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Hello Cousins, Kin, and Other Readers

Some significant things are going on in HFFA. The plaque at **Frye Fort Cemetery** has been installed. We have a complete article about it in this issue. It has only taken us 5 years to get this accomplished. In HFFA time, that's really fast. Actually, once the idea was offered by **Nina Thomas** in 2011, it was at the 2015 reunion when we took action with a motion to support the project financially, and then **Dick Bell** made it all happen.

The other significant project that is taking shape is the **2017 Reunion in Hannibal, MO**. The host is **Anne Pasioka**. The hotel arrangements have been made by **Gene Frye**. Information on this reunion is covered in a couple of articles in this newsletter. Look for more news about it in each coming issue between now and next May.

Also, **Norm Schulze** is beginning to make plans for our next cemetery project. This one will be at the burial grounds of **Heinrich Frey**. Having to go back further in time and with less information at hand, this project could take more time to accomplish.

Mike Speers
Chardon, OH

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Feb. Balance \$8463.78
Income:

Dues \$1500.00
Cem. Proj. 500.00
CD's 15.00
Back Jnls. 225.00

Total Income \$2240.00

Expenses:

Feb. Newsl. . . \$ 81.68
Off. Exp. 269.96
Journal
New. 1379.48
Back 23.61

Total Expenses . . . \$3647.28

May Balance \$7056.50

Explanations:

A complete financial report on the Frye Fort Cemetery Project is on Page 2.

Office expenses include HFFA paying \$200 to Marti Frye for HFFA share of a lap top computer.

Our books are open and transparent, if there are questions, please contact the treasurer.

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

Frye Fort Cemetery Plaque Project

Our cousin, retired doctor **Richard Bell** of Greencastle, PA, volunteered to be the leader in getting a marker at the **Frye Fort Cemetery**. The idea was first presented by **Nina Thomas** of Rustburg, VA when she wrote an article for the Newsletter in 2012. The idea just sat there for a couple years until **Dick Bell** took the initiative and made it all happen.

He investigated the choices of markers, contacted the owners of Frye Fort (**Charles** and **Beverly Veatch**), made an appeal to **HFFA** for voluntary contributions, consulted with knowledgeable **HFFA** members about accuracy, and led a group of workers to install the marker. He also came up with the idea of installing four corner posts to mark the limits of the graveyard.

At the HFFA General Meeting this past June at our Reunion, we passed a motion to donate as much as \$2000 from the HFFA Treasury for this project. We have tried to keep the membership aware of the project through repeated articles and email notices.

Thanks to the generous voluntary donations made by the membership of \$1470, the cost to our treasury is only \$415.55.

Next time any of us get to **Frye Fort** and visit the Cemetery, you'll be able to see this permanent marker and the corner posts and be proud that we were the generation that made it happen. Our thanks to **Dick Bell** for his leadership in getting this project done.

Dick has asked that his thanks be included in this article. ***"I wish to add my personal thanks to all contributors: financial, historical, and manual laborers. This project could not have been accomplished without the help of many others."** - Dick Bell*

Frye Fort Cemetery Project:

Expenses:

Bronze Plaque and Pole:	\$1682.30
Cornerstones:	175.79
Concrete:	17.94
Miscellaneous:	9.52

TOTAL COST: \$1885.55

Donations from HFFA members

\$1470.00

Funds from HFFA treasury

\$415.55

Donation Categories:

\$500 - \$749

Martha Bradfield

\$100 - \$499

Anonymous
Judy Fry
Marilyn Fry
Nina Thomas

\$50 - \$99

In Memory of Phyllis Frye & Roscoe (Bob) Allen, Jr.
Gretchen Fry-Harvey
Virginia Kavage
Marilyn Roberts
Mike & Rose Speers

\$20 - \$49

Joyce Balsley
P. Richard Carson
Ken & Helen Craig
Richard Wesley Frey
George Frye
Ralph & Marti Frye
Irvin Heishman
Ann Mazeau
Joyce McKay
Sherry Morgan
Bev & Terry Raber
Joyce Rivera
Margaret (Peggy) Stephens

The Plaque at Frye Fort Cemetery

by **Richard Bell**

My maternal grandmother, **Bessie Brue Fry**, was the daughter of **Jesse Pugh Fry**. My mother often mentioned going to Frye Reunions at Frye Fort in the 1930's. This family had all lived in Shenandoah County, Virginia for generations. Mom instilled in me a love of family history that I was able to pursue once I retired some 10 years ago.

