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A non-profit Family Association

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1992 Reunion



Littell Farm

RR 1, Aliquippa, Pennsylvania

Littell Families of America will hold the 1992 reunion at the Littell Farm located in Beaver County, Pennsylvania on Saturday, July 4th, the traditional reunion day commenced in 1967.

All members and their families are invited, **urged**, to attend. Contact any director or officer for further details. Lets all try to be there by noon to enjoy an afternoon of good company and conviviality.

See below for directions.

Littell Farm

Located on Route 18 just 1/4 mile north of Route 18 and US 3011 intersection, or 1/2 mile south of Route 18 and 151 intersection.

Farm phone (412) 378 - 2835

From most directions the recommended route is to take 60 to South Heights (Route 151), exit, head west on Route 151 to full STOP sign (3miles), then turn left on Route 18 south

Please note, the Greater Pittsburgh Airport is on Route 60 and only a few miles from the Littell Farm

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STATE OF THE ASSOCIATION

It is appropriate that, as president of Littell Families of America, I include "State of the Association" message in this issue of our family magazine.

The organization is financially healthy its work force is somewhat depleted. We have sufficient funds in the treasury to pay the expenses of publishing our first volume of the long awaited Littell Families History and Genealogy. Funds generated from the sale of that volume should be sufficient to meet the expenses of volume II. It is anticipated it will take three volumes to adequately preserve the family history of the various lines of our Littells.

We have an efficient and functioning secretary in Edmund R. Littell of Chicago and the same is true for the keeper of our funds, Treasurer William Adams Littell, Jr., of Medford, NY.

Problems arose that precluded our volunteer host for the 1991 reunion from sponsoring the annual meeting. Alternate sites for the meeting were considered, including Holland, Michigan and Washington, Indiana, but arrangements could not be completed and the year has gone by without a national meeting. Our Treasurer, William Adams Littell, Jr. has again volunteered to host the 1992 gathering again at the Littell Horse Farm near Aliquippa, Pennsylvania as set forth on the preceding pages. Gladys Littell Boyer and her sister also volunteered to host a reunion at Chehalis, Washington but other circumstances precluded that site in '92, but it should be considered for 1993.

Circumstances have also dictated that the Managing Editor of this magazine give up his duties and we have accepted his resignation with regrets. Ted cited his extremely busy business commitments as the reason he felt he should turn the reins over to someone else. This is a post that needs to be filled by some eager, hardworking individual with an avid interest in the current and prior events in the lives of all Littell descendants. PLEASE let us know if you are interested.

Dues payments have not flooded our secretary so we urge you to check your check book stub to see when you last sent him a check. Let this notice serve as a reminder rather than have the association go to the expense of mailing you a personal notice.

As acting, temporary editor of our magazine I would like to request some help. It is nothing new to ask you to notify the editor of all vital statistics. When you have a marriage in the family send an account, possibly a clipping from a local newspaper, or write one yourself. Give us the name, date, place, and parents names for all newborns so it can be recorded and published. Same is true for those who depart this earth, include obituary notices if practical.

There are many other family events that are worthy of recording. How about an account of those who graduate from a college or university, include all the information the new graduate would want to appear on a job application. The school, degree, major, minor, collegiate activities, aspirations, etc. Always include what data you have on the Littell lineage of the graduate. Anything worthy of a report in your local newspaper is worthy of repeating in your family magazine, so send us clippings. If your local reporter didn't recognize the activity as being newsworthy then you write it up and send it to us. If you prefer we rewrite the article send us the basic information and ask us to prepare it for publication.

Accounts of those who responded to Desert Shield and Desert Storm should be recorded as well as all those serving in the armed services.

It was suggested in a previous issue that there has been a proliferation of local history books published and many contain accounts of the lives of Littell family descendants. Send us a copy of the material and the title page of the books, so we can obtain permission to reprint, and we will do just that.

And most of all, send us the results of any research you have done into the earlier history of our various lines.

In closing let me say that I feel the Littell Family Association can have a long and rewarding existence. To have a continued viable association we must have the infusion of new members, new officers, new workers. Your active assistance is needed to assure the perpetuation of this worthy organization.

There have been a number of contributors to this issue and the Thanks of the entire membership, as well as this temporary editor, are extended to them.

Noble K. Littell
President & Historian
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Five Generations



FIVE GENERATIONS

The above picture features our much traveled nonagenarian, Gladys Littell Donner Boyer and introduces her great —great grand daughter, Latina O’Shea. The newest addition was a Halloween arrival in Seattle, Washington, the daughter of Erin Lynn O’Shea; grand daughter Gerry Lynn McMahan O’Shea; great granddaughter of Margaret Lou “Peggy” Donner McMahan.

Gladys lives in Kirkland, Washington and celebrated her 90th birthday on January 14th. She attended the first official meeting of our family association July 4, 1972 at the Littell Horse Farm near Aliquippa, Pennsylvania and has not missed a meeting since, including the several winter meetings held in Lantana, Florida and others ranging from New Jersey through Indiana, New Mexico, and the 1980 meeting in Olympia, Washington. She was prepared to join us at our aborted 1991 meeting and had suggested that she and her sister would be willing to host the 1992 gathering in Washington state. (Members - Let us know if you could make it to that area for a meeting on or about July 4, 1993)

Gladys is the daughter of Albert Dryden & Bertha Ella (Broughton) Littell, grand daughter of Alanson M. “Lance” & Elnora (Dryden) Littell, great granddaughter of Benjamin Franklin & Jane M. (Van Zandt) Littell, and great granddaughter of Benjamin F. & Elizabeth Perkin (Merrill) Littell. Benjamin was born about 1780 and died in 1824 during the Cincinnati, Ohio cholera epidemic.

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LETTERS

(The following notes of genealogical interest are taken from a letter by Joe and Orrel Smith of Sellersburg, Indiana)

Four first cousins, all Littell descendants were honored for their service to education at the June 29th, 1991, alumni banquet of the Silver Creek High School, Sellersburg, Indiana.

Joe Vincent Smith, class of 1933, age 77; Wilma Jean Smith Murphy, class of 1941, age 68, teacher and graduate of Purdue; Lowell Bryan "Buzzy" Smith, class of 1943, age 65, teacher and graduate of Michigan State; Margie Smith Fore, class of 1946, age 62, home ec teacher and graduate of Purdue.

(Joe, son of Roy Vincent Smith-Joseph Edward Frederick Smith; Wilma, Lowell, and Margie, children of Lowell Danford Smith -Joseph Frederick Smith - Mary Jane Littell & Christopher Smith - Josiah Tremble Littell Absalom, Jr - Absalom, Sr—Anthony - John)

Bruce Samoore of N6817 Kroghville Road, Waterloo, WI 53594 called to say that he is now retired and devoting much of his time to his hobby of genealogy. He is married to the former Barbara Lee Littelle [Willis Prentice Littell - Willis — Ephraim]. While researching his mother's line in Mason County, Illinois he found an entry for a Littell:

Andrew Littell, 39, b. NJ, farmer, property valued at \$3,000.

Jane Littell, 36, also b. NJ. Page 207, enumerated 22 November 1850.

Bruce is convinced now that his wife's ancestor, Ephraim, was a son of the elder of the two Williams found in the early West Virginia records.

Antoinette Sorensen, Tacoma, Washington sent a clipping from the Letter to the Editor page of The Morning News Tribute for April 24, 1990, a portion of which is as follows:

" . . As a family physician who practices obstetrics, I must confess to a strong bias with regard both to child abuse and abortion. Having shared the joy of parents on hearing the heartbeat of their 10 - or 11 - week-old child, I find it difficult to imagine one choosing to terminate that life. Likewise, having shared the grief of the couple who have lost their child through a miscarriage at 10 or 11 weeks, I could not conceive that I would ever have intentionally ended that life through abortion if the parents has so desired. . "

John T. Littell, M.D., Tacoma (This young doctor is the son of our treasurer, William Adams Littell, Jr. He was deployed to Germany as a member of the armed forces during Desert Storm)

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BOOK REVIEWS

Although Littell Families History and Genealogy, the publication of your family association, is having difficulty getting out of the files, into the computer, and onto the printed pages, some Littell data is appearing in published form.

DENHAM THREADS

by Dale 8. Denham, 86 Hodges Court, Richland, WA 99352, telephone (509) 946—6913.

Dale is a member of Littell Families of America, a descendant of Jonah Littell. He has been working on this family history for more than two decades. Denham Threads, 1802-1991 is a compilation of the descendants of Hezekiah Denham of Knoxville, Tennessee and his wife, Winnie Littell, daughter of Reuben and Elizabeth (Gormley) Littell and a granddaughter of Jonah and Margaret (Davis) Littell.

