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If you have a computer and are on Internet you may send me E-Mail with information for the newsletter. I would appreciate hearing from you since I love the E-Mail. My address is (mwalton@wwd.net) I am looking forward to hearing from you.

I really enjoyed the reunion this year and getting to see everyone. I didn't get to talk with people as much as I would have liked since my table was up front and many of you didn't come up that way. I think we will need to arrange the seating differently next year.

We are looking forward to an article from our new president for our next newsletter. We welcome any information that you may have about you or your families. Our people love hearing about what is going on in our extended family. We will be including pictures of monuments that have been purchased and set by the Wells Family Association throughout the newsletter. Send the E-Mail

M.W.Walton

MEMBERS ATTENDING THE REUNION FOR THE FIRST TIME

Jeff Wells, 1419 Fairland Dr. Richmond, Ky 40475
Diana DeLong Burchett, 4040 Ky. Hwy. 302, Van Lear, Ky 41265
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Amanda Leigh McKenzie, P.O. Box 632, West Van Lear, Ky 47268
Janet Wells Stambaugh, P.O. box 225, Auxier, Ky 41602
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Mark Ward, 2826 U.S. 68 N., Yellow Springs, Ohio 45387
Marcella Wells Roark, 51 Burlington Ave., Dayton, Ohio 45403



Dortha Lee Strobel, P.O. Box 766, Joshua Tree, Ca. 92252
Dana Smith, 819 Crone Rd., Memphis, Ind. 47143
Samantha Smith, 819 Crone Rd. , Memphis, Ind. 47143
Christina Smith, 819 Crone Rd., Memphis, Ind. 47143
Ina Smith, 1077 Wistbrook, Corona, Ca. 91720

Goldie Wells Stephens, 94, Huntington, W. Va. won the oldest person attending the 1996 reunion. Goldie was born on 2/17/1896 to the late Moses and Minta Bevins Wells. She is a granddaughter of William Green & Mary Butcher Wells and a great-grandchild of Richard Wells .



The youngest person attending the Reunion was six months year old Gabrael Burchell, son of Mr. & Mrs. Paul Burchell. He descends from Richard Wells from the George E. Wells and Moses Wells.



Virgina McMonegal from Long Beach, Ca. traveled he furthest distance to attend the 1996 Wells Reunion. Virginia is the daughter of William & Lora Wells. She descends from Richard Wells through his son. Pictured with Bobby Wells.

Amanda Leigh McKenzie. of West Van Lear won the \$500. scholarship for 1996 year. She is daughter of Danny K. & Susan Stambough McKenzie. She descends from Moses Wells & George E. Wells.



This marker was set by the Association for Andrew Wells the son of Richard Wells. Gladys and Margaret Berryman descend from Andrew Wells. He is buried in Virginia.



1996 Reunion

The Wells Family experienced another wonderful reunion on Labor Day weekend. The group met on Saturday night and toured the grave sites. The crowd was not as large on Saturday, but I was told everyone enjoyed a good time. The Historical Committee had a Genealogical Meeting on Saturday and Sunday. Our members are getting more interested in finding out about their heritage and this is very positive for the Association. (We encourage you to do a group sheet on your family and mail it to me or the Historical Committee so your family will be included in the book. There is a lot of data that is needed before the book can be put together.) Sunday's meeting was great although some of the members were near noon arriving. THERE WILL BE A REVISION OF THE STARTING TIMES FOR THE 1997 REUNION, watch your newsletters for these changes.

The Wells Board members met on October 12, 1996 at the home of Manford and Mary Walton in Ashland, Ky. The following persons were in attendance. Ron Wells, Bobby Wells, Lloyd Wells, Randy Wells, Dale and Malva Cline, Arthur and Wanda Collins, Tommie Cochran, Pat Womack, Gloria Sallie, Clifford and Delores Booth, Lyman and Ann Porter, Edith Mollett, Rita Smith, Mabel Allen, Paula Wells, Manford and Mary Walton The board members enjoyed a special meal of soup beans and everything that goes

with them served by the Boyd and Greenup County members. Our President Ron Wells brought a "PAY DAY BARS" cake which was great. Try this receipt included in this newsletter!

The Board voted to discontinue using the Johnson County School on Saturday as it is not feasible due to an increase in insurance cost and the low attendance. Members that would like to take the tour of the graves, lead by Bobby Wells, will be meeting at a designated place which will be specified in the Spring Newsletter.

