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Please note that my e-mail address has changed since the last newsletter.

I want to say how sorry we are about the last newsletter not getting out before Christmas. Our printer was in the hospital and had difficulty since he also got the flu after getting out of the hospital and resulted in not getting it printed until after the holidays. We always have it out before Christmas and hopefully from now on it will be out more timely.

This will be the last newsletter until after the reunion. If you have any news to be included in the fall newsletter please send it to me or bring it to the 99 reunion. The newsletter will only be as good as you make it. Our people really want to hear what is happening to you and your family.

The Wells Family Board has met twice since the 98 reunion and will have at least one if not two more meetings before the 99 reunion. The board has voted to returning to the Saturday's activities this year. It was felt by members that we were trying to cram too much into Sunday meeting, therefore they voted to go back to having Saturday's activities. We will meet Saturday and Sunday at Johnson Central High School. **Saturday's meeting will begin at 3:00pm** at Johnson Central High School with a tour of the Richard Wells grave and some of his children's graves sites. If you choose not to take the grave tour there will be activities at the school and time for you to visit and get to know your relatives better.

There will be a **Genealogical workshop on Saturday evening instead of Sunday.** This will give more time for other things on Sunday. The Genealogical meeting will be conducted by the Historical Committee, John B. Wells III, Bobby Wells, Paula Wells, Charles C. Wells and Mary Walton. Bobby Wells will have a copy machine available for making copies. The committee ask that you bring your genealogy and old pictures to share with the group.

If you have a talent please bring it with you and plan to help entertain family members. If you or your family would like to do something special, we would love for you to perform for us. Why not prepare a skit or if you are a Comedian, why not share some humor for us. We all could use some laughter, it is said that laughter is better than medicine for us.

Bring snacks and finger foods for the evening. We can pick things up at the local grocery stores, soft drinks, chips, cookies, dips, or anything else you desire to bring.

The Auction will be on Sunday and since we meet on Saturday night we will have more time for the auction. Ann Porter and Randy Wells will have a silent auction for everything except the larger items and more expensive items. This will leave more time for our people to visit and get to know each other more. Other than visiting the Sunday meeting will have the Auction, Memorial Service, and election of officers. There will be books, T-shirts and other items for sale.

Don't forget to be making your special items for the Auction. This is money that will go toward expenses of the reunion and marking unmarked graves.

We will plan on eating at 1:00 pm this year which will be a little earlier than last year for I think many of our stomachs begin to talk to us when we wait until 1:30 pm. **If you would like to freeze your food to bring to the reunion it would be fine for the cooks has means of defrosting it. This would make it easier in case you don't live in the area and have to travel.** Hopefully things will go smoother this year and our people will feel more relaxed and just visit and get to know each other. We will be able to stay as long as we want to stay. We hope that you don't leave soon as we eat and officers are elected but stay and lets visit.

The board will try and come up with some entertainment that you all will enjoy. We have had request for Don Rambo to sing for us again this year and we will certainly try to see if he will be available. I understand that the Ali Wells children are going to sing for us this year. I know they do a great job and am looking forward to hearing them again.

I want to say **Big Thanks** to Arnold Wells for completing the non-profit forms for the Wells Family. **You will not be able to use your giving for income tax deduction,** we have been approved as non-profit, but was denied by the Postal

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.



BIRTHS

TAYLOR ANN RAMEY, born 9/17/1998 to the proud parents James Douglas (JD) and Jennifer (O'Donald) Ramey of Anchorage, Alaska. This is their first child for JD and Jennifer. Taylor is the granddaughter of James Ashley Ramey and the late Betty Lois Phelps Ramey. James told me on e-mail that he had four children three sons, JD, Kenneth and Steve and one daughter, Melanie. He now has three grandsons and three granddaughters. James went to Alaska to visit his daughter Melanie and son JD, and see the new addition to the family. James said that he was able to check his e-mail while out of his ISP area, the web address is (www.mailstart.com) if you members that travel and would like to check your e-mail while gone, you now can do so and the best of all, it is free. Taylor Ann is the great grand-daughter of the late Joe and Maxie Wells Ramey of Daniels Creek, Johnson County Kentucky. She descends from Richard Wells through George E. Wells line. James e-mailed me a picture of JD, Jennifer and Taylor Ann and I must say they are a good looking family. Thanks for the information James.

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ELY JAMES WELLS, born November 29, 1998 to the proud parents Scott and Pam Wells of Columbus, Ohio. The paternal grandfather is Randy Wells of Louisville and the first grandchild made for a wonderful Thanksgiving for him. Pam is doing her residency at Mt. Carmel Hospital in Columbus. Randy's youngest son Jon flew up from Florida where he is in school to be with the family for Thanksgiving and see his new nephew. Their mother also flew in from North Carolina to be with them. Ely descends from Richard Wells by way of George E. Wells. The grandfather Randy Wells serves as chairperson of the Scholarship Committee and on the Auction Committee of the Wells Family Board

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KYLE WILLIAM WELLS, born at 7:35 p.m. at Central Baptist Hospital, Lexington on June 2nd, 1999 weighing 6 lb., 5 oz. The proud parents are Christopher T. and Lisa Kathryn Partin Wells of Lexington, Kentucky. The parents was expecting Kyle to be full term but he decided to come 5 ½ weeks early. The proud paternal grandparents are Ronald and Judi Tharp Wells of Georgetown, Kentucky. The maternal grandparents are William and Vela Partin of Lexington. Kyle descends from Richard Wells by way of George E. Wells and Moses Wells lines. The grandfather Ronald Wells is president of the Wells Family Association and his uncle Jeff Wells also serves on the Wells Family Board.

WEDDING ANNOUNCEMENT

WELLS-CIOFANI, Denise Dawn Wells and Brian R. Ciofani will be united in marriage at 1:00 pm. July 10th. At Wurtland Freewill Baptist Church. Denise is the daughter of Larry J. and Mildred K. Wells of 700 Brown St., Racheland.

Mr. Ciofani is a son of Richard and Donna Ciofani of Richmond, Va. The prospective groom is also a graduate of Kentucky Christian College and is an accountant with Sycor Corp. in Winston-Salem, N.C.

The bride-elect is a graduate of Raceland High School and Kentucky Christian College in Grayson. She is employed at Peoples Bank FSB in Russell. I do not know if or how Denise descends from our Richard Wells.

MARRIAGES

WELLS-SALHOFF, Scott Wells of Prestonsburg, Kentucky, and Beth Salhoff were married on October 2, 1998 in Lexington, Kentucky. Scott is the son of Bobby and Herbie Jean Banks Wells of Prestonsburg. Scott and Beth are residing in Lexington. Scott was a previous member of the Wells Family Board.

Scott's father Bobby is a member on the Wells Family Board where he serves as Vice President and member of the Historical Committee. Scott descends from Richard Wells by way of George E. Wells and Moses Wells line.

SALLIE-BADGETT, Gloria Renee Ann Sallie and Kevin Eric Badgett were united in marriage at 2:30 p.m. January 23, 1999 at Oakland Avenue Baptist Church in Catlettsburg by Rev. Paul R. Badgett, minister, the groom's cousin. Mrs. Badgett is the daughter of Bill and Gloria Spears Sallie of 823 Sallie Drive, Ashland. Mr. Badgett is a son of Chester and

Mr. Badgett of 1200 Badgett Lane, Rush. Nuptial music was provided by Dr. Shannon Crum of Ashland, pianist and soloist. Maid of honor was Amy Lemaster of Ashland and the matron of honor was Robin Helton of Clearwater, Florida.

Bridesmaid was Coty Badgett of Ashland, the groom's niece. Junior bridesmaid was Kendra Badgett of Ashland, the groom's niece. Best man was Kenny Badgett of Ashland, the groom's brother. Groomsmen were Shannon Wells, the groom's cousin, and Mark Moore, both of Rush. Ryne Sallie of Ashland, the bride's nephew, was junior groomsman.

Ushers were Brent Sallie and Chad Sallie, both of Ashland, the bride's nephews. Other attendants were Emily Sallie of Ashland, flower girl and Tyler Sally of Ashland ring bearer, the bride's niece and nephew. A reception followed at the Family Life Center of the church. The bride is a graduate of Boyd County High School and Shawnee State University and is a registered dental hygienist with Dr. Brian Adkins in Summit and Dr. Timothy Strait in Flatwoods. The groom is also a graduate of Boyd County High School and Eastern Kentucky University. He is employed with Waste Service of America in Ashland as a controller.

Following a wedding trip to Florida and Bahamas, the couple reside at 13302 Ky. 854, Rush, Ky. 41168. The bride Gloria Renee Ann descends from Richard Wells through Roseanna Wells Spears and William Green Wells lines. Her mother Gloria Sallie serves on the Wells Family Board.

WELLS-COLLIER, Angela Voyers Wells and Anthony "Tony" Len Collier were united in marriage at 6:30 p.m. Nov. 14, 1998 at Worthington Church of the Nazarene by the Rev. Marvin Boggs, the groom's cousin. Mrs. Collier is a daughter of Lewis and Ruth Voyers of Calumet Drive, Worthington. Mr. Collier is a son of Arnold and Geraldine Collier of Grayson.

Nuptial music was provided by Sherri Lenzu of Flatwoods, the bride's sister, and Lynn Gannon of Grayson, soloists. The bride was given in marriage by her son, Jeffrey Wells of Grayson. Audrea Collier of Versailles, daughter of the groom, was honor attendant. Mr. Wells served as best man. The wedding party included Victoria "Tori" Collier of Grayson, the groom's daughter, flower girl.

A reception followed at the church. The bride is a graduate of Raceland High School and attended Ashland Community College. She is a graduate of Commonwealth School of Insurance. She is an insurance agent in the office of Bob Meenach State Farm in Flatwoods.

