



# HFFA NEWS

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## HELLO COUSINS, KIN, AND OTHER READERS

It's good to be with you again. We hope to see many of you at the 2013 HFFA Reunion in Kansas City. It's not too far away, June 12 – 16. For those who can't make it, our next Newsletter will be in August and I hope to be able to tell you all about the reunion at that time. It's better to be there in person though.

We will be leaving for KC on June 7, so if your registration reaches me before then, everything will be fine. However, if you can't get it to me by then, please contact Gene Frye (see page 12) to let him know your plans. There are things that have to be planned and arranged for, so it's not fair to just drop in without letting us know. I'm sure you understand.

**Fannie Frey** of Honey Brook, PA sent me a box of genealogy things that were part of her husband's research. Her husband was **Jim Frey**, a former president of HFFA and the host of the 2000 reunion in Morgantown, PA. It will take a long time to go through it all. What a great thing to pass on to our organization. I'll certainly share what I find with everyone, just don't be in a hurry, OK? Thank you Fannie, and we'll see you in KC.

Welcome to seven new members of HFFA. We are fortunate to be increasing our membership. It seems that with every issue of the newsletter we are announcing more new members. Hello to Marilyn Baridon, Betty Fry Conry, Dale Fry, John R. Fry, Donald E. Fry, Jr., Duane Paul Wray, and Lois Youngerman. We hope you enjoy

learning more about our extended family. Some of the new members are attending the KC Reunion so we'll all have a chance to meet them in person.

You might remember the news about the huge F-4 tornado that hit Granbury, TX a short time ago. One of our cousins, Velma Fry Philley lives in Granbury. She was one of the lucky ones as the tornado missed her by a mile or so.

## TREASURER'S REPORT:

**Balance 26 Feb 2013 . . . . . \$6012.74**

**Income . . . . . \$4731.00**

**Expenses . . . . . \$2344.21**

**BALANCE: . . . . . \$8398.53**

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### Notable Income in this quarter:

**Membership . . . . . \$1400.00**

**Reunion Registration . . . . . \$2973.00**

### Notable Expenses in this quarter:

**February Newsletter . . . . . \$ 128.52**

**Spring 2012 Journal . . . . . \$ 317.34**

**(Total cost for this Journal \$1717.34)**

**Reunion: Buses for two days . \$1100.00**

**Restaurant Deposit . . . . . \$ 100.00**

**MIKE SPEERS of Chardon, OH**

# RECORD KEEPING

## New Members:

### Duane Paul Wray

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2. Benjamin Frey / Christena
3. Abraham Fry / Agnes Ann Young
4. Abraham Fry / Hester Johnson
5. Elijah Fry / Sarah Shepler
6. Sarah Rebecca Fry / Benjamin Franklin Vance
7. Samuel Shepler Vance / Sarah
8. Hattie Marie Vance / James Wray
9. Pierre Edward Wray / Jeanette
10. **Duane Paul Wray**

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3. Abraham Fry / Agnes Ann Young
4. James Fry / Nancy Spears
5. Benjamin Fry / Nancy Agnes Kellar
6. William Kellar Frye / America E. Kirby
7. Walter Scott Frye / Lola Mae Margart
8. Bert Scott Frye / Laura Peithman
9. Jane Elizabeth Frye / Ralph Duddles
10. **Marilyn Frye** / Bruce Baridon

Note: Marilyn is a niece of President **Gene Frye** and the cousin of Journal Editor **Jon Frye**.

