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The Wells' Reunion was another success and the family enjoyed getting to know extended relatives from across the country. There was plenty of food and it was great. The board members have already had one meeting on November 6th at the Chimney Corner Restaurant in Ashland. It was asked if the organization paid for travel and meals for the board members. Again, I want to explain that all contributions made to the organization goes for the cause. Board members travel long distances to attend these meetings at their own expenses. They purchase their own meals because they are very much committed to keeping this great Wells heritage alive. Our board members are to be commended since some of them travel up to eight hours to attend the meetings. I want to express our appreciation to each of the board members for their dedication.



This is a picture of some members that attended the Wells Family reunion on September 6, 1993. You may be able to recognize some of them.

A few of the activities at the 1993 reunion was The Wells Family Cookbook, and the beautiful quilt made and donated by Edith Mollett. The auction did great and the proceeds will be added to the designated fund to purchase monuments for unmarked graves. Ann Porter, chairperson of the auction committee asked that I express her appreciation to thoseu who brought items for the auction and to Randy Wells for assisting her. She wants to thank John Wells, III for being the auctioneer in the absence of Jim Preston. John did a great job and I am sure Jim appreciated his filling in for him. Jim was unable to attend due to the sickness of his wife Clara. The beautiful

quilt made by Edith Wells Mollett, was offered for a donation of \$1.00 which gave the donor an opportunity to take the quilt home if his/her name was drawn. The quilt had The Wells Family Association, 1993 in the center. Mary Frances Keel was the lucky person this year. She and her mother, Beulah, are about the luckiest people I know. Beulah won the quilt at the 1992 reunion. The Wells Family Cookbooks have great recipes. If you were unable to make the reunion and want to purchase the book send \$8.00 plus \$1. for postage to me at the above address and I will be happy to mail you your copy. They make great Christmas gifts. If you want a copy sent to a family member just include their name, and address with the \$8. plus \$1. for postage and I will see that it is mailed to them. The pictures that Tommie Cochran took turned out real well, and we only hate that many of you failed to come out and be in the picture. Those of you who brought old pictures of your ancestors to be copied by Tommie will find some of them in this newsletter. They came out great! Roger Patton also took pictures at the reunion and he is suppose to send us copies, but we haven't heard from him yet. Roger, if you get a chance please send me copies.



The picture above is of Edith Mollett. She made the quilt that she is holding and donated it to the Wells Family to be given away at the reunion. We appreciate her labor of love. The lucky winner of the quilt was Mary F. Keel.

Tommie and I want to take this opportunity to thank Virginia Edgel and Paulina Garza for folding and stabling the newsletters to be mailed out in August. If it had not been for them they would not of gotten out before the reunion. It is a tremendous help to for Virginia to assist in proof reading the newsletter and Tommie and I appreciate her very much.

Awards were presented to the following persons:

Traveling the longest distance: Norma Ruth Wells Mason, HobeSound, Florida.

Largest Family represented: Ali & Sadie Collins Wells family

Oldest: Anna Goldie Wells Stephens, Huntington WV.

Youngest: Kelcee Paige Adkins, Stanton, Ky

Door Prize: Herman Wells, Van Lear, Ky

Certificates presented for outstanding work as a Wells:

Mabel Allen, Prestonsburg, Ky

Edith Mollett, Boons Camp, Ky

Opal Derossett, Belleville, Mi.

The following persons checked on the register that the 1993 reunion was the first for them to attend:

Chrystal Lynn Caudill, Jonathan Caudill, Gregory Easton, Scott A. Campbell, Linda Wells Grim, Leland Kermit Wells, Dana Easton, Joe Wells Jr., Denver Harless, Billy R. Burchet, Kelcee Paige Adkins, Michael Nichole Easton, Connie Sue Easton, Jim Wilson, Lorena L. Wilson, Mitchell Todd "Smokey" Daniels, Margaret Pelphrey Napier, Joe Mauk, Julie Ann Collins, Judith J. Baine, Samatha Daniel, Christopher Dale Cline, Timothy Dwayne Napier, Tara Mauk, Karen Jean Hall Wilson, Zack Rambo, Peggy Cover, Brittany D. Roach, Paul N. Roach, Tina Marie Roach, Melissa Lynn Vilcheck, Tammy Lynn Vilcheck, Bobby Cline, Janice Prestwood Guest, Christine Davis Guest, Noah James Marcum, Arnold Marcum, Eric Wells Walker, Kelly Stephens, William Scott Wells, Mary K. Marcum, Terry Correll, Frances Wells Brown, Juanita Wells, Elbert Brown.

NEW OFFICERS FOR THE 1993-94 YEAR:

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| President: | Bobby Wells, 687 Burk Ave., Prestonsburg, Ky. 41653 |
| V.President: | Pat Williams, P.O. Box 1003, Paintsville, Ky. 41240 |
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| Parliamentarian: | Lloyd Wells, Box 70, Auxier, Ky. 41602-0067 |
| Devotion: | Pat Williams: P.O. Box 1003, Paintsville, Ky 41240 |
| Refreshments: | Delores Booth, HCR70 Box 1515, Van Lear, KY 41265 |
| Entertainment: | Darlene Burgess, 7841 Lisa Lee Lane, Dayton, Oh. 45690 |
| Auction: | Ann Porter, 547 E. 2nd. St., Waverly, Oh. 45690 |
| Auctioneer: | Jim Preston, 7658 E. Rt.29, Mechanicsburg, Oh. 43044 |
| Newsletter: | Mary W. Walton, 124 Mt. Savage Dr. Ashland, Ky 41101 |
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| Randell Wells: | 10337 Timberwood Circle, Louisville, Ky 40223 |
| James Wells: | 3230 Laural Oak Ct. Edgewood, Ky 41017 |
| Edith Mollette: | HC87 Box 2800, Boons Camp, Ky 41202 |
| Mary F. Keel: | P.O. Box 272, Auxier, Ky 41602 |
| Georgia Hall: | 3914 Sleepy Hollow Rd. Brunswick, Oh. 44212 |
| Opal Derossett: | 7225 Belleville Rd., Belleville, Mi. 48111 |
| Mabel W. Allen: | HC69 Box 60, Prestonsburg, Ky 41653-9501 |
| Clara Preston: | 7658 E. Rt. 29, Mechanicsburg, Oh. 43044 |
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| Wanda Collins: | P.O. Box 268, Flatwoods, Ky 41139 |
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| Honorary Members: | Phillip Wells, 709 Hamilton Ave., Ashland, Ky 41101 Donnie Wells, HC70 Box 1621, Van Lear, Ky 41265 |
| EX Officio Members: | J.B. Wells, III, Past President Pat Williams, Past President Mary Walton, Past President |

SICKNESS

I am sure there have been many either sick or in the hospital that we are not aware of that could be listed. If you will send me the information we will be happy to include it in the next newsletter.

