

WE HAVE MANY THINGS PLANNED FOR EVERYONE. If you have anything to ask or are interested in any of your family members, feel free to ask any of the Committee members or Officers and we will do our best to find the answer.

I would like to take this opportunity to Thank all the Officers, Board Members, Committee members: Activity, Historical, Nomination, and especially our News Reporters, Phillip and Wanda Wells, for all their work in getting the News out to our members. If it were not for these people, we would not be able to have the nice reunions that we are having.

If you are interested in becoming an officer or serving on a committee, or know of someone that would be willing to serve, please contact the Nomination Committee or either of your officers or board members and they will get the message to the Nomination Committee. Thanks for the opportunity to serve as President for the Wells Family Association, Inc.

PAT

TREASURER'S REPORT

By

Mary Wells Walton

There have already been many small reunions and others are scheduled for this summer. The only extended Wells Family Reunion is only six weeks away and I'm sure you are anxious as I am for September 2nd, when we will be able to see all of our Wells cousins. Our calendars have been marked for LABOR DAY WEEKEND for a long

time and we will soon be making our final plans to attend both days, September 2nd and 3rd. Your Wells Family Association Board members have met three times since the 1988 Reunion and have many interesting activities planned for us.

There will be an award for Oldest member, the Youngest Member, One traveling the farthest distance, and the family with the largest number present.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Bal. 4/22/89.....\$1455.52
Receipts from sell of Memorial books.....\$146.00
TOTAL.....\$1601.52

Disbursements:

Williams Graphic Bal. printing Memorial Bks. \$1125.00
Purchases for 89 reunion:
Plates.....\$12.00
Awards.....\$35.89
Total \$1172.89

Designated Funds:

Purchase of Grave Stones, Calendar proj. 133.84

Total Bal. in Treas. \$ 294.79

The Board Members are very much concerned about having only \$294.79 in the treasure since they know the cost that is involved to have the reunion. We feel by letting our members know exactly what it costs for the reunion that you will have some suggestions as to how we will be able to solve the problem and continue our reunion in the same manner as the past years.

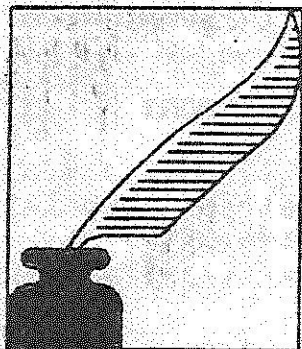
The cost for the 1988 Reunion including mailing three news

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GREETINGS:



Pen in hand...

The 1989 WELLS FAMILY REUNION will be held Saturday, September 2nd and Sunday, September 3rd, at Johnson Central High School, Paintsville, Ky. The high school is located on Rt. 23 bypass of Paintsville. If you are traveling South on 23, the school will be on your left at the shopping center. If you are traveling North, it will be on your right.

The Saturday meeting will begin at 4:00 p.m. Activities will include: Genealogical meeting with an exchange of data following with questions and answer time. A tour of RICHARD WELLS, GEORGE E. WELLS, WILLIAM GREEN WELLS and AGNES AUXIERS grave sites. Wear COMFORTABLE shoes!!!

Sunday's activities will begin at 9:00 a.m. with a covered dish dinner following a brief business meeting. Please bring drinks (non alcoholic please), a covered dish or dishes to accommodate the size of your family plus a little extra to share with others. Many of you from out of town

may pick up food at the numerous food sources in the surrounding area.

Reserve your hotel or motel EARLY to avoid any problems in getting the place of your choice. The following is a list of local motels:

PAINTSVILLE

Carriage House... (606) 789-4242
Highlands Motel... (606) 789-5341

PRESTONSBURG

Holiday Inn..... (606) 886-0001
Plantation Motel. (606) 886-9161
Jenny Wiley
State Park..... Call State Pk.

Please make every effort to attend this years reunion. We'd like to make this years gathering the largest ever!!!!

See you there.