I want to give you an idea of what it cost the Association for the period of 7/22/95 to 9/18/96. The expense for using the Johnson Central School has increased. We are attempting to get nonprofit status and paid our \$150. last spring but have received it yet. You know how slow the government can be!!! We have \$608.17 in the general fund and if funds fail to come in within the next few months we will run have to borrow from the memorial fund to mail the Spring newsletter. We have borrowed from the designated funds before and paid it back after the next reunion. (Funds that are designated cannot be used by the general fund unless we pay it back). We mail out approximately 885 newsletters. Our members have always come through when they know we are running short so it has not been necessary to charge for this service. On behalf of the board I want to thank Paula Wells, auditor for doing the following report. She has done a wonderful job.

Wells Family Association Auditor's Report 7/22/95 to 9/18/96

by: Paula Wells, Auditor

Worksheet balance 7/22/95	\$3,809.35
Plus receipts 7/22/95 to 9/19/96	\$4,283.87
Less expenses	\$5,960.33
	<u>BALANCE 9/18/96</u> <u>\$2,132.89</u>

(General Fund=\$608.17; Memorial Fund=\$1,200.47; Scholarship Fund=\$324.25)

RECEIPTS

9/5/95 Reunion Sales and Donations	\$1,226.57
1996 Reunion Sales and Donations	\$1,468.30
Oct. 1995 to Sept. 1996 - Donations, Sales of books etc.	<u>\$1,589.00</u>
	<u>Total Receipts</u> <u>\$4,283.87</u>

EXPENSES

Scholarship 1995 and 1996	\$1,000.00
Postmaster (for postage of newsletter)	\$ 917.60
M. Walton (supplies & paper products for the reunion)	\$ 101.25
Williams Graphic (print of newsletter)	\$1,524.15
1995 Reunion- (Cooks for serving meal and Janitor)	\$ 266.00
Area Advertising (T-Shirts) 1995 & 1996	\$ 541.87
Gravestones (P. Williams, M. Berryman) Setting 6 markers	\$ 883.28
1996 Reunion	\$ 558.18
(Insurance=\$230.00; Gen. Sales plates etc. - \$21.20, Award gifts = \$58.98;	
Cooks & Janitor = \$248.00)	
Kentucky State Treasure	\$ 9.00
Greenup County Clerk	\$ 9.00

Internal Revenue (to get non-profit status)

\$ 150.00

Total Expenses \$5,960.33

THE MEMBERS AT THE 1996 REUNION ELECTED THE FOLLOWING OFFICERS AND BOARD MEMBERS TO SERVE THE 1996-97 YEAR. THIS SLATE OF OFFICERS WERE NOMINATED BY YOUR NOMINATION COMMITTEE: LLOYD WELLS, PHILLIP WELLS AND MARY WALTON.

THE WELLS FAMILY ASSOCIATION INC.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS FOR THE YEAR 1996-1997

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Board Members representing each of Richard Wells Children

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Malva Belle Cline, 3850 Orchard Grove Rd., Sabina, Oh. 45169
Virginia Edgel, 2000 Oak St. Flatwoods, Ky. 41139, (606)836-5337

Nomination Committee:

Phillip Wells, Ch. Person, 709 Hamilton Ave. Ashland, Ky 41101,(606)324-4294
Mary W. Walton, same as asst. secretary
Pat Williamson same as Memorial committee

Historical Committee:

Bobby Wells,687 Burk Ave., Prestonsburg, Ky 41653, (606)886-2101

Paula Wells, (same as auditor)
John B. Wells, III, (same as auctioneer)
Charles C. Wells, Box 590, Paintsville, Ky 41240, (606)789-1688
Mary W. Walton, (same as asst. secretary)

Recruitment:

Arthur Collins, P.O. Box 268, Flatwoods, Ky 41239, (606)836-8297
Wanda Collins, (same as for Arthur Collins)
Greta Wells Click, 153 Jockey Hallow, Auxier, Ky 41602

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Bob Hutchison, P.O. Box 23, Staffordsville, Ky. 41256
Aloma Wilburn, 14923 Trace Rd., Rush, Ky 41268
Donna Martin, P.O. Box 39, Thelma, Ky 41260
Clay Wells, P.O. Box 326, Inez, Ky 41224, (606) 298-7953
Rita Smith, 918 Diedrick Dr., Flatwoods, Ky. 41139, (606) 836-3877

Honorary Members:

Phillip Wells, (same as Nomination Committee)
Opal Derossette, 7225 Belleville Rd., Belleville, Mi. 48111.

Ex. Officio Members:

J.B. Wells, III, (past president)
Pat Williams, (past president)
Mary W. Walton, (past president)
Bobby Wells, (past president)

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

VOICE MAIL (412) 545-4762

The address of Bernita Wells that I promised is listed below. She is stationed in Saudi Arabia, but I understand she will be returning in December.