The groom is a graduate of East Carter high School and attended Ashland Community College. He is owner and operator of Collier Woodcraft Cabinets. He is also a pilot and a banjo player with the gospel group The Glory Hill Boys. Following a wedding trip to the Smoky Mountains, the couple will reside on Driftwood Lane in Grayson. The bride's son by her first marriage descends from Richard Wells through William Green Wells line.

MCKENZIE-WELLS, Janie Carol McKenzie and Frank Allen Wells Jr. were united in marriage on Dec. 19, 1998, at the First Baptist Church on College Street in Paintsville. Officiating at the ceremony was Rev. Donnie B. Patrick, pastor.

Attending the bride were maid of honor, Denise Ash of Lexington, and flower girl, Katherine Ann Wells of Paintsville. Tom Wells of Cookeville, Tennessee, served as his brother's best man. Serving as ushers were Jeff McFaddin of Paintsville, Charles McFaddin of Staffordsville, Gary Douglas McFaddin of Lexington and Brian Dean McFaddin of Lexington, cousins of the bride.

Guest book attendants were Jessie McFaddin of Hager Hill, cousin of the bride, and Angie Dixon of Paintsville. The bride was given in marriage by her father. Musical selections were performed by Carol Ann White of Paintsville, organist, and Debbie Trimble of Paintsville, pianist. Duets were sung by John and Kathy Bolton, and a solo of "The Gift" was performed by Jo Evelyn Newman of Wittensville during the lighting of the unity candle. An afternoon reception was held in the Church Fellowship Hall.

Mrs. Wells is a graduate of the University of Kentucky College of Law and is a partner in the law firm of Bochi, Stopher & Graves, Prestonsburg.

She is the daughter of Fred Willard McKenzie and Hazel McFaddin McKenzie of Hager Hill and the granddaughter of the late Clyde and Ollie Mae McKenzie and the late George and Kandie Mae McFaddin.

Mr. Wells is a graduate of eastern Kentucky University and is the Kentucky Education Technology Regional Engineer for the Northeast Kentucky area.

He is the son of Frank Allen Wells Sr., and Anna Williams Wells of Flat Gap. Following a honeymoon in New York City, the couple resides in Paintsville. Frank Allen descends from Richard Wells by way of William Green Wells.

MOORE-QUEEN, Kathi Leigh Moore and Robert Clyde Queen were united in marriage at 2 p.m. Oct. 24 at Lakeside at Timmons Chapel in Pittsburg, Kan., by Tim Fielder. Mrs. Queen is a daughter of Sue Moore of Pittsburg. Mr. Queen is a son of Clyde and Grace Queen of Catlettsburg. Matron of honor was the bride's mother, sister, was bridesmaid. Best man was Steven Brown of Pittsburg, the bride's nephew. Groomsman was Eric Brown of Pittsburg, the bride's nephew.

Other attendants were Rachel Brown of Pittsburg, niece of the bride, as flower girl; and Dakota Moore of Pittsburg, nephew of the bride, as ring bearer. A reception followed at the senior citizens center in Pittsburg. The bride is a graduate of Pittsburg State University. The groom is a retired postmaster at the Hitchins Post Office and retired from the Navy.

Following a wedding trip to North Miami Beach, Fla., and a cruise to Haiti, Jamaica and Mexico, the couple will reside in Ashland. Robert Clyde Queen descends from Richard Wells by way of Agnes Wells Auxier line.

PAYNE-STROBEL, Gene Payne and Dortha Ferguson Strobel were married on June 5th, at 1/30, in Chloride, Arizona. They had a Patio wedding with the Universal Life Church minister performing the wedding. Both Gene and Dortha have lost their spouses and expecting to spend some good years together.

Dortha is the daughter of the late Dale & Susan Spears Ferguson. Dortha's grandparents John T. and Leona Clark Spears moved to Pamona, California in the 1920's and raised their family there. She descends from Richard Wells through William Green Wells and Roseanne Wells Spears line.

WELLS-DEAN, John Britton Wells IV and Angela Leigh Dean were married on May 22, 1999 at Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church in Marietta, GA. After a wedding trip to Cancun, Mexico, the couple will reside in Little Rock, Arkansas. Angela is the daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Herman E. Dean III of Marietta, Georgia, and is the granddaughter of Mr. & Mrs. H. E. Dean and Betty Zimmer and the late Kenneth Zimmer, all of Birmingham, Alabama. She is a graduate of Walton High School in Marietta and Morehead State University. She is a member of Chi Omega Sorority.

John Britton is the son of John B. Wells III and Terrie B. Wells of Paintsville. He is the grandson of Mr. & Mrs. J. B. Wells Jr. of Paintsville and Mildred Barrier and the late Hobart Barrier of Monticello.

He is a graduate of Paintsville High School and the University of Mississippi where he received his MBA. He is a member of Sigma Chi fraternity and is employed by Alltel Communications of Little Rock, Arkansas.

John Britton descends from Richard Wells by way of William Green Wells line. His father John III serves on the Wells Family Board where he is on the Historical Committee and Auctioneer for the reunion.

SPECIAL PRAYER

My husband Manford Walton found this prayer and gave it to me thinking it may be nice for the newsletter. I really liked it and felt that it would speak to you as it did to me. I have decided to share it with you.

Lord, thou knowest better than I know myself that I am growing older and will someday be old. Keep me from the fatal habit of thinking I must say something on every subject and on every occasion. Release me from craving to straighten out everybody's affairs. Make me thoughtful but not moody, helpful but not bossy. With my vast store of wisdom, it seems a pity not to use it all, but thou knowest, Lord, that I want a few friends at the end. Keep my mind free from the recital of endless details; give me wings to get to the point. Seal my lips on my aches and pains. They are increasing, and love of rehearsing them is becoming sweeter as the years go by. I dare not ask for grace enough to enjoy the tales of others' pains, but help me to endure them with patience.

I dare not ask for improved memory, but for a growing humility and a lessening cocksureness when my memory seems to clash with the memories of others. Teach me the glorious lesson that occasionally I may be mistaken. Keep me reasonable sweet. I do not want to be a saint—some of them are so hard to live with—but a sour old person is one of the crowning

works of the devil. Give me the ability to see good things in unexpected places and talents in unexpected people. And give me, Lord, the Grace to tell them so. Amen.

SICK & SHUT-INS

OPAL WELLS DEROSSITE, THELMA WELLS, FRANK KEEL, GEORGIA R. HALL, HEATHER QUALLICH, PATRICK HANISH, EMMA ADKINS, MILDRED STURGILL, BEATRICE CHILDERS, LUCILLE PATTON, MALTA WATSON, MURL WELLS COLLINS, DONNA WELLS RAMBO, TED WELLS, MARY WELLS, JILL WELLS, TOMMY WELLS, POLLY COLLINS, SUSIE GOBLE WELLS, BILL SALLIE, MILDRED WELLS.





Left: A picture of the monument of Aaron Wells Right : Opal Wells Derosette, descends from George E. Wells

HOSPITAL

ANNA LOIS MEADE WILSON, of Columbus, Ohio was a patient in a local hospital where she was taken in by ambulance in an emergency. Ann has been having uncontrollable blood pressure for some years, and the doctor did a heart catheterization which turned out fine. The doctor told her they were going to do a kidney catheterization because it is common for people with uncontrollable blood pressure to have a blocked artery going to the kidney. They found that the main artery going to the kidney was blocked and had damaged her kidney and found it just in time to prevent her from losing a kidney. This problem for the most part is genetic and passed down through the family. Ann is excited about being able to stop taking her blood pressure medicine and is home and doing great. If any of you out there have uncontrollable blood pressure please have the test for it may save your life. Anna is the daughter of the late Eyvand and Betty Wells Brown and descends from Richard Wells by way of William G. Wells , George E. Wells and Agnes Wells Auxier.

PAT ROBINSON WILLIAMS, of Paintsville has been sick and receiving treatment at present time. Pat is the wife of Jim Williams who descends from Richard Wells through William G. Wells and George E. Wells line. Pat is a member of the Wells Family Board and has served previously as President of the Association.

BULAH WELLS KEEL, spent 9 days in Highland Medical Center, Prestonsburg due to complication from the Chemo she is taking. She is home recuperating with special care from her children. Buelah is the daughter of Malta Wells Watson and the late Rolland Wells and descends from Richard Wells by way of George E. Wells. She and her daughter Mary F. Keel Moore both are on the Wells Family Board.

DANNY EUGENE BLEVINS, SR., of Van Lear was a patient in Highland Regional Medical Center, Prestonsburg and St. Joseph's Hospital, Lexington in May. Danny had foot surgery due to being a diabetic. He is the husband of Phyllis Wells Blevins. Phyllis descends from Richard Wells by way of George E. Wells line. Their son Danny Blevins Jr., serves on the Wells Family Board.

JESSIE COLLINS, of Van Lear, Ky., had a stroke and was in Lexington, Kentucky Hospital 1998. He is home and recuperating with special care from his wife. Jessie is the son of the late Connard and Gladie Wells Collins. His son Don Collins lives in Wenatchee, Washington and I e-mail with him, he is a supporter of the Wells Family. Jessie descends from Richard Wells by way of George E. Wells and Roseanna Wells Spears lines.

VIRGINIA COLLINS EDGEL, of Flatwoods, Kentucky was a patient in Kings Daughters Hospital, Ashland in May. Virginia was losing blood and was diagnosed with Renal Cell Cancer. Virginia is going to be at her son John Edgel in California to receive her chemo treatment. She will be there for approximately six months before returning home. Virginia has been a member of the Wells Family board for many years. She is the daughter of the late Hansford Winfield and Pearl Cornutte Collins and granddaughter of the late William Perry and Mary Alverta Spears Collins. She descends from the Richard Wells through his daughter Roseanna Wells Spears.

MISTY WILBURN, age 16 the daughter of Dwayne and Della Wilburn went shopping on April 1st. for her Prom dress and ended up in an auto accident. She spent two weeks in Cable Huntington Hospital, Huntington, W. Va., on a ventilator.