PHILLIP AND WANDA WELLS

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Pat Williams

The time has arrived again for the Annual Wells Family Reunion, and I would like to encourage every Wells family to attend. It takes everyone to have a successful Reunion. PLEASE COME OUT AND JOIN TOGETHER WITH YOUR WELLS COUSINS in this event.

letters each year was a total of \$1,072.72. This amount includes paying an employee from Johnson Central High School to be present during the hours that we use the school (required by the school), three kitchen employees to serve the food and clean up after the meals, purchasing of paper products, including silverware, plates, napkins, tablecloths and other supplies to register the guests and the awards given to members. This all cost \$480.00. The Association spent \$528.72 to print and mail three newsletters to its over 500 members. We pay \$60.00 per year for bulk mail privileges, and pay \$4.00 annually to Kentucky State Treasure to keep the Association registered as a non-profit organization (this gives you the right to use your donations as a tax deduction). I hope this will give each of you an idea of the cost for having a successful reunion as we have had in the past. The 1988 general offering was only \$155.48 and this amount would not pay for the mailing of one newsletter.

Your board members are making every effort to cut costs and many have donated hours plus the use of their own money to provide books and documents for us to purchase at a minimal cost. I'm sure we all appreciate the dedication and great contribution these members have made and we appreciate each of you who have purchased the books and documents. If you did not purchase the books and documents, then the Association would be unable to

financially exist. If you have any suggestions that will help your board members, please contact either of your board members.

SECRETARY'S REPORT:

Meetings were held on April 22, 1989 and July 15, 1989 at the homes of Deloris "Sis" Booth, and Mary W. Waltons to plan for this year's reunion.

TREASURER'S REPORT

The financial report read by Mary Walton, Treasurer, showed an available balance of \$294.79.

A janitor for Saturday and Sunday and three cafeteria workers for serving food on Sunday will be hired.

ATTENTION BOARD MEMBERS AND VOLUNTEER WORKERS! Meet at Johnson Central High at 3 p.m. on Saturday and 9 a.m. Sunday.

NOMINATION COMMITTEE (1989-90) OFFICERS:

A new president and treasurer have not been found yet. Therefore, the board recommended that present officers serve another year if new officers can not be found. However, some of the officers have already been confirmed.

CALENDAR PROJECTS:

For those interested in having their family data published in a calendar-there is need for immediate action. For each name and birth date (or each name and death date, etc) published, the cost is .50 each. The data should include the month, day, and year and be sent with a check or money order to Mary Wells Walton, Treasurer; 124 Mt. Savage Dr.; Ashland, Ky. 41101. We need a

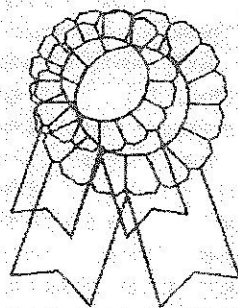
minimum of 300 names in order to make the project worthwhile and will try at the 1989 reunion, if this goal is not met in time to publish for this year's reunion. If this goal is not achieved, the money will be refunded to the participating members.

MEMORIAL STONE:

A memorial stone with a plaque listing names of those buried in the Old Log Church house cemetery, Rt. 3, Johnson Co., Ky. will be bought. Goldie Stevens told Mary Walton she thought some of Richard and Susanna Wells' children were buried there, but was unable to remember which ones. Virginia Edgel contacted Woodridge Spears and found out that Rose Anna Wells Spears was buried there with her mother. Since the exact location of the graves belonging to Susannah Hutcheson Wells and of other family members is not known, a memorial stone with a plaque listing their names will be best and a space will be left for other names to be identified and added at a later date. A memorial box, like last year, will be available at the reunion for contributions toward tombstone markers, if desired. Mary Walton will be checking with the Methodist Archives at Wilmore, Ky. to see if they have any information on who is buried at this particular cemetery.

AWARDS:

Goblets with WELLS 1989 engraving will be presented to the oldest, the youngest, the member who has traveled the farthest distance, and the family with the largest number



of immediate family members present (mother, father, children and spouses, and grandchildren. One goblet will be used for the auction.

Mary Walton purchased these goblets for \$35.89.

THE BY-LAWS:

A discussion was held on what constitutes a quorum and on whether there should be change in the By-Laws since it was felt that if a member is absent three consecutive meetings, they should be replaced. An agreement was reached that if any elected member doesn't attend at least one meeting during the year, then the Nomination Committee will replace them. Also, as long as one Committee member is present for the meetings, not all Committee members are required to attend. Despite this change in the By-Laws, the Board expressed their pleasure with the attendance at these meetings.

PEDIGREE CHARTS:

Bruce Wells will be bringing his computer to the 1989 Reunion to print Pedigree Charts for family members at a minimum cost to help defray reunion expenses.