### Charles Dale Fry

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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. **Dale Fry** / Debi Acuna

**Dale** is the brother of **Alvin Fry** who was introduced in the Feb. Newsletter.

### Betty Fry Conry

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2. Benjamin Frey / Christena
3. Benjamin Fry / Catherine
4. Isaac Fry / Catherine Fry
5. Isaac James Fry / Sarah "Sally" George
6. William Fry / Mary Ann Cross
7. Walter Fry / Josephine E. Kelly
8. William E. Fry / Ruby Nicholson
9. **Betty Fry** / Mr. Conry

**Betty** is a cousin of **Dale** and **Alvin Fry** as well as the aunt of **Jerry Fry**, all members of HFFA..

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4. Abraham Fry, Jr. / Hester Johnson
5. Smith Fry / Nancy Shepler
6. James Knox Polk Frye / Lucy Compher
7. Shepler V. Frye / Minnie Jane Hemingway
8. Edgar Everett Frye / Hattie Virginia Kaufman
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10. **Donald Edgar Frye, Jr.** / Gayle Ann Jarnagin

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3. Benjamin Fry / Catherine
4. Isaac Fry / Catherine Fry
5. Isaac James Fry / Sarah George
6. William F. Fry / Mary Ann Cross
7. Walter Fry / Josephine Kelly
8. William Estil Fry / Ruby Nicholson
9. Raleigh William Fry / Edna Estep
10. **John Fry**

Note: John is the brother of HFFA member  
**Gerald R. (Jerry) Fry.**

**Lois Youngerman**

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She just joined and her lineage charts have  
not been sent in yet.

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**NEW PHONE NUMBER****Lowell Fry**

636-696-9254

**MARRIAGES****Velma Fry Schafroth  
to Henry Philley**

on 1 Jan 2013

**Address:**

3013 Springtime St.  
Granbury, TX 76048

**ELECTED:**

Congratulations to **Ruthie E. Rogers** who was elected as **Coloma Township Highway Commissioner**. Coloma is in northern Illinois off Interstate 88. Ruthie was first appointed to fill the vacated term of the previous commissioner and now has won the position on her own with a decisive victory on the April 9 ballot. Ruthie also runs her own trucking company.

- 1, Heinrich Frey / Anna Catherine Levering
- 2. Jacob Frey / Margaret
- 3. Jacob S. Frey / Margaret Springer
- 4. John Springer Fry / Rebecca Ruth
- 5. Jacob Ruth Fry / Mary Ann Harting
- 6. Evann Fry / Robert Drane
- 7. Ruth Drane / Edgar Rogers
- 8. **Ruth E. Rogers**

**GRADUATIONS:**

**Descendant of Heinrich Frey Becomes a Banana Slug**

**Jeffrey Starr Fry** is the son of **Steve Fry**. Steve is a member of HFFA. Jeff is graduating in June from Mira Costa High School in Manhattan Beach. He has been accepted at the University of California at Santa Cruz, so he will be going there next fall. (The mascot is the Banana Slug--how quaint!)

**Marilyn Fry** Of Costa Mesa, CA

**QUERY:**

While searching for info regarding my husband's Gr Gr. Grandfather Isaac and Gr. Grandfather Thomas (b) abt 1843 in Steubenville, Ohio. I came across this info....Not our relatives as far as I know. Perhaps this will help someone.

**Steubenville Union Cemetery Civil War Vets Dig. Index.**

**Thomas C Frye**  
**James Frey**  
**G.H. Frey**

**Mac Pursel** of Las Vegas, NV

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Last year when I was diagnosed with breast cancer, I received a lovely card from **HFFA Chaplain Lowell Fry** which really lifted my spirits and gave me some peace. .It really meant a lot to me. I am doing well and have finished all my treatments but I just wanted to say a very warm heartfelt Thank You to Lowell for his thoughtfulness.

The second thing is actually a request. I have been trying to get some more information on my great, great grandmother **Sarah McFall Fry** who was married to **Abraham Keller Fry**. Through Ancestry.com I found a copy of their marriage certificate and found her on several censuses but I can't find her parents information. I don't recall where I got the information that their first names were **John** and **Jane** but I am having a dickens of a time finding them anywhere. If anyone has any leads, I would love to hear from you.

**Judy Fry** of Fort Worth, TX  
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**Q)** I would like to know how I would connect with members/family that are related to the **Jacob C. Gerges (Garges)** (12-10-1831 to 3-14-1903) married **Elizabeth Allebach Fry** (12-1-1834 to 2-4-1871)?