Dortha Collins Goble Crum, Mint Clark Butcher, Lucille Wells Patton,
Alex S. Wells, Jack Ray Hall, Delight Wells Hall, Dolie Harmon, Robert Womack, Doug Quallich,
Heather Quallich, Opal Deoressett, Fred McGuire.

HOSPITAL

Jack Dunseith, of 130 Kings Row, Crossville, TN.38555, spent two weeks in the hospital in June. He is presently home and receiving special attention from his wife Janet Alliene Wells Dunseith. Alliene served on the Wells Family Board and asked to be removed this year due to not being able to attend at this time. She descends from Richard Wells through his son George E. Wells and the late Allen Wells was her great grandfather. Alliene let us hear from you and how Jack is doing.

Joe Wells, Jr. had surgery at a Lexington hospital in October. He is now recuperating at his home with special care from his wife Hilda at P.O. Box 67, Van Lear, Ky 41265. Junior descends from Richard Wells through his son George E. and Elizabeth Delong Gains Wells, line.

Carrie Music Wells, 89, is a patient in the Heritage Hall Rest Home in Lawrenceburg, Kentucky. She entered the facility on September 5th. Carrie has three sons in the area which are giving her special attention. Carrie is the widow of the late Leonard Wells and is the mother of Lloyd Wells who serves on the Wells Family board. Lloyd and his wife Jill have been giving Carrie constant care for several years with the help of his siblings who all reside out of town but took turns coming in to assist them. Carrie's late husband Leonard descends from Richard Wells through his son's George E. Wells and Moses Wells lines. Lloyd resides at P.O. Box 70, Auxier, Ky 41602.

Betty Clark Farley, spent several days in a hospital in Chino, where she had a pacemaker put in. Betty said that it was supposed to have been an easy procedure, but not for her. She had a lung that collapsed. She is now receiving a lot of special care from her husband Jim at her home at 11458 Pipeline, Chino, Ca. 91710. Betty is the daughter of the late Logan and Maggie Wells Clark and descends from Richard Wells through George E. Wells, and William G. Wells, lines.

Rita Collins, HC 70 Box 685, Van Lear, Ky 41265, spent time in the Highland Regional Hospital in November with pneumonia, they also found she was a diabetic, but she will control it with diet and exercise. Rita is the wife of Larry Collins and he descends from Richard Wells through his children George E. Wells, William Green Wells and Agnes Wells Auxier.

Carol Spears Tufts, spent several days in a local hospital in August. She was diagnosed with Fibrositis which is a condition which prevents oxygen from reaching the muscles. Carol and her husband Haden resides at 300 Maple St., Sugar Grove, Ohio 43155-9734. She descends from Richard Wells through

Williams G. Wells, & Rose Ann Wells Spears lines. Her sister, Gloria Spears Salley, serves on the Wells Family board.

Unoka "Nokie" Wells Frisby, of Louisville had gallbladder surgery in July at a Louisville, hospital. She and her good husband Sokie attended the reunion this year with special permission from her doctor. Nokie has had several surgeries in the last ten years including open heart surgery. She resides with her husband at 225 Wilburn Dr., Louisville, Ky 40218. Nokie descends from Richard Wells through George E. Wells, William G. Wells, & Agnes Wells Auxier.

Phillip Wells, has been in St. Joseph Hospital, Lexington several times this summer and had two surgeries since July. He entered the hospital the week before Labor day and spent over a month there. He is now home at 709 Hamilton Ave., Ashland, Ky. 41101. He is receiving continued care from his wife, Wanda. Phillip has been in the hospital numerous times in the last four years. He and his wife are members of the Wells Family board. Phillip descends from Richard Wells through his son George E. & Nancy Butcher Wells line.

Donnie Wells, has had four surgeries since September and is still a patient in Our Lady of Bellefonte Hospital, Ashland. He underwent surgery on 10/19 and will spend a couple more weeks there. Donnie is on kidney dialysis and looking forward to getting a kidney transplant in the near future. Donnie continues to receive that special attention from his wife, Linda. Linda is a nurse at Paul B. Hall Hospital and they reside at HC70 Box 1621, Van Lear, Ky 41265. Donnie descends from Richard Wells through, George E. Wells, William G. Wells, Rose Ann Wells Spears, & Agnes Wells Auxier lines, and is a member of the Wells Family board.

Georgia Richmond Hall, was in the hospital in August with a light heart attack. She has been in the hospital several times this last year. She also found out that she has Lupus, but is now at her home at 3913 Sleepy Hollow Rd., Brunswick, Ohio 44212, receiving continued care and support from her good husband Lee. Georgia is the daughter of the late Bill and Myrtle Spears Richmond and descends from Richard Wells through Rose Ann Wells Spears, William G. Wells, & Agnes Wells Auxier lines. She is a member of the Wells Family board.

Albert Shadie Walters, 82, of Buffalo W. Va. suffered a stroke in August and is now confined to his home. He requires constant care from the health nurse and his three daughters, Bernice Haney, Edith Adkins and Jewell Burton. Shadie is the son of the late George W. and Elizabeth Wells Walters, and descends from Richard Wells through his son William Green Wells line. If you want to send a card to him through his sister, Gertrude Thompson, P.O. Box 81, Verdunville, WV. 25649. will see that he gets it.

Bernard "Bernie" Walters, of Buffalo, W. Va. had a serious accident on March 22, 1992. He fell off a patio roof and was taken to the Logan General Hospital and then on to St. Mary's where he spent 2 weeks before being transferred to the Rehabilitation Center for about six weeks. He suffered a fractured skull which resulted in a blood clot. He is now home and doing well, but according to his sister, Gertrude Thompson, he is lucky to be alive. Bernard is the son of the late George W. & Elizabeth Wells Walters and descends from Richard Wells through his son William G. Wells. I do not

have Bernard's address but you can send any correspondence through his sister Gertrude Thompson, P.O. Box 81, Verdunville, WV. 25649.

Colleen Spriggs Williams, widow of the late Fred Williams was a patient at the University of Kentucky Hospital where she underwent surgery to remove a tumor from her skull. She is recuperating at her home, Van Lear, Kentucky 41265. She is a sister in-law of Delores Booth and Pat Williams who serve on the Wells Family board.

Cindy Cordial Perry, is a patient in a Fairborn, Ohio hospital where she has been treated for years with a rare skin condition. The doctor doesn't know much about this except that it is a hereditary condition. This condition is called Epidermlosis Bullasa. If any of you know anything about this condition or have family members that may have suffered with this please contact Cindy at 1419 Maple Ridge Dr., Fairborn, Ohio 45324. Cindy is the daughter of Janet Wells Cordial and the late Clarence Cordial, Fairborn. Cindy descends from Richard Wells through his son George E. Wells. She is a niece of Phillip and Wanda Wells who are members of the Wells family board.

Bertha Wells, was in an Ashland Hospital this summer. She is presently at her home in Westwood. I do not know the particulars about her hospitalization, but I am sure she is receiving much attention from her children. Bertha is a widow of the late Lester Wells. Lester descended from Richard Wells through his son George E. & Nancy Butcher Wells line. Bertha resides at 502 Virginia St. WW, Ashland, Ky 41101.