During my working days I was employed in Lynchburg, Virginia, for a number of years



Richard Bell and Norm Schulze

and lived in Campbell County near several Fry descendant cousins, one of whom, **Nina Calohan Thomas**, introduced me to Family Tree Maker and Ancestry. Through Nina and the genealogic bug, I found my way to **Heinrich Frey Family Association** and joined some 7 years ago.

Nina put me in contact with cousin **Janie Frye Wilmer**, long time HFFA member, who made copies of all past HFFA Journals for both of us. What a gem she is! An article in the Journal about Frye Fort inspired me to wander the back roads of Shenandoah County until I found the Fort and took a couple of photographs. The Shenandoah County Genweb site alerted me to the Cemetery near the Fort.

In 2011, **Norm Schulze** hosted the HFFA reunion in Winchester, VA. I finally had the opportunity to visit the Fort and cemetery. Cousin Nina also attended, and afterwards she suggested to President **Gene Frye** that a plaque should be placed in the cemetery, bearing the names of those buried there.

Negotiations with the property owners for fencing the cemetery failed to reach an agreement, so nothing further was done until the 2015 HFFA reunion in Morgantown, PA. There, I reintroduced the idea of erecting a plaque at the **Frye Fort Cemetery**. The membership was supportive of the idea and voted as much as \$2,000 for the project.

In July 2015, I wrote the Fort owners, **Beverly** and **Chuck Veatch**, broaching the plaque idea. Their response was favorable. In October, I visited the cemetery and asked

about adding cornerstones to the cemetery, near the corners marked by old metal fence posts. Another favorable response came from the Veatches, with the caveat that all materials had to be hand carried to the cemetery. There is no road access to the site.

Now the real work began: choosing a plaque material and mounting method and composing the wording for the plaque. Estimates were solicited for aluminum and bronze plaques. The HFFA Board chose bronze, which matched the HFFA one mounted on the Fort in the 1990's. An appeal for donations went out and was highly successful.

The names on the plaque were the hardest task to finalize. The eleven marked graves were fairly easy to include, though "**B. F.**" provided controversy over his rank of colonel in the Revolutionary War. **Pat McKee** resolved that with information from the DAR: he was an overseer of roads during that war.

"**J. Fry**" with no dates presented another problem: **Joseph** or his son **John**? Also, I wanted to include enough parental and spousal information for each individual to aid future site visitors, whether actual or Find-a-grave. The first three generations of Fort owners and wives were included on the plaque, though only **Col. Ben** has a marked stone that could definitely identify his grave. **James W Frye**, fourth generation Fort owner was dropped when I received two emails saying he was buried in Iowa.

Merle Moore had identified 46 graves at the site, so the challenge was to come up with other individuals probably or possibly interred here. Three spouses became probables. Possibles were close kin of occupants for whom no other burial site was confirmed. After many consultations with HFFA members, especially **Jon Frye** and **Norm Schulze**, we decided on 34 individuals to be named on the plaque.

Thank you to HFFA President **Gene Frye** and Board Members, **Mike Speers** for publicity and moral support, **Thelma McKenzie** for a special, thoughtful monetary donation, close cousins **Nina Thomas** and **Janie Frye Wilmer, Jon Frye** and others for plaque wording, and the installers. **Norm**

Schulze HFFA, my son **Dan Bell**, my wife **Susan Bell**, my friend **Phil Wingert** of Hagerstown, MD., **Dick Bell** HFFA, and **Robert Fry** of New Market, VA. A special thank you goes to **Chuck** and **Beverly Veatch** for allowing this project to proceed on their property.

Estimated number of e-mails to complete the project: 250-300.
Plaque revisions: 4.
Telephone hours: 3.
Man hours for installations: 30.
The completion date was 13 Apr 2016.
Plaque and post from Gemini Signs, Marlborough, Massachusetts.
Corner stones from Upstatestone, Elberton, Georgia.