Bernita Wells,
NSS Task Force 2-1
Delta Battery RRB
APOAE, 09852

I HAD PHONE CALLS FROM THE FOLLOWING PERSON'S SEEKING INFORMATION OF THEIR FAMILY LINEAGE.

(The daughter of Joe and Maxie Wells Ramey of Daniels Creek)

ALKA MAE RAMEY WEBB
24672 CRISLIN ST.
TAYLOR, MI. 48180
PHONE: (313) 291-0232

(The daughter of Rolland Wells of Johns Creek, Van Lear)

CAROL WELLS MAY
RR 1 BOX 181B
RURAL VALLEY, PA. 16249
PHONE: H. (412) 354-4374

(The new address for Dortha Strobel who attended the reunion for the first time this year. She moved back to California from Mo. From Dortha's letter, "It was really wonderful meeting so many cousins. I got such a warm reception, it was great. My sister was just here, she said if her health was better next year she may attend the reunion." Dortha descends from Richard Wells through William Green Wells and Rose Anna Wells Spears lines.)

DORTHA STROBEL
P.O. BOX 766
JOSHUA TREE, CA. 92252
PHONE: (619) 366-9797

ACADEMIC:

HONOR ROLL: Goldie Ann Wells, Amanda Wells, Shawna L. Keel, Hollie M. Auxier
DEAN'S LIST: Vincent B. Cochran.

NEEDING YOUR HELP!!!!!!

We are trying to help Troy Todak of Melbourne, Fl. find his father. I am including his letter so you can understand why it is important for him to



locate him or some relative. I talked with Troy on the phone and told him that I would run it in the newsletter. If any of you know his father or any of his family please contact him or Tommie or I and we will see that he gets the information.

Dear Mr. Wells:

My name is Troy Todak and I am in search of my natural father.

I'm looking for John Wayne Wells. I know that he was employed at the Sohio Refinery in Toledo, Ohio in the early sixties. My mothers name is Joan Lee Bretz.

I am 35 years old and I have an 8 year old daughter. My sole purpose for this search is to obtain any medical background available for mine and my daughters well being.

If this had reached you and you are not Mr. John Wayne Wells from Toledo, Ohio, please disregard this letter with my apology. However, if you are, or have any information regarding him, then please contact me at the following.

Troy Todak
596 N. Wickham Rd. #39
Melbourne, Fl. 32935
Phone #(407) 254-5822

Thank you for your time,
P.S. I've been told I have a brother 1-4 years younger than myself. I've also been told his sisters name was JoAnne, she also was in Toledo, Ohio between 1963-64. Also his ex wife may have been named Joanne Wells in 1965-66.

SICKNESS

OPAL DEROSSITT, FRED DEROSSITT, BEATRICE CHILDRENS, LUCILLE PATTON, STEVE VOLOTA, DORTHA HONEYCUTT, JIM FARLEY, BETTY FARLEY, GEORGIA R. HALL, HENRY HARDING, DALLAS COLLINS, MURL WELLS COLLINS, CLAY WELLS, ISHMAEL ONEY, ERNESTINE WELLS, JIM RICHMOND, GENENE WELLS, NEVARD WELLS,

HOSPITALIZATION

INEZ RUTH WELLS HARDING, of Bardgetown, Ky. underwent gallbladder

surgery 2/96 in a Louisville Ky Hospital. She had complications which required her to undergo extensive surgery. She now has a good report from her doctor & everything looks good. Ruth's husband, Henry, suffered a stroke and they have been looking after each other for awhile. Ruth was previously from Auxier and is the daughter of the late Paris & Alice Sherman Wells. She descends from Richard Wells by way of George E. Wells, Allen Wells, James Wells, and Paris Wells.

ARLIE WELLS PANELL, of South Point, Oh. underwent surgery after falling from a building and breaking both her feet. She is the daughter of David & Mary McCoy Wells and descends from Richard Wells through his son Moses Wells. Her brother Rev. James Wells of Raceland is a member of the Wells Family Board.

KENNY COLLINS, of Ashland, Ky. underwent bi-pass surgery on 8/19/96 in King's Daughters Medical Center, Ashland. Kenny is the son of the late John Wallace & Ethel Collins and descends from Richard Wells through Rose Anna Wells Spears line. He is a nephew of Arthur Collins who serves on the Wells Family Board.

FAY ISON DENNISON, of Catlettsburg, Ky. underwent bi-pass surgery on 8/20/96 in King's Daughters Medical Center, Ashland, Ky. Fay is the wife of Claude Dennison the son of the late Leonard & Sylvia Collins Dennison. Claude is a grandson of the late Wallace Collins and descends from Christopher Collins.