Would the newsletter be the connection, or is there some other way to reach these relatives?

**Nanci Zander** of Bellingham, WA

**(A)** From the **HFFA Links Book**, it appears your closest cousins in HFFA are **Ruth E. Rogers** of Coloma Twp., IL and **John E. Lauman** of Blaine, WA.

**Marti Frye** of Lafayette, LA

## FR(E)Y(E) DNA

Dear Mike,

I was reading the newsletters that you were so kind to have sent me and found a comment regarding DNA testing that intrigued me. Basically, there was a note (something to the effect) that there has not been any real success in merging DNA results with known Frey genealogical lines. This is exactly what I have been working on since our previous conversation.

Specifically, I have been building a Frey (all spelling variants) facebook group page. The purpose of this group is to help advertise the need to disentangle the various Fry lines via DNA testing. We also discuss all kinds of relevant topics related to the various Fry family lines (not just the Heinrich Frey Line). I have added links to the Heinrich Frey Family Association, FamilyTreeDNA, WorldFamilies.net and other resources.

In addition, I have fostered an affiliation with another site that has been collecting **Fr(e)y(e) DNA** information and providing a forum for people to input their data and interface the DNA results with their Earliest Known Ancestor genealogical information/trees. The results have been extremely promising. That is to say, very distinct Frey lines have emerged and if sufficient people become involved, we will eventually be able to identify which lines people belong to on the basis of their **Y-DNA** results and/or their **autosomal/BETA DNA** results from Ancestry.com. This is a huge breakthrough for Frey family specific genealogical research (across, as well as within, lines).

There are many people who suspect that they belong to certain Fry lines, but have no proof one way or another. Likewise there are many who believe that they are descended from a broader line (or cousin line) because they can not find their specific progenitor in a family tree. The DNA/genealogical network we are building will provide a tool for people to determine where they belong and then to join the correct family line specific association (such as yours).

I am asking you to consider posting our Frey Family Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/476640749067121/> in your newsletter. This is a closed group to which anyone interested can join if they request.

Likewise, I would really appreciate it if you encouraged your members (particularly those with DNA results) to the join the "Fry-ing Pan" website: <http://fryingpan.redheadkelly.net/> This is the site where the real DNA/genealogy matching can occur. It does not matter where the DNA testing took place. We are working on a way to accommodate and make the most of everyone's results. It is also a wonderful site for those who are interested in DNA testing and would appreciate an unbiased assessment of which test they should use/purchase to meet their desired goals. I am currently the administrator (mostly managing the DNA results) for the R1b-Lineage I group. This is the line we suspect to be the Heinrich Frey, from Alsace, Family Line.

I hope we can continue to work together. I think "cross-pollination" in this way, will help us all achieve our desired goals.

Regards,  
**Astrid Fry Hussey, Ph.D.**

### *For the Promise They Came*

The wind howled through the night wild and cold.

They packed up their hearts and souls for what they were told.

Across the seas they sailed leaving all that they once knew,  
For a taste of a new world. . . the hunger only grew.

From Germany, Ireland, France, England, and Scandinavia they did sail.  
Each seeking a new history. . . a new such tale.

Crossing rough waters and halting unrelenting fears,

Holding to dreams. . . through sorrows and tears.

Some died with just a promise in their heart. While others wished to never be apart.

Longings grew stronger for each inside. But first, two worlds were compelled to collide.

Wars against monarchs and men alike. . . they boldly and courageously fought. For the new lives they so passionately. . . and desperately sought.

Freedom to live. . .choose. . . believe. . . and pray,  
Just as our ancestors dreamed then, we dream today. . .

**Julia A. Olson** of Parkers Prairie, MN

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:

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## The Fry Side

How I became interested in family history was through my mother **Ethel Mae Beard Gerges**. She would always ask my great Uncle Nevin to write down the family history. Interestingly though it was all on my father's side. (**Linwood Ivan Gerges**) This is my "Fry Side." She never had much connection with her family's history as they were a somewhat dysfunctional unit (which I learned shortly before she passed away).