About a week before the installation of the plaque, **Dick Bell** and his friend **Phil Wingert** prepared the site for the cornerstones and also uprighted and did cement work on some toppled markers.

Richard Bell
Greencastle, PA

A Message From Our President

Dear Family,

Start planning ahead for 2017! We can officially announce the **2017 HFFA Family Reunion** will be held in the **Palmyra/Hannibal, Missouri** area. **June 14 - 18, 2017.**

Our first HFFA reunion was held in Palmyra, MO in 1992 -- at least three of us remain from that reunion!

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](tel:5732214001).

Group Name: HFFA - Phone [573 221 4001](tel:5732214001). Please call the hotel directly, not the toll-free number.

Check in is **Wednesday, June 14, 2017** (3PM) and hopefully you can stay for the entire gathering until Sunday, June 18.

If you need to cancel you have until 4PM the day prior to arrival; can't get much better than that!

Rooms have two queen beds with fridge and microwave. \$10 additional for the 3rd and 4th person in the room.

Our negotiated rate is an amazing **\$89 per room, plus tax, with breakfast included!** They have also agreed to the same rate for one night prior to our meeting and one night post-meeting! If you need additional nights, please contact me and I will see what I can do. **Our contracted rate will expire on May 12, 2017.**

You may call the hotel now to hold your room! Our host for the meeting, **Board Member Anne Pasioka**, is as anxious to see the room count as we are to share the days with you exploring our heritage in Hannibal.

Anne has been preparing a full schedule of events for our time together. Having seen a preview of the activities, I anticipate another great reunion! **Plan ahead for 2017 and call today to book your room!**

Happy Spring!

Gene Frye
HFFA President
Kansas City, KS

A Message from Jon Frye:

Please remember to send me stories for the HFFA Journal. Right now I'm hoping to get the following:

1. stories about your pets
2. stories from World War I.

We don't need anything very long. I'd like to combine a number of your stories into something that we'll all enjoy.

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Jon Frye
Jamestown, OH

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2. Benjamin Frey / Christena
3. Abraham Fry / Agnes Ann Young
4. James Fry / Nancy Spears
5. Benjamin Fry / Nancy Kellar
6. John M. 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
10. Bruce Colson Fry / Mary Sue Kenny
11. **John Christopher Fry**

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5. Benjamin Fry / Nancy Kellar
6. John M. Fry / Mary Jane Leighton
7. Luther Calvin Fry / Mary Alice Asay
8. Hervey Asey Fry / Augusta Maud Christie
9. Robert Luther Fry / Mabel Ruth Coulson
10. Bruce Colson Fry / Mary Sue Kenney
11. **Doran Bruce Fry**

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3. Benjamin Fry / Catherine
4. Benjamin Fry / Nancy Ann Caldwell
5. Abraham V. Fry / Virginia Catherine Markley

6. Elijah Fry / Clarinda Stickler
7. Henry S. Fry / Amizetta Fletcher
8. John Henry Fry / Hettie Dale Stam
9. Henry John Fry / effie Mae Doran
10. Velma Allamae Fry / 2. Oliver Shosten
11. **Melody Jo Shosten** / James Richard Trudeau

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3. Jacob S. Frey / Margaret Springer
4. Daniel S. Fry / Anna Mary Allebaugh
5. David A. Fry / Catherine Boyer
6. Abraham B. Fry / Sarah Swenk
7. Frank S. Fry / Adaline Agnes Yergey
8. Kathryn Fry / Bernard C. Schiefer
9. **Bernard C. Schiefer**

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BIRTHS:

Birdie Marilyn Carmichael

born 20 Apr 2016.

Parents: **Michelle** and **Andrew Carmichael** of Bend, OR.

Grandparents: **James C.** (HFFA) and **Marissa Stunkel** of Livermore, CA.

Great Grandparents: **Janet** (HFFA) and **John Goforth** of Turlock, CA.

Birdie was greeted at her home by older brother **Conrad Carmichael**, b. 18 Mar 2014.