Hezekiah and Winnie were married in 1824 in Harrison County, Indiana, and began their family of three daughters and four sons there. In 1837 they removed to Henry County, Iowa, the birthplace of their last two Sons, Reuben M. and Obediah E. This volume then traces the descendants, in both male and female lines, through daughter Ursula M. and sons William J. and Reuben N. Of the nearly 600 known descendants, more than half continue to live in the Midwest (Iowa, Minnesota, Nebraska), although three of their grandchildren moved west; the earliest (1880), Hugh E. Denham, to Oregon, and the latter two, Viola (Wells) Hedden (1891) and Alice (Wells) Hill (1908) to California.

This work includes an 1854 letter from Winney's cousins, Hugh and Agnes (Long) Littell of Indiana; an 1856 tintype of Hezekiah and Winney; plus more than 150 photos, illustrations, newspaper clippings, excerpts of other family letters and poetry, and a surname index with more than 1500 names.

Besides Denham, other early family names include Bemis, Blosser, Dennis, Hedden, Hill, Jeffries, Littell, Sheriff, Warn, Wells, Williams, and Wilson.

This 300-page, 8-1/2 x 11 hardbound book is priced at \$35.00, postpaid. You may order your copy from Dale at the address given above.

THE ROSS FAMILY OF NEW JERSEY

A Record of the Descendants of George and Constance (Little) Ross and other New Jersey Ross families

Compiled by Robert L. Ross

Published by Gateway Press, Baltimore 1990

There is no doubt in the minds of most of us who have researched the earliest known progenitor of a large segment of the Littells in America, John of New Jersey, that he is a brother of Constance Little/Littell who married George Ross. This belief is further expressed by the author of this book. George and Constance were married in New Haven, Connecticut in 1658 and moved to Elizabethtown, New Jersey about 1670, they acquired property adjacent to that of John Littell. The author is not positive as to the parent age of Constance, but suggests that it could be Richard Little of New Haven.

This book identifies five children of George and Constance and lists 8,500 descendants in Part 1. There are at least 11 inter-marriages of Ross descendants with Littells and another five with Little surnames.

Part 2 contains other New Jersey Ross families, including the descendants of Vashti Budd Littell and her husband, Aaron Smith Ross, several of whom are members of Littell Families of America.

Allied families include Ball, Clark, Crane, Jaques, Keyt, Lambert, Miller, Pier son, Stone, and Wilcox.

The book is 7 x 10, hardcover, and contains 812 pages, including a surname index. The price is \$45.00 postpaid and may be ordered from Robert L. Ross, 1823 Wayne Ave., South Pasadena, CA 91030.

VAN BUSKIRK

A Legacy From New Amsterdam
by Irene English Shoemaker

I first met Irene Shoemaker and her husband in the genealogy section of the Indiana State Library over 25 years

ago. At that time she had amassed a huge collection of documented Van Buskirk data but was not satisfied and kept digging. Through the years I had the opportunity to visit with her in her home in Anderson, Indiana. She methodically continued her search and shared the fruits of her efforts with me, but did not publish as “there is just a little more information I need from . . .” Her husband died in 1968, Irene in 1988. Her son honored his mother by publishing her work in these two volumes.

Lauren Andreissen and Jannetje Jans were married in New Amsterdam in 1658. The appendage “van Boskerch” indicating the location of his home in Holland soon became his surname in the colonies.

Of interest to many members of Littell Families of America is the fact that two brothers, Isaac Van Buskirk and John Buskirk married two sisters, Jerushia and Mary Littell, daughters of Absalom Littell, Sr. of Fayette County, Pennsylvania. Of further interest to my direct line is the fact that a daughter of Isaac and Jerushia, Elizabeth Van Buskirk, married Abraham Littell, son of Absalom Littell, Jr.

Mrs. Shoemaker’s work is in two volumes, 6 x 9, hardcover, and contains 1918 pages, fully indexed. The price is \$85.00, postpaid and may be ordered from Robert W. Shoemaker, Jr., 1302 Maryland Drive, Anderson, IN 46011.

KIN OF MY GRANDCHILDREN, VOLUME II McCARTY/CURRY

by Judge Noble K. Littell

Genealogy Publishing Service, Franklin, NC

Of interest to descendants of Milo D. Littell and Martha Donaldson is this work on the descendants of Nicholas McCarty who died in 1791 at St. Clair’s Defeat in the North west Territory. A daughter married Thomas Curry and their daughters married a Seaton, a Brasier, a Thompson, a Farr, and two married Ashers.

Over 5,000 descendants of Nicholas McCarty are traced and documented. Other surnames appearing in large number include:

Alexander, Bales, Chenoweth, Donaldson, Goss, Gray, Hodges, Kyser, Littell, McGinnis, Means, Ogles, Ratts, Rumble, Stierwalt, Shumaker, Torrey, Truax, Whitaker, and many others.

This is a hard cover book, beautifully bound with high quality cloth. The text is printed on 60# Lakewood white acid free paper. In size it is 6 x 9”, contains pictures, and has a complete, every—name, index of over eleven thousand names. It is available from the author at P. O. Box 1019, Sebring, FL 33871, the cost is \$38.50 post paid.

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OLA E. LITTELL

Mention of one Littell is found in Southwest Virginia Kin, a Genealogical and Historical Account of the Evans, Ferrell, Kelly, Counts, Stinson and Related Families by Ethel Evans Albert, Volume One, 1977. (Mrs. W. H. Albert, 2217 Cypress St., Kingsport, TN 37664) I do not have the connection between Ola E. Littell and other Littells.

Page 439: ROLLEN EVANS McGRATH, son of John T. and Rebecca Ann (Lockhard) McGrath, dau. of William and Martha M. (Evans) Lockhard, dau. of Elizabeth K. McCullah and Samuel Evans, son of Jane Creswell and Andrew Evans, son of Ann Colvill and Samuel Evans, poss. son of Dorothy and William Evans.

Born: Jan. 7, 1884, Barber Co., Kan.

Married: OLA E. LITTELL, (b. Aug. 28, 1889). Children:

1-8: Donald Ray McGrath, Nov. 27, 1911- Dec. 18, 1969, Medicine Lodge, Kansas; m. Elsie (-), two children: Rollen McGrath and Elizabeth Ann McGrath.

2—8: John Clay McGrath, Nov. 24, 1913, Barber County, Kan., d. March 24, 1972, Medicine Lodge, Kan., m. Frances (—), children: Shirley Lee McGrath, Oct. 9, 1940, Lake City, Kan.; Donna Jean McGrath, Mar. 14, 1941, Lake City, Kan.; Mickey Ann McGrath, Dec. 15, 1945, Hardtner, Kan.; John Clay McGrath, Jr., Feb. 12, 1949, Hardtner, Kan.; Stephen Paul McGrath, Sept. 19, 1951, Hardtner, Kan.; and Mary Alice McGrath, June 19, 1953—June 31, 1953.

3-8: Rebecca Hope McGrath, Nov. 19, 1917, Barber Co., Kan. in. Charles Giardena. Children: Hope Rebecca Giardena.

[If anyone knows the parentage of Ola E. Littell please let us know]

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SHIRLEY ANN LITTELL

From page 390, The Gray Genealogy by Mary Ann Bohley Jamerson, 1980. 13 N. Milhon Drive, Mooresville, IN 46158:

Raymond Kline Gray (son of George Kline & Alice Enolia Copeland Gray) born August 17, 1925, Indianapolis, Indiana. Married, March 17, 1948, Indianapolis, md. to Shirley Ann Littell (dtr. of Earl Rae & Maude Rush Littell) born July 21, 1926, Madison, Indiana. They have two sons:

1. Christopher Kline Gray, b. 1/25/1949, Indianapolis, Indiana.
2. Gregory Dean Gray, b. 4/7/1950, Indianapolis, Indiana.

[Rae LITTELL - Archibald E. - William - Elias - Ephraim - Andrew — Anthony - John]

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ICE-LITTELL

[Appearing in the Knox County (Indiana) History Maxine Batman, editor; Turner Publishing Co., Paducah, KY. 1988, page 330]

Sylvan and Janis (Littell) Ice were both born and raised in Knox County. Sylvan graduated from Fritchton and Janis graduated from Wheatland.

Sylvan Wade was born May 14, 1937, the son of Roy (1910-), and Pauline (Scott) Ice (1913-). His father and mother live at RR 1, Wheatland. They are retired farmers. Sylvan's paternal grandparents were Ed (1878—1955) and Annie (Reel)(1885—1965) Ice, of RR 1, Monroe City. His maternal grandparents were Luther (1883—1960) and Austie (Stafford) (1887—1967) Scott of RR 1, Monroe City.