Larry Collins, was in a freak accident in June. He was working at the business where he is co-owner when a lady lost control of her car and hit the gas by mistake and ran the car into Larry and caught him between the car and gas pumps ripping his arm muscles from his shoulder. He had surgery in Lexington and is attending therapy and at this time has gained approximately 20% of use back. Larry is expected to regain 80% of the use back in his arm. Larry is the son of Carl and Polly Wells Collins and resides at HC70 Box 685, Van Lear, Ky 41265. Larry descends from Richard Wells through, George E. Wells, William Green Wells, and Agnes Wells Auxier lines.

Kenneth "Kenny" Collins, had a heart attack in September and was in St. Mary's Hospital, Huntington, where he underwent tests. He is at his home at 106 W. Hicks Ct., Ashland, Ky 41101 recuperating with special attention from his wife, Judy. Kenny descends from George E. & Elizabeth Delong Gains Wells through his grandfather David Collins and from George E. & Nancy Butcher through his grandmother Nancy Porter Collins line.

DEATHS

Manford and I attended the funeral of Crit Wells August 3, at Martin, Ky and was very impressed by the poem "To Those I Leave Behind" that a dear friend of his wrote and read at the funeral. I asked his daughter, Toby, if she would send it to me to include in the newsletter. I am sure that you will enjoy it. I knew Crit Wells for only a short time, but feel that the poem describes his life perfectly. I will also share three poems that was read by the Rec. Biery, at the funeral of Geneva Wells Volota's.

"No More Night", "The Watcher" and "I Call You to My Fathers House". I think all of these are worth sharing with you.

TO THOSE I LEAVE BEHIND

Grieve you not, my loved ones,
For Life was kind to me.
Success was mine in many fields.
God blessed me. Don't you see?

I knew the love of a wife so dear
And a daughter to cheer my days,
Grandchildren who were joy to me
In all their special ways.

I loved the Lord and served His Church
and my community,
Encompassed by a host of friends
Who always solace me.

I beg for you to sorrow not;
My soul with God's at peace
Where Jesus is and angels dwell
And joys never cease.

And so, dear ones, this message clear
Is what I wish to say.
Please live your lives that we may meet
On Heaven's strand some day.

We'll know the joy of sweet reunion
Away from pain and tears,
Where we can spend eternity
Not counted there in years.

Libby Martin



The picture above was taken at the 1989 reunion and Margaret "Sis" Williams Hayth and her brother Will Allen Williams. Will age 79, died at a Xenia, Ohio Rest Home on November 8, 1993. Will was a member of the Wells Family board and is the second member that we have lost to death in the last few years. Will was a great genealogical researcher and would frequently send me old pictures and articles for the newsletter. He and his sister were faithful to attend the Wells Family reunion. The Wells Family board members sends Sympathy to Margaret and his son Will I. Margaret's address is 461 Rock Run Rd. Jackson, Ohio.45640

John Crittenden "Crit" Wells, 86 of Wabasso, Florida, formerly of Wayland, died July 31, 1993 at Mary Mount Hospital, London. He was born March 27, 1907 Boons Camp, he was the son of the late Marcus Lindsay and La Visa Hinkle Wells. He was a graduate of Paintsville High School and attended Morris-Harvey College in West Virginia, where he lettered in three sports. He attended Mayo State Vocational School, Paintsville, and was an accountant for Beaver Elkhorn Coal Company at Wayland for 20 years. He was an automobile dealer for General Motors in Estill, an original receiver of the Beaver Elkhorn Water System, Wayland, and founder of the Beaver Elkhorn Water System, Allen, which had approximately 6,000 customers. He was president of Mountain Investments which bought the town of Wheelwright from Island Creek Coal Company. He worked as a banker at the Wayland Bank in 1928. He was a member of the Wayland Methodist Church for 50 years, the James W. Alley Masonic Lodge No. 869 at Wayland, a 32nd Degree Scottish Rite Mason in Lexington, Wells Family Association, Johnson County, and belonged to the Oleika Shrine Temple in Lexington. He was an

organizer for the Boy Scout troops in Floyd County and was instrumental in getting a lighting system for the Wayland Park. He was a Kentucky Colonel and a Kentucky Admiral, appointed by Governor Happy Chandler. He served on the Floyd County Draft Board for a number of years. Survivors include one daughter, Toby Wells True, and a son-in-law, Charles True of Covington; one brother, Zip Wells of Boons Camp; three grandchildren and three great-grandchildren. Funeral services were August 3, 1993 in the Hall Funeral Home chapel with Troy Poff and Albert C. Savage Jr. officiating. Burial was in the John Allen Cemetery at Lancer under the direction of Hall Funeral Home. Crit descended from Richard Wells through his son William Green Wells.

NO MORE NIGHT

No more night, no more pain,
 No more tears, never crying again,
 Pray that with you, the Great I AM.
 We will live in the light of the
 Risen Lamb.

by: M. Chapman

THE WATCHER

She always leaned to watch for us
 Anxious if we were late
 In winter by the window,
 in summer by the gate
 And though we mocked her tenderly,
 Who had such foolish care,
 The long way home would seem more safe
 Because she waited here.
 Her thoughts were all so full of us--
 She never could forget!
 And so I think that where she is
 She must be watching yet,
 Waiting till we come home to her,
 Anxious if we are late---
 Watchin from Heaven's window,
 Leaning from her Heaven's gate.

by: M. Widdemer

I CALL YOU TO MY FATHER'S HOUSE

I call you to my Father's house,
 A lovely dwelling place
 He comes to meet you on the road.
 Arms ready to embrace.
 Lay down your sorrow, calm your fear;
 The Father bids you come.
 With open arms He welcomes you
 To your eternal home.

I have prepared a wedding feast
 of finest food and wine.
 O join us at this banquet where
 My friends, the saints, now dine.

I call you to my Father's house,
 A lovely dwelling place.
 Be not afraid to travel there
 And meet Him face to face

By: Delores Dufner

Winfield "Win" Wells, Elza Wells,
 Truman Wells, Sally Butcher Wells,
 Erma Wells, Opel Wells & Tommy Wells.
 Tommie Wells copied this from an old
 picture that Tommy Wells brought to
 the 93 reunion. Win was a son of the
 late Allen Wells.