Misty had severe head injuries sustained in the freak car wreck. She lost control and went into a ditch and crashed into a tree that smashed the roof of the car and penetrated the interior of the vehicle. Though she had her seat belt on and the airbag deployed, Misty was knocked unconscious. The fog was so bad that the Cable Huntington hospital could not land their helicopter near the accident but had to park in the Ponderosa Elementary school and transfer Misty by ambulance to the helicopter.

She was transferred to Cardinal Hill Rehabilitation Center, Lexington Kentucky because of the head trauma affecting the speech and her walking. According to her grandmother Aloma Wells Wilburn Misty is coming along real good and said her first word May 1st. Her doctors feel that she will be there at least 4 to 6 more weeks, but they will allow her to have a furlough to go to her High School Prom. Misty will attend in a wheelchair but at least she will be there.

Two Hundred nine (209) of Misty's High School friends visited her the two weeks while she was in Huntington Hospital. Her mother Della had them to sign a book for Misty to have when she is well. Misty did get to attend the Prom escorted by a friend and her mother and father. Misty descends from Richard Wells by way of George E. Wells, Allen Wells, Winfield Wells, Truman Wells, Aloma Wells Wilburn, and Dwayne Wilburn. Her grandmother Aloma previously served on the Wells Family Board.

She is the grand-daughter of 94 year old Truman Wells who won the oldest member in attendance in 1997. The church that Misty attends have started a fund to assist with her medical expenses since the family lost their medical insurance when the company carrying their policy stopped doing business in Kentucky. Her auto insurance did cover some of the medical bills, but it quickly capped as her hospital stay sent the cost soaring.

The Wilburn family have deep faith and put their problems in the Lord's hands. Her doctors feel that she will eventually recover though rehabilitation and will regain her speech and recoup her short-term memory. If you would like to contribute to the fund send it to: The Misty Wilburn Fund % National City Bank, P.O. Box 828, Ashland, Ky 41105-0828.

To write Misty during her rehabilitation in Lexington, send cards and letters to: Misty Wilburn, % Cardinal Hill, 2050 Versailles Road, Lexington, Ky 40504. The grandmother Aloma Wilburn and I feel that Misty has enough of that Wells fight to come through this with the Lord's help. You may have seen Misty at the Wells Reunion for she attends with her family.

TRUMAN WELLS, age 94 of Rush, Ky., and one of our oldest living members of the Wells Family has been a patient in Kings Daughters Hospital, Ashland, Ky. According to his daughter Aloma he is very ill although he is presently home receiving care from the family. Truman was born on 11/8/1905 to the late Wallace Winfield Wells and Sallie Burchett Wells. Truman's wife Thelma who has been sick for several years also requires constant care. Truman descends from Richard Wells through George E. Wells line.

PAULINA COLLINS GARZA, of Eldersburg, MD., fell and broke her right leg in March as she was getting ready to go to church when she slipped on wet grass. Paulina no more than got her cast off when she got infection in her foot and had to be on IV's at home for sometime. She is moving slowly but improving each day with special care from her husband Paul, according to her e-mail. Paulina is the daughter of the late Hansford Collins and descends from Richard Wells by way of Roseanne Wells Spears line. She serves on the Wells Family Board.

MARK WELLS, 38 years has been in a South Carolina hospital where he under went a heart cauterization and then a triple bypass on May 3rd. His parents are Ted and Mary Wells of Flatwoods. Ted e-mailed me and gave me the information. Mark descends from Richard Wells by way of George E. Wells. Ted's father was Theodore Wells the youngest son of George E. and Nancy Butcher Wells. George E. Wells was 80 years old when he fathered Theodore. Ted asked that we remember Mark in our prayers for we know how this heart problem runs in the Wells Family.

DEATHS

MAY (MAYME) MARIE NABAKOWSKI, 69, of Needles, CA., died 12/9/1998 in a local hospital. May was born on 5/9/1929 to the late Dale & Susie Spears Ferguson. She is survived by her husband James Nabakowski; one son, Edward Harold DeNoyelles; two daughters, Sally Ames and Susan DeNoyelles; one sister, Dortha Ferguson Strobel; five grandchildren and four great-grandchildren. Mayme descends from Richard Wells through William G. Wells and Roseanne Wells Spears line.

TERRY LEE KINCAID, 45, of Huntington, West Virginia died on January 6, 1999. He was born on 11/2/1954 a son of Charles and Betty Wells Kincaid. Surviving are his wife Jean Gillum Kincaid and two sons, Jason Kincaid and Richard Kincaid; three brothers, Charles Eugene Kincaid of Ashland, Gary Lee Kincaid (twin of Terry) of Louisville and Jeffery Scott Kincaid of Huntington. A sister Kathleen Kincaid of Huntington. Terry descends from Richard Wells by way of his son Moses Wells, and John W. Wells line. He is a second cousin of James E. Wells of Raceland, Ky., who previously served on the Wells board.

JANET STAMBAUGH, 64, of Auxier, Kentucky, died April 25, 1999 in Cardinal Hill Rehabilitation Center, Lexington, Ky. Janet was born Sept. 3, 1934, in Floyd County, a daughter of Onda Wells Holbrook and the late Darwin Wells. She was a retired postmaster. Additional survivors include her husband, Clem R. Stambaugh of Lexington; a daughter, Susan Stratton of West Van Lear; and two grandchildren. Arrangements were under the direction of Jones-Preston Funeral Home in Paintsville with Bennie Blankenship officiating. Burial was in the Wells Cemetery. Janet descends from Richard Wells by way of George E. Wells, Albert Green Wells, Sherman Wells, and Darwin Wells.

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WILLIAM DERRICK WELLS, age 17, of Lawrenceburg, Anderson County Kentucky died in an auto wreck on Saturday May 15, 1999. Derrick was the son William Leslie and Karen Hall Wells. Survivors are his parents and two brothers, Brian and Aaron Wells. Derrick and his two friends were on their way to the bowling alley when his friend lost control and flipped the car onto a bank and they were ejected through the top of the car. The paternal grandparents are Charlie and Charlotte Brisbin Wells. Charlie is the brother of Lloyd Wells of Auxier and Ron Wells of Georgetown who both serves on the Wells Family Board. Derrick descends from Richard Wells through George E. Wells and Moses Wells lines.



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EYVAND BROWN, age 73, of Van Lear, died January 11, 1999 at Paul B. Hall Medical Center, Paintsville after an extended illness. Eyvand was born on June 4, 1925, Johnson County, a son of the late Roy and Emma Merle Arrowood Brown of Johnson County. Eyvand was a electrician and a World War II Army veteran. He was preceded in death by his first wife Betty Wells in 1980, and his parents.

His is survived by his second wife Jeanette Vanhooose Brown; three daughters, Anna Lois Wilson, of Columbus, Ohio; Janet Sue Clifton, of Wabash, Ind.; Carol Burchett, of Prestonsburg; James E. Brown of Van Lear; a stepson, Randal Adkins of Kissimmee, Fla.; a stepdaughter, Rowena Brown of Salyersville; a brother, Jack Brown of Van Lear; two sisters, Debbie Lawrence Florida and Lois Ward of Springboro, Ohio; eight grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; and three stepgrandchildren.

Arrangements were under the direction of Jones-Prestons Funeral Home with Rev. David Wells, officiating. Burial was in the Highland Memorial Park, Staffordsville, Ky. Eyvand's first wife Betty descended from Richard Wells by way of George E. Wells, William G. Wells and Agnes Wells Auxier lines.

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HOWARD E. KAZEE, 83, of Paintsville, died on 4/12/1999 in Paul B. Hall Medical Center, Paintsville, Kentucky. Howard was born March 7/1916, in Johnson County, a son of the late Edgar P. and Flossie Borders Kazee. He was a retired salesman with Cox Auto Sales, a member of the American Legion, and World War II Army veteran.

Surviving are his wife Mary Mae Welch Kazee; two daughters, Patricia Kazee Burchett and Pamela Kazee Williams, both of Paintsville; a brother, Robert B. Kazee of Houston, Texas; three sisters, Dorothy Paul, Margaret Mason and Pauline Williams, all of Paintsville; five grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren. A graveside service was held at 11:30 a.m. April 13, 1999 at Highland memorial Park in Staffordsville by Rev. Dick Vanhooose.

Arrangements were under the direction of Jones-Preston Funeral Home in Paintsville. Howard's wife Mary Mae Kazee descends from Richard Wells by way of William Green Wells line. Mary Mae is a faithful supporter of the Wells Family Association.

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DONALD FIELDS, 59, of Pinsonfork, Kentucky died March 23, 1999. Donald was born 4/12/1939 to the late John Morgan Fields and Bertha Collins Goble Fields of Van Lear. Donald is preceded in death by his parents, a sister Juanita Wells and brother Orville Lee Fields.

He is survived by his wife Norma Fields; a daughter, Tracy Daniels, two sons; James Fields, and David Fields; a sister Doris Green. Arrangements were under the direction of R. E. Rogers Funeral Home, Belfry, Kentucky with burial in family cemetery, Pike County Kentucky. Donald descends from Richard Wells by way of George E. Wells line.

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DOROTHY COLLINS GOBLE CRUM, 78, of Ashland, died 12/10/1998 at her home. Dorothy was born January 9, 1920, at Auxier, Kentucky, a daughter of the late David W. and Nancy M. Porter Collins. Dorothy was preceded in death by her first husband Eugene Goble, her second husband Charles Crum; and a son Marlin Goble. She was a retired seamstress at both Topping Christian and King's Daughters' Medical Center.

Dorothy is survived by a son, Bobby Gene Goble of Flatwoods; two daughters, Doris Jean Collins of Howell, N. J., and Ondalee Kelly of Ashland; a brother, Lee Alvis Collins of Ashland; 14 grandchildren; and 17 great-grandchildren.