Sylvan has two brothers, Mervin and Charles, and two sisters, Ruth Simpson and Alice Carie.

Janis was born Jan. 25, 1938, the daughter of Wayne (1911-) and Nina (Baker) (1912—) Littell. Her father owned and operated the DX service station in Wheatland for years and also drove a school bus. Janis's paternal grandparents were Joseph (1889-1962) and Bertha (Corn) (1891—1963) Littell. Her maternal grandparents were Samuel (1884-1956) and Ida (Harbin) Baker.

Janis has one sister, Jill Littell.

Sylvan and Janis were married, June 20, 1959, in the Wheatland Christian Church. They live on a farm they bought in 1964, near Bicknell. The corners of Palmyra near Steen and Washington Townships, are to the back of their house. Sylvan is a grain and hog farmer. He raises mainly corn and some beans. The corn is used in feed for the hogs. They also own a farrowing complex at Paris, IL. The feeder pigs are brought to the farm at Bicknell, at about 50 pounds, and raised to market weight, 230 to 250 pounds. The complex is total confinement. This means one must shower "to go in, then change clothes, tour the buildings and then shower prior to going out." "This keeps the area disease free." "This is probably the only time one would take a bath to see a pig."

Janis is a homemaker, and especially enjoys her six month old granddaughter.

The Ices are parents of three daughters, Robin Dee, born May 12, 1961, Janine Lee, born, June 4, 1965, and Jodi Anny, born Apr. 1, 1967. All three girls graduated with honors from South Knox High School. They were active in National Honor Society, Spartanettes, Year Book, and 4-H. They all attended Purdue University.

Robin is married to Tim Schutter. They live on RR 1, Bruceville. Tim is a farmer and owns Schutter Grain Elevator in Westphalia. Robin graduated from Purdue and teaches third grade at South Knox. They are proud parents of a daughter, Jenna Leigh, born April 13, 1987.

Janine will graduate in May, 1988, from the School of Pharmacy at Purdue.

Jodi is a junior in accounting at Purdue, and is in honor clubs.

Sylvan, Janis, their daughters, and son—in—law are all active members of the Wheatland Christian Church. Sylvan is an Elder and Chairman of the Board, and Tim is a Deacon. Sylvan is on the board of directors at Knox County, R.E.M.C. and Citizens Bank of Vincennes.

[Janis - Joseph Wayne - Joseph Thompson - Charles Alexander — John Thompson, Jr — John Thompson, Sr — Absalom, Jr — Absalom, Sr — Anthony — John of NJ]

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JULIUS DEAN DILLON

The following biography is taken from the book, Indiana Lives published in 1967. The fly leaf of the book reads, in part, as follows: INDIANA LIVES A Reference Edition recording the Biographies of contemporary leaders in Indiana with Special Emphasis on Their Achievements in making it one of America's Greatest States. It was written by Hubert B. Hawkins and Robert R. McClarren and published by Historical Record Association, Hopkinsville, Kentucky. (pp 206—207)

DILLON, JULIUS DEAN, farmer and bank director. Rural Route # 1, Monrovia. The son of Roy Edward and Jerusha (Littell) Dillon, he was born on November 5, 1923 in Monroe Township, Morgan County, Indiana. Mr. Dillon is a graduate of Monrovia High School. He married the former Merrilee Ferguson of Mooresville, Indiana on October 2, 1943 and they are the parents of five children: James Dean, who was born September 9, 1944; Sue Ann, whose birth date is May 19, 1948; Richard E., who died on October 24, 1953 was born on July 9, 1951; Jeff Douglas, whose birth date is January 6, 1962; and Jack Dwayne, born on April 7, 1963.

Mr. Dillon is an Agriculturist. He is a breeder of polled Hereford Cattle and farms his two hundred ten acres of farmland. He is a member of the Board of Directors of the First National Bank of Martinsville, Indiana. Mr. Dillon is a past President of the Morgan County Fair Association and is presently service on the Board of Directors. He is a Director on the local Township School Board and a member of the Board of Directors of Indiana Polled Hereford Association. Mr. Dillon is a member of the blue Lodge of the Free and Accepted Masons #654, having served as a Master, and the Shrine Belt Association. He worships in the Monrovia Christian Church and serves as a member of the Official Board. [Jerusha LITTELL - William Isaac - Milo D. - Abraham - Absalom Jr - Absalom Sr - Anthony - John of NJ]

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I U ALUM

The following is from an alphabetical list of Alumni of Indiana University the only page of which we have goes from Lipski to Littlehale. Set forth hereafter are those who spelled their name LITTELL.

LITTELL, Cynthia Ann (Harvey); '77 BS ED; CED; Teacher, Springfield City Schools, 130 5 Burnett Road, Springfield, OH 45505

LITTELL, Edward Anthony; '72 MS ED; CED; P0 Box 311, Columbus, IN 47202

LITTELL, Harry B; '42 BA, '46 LLB; CLB; retired; 937 N. Potomac Street, Arlington, VA 22205

LITTELL, Helen H (See Smeltzer) '47 BA

LITTELL, John H; '74 BS BUS; CBU; 772 Olive Street, Pittsburgh, PA 15237

LITTELL, Kathleen Jan; '85 BA; CAS; RR 5, Crawfordsville, IN 47933

LITTELL, Marjory (Wilkinson); '32; 324 Leslie Court, West Lafayette, IN 47906

LITTELL, Narlon Chester; '72 MS ED; CED; Teacher Math, Jennings County School Corp., North Vernon, IN 47265

LITTELL, Noble Kieth; '54 JD; CLI; Judge Retired; 1219 Katcalani Ave, Sebring, FL 33870

LITTELL, Sandra G; '74 BS ED, '80 MS ED; CED; Teacher, Highland County Schools; 1219 Katcalani Ave, Sebring, FL 33870

There are a number with the spelling Little, but none that we are able to identify as having a LITTELL connection. They include: Carolyn H (See Wilkerson); Charles David, Frankfort, IN; Charles E., Indianapolis, IN; Dale Kenyon, Indianapolis, IN; Diane (See Siedlecki); Evagnes M (See Sommers); Frankie Harbuck, Jeffersonville, IN; George, Yardley, PA; George W., Jr., Owensboro, KY; Helen L (Odell), Auburn, IN; James E, Auburn, IN; James F., Indianapolis, IN; Jean, Monrovia, CA; John William, Jr, Washington, DC; Judith Carol (See Myers); Karen Elvitta, Indianapolis, IN; Katherine (See Walker); Kim Marie, Louisville, KY; Margaret Nancy (Rodgers), Thiensville, WI; Marjorie (See Van Tassell); Mildred (See Wolfe); Mildred Juanita (Campbell), Indianapolis, IN; Orrell Emma, North Manchester, IN; Phyllis (Sturgeon), Bloomington, IN; Reuben R, Meridian, MS; Roberta Jane (See Schaab); Sandra Kelso, Normal, IL; Sondra Kay (See Clymer); Tracy Eugene, Thiensville, WI; William Jeffrey, Kalispell, MT.

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BIRTHS

Anthony Rutilo HARDY was born at 6:17 pm, February 28, 1991 at Tacoma General Hospital to Sabrina Antoinette Jimenez and Roy Anthony Hardy. [Sabrina JIMENEZ - Antoinette WAUGHTEL - Isal WILCOX - Mabel C. SINEX - Luella O. WALKER - Nancy Melissa ROBERTSON - Elvira LITTELL - John Thompson Sr - Absaloin Jr - Absalom Sr - Anthony — John of NJ]

Nicole Reann TRINIDAD was born May 22, 1990 to Shawn and Daniele Trinidad. [Shawn TRINIDAD - Linda Mae WILCOX - William Ralph WILCOX - Mabel Gertrude SINEX, see above]

Christopher James SHELLEY, born at 6:54 AM and **Chase Philip SHELLEY**, born at 7:35 AM, January 7, 1991, sons of Jennifer Ann Bingman and James Philip Shelley, Jr. at St. Joseph's Hospital, Tacoma, Washington. [Jennifer Ann BINGMAN - Leola Dorothy WHITE - Isal WILCOX, see first entry above]

Gary Ray FORS, born August 28, 1991 at Everett, Washington son of Patrick James and Jody Ann (Warren) Fors. He joins brother Michael Allen Fors. He was named after both grandfathers. [Patrick James FORS - Gary Lloyd FORS, nee Gary Leroy WHITE - Isal WILCOX, see above}

[The above announcements submitted by Antoinette Waughtel Sorensen]

Jeremiah Ryan WELLS born May 22, 1989, son of Paula Kay Wells. [Paula Kay WELLS - Linda Lou ALLEN - Mildred lone LITTELL - Homer Ivan - John Thomas - Milo D. - Abraham — Absalom Jr - Absalom Sr - Anthony — John]

Christopher Cleo ALLISON born September 1, 1989, son of Sandra Jean Allison. [Jean ALLISON - Brenda Sue ALLEN - Mildred lone LITTELL, see above.