Geneva Wells Volota, 76, of Euclid, Ohio died August 14, in Parma Hospital, Parma, Ohio. Geneva was born Nov. 11, 1916 in Johnson County, the daughter of Ben H. Wells and Anna Richmond Wells

of Daniels Creek, Van Lear. She was preceded in death by a daughter, Marie Volota; one brother, Bennie Wells; and three sisters, Betty Brown, Minnie Sue Wells, and Jeanette Wells. Surviving are her husband, Steven Volota of Euclid; one son, John Volota of Parma; two daughters, Pamela Hannish and Patricia Quallick, both of Parma; a son in-law, Doug Quallich. Two grandchildren; Patrick Haynish and Heather Quallich; Three sisters, Emma Adkins and Polly Collins, both of Van Lear, and Mary Walton, Ashland; two brothers, Nevard Wells and Alex Sam Wells, both of Van Lear. Geneva was a member of the Lake Shore Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) since 1955, where she was active in the Christian Women's Fellowship and assisted in putting the church newsletter out monthly. She was a charter member of the Wells Family Association, Inc. She enjoyed traveling with her daughter Patricia and sister Mary researching family genealogical research. She had a great love for her home, her family and was devoted to the family reunions. The funeral was under the direction of the Mallchok Funeral Home, Parma, with the Rev. Paul L. Biery officiating. Entombment was in the Sunset Memorial Park, North Olmsted, Ohio, Garden Mausoleum Section 7-Crypt A.

Angie Collins, 91, of Urbana, died July 24, 1993 in the Champaign Nursing Home. She was born in Johnson County Kentucky on March 11, 1902, the daughter of William and Nancy (Butcher) Birchfield. She was preceded in death by her husband David C. Collins, Sr. in 1964; two sons; two step-daughters; one step-son; two sisters; and five brothers. Survivors include three daughters, Thelma Shy and Frances Podolik, both of Urbana, and Phyllis Dunn of Hawthorn, Florida; six sons, David Collins, Jr. of Mineral Wells, Texas, Fred Collins of Nishanic, New Jersey, Douglas Collins of Jacksonville, Florida, Winfield "Shorty" Collins and Rev. Hoover Collins, both of Urbana, Robert Collins of Springfield; 36 grandchildren; numerous great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren; nieces and nephews. The was under the direction of the Walter-Schoedinger Funeral Home, Urbana at the New Covenant Outreach Church, with Rev. Herbert Collins officiating. Burial was in the Oak Dale Cemetery, Urbana. Mrs. Collins was the grandmother of Clara Wells Preston and Maggie Wells Markie that serve on the Wells Family board. Ms. Collins descends from Richard Wells.

Robert Ballheimer, 70, of Nicholasville, Ky., died June 7, 1993. He was born Feb. 17, 1923 the son of William and Anna Baker Bollheimer of Dayton, Ohio. Robert is survived by his wife Olive Exer Wells Ballheimer and one daughter, Karen Sue Morrow, one grandson, Robert Anthony Morrow. His wife Olive descends from Richard Wells through his son William G. Wells.

Jackie Ernest Delong, 59, of East Point, died Nov. 1, 1993 at his home. Mr. Delong was born April 20, 1934, in Edgar, a son of the late Virgil and Sarah Barber Delong. He was a truck driver. Surviving are a daughter, Martha Adkins of Lorado, W.Va.; two brothers, Willie A. Delong of Blue River and Doris Ray Delong of Taylor, Mich.; three sisters, Susan Bess Branham of Southgate, Mich., Lola Faye Bryant of East Point and Ruth Ann Nelson of David; and three grandchildren. The Floyd Funeral Home in Prestonsburg was in charge of the arrangements, with the Rev. Eugene Haney, officiating. Burial was in the Delong family cemetery at East Point. Jackie descends from Missouri Wells.

Alice Richmond Collins, 84, of Johns Creek, died July 30, 1993 in the Paul B. Hall Regional Medical Center of Paintsville. Mrs. Collins was born May 9, 1909, in Johnson County, a daughter of the late Henry and Lula Porter Richmond. Her husband, Ashley Collins, and daughter, Patsy Jo Collins Wells,

preceded her in death. Surviving are a son-in-law Richard Wells, a sister Anna Margaret Davis of Fairborn, Ohio; a granddaughter; and a great-granddaughter. The funeral was at the Jones-Preston Funeral Home Chapel by Dave Flannery, minister, and under the direction of Jones-Preston Funeral Home in Paintsville and burial was in Highland Memorial Park at Staffordsville, Ky. Alice descended from Richard Wells through his daughter Agnes Wells Auxier.

Orville Hamilton, 86, of Thelma, died August 14, 1993 in Paul B. Hall Regional Medical Center, Paintsville. He was born Nov. 17, 1906, in Johnson County, a son of the late Franklin Pierce and Amanda Lyons Hamilton. His wife, Gladys E. Wells Hamilton, preceded him in death. He was a retired teacher in the Johnson County school system and a member of Mayo United Methodist church. Surviving are three sons, Frank Hamilton and Doug Hamilton, both of Wittensville, and Orville L. Hamilton of Thelma; and five grandchildren. The arrangements was under the direction of Prestons Funeral Home, Paintsville, with burial in the Highland Memorial Park. His late wife Gladys descends from Richard Wells through his son, William Green Wells, and she was the daughter of Marcus Lynn Wells and Marcenda Wells Hinkle.

Lutie Collins Wells, 80, of Daniels Creek, died Aug. 7, 1993 at the home of a daughter, Geneva Wells, of Daniels Creek. Lutie was born Jan. 1, 1913, in Johnson County, a daughter of the late Wallace and Allie Spriggs Collins. Surviving are a son Darrell Wells of South Point, Ohio; two brothers, Woodrow Collins of Chesapeake, Oh., and Haskel Collins of Morehead; two sisters, Sylvia Dennison of Daniels Creek and Juanita Sublett of Paintsville; and seven grandchildren. The funeral was under the arrangements of Jones-Prestons Funeral Home with Arville Short, minister. Burial was in the family Cemetery on the Nevard Wells farm. Luties' husband, Willie, descended from Richard Wells through his son Moses Wells.

Clada Austin, 83, died Oct. 7, 1993 in Highland Regional Medical Center. She was born Aug. 19, 1910 in Lawrence County, the daughter of the late Ballard and Matilda Thompson Castle. She was preceded in death by her husband, S.E. Austin in 1963. Surviving are two sons, Bill Austin of Hager Hill and Robert Austin of Prescott, Arizona; two sisters, Carnalee Borders of Florida and Goldie Borders Slone of Columbus, Ohio; two grandchildren and five great-grandchildren. Arrangements were under the direction of Jones-Preston Funeral Home and burial was in Walnut Grove Church Cemetery at Lowmansville. Her daughter-in-law is Mrs. Bill (Bernice Wells) Austin and she descends from Richard Wells through George E. Wells and Rose Anna Wells Spears lines.

Graham "Mickey" McGuire, 79, died Sept. 12, 1993 in Highlands Regional Medical Center in Prestonsburg. He was born Jan 3, 1914, in Johns Creek, in Floyd County, a son of the late William James and Lizzie Spears McGuire. He was a former inspector with the Army Corps of Engineers. He was a World War II veteran. Surviving are his wife, Patricia Ann Akers McGuire; a daughter, Mary Jane McGuire of Paducah; three sons, Michael McGuire of Auxier, and Ronald McGuire and Charles McGuire, both of Benton; six sisters, Jeanette Bowles of Prestonsburg, Fannie Smith of Kingsport, Tenn., Fay Collins of Mt. Vernon, Ill., Jean Simpson of Auxier, Alta Steig of Columbus, Ohio, and Emma Baldrige of Xenia, Ohio; seven brothers, Fred McGuire of Kansas, Hobert McGuire, Darwin McGuire, Frank McGuire, Solomon McGuire, and Tom O. McGuire, all of Prestonsburg, and John McGuire of Louisa; six grandchildren; and a great-grandchild. Mr. McGuire's bother Fred descends

from George E. Wells line through his son Allen Wells. Fred was reared by his grandparents, Allen and Angeline Collins Wells, after his mother died.