NEW BOOKS:

Mary W. Walton reported that Charles Barker has completed the 1870 and 1880 Elliott Co., Ky. Census. The 1850 Carter Co., Ky. Census is also available by contacting Mr.

Barker. For more information call or write Wanda Wells; (606)324-4295, 709 Hamilton Ave., Ashland, Ky. 41101. The Cost is \$13.00 for the 1870 Census and \$15.00 for the 1880 Census.

A new manuscript by Charles C. Wells on William Green Wells will be sold for \$5.00 at the reunion. Fifty copies are being printed and will have a blank page inserted for noting corrections and additions. Please submit these changes to the secretary so manuscript can be updated.

THE NEWSLETTER:



The need for officers and committee members to write their s h o r t articles for the news- letter was stressed,

Phillip and Wanda Wells are in charge of organizing the articles. Mary Walton is collecting data on deaths, births, marriages and members that have been sick or in the hospital and needs input from EVERYONE so no one will be forgotten. Send these articles or information to Phillip and Wanda Wells, our news reporters at: 709 Hamilton Ave., Ashland, Ky. 41101. We welcome any short informative articles and/or queries from anyone!

REGISTRATION:

Lymon Porter, in charge of registration, will be assisted by Lloyd Wells and Beulah Keel. Others will be asked to help to provide breaks for these workers.

1989 WELLS FAMILY PHOTO:
Plans for the annual photo are being made.

1989 REUNION ENTERTAINMENT:
Darlene Burgess will provide the singers for entertainment on Saturday and Sunday at the 1989 Reunion. On Sunday the music will be provided for 15-30 minute intervals during the duration of the reunion.

A skit will be presented by Doug Rigsby and his son Arch both of Ashland, Ky.

There may be a slide or video presentation of past reunions, of older members, and of our cemetery tours.

Be at Johnson Central High School in time to leave at 4 p.m. for the tour of Richard Wells' and other family graves on Saturday evening. Efforts are being made to obtain two vans for transportation. The tour should end before 6 p.m. for a **Genealogical Meeting** will be held at 6 p.m. There will also be one at 2-3 p.m. Sunday in one of the classrooms. A panel of four Historical Committee members will chair the discussion.

Ann Porter is in charge of our family **Auction**. EVERYONE bring items to donate for this auction on reunion day. Proceeds will go to the memorial fund for the purchase of stone for unmarked family graves.

Orders for a 1915 Reunion photo (to be displayed at the reunion) will be taken for those interested.

The 1988 Reunion was much better since more family members mingled and visited with those new to our reunion. Darlene Burgess did a great job last year! By introducing visitors seen standing alone to others, hopefully, they can get

acquainted and become more comfortable. Board members need to call or visit relatives in the immediate vicinity of the reunion to let them know that we **WANT** them to come this year!

Patti V. Quallich, Secretary

WE NEED YOUR HELP

Search your closets, attics, basements, cupboards, etc. for items to bring for us to sell at the auction.

Our association needs money for expenses and if everyone will bring an item or two to be auctioned, we should be able to realize a sizeable contribution toward expenses. Then, too, it will be a fun thing to do.

Our discarded items could be just what someone else needs or wants.

Ann Porter

We have a great heritage, so let's each of us do our part in helping to preserve it for our future generations.

If you did not mail me the special happenings in your family, births, deaths, anniversaries, weddings, etc., then do so or it will not get in the next newsletter.

CONGRATULATIONS

Uncle George Wells, will celebrate his birthday on August 28. He was born to Aaron and Melvina "Sis" Porter Wells on August 28, 1888 and will be 101 years old at his birthday. He was the grandson of Dr. William Green and Mary Butcher Wells. God bless you Uncle George.

Maxwell Steele McGuire, was born to Patrick and Lisa Steele McGuire of Greenup County on May 5, 1989. Maxwell is the great grandson of the late Bill Purdy and Juanita Purdy of Lucasville, Ohio. The

great great grandmother is Mary "Topsy" Purdy of Lucasville. The family is very excited since Maxwell is the first male child for three generations.

Harry and Lissie Wells, Webbville, Ky. celebrated their 54th Wedding Anniversary on December 9, 1988. God bless you both.