1. Heinrich Frey / Anna Catherine Levering
2. Benjamin Frey / Christena
3. Benjamin Fry / Catherine

4. Benjamin Fry / Ruth Courtright
5. Abraham V. Fry / Catherine Damude
6. Joseph Fry / Elizabeth Rorick
7. Hattie May Fry / Thomas Henry Bailey
8. Walter Clair Bailey / Ethel Marie Carrier
9. **Janet MaryIn Bailey** / Gerald Stunkel
10. **James Curtis Stunkel** / Marissa Shillick
11. Michelle Marie Stunkel / Andrew Carmichael
12. **Birdie Marilyn Carmichael**

1. Heinrich Frey / Anna Catherine Levering
2. Benjamin Frey / Christena
3. Benjamin Frye, Jr. / Catherine
4. Isaac Frye / Catherine Fry
5. Isaac James Fry / Sarah George
6. William F. Fry / Mary Ann Cross
7. Walter Fry / Josephine E. Kelly
8. William Estil Fry / Ruby Nicholson
9. **Betty Fern Fry** / 2. John Joseph Conry

In Memorium

Betty Fern Conry (1930 - 2015)

Betty F. Conry, age 85, Overland Park, Kansas died on November 19, 2015 at the Kansas City Hospice House. She was born near Lathrop, Missouri in rural Clinton County where she grew up and attended Plattsburg High School. She lived in the Kansas City, Missouri area for many years. Betty was an executive secretary for Fleming Foods Company for over 40 years until she retired in 1992. After living in Overland Park, KS for a few years she lived in Sun City West, Arizona for 22 years. She returned to Overland Park in 2014 where she lived in the Atriums.

Betty was a member of the Merriam Christian Church in Merriam, KS. While in Sun City West, she was a member of the SCW Mini-Golf Association, the SCW Bocce Club and the SCW Water Fitness Club. She was a member of The Nature Conservancy and an artifacts donor at the Kansas City Museum.

She was preceded in death by her first husband, Ellis H. Poff who died in 1984 and her second husband John Joseph Conry who died in 2013. She was also preceded in death by her parents, William E. and Ruby B. Fry, her sisters, Oma Fay Sackman and Frances E. Boswell and her two brothers Frank and Raleigh. She is survived by her nephew, G. Curtis Boswell and his wife Beth, Overland Park, and other nephews, great nephews and great-great nieces and five-step children, John, Mike, Tom and Mary Kay Conry and Teresa Robinett.

Roscoe Raymond (Bob) Allen, Jr. (1917 - 2016)

Roscoe "Bob" Allen, age 98, of Peoria, died peacefully at Hillside Care Center on Friday Feb. 19, 2016 at 7:05pm.

Bob was born July 28, 1917 in Monroe, Louisiana to **Roscoe R. and Barbara (Gilbert) Allen, Sr.** He grew up in Virginia and, after earning a degree in engineering from Virginia Polytechnic Institute, joined his family to farm in the Alta area.

He was a World War II P-51 fighter pilot in the Army Air Corp and earned the status of "ace" in air battles over Europe.

After the war he joined Caterpillar Tractor Co. where he worked as a research engineer until his retirement.

He lived much of his life in the Dunlap area and actively participated in many civic organizations. He helped to organize the Dunlap Community Fire District, was the first Commander of the Dunlap American Legion and was a trustee on the first Village of Dunlap Council when the town was incorporated in 1952. He later served on the Board of Dunlap High School. He was a member of the Alta Masonic Lodge and also the Peoria Mohammed Shrine.

He was married for 61 years to **Phyllis Frye (HFFA Charter Member)** who preceded him in death on Jan. 25, 2004. He was the admired and beloved father of **Thelma (HFFA) (Jerry) McKenzie** of Springfield, **Rebecca Rossof** of Chicago, and **John (Barbara) Allen** of Tucson; he took great pride and pleasure in his six grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren. One brother and three sisters also survive. He was

preceded in death by his parents, two brothers and one sister.

1. Heinrich Frey / Anna Catherine Levering
2. Benjamin Frey / Christena'
3. Abraham Fry, Sr. / Agnes Ann Young
4. Abraham Frye, Jr. / Hester Johnson
5. Smith Frye, Sr. / Nancy Shepler
6. Smith Frye, Jr. / Rebecca M. Johnston
7. Phillip Earl Frye / Eva Arabella Flanagan
8. Phyllis Jane Frye / **Roscoe Raymond (Bob) Allen, Jr.**

Charles Edward Martin (1931 - 2016)

Chuck Martin passed away peacefully on 4 Feb 2016 in Pleasant Hill, CA. Born 9 Sep 1931 in Caambridge, MD, he was the son of **Charles Elison Martin** and **Sarah Louise Carr**. Following his graduation from Duke University, he served in the military and was stationed in West Germany.