Arrangements were under the direction of Evans Funeral home, Raceland, with the funeral being at Wayside Baptist Church, Rt. 5, Ashland. The Rev. McKinley Dean and Rev. Charles Jayne officiated with burial in the Kirby Flats Cemetery, Rt. 5, Ashland. Dorothy descends from Richard Wells through George E. Wells line and was a member of the Wells Family Association.

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EVELYN BRITT GREEN, 56, of Bellefonte, Kentucky, died 2/26/1999 in Our Lady of Bellefonte Hospital. Evelyn was born April 19, 1942, in Geneva, Ala., a daughter of Bertha Ausley Britt of Geneva and the late Robert Lester Britt. She was

retired vice president of Highland Carpet and floor Covering Co., in Ashland and a member of Westwood Enterprise Baptist Church and Gideons International Auxiliary.

Additional survivors include her husband, Darrell Green; two sons, Chad Green and Shelly B. Green, both of Ashland; a daughter, Letitia Lynette Rudie of Louisville; a brother, Robert Britt of Ashland; three sisters, Anna Faye Britt and Carolyn Carter, both of Geneva and Christine Perkins of Dothan, Ala.; and five grandchildren.

Arrangements were under the direction of Caniff Funeral Home in Westwood with the Rev. Mike Locklear officiating. Burial was in the Rose Hill Burial Park, Ashland. Evelyn's husband Darrell descends from Lewis Green line that our own Susannah Hutchison Wells descend from.

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JIMMY WELLS, 66, of Weeksbury, died 3/18/1999 at McDowell. Mr. Wells was born March 10, 1933, at Bevinsville, a son of the late Chester and Rhonida Johnson Wells. He was a retired auto mechanic, and a member of Church of Christ at Weeksbury.

Survivors include his wife, Imogene Johnson Wells; a son, Michael Robbie Wells of Weeksbury; and a sister, Barbara Schnell of St. Mary's Ohio. Arrangements were under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home at Martin, Kentucky with the Rev. Michael Hall officiating. Burial was in the Popular Grove Cemetery at Weeksbury.

Jimmy descended from Richard Wells by way of George E. Wells, James Wells, James Wells Lafayette Wells and Chester Wells.

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AVIS JEAN SPEARS, 54, of Paintsville, died 4/29/99 at her home. Ms. Spears was born April 15, 1945, in Johnson County, a daughter of the late Logan and Helen Collins Hill.

Surviving are a son, Calvin Scott Spears of Wabash, Ind.; a daughter, Mona K. Wilson of Burlington, Iowa; a brother, Roger Hill of Thelma; five sisters, Mary Lucille Daniel and Sandra K. Powers, both of Wabash, Ind., Irma Sue Castle of Chesterton, Ind., Shirley Ann Hill of Thelma, and Susie Faye Hill of Paintsville; a step-father, Alvin Hill of Thelma; and three grandchildren.

Graveside services was held 5/1/99 at the Collins Family cemetery at Van Lear by Kenny Collins. Avis does not descend from Richard Wells that I am aware of, but descends from the Christopher Collins line.

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DONALD EUGENE WELLS, 62, of Mayhew Flats, died 5/9/1999 at his home. Mr. Wells was born Feb. 4, 1937, in Baileysville, W. VA., a son of the late Taylor and Nora Seagraves Wells. He was a construction laborer.

Surviving are his wife, Shirlee Murphy Wells; a son Doni Wells of Northeast, Pa.; a daughter, Claudia McClelland of Findlay Lake, NY; two stepsons, Harold Brendler of Grayson and Jack Brendler of Marysville, Ohio; a step-daughter, Nancy Brendler of Maysville; a brother, Douglas Wells of Albuquerque, NM; three sisters, Lois Bond, Pauline Wells and Patricia Ferguson, all of Grayson; three grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; and a stepgrandchild.

Arrangements were under the direction of Sparks Funeral Home in Grayson with the Rev. Edgar Rogers and Delmar Rogers officiating. Burial was in Edison Cemetery. I'm not sure if or how Mr. Wells descends from our Richard Wells line. Patricia Ferguson and family have attended our Wells Family reunion but don't think they have made a connection yet.

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LORINE CASTLE WELLS, 73, of Paintsville, died 2/14/1999 at her home. Mrs. Wells was born Dec. 13, 1925, in Pike County, a daughter of the late Luther and Ruth Cooper Castle. She was preceded in death by her husband, Charles Eugene Wells in 1973, and a son James L. Wells.

Surviving are a daughter, Anita Wells Spencer of Paintsville; a brother, Gene Castle of Paintsville, a sister, Edith Stambaugh of Sitka; and a grandchild. Arrangements were under the direction of Jones-Preston Funeral Home in Paintsville with Rev. Lowell Webb and Richard Williams officiating. Burial was in the Highland Memorial Park Cemetery in Staffordsville.

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SARAH REED BOLDEN WELLS, 79, of Paintsville, died 3/22/99 in Highlands Regional Medical Center in Prestonsburg. Mrs. Wells was born Sept. 9, 1919, in Johnson County, a daughter of the late Jim and Belle Reed.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Ottis Wells. Surviving are five sons, Millard Bowling of West Van, Clinton Bolden and Danny Wells, both of Paintsville, Donald Bolden of Boons Camp and Arnold Bolden Jr. of Wabash, Ind.; four daughters, Nellie Bolden of Paintsville, and Lesta McMillen, Elsie Faye McCoy and Thelma Dewey, all of Wabash; a sister, Annie Powers of Van Lear; 22 grandchildren; and 22 great-grandchildren.

Arrangements were under the direction of Jones-Preston Funeral Home in Paintsville with Rev. Manford Fannin officiating. Burial was in the Highland Memorial Park, Staffordsville.

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BLANCH STEWART MARCUM, 78, of Ocala, Fla., formerly of Ashland, died 3/24/1999 at her home. Mrs. Marcum was born July 10, 1920, in Greenup County, a daughter of the late Orlando and Julia Huff Castle. She was preceded in death by her husbands, Ted Stewart and Clarence Marcum, and a daughter, Leola Whitt. She was a former seamstress with Ashland Crafts Sewing Factory and a member of Sunshine United Baptist Church in Ocala.

Surviving are two sons, Gerald Steward of Ashland and Barry Stewart of Ocala; five daughters, Norma Bowling of Argillite, Carol Engle of Grover, N.C., Janice Crisp and Belinda Switzer, both of Ocala, and Regina Haase of Austinburg, Ohio; a brother, Donald Castle of Ashland; four sisters, Wanda Collins of Danleyton, Eval Stacy of Argillite, Lora Gould of Ashland Mildred Cook of Tampa, Fla.; 20 grandchildren; and 29 great-grandchildren.

Arrangements were under the Jennings Archway Funeral Home in Ocala, with burial in Good Shepherd Memorial Gardens at Ocala. Mrs. Marcum does not descend from Richard Wells but is a sister to Mrs. Arthur (Wanda) Collins who served on the Wells Family Board and her husband does descend from Richard Wells by way of Roseanna Wells Spears Line.

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LOIS MARIE WELLS, 85, of Grayson, died 3/27/99 at her home. Mrs. Wells was born Sept. 9, 1913, in Carter County, a daughter of the late Jerome and Mary Huff Glass. She was a member of Oak Grove Church of Christ.

Surviving are her husband, Lunda Wells; two sons, Fred Wells of Ashland, and Marion Wells of Grayson, a daughter, Sue Hillman of South Point, Ohio; four sisters, Roxie Kneisley, Adele Vincent, and Agnes Montgomery, all of Waverly, Ohio, and Elizabeth Cooke of Grayson; seven grandchildren; 12 great-grandchildren; and two great-great-grandchildren.

Arrangements were under the direction of Malone Funeral Home at Grayson with the Rev. Mike Harper officiating. Burial was in the Grayson Memorial Cemetery.

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LARRY DALE RICHMOND, 46, of Murfreesboro, Tenn., formerly of Grayson, died 3/22/199 in Murfreesboro. Mr. Richmond was born Aug. 28, 1952, in Carter County, a son of Evelyn Albright Richmond of Grayson and the late Webster Richmond. He was a truck driver and a member of Stinson Church of Christ.

Additional survivors include his wife, Rhonda Young Richmond; two sons, Tom Richmond of Buford, S.C., and Duncan Richmond, at home; four daughters, Christy Richmond of Buford, Darla Richmond and Ashleigh Richmond, both of Grayson and Ky' Anne Richmond of Murfreesboro; a brother, Van Marvin Richmond of Nashville; and a sister, Myra Henry of Grayson. Arrangements were under the direction of Sparks Funeral Home in Grayson with Rev. John Sergent officiating. Burial was in the Grayson Memorial Park.

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ROOSEVELT PENNINGTON JR., 71, of Danleyton, died 5/22/1999 in King's Daughters' Medical Center. Mr. Pennington was born June 6, 1927, in Boyd County, a son of the late Roosevelt Sr., and Victoria Collins Pennington. He was a retired machinist, an Army veteran and a member of Wayside Baptist Church in Ashland.

Surviving are a son, Jerry Pennington of Raceland; three daughters, Linda Spears of Wurtland, and Sandra Woods and Donna Mayo, both of Worthington; a sister, Beatrice Coffman of Bakersfield, Calif.; seven grandchildren; and a great-grandchild. Arrangements are under direction of Reed Funeral Home in Greenup by the Rev. C. J. Adkins. Burial will be in Bellefonte Memorial Gardens. Junior descends from Richard Wells thorough Roseanne Wells Spears line.

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DENVER WELLS, 68, of Williamsport, died 11/30/1998 in a tractor accident in Martin County at Venters Branch, just off Route 3, where the accident occurred according to Chief Deputy F. D. Fitzpatrick of the Martin County Sheriff's Department. He said the tractor was pulling a loaded trailer on a steep hill when the trailer "jumped off the hitch," hitting the tractor and pinning Wells beneath the two pieces of equipment. He died from massive head and chest injuries. Mr. Wells was born June 8, 1930, in Johnson county, a son of the late Herbert and Ella Davis Wells. He was a farmer.