Marie Castle Delong Webb, 58, died August 31, 1993 at her Obetz, Ohio residence. She was born Nov. 5, 1933 in Johnson County, the daughter of Clara Webb Miller and the late Farris Castle. She was preceded in death by her first husband, Charles Delong. Surviving are her mother, her husband, Jerry Webb, one son, Jerry Delong, of Tiro, Ohio; one daughter, Linda Dilgard of Crestline, Ohio; one aunt, Nora Butcher of Van Lear; and eight grandchildren and one great-grandchild. Funeral services was held Sep. 3 in Munz-Pimstill Funeral Home, with the Rev. Marvin Van Buren officiating. Burial was in The Richard Wells/Ashley Butcher Cemetery at Van Lear. Marie descends from the Jacob Butcher line and is a first cousin of Loretta Webb Lynn and Chrystal Gayle.

Lizzie Delong Howard, 95, of Debord, Ky. died September 8, 1993 at the home of her daughter, Beatrice Moore. She was born September 5, 1898 in Martin County the the late David V. and Nancy Davis Delong. She was a granddaughter of the late Samual and Mariam Wells Delong. Lizzie was a faithful member of the Wells Family Association and was the winner of the oldest person attending the reunion for the 90, 91, and 92 year. She is survived by her children, David Howard of Columbus, Ohio, Ermel Howard of Fort Walton Beach, Florida, Beatrice Moore of Pilgrim, Ky., Benjamin Howard of Crasslake, Michigan and Frank Howard of Debord, Ky.; thirty-one grandchildren and numerous great grandchildren and great-great grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband, B. H. Howard, a son, Homer Howard, a daughter, Anna Nell Fletcher. Funeral services were conducted September 11, 1993 with Woodrow Nichols and Glen Ray Moore officiating. Burial followed in the Delong Cemetery at Debord, Ky.

Elmon Walters, 84, of Verdunville, WV. died July 30, 1993. He was born to the late George W. & Elizabeth Wells Walters in Johnson County. He is survived by four brothers, Ulysses Walters, Shade Walters, George W. Walters, and Bernard Walters, and one sister Gertrude Walters Thompson of WV. The Reger Funeral Home, Inc. was in charge of the arrangements and burial was in the McCoy Cemetery, with the Rev. Johnnie Harris officiating. Elmon descends from Richard Wells through his son William Green Wells line.

Michael Everett Phillips, b. January 20, 1965, d. August 19, 1992 was killed in an automobile accident. He is survived by his wife Sharon Preece Phillips, two sons Donald Everett and Zackery Michael Phillips of Pilgrim, Ky., his father Eddie Phillips, his grand-parents Huston and Pricy Marie Wells Phillips. Michael descends from Richard Wells through the William Green Wells line.

Betty Hall Broomhall, daughter of Nanny Hall died. She was the granddaughter of the late Alonzo Hall and Lucy Wells. She descends from Richard Wells through his son, George E. Wells line by his son David C. Wells. (I do not know the dates etc.)

Will Allen Williams, 79, of Ohio, died November 8, 1993 at the Hospitality Home E, Xenia, Ohio, where he has been since February. He was preceded in death by his wife, Willa Dean Bruntor Williams. Will was born April 4, 1914 in Johnson County to the late George W. and Sophia Wells Williams. He is survived by one son Will I. Williams, Las Vegas, NV. one sister Margaret "Sis"

Williams Hayth, Jackson, Ohio. four grandchildren and one great-grandchild. Will was a faithful member of the Wells Family reunion and served on the Wells Family board. The funeral was in Xenia with Masonic services and graveside services and burial was at the Fairmount Cemetery, Jackson, Ohio. Will descends from Richard Wells through his son George E. Wells and was a grandson of Allen and Angeline Collins Wells.

CONGRATULATIONS

Paintsville High School and Johnson County School announces honor role students and the following Family members were listed as making either all A's or having 3.0 to 4.0 g.p.a.

Paintsville High School: Jacob Wells, 11th grader (all A's)

Johnson Central High School: Robert Wells, 9th grader (4.0), Samuel Wells, 10th grader (4.0), Jesse Wells, 10th grader (4.0), Michael Wells, 11 grader (4.0), Rhiannon Wells, 11th grader(3.-3.9), Bernita Wells, 11th grader (3.-3.49), Kelly Collins, 12th grader (3.5-4.0), Toffee Wells, 12th grader (3.5-4.0).

Clayton Wells and Angela Wells, twins of Clay and Carol Wells, Inez, Ky., both graduated from the Sheldon Clark High School in May 1993. Clayton was very active in sports through his school years and graduated with honors and a 3.9 gpa. Angela graduated with a 4.0 gpa. Both Clayton and Angela are attending Eastern Kentucky University and going into Pharmacy. The parents, Clay and Carol, are owners and operators of the Western Auto in Inez, Ky., and Clay is a former member of the Wells Family board. Clayton and Angela descends from Richard Wells through his son, William Green Wells line.

Lori Lundergan, 11 year old daughter of Eddie and Kim Wells Lundergan, of Morehead, Kentucky, recently added two national titles to her list of accomplishments in tumbling and trampolines competitions. Lora is a member of the United States National Advanced Tumbling and Trampoline Team. She traveled to St. Louis, Missouri on June 18, 19 and 20th. to compete in the USTA National competition. Tumblers from all over the nation compete in this annual event according to skill level and age, with Lundergan competing at the most advanced level. A previous national champion from 1990, Lori captured national championship in synchronized trampoline, and trampoline competition and placed fourth in tumbling. At the AAU Junior Olympics which was held in Knoxville, Tennessee on August 1, 2, and 3rd., 1993, Lori won 2 Gold Metals in tumbling and in Synchronized Trampoline and 2 Bronze Metals in Trampoline and Mini-Trampoline. Lori is a member of the TNT Dynamite Tumblers coached by David and Robin Pollette of Morehead, Kentucky. The Dynamite Tumblers performed at the Ohio, Tobacco Festival in August. Lori's, Paternal grandparents are Quintin and Doris Cooper and Maternal grandparents are Jim D. and Doris Connors Wells of Ripley, Ohio. Lori and her sister performed for the Wells Family Reunion in 1991 and her grandfather Jim is a member of the Wells Family Board. She descends from Richard Wells through George E. Wells, and Moses Wells lines. (Lori we would love for you and your sister to come and perform at the reunion again).