My husband, **James Gary Zander**, then took the time to start the research after receiving **Family Tree Maker** from our

daughter as a Christmas present. The computer has been our link to learning about our families.

We hope to travel to Europe at a future date to visit the various areas that our families are from and would love to hear from others that have done so, especially on the Frey side of the family.

## Nanci Zander (Nancy Ann Gerges)

of Bellingham, WA

Nanci's lineage is listed in the Feb. 2013 Newsletter on Page 4. All those who have visited the villages and region associated with Heinrich Frey are urged to contact Nanci. Her travels to Europe will be more meaningful with the direction you can provide. She can be reached at:

[inzander@comcast.net](mailto:inzander@comcast.net)  
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## SISTERS ATTRACT OPPOSITES

The two daughters of **Claud Xerxes Van Nort** and **Ruth Stewart Van Nort** were **Nana Ruth** and **Mary Edith**.

**Nana Ruth Van Nort** married **Earl Sylvester Kill**.

**Mary Edith Van Nort** married **Max Roscoe Loving**.

The sisters became **Nana Kill** and **Mary Loving**. Each of these girls sure made interesting names for themselves.

1. Heinrich Frey / Anna Catherine Levering
2. Benjamin Frey / Christena
3. Henry Frye / Fanny Littler
4. Henry Frye Jr. / Hannah Westfall
5. Henry Westfall Frye / Elizabeth Baker
6. Amanda Frye / Cyrus Washington Van Nort
7. Stanley Lewis Van Nort / Ida M. Turner
8. Claud Xerxes Van Nort / Ruth Stewart
9. Nana Ruth Van Nort / Earl Sylvester Kill
9. Mary Edith Van Nort / Max Roscoe Loving

## Those Who Have Died Still Count

In the last newsletter (Feb. 2013) I included an article about why there is reason NOT to trust what you find on Rootsweb. This article will show that you can't always believe what you find on ancestry.com either.

Recently, some of us were exploring some of the families associated with **Henry Speers III** and **Esther McCrory**. I was looking for things about their daughter **Sarah Speers**. Her date of birth has been accepted to be in 1809. The year of her death has not been found, yet.

In my search for Sarah, I found someone's family tree that claims she died in 1870. The source for this information was said to come from the 1880 Census. HUH????

In the Timeline the following items are identified:

1. Birth, 20 Oct **1809**
2. **1830** - Marriage to John Nicholas Miller
3. Death - **1870**
4. **1880** - Residence in Elizabeth, Allegheny Co., Pennsylvania

C'mon folks, let's bury our loved ones, not keep them around for 10 years just to make the next census.

**Mike Speers** of Chardon, OH

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## WHERE HAVE YOU BEEN?

Many members of our extended Frey family are well-traveled. Our president, Gene Frye, has been around the world many times and in more countries than most of us have even read about. He's even been on every continent. (As I write this, he is on a ship heading to Bermuda. - ed.)

Other well-traveled family members include our cousin, Richard Wesley Frey and his wife Therese. Richard was asked to list some of his travels in recent years. They live in Fresno, CA.

May 2011 – Winchester, VA (HFFA reunion);

Oct. 2011 – Ten day cruise to Western Caribbean and the Panama Canal;

Mar. 2012 -- Miami and a cruise of the Eastern Caribbean;

Apr. 2012 – Santa Fe and Los Alamos;

July 2012 -- Breckenridge, CO;

Aug. 2012 – Salem, OR;

Oct. 2012 – Rome and an 11 day cruise to Istanbul, Turkey, and the Eastern Mediterranean;

Dec. 2012 – Salem, OR;

Apr. 2013 -- Eight day cruise from San Diego to Vancouver, BC.

There were other trips they took, but those mentioned stand-out in their minds.

Now tell us, where have you been?

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## DOOR PRIZES WANTED

There will be a **Frey Family Door Prize Raffle** on **Thursday, June 12** at the KC Reunion. Items should reflect the geographic area of the person or family unit that gives the item. They do not have to be wrapped. Please include your name, city, and state on the item you donate. Give them to **Rose Speers, Marti Frye, Helen Craig, or Thelma McKenzie**. Thank you.