On 7 Jan 1950 he married the former **Mary Anne Vaughn** at Neureut, West Germany. That marriage ended in divorce. On 9 Sep 1987 at Cranberry Lake, NY he married the former **Elizabeth "Betty" (Ford) Friden**. She passed away in 2005.

He was a professor at the New York State Ranger School for thirty years and retired from that position almost 25 years ago. Chuck loved to travel, was an accomplished woodworker, and enjoyed being at camp. He climbed Bear Mountain nearly every day before breakfast. He also enjoyed taking Ranger School students on hikes in the Hike Peaks, where Algonquin was a favorite summit.

He is survived by a son **Charles**, a daughter **Laura**, step-sons **Peter Friden**, **Mark Andrew Friden (HFFA)**, and **Philip Friden**.

1. Heinrich Frey / Anna Catherine Levering
2. Benjamin Frey / Christena
3. Samuel Frey, Sr. / Christina Speers
4. Elizabeth Frye / Frederick Kyle Cooper
5. Sarah Cooper / Joseph Riggs
6. Sarah Ann Riggs / John Maits, Jr.
7. Annie Catherine Maits / James Blackmore Phillips

8. Edna Marie Phillips / Rudolph Andrew Friden
9. 1) James Erick Friden / Elsie Elizabeth Ford
- 2) **Charles Edward Martin** / Elsie Elizabeth Ford Friden
10. Mark Andrew Friden

QUERY #1

Do you have a forum or post category? I hit a brick wall with my great great grandfather **John W. Fry** born about 1840 in Adams County, married to **Lydia Burd** and died 1893.

I know there must be someone out there who relates to this. I have exhausted the internet sites (I belong to ancestry.com & 23andMe.com) I have written and paid for searches in Adams and the surrounding Counties, without much luck. They believe John Fry's father may have been Peter Fry (Sr) 1787-1869 York and Adams County PA.

My lineage is:
Paul Leslie Fry 1909-1984
John Peter Fry 1865-1938
John (W?) Fry abt 1840-1893
???Peter Fry 1787-1869???
All are from Pennsylvania

I have been searching for 8 years!!!! Can someone please help? I would love to know if I am related to **Heinrich Frey**.

Sincerely,

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QUERY #2

Isaac Nicholas Fry, of Ephrata, PA, Civil War Medal of Honor Winner.

Rank and organization: Orderly Sergeant, U.S. Marine Corps. Accredited to: Pennsylvania. G.O. No.: 59, 22 June 1865. Citation: On board the U.S.S. Ticonderoga during attacks on Fort Fisher, 13 to 15 January 1865. As orderly

sergeant of marine guard, and captain of a gun, Orderly Sgt. Fry performed his duties with skill and courage as the Ticonderoga maintained a well-placed fire upon the batteries to the left of the palisades during the initial phases of the 3-day battle, and thereafter, as she considerably lessened the firing power of guns on the mount which had been turned upon our assaulting columns. During this action the flag was planted on one of the strongest fortifications possessed by the rebels.

Can he be traced back to **Heinrich Frey**?

Reunion 2017 - Hannibal, MO by Anne Pasieka, Reunion Host

At the Kansas City Reunion in 2013 we learned of the migration of **Isaac Frye** (1765 - 1840) son of **Benjamin**, b.1723, who is the son of **Benjamin**, 1796 - 1763, of Frye Fort. He married **Catherine Frye**, daughter of **Jacob** (1726 - 1808, also a son of Frye Fort **Benjamin**. It is our duty to not forget any of the Frye family who migrated to Missouri and made that state their final resting place. We strive to keep them in our hearts as well as our family history.

We are now beginning to prepare for our **HFFA Reunion 2017**. One of **Abraham's** (b. 1722) sons, **James** was in Pike County, Missouri as early as 1819 a few years before Missouri became a state. And shortly after that time one of **William's** (b. 1735) daughter **Rachel** and her husband **Aaron Foreman** came into Ralls County. Rachel's sister **Catherine** married **Abraham Bird** and they lived in Hannibal where **Abraham** had a part in the Hannibal history.

