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The 1999 reunion is over and if you were unable to attend, then you missed a great time. The meeting began on Saturday with the tour of the following gravesites: two cemeteries in Paintsville, where William G. Wells is buried, and the one near it where J. K. Well's family is buried. The group then moved on to Rt. 23 South to the Samuel Auxier and Agnes Wells Auxier gravesites. From there they went to Richard Well's gravesite and the Log Church Cemetery, where Susannah Hutchison Wells and several of her family members are buried. The group then went to the Auxier Relocation Cemetery where George E. Wells is buried.

The group that stayed at the school set up for Sunday's meeting and prepared refreshments for the group. Those who took the tour had worked up an appetite and were ready for something cold to drink and a snack upon returning to the school.

A genealogical meeting followed with approximately fifty people attending. The group discussed different things, including when the new book will be ready. Some expressed that we need to get with it or we

won't be alive when it is done. The suggestion was that we give relatives until April to get their family group sheets in, if they want to be included in the book. **GET YOUR DATA ON YOUR FAMILY INTO US IF YOU WANT TO BE IN THE BOOK.**

John B. Wells III states that he is working on the history of the family and we need to get all group sheets and data from relatives to begin the book.

Sunday's activities began at 9:00 AM, with members arriving with their dish for dinner and items for the family bazaar. As they arrived, they found Lyman Porter and Beulah Wells Keel at the door to register them. They also found Malva Cline, Darlene Burgess and Haskell Burgess floating around greeting members as they arrived. Andy Ritchie waited at the door to help carry their dishes of food into the kitchen. We appreciate Andy being so helpful. He has attended the reunion every year since he was very young and is willing to assist wherever he is needed. Andy is the nice looking young grandson of Beulah Keel.

Ann Porter, Randy Wells, Wanda Collins, Delores Booth and several other helpers were at the auction table to assist people as they brought their items in. John Wells III, auctioneer, was there to auction the items again this year.

The auction committee is very grateful for each of you bringing items, as they did very well this year. As you know, it is the biggest fundraiser that we have to support the cost for the reunion and mailing the newsletter.

There were over 200 persons in attendance again this year. We really missed many of our regular members who could not attend due to sickness or other reasons. We had several that attended for the first time and I have the feeling they will be back next year. Some of our regulars that have not been able to attend for a few years were back and it is always good to see them out again.

We realize it is not possible for some of us to attend every year, but we just want you to know that when you are not present we do miss you.

The Wells Family Board met at the Ponderosa in Paintsville on 11/6 with 31 members in attendance. The board discussed many things, including ways to make the 2000 reunion a very special one.

Charlene Patton Muncie told the group that her family were planning on a small family reunion on Saturday before the Wells reunion. They will then plan on attending the Wells Family Reunion at Johnson Central School on Saturday evening and Sunday while family members are all