Surviving are three brothers, Dennis Wells and Homer Wells, both of Boons Camp and Herbert Wells of Cincinnati; and a sister Dorothy Wells of Paintsville. Wells taught in the Johnson County School District during the 1958-59 and 1959-60 school years, according to school records.

Arrangements were under the direction of Jones-Preston Funeral Home in Paintsville. Burial was in the Fields Cemetery in Boons Camp. Denver descends from Richard Wells by way of William Green Wells line.

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PEARL HAMILTON WELLS, 91, of Van Lear, died 5/28/1999 in Highland Regional Medical Center, Prestonsburg, Kentucky. Pearl was born 10/2/1907, in Morgan County, a daughter of the late Farish and Mary Alice Bailey Hamilton. She was preceded in death by her husband Elmer Wells.

Surviving are her two sons, Herman Wells of Van Lear and Elmer Wells Jr. of Lake Wood, Ohio; three daughters Rosemary Harmon of Brook Park, Ohio, Neva Sue Baker of Willoughby, Ohio, and Janice Adkins of Euclid, Ohio; two brothers, Woodrow Hamilton and Nell Gell Gilliam, both of Pike County; 12 grandchildren; 17 great-grandchildren; and three great-great-grandchildren.

Arrangements were under the direction of Jones-Preston Funeral Home in Paintsville with the Rev. Jerry Scott officiating. Burial was in the Highland Memorial Park in Paintsville. Pearl's late husband Elmer Wells descended from Richard Wells by way of George E. Wells and Roseanne Wells Spears lines.

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BETTY CLARK FARLEY, 71, of Chino, CA., died April 3, 1999 in Chino. Betty was born on June 2, 1928 in Johnson County Kentucky to the late John Logan (Cooge) and Maggie Wells Clark. Betty was preceded in death by her parents and one sister, Minta Clark Butcher.

Survivors are her husband James (Jim) Farley of Chino; one son James Michael Farley of San Diego, CA.; two sisters, Polly Wilder, of Pomona and Cloteen Rice of East Point, Kentucky.

Arrangements were under the direction of Draper Mortuary with the funeral on Wednesday, April 7, 1999 at 11:00 a.m. in Bellevue Mausoleum Chapel, Ontario, California. Cass Schreib, pastor of The Country Church, Ontario officiated. Entombment was at Bellevue Mausoleum, Ontario.

Betty went to California in 1947 with her aunt and uncle John T. & Leona Clark Spears and remained there where she married and raised her son. Betty descends from Richard Wells through George E. Wells and William G. Wells.

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SALLIE H. GOBLE, 95, of Prestonsburg, died 1/4/1999 in Mountain Manor Nursing Home in Prestonsburg. She was born 12/22/1903 in Prestonsburg the daughter of the late Edward and Jane Goble Harris. She was owner/operator of LaDale Restaurant and Kentucky Restaurant and a member of Lancer Baptist Church. Her husband, Floyd Goble, preceded her in death.

Surviving are two sons, Sherman Goble and Herbert Hoover Goble, both of Prestonsburg; two daughters, Ollie Wells and Wanda Calhoun, both of Prestonsburg; a brother, Russell Harris of Tennessee; 16 grandchildren; 34 great-grandchildren; and four great-great-grandchildren.

Arrangements were under the direction of Floyd Funeral Home in Prestonsburg with the Rev. Manford Fannin officiating. Burial was in the Goble-Akers Cemetery in Prestonsburg. Mrs. Goble's daughter Ollie Wells is married to Eugene Wells who descends from Richard Wells by way of Moses Wells line.

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CHARLES KENNETH WELLS, 53, of Blaine, died 5/27/1999 at his home. Mr. Wells was born 7/16/1945, in Winne, Ark., a son of the late Charles and Lucille Davis Wells. He was retired from Ford Motors Co.

Surviving are his wife, Cheryl Wells of Olmsted Township, Ohio; two daughters, Tina Wells of Blaine and Salina West of Prestonsburg; a son, Brian Wells of Elyria, Ohio; a sister, Barb Rutherford of Grafton, Ohio; seven brothers, Swayne Wells, Rudy Wells, James Wells, Floyd Wells, Ronnie Wells, Larry Wells and Gary Wells, all of Grafton; and four grandchildren.

A memorial service will be conducted at a later date. Arrangements were under the directions of Wilson Funeral Home in Louisa. Visitation was Sunday May 30<sup>th</sup>. I don't know if Mr. Wells is related to our Richard Wells or not.

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GLADYS B. WELLS, 86, of South Shore, Ky., died 2/26,, in Southern Ohio Medical Center at Portsmouth, Ohio. Mrs. Wells was born 11/29/1912, at Canaanville, Ohio, a daughter of William T. and Lulu Tilley Baker. Her husband, Noah Wells, preceded her in death.

She was a former employee of Kopy-Kat in Portsmouth and a member of the First United Methodist Church at South Shore, Order of Eastern Star Chapter 424 and White Shrine 35 at Portsmouth.

Arrangements were under the direction of Morton Funeral Home in South Shore. An Order of Eastern Star ceremony was conducted Saturday at the funeral home. Burial was in the Mount Zion Cemetery. I don't know if Mrs. Wells late husband descended from Richard Wells or not.

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### SCHOLARSHIP

The Wells Family Association has been giving a \$500. Scholarship each year since 1995 and will give one in 1999. If you have not got your application in for the 1999 Scholarship you don't have much time left to do so. It is suppose to be sent to Dr. Randall L. Wells, 103337 Timberwood Circle, Louisville, Ky 40223 by July 1, 1999.

You may be the lucky one to receive the \$500. 00 scholarship. The application and information was in the last newsletter and if you don't have a copy try and obtain one from some of the board members or anyone that receives the newsletter.

I won't be running the application again because you may not get this letter in time to meet the deadline. That is why we ran it in the fall newsletter and will be doing that in the future. (GOOD LUCK)

The 1995 Scholarship was awarded to Jacob B. Wells, the 1996 to Amanda L. McKenzie, 1997 to Robert Wells, 1998 we were lucky enough to give three on \$500., went to Stacy Lundergan, and a \$250., to Peter Cook and Andrea D. Griffith.

I received the grades from one of our 98 reception Stacey Lundergan who is attending Morehead State University. I must say that Stacey is doing well, the fall semester she had a 2.765 GPA and the Spring semester she has a 3.733. Stacey we are proud of you as we have been of our past receptions.

I have not received grades from Peter Cook or Andrea D. Griffith as of today. They did not provide me with a picture for the newsletter either. (Peter and Andrea why not send me a picture and a copy of your grades.)

### JACOB BARRIEN WELLS

We are very happy to report to you that our very first 1995 scholarship reception Jacob Barren Wells has graduated.

The Board of Trust and Faculties of Vanderbilt University announces that Jacob Barrien Wells is awarded a Bachelor of Science degree. The Commencement was on Friday morning, May fourteenth Nineteen hundred ninety-nine at nine o'clock Alummi Lawn

Jacob is one of the good looking sons of John B. Wells III and Terrie B. Wells of Paintsville, Kentucky. We are real proud of Jacob and especially that he is our very first scholarship reception. Jacob will be working for Tech Solution in Atlanta, GA., where he will be doing Computer Consultant for the company. Jacob will be returning for a MBS degree once he works for the required time.

Jacob descends from Richard Wells by way of William Green Wells line.

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ACADEMICS

VINCE COCHRAN, of Worthington has been accepted for the fall term at Eastern Kentucky University Occupational Therapy program. He completed his junior year at Eastern this Spring term with four A's and a B. He is working as a summer student at Marathon-Ashland Petroleum's Marine Repair Terminal. Vince is the son of Robert and Tommie Collins Cochran and descends from Richard Wells by way of Roseanne Wells Spears line. Vince's mother Tommie serves on the Wells Family Board and is Co-editor of the newsletter.

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ERIN SUSANNA MCCOART, of Van Lear graduated from Paintsville High School in May. Erin is the daughter of John and Vicky Ann Adkins McCoart. She was nominated as Most Lovable of her graduation class and is a beautiful young woman.

She has been a cheer leader for the school since in Junior High School. Erin is employed this summer for the Paintsville swimming pool as a life guard.

Erin will be attending Prestonsburg Community College in the fall of 1999. Erin descends from Richard Wells through William G. Wells, George E. Wells and Agnes Wells Auxier. Erin is a member of the Wells Family Association and has helped Ann Porter with the auction in past years.

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CYNTHIA MARIAH MUNCY, daughter of Gene and Charlene Patton Muncy of Williamsport, Kentucky was on the dean's list at Morehead State University. Cynthia had been on the honor roll since entering school. Cynthia descends from Richard Wells by way of George E. Wells, William G. Wells and Agnes Wells lines. Cynthia's mother Charlene serves on the Wells Family board.

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DUSTIN BRADLEY HORN, of Louisa, Kentucky graduated from Louisa High School in May 99. Dustin is the son of Donnie and Lisa Wells Horn. Dustin is planning on going to either Marshall University or Ashland Community College. Dustin maintained the honor roll though out his High School years. He descends from Richard Wells through George E. Wells, William G. Wells and Agnes Wells Auxier.

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GOLDIE ANN WELLS, The United States Achievement Academy announced that Goldie A. Wells of Van Lear has been named an All-American Scholar. The USAA has established the All-American Scholar Award Program to offer deserved recognition to superior students who excel in the academic disciplines. The All-America Scholars must earn a 3.3, or higher, grade point average. These scholars are also eligible for other awards given by the USAA. Goldie who is a Junior at Johnson Central, will appear in the All-American Scholar Yearbook, which is published nationally.

"Recognizing and supporting our youth is more important than ever before in America's history. Certainly, winners of the All-American Scholar Awards should be congratulated and appreciated for their dedication to excellence and achievement," said Dr. George Stevens, executive director of the United States Achievement Academy. Goldie is the daughter of Alex Samuel and Susie Goble Wells of Van Lear., The maternal grandparents are Goldie Goble of Inez, Kentucky and the late Linzie Goble. The paternal grandparents were the late Ben & Anna Richmond Wells of Van Lear.