And guess who happened to be born only a few years after our Frys came into the adjacent counties Pike, Ralls, Marion and Monroe? Yes it was our good friend and author **Mark Twain**. His earliest home is just down the road from where some of our Frys lived so let's travel back in time to about 1840 and travel forward until about the turn of the century. Did the Frys and the Clemens family know each other? Maybe there will be some clues as we visit the museums and travel down the backroads to

various cemeteries where gravel roads still exist.

We hope that you will come along on this adventure to honor all the Frys that made the tough journey to Missouri with a great deal of bravery.

Each day of the reunion will be filled with activities that are related to both Mark Twain and the Frys. And what better place to explore than Hannibal, Missouri, the location of our hotel, where **Mark Twain** as a teenager fell in love with the "**Mighty Mississippi**".

We will keep you posted in the next newsletter as to the activities we are planning. We actually have some Fry people helping us plan events. If you know of an ancestor in the aforementioned counties please let us know. **Rich Carson** and I have tried to identify the grave sites of all the descendants of those 3 people mentioned above. You'll be paying tribute to them when you come to the reunion. Just paddling along in a raft on the Mighty Miss for now.....

Anne Pasieka
Arlington Heights, IL

An Interesting Discovery in My Family's History

by **Charles Scott**

I was late in becoming interested in knowing more about my ancestors and never thought much about trying to find out more until the death of my father **George Washington Scott** in 1995. Among his papers were two items of which I had no prior knowledge.

The first item was seven pages of information in my father's handwriting titled "**History of the Scott family by George Scott**". It contained birth and death dates for my great grandfather **Smith Frye Scott** his spouse **Sarah Frances Rogers** and their four children. Included was information stating that **Smith Frye Scott** was a county commissioner for Washington County, Pennsylvania for at least two terms and was an insurance agent. Also included was information about my grandfather **Samuel Clyde Scott's wife** and her parents plus the

birth and death dates and marriage dates for all my aunts and uncles on the Scott side of my family. This information was immensely valuable when I was beginning to do research on my family. My father's story also mentioned that his parents lived on a farm on the road between Beallsville and Bentleyville in Washington County when they were first married. I remember my father telling me about that farm and pointing it out to me whenever we drove on that road. That farm, which is still there, is about one and a half miles southwest of Bentleyville on the north side of the road.

My father never told me anything about my Frye family connection because he probably didn't know exactly what it was. From my research I determined that **Smith Frye Scott**, my great grandfather, was a grandson of **Henry Shepler** and **Rebecca Frye** and I'm sure that is the origin of his middle name and is also how I became acquainted with and joined the **Heinrich Frye Family Association**.

The second item in my father's papers was a folded sheepskin document dated March 8, 1810 that was in one of those binders with ribbons that you wrapped around the binder and tied to keep it closed. This document turned out to be the original land patent from the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania for the purchase by James Eaton of a "**...Tract of Land, called The Crooked Ridge...on the Waters of Pike run in Washington county...**". The document then goes into detail describing the boundaries of the tract, the dimensions of each side, the physical markers for each corner of the tract and the names of the owners of the adjacent tracts. I had the document framed and have it hanging on the wall in the room where I do much of my family research.

Doing further research on the internet for the name **James Eaton**, I found the following information in another family history. "**James (Eaton) and Elizabeth** moved over the mountains (from Maryland) ... to a farm they bought on the head waters of Pike Run in Washington Co. Pa. There Elizabeth had three daughters, **Elizabeth, Sarah, and Rebecca**. James, according to his son **Hugh**, crossed the mountains seventy six times in those early days. ... James sold his land in 1813 and two daughters and their husbands with the mother Elizabeth moved

to Columbiana Co. Ohio. James intended to follow his family in the spring but was attacked with typhus and died the day he was to start on the journey".

