site determined by the President. In view of the widely dispersed location of Board members, every effort shall be made to choose a time and location convenient to all. The purpose of the meeting will be to conduct any necessary business of the Association. The presence of the President or Vice-President and sufficient Board Members to comprise a majority of total membership for general sessions, or a majority of Officers and Board Members for called meetings shall constitute a quorum.

Section 5

All questions coming before the Board shall be decided by a majority vote, with each member of the Board entitled to one vote. Rulings at the general membership meeting will be by a majority vote, with each member entitled to one vote. Rulings by the Board called by the President at times other than the general membership meeting will be by majority vote with each member entitled to one vote by being present, by telephone, or in writing. Proxy voting shall not be permitted.

ARTICLE VIII - Board and Officers

Section 1

The executive officers of the Association shall be a President, a Vice-President, the immediate Past President, a Secretary and a Treasurer. The executive officers and designated directors shall constitute the Board of Directors. The executive officers and directors shall be selected at the general membership meeting (reunion). Each officer and director shall hold office until a successor is selected at the next general membership meeting. Term of office will commence upon introduction of the new Board at the general membership (reunion) dinner normally held the last day of Association activities.

Section 2

The President shall be the director and chief executive officer of the Association, He shall, when present, preside at all meeting of members and directors.

Section 3

In the absence of the President, the Vice-President shall perform all duties of the President, and when so acting, shall have the powers of the President.

Section 4

The Recording Secretary shall ensure that all notices are given in accordance with the bylaws or as required by law. He/she shall also prepare appropriate correspondence as may be required in the performance of these duties, and maintain files thereof. The Recording Secretary shall keep the minutes of the meetings of the members and the Board of Directors and shall perform such other duties commensurate with the office or as may be assigned by the President or the Board of Directors.

Section 5

The Treasurer shall have charge of and be responsible for funds, receipts and disbursements of the Association, and shall deposit, or cause to be deposited in the name of the Association all monies and other valuable effects in Federally insured banks, trust companies, or depositories that shall, from time to time, be selected by the Board of Directors. He/she shall render to the President and the Board of Directors annually, or upon request, an account of the financial condition of the Association and perform other duties as may be assigned to him/her by the President or the Board of Directors. Funds may be withdrawn only upon the signature of the Treasurer. However, in the event of extended absence of the Treasurer, the Vice-President or the Secretary, with the approval of the Board, shall perform such duties as may be required of the Treasurer's office. The Treasurer will acquire the appropriate bank signature card for the Vice-President and Secretary. The offices of Vice-President and Treasurer are not inconsistent and the same person may hold one or more offices.

Section 6

The President shall appoint one of the membership to act as Association Chaplain. The Chaplain will be responsible for spiritual guidance at all meetings. He/she

will cause the Association to be represented to the family of a deceased member by a member living in the closest proximity to the bereaved family whenever possible. All members will support the endeavors of the Chaplain by accepting the responsibility to notify the Chaplain or an officer of the serious illness, death, or the need of assistance of a member. The Chaplain is authorized to appoint assistants in localities as he deems necessary.

Section 7

The President shall appoint one of the membership to act as Family Historian for the Association. The Family Historian shall be responsible for reviewing, verifying and editing the items of family history contributed by the members to permit compiling the most authentic record of the family lineage and activities in accordance with the purpose cited in Article II. The Family Historian shall certify the classification of Association members under the provisions of Article IV, sections 1 and 2, and act in an advisory capacity to the President and the Board when persons are being considered for Honorary or Lifetime memberships under the provisions of Article IV, sections 4 and 5. In selecting a person to fulfill the duties of Family Historian, due consideration will be given to:

- a. Tenure of experience in family research.
- b. Demonstration of abilities to review and authenticate the records of family lineages by following basic and recognized principals of establishing "proof of kinship".

Section 8

The President shall appoint one of the membership to act As Association Archivist. The Archivist shall be responsible for maintaining within the Association a central repository for all important historic and genealogical material, including books, documents, photos, and other works particularly bearing on the life and legacy of Heinrich Frey and his descendants. The Archivist shall maintain copies of all Association publications (currently the Journal and Newsletter) and shall make copies of these publications available, or delegate authority to make copies available to the membership at reasonable cost. Current members may use or search Association archived material in a manner

consistent with established archival practices in a historic library. The Archivist shall act as liaison between the Association and other genealogical groups or societies, including those on the Internet, on matters of mutual interest and concern.

Section 9

The President shall appoint one of the membership to act as Membership Chairman. The Membership Chairman shall maintain the membership roll and perform other duties commensurate with that office. The Membership Chairman shall maintain frequent contact with the Treasurer to ensure prompt and accurate posting of a paid membership roster, and with the Family Historian, to ensure prompt posting of membership classifications assigned to each member. The Membership Chairman shall perform other duties as may be assigned by the President or the Board of Directors.

Section 10

The President shall appoint one of the membership to act as Association Journal Editor with the assignment of publishing twice yearly research findings of the Association and its members.

Section 11

The President shall appoint one of the membership to act as Association Newsletter Editor with the assignment of publishing four times yearly informal family information pertaining to the Association and its members.

Section 12

The President shall appoint one of the membership to act as Association Web Master with the assignment of displaying family data as a publicity and membership tool.

Section 13

The Board of Directors shall have the power to fill a vacancy in any office for the un-expired position of the term.

ARTICLE IX Committees

The President shall appoint such standing and special committees as may be required by the Bylaws or deemed advisable.

ARTICLE X Sundry Provisions

The treasury balance will be limited to the amount that will satisfy the administrative expenses through the current and following year. The Treasurer will prepare a budget presentation to the membership at the general membership meeting. The Treasurer shall recommend any required assessment needed to meet the programmed expenses.

ARTICLE XI Amendments

These bylaws may be amended, repealed or altered, in whole or in part, by the membership meeting of the Association, provided that a copy of any proposed amendment, or notice of proposed action, has been mailed to each member of the Association at least thirty (30) days before the meeting.

Submitted in January 2005 by Charles J. Burgess based on the work of Harry Morrison and Lynn Vitasek.