Debra Marie BOYER born January 27, 1991, daughter of Sandra Jean ALLISON. [see above]

[The above announcements submitted by Floy E. Littell]

Chloe Elizabeth BUSKIRK and **Catlin Elise BUSKIRK** twin daughters of Craig Elliott and Connie Sue (Lutterman) Buskirk born June 5, 1989 in Indianapolis, Indiana. [Ruth Jean ELLIOTT - Ed ELLIOTT - Mary Elizabeth LITTELL - Milo D. - Abraham - Absalom Jr - Absalom Sr - Anthony - John of NJ]

Landon Eugene LITTELL was born October 2, 1983 and **Leighton Lee Littell** was born May 8, 1986, in Oklahoma City, OK sons of Kelly Eugene and Teresa LeAnn (Hagar) Littell. [Kelly Eugene — Hardin Eugene - Hardin Logan - Josiah Logan - Josiah William Harrison — Hugh - Reuben - Jonah]

Logan Dean LITTELL was born in June 1989 in Kansas, the first child of Stephen Dean and Rebecca (Day) Littell. [Stephen Dean - Larson Clark - Hardin Logan, see above]

Morgan SULLIVAN was born September 30, 1981 and died October 5, 1981, in Hugoton, Kansas, daughter of Cheryl Littell and Kenny Sullivan. [Cheryl Littell - Larson Clark, see above]

William Hyatt SUTTON was born July 25, 1989, the first child of Anita Kay Littell and Todd Sutton.
[Anita Kay - Allen Drew — Weldon Hudson - Walter Raleigh - Hugh, see above]

Timothy Jason LITTELL was born January 28, 1982 in Ada, OK, second child of Timothy Logan and Ramonia Justine (King) Littell.
[Timothy Logan - Hardin Eugene, see above]

(Above entry contributed by Hardin E. “Gene” Littell, Oklahoma City)

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DEATHS

Robert Stuart Delemater LITTELL died February 6, 1990 in Sarasota, Florida where he and his wife were spending the winter. He was born October 23, 1905 in Cheshire, Connecticut the son of Bloomfield and Olive Frances (Tucker) Littell. In 1931 he was married to Mary Campbell Hull who survives as do their four children; Jacqueline Ann (Mrs. Peter S.) Wilson, Robert S. D. Littell, Jr.; William Seward Hull Littell; and Mary Sharon (Mrs. Stephen I.) Nobel, and two grandchildren, Katherine Billings Wilson and William S. H. Littell, Jr.
[Bloomfield- John Dunn - Richard Dumont - James - Nathaniel Sr - Samuel - John]

{From a note sent by Mrs. Littell}

Samuel Chester LITTELL, 81, of Route 5, North Vernon, Indiana, died Tuesday (3 May 1991) at Jennings Community Hospital.

He was a native of Jennings County, a retired employee of Cummings Engine Co., and a member of North Vernon Eagles and Moose lodges.

Survivors: his wife, the former Cassie Smith; three sons, Shawn Littell of Columbus, and Naron and Donnell Littell; a daughter, Maxine Zeigler of Mission Viejo, Calif.; a sister, Mildred Sutherland; nine grandchildren; and 10 great-grandchildren.

{The above clipping from the Louisville Courier Journal sent my Helen Moser. He was born July 27, 1909 the son of Samuel Vado and Edna (Hooker) Littell. He was first married, in 1930, to Thelma E. Youngman, the mother of his three children.}

[Samuel Vado - John B. - Ephraim - Elias - Ephraim - Andrew - Anthony - John of NJ]

Harvey Littell CLARK died October 6, 1990 of pneumonia, 9 months short of his 100th birthday. He was born July 25, 1891 in Fanwood Township, New Jersey the son of William Harvey and Hattie Theresa (Littell) Clark. On September 12, 1929 he married Thelma McClain, she died in 1976. They were parents of three children; Katherine (Mrs. John C.) Smith; Harvey Henry Clark; and Judith Ann (Mrs. Richard G.) Kaechele. Services were held in the Blawenburg Reformed Church, Blawenburg, New Jersey with burial in the Neshanic Cemetery. [MattieTheresa LITTELL - Henry Stites - Gershom Jr — Gershom Sr - John - Benjamin - Samuel - John of NJ]

{Note from Julia Clark Day, his sister}

Orville James WILCOX passed away November 24, 1990 in Auburn, Washington. Graveside services were held at Mountain View Cemetery, Auburn, Washington, and were conducted by the Chaplain of the VFW, Puyallup chapter.

On January 31, 1949 he married Jewell E. Soule who survives. Other survivors include their son James Edward and daughter—in—law Dana and two grandsons Michael James and Jeffrey Scott; son Michael Dean and daughter— in-law Becky and three granddaughters Melissa Marie, Stephany Anne and Michelle Lynn; brothers Clarence Lorraine, William Ralph and Charles Monroe Wilcox; sister Leola Ozena Coffman; and numerous nieces, nephews, and cousins. Preceding him in death was a brother, Orris Glenn, and a sister, Isal Gertrude (Wilcox) Waughtel/White/Call/Moxley.

He was the youngest son of James William and Mabel Gertrude (Sinex) Wilcox. He was born January 25, 1926 at Puyallup, Washington and attended schools in the Puyallup valley. He served in the Armed Forces in World War II under General Patton.

[Mable Gertrude SINEX - Luella Ozena WALKER - Nancy Melissa ROBERTSON - Elvira LITTELL - John Thompson Sr (see births above)]

{From Antoinette Sorensen}

WAYNE LITTELL

(From an obituary appearing in the Colby, Kansas Newspaper)

Wayne Littell was born July 30, 1930 in Colby. His parents were Cecil and Ethel Littell. He attended Colby schools. He received his GED in 1973 the same night that his daughter, Debbie, received her Junior College degree. Mr. Littell learned to weld from his family and owned his own welding shop in Colby. He died in Colby on October 27, 1990.

On Oct. 6, 1950, Mr. Littell married Mary Ellen Reed at the Methodist church parsonage. C. H. Coppedge performed the ceremony. Mr. and Mrs. Littell have two daughters; Mara Dee Duke and Debbie Rose Couch.

Mr. Littell was a member and past trustee of the Colby United Methodist Church. He was retired from the National Guard. He enjoyed bowling and was a member of Wayne's Welding Bowling Team. Wayne also enjoyed piloting small planes.

He was preceded in death by his parents; a sister, Pat Kobler; brother Charles; infant brother, Arthur, and infant sister, Mary.

He is survived by his wife; his daughter, Mary Dee Duke and her husband Walter, of Clewiston, Fla., and Debbie Rose Couch and her husband, Richard, of Broken Arrow, Okla; his grandchildren, Heather Sanford, Nicolas Duke, Reed Wayne Couch, and Ellen Paul Couch; great grandson, Skyler Sanford; brother, Morris Littell; and sisters Bertha Schardein, Pearl Smith, and Mabel Tolan.

A memorial has been established with the Colby United Methodist Church Building Fund.

Burial was in Beulah Cemetery.

[Cecil Handy - Charles Milburn — Milburn - John Thompson Sr - Absalom Jr - Absalom Sr - Anthony - John of Elizabeth, NJ]

{Sent by his sister, Mabel Tolan}

Lavergne NICHOLS was born April 3, 1903 and died June 6, 1987. She lived in Springfield, MO and was the daughter of J. W. and Harriett Jane Littell. She married George Nichols and they were the parents of William, Betty, and John Nichols.

[Harriet Jane LITTELL - Adam C. — Thomas]

{From note of Hazel Ruth Littell Erb}

Sarah Smith CARLETON

Sarah Catharine Smith Carleton of New Orleans, Louisiana passed away in January 1990, she was 89. Her remains were returned to Sellersburg, Indiana for burial. She was the daughter of Joseph Edward Frederic and Sophia (Geidt) Smith. One sister, Georgia M. Smith Stoner, age 84, survives.

[Joseph Edward Frederic Smith — Nary Jane LITTELL - Josiah Tremble - Absalom Jr — Absalom Sr - Anthony - John of NJ]

(Note from Joe & Orrel Smith)

AN OBITUARY FROM THE PAST

Leonard P. Littell (1889-1951)

(A combined account from Independent Journal, San Rafael, California and Salt Lake Tribune, Salt Lake City, Utah, September 24, 1951)

Leonard P. Littell, 62, former manager of Bemis Brothers Bag Co. at Salt Lake City and Denver, died of a heart ailment Saturday at 7 p.m. in his residence at San Rafael, Calif. He moved to California when he retired in July 1950.