In June of 2014 I made a trip to Pennsylvania to do additional family research in Washington County. Examining property deed records in the county office, I was able to find the following information for the farm near Bentleyville:

*Deeded from **James Eaton** to **Jeremiah Rogers** (my 3G grandfather) on November 22, 1813*

*Deeded from **Jeremiah Rogers** to his son, **Samuel W. Rogers** (my 2G grandfather) on June 18 1846*

*Deeded from **Samuel W. Rogers** to his daughter **Sarah F. Scott** (the wife of **Smith Frye Scott**) on June 30, 1883*

My great grandfather **Smith Frye Scott** died in 1914 and his wife **Sarah Frances (Rogers) Scott** died in 1922. My grandfather **Samuel Clyde Scott** was the executor of the estate of his mother when she died. I believe my grandfather obtained the original land patent document following the death of his mother and it remained in his possession until his death in 1955, at which time it passed to my father.

It is exciting and humbling to realize that document, during the past 204 years, has been touched by the hands of six generations of my family including myself. During that same trip to Pennsylvania in 2014 I stopped on the Beallsville – Bentleyville road and took several pictures of the farm originally called "**The Crooked Ridge**" that was in my family from 1813 until 1922.

Charles George Scott
Auburn, CA

1. Heinrich Frey / Anna Catherine Levering
2. Benjamin Frey / Christena
3. Samuel Frye, Sr. / Christena Speers
4. Rebecca Frye / Henry Shepler
5. Eliza Shepler / Joseph Alexander Scott
6. Smith Frye Scott / Sarah Rogers
7. Samuel Clyde Scott / Maude Levi Hawkins
8. George Washington Scott / Helen Brashear
9. **Charles George Scott** / Sandra Sue

The Way it Was by Dan Frye

From Dan Frye

I just got to thinking back when a dollar was worth about 100 cents, and thought I would write a few memories of growing up.

Back when I was growing up, we could get a nickel ice cream cone or a nickel soda pop if we were with Mom when we bought grocery supplies. Most of the bakeries would give the kids a free cookie or a doughnut. I remember that the local butcher shop owner, ("Butch" Derf Sauer's Meat Market) would give us kids a free wiener out of the meat case. We enjoyed those cold weenies. No bun, no napkin. Just a fresh wiener.

We kids always looked forward to go to the grocery store shopping with Mom. She would buy a big soup bone with lots of marrow in it. We would fight over who got to scoop the marrow out of the big soup bone when the soup was done. The Marrow would go great spread on a saltine cracker.

Mom would also buy calf or hog brains. They always got cooked in with scrambled eggs. That always made a great meal. When Mom dressed chickens and cut it up for frying, She always kept the head of the chicken. She would turn the neck skin inside out and cut the chicken skull, just behind the eyes. The neck with the attached skull looked like a horse's hoof and leg.

When she fried the chicken, we always fought over the fried neck and head with the brains in it. You could rap the skull with the back of a spoon and crack it open to get the brains. We were lucky that we raised so many chickens. It took two or three chickens fried up for a meal. If there was any leftover chicken or biscuits, we raided the ice box after school and finished it off.

If my memory is any good at all, I think Mom made biscuits almost every day. It took two big biscuit baking pans to do a cooking. One pan was always full and the second pan held what was left to cook. The second pan was almost full also.

We bought flour, and sugar in hundred pound bags. Sometime Mom bought lard in the big cans too. Those empty lard cans held a hundred pound of flour or sugar easily. The flour bags made our dish towels and sometime a night gown or whatever was needed.

I have seen Mom pour a couple of gallons of clabber milk into a flour sack and hang it on the clothes line to drip out the whey. When it was almost solid cheese, Mom would put it in a big crock and add fresh cream. It made a great cottage cheese to go with tomatoes or cantaloupe.

Beef liver was another regular item from Butch's market. Most of us kids didn't like liver very much, but we had to eat it or go without dinner. *[From the editor: You ate brains and bone marrow and every other body part but didn't like liver?]*

We did enjoy it when Mom bought scrapple or souse, also known as head cheese. It was made with the trimmings from butchering. A cow's head, or a hog's head was boiled down for several hours. The meat just fell off the skull and after the bones were removed, the liquid was seasoned with salt, pepper, red pepper and onion puree. It, along with all the chopped meat was put in loaf pans and refrigerated until it jelled into a dense meat loaf type loaf. We enjoyed slicing off a big slice and putting it on bread and toasting it in the skillet. *[From the editor: See what I mean?]*

You could identify the meat parts visible in the slice. Tongue, pig snout, and even ears were identifiable. It all made a very tasty sandwich. Another choice meat from Sauer's Market was beef tongue. Mom would cook it in the oven like a regular roast. When it cooled, we would slice it and make toasted sandwiches with it, like we did with the scrapple. *[But you didn't like liver???)*

When we were growing up, we never knew that there was any other steak except round steak. The only way we ever saw it cooked was smothered in gravy. I think it was called Swiss Steak. I think I was married before I ever had a charcoal grilled steak.