Frank Hamilton, Johnson County School Superintendent has been appointed to the new 16 member Teacher Preparation Task Force, Gov. Bereton Jones announced. The task force was established in July

to review current practices in preparing Kentucky's teachers, including the appropriate role of Kentucky colleges and universities in the process and make recommendations to the governor and the General Assembly. Jones said Hamilton's "expertise will certainly assist" the task force. "Over the next six months, this task force will be deciding how to align Kentucky's teacher preparation with other education reforms," Jones said, adding that the continued success of the Kentucky education Reform Act depends on the ability of school personnel to be adaptable to changes mandated by the relatively new law. Hamilton was named superintendent of the Johnson County district in 1985 after serving 12 years as assistant superintendent. He has a Masters Degree from Eastern Kentucky University and a bachelors degree from the University of Virginia, where he received a four-year football scholarship. Hamilton was employed as a guidance counselor at EKU's Model Lab School, taught EKU graduate courses, worked in a gifted education program in Breathitt County and was assistant director for the Kentucky Educational Development Corporation. Hamilton is the son of the late Orville Hamilton and Gladys Wells Hamilton & descends from Richard Wells through his son William G. Wells.

Chelsea Paige Wells, daughter of Kevin and Deanna Wells of Paintsville, won Baby Miss Martin County, which was held at the Martin county Fairgrounds on August 5, 1993. She also won most photogenic. Her maternal grandmother is Janice Pelphrey of Paintsville. Paternal grandparents are Arnold and Betty Wells of Paintsville.

Angela Williams, 12 year old daughter of Bobby and Pam Williams was chosen Junior Miss Apple Blossom at the Johnson County Apple Festival on October 3, 1993. She received several awards including \$100 saving bond, subscription to Vogue magazine which will have her picture in the magazine. She also received several gift certificates from local merchants. The paternal grandparents are Jim and Pat Williams of Paintsville. Pat is a member of the Wells Family Board as well as a past president.

Tony Meade, of Paintsville was sworn-in August 1993 as a member of the new Vocational Rehabilitation Advisory Board. Tony accompanied by his wife Melinda spent several days in Louisville Kentucky where he took the oath along with 13 other members of the board, which was established to implement provisions of the 1992 amendments to the Rehabilitation Act. Members of the board were appointed by Gov. Brereton Jones, and a majority, including Meade are individuals with disabilities. Tony is the son of Anna Brown Meade Wilson of Ashland who serves on the Wells Family board. He descends from George E. Wells, William G. Wells and Agnes Wells Auxier lines.

Henry G. Wells, Jr. of South Hill Clinic in Lexington and chief of plastic surgery at Highlands Regional Medical Center. Dr. Wells is Board Certified by the American Board of Plastic Surgery and served four years on the Medical College facility at the University of Missouri. He has practiced for over ten years and had conducted local seminars in the past two years at the For Women conference. The seminar series is presented in association with Highlands Regional Medical Center. Dr. Wells presented in his two seminars at the Holiday Inn, Prestonsburg, and at the Landmark Inn, Pikeville, rejuvenation procedures - those aimed at achieving a more youthful appearance. Discussion was centered on brow lifts, eyelids, breast lifts, neck liposuction (fat removal) as well as reducing facial wrinkles through dermabrasion and chemical peels. Dr. Wells is the son of Eleanor Showalter Wells of Georgetown and the late Henry Grover "Polly" Wells. His grandparents of the late Lowe

Breckinridge Wells and Margaret Setser Wells of Greenup County and descends from Richard Wells through his son Moses Wells line. His first cousin, Paula Wells, serves on the Wells family Board.

Mark Sturgill, son of Buddy and Barbara Sturgill of Louisville, Ky. graduated from Southeastern University of Medical School, Miami, Florida on May 30, 1993. Mark is presently doing his Internship in Dayton, Ohio at the Grandview Hospital. His wife, Lisa, is also in the medical field and is employed for the Grandview Hospital. They have two daughters, Sara and Allison. Mark is the grandson of Mildred Wells Sturgill and the late Rev. James Sturgill of Auxier, Ky. He descends from Richard Wells through George E. Wells, William G. Wells and Agnes Wells Auxier lines.

Linton Wells and Linton Wells II, are a father-son Investment team at Merrill Lynch, Ashland, Ky. Linton was born April 4, 1940 , in Johnson County . Graduated from Paintsville High school, 1958; earned Business Administration degree, Eastern Kentucky University, 1962. Served U.S. Navy, 1962-67. Account executive, Merrill Lynch, Lexington, 1967-69; account executive, Alstedt Brothers, Ashland, 1969-75, 1976-79; vice president, trust officer, Second National Bank, Ashland, 1975-76; vice president, Merrill Lynch, Ashland, 1979-present. He has one daughter, Cherene, and one son, Linton II. His son Lynton II was born Sept. 9, 1965 , in Brunswick, Ga. Graduated from Paul G. Blazer High School, 1983; received degrees in economics and philosophy, Duke University, 1987; vice president, Gourmet Bakeries Inc., Ashland, 1987-88; investment executive, R.B. Marich Inc., Lexington, 1988-90 financial consultant, Merril Lynch, Ashland, 1990-present. He and his wife Beth have one daughter, Nicole. Linton II while a teenager spent summers and after-school hours at his father's stock brokerage office, watching and admiring the man with whom he shares a first and last name. Fifteen years later, they share a lot more. Linton Sr., 53 and his 27-year-old son are partners in the Merrill Lynch's Ashland office, "This has definitely brought us closer together." Linton II said. " My dad has always been one of my heroes. I've enjoyed watching him work over the last quarter century and have gotten a new understanding of who my father is. "Although the father and son spend 40 hours a week together they don't feel obligated to see each other outside of work, but they do a lot of things together outside of work because they want to, not because they feel they have to. When they began working together, they developed an unwritten rule not to talk about their work outside of the office. Wells Sr. said a key to the relationship is that it is a true partnership and not boss-employee. "He's not my employee and I'm not his boss," he said. "I may have more experience, but it's an equal partnership and we work together well. He may make a mistake occasionally, but I know we'll always use good judgment and do what he thinks is best. We know each other so well that it's easy to do." The Wells boys descend from Richard Wells through his sons George E. Wells and Moses Wells lines. Lynton Sr. parents are Woodrow and Irene Wells of W. Van Lear.

Deidre "DD" Wells, Van Lear is the co-owner of the New Dimensions Hair Salon, Paintsville with Bobbi Jo Eldrige. Deidre is an experienced comostology and is the daughter of Wendell and Carol Hall Wells of Van Lear. She descends from the George E. Wells, William G. Wells, Moses Wells, and Agnes Wells Auxier lines.