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## Dear Family,

The 2013 HFFA reunion is just a few weeks away! We look forward to meeting our newest members and greeting our “old” family and friends with warm regards in Kansas City!

In this newsletter, you will find the agenda for Thursday, June 13, with our invited speakers and family business meeting topics.

We are excited to have **Mr. David Boutros**, Assistant Director at the State Historical Society of Missouri Research Center-Kansas City, speak on the McGee/McCoy/Fry family relationship to the bustling city of Kansas City. He will mention their involvement in the Civil War and their achievements in the city of Kansas City and how they have helped the community.

He will be followed by **Ms. Jennifer Audsley**, Archives Technician at the National Archives based in Kansas City. We are all concerned about preserving our family heirlooms and she will discuss basic preservation techniques. She will also share ways to search for our family roots more effectively through online resources.

On Saturday night, after our KC Country-style banquet, we are pleased to announce there will be a presentation by HFFA member **Alvin Fry**, who is local to the area. Missouri was a border state in the Civil War and there were strong feelings on both sides; many local families were split in allegiance. Alvin will do an impersonation of **Jefferson Davis**, the President of the Confederacy.

The days will be full of history, exploring, sharing our new family discoveries and creating memories. For those “still undecided” folks, we hope you will consider joining us. Remember, our preferred rate at The Hyatt Place expires on May 22! Call 1 800 993 4751 and mention the HFFA reunion beginning on June 12 for the \$99 room rate before May 22. (You can cancel up until 4PM day of arrival.)

**Gene Frye**

**HFFA President**

### REUNION INFORMATION:

The Hyatt Place at the Kansas City Airport will host our family from June 12-16. Please call 1800 993 4751 and ask for the HFFA group rate, from \$99 per night plus tax. **This room rate expires on May 22.** You are still welcome to attend, the special rate expires, but the enjoyment of the reunion will live on and on.

THE COST OF THE 2013 HFFA REUNION IS **\$70 PER PERSON**, WHICH INCLUDES OUR ALL DAY MEETING WITH TWO BREAKS AND BUFFET LUNCH, TWO BUFFET LUNCHESES WHILE TOURING, THREE MUSEUM ADMISSIONS AND OUR FAREWELL BANQUET ON SATURDAY NIGHT! PLEASE MAKE YOUR CHECK PAYABLE TO THE HFFA AND MAIL .

MIKE SPEERS

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## Wednesday, June 12

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 4-9PM** and on **Thursday from 7:30-9 AM**. *(If you arrive early on Wednesday and like to visit out-of-town baseball stadiums, the Kansas City Royals baseball team is playing at 1:10 PM vs. the Detroit Tigers. This is their only home game during the Reunion.)*

The Officers' Meeting will be at 7 PM in The Hyatt Place Hotel in one of the meeting rooms.

## Thursday, June 13

Breakfast is included from daily from 5:30-9:30 AM. **Registration will be open from 7:30-9:00 AM** and the **meeting will begin at 9:00 AM**. The agenda is attached for our busy Thursday in the hotel meeting room. Our prized past HFFA Journals will also be available for sale.

### **HFFA General Meeting Agenda for June 13, 2013 – Thursday**

#### **The Hyatt Place Hotel, Kansas City**

9:00 AM **Gene Frye**, President,  
Welcome and Call to Order

Invocation Announcements - Journals for sale – Reunion preview

9:15 Officer's Reports

9:45 **Jon Frye**, Journal Editor and Vice President

#### **HFFA Journal and Archives Discussion**

10:15 Break

10:30 **Jerry Frye** - Historical Connection for Saturday/Plattsburg Bus Tour

11:15 **David Boutros** - State Historical Society of Missouri Research Center

#### **McGee/Fry Family relationship to Kansas City**

12:00 PM Lunch set up

12:15 Lunch buffet

1:15 **Jennifer Audsley** - Archives Technician, National Archives

#### **Basic Preservation Techniques and "Why Can't I Find It?!"**

#### **Ways to Search More Effectively Through Online Resources**

2:30 **Business Meeting:**

Election of Officers, VA Fry Cemetery Project Review

3:15 Break

3:30 Group Photo and Door Prizes

3:45 **Continuation of General Meeting:**

Share information about family research and open the floor for discussion.