Weekends brought great times. I could go to the movies on Saturday afternoon with a

quarter. It took ten cents to get in, a nickel for a popcorn and a nickel for a soda pop and a nickel for a candy bar. We always looked forward to Saturday matinée movies, and the bang em up serials or cartoons that came on before the main feature. Kids nowadays don't have any idea what fun could be had on Saturday. When I graduated from Grade School, the ten cent movie price went up to the adult price. If the movie ticket taker hadn't been a High School member, he wouldn't know I was 14, instead of a child. Anyway that ended the cheap admission ticket, I still have a lot of good memories of those years.

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Another Pony Express Rider

The Heinrich Frey Family Association has long honored the name of **Johnny Fry**, the very first rider in the Pony Express. Now, we have a second rider in our extended family, **Charles Henry Billman** (1839 - 1910.)

Charles rode between Camp Floyd, Rush Valley Station, and Shambip County (now Cedar County), Utah. He rode for the Pony Express when he was 21.

His spouse **Elizabeth Barnes** was born in Lancashire, England. Charles and Elizabeth had nine children.

You can find out more about their family on Find a Grave #5206030 for Charles and #5206034 for Elizabeth. Also included are some interesting photos. They are buried in Ucon Cemetery, Ucon, Bonneville County, Idaho.

1. Heinrich Frey / Anna Catherine Levering
2. John Frey / Mary Ann Keisler
3. Daniel Frey / Maria Catharina Grob
4. Mary Barbara Frey / Christian Frederick Ginther
5. Susannah Elizabeth Ginther / Andrew Billman
6. **Charles Henry Billman** / Elizabeth Barnes

Spears, Kentucky

Many of us are aware of Speers, PA and Speer, IL. Both towns were founded by people with both **Speers** and **Frye** roots. There is also **Spears, KY**. It is an unincorporated little community in Jessamine County, KY. Spears, KY was named after **Ryland (Riley) Foster Spears (1840 - 1910)**. He had a general merchandise business there for 40 years.

The county seat of Jessamine County is Nicholasville. The county contains two other cities, Keene and Wilmore. There are eight unincorporated communities: Brannon Woods, Catnip, Jessamine, Little Hickman, Logan, Pink, Spears, Troy, and Vineyard. There are also two ghost towns, Chattersville and Sweet Home. (This information was found in Wikipedia.)

It appears that the lineage of **Riley Spears** certainly goes back through the Spears family, but **NOT** the Frey family. It is as follows: **Peter Abram Spears > Michael Christopher Spears > George Frederic Spears > John Spears > Lee W. Spears > Riley Foster Spears**.

Columbus was a Frye

Another installment of our list of famous members of the Frye family. In past issues we have met cousins **Socrates, Hercules, Mrs. Butterworth**, and **Cinderella**. Now, we introduce you to **Columbus** and show his lineage back to **Heinrich Frey**.

Of course, we are talking about **Charles Columbus McKee** a native of Labette County, KS and a resident of Cashmere, Chelan Co., WA. We have interesting cousins.

1. Heinrich Frey / Anna Catherine Levering
2. Benjamin Frey / Christena
3. Joseph Fry / Ann Funk
4. Benjamin "Col. Ben" Fry / Mary Magdaline Secrist (Remember, he was actually a Captain, not a Col.)
5. Joseph Fry / Catherine Kackley
6. Eli James Frye / Leah Finley
7. Mary Frances Fry / James W. Neville
8. Mary Aurelia Neville / Charles Nathaniel McKee
9. Ira Edwin McKee / Bessie Wilma Lawson
10. **Charles Columbus McKee 1915-1990**

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