CHARLES ROLLEN WELLS, of Van Lear, Ky., has been a patient in a Lexington Ky Hospital. He is suffering from leukemia. Charles is the son of the late Joe & Cricket Webb Wells. He descends from Richard Wells through his George E. & Elizabeth DeLong Wells.

CONGRATULATION

MARINE LANCE CORPORAL, RAY D. COLLINS, of Van Lear, Ky recently returned to Morehead City, N.C. after completing a 2 1/2 month overseas operation assigned to the Special Purpose Marine Air Ground Task Force (SPMAGTF). Collins was one of 700 marines who embarked on the amphibious dock transport ship USS Once, which left the U.S. in mid-June. The SPMAGTF had elements that were located in five countries throughout Europe and Africa, including Operations Assured Response and Quick Response. During these operations in Monrovia, Liberia and Bangui, Central African Republic, respectively, Collins' unit provided security for American citizens and the American embassies during recent civil hostilities. Ray was a 1993 graduate of Sheldon Clark High School of Inez joined the Marine Corps in June 1993. Ray is the son of Ray D. Collins, of Hager Hill, Ky. and the late Cathy Wells. His material grandmother was the late Minnie Sue Wells. He descends from Richard Wells through George E. Wells, William G. Wells and Agnes Wells Auxier.

ERIN COLLINS, of Flat Gap, Ky and a student at Johnson Central High School. She attended the girls basketball camp on

July 21-25. The group attended Don Lane's Transylvania Basketball Camp. Erin is the daughter of Michael & Brenda Bailey Collins. She descends from Richard Wells through George E. Wells, William G. Wells and Agnes Wells Auxier lines.

BIRTH'S

CAROLINE GRACE WELLS, born at 8:57 a.m. on 10/3/96 at Central Baptist Hospital, Lexington, Ky. She weighed 8 lb. 4 oz. and 20" long. The proud parents are Jeff and Anne Wells of Richmond, Ky. The paternal grandparents are Ron and Judi Wells of Georgetown, Kentucky. Ron is the new president of the Wells Family Association Board. (I don't think I have ever seen a baby with so much black hair. My boys didn't have that much hair at a year old. She is a beautiful baby.) Caroline Grace descends from Richard Wells through George E. Wells and Moses Wells lines.

ALLYSON ROSE & KATELYN MARIE PETRO, twins girls born May 20, 1996 weighing 5 and 6 pounds. The proud parents are Mark and Tracy Harmon Petro, of Brunswick, Oh. They are the grandchildren of Rose Mary Wells Harmon and the late Dolie Harmon. maternal greatgrandparents are Pearl Hamilton Wells and the late Elmer Wells of Van Lear, Ky. The twins descends through their mother Tracy from Richard Wells through George E. Wells and Rose Ann Wells Spears lines.

FREDDY LEE WELLS, born June 7, 1996 to Anthony Benton and Karen Wells of Lodie, Oh. The paternal grandparents are Freddy Lee and Joyce Wells. Freddy descends from Richard Wells through his son George E. Wells line.

SHAWN LEE FLEMING, b. July 21, 1996 in Urban, Oh. He weighed 4 lb. 6 oz. and 17 1/4" tall. The proud parents are Brian and Tricia Fleming. He is the great grandson of Ralph and Maggie Wells Markley of Urbana. He descends from Richard Wells by way of George E. Wells & Sally Young Wells, - George Wash Wells & Arminta Clark Wells, - Alexander M. & Polly



Peery Wells, - Sherman & Lilly Collins Wells.

WEDDING ANNOUNCEMENTS

LOLA MARIE WILLIAMSON & BENJAMIN WILLIAM LYLE; Mr. & Mrs. Gerald R. Willimson of Paintsville, Ky wish to announce the engagement and future marriage of their daughter, Lola Marie, to Benjamin William Lyle, son of Mr. and Mrs. David S. Lyle of Campbellsburg, Ky. The couple plans to wed on June 21, 1997, in Lexington. Lola descends from Richard Wells through George E. Wells and William Green Wells lines.

TERRI A. WELLS & TONY PROFITT; Mr. and Mrs. Denver L. Wells of Concord Road announce the marriage of their daughter, Terri A. Wells to Tony Profitt, son of Mr. and Mrs. Dan Profitt of Southside. Terri is a graduate of Johnson Central High School and is employed by Watson's of Paintsville. Tony is a graduate of Paintsville High School and is employed by K-Mart of Paintsville. The couple will be married October 12, 1996 at 3:30 p.m. at the Third Street Freewill Baptist Church. A reception will follow at the Carriage House. Friends and family are invited. I am not certain how or if Terri descends from Richard Wells. If some of you know, please let me know.