Goldie is a member of the Johnson Central basketball team and The Wells Family Association Inc. She assisted the Auction committee at the 98 reunion and descends from Richard Wells through George E. Wells, William G. Wells and Agnes Wells Auxier lines.

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JACOB MARZ COLLINS, of Wenatchee, WA., graduated from Wenatchee High School the weekend of 5<sup>th</sup>. With a 3.98 GPA which put him in the top 10% of his class. Throughout high school he has been involved with Honor Society, Drama Club, and Sound Crew. During the past 5 years he has been active in Civil Air Patrol. This past year he was Cadet Commander of his squadron I Wenatchee, WA.

Jacob plans on studying biochemistry at Worcester Polytechnic Institute in Worcester, MA., this fall. Jacob's parents are Don and Heidi Collins of Wenatchee, WA. Where Don teaches Art at the local High School. Jacob's grandfather is Jessie Collins of Daniels Creek, Van Lear, Ky., and descends from Richard Wells through George E. Wells and Roseanne Wells Spears line.

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VANESSA (MUSIC) MAGEE, made the honor roll her first semester in law school at Stetson College of Law in St. Petersburg, FL. Vanessa is the daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Doyle Music of Conyers, GA., and the grand-daughter of Janice Allene Wells Dunseith of Crossville, TN.

Vanessa has really make her family proud of her and we her extended family are proud of her. Vanessa descends from Richard Wells by way of George E. Wells and Allen Wells line.

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ROBERT WELLS, a Johnson Central High School graduate and Transylvania University student received the Polymer Education Undergraduate Award and the Henry Clay Award during the university's awards program on May 13. Transylvania, founded in 1780, is the nation's sixteenth oldest institution of higher learning and is consistently ranked in national publications as one of the top liberal arts colleges in the country.

The Polymer Education Undergraduate Award is given to a chemistry major for outstanding performance in the first two semesters of organic chemistry, while the Henry Clay Award is given to sophomores with the highest grade point average.

Robert is the son of Mr. And Mrs. Leland Wells of West Van Lear, Kentucky and he descends from Richard Wells through George E. Wells and Moses Wells lines. Robert is the Wells Family Association Scholarship reception for 1997. We of the Wells Family are very proud of Robert and his accomplishments. We are proud of you Robert.

## SPECIAL HONORS

DR. MARK NORDIN, has been named the Kentucky Young Optometrist of the Year by the Kentucky Optometrist Association. Dr. Nordin is being honored for his outstanding leadership and contributions to the visual welfare of others, his community, and the profession of optometry. The award was presented to Dr. Nordin by Dr. Jonathan Shrewsbury, O.D., president of the Kentucky Optometric Association, at the Kentucky Optometric Spring Congress on April 24.

Mark Nordin, O.D., is a 1992 graduate of Southern College of Optometry, in Memphis, Tennessee, where he conducted research on a dry eye and submitted for publication a research paper on Stargarts Disease. Dr. Nordin is also a member of the Gold Key International Optometric Honor Society and Kentucky Vision Project which provides free eye care and eye wear to needy Kentuckian's.

Dr. Nordin, with his wife, Dr. Kimberly Wells Nordin, are owners of Nordin Eye Center which currently has offices in Paintsville, Salyersville and Prestonsburg. Mark's lovely wife Kim accompanied the Wells group to England in 1998 and she descends from Zachariah Wells who was a uncle of our Richard Wells. Kim is the daughter of Arnold Wells of Paintsville.

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COLLEAN WILLIAMS, retired from Paul B. Hall Regional Medical Center after working for 35 years as a nurses aide. Collean worked at the hospital since it was known as the Paintsville Hospital. She was honored with a retirement party with friends and Co-workers from the hospital attending.

Collean is the widow of the late Fred Williams of Van Lear who descended from Richard Wells by way of George E. Wells and William G. Wells lines. Her husband Fred was a brother of Delores Williams Booth who serves on the Wells Family Board.

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MIKE COLLINS, of Flat Gap, Kentucky was elected to the Kentucky High School Baseball Coaches Association Hall of Fame last week. "It wasn't something I had been expecting," Collins said, "but it's a nice honor."

Now in his 19<sup>th</sup> season, Collins cracked the 400-victory plateau earlier this year and went into Wednesday's regional tournament with a total of 414 life-time wins, all at Johnson Central.

"I'm sure it will sink in a little more." He said. "I'd heard through the grapevine that the magic thing was getting 400 wins." "But it's more of an award for program and recognition for every kid that has played here for the last 19 years," Collins added. "I don't see it as a totally personal thing at all."

With Collins at the helm, the Golden Eagles have captured four regional titles and eight district championships, including one this season.

Paintsville coach Charlie Adkins, a charter member of the hall himself, lauded Collins Johnson Central program earlier this spring, calling it "one of the best around." Collins is one of 14 new inductees into the hall this season.

When graduating from High School, Mike attended Morehead State University on a base ball scholarship. Upon graduating from Morehead he went to play for the minor League with the New York Mets. He then transferred to the Philadelphia Phillies where he stayed until returning to Kentucky to teach school. Mike completed his education at Morehead and is with Central office of the Johnson County School system.

He is married to Brenda Bailey and they have two daughters Kelly Amanda and Erin Allison Collins. They reside at Flat Gap, Kentucky. Mike is the son of Carl and Polly Wells Collins and descends from Richard Wells through George E. Wells, William G. Wells and Agnes Wells Auxier lines.

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G. CHAD PERRY III, of Paintsville was presented on behalf of the Pikeville College Alumni Association with the college's Honorary Alumnus Award at this year's Alumni/Senior Banquet. Each year, the college's Alumni Association honors individuals who render exceptional, loyal service to both Pikeville College and the community.

Perry, a prominent trial attorney from Paintsville, has spent his life striving for an improvement in the quality of life for others in eastern Kentucky. He provided the impetus that led to the formation of Pikeville College School of Osteopathic Medicine. Additionally, he and his wife believed so strongly in his idea that they contributed one million dollars to start the program.

He attended Berea College Academy, Kentucky Wesleyan College and graduated from the University of Kentucky College of Law in 1951. He then entered the USAF and served a legal officer-first lieutenant. He attained the rank of major while serving in the Air Force Reserves.

After serving his country, he moved to his native Paintsville to begin his law practice. He has served as city attorney for the city of Paintsville and was elected to its city council. He has also served as director of the Red Cross fund drive, a trustee of Mayo Memorial Methodist Church, a director of the Paintsville Chamber of Commerce, vice president and director of People's Security Bank, a trustee of Kentucky Wesleyan College and a member of the advisory board of the Pikeville College School of Osteopathic Medicine.

Chad's grandparents were the late George C. Perry, Sr., and Mary Malissa Wells Perry and he descended from Richard Wells by way of William Green Wells line.

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DOUG SHEILS, a Huntington, West Virginia native, has been named to the professional leadership of King's Daughters' Medical Center, Ashland, Kentucky. Doug will be responsible for internal and external communications, including advertising, marketing, media relations and strategic planning.

Prior to joining KDMC, Sheils worked at Ashland Inc. for over three years and also worked for James A Fyock & Associates, a public relations agency in Winston-Salem, N.C., and served many years as a producer, reporter and anchor with WOWK-TV 13 in Huntington, W. Va.

Sheils received a bachelor's degree in broadcast journalism from the W. Page Pitt School of Journalism at Marshall University.

Doug is the son of Dr. William Sheils and Barbara Wells Sheils of Huntington. He descends from Richard Wells by way of George E. Wells, Allen Wells, James (Jimmy) Hiram Wells, John Kelly Wells.



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MIKE FARLEY, San Diego, California -Commander Mike Farley the son of James Farley of Chino, California and the late Betty Clark Farley, will be sworn in as the new captain of the port in a ceremony Friday, July 10, 1999, at Coast Guard Activities San Diego.

Farley will replace Cmdr. Jim Watson in the command of the Marine Safety office, an arm devoted to preventing damage to life and property from commercial maritime activities. Farley, a California native, comes here after three years as executive officer of the Marine Safety Office in Port Arthur, Texas. He has a bachelor's degree in biology from California State University, Fullerton in 1975, and a master's of science degree in natural resources from the University of Michigan. In 1981 he graduated the Coast Guard Officer Candidate School in York Town, Va. Farley has served the Coast Guard in marine and personnel inspections, port operations and environmental management. From 1992-95 he coordinated development and implementation of U. S. and international marine environmental protection programs.

Among Farley's duties will be membership on the San Diego Harbor Safety Committee, a coalition of San Diego Bay users aiming to prevent oil spills and marine casualties.

Commander Farley's military awards include the Meritorious Service Medal, Coast Guard Commendation Medal, Coast Guard Achievement Medal with gold star, Commandant's Letter of Commendation Ribbon with gold star.

I talked with Betty a few weeks before her death and she sent me the above article which was released to the San Diego paper on Mike. Betty loved family and was very proud of her son. I just hate that she won't be here to read this newsletter for she enjoyed them so much. Mike descends from Richard Wells by way of George E. Wells and William G. Wells lines.

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### ANNOUNCEMENTS OF 1999 REUNIONS

CLARK REUNION: There will be a Clark Reunion on July 24, 1999 at shelter house 4 at Jenny Wiley State Park. Please come and bring your basket lunch and lets all eat and visit together. It will be an all day event, all Clark and related families originating from Pike, Floyd and Johnson counties are welcome bring a covered dish. Curtis Clark is responsible for organizing this reunion and many of you have been wanting to have a Clark reunion for many. (Plan on coming and visiting with your family)

SAMUEL CLARK; Samuel Clark progenitor of one Clark family in Floyd County Kentucky, and elsewhere was born in Orange County North Carolina about 1761. He was the son of Alexander Clark and Joannah May. When Samuel was about 10 the family moved to Rowan County, which at that time, was nearly all of western North Carolina and all lands west Burke County was formed in 1777 and the Clark property was included in it. The property now lies in Caldwell County.