Dinner is on your own tonight. 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](http://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 8:40 AM** to board the bus for a **9:00 AM departure** for **St. Joseph, Missouri**. We have an appointment at the **Pony Express Museum**, where the famous overland mail service by horseback began on April 3, 1860; our cousin, **Johnny Fry** was the first rider to ride West from this site.

The two other museums we will visit are the **Patee House** (a pioneer hotel that was the headquarters for the Pony Express) and the **Jesse James Home**, where outlaw Jesse James was shot and killed in 1882.

A hot buffet lunch is included at the Pony Express Museum. We should return to The Hyatt Place by bus as previously planned about 5 PM. Jon Frye has organized an optional picnic evening with local relatives. See below.

### NEW OPTIONAL EVENT ADDED TO REUNION AGENDA

Reunion Update - The descendants of Johnny Fry's sister and brothers have offered to host a picnic for us on **Friday evening, June 14 at 6:30** at our upcoming National Fry(e) Reunion. **It is an optional event** in addition to the activities already scheduled in St. Joseph that day. The bus should be back at the hotel in time for folks to rest and "freshen up" a bit before going to this picnic-in-the-park event. This will be a unique opportunity to meet and learn more about the family of history's first and most famous Pony Express rider. If you haven't already made plans for the K.C.- St. Joe Reunion, its still not too late. Hope to see you there.

**JON FRYE** of Jamestown, OH

## Saturday, June 15

We will meet at 8:10 AM for an **8:30 AM departure** to visit the "**Old Benjamin Fry Farm**" on the property of the McCulloch's and some local cemeteries.

**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!**

After a hot buffet lunch at the **Courtside Restaurant** in Plattsburg, we will head in to Kansas City for a walk along the mighty Missouri River (about 150 yards from the bus to the river) to view a commemorative plaque acknowledging the achievements of the McGees in the KC area.

We'll make a quick drive-by of the statues of Lewis (HFFA relative) and Clark to commemorate their pushing off from the confluence of the Kansas and Missouri rivers to head out on their great commissioned expedition of the West and do a quick city tour 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 at 6:30 PM at The Hyatt Place. After dinner, we look forward to our relative Alvin Fry's impersonation of Jefferson Davis.

## Sunday, June 16

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

**“Show Me” your smiling faces  
in Kansas City, Missouri!**

[www.visitkc.com](http://www.visitkc.com)

We look forward to welcoming you to  
the “Show Me” state in June!

**Gene Frye, President of HFFA and  
Local Host**

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**If you are interested in becoming  
an officer of the HFFA, please advise  
President Gene Frye. The officer  
positions 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.*

*Please submit any topics for discussion  
during the business meeting to Gene at  
[FryeTravel@aol.com](mailto:FryeTravel@aol.com).*

I look forward to seeing you in Kansas  
City in a few weeks!

**Gene Frye, President**

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**NOTE FROM MIKE SPEERS:**

Rose and I will be leaving for KC on  
June 7. If your registration is  
received at our home in Chardon  
after that date, we won't see it until  
some time in July. If you cannot  
beat the June 7 deadline, you are  
still welcome to attend the reunion.  
Please pay your registration fee at  
the door when you arrive. It would  
be great if you would contact Gene  
Frye to let him know you are coming.  
His phone and email are on the last  
page of the newsletter. (see pg. 12)

If you can beat the June 7 deadline,  
send your check (made out to HFFA)  
to  
**Mike Speers  
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with your HFFA cousins.

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Thursday, there will be opportunities  
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Journal**. The cost will be **\$5 per  
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your collection of Journals at home  
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