MARRIAGES

MARGARET S. BERRYMAN & JOSEPH "JOE" STERLING PERKINSON, SR. were married on October 10, 1996 p.m. The ceremony was held at Chestnut Farm, outdoors,

overlooking the river. It was a beautiful day for a wedding. (Margaret told me at the reunion that she was getting married in October. She said that they had been so busy that they didn't have time before. Many of you had the opportunity to meet Joe at the reunion since he was with Margaret). Margaret is the daughter of Gladys Berryman and the late Joseph Shepherd Berryman. She descends from Richard Wells through his son Andrew Wells, Margaret is a member of the Wells Family Association Inc. Board.

(Margaret, congratulations to you and Joe from the Wells Board Members)

STUART PAUL BROWN & JANE WILLIS NALL, were married on June 29, 1996, at Settle Memorial United Methodist Church, in Owensboro, Ky. The Rev. James T. Wells, great uncle of the groom, officiated at the ceremony. Jane is the daughter of George and Joyce Nall of Owensboro, Ky. Stuart is the son of Elbert and Frances Wells Brown of Erlanger. Stuart is the grandson of Vernon Wells of Florence, Ky. The bride and groom are both graduates UK. Stuart is a third year Law Student at the Chase College of Law. Stuart descends from Richard Wells through his son Peter Wells. His uncle James T. Wells serves on the Wells Family Board.

MEMORIAL'S

HASKELL & DARLENE CLARK BURGESS, of Dayton, Oh. donated \$25. to the Organization in memory of Darlene's nephew James Thornton "Jimmy" Clark. Jimmy died May 4, 1996 after undergoing a heart transplant at

U.K. Medical Center, Lexington, Ky. He was born July 27, 1943, in Martin County, a son of the late Haskell and Fannie Harmon Clark. He was a grandson of the late James Blain & Luta Delong Clark of Inez, Ky. He descended from Richard Wells through his son William Green Wells line.

B. A. WELLS, JR. , of Springfield, Va. donated \$30. to be used wherever needed most. Bernie is a regular contributor to the Association. He is the son of the late Bernard A. Wells, Sr. and Cora K. Blair Wells He descends from Richard Wells through his son William Green Wells line.

GERTRUDE L. THOMPSON, of Verdunville, WV. donated \$20. to be used toward expenses of the newsletter.

MAGGIE WELLS MARKLEY, gave \$10. in memory of her late parents Sherman and Lillie Collins Wells. Maggie resides in Urbana, Oh. and was a member of the Wells Family board for the years 1994-96. Maggie descends from Richard Wells by way of George E. & Sally Young Wells, - George Wash & Armint Clark Wells,- Alexander M. and Polly Perry Wells and Sherman & Lilly Collins Wells.

BOB HUTCHISON, donated \$50. to the general fund and \$50. to the scholarship fund. Bob is a new member of the Wells Family Board for the year of 1996-97. He descends from the Peter Hutchison line that our Susannah Hutchison descended from. We are happy to have Bob on our Wells Family board.

JOHN B. WELLS, JR. donated \$50. toward the Association to be used where

needed most. John is the father of John B. Wells, III who serves on the Wells Family Board. He descends from Richard Wells by way of William G. & Mary Butcher Wells,- Charles Jefferson & Margaret Jane Arrowood Wells,- John Britton & Jennie Ward Well.

MABEL ALLEN, gave \$30. toward memorial fund. Mabel is the daughter of the late Rosie Wells and widow of the late Woodrow Allen. Mabel descends from Moses Wells and George E. Wells lines. She is a member of the Wells Family Association Board.

ANONYMOUS DONATOR: gave \$50. toward the Scholarship Fund. We honor the wishes of the donator if they request their name not to be used. This donator is a regular giver to the organization. Thanks from the Association.

John B. Wells III, gave \$100. toward the Scholarship Fund. John is the son of J. B. Wells Jr. and Margaret G. Hayman Wells. John descends from Richard Wells through his son William Green Wells. He is a member of the Wells Family Association Board.

Dr. Randell Wells, of Morehead gave \$50. to Memorial Fund and \$30. to General Fund in memory of his parents Samuel Lewis and Marsha Litteral Wells. Randell is the grandson of the late Lewis Wells and great-grandson of George E. Wells. He attended the Wells Reunion for the first time this year.

JANICE A. DUNSEITH, gave \$100. to the general fund. Janice descends from Richard Wells through his son George E.

Wells by way of his son, Allen Wells. Janice is a faithful contributor to the association. She is a member of the Wells Family Association Board and serves on the Scholarship Committee.

DORTHA STROBEL, gave \$50. toward the general fund. Dortha is a faithful contributor to the association. She is the daughter of the late Dale and Susie Spears Ferguson. She descends from Richard Wells through William Green Wells and Rose Anna Wells Spears lines.