Samuel was the eldest son of Alexander, with sister Susannah the eldest child born about 1755 and died about 1835. Brother John was born about 1763. He followed Samuel to Floyd County, and after 1820 no record can be found. Sister Mavil was born about 1767 and died November 3, 1836 in Burke County. Brother Alexander "Sandy" was born about 1769, and died September 18, 1838 in Burke County. Brother Jesse was born about 1773 after the family moved to Rowan County, and died in Patrick County Virginia I 1829. Brother Daniel was born about 1775 lived in Russell County Virginia, near Samuel and moved to Floyd County Kentucky a short time before Samuel, he later moved to Morgan County Kentucky, and on to Marion County Indiana. Sister Rebecca was born about 1776 and lived in Burke County. Brother Jeremiah was born in 1778 and died September 19, 1832 in Burke County.

Samuel served in the North Carolina Militia during the Revolutionary War and at a time when the whole area was in great turmoil. He served under Lt. Joseph Ford who later moved to Pike County Kentucky and Maj. James McDowell.

Samuel married Margaret "Peggy" Hayes in January of 1792 in Burke County. In 1794 a son Alexander was born to them and they spent the next eight years in Burke County, and Samuel was overseer on the estate of Maj. James McDowell at "pleasant Gardens." In 1803 Samuel moved to Russell County Virginia, on the Clinch River near Blackmoor's Fort, and there four more children were born them John Hayes in 1803, Lorenzo Dow in 1805, Susannah in 1810, and Mary "Polly" in 1812. Samuel always aware of his civic duty joined the Virginia militia as a Lieutenant in 1807 and served in the New Company, Second Battalion, 72 Regiment. At this time Western Virginia was very isolated and hostile Indians still raided out of the way settlements. Scott County was formed in 1814 from Russell and the Clark farm included in it. Morgan their last child was born in 1817 in Scott County and was three years old when Samuel and family moved to Little Mud Creek in Floyd County Kentucky. Son Alexander married Jane Watson in Scott County in 1819 and the Clark family again began to grow, they had at least ten children. In 1845 they with part of their family moved to Rush County Texas and later Houston County.

Susannah married next in 1823, Robert "Big Bob" Mead and had fourteen children, they lived in the Oil Springs area of Johnson County. John Hayes went back to Scott County and married Mary "Polly" Taylor, and they had eight children and lived at Brandy Keg in Floyd County.

Samuel moved to Johns Creek near the present Dewey Dam, in 1834 with Polly and Morgan still at home. Lorenzo Dow married Patience Williams in 1835 and they had nine children and lived on the farm Samuel bought in 1820 on Little Mud Creek. Lorenzo acquired over 5,000 acres of land over the years, which he divided among his children. Mary "Polly" never married but bore two children out of wedlock. Morgan married Elizabeth Burchett in 1840 and Rebecca Dingus in 1885 and had seven children, and lived on lower Johnson Creek.

Samuel died November 27, 1943 at Lorenzo Dow's and is buried on the Sammy Clark Cemetery at Little Mud Creek. Margaret died in 1862 on Johns Creek and was buried there. Her remains were later removed to the Federal Cemetery at Auxier, Kentucky.

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WELLS FAMILY REUNION. I plan on taking some of this reunion in if at all possible. They offer free overnight lodging. The camp not only has free lodging, showers, swimming pool, basketball, fishing pond, and horseshoe pitching and I must say this family really has a lot of fun. They cook breakfast together for everyone. Members bring food for lunch on Saturday & Sunday. Friday is hot-dog and hamburger night. The Wells Family reunion will be Friday, Saturday and Sunday June 18, 19, & 20<sup>th</sup>. At Camp Happy Valley Salvation Army Camp Grounds Teays Valley, West Virginia. I wish all of you could go and have fun with these wonderful people. Clarence Wells and his family attend our reunion each year and it may just be that others may come and be with us this year. I do want to get them to complete a group sheet on their family to be included in "The Wells Book". I will give you a report of the reunion in the next newsletter.

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COLLINS/SPEARS REUNION. The Collins and Spears reunion will be 9/12/1999, at Shelter House 4. Come and bring food for you and your family and lets eat and fellowship together. You may want to bring old pictures and genealogy of your family to share with the family. Paul Garza is the president and his wife Paulina and her sister Virginia Edgel have headed this reunion up for years, both serve on the Wells Family board.

## TO OUR FAITHFUL SUPPORTERS

Since the last newsletter we acknowledge by sending a card and I the newsletter for anyone making a of a donation to the Wells Family Association. We are also notifying the love ones family that a donation has been given in their memory or honor, to the Wells Family. We do appreciate everyone of you that have contributed in any way to the Organization. Since the expenses have increased for the newsletter, the reunion, liability insurance, the two cooks and janitors your donations really help out. As long as we have family like you we won't have to worry about charging a fee for the newsletter.

### WE DO APPRECIATE EVERY ONE OF YOU, THANKS!!!!

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VIRGINIA S. GOBLE, of Prestonsburg, KY., gave \$10.00 toward the general fund of the Wells Family Association. I received the following letter from Virginia and want to share it with you. She sent me a picture of her two beautiful grandchildren Elizabeth Walton, b. 2/25/1999 and Cecilia Walton, b. 10/31/1996. Their parents are Rhondetta Goble Walton and Bailey Walton. She is real proud of them and after you read her letter you will understand why.

Feb. 2, 1999

Dear Mary, I've just received the Wells newsletter and of course finish completely reading it before I stopped. My father was John Walker Spears, his John Wesley, then Spencer Spears who married Roseanna Wells. I was raised on Johns Creek - such a beautiful stream, that is now Dewey Lake. I married James Beta Goble on Dec. 21, 1944. We had three lovely children, James Edward, John Spencer, and Anna Laura but the Feb. 28, school bus wreck took them all. What grief! One thinks they can't go on, but our Heavenly Father always provides a way, otherwise I suppose if we could we would just stop breathing.

To make a long story short Rhondetta-a very lovely daughter, born 12/22/1962 at Paintsville, Ky. Dr. Lon C. Hall, my doctor was as proud of her - well almost, as I was. These two children belong to Rhondetta - Cecilia and Elizabeth Bailey Walton. Both parents are graduates of Louisville Law School. He is in private law practice. She is an attorney for Fruit of the Loom. His parents are Dan Walton & Theresa Nuatz Walton both of Frankfort. I hope to come to the Wells Reunion this year and I do hope I can meet you. I was selected to be on the board one time but had bronchial trouble and could not attend. Virginia Spears Goble.

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B. A. (BERNIE) WELLS, JR., of Springfield, VA., gave \$50.00 to the Wells Family Association, his note listed below.

Dear Mary, Used the enclosed \$50. Bucks wherever you need it. Irene and I enjoyed the reunion and the chance to see you. We hope to make the next one. Bernie Wells.

Bernie is a faithful contributor to the Wells Family and we do appreciate him. He did get to make the 98 reunion for his first one I think. Bernie descends from William Green Wells line. (Will be looking for you and Irene this year at the reunion)

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MICHAEL C. BONDELLO, of Arroyo Grande, CA., gave \$25.00 to the Wells Family Association in memory of Betty Clark Farley. This person is a friend of Betty's son Mike and we appreciate his contribution. The family was notified that we received this donation.

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DORTHA STROBEL, of Chloride, AZ., gave \$25.00 to The Wells Family Association Inc., in memory of Betty Clark Farley who died April 3, 1999 in Chino, CA. Dortha is a grand-daughter of the late John T. and Leona Clark Spears and was born and raised in California. They came to KY., in 1947 and Betty went back with them to find work and never returned except for visits. Dortha descends from Richard Wells through William G. Wells and Roseanne Wells Spears line. Dortha is a regular contributor to the Wells Family. Dortha writes the following. Dear Mary, Enclosed is a memorial check for Betty. She was quite close to us having lived with us in Pomona. I was sad at her passing. My best. Cuz, Dortha.

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KEN, PEGGY & KENNY RICE, of East Point, KY., gave \$100.00 to the Wells Family Association in Memory of Betty Clark Farley who died April 3, 1999 in Chino, CA. The following note accompanied the check that the Rice family sent.

Dear Mary,

Hope this finds that all is well with you and your family. This check for the Wells Association is in loving Memory of Betty Clark Farley, a California resident with a Kentucky Heart. Betty loved "Family" and she always showed it through out her life. This shining piece of "Family" will be missed. Nephew and Family, Ken, Peggy and Kenny Rice

Mary, please use this where needed; this is what Betty would want.

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ANNONYMOUS GIVER, gave \$25.00 to the Wells Family Association Inc. to be used where needed most. This person states "You all do such a great Job!! We do appreciate these nice comments. This person is a regular contributor to the Wells Family.

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DR. RICHARD WELLS, of Des Moines, IA sent \$50.00 to the Wells Family Association. Dr. Wells is a regular contributor and we appreciate his continue support of the Wells Family. I really don't know if Dr. Wells descends from our Wells, but if not he should.

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ANNONYMOUS GIVER, gave \$100.00 toward the Scholarship Fund. This person descends from Richard Wells by way of Moses Wells line. He is a regular supporter of the Wells Family.

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JEFF WELLS, gave \$25.00 to the Wells Family Association. Jeff is from Patriot, Ohio and occasionally stops by to visit Manford and I here on Walton Mountain and we always enjoy his visits. Jeff descends from Richard Wells by way of Moses Wells line. He and his wife Mildred are faithful contributors to the Wells Family.

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JOSEPHINE R. WELLS, of Beverly, NJ., gave \$30.00 to the Wells Family Association. Josephine is the widow of the late John C. Wells who descends from Richard Wells by way of George E. Wells and Moses Wells line. She is also the mother of John Callahan Wells who was Sec. of the Department of Labor in Ky., and then appointed by the president Clinton to work as negotiator between Labor and Management.