Clarence "Tony" Collins, son of the late Tilleman Collins and Marie Collins of Greenup County has become Director of Pupil Attendance for the Kentucky Department of Education. Tony came down the Rose Ann Wells Spears line. We are proud of Tony and know he will do a good job.

Margaret A. Williams Hayth (descendant of Allen Wells) has a new granddaughter, **Alexandria D. Burchwell**, b. 12.29/88. Proud parents are Glenn and Marilyn D. Hayth Burchwell.



Bravo!!!

SICKNESS

Geneva Wells Volota, is home recuperating from two visits in the Euclid, Ohio General Hospital this spring. Geneva spent 17 days in March and then 8 days in May when she underwent major surgery. She is the daughter of Ben & Anna Richmond Wells and the mother of Patti Volota Quallich who is the Secretary of the Wells Board. Looking forward to seeing you at the Reunion, Geneva.

Reatha Lou Blackburn, Van Lear, Ky. spent some time in the hospital in June and is recuperating at her home. She is the daughter of the late Aud Williamson and Julia Music Williamson. We hope to see you at the Reunion, Reatha.

DEATHS

Lester "Bill" Wells (78) b. Jan. 23, 1911, d. Feb. 26, 1989, he was the son of the late Theodore Garrett and Emma McCloud Wells. The grandson of George E. and Nancy Butcher Wells. He leaves behind his wife, Bertha Barber Wells, four sons and five daughters.

Aileen Collins Honeycutt (67) b. Aug. 30, 1921, d. Jan. 10, 1989. She was the daughter of George and Nancy Pennington Collins. She comes through the Rose Ann Wells Spears line.

Paula Spears (38) b. Feb. 20, 1950. d. Feb. 2, 1989, Greenup County. She is the wife of Thorfin Dean Spears and left her husband and twin sons, Joshua and Jeremy. Thorfin Dean Spears is the son of the late Arnold & Lorain Burke Spears and comes down both Rose Ann Wells Spears and Dr. William Green and Mary Butcher Wells line.

Edwin Spears (65) b. Jan. 26, 1924, d. Mar. 5, 1989, Greenup County. He leaves his wife and two sons, one daughter, two brothers and four sisters. He was the son of the late Morgan and Hazel Litteral Spears. He came down both the Rose Ann Wells Spears and Dr. William Green Wells line.

Lewis Butcher (73) b. Nov. 27, 1915, Johnson Co., d. Jan. 22, 1989, Wabash, Ind. He was the son on the late Harm and Emma Meeks Butcher. He leaves behind his wife, one son, and four daughters. He is the brother of Ashley Butcher and Sarah Butcher Newberry.

Joe David Wells (89) b. July 23, 1899, d. Dec. 17, 1988. He was the son of the late H. Brownlow and Cynthia Collins Wells. He came down the George E. and Elizabeth Delong Wells line. He

leaves behind his wife, Cricket, six sons, and two daughters.

Aulden "Aud" Williamson (79) b. June 28, 1909, d. Dec. 21, 1988, Johnson County. He was the son of the late Aley and Mary Wells Williamson. He came down the William Green and Mary Butcher Wells line. He leave his wife, Julia, two sons, and three daughters.

Clyde Grizzle (68) b. Jan. 15, 1921, d. Feb. 3, 1989, Greenup County. He was the husband of Ruth Spears Grizzle. Ruth was the daughter of Morgan and Hazel Litteral Spears, and came down both Rose Ann Wells Spears and Dr. William G. and Mary Butcher Wells.

William Kershner, (70) Greenup County, b. July 12, 1918, d. Mar. 23, 1989. He leaves his wife Juanita Wells Kershner, four sons, and two daughters. Juanita was the daughter of the late John and Arminta McCloud Wells and the granddaughter of George E. and Nancy Butcher Wells.

Herbert Preston, (87) b. Dec. 13, 1901. d. Mar. 31, 1989, Nippa, Ky. His late wife was Naoma Wells Preston. He leaves two daughters. His daughter Cheryl Ramey served on our Wells board four years ago.

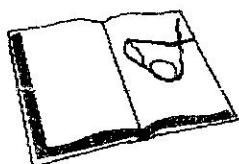
Bill Purdy, (64), b. Jan. 1925, d. July 3, 1989 in Lucasville, Ohio. He was the son of the late Clifford Purdy and Mary "Topsy" Purdy. He leaves his mother, his wife, Juanita, and daughter, Jane. Topsy is the great granddaughter of Dr. William G. and Mary Butcher Wells.