John Calhoun Wells, Former Kentucky Labor Secretary has landed a labor-management job in the Clinton administration. John a Floyd County native was confirmed Oct. 21, 1993 by the U.S. Senate to be director of the Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service. The office in Washington, D.C.

handles disputes between labor and management. "I hope to be a catalyst to promote sound management relations nationwide" Wells said in a telephone interview from his home in Reston, Va. "I want to settle labor management disputes as quickly as possible." Wells, 48, said he will start the job in mid-November after President Clinton signs the necessary papers. President Clinton nominated him to the post in August. Wells will serve at the pleasure of the president. U.S. Sen. Wendell Ford, D-Ky., and U.S. Rep. William Natcher, D-Bowling Green, have been strong proponents for him in landing the job. Ford has sent a letter to Clinton in support of Wells's nomination, said Ford press secretary Mark Day. Several people in Kentucky, including Labor Secretary Carol Palmore, was interviewed by the FBI in its background search of Wells. "My office works very closely with the federal mediation office," Palmore said. "I think John Calhoun Wells would be the perfect person for the job." Kentucky Democratic Party Chairman Grady Stumbo said Wells is well qualified for the job. "It would be a tremendous asset for Kentucky to have someone like him in the role." Sandy Taylor, a spokeswoman for the federal office, said it has a staff of 309 people and is an independent agency that reports directly to the president. "We try to maintain labor-management peace," she said. Wells is a labor-management consultant. His clients include Ashland Oil and Union Carbide. Wells resigned two years ago as president of the John Gray Institute at Lamar University in Beaumont, Texas. He also has been a senior research fellow at the John F. Kennedy School of Government at Harvard University. From 1979 to 1987, Wells worked in state government in Kentucky, ending with a four-year stint as Kentucky's first labor secretary. Wells was an assistant to Ford from 1975-78. He has a bachelors' degree from the university of Kentucky and master's and doctorate from Rutgers University. John is the son of Josephine R. Wells and the late John Calhoun Wells of Auxier. He descends from Richard Wells through his sons George E. Wells and Moses Wells lines. Some of you will remember his father, John, as a teacher at Auxier High School.

Pam Volota Haynish, of Parma, Ohio was one of two Cleveland area members of the International Cake Exportation Society who each won \$500 cake decorating scholarships. The awards were presented at the annual show and convention in Richmond, Va. in August. Pam started cake decorating as a hobby but has now turned it into a second career. She specializes in making decorated cakes for all occasions, especially birthday cakes for children with their special cartoon characters on the cake. An article appeared in the Cleveland Plain Dealer on 9/22/93 about the scholarship and she will be taking cake decorating under the instructions of one of the best in the country. Pam is the daughter of Steve Volota of Euclid, Ohio and the late Geneva Wells Volota. She descends from Richard Wells through George E. Wells, William G. Wells and Agnes Wells Auxier.

MARRIAGES

Orville Lee Hamilton III, and Michelle Brown were married July 31, 1993 at the First Baptist Church, Paintsville. Rev. Jerry Scott officiated at the ceremony. The bride is the daughter of Mrs. Larry G. Brown of Paintsville and Lee is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Orville Hamilton of Thelma. Michelle graduated from Paintsville High School and is attending Morehead State University. She is a member of Chi Omega sorority. The groom is a graduate of Johnson Central High School and the University of Kentucky. He is attending Thomas Cooley Lay School. He is a member of Sigma Phi Epsilon

fraternity. The couple is residing in Lansing, Michigan. Lee descends from Richard Wells through his son William G. Wells.

BIRTHS

Hayli Dawn Wells, daughter of Lisa Wells, Van Lear was b. 11/15/93 in Highland Regional Medical Center, Prestonsburg, Ky. She was 7 lb. 1 oz. and 18" long. The paternal grandparents are Gerald R. Wells, Greenup and Vickie Wells, Van Lear. She descends from Richard Wells through George E. Wells, William G. Wells and Agnes Wells Auxier.

Christopher Shane Perry, The son of Eddie and Denise Wells Perry, Ashland, was b. Oct. 21, 1993, 21" long and weighing 7 lb. 10 oz. in Kings Daughters Hospital. He was welcomed by his brother Phillip Perry. The maternal grandparents are Phillip and Wanda Young Wells of Ashland, and they both are members of the Wells Family board. They descend from Richard Wells through his son George E. and Nancy Butcher Wells.

Cody David Longworth, the son of Anita Kay Wells and Brad Longworth, was b. Aug. 31, 1993, in Calvert City, Ky. He weighted 8 lb. 9 oz. and was 21" long. The maternal grandparents are Alex S. and Susie Goble Wells of Van Lear. He descends from George E. Wells, William G. Wells and Agnes Wells Auxier lines.



This picture was provided by Hilda Wells of Van Lear and was copied by Tommie Cochran at the '93 reunion. Listed from L. to R., Ethridge "Eck" Williams, Charles E. Wells, Raymond Wells, Everett "Abner" Wells, and Joe Wells, Jr. All of these guys descend from George E. Wells and Eck also descends from William G. Wells line.

ATTENTION

SPEARS LINE: Virginia Collins Edgel is now working on the Spears line and is asking for your assistance. If you descend from Spencer and Rose Anna Wells Spears line then she needs the

information on your family. She especially is looking for information on Harvey and Jemima Wells Spears line. Please contact her at 2000 Oak Street, Flatwoods, Ky 41139 or Phone: (606) 836-5337. She is working toward having the Spears line completed by the 1994 annual reunion. Your immediate attention is important.

ANDREW WELLS LINE: I had a letter from Margaret Berryman from Surry, Va. and she has found a treasure that she has been trying to find for years. When Margaret left the 1993 reunion she told me that she was going to search for Andrew Wells grave site on her return home. Andrew Wells is the eldest son of Richard and Susannah Hutchinson Wells who was born June 11, 1799, d. Jan. 21, 1828. Margaret said on her way home from the reunion she found the grave of Andrew Wells. She said it was 7 miles from the city limits of Abingdon, Va. on Rich valley road (Old Rt. 700). The grave is on top of a hill in a pasture and is in poor condition. She enclosed pictures of the gravestone of Andrew Wells and his son Rufus Morgan Wells. Morgan is buried in Gantz Cemetery in Jefferson County, Iowa. She is now looking for the grave of Walter Wells, son of Morgan, but she doesn't know what state, although she has a contact person in California that may be able to help. Margaret is the great granddaughter of Walter and his first wife. She hopes to find another cousin that will come to the reunion since it would be nice to have someone else from her line attend the reunion. We would love for other relatives to attend the reunion and especially someone from John Wells line. We are sharing the pictures of the gravestones that Margaret sent.



MEMORIALS

The following memorials were given in memory of Geneva Wells Volota, d. 8/14/93. Geneva was the

daughter of the late Ben and Anna Richmond Wells.

- \$25 given by Manford & Mary Wells Walton, Ashland, Ky
- \$25 given by Timothy & Nancy Walton, Morgantown, Ky
- \$25 given by Brand & Kathy Walton, Lexington, Ky
- \$20 given by James & Emma Wells Adkins, Van Lear, Ky
- \$20 given by Carl & Polly Wells Collins, Van Lear, Ky
- \$25 given by Haskell & Darlene Clark Burgess, Dayton, Ky
- \$40 given by Jim & Betty Clark Farley, Chino, California
- \$30 given by Kermit and Patricia Wells Womack and Juanita Wells Carr, Greenup, Ky.