A native of Pittsburgh, Pa., he was born Feb. 19, 1889. He married Pauline Green and they moved to Salt Lake City some 30 years ago. In 1929, Mr. Littell moved from Salt Lake City to Denver and resided there five years before returning here.

Mr. Littell was a former grand knight of the Knights of Columbus in Salt Lake City, a member of the Elks Club here and in Rocky Ford, Colo., and a member of the Salt Lake City Chamber of Commerce.

Survivors include his wife, Pauline; two daughters, Joyce (Mrs. Granville) Hamilton of Corte Madera, Calif. and

Elaine (Mrs. Robert L.) Hover of Midland, Texas; three grandchildren; two brothers, Sidney and Lee Littell, Glendale, Calif.; and three sisters, Mrs. Jean L. Sims, Glendale; Mrs. Ada Way, Coraopohs, Pa., and Mrs. Dorothy Hattman, Atlanta, Ga. Two of the grandchildren, Kent and Brian Hamilton, live in Corte Madera, the third, Melanie Hover, lives in Texas.

(contributed by Joyce Littell Hamilton)

(The two following obituaries from the past are from unidentified newspapers and were submitted by a recent member, Barbara Jean Balcom COWIN, 866 W. 4th Street, Ontario, CA 91762)

Mrs. Huldah R. THOMAS, wife of Rev. John Thomas, died at her home, 6509 Lafayette Aye, Chicago, Ill, on the night of March 16 (1904) at the age of seventy-eight, having been a member of the Church since the age of twelve. She was at the time of her death a member of the First Presbyterian Church of Englewood. Her active church service closed (being in poor health the past four years) with her membership at the Sixth Presbyterian Church of Chicago, of which she had been a member for twelve years. Her long life was a benediction, especially in the home circle.
[Huldah Rebecca LITTELL - John - Nathaniel - David - Samuel - John of NJ]

Rev. John Thomas

The interment of the Rev. John Thomas occurred at this place November 7, 1912. Mr. Thomas was born in Southern Ohio in 1822, and died in Fort Collins, Colorado, Nov. 2, 1912. Mr. Thomas was a Presbyterian Minister of over thirty years of active service, a man of great bodily and mental strength, and retained both to the very last. As Clergyman and Christian he was a man of very great spiritual force and power. . .

Deceased was a father of ten children, nine of whom are living. The funeral service was conducted at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. Stanley, Fort Collins, Colorado by the pastor of the Presbyterian church. . . The remains were then taken to Clarks, accompanied by Mrs. J. Stanley where they were met by Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Morse and other relatives and taken to the Morse home where a short service was conducted and the remains taken and entered in the Clarks cemetery by the side of his beloved wife who passed away some seven years ago.

[See obituary above]

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WEDDINGS

Patrick James Fors — Jody Ann Warren

Patrick James Fors, son of Gary Lloyd [nee Gary LeRoy White] and Annette Lorraine (Lee) Fors, and Jody Ann Warren, daughter of Melvin Ray and Cheryl Blanche (Wagner) Warren, were married Saturday, January 5, 1991 at Everett, Washington. A reception followed at the home of the groom's parents in Monroe, Washington. The newlyweds will make their first home in Everett, Washington where both are employed.

[Gary L. FORS (nee WHITE) - Isal WILCOX White - Mabel SINEX Wilcox — Luella WALKER Sinex - Nancy Melissa ROBERTSON Walker — Elvira LITTELL Robertson - John Thompson, Sr. - Absalom, Jr. - Absalom, Sr. - Anthony - John]

Bingnian/Gibb - Shelley

Jennifer Ann Bingman—Gibb, daughter of Walter Lloyd and Leola Dorothy (White) Bingman, and James Philip Shelley, Jr., son of James Philip and Mary Agnes "Pat" (Dillon) Shelley, were married July 14, 1990 in the Rose Garden, Point Defiance Park, Tacoma, Washington.

[Dorothy WHITE - Isal Gertrude WILCOX - See above]

STANSBERY - SIMONEAUX

Scott Thomas Stansbery, eldest son of Sharon Isal Call and the late James Dennis Stansbery, and Shawndee Terra Simoneaux, daughter of Robert Paul and Nancy Lynn (Raasch) Simoneaux, all of Graham, Washington, exchanged wedding vows May 27, 1991 at the Chapel in the Woods, Roy, Washington, with the Reverend Ernest Duram officiating. The groom is stationed in Myrtle Beach, South Carolina with the U. S. Air Force and where their new home will be made in September. A small reception was held June 1st at the home of the groom's mother.

[Sharon Isal CALL - Isal WILCOX - See above]

Correction of an error appearing in the 1988 issue, page 22. The date of marriage of **Jay Martin Henderson** and **Jodi Mae White** should have been July 16, 1983.

(The above 4 items from Antoinette Sorensen)

Sandra Jean Allison - Robert Allen Boyer

Sandra Jean Allison, daughter of Charles and Brenda Sue (Allen) Allison and Robert Allen Boyer were married in March 1990.

[Brenda Sue ALLEN - Mildred lone LITTELL - Homer Ivan — See births, previous page]

Carolyn Fay Cox - Bruce Edward Archer

Carolyn Fay Cox and Bruce Edward Archer were married October 8, 1983 in Indianapolis, Indiana. Carolyn is the daughter of Wilbur Kenneth Cox, Jr. and Maureen Fay, she was born November 15, 1962 in Burlingame, California, Bruce was born March 7, 1959 in Wilmington, Ohio.

[Wilbur Kenneth COX - Wilbur Kenneth COX, Sr. - Evelyn May STEVENS - Nancy Jane CHISUM - John DAVIS - Susannah BEDELL - Esther LITTELL - David - Samuel - John of NJ]

(Submitted by Margaret Church Cox, grandmother of the bride)

Tana Marie Toney - Ramer Francisco McCune

Tana Marie Toney and Ramer Francisco McCune were married Saturday, May 11, 1991 in the garden at the home of a sister of the groom in Imperial Beach, San Diego County, California by the Reverend James Runyan.

Maid of honor was Lee Ningning DeLancey, sister of the groom, best man was Michael DeLancey, brother—in—law of the groom.

The bride is the daughter of Larry Alan and Chere Kieth (Littell) Toney of Pittsboro, Indiana. The groom was born in Cavite City, Philippine Islands the son of the Neil Edwin and Corina (Francisco) McCune. The groom's father is deceased, his mother lives in California.

The newlyweds will make their home in Orlando, Florida where the groom is an employee of the Sheraton Orlando North and the bride is a student at Orlando College where she is majoring in paralegal studies.

[Chere Kieth LITTELL - Noble Kieth - Oran Clarence - William Isaac — Milo D. — Abraham - Absalom, Jr. - Absalom, Sr. - Anthony — John of NJ]

Joyce Littell - Granville Hamilton

(The following is from an item appearing June 29, 1940 in a Denver Colorado newspaper)

One of Saturday's prettiest ceremonies was that which joined Miss Joyce Littell and Granville Hamilton in marriage. The nuptials were held at 3 p.m. at Blessed Sacrament church with the Rev. William J. Mulcahey officiating, before a background of banked palms, baskets of gladioli and regal lilies, and cathedral candelabra bearing lighted tapers. John H. Amesse was soloist.

Blue and yellow were the colors used in the costumes of the maid of honor, Miss Elaine Littell, sister of the bride, and the bridesmaids, Misses Polly White, Helen Collins, and Virginia Blomgren. The maid of honor wore bouffant blue shadow organdy, with a tight bodice, long puffed sleeves, and a sweetheart neck line. Her hat was a large picture model of yellow horsehair, and her shower bouquet was of yellow snapdragons with baby breath. Yellow marquiset formed the gowns of the bridesmaids, and their picture hats were of blue horsehair. They carried blue delphinium and baby breath in shower bouquets.

The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, Leonard P. Littell, was charmingly gowned in a dress made with a long—sleeved white satin bodice and a full skirt of white net ending in a long train. Her fingertip length veil of white net was in three tiers, held to her head with a coronet, orange blossom—trimmed. She carried white roses and sweet peas with maidenhair fern.

Those who ushered were Messrs. Charles Anderson of Fort Morgan, George Bicknell Rice, William Munn, Elmer Benson, and John J. Vance. Darrell Hamilton was his brother's best man.