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ANNONYMOUS GIVER gave \$25.00 to the Scholarship fund. This person descends from Richard Wells by way of George E. Wells. She is a faithful contributor to the Wells Family.

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DARLENE CLARK BURGESS, of Dayton, Ohio gave \$50.00 to the Wells Family Association to be used where needed most. Darlene is the daughter of the late Blaine and Lutie DeLong Clark of Inez. Darlene and her husband Haskell both serve on the Wells Board. She descends from Richard Wells by way of William G. Wells line. Darlene and Haskell are faithful contributors to the Wells Family. Their daughter Marluta and her family will be moving back to Dayton in July and they will not have to travel to Texas to see that grandson. It will be nice to have Marluta back to the reunion again. It may be that she and her parents will entertain us again with a few songs.

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GOLDIE WELLS STEVENS, of Huntington, WV., gave \$10.00 the Wells Family Association to go toward the newsletter. Goldie is the daughter of the late Moses & Mintie Bevins Wells and she descends from Richard Wells by way of William G. Wells line. Goldie is 98 years old and the oldest known member of The Wells Family.

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JANICE ALLENE WELLS DUNSEITH & DOYLE MUSIC, gave \$110.00 toward the Scholarship Fund. This gift was suppose to of been in the last newsletter but I failed to do it. Janice Allene Dunseith resides in Crossville, TN., and the mother of Doyle Music who resides in Conyers, GA. They descend from Richard Wells by way of George E. Wells by way of Allen Wells. Janice Allene is a member of the Wells Family Board and serves on the Scholarship committee. Both Janice Allene and Doyle went on the England trip with the Wells Family.

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JACK RICHMOND WELLS, of Alton, Ill., gave \$40.00 to the Wells Family Association. Jack stated that he and his wife Joann do a lot of do a lot of traveling and we hope they will be able to include the Wells reunion in this year. Jack is the son of the late Hobert and Abby G. Richmond Wells and a nephew of our oldest member Goldie Wells Stevens. He descends from Richard Wells through William G. Wells and Agnes Wells Auxier line. Jack is a regular contributor to the Wells Family. Jack just sent me a photograph album full of pictures and I do appreciate him. I would love for him to organize my pictures the way he did these for me. Manford and I have really enjoyed them. Thanks, Jack.

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## GENEALOGY RESEARCH ON THE INTERNET - GETTING STARED.

BY: Louise McMonegal

Finding information about your ancestors used to entail travel - a visit to a local records office, a central library in your state, the National Archives, a Mormon library, or a trip to see one of your relatives. Nowadays, if you have a personal computer, a modem, and an Internet provider service, you can look up information from the comfort of your own home. There is so much information on the Internet today, that finding something can be like looking for a needle in a haystack.

This information may help to get you started. Each home page I refer to will cite the spelling of their location, which in some cases is a very long name. If you are typing-impaired, you might want to start at a location which contains many links to other home pages. That will help minimize your typing, since you can use their links. Usually the case, upper or lower case, doesn't matter, i.e. you can just type using lower case.

To get started, you will need to type in a home page name. A good place to start is Cyndi's List (<http://www.CyndisList.com>). Simple by typing in her page name, you can get to 41,850 links, as of the day I visited. Cyndii's home page has links to just about anything you might be looking for. Her links include home pages for various countries, US states, family bible information, finding people, handwriting, and what to do if you hit a brick wall.

Ancestry (<http://www.ancestry.com/>) is another good starting point. From this page, you can do a search on surnames from among 240 million names in 1,626 databases, when I visited. The results can take you to Ancestry World tree or the Social Security Death Index, or other places if you subscribe to their services. I found a lot of Wells information here, including my grandparent's Social Security numbers and some Wells ancestors going back to the 1500s - even if the information isn't accurate, it was certainly interesting reading. Ancestry also has a search-able database for people in the US.

Helm's Genealogy Toolbox (<http://genalogy.tbox.com/>) is another home page with many links. You can post information about your family reunion and it contains information about genealogy software (346 products when I visited). There is a genealogy site finder (over 50,000 genealogy-related Internet resources when I visited), organized by categories, e.g. abbreviations, glossaries, calendars, libraries, how-to, getting help, maps and reunions. I also found an article from CCN Interactive on tracing your Irish roots in cyberspace.

<http://www.janyce.com/> has help for new genealogy researchers such as common mistakes, how to get started. Internet etiquette, on-line classes, subscribing to mailing lists, etc. There is also a "root diggin department", with genealogy tools, general references, country

information (USA, England, Canada, Russia, Native Americans), etc. I also found an article with tips on how to preserve your photographs and documents, from the Denver Public Library. They have recently added a display of their western history and genealogy department digital photographs on the Internet.

If you're having trouble locating the area your ancestors settled in, you might try <http://www.hamrick.com/names/>. This home page uses data from the censuses of 1850, 1880, and 1920, and also 1990s phone books. You can enter the surname you are looking for and it will display a US map showing the distribution of people with that surname. I checked on Wells for 1850 - they were found in most states east of the Mississippi River, with the highest concentrations in Arkansas, Vermont, and New Hampshire. In 1880, the highest concentrations were in Wyoming, Colorado, and Florida. In 1920 the highest concentrations were in Utah, South Dakota, Oklahoma, and Alabama.

The Rand genealogy club home page (<http://www.rand.org/personal/Genea/>) has numerous links that will help you get started in genealogy. There is a soundex converter (used for census and other records), some reunion information, research help, publishing information, and their highly recommended links. Using these links will save you typing them in yourself. <http://www.everton.com/> includes genealogy forms, such as pedigree charts and family group sheets. There is also an index of genealogy links which can be searched by surname.

I found a Wells Family Research Association web site at <http://www.rootsweb.com/~wellsfam/wfrahome.html>. This page provides helpful information to people researching the Wells or Welles families. The 1998 tour to England sponsored by our Wells Family Association is listed here - it indicates we have not filed our trip report yet - OOPS! This site is growing, so you may want to continue checking it in the future.

These are only a few of the multiple resources available on the Internet. If you are like me, once you start looking up your ancestors, you will consume hours of time. Happy hunting!

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Below, on the left you will find a picture of Goldie Wells Stevens that Jack R. Wells shared. This picture was taken many years ago, as you know Goldie turned 98 in February. The picture at the right is of Calvin Wells the son of the late William L. and Laura Ella Spears Wells. Calvin was born 1895 and died 2//1937 & married to Tessie Burke.





I want to share this picture of the Lower Daniels Creek neighbors. Goldie Stevens shared the pictures and we appreciate it for she knew everyone in he picture except the lady holding the baby in the back.

The picture was taken approximately in 1913.

Front Row: Left to Right: Bertha Clark, Shirley Webb, Helen Burk, Loraine Burk, Susanna Richmond, Lita Webb, Ora Hobson, Fannie Richmond, Tharphin Spears, Bessie Webb, Stella Burk, Susie Spears, Sam Montgomery, Christine Honeycutt, Lillie May "Cricket" Webb and Dolly Webb.

Second Row: Alex Webb, Shermon Burk, Rolland Webb, Bill Burk, Lester Spears, Bill Richmond, Morgan Spears, Hobert Wells, Frank Burk, Bill Webb, Pearlie Hobson and Flora Webb.

Third Row: Noah Porter, Roy Burk, Glen Hobson, John Logan Clark, Agnes Sester, Unoka Clark Richmond, Anne Hibbit, Virgie Butcher, Doris Robinson, Susie Wells Clark and Robert Welch.

Fourth Row: Albert Burk, Alice Burk, Pearl Auxier, Margie Hobson, Virgie Welch and Elman Clark.

## MEMORIALS

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. If you give in memory of a love one we will notify the family that you have given in memory of their loved one. A board will acknowledge the donation by sending a thank you note to you.

Please accept \$ \_\_\_\_\_ as a memorial contribution in honor/memorial of \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_ who is my \_\_\_\_\_  
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(state Relationship) \_\_\_\_\_

1. Use toward Memorial, stones for unmarked graves \_\_\_\_\_
2. Use toward the general fund (expenses of the 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. This is a community picture of the Lower Daniels Creek neighborhood. It was taken approximately 1913 according to Goldie Wells Stevens. It is amazing in that she can name all but the lady with the baby in her arms. Goldie told me that the word would spread that they would be taking a community picture and about all in the neighborhood would turn out for the picture. I think Goldie for sharing both pictures with us.

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I WANT TO THANK TOMMIE COCHRAN FOR ALL THE WORK SHE DOES IN HELPING WITH THE NEWSLETTER. HER EXPERTISE IN PROOFING IT THOROUGHOUT THE YEARS, AND HELPING TO ORGANIZE THE PICTURES ETC. I WANT TO THANK MY HUSBAND MANFORD FOR ALL HE DOES LIKE HELPING ME GET THEM READY FOR MAILING AND HAULING ME AROUND TO PICK UP THE NEWSLETTER AND TAKING THEM TO THE POST OFFICE. ( I WONDER WHEN HE WILL SAY THIS IS ENOUGH AND QUIT ON ME) I WANT TO TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO THINK RITA SMITH FOR HER HELP IN THE PAST AND ALL YOU THAT HAVE HELPED IN ANY WAY GETTING THEM READY FOR MAILING ONCE THEY ARE PRINTED. PAULA WELLS, PAT WOMACK, VIRGINIA EDGEL, PAULINA GARZA AND GLORIA SALLIE. LOUISE M CMONEGAL FROM ALEXANDIA, VIRGINIA. HAS VOLUNTEERED TO ASSIST IN PROOFING THE NEWSLETTER. I WILL SEND IT BY E-MAIL AS I DO EACH TIME TO TOMMIE.. THANKS TO ALL OF YOU THAT HAVE HELPED.

Mary, Tom & Louise

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WILL SEE YOU ALL AT THE  
 REUNION!!!