The following was given in memory of John C. "Crit" Wells, d. 8/1/93, son of the late Marcus Lindsey and Lavis Hinkle Wells.

- \$25 given by Haskell & Darlene Clark Burgess, Dayton, Ohio
- \$100 given by Toby W. True, and family of Taylor Mill, Ky

\$20 given by Christine Williamson of Highland Heights, Ky in memory of James R. Williamson. Christine is the daughter of the late David Homer and Melvina Branham Crider and granddaughter of Alfred and S. Elizabeth Wells Crider. I am not sure which of Richard Wells children Christine descends from.

\$25 given by Marvin Setser, Van Lear, Ky in memory of his late mother Lucy Hatcher Setser. Lucy was the daughter of Dr. William Lee and Lucy Agnes Auxier Hatcher.

\$75 given by J. K. Wells, Paintsville, Ky to the memorial fund. I also purchased Mr. Wells's book "The Gathering of the Trades People" and he donated the \$12.50 back to the Wells Family Association treasury.

Several members send donation to go toward the newsletter. We do not charge for the newsletter but work from special donations and we appreciate each that contribute for the cause at the reunion or through the mail.

- \$12 given by Lafe Taylor, Portsmouth, Ohio.
- \$10 given by Gertrude Thompson, Verdunbille, WV.
- \$10 given by Lillian W. Necessary, Elizabethtown, Ky.

TREASURES REPORT

Receipts from 1993 reunion

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| General Offering | \$210.60 |
| Auction | 303.75 |
| Quilt | 320.00 |
| Cookbooks | 608.00 |
| Genealogy books | 145.00 |

Disbursments: for 1992-93 year

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| Printing of Cookbooks | \$2,103.75 |
| Mailing of Newsletters | 1,117.38 |
| Expenses of 93 reunion | 450.00 |
| (paper products, janitor/cooks etc.) | |
| by: Wanda Wells, Treasure | |

The above memorial gifts have not been included and there are three or four newsletters to be mail before the 1994 reunion. The cookbook printing has been paid and any that is sold will go toward expenses of mailing newsletters and putting on the 1994 reunion.

RECIPES

I promised that we would include a couple pages of recipes in each newsletter since some of you were not included in the cookbook. If you will get those recipes in to me we will try to include them in the newsletter and then have an update to be added at the 1994 reunion to your cookbook.

CORRECTIONS TO COOKBOOK

Pg. 76 the Tuna And Rice Casserole, by Paulina Collins Garza. Should read 1 10 oz. pkg. frozen peas & carrots (not 7 carrots). I understand that you can use cream of chicken or mushroom soup in this recipe.

COCONUT POUND CAKE

1-1/2 C. crisco or crisco oil 2-1/2 C sugar 5 eggs
Cream together 10 mi. at high speed.
3 C. flour 1 t. baking powder 1/4 t. salt
Omit if using self rising flour 1 C. milk

Add alternately with flour to cream mixture.

2 t. coconut flavoring 1 C. coconut

Add to mixture mix well. Bake at 325 degrees for 1-1/2 hours starting in a cold oven. Bake in a greased & floured 10" tube pan. Let cool 5 min. in pan after removing from oven. Place under cover to retain moisture. This recipe was submitted by two persons and the only difference was one use crisco and the other used crisco oil. We are giving both credit for recipe.

Bennette Camden Gertrude Thompson
Okeechobee, Fl. Verdunville, WV.

QUICK APPLE COBLER

1 C. flour 1 C. sugar 1 C. milk
3 t. baking powder 1 stick margarine 1 C. apple pie filling

You can use other fruit. Melt margarine in a 11X9X2" pan. Mix all ingredients except apples & pour into pan. Mix 1/2 C. water with apple pie filling spread over top of flour mixture but don't stir. Bake at 350 degree for 1/2 hour or until brown.

Bennette Camden
Okeechobee, Fl.

CHOCOLATE SHEET CAKE

Sift into large bowl: 2 C. all purpose flour 2 C. sugar
Mix in sauce pan: 1 stick butter 1/2 C. wesson oil
1 C. water 4 T. cocoa

Bring to a rapid boil & pour over sugar & flour. Stir well add 1/2 C. buttermilk, 2 eggs slightly beaten, 1 t. soda, 1 t. vanilla. Mix well pour into large greased pan. Bake 20 min. in 350 degrees. About 5 min. before cake is done melt & bring to boil 1 stick butter, 2 T. cocoa, 1/4 C. milk. When mixture comes to a full rolling boil remove from heat & add 1 box powdered sugar, 1 t. vanilla & spread over the cake while still hot. You can use 1 C. chopped nuts if desired, but I think it makes it too rich.

Viola DeLong Williams
Springfield, Oh.

SWEET POTATO SOUFFLE

1 large can (18oz) sweet potatoes (drained & mashed)
1 C. sugar 2 eggs 1/2 C. milk
1/2 t. salt 1/3 stick butter or marg. 1 t. vanilla
mix well pour into buttered pan

TOPPING

1 C. brown sugar 1/2 C. flour 1 C. pecans
1/2 C. melted butter or margarine melted

Crumble topping over potato mixture and Bake at 350' for 35-45 min. uncovered.

Viola DeLong Williams
Springfield, Oh.

30 DAY SLAW

1 large head cabbage 8 stalks of celery 2 mangoes (green
peppers)chopped fine
1 T. salt 2 C. sugar 1/2 C. water
1 C. vinegar 1/2 T. mustard seed 1 t. celery salt

Chop cabbage fine & mix salt in good let stand for 2 hrs. Mix sugar, water, vinegar & boil for 2 min. let stand & cool at the end of 2 hrs squeeze cabbage dry . Mix cabbage, liquid & sugar with all other ingredients, put in covered dish & refrigerate. This will keep for 30 days.

Viola DeLong Williams
Springfield, Oh.



At the close of the 1993 reunion several members take the time to rest after a long day by visit outside of Johnson Central High School.



These three lovely ladies attended the 1993 reunion as they do every year. They are from L. to R. Frances Lee Welch Neal, Mary May Welch Kazee and Mabel Allen. You may note that Frances is holding her purchase from the auction. Mary May is wearing with pride the Wells Family T-shirt and Mabel who serves on the Wells Family board is wearing her name tag as we all do as a way to make it easier to get acquainted with our extended relatives.

Since this will be the last newsletter before the Holidays, the Wells' Family Association would like to wish you and yours our very best Merry Christmas and continued health and happiness in the coming New Year.

MEMORIAL

One means by which individuals, if they desire, could assure that their interest and support for the Wells Family Association Inc. is continued, would be to make a bequest to the association. A memorial contribution is also an appropriate tribute to the deceased. Through a memorial contribution the loved one lives on and on through the Wells Family Association. For every memorial, a notice of the gift will be placed in the next newsletter. Donors may request that their names not be used and the board will respect such requests. The following could be used to provide data about a memorial contribution and as a receipt for your tax records.

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