Joyce Littell

A reception in the garden at the home of the bride's parents followed the wedding. received the guests, wore pale blue crepe made with a gathered bodice and V—neck line, and a leghorn hat. The bridegroom's mother, Mrs. Roy Hamilton of Boulder, was gowned in a rose chiffon shirtwaist dress with which she wore a leghorn hat. Among those who came the wedding were Mr. Joyce Littell and Mrs. George H. Elliott, Donald H. Green, and Miss Eilene Huddleston of Omaha, Neb and Mrs. Louis A. Way of Columbiana, Ohio.

The couple left soon after the reception on a fortnight's motor trip to California.

[Elizabeth Joyce LITTELL - Leonard Parker - James Moore - William of England — William - Francis or Joseph - Joseph of Norfolk, Eng land]

(Submitted by Joyce Littell Hamilton)

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Hesker Davis

(An excerpt from two Washington County, Indiana histories, one published about 1900, the second about 1976.

Contributed by Antoinette Sorensen)

Hesker Davis, son of Henry and Ruth Jane (Williams) Davis, was born on September 6, 1865, and during the month of December 1888, he was married to Dora Robertson, who was born in Polk township, Washington county, the daughter of John T. and Malinda (Goss) Robertson. John T. Robertson was born on the Muddy fork, in Clark county, Indiana, the son of Reuben and Elvira (Littell) Robertson.

Reuben Robinson for many years was a pioneer school—teacher, he later becoming an early merchant of New Albany, Indiana. John T. Robertson was married to Malinda Goss, a native of Polk township, and the daughter of John and Phoebe (Crim) Goss.

Hesker and Dora were parents of three daughters: Lulie, born Dec. 12, 1890; Elsie, born on Dec. 18, 1892; and Mamie born Jan. 6, 1897. All took teachers' training at Central Normal College. Elsie married another teacher, Jesse L. Rodman in 1926; Mamie married, in 1923, Elvis M. Boss, an automobile dealer and later banker. Lulie never married, she was active the historical society of Washington County. [Elvira Isadore "Dora" ROBERTSON - John Thompson ROBERTSON - Elvira LITTELL - John Thompson, Sr. — Absalom, Jr. — Absalom, Sr. - Anthony - John of NJ]

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A DAY IN THE LIFE OF JAMES MOORE LITTELL 1892

The clear air makes me breathe deeply as I stand looking down on Pittsburgh from the porch of my home on Mount Washington. It isn't often the sun is able to penetrate the thick soot in the air caused by the coal industry.

Today is different as the city and the three rivers are bathed in sunshine. I feel a great love for this city that has been so good to me since I arrived from Colchester, England in 1870.

How unselfish mother and dad were to let me, their eldest son, go off to the United States at the tender age of 18. Now that I have children of my own, I can appreciate the sacrifice they made.

Dad trained me well in the years I worked in his grocery business in Colchester. Within two years I had a grocery store, with a partner, on Sandusky St. in Old Allegheny, now a part of Pittsburgh.

Perhaps it was the heritage set down by my Littell ancestors, who were weavers in East Anglis, that drew me away from the grocery business into the clothing business.

My partner and I opened our first haberdashery in 1880 on Railroad St. The business grew so that by 1887 I was in business for myself.

My three brothers, William, Sidney and Charles were a big help to me. They had come to Pittsburgh with our widowed mother, Elizabeth, in 1882.

As the past is running through my mind, my daughter, Jean comes to tell me that breakfast is ready. I always enjoy breakfast with my family. Today there are just my wife Ada and our daughters Jean and Ada. The boys, Sidney, Lea and Leonard, are still sleeping since this is summer vacation.

After breakfast, I walk the few blocks to ride the Incline down the steep hill. This wonderful invention enables those of us who live on Mount Washington to work in Pitts burgh. It is a small car that runs on rails and is pulled up and down the steep hill by huge cables.

After leaving the Incline at the bottom of the hill, I walk across the Smithfield St. Bridge which spans the Monongahela River.

On the other side it is but a short walk up Smithfield St. to my store at number 203, in the heart of the downtown section of the city. I always feel a great pride when I see my name on the sign over the entrance.

I had so many things to do this morning that I didn't get around to changing the display in the window until noon. While arranging a shirt display, I happened to glance out the window and saw my daughter Ada with her nose pressed against the glass and smiling at me. She held up a basket to show me my lunch!

That was the first of many lunches my daughter and I enjoyed this summer.

What a wonderful way for a father and daughter to get to know each other.

[Joyce Littell Hamilton, daughter of Leonard Littell and granddaughter of James Moore Littell]

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NEW MEMBERS

#591 — William R. Buskirk, 1775 NW 130th, Portland, OR 97229

#592 - David Eric Radke, 1209 5. Snipe Hollow Rd, Elizabeth, IL 61208

— Melvin Douglas Birch Arnold, P. O. Box 303, Westfir, OR 97492

WILLIAM R. BUSKIRK

New Littell Families of America member, Bill Buskirk, has been honored as the First Citizen of Beaverton, Oregon.

In 1979 William R. Buskirk, 64, decided it was time to retire and enjoy the fruit of his years of labor, he had just completed 32 years with Southern Pacific Transportation Co. Originally from Hutchinson, Kansas, Bill worked for Southern Pacific in San Francisco, Kansas City, Eugene and Portland, Oregon. His most recent position was Pacific North west area sales manager. After a trip to London, some time spent in Hawaii, and a visit with relatives in the Midwest the 64- year-old retiree just didn't feel his needs were fulfilled so he "un—retired."

As chairman of Christ Methodist Church's Christian Social Concerns Committee, Bill took an interest in the fledgling Tualatin Valley Food Center. By 1981 he was directing the center and soon moved into expanded facilities.

In 1985, the center distributed 2.8 million pounds of food. The center's emergency food box program distributed food to 18,080 households in Washington County, serving a total of 57,488 hungry people.

Bill recognized the need to involve the retired and semiretired men of his Church in an activity and extended an invitation to meet for coffee and rolls at 10 a.m. Mondays. He dubbed the group the "Eskimos" - "Elder Sons Keeping in Mind our Savior."

Between 30 and 35 Eskimos meet each Monday morning to hear talks about travel, personal growth, community interest and current events.

Bill summarized this phase of his achievements as follows, "Our principal accomplishment has been the development of friendships that reach out to each other and help our church. Our goal in 1991 is more of the same."

(The above is a combination of excerpts from "Buskirk abandons retired life to help the down and out," The Times/Portrait section, February 25, 1987; "Buskirk named First Citizen," The Times, April 21, 1988.; "Beaverton honors its First Citizen," an unidentified newspaper, May 26, 1988; and "'Eskimos' no longer feel left out in the cold," Portland "Oregonian", January 31, 1991.

(William Richard Buskirk - Paul Carlton Buskirk - Alfred Dayhoff Buskirk - Philander A. Buskirk - Alfred Buskirk — John Buskirk & Mary Littell - Absalom Littell - Anthony — John of NJ)

LETA SCHENKE BUSKIRK

(An excerpt from the Church bulletin, Christ United Methodist Church, Portland, Oregon, July 28, 1991)

Leta Buskirk is viewing the Sunday Worship service from a whole new perspective lately. For most of her life, her place in church has been at the organ or piano, providing the music that accompanies and enhances the worship.

Leta was born in Kansas City, KS. Her mother was an organist, and Leta began playing too - for youth groups at high school. When Leta's father moved the family to Hutchinson, KS , she met Bill Buskirk the first time she attended church there, at a picnic. They were married 46 years ago.

Leta and Bill's plans for her retirement include a trip to San Diego in August for the marriage of one of their two granddaughters.

DAVID ERIC RADKE

New member, David Eric Radke, was born 18 August 1937 in Libertyville, Lake County, Illinois the son of Emil

Hans Konrad and Mattie Elizabeth “Bee” (Shimmin) Radke. On 2 August 1957, at Corpus Christi, Texas, he and Lore Louise Slagter were married. The bride was the daughter of William Andrew and Helen Alice (Lennberg) Slagter. They are parents of two daughters, Lisa Louise Radke Pizana and Aimee Victoria Radke, and two Sons, Eric Jon and Rolf David Radke.

David is a veteran of Navy service, 1955 — 1959 where he was an aerologist and an ice observer. He is a licensed private pilot. David has a number of other interests that keep him busy, he is an amateur geologist, an archaeologist and an expert on, and a collector of, firearms. He is a farmer, a journey man pipefitter, and a certified welder. David is also a historian and a genealogist.