AUDREY SMITH, gave \$20. toward general fund. Audrey is the daughter of the late Harvey and Jamina Wells Spears. She descends from Richard Wells through George E. Wells line.

MARGARET S. BERRYMAN, gave \$50. in honor of her mother, Gladys Wells Berryman. Gladys was the daughter of the late Floyd Alverson and Virginia Parrett Wells. She descended from Richard Wells through his son Andrew Wells. Margaret is a member of the Wells Family Association Board.

ELLA "MARTY" DOWNING, gave \$25. toward the newsletter in memory of her parents Thomas C. & Norsa Wells Batchelor. Ella descended from Richard Wells through his son Moses Wells.

DEATHS

HAZEL, H. WELLS, 88, of Russell, Ky died October 24 in King's Daughters' Medical Center following a brief illness. Mrs. Wells was born Sept. 11, 1908, in Johnson County, a daughter of the late Charley and Jenny Gullet Helton. Her

husband, King Wells, died in 1985. Surviving are two sons, Larry Jack Wells of Raceland, Ky., and Stanley Ray Wells of Greenup, Ky.; a sister, Ida H. Proctor of Versailles; four grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren. Arrangements were under the direction of Carman Funerals Home in Flatwoods, Ky. Burial was in the Bellefonte Memorial Gardens. Hazel's late husband King Wells descended from Richard Wells through his son William Green Wells.

ADA TUDOR WELLS, 78, died Sept. 25, 1996 at Columbia Hospital, Georgetown, Ky. She was born in Madison County on Aug. 27, 1918 and was the daughter of the late Harris Joseph and Myrtle Calico Tudor. Survivors are her husband Martin B. Wells; two daughters Betty Faust Cline and Peggy Wells Hampton, both of Georgetown, Ky.; a son, Bobby Martin Wells, Georgetown, Ky; 10 grandchildren; 13 great-grandchildren. Arrangements were under the directions of the Tucker, Yocum & Wilson Funeral Home with brother Don Wells and Tommy Simpson officiating. Burial was in the Georgetown Cemetery. I am not sure how or Mrs. Wells husband Martin B. Wells are related to Richard Wells line.

FLOYD "RAMBLER" KIGER, 1938-1996 age 57, of West Van Lear, died September 18, 1996 at Paul B. Hall Medical Center, Paintsville. He was born in Greene County Pennsylvania, the son of Sylva Roland and Lela Kent Kiger. He is survived by his wife, Lavonne Steenburgh Kiger; two daughters, Sheila Watkins of West Van Lear and Sonja Castle of Nicholasville; one son, William

Kiger of Thealka; one sister, Roberta Dulaney of Spraggs, Penn.; 6 brothers, Richard Kiger of Gastonia, N.C.; Joseph Kiger of Morgantown, W.V.; Dale Kiger of Waynesburg and Thomas Reed Kiger of Waynesburg; and 4 grandchildren, as well as several children adopted in his heart. Burial was in the Highland Memorial Park in Staffordsville. Floyd's wife Lavonne descended from Richard Wells through his daughter Rose Anna Wells Spears line.

RICKY ALLEN COLLINS, 46, of Taylor, Michigan, died September 19, 1996, the son of Christopher "Columbus" and Betty Vires Collins. He is survived by his wife, Marjorie Collins; two daughters, Carolyn Craig Lawhorn; one son, Ricky Allen, Jr.; two sisters; two sisters, Sandra and Sharon; his mother-in-law, Lois Sandefur and one grandson, Scott.

Arrangements were under the direction of Voran Funeral Home. Services were at the funeral home. Burial was in the Parkview Cemetery in Livonia, Michigan. Ricky descends from Richard Wells through George E. Wells and Rose Anna Wells Spears lines.

DAVID LONSO WELLS, 52, of South Pelzer, S. C., died September 30, 1996, at Anderson Area Medical Center. He was born April 27, 1943, in Johnson County, the son of the late Arlie Wells Jr. and the late Julia Mae Stambaugh Wells. He is survived by his wife, Linda Marie Wells; 4 daughters, Tina Renniw and Debbie Smith of S. C.; Julie and Lisa Smith, both of Thomaston, Georgia; 3 sons, Mark and Stephen, both of South Pelzer and Victor of Dundee, Michigan; 4 uncles, Solomon Stambaugh of Staffordsville;

Bill Wells and Elmer Wells of Meally; and Dean Wells of Michigan; an aunt, Alice Marie Webb of Van Lear. Graveside services were held October 4 at Pine Lawn Cemetery in Pelzer, S.C. with Rev. David Grady officiating. I am not sure how or if David descends from Richard Wells. If any of you know, please let me know.