Herbert Wells, (75) b. Aug. 26, 1913, d. April 23, 1989, Winchester, Ky. He was the son of the late William B. and Zoda Day Wells. He

is survived by his wife, Helen, two sons, three brothers and one sister.

Jean Katherine Wells, (56) b. 1932, d. April 3, 1989, Lexington, Ky. She was the daughter of Mrs. Florence Wells Jones, and the late Jess Wells of Georgetown, Ky.

Ethridge Williams, (66) b. June 15, 1922, d. Dec. 25, 1988, Lexington, Ky. He was the son of the late Bernard "Bum" and Alta Wells "Williams" Williamson. He comes down both George E. and Elizabeth Delong Wells and Dr. William Green and Mary Butcher Wells. He leaves behind his wife, two daughters, three sisters and two brothers. His sister, Delores "Sis" Booth and sister-in-law, Pat Williams, both are members of the Wells Association Board.



BOOKS FOR SALE

WAYNE COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA CEMETERIES, Volume I, by Westmoreland Chapter DAR. (Paper, \$14.00 Postpaid). This book contains maps, diagrams and listings for 69 cemeteries in Wayne County. Over 500 surnames in the index, and an appendix listing for cemeteries by magisterial districts. Order from: MRS. CHARLES M. CAREY, 4075 Whites Creek Road, Prichard, WV 2555. (Telephone (304) 486-5214).

1850 GREENUP COUNTY, KY. CENSUS. transcribed and annotated by Evelyn S. Jackson, indexed by Billee Hammond Schlaudt. (Pp 300, every-name index. \$25.00 postpaid). This book is copyrighted because of annotations. Order from: EASTERN KENTUCKY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY, P. O. Box 1544, Ashland KY 41104-1544.

1860 CENSUS OF LAWRENCE COUNTY, KENTUCKY, by Opal Muncy (\$15 postpaid)

1870 CENSUS OF LAWRENCE COUNTY, KENTUCKY, by Opal Muncy (\$15 postpaid)

1880 CENSUS OF LAWRENCE COUNTY, KENTUCKY, by Opal Muncy (\$20 postpaid)

1900 CENSUS OF LAWRENCE COUNTY, KENTUCKY, by Opal Muncy (\$30 postpaid)

LAWRENCE COUNTY, KY. MARRIAGE BOOK 1-A, by Opal Muncy (\$12 postpaid)

LAWRENCE COUNTY, KY. MARRIAGE BOOKS 2A,3,4,4A, by Opal Muncy (\$14 postpaid)

Order any of the above from **OPAL M. MUNCY**, P. O. Box 723, Louisa, Ky. 41230-0723.

1870 ELLIOTT COUNTY, KY. CENSUS, by Charles A. Barker. (\$14.50 postpaid)

1880 ELLIOTT COUNTY, KY. CENSUS, by Charles A. Barker. (\$16.50 postpaid, Ky. residents add 5% tax for each book.) Order from **CHARLES A. BARKER**, P. O. Box 1461, Ashland, KY 41105-1461.

Service to mail our newsletters non-profit. Arnold descends from Zachariah Wells who was an uncle of our Richard Wells. . He and his daughter Kim and son Kevin made the trip to England with us in June of 98. **Thanks again, Arnold.**

I want to share with you this Lower Daniels Creek School picture, the school was located on Rt. 3, Van Lear and has long been tore down. Goldie W. Stevens identify all of the members of the students This picture was taken about 1910-12 and the teacher is Arnold Spears. who descends from Richard Wells through William G. Wells and Roseanne Wells Spears line.

First Row Left to right: Fred Wells, Alice Sherman, Hazel Mayo, Willa Hyden, Manchie Montgomery, Earl Sherman, Martha Clark, Elmer Montgomery, Tharphin Spears and Willie Burchwell

Second Row: Mamie Shermon, Jeff Montgomery, Estill Hyden, Hazel Hopson, Anna Golda Wells, Stella Burk and Jim Mayo.

Third Row: Jetta Wells, Ora Hobson, Susanna Richmond, Frank Burk, George Spears and Charlie Sester.

Fourth Row: Willie Bill Richmond, Sam Spears and Hobert Wells.