(Mattie Elizabeth SHIMMIN - Muirl Willa DORROUGH - Margaret Elizabeth LAFFOON - Narcissa Jane BUSKIRK - Isaac Curd BUSKIRK — John Buskirk & Mary LITTELL — Absalom, Sr - Anthony - John of NJ)

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MARY ELVIRA LITTELL 1849-1916

(by Lucille B. Veale Hewitt, granddaughter)

Mary Elvira Littell was born Friday, March 9, 1849, the first born of John Thompson, Jr. and Sarah (Weinman) Littell.

She married Henry Hardin on May 27, 1870 and they were parents of two children: Melvin L. Hardin and Cora D. Hardin.

After Henry died Mary changed the name of the children to Harding because of a notorious gang by the name of Hardin.

Mary Elvira met and married my grandfather Watis Thompson Veale (grandson of James Carr Veale who established Veale Township south of Washington, Indiana). They were married March 10, 1880 in Washington, Ind.

Mary was happy on the Veale Ranch where they raised Morgan Horses. My father, William Thompson Veale was born January 2, 1881. When he was two years of age triplet sons were born but they did not survive.

Watis Thompson Veale died of pneumonia on March 17, 1886 at which time Mary Elvira was three months pregnant with Benjamin Watis Veale, who was born October 7, 1886.

Sarah Weinman Littell and Sons lived with Mary, helping her with the children and the farm.

They were a happy, God loving family, always laughing and enjoying life.

Mary Elvira married a man by the name of Jackson or Johnson. He was mean to the children and horses, and Sarah Weinman and Mary Elvira packed his bag and sent him on his way. He died when the buggy he was driving overturned and crushed him.

Mary Elvira then married a man by the name of Williams. He died and left her a widow again.

Mary Elvira came to California to be near her daughter Cora B. Harding Wallace, who lived in Orange County, bringing William and Benjamin. Melvin Harding lived in Bakersfield, California.

She met William B. Lytton and they were married July 3, 1899 in Orange County by her uncle, William N. Littell, minister of the Church of Christ in Orange, California. She was 53 years of age at this time.

Mary Elvira, her husband, and two sons, moved back to Indiana to be near her mother. The family moved to Kansas in 1906. By this time my folks had 3 sons.

Mary, her husband, and Benjamin moved back to California in 1908 and settled in Santa Ana. By this time she had 10 grandchildren.

William B. Lytton passed away November 24, 1915, leaving her a widow again. She died November 15, 1916 and is buried in Fairhaven Memorial Cemetery in Santa Ana, California beside her husband, William Lytton.

A very special Lady. Loved dearly by all her family, children, and grandchildren.

GOD REST HER SOUL.

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Reunion in Washington State



The three pictured above — Anoinette Waughtel Sorensen, Paul Hesse, and Genevieve Ella Gregory Mumford were honored as now being of the “older generation” at the 1991 reunion of Sinex/Wilcox descendants of John Thompson Littell was held July 20th at the Millersylvania State Park south of Olympia, Washington with Kimberly Suzanne White as the hostess. Steven Troy Jimenez was to be co-host with his cousin, but was in Gaziantep, Turkey serving with the U.S. Army.

Activities began at 6 a.m. and continued for many as an overnight camp out. The weather was idyllic and the younger guests enjoyed swimming and other sports.

Those in attendance were: Kimberly White; James White; Arthur, Jr., Darlene & Shari White; Beverly & Jerry Devers; Gary & Annette Fors; Patrick, Jodi & Michael Fors; Sharon Stansberry & Miranda; Dorothy & Lloyd Bingham; Jennifer & Jim Shelley, twin sons, Chris & Chase; Genevieve & Glenn Mumford; Paul Hesse; Roy Hardy, Sabrina Jimenez—Hardy, David, Malind & Anthony; Jim Goforth, Lisa Jimenez—Goforth, Melanie & Patrick; Danella, Christopher, and Ricardo Jimenez, Jr.; Antoinette Sorensen; a brother and sister of Annette Fors — Aaron L. Lee & sons; Anita Scheaffer & daughter Dawn; Ruth Hughes, betrothed of Ricardo Jimenez, Sr.; and Jim Wilcox. Also attending were Raymond & Aaron Burr, parents of Darlene White.

A date was not set for the 1992 reunion but most felt that the 3rd Saturday of July had worked out well in the past. [Contributed by Antoinette Sorensen]

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DAVIS DESCENDANTS

(The following is from a compilation of Davis material researched by Margaret Church Cox, widow of William Kenneth Cox son of Evelyn May (Stevens) Cox - Nancy Jane (Chisum) Stevens Eliza Jane (Davis) Chisum - John Davis - Susannah (Bedell) Davis — Esther (Littell) Bedell - David Littell — Samuel - John of NJ)

Jonathan Davis, son of Isaac and Sarah (Palmer) Davis was born 3 Jan 1761, Elizabethtown, NJ; married Susannah Bedell, daughter of William and Esther (Littell) Bedell was born 27 Nov 1761, Elizabethtown, NJ. Susannah died 20 Sept 1836 and Jonathan 26 Oct 1845, Brownsville, Union County, IN. Their children were: William, m. Sarah Lamb; John, m. Elizabeth Serring; Mary; Elijah, m. Eliza Minerva (?); Hulda, m. John Munger; Hester, m. Joseph Q. Lamb.

John Davis was nine years old when he moved from New Jersey to the Northwest Territory in 1792 with a large family group headed by his grandfather William Bedell. His grandfather had bought property in the northern part of Hamilton Co., Ohio, which later became Warren County, but didn't move there until 1795. William Bedell's name was misspelled on his first deed and was thereafter Beedle or Bedle.

John Davis was not quite 22 years old when he married in June of 1805, Elizabeth Serring, who was about 18.

The previous March the first missionaries of the Shaker (United Society of Believers) came to Warren County. A large portion of the emigrant to the Miami Valley were Presbyterians. Many of the members, and their pastor, became Shakers and formed themselves into the first Shaker community west of the Alleghenies. Married members were admitted but they believed in celibacy between husband and wife; the men, women and children lived in separate houses (dormitories) each of which was presided over by a church elder, who was called the "Father" or "Mother" of that house. Their mode of living was communal, members being required to give all property to the church which eventually owned 4,000 acres. Elizabeth's parents, Samuel and Sarah Serring became active in the Shaker movement. Jonathan Davis and his wife joined them, as did their son John and his wife, Elizabeth Serring.

John Davis turned against the society and was the source of many entries in the records of the Shakers. Vol. X, p 258, "The saintly Eldress Ruth Farrington and Eldress Martha Sanford received blows from a cowhide in the hands of one John Davis."

Vol. XI, p 114, "July 1810. Shakers secretly informed that subscription being circulated for the purpose of raising a mob and that John Davis and the two Wilsons were active agents." There are many entries as that part of the family outside the Shakers attempted to retrieve their remaining kin, "forcibly retained."

The records show that William Davis joined the "Shaking Quakers" and died among them. Other children joining the Shakers included Mary, Elijah and his wife Minerva, and Hester and her husband Joseph Q. Lamb.

At least Elijah and Minerva left the Shakers and moved to Indiana. According to the Liberty Herald, published at Liberty, IN, 2 July 1852, page 48, "The Church of Christ (Campbellite) was organized Dec. 23, 1840." Among members were James Bedell, Elijah & Minerva Davis, J. & Mary Mulford.

Elizabeth (Serring) Davis died in August 1821. On 31 March 1822 John married Nancy Jane Harding, who had recently come with her family to Indiana from Ontario Co., NY. She was 17 years younger than John. They lived in Brookville, IN and had three children before Jane died in 1837.

It is always interesting to note how history affected the lives of our ancestors. Brookville was a flourishing community when John Davis moved there, but just at the time of Jane's death, the financial panic of 1837 occurred, leaving Indiana in bankruptcy, causing many to leave the state. John joined this exodus going to the Republic of Texas, which in 1837 declared its independence from Mexico and was offering free land to new settlers. John's mother died about this time and also his eldest son, William B. Davis.

John Davis received certificate # 8, dated 7 June 1838, for 1280 acres of land in Lamar County about 11 miles N.E. from Paris.

The children of John and Elizabeth were: William B. Davis who married Charlotte Green in 1833, he died in 1835; {Dr} Samuel M. Davis who married Hannah W. Case, living in Franklin Co., IN in 1860 census; Harvey Bates Davis, went to Texas with his father, married Elizabeth Cynthia Miller, went to California in 1849, died about 1912 in Sabinas, Mexico. Harvey and Elizabeth were parents of 17 children, 5 born in Texas, and 12 in California. He was in the cattle raising business in Mexico when he died.

John Davis and his second wife were parents of three children: David Harding Davis, married, in Lamar Co., Republic of Texas, Louisa Caron Miller, sister of his brother Harvey's wife; Eliza Jane Davis, married, first, William Chisum, second, Fielding Calmos Hathaway; and Elijah Palmer Davis, married Martha N. Harrison, they were parents of four children.