HARRY BURCHETT, 88, of Paintsville died July 27, 1996 at Mountain Manor Nursing Home. He was born Feb. 16, 1908, in Johnson County, the son of George and Ann Stambaugh Burchett. He is survived by his wife Margie McKenzie Burchett; 2 sons, Leon Burchett of Paintsville and Dr. Troy Burchett of Morehead; a brother, Hysell Burchett of Staffordsville; 5 grandchildren and 1 great-grandchild; Services were July 29 at Jones Preston Funeral Home Chapel with Jerry Ginan and Elden Rucker officiating. Burial was in Highland Memorial Park. Mr. Burchett's son Leon is married to Patricia Ann Kazee who descends from Richard Wells through his son William Green Wells.

DELLA CARTER WELLS, 79, widow of Troy Herman Wells, of Corbin, died July 29, 1996 at the Baptist Regional Medical Center. Corbin. She was a daughter of the late James and Susan Williams Carter, born 12/27/1916 in Knox County. She united in marriage with Troy Herman Wells and to this union 7 children were born: 4 daughters, Izetta (Owen) Williams, Corbin, Janetta (Lewis) Owens, Lexington, Pat Wells, Clearwater, Fl., Kathy Howard, Bowling Green; 3 sons, James Herman (Fredia) Wells, Woodbine, Herbert Clayton Wells, Lexington, Ted

Hershel Wells, Georgia; 9 grandchildren; 7 great-grandchildren. Funeral services was at The Knot County Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. Damon Helton and Rev. Geral Wells officiating. Interment was in the Pine Hill Cemetery, Corbin. I am not sure or if Della's husband Troy Hermar descends from our Richard Wells.

**MOUNTAIN HOMEPLACE
PAINTSVILLE, KENTUCKY
At Beautiful Paintsville Lake In
Eastern Kentucky Highlands**

where History Comes Alive On A Re-Created 1850-1875 Working Farm. Many of you remember that John B. Wells Jr. invited you to stop by the Mountain Homeplace with your first step back in history. If any of the Wells's members should go by to tour the homeplace if you tell them at the home you are with the Wells Family you will get a discount for the tour. (I must say that it will be worth your while. J.B.Jr. gave me and my niece Pat Womack and her son Robert a tour and I was very much impressed) Your first step in history begins with Eastern Ky: The "Land of Tomorrow" Before the tour begins, you can enjoy a moving introduction by viewing "The Land of Tomorrow". This awardwinning video is narrated by the famous actor Richard Thomas whose ancestral roots are linked to the area. If you need directions or more information prior to your visit, you may call: 1-606-297-1850. The HomePlace is located near the shores of Paintsville Lake. You will be able to find lodging at one of Paintsville hotels or inns.

The HomePlace is an excellent place to take a group of school children since it is very educational with a step back in time. Senior Citizens would love taking the tour as well as all family members. You will see animals such as oxen, goats, mules, chickens, cats, birds including, mallards and geese that often fly over or land in the field. The old farm



house with cooking seamstress, butter - making, laundress, weaving, spinning, a gift shop with many collectible Kentucky Crafts and quality souvenirs are reasonably priced. In July of 96 the actors from the Jenny Wiley Theater presented the Jenny Wiley Story. This outdoor play was held on the historic farm site and is the second in a series of three presentations to be performed at the Mountain HomePlace. In October the Mountain Homeplace has a Harvest Festival held during the Ky Apple Festival. You find the mule drawn cane mill and sorghum making demonstration all day long. Apple butter is bubbling as it did over a century ago. Rediscover the ancient art of black-smithing and also listen to bluegrass music. Plan to visit the Homeplace in the spring when it opens. Call (606) 297-1850 to find out more information. You will more than likely find J. B. Wells Jr. there since he volunteers his services daily. He will make you welcome and may be the one to give you the tour of the HomePlace. Let them know that you are a member of the Wells Family and receive your discount. It is worth visiting.

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 for your tax records. Please accept \$ _____ as a memorial contribution in honor/memory of

who is my _____

(State Relationship).

Please Check One:

1. Use toward stones for unmarked graves _____
2. Use toward the general fund (newsletter etc.) _____
3. Use toward the College Scholarship Fund _____

If one of the above is not checked the memorial/honor will go into the general fund for expenses of the newsletter etc.

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RECIPES

Recipes sent by some of our members & I have used all of them and they are worth trying ladies. I found it hard to not eat more than I should of each of them.

CHERRY CRUNCH

by: Carma Honecutt Sturgill

1. Drain 2 large cans of crushed Pineapple.
2. Spread in large pan.
3. Spread 2 cans of Cherry Pie Filling on Pineapples
4. Sprinkle 1 Plain Yellow Box of Cake mix over pie filling
5. Melt 2 sticks of Margarine and pour over cake mix
Sprinkle with coconut and crushed nuts.