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DISTAFF ANCESTORS

Raymond P. Littell of Capron, Oklahoma is proud of his Littell heritage. His father was Jasper Ray Littell, born on a Kansas farm he acquired an above average education and became a leader in community and civic affairs. His grandfather, Jasper Littell, was born in Indiana and by 1886 had forged on into the West to help settle that frontier as his ancestors had helped carve a niche in the Northwest Territory that was to become Indiana.

Raymond is equally proud of another notable ancestor that is deserving of mention in this magazine. Jasper Littell's mother was Agnes Parker Bell and her mother was Nancy English Pennington. Nancy's father was the notable Dennis Pennington who was to become one of the most prominent men in early Indiana history.

Dennis Pennington was six weeks old when the Declaration of Independence was signed, one of 9 children born to Edward and Nettie (Lark) Pennington. He grew up in Virginia with his playmate, Henry Clay. The two pooled their resources in 1797 and decided to emigrate to Kentucky, they had but one horse between them so took turns riding.

Dennis and Henry Clay separated in Kentucky, Dennis joined his Uncle Timothy in Lincoln County where he married Elizabeth English in 1800. Dennis and Major Harbison explored the area north of the Ohio and in the fall of 1804 resettled in what was to become Harrison County, Indiana in a few years. The site Dennis chose also was to become the town of Corydon and Indiana first capital.

Dennis Pennington was the contractor who built the first State House. He was a member of the Territorial legislature and a framer of the state's first constitution. He was the Speaker of the House of Representatives when Indiana became a state in 1816 and served in the House and Senate a total of 29 years.

This editor has two other connections with the Pennington family. The home my ancestor, Absalom Littell, Jr built shortly after his arrival in Indiana in 1799, 30 miles or so east of Corydon, is still standing and owned by a Mr. and Mrs. Pennington. Also a friend, and business associate, Bill Graam of Indianapolis, is equally proud of being a descendant of Dennis Pennington.

Space does not permit us to do justice to the accomplishments of Dennis Pennington but there are numerous articles and stories of his life and times worthy of your time to seek and read.

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IN THE MILITARY

Many Littell descendants were involved in active military service during the recent Desert Storm activities in the Persian Gulf. With your help we can recognize the valuable contributions our soldiers, sailors, marines, airmen, and coast guardsmen and women in the pages of our family magazine.

Captain John T. Littell, M.D.

Capt. John Thomas Littell, M.D., U.S. Army returned from his Desert Storm assignment in Germany reporting back to Fort Gordon, Georgia. John had been sent to Nuremberg, Germany to provide medical backup for the Iraq War. John's wife, Kathleen and new baby, Ann Marie Littell, born October 12, 1990, were with John. Fortunately, all went well and they were able to attend to some sight seeing and quickly return to their new home in Evans, Georgia.

[Thomas - William Adams, Jr. - William Adams, Sr — William Archibald — George Shil— lito - David - {Squire}
William - James of Ireland

DOUGLAS RAYMOND DEVERS

OTCM Douglas 1k. Devers, wife Sue, sons Chris, Randi and Benjamin are enjoying their first stateside home in over 3 years, having

recently settled in at Ferndale, California. Douglas, the son of Beverly (Waughtel) and Jerry R. Devers, Puyallup, Washington, has been stationed in Hawaii and was home on leave visiting his parents, his sister and brother-in-law, Lynette and William Scheid; his sister Candice and her husband, Rod Roslie, before departing for upstate New York where his wife's parents reside. Douglas reported to the Naval Facility at Centerville Beach, Ferndale, Calif. He will be eligible to retire from the U.S. Navy in 1993.

[WAUGHTEL - Isal WILCOX — Mabel SINEX

- Luella Ozena WALKER - Nancy Malissa ROBERT SON - Elvira LITTELL - John Thompson - Absalom, Jr - Absalom, Sr - Anthony — John of NJ]

SCOTT THOMAS STANSBERRY

PSC Scott Thomas Stansbery is stationed at Myrtle Beach, SC since completing his basic training at Lackland Air Force Base, San Antonio, Texas and his ALT at Chanute AFB, Illinois last February. He and his wife, Shawndee, reside off base at Murrello Inlet, SC, and are awaiting the birth of their first child in late November. In July he was in a survival training class at Fairchild AFB, Washington and was able to attend the annual July reunion of this branch of the family.

Scott is the son of Sharon Isal Call and the late James Dennis Stansberry.

[Sharon Isal CALL - Isal WILCOX, See above]



Scott Stansbery

CHRISTOPHER LLOYD BINGMAN

E-4 Christopher L. Bingman is stationed aboard the frigate USS Jack Williams at Jacksonville, Florida. Christopher took his training at Great Lakes, Illinois, later stationed near Norfolk, Virginia before being sent to Jacksonville. He recently returned from a month tour of the Panama Canal, Puerto Rico, and an island off Barbados. He is in fire control aboard ship. Christopher is the son of Leola Dorothy (White) and Walter Lloyd Bingman of Coon Rapids, Minnesota.

[Leola Dorothy WHITE - Isal WILCOX See above]



Christoper Bingman

LISA G. JIMENEZ-GOFORTH

Lisa G. Jimenez—Goforth was not in the military, although her husband, James Robert Goforth, Jr, retired in April from the US Air Force. Their last 3 1/2 years were in Germany and Lisa worked for Billetting at Hahn AFB where her husband was stationed. She was awarded the Dept of the Air Force Performance Award in December 1989 for sustained superior performance. She was also Employee of the Month in May, 1989 and Employee of the Year in 1989 for which she was awarded \$150. They were able to tour much of Europe and have their own piece of the Berlin Wall. Lisa has two children, Melanie Marie and Richard Patrick Patterson. She is the oldest daughter of Antoinette (Waughtel) and Rutilo Robert Jimenez. The now live in Tacoma, WA.

[Antoinette WAUGHTEL - Isal WILCOX
see above]



Lisa G. Jimenez-Goforth

STEVEN TROY JIMENEZ

E-3 Steven Troy Jimenez enlisted in the US Army last fall and had his initial training at Fort Knox, KY, graduating February 15, 1991, the day Saddam Hussein announced he would withdraw from Kuwait. His orders changed from a 3—day week end pass to a 16 day leave at home. He rode back to Washington with his mother, brother Rick and Rick's girl friend. He left March 6th for Kitzengen, Germany from which he was immediately reassigned to Gaziantep, Turkey. He is presently at Incirlik AFB, Adama, Turkey where the temperature ranges well above the 100 degree mark.

Steven is the youngest child of Rutilo Robert and Antoinette (Waughtel) Jimenez]

[Antoinette WAUGHTEL - Isel WILCOX
See above]



Steven Jimenez

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NEWS FROM THE PHILIPPINES

Matt and Peggy Littell write of a wedding at which Matt was one of the officiating ministers and their son was a Junior usher.

“Weddings are always a very special occasion and our family was really happy to attend, this past week-end, the wedding of one of our team members in Alamada, North Cotabato, 14 hours away from Cagayan de Oro. On the way down Benjamin had lamented how very sad it is that he is too old to be ring bearer, but 5 minutes before the wedding started he was asked to march in with the wedding party as a junior usher. The custom here is to feed the wedding crowd several meals and this wedding was no exception. One family source shared that they had served 10 goats, 10 pigs, 2 cows, and numerous chickens. Bow would you like that grocery bill?!”

Matt and Peggy are missionaries serving at Cagayan de Oro City, Philippines. Matt went to the Philippines as a small boy with his parents, Charles and Florence Littell, who have spent more than 30 years as missionaries. Charles and Florence are at Davoa City.

For more information on this Littell missionary family you can contact Matt and Peggy through their forwarding agent, Sandee Lawson, 3818 Whitman Ave. North, Seattle, WA 98103 and Charles and Florence through Willa Swengel, Box 745, Seymour, IN 47274.

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Operating Funds

Operating Receipts for 1990

Membership Dues	\$ 818
Interest Earned	<u>\$ 1,680</u>

Total Receipts \$2,498

Expenditures for 1990

Print/Mail LLA	\$ - 0 -
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Total Expenditures \$ - 0 -

Total Balance Operating Funds 12/31/90 \$2,498

Capital Funds

Balance Year Ended 1989 \$26,330

Capital Fund Receipt for 1990

Contributions	\$ 160
Total Receipts	<u>\$ 160</u>

Total Balance Capital Funds 12/31/90 \$26,490

Total Capital and Operating Funds 12/31/90 \$28,988

Submitted 1/20/1991

s/ William Adams Littell, Jr.

William Adams Littell, Jr.

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