Bake in 325 degree oven for 1 hour. Test top, make sure its done. Use 10x15" pan.

PEANUT BUTTER PIES

by: Rose Anne Akers &
submitted by Carma Sturgill

- 1 - 12 oz. Cool Whip
- 1 - 8 oz. Philadelphia Cream cheese-
Soften
- 2 - Cups Confectionery Sugar

1 - Cups Smooth (good brand) Peanut Butter

Mix all ingredients until smooth. This makes 2 pies - Best to use graham crackers crust - Keep refrigerated.

PAY DAY BARS

by: Mrs. Ron "Judi" Wells

- 1 cup Karo syrup (white)
- 1 cup sugar

Heat until dissolved-remove from heat.

Mix in: 1 cup peanut butter until smooth

add: 2 cups rice krispies

2 cups corn flakes

2 - 12-oz can spanish peanuts. Mix

together and press into greased

9"x12" pan.

Topping: Heat 1 stick butter and 1

Cup confectioners sugar and 2

Tablespoon milk- beat by hand until smooth.

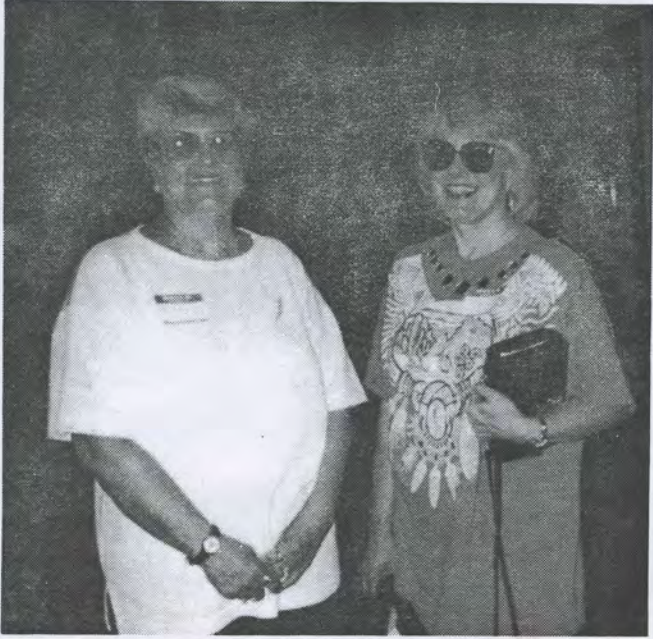
Add: 2 cups confectioners sugar
(or more)

2 teaspoons vanilla

Beat with mixer until smooth. Spread over peanut mixture. Cool and cut and serve.

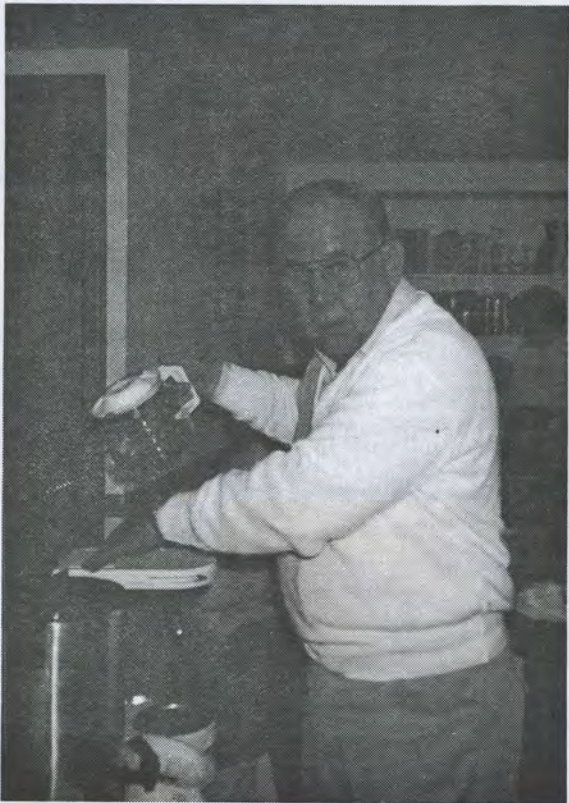


Greetings of the Season
with warm wishes for every happiness
in the coming year



Wanda Wells, winner of the door prize at the 1996 Reunion, pictured at left with Tommie Cochran, Secretary and Assistant Editor.

Manford Walton making coffee for the Fall Board Meeting!!!



Ann Porter, Delores Booth and Dr. Randall Wells working the auction at the 1996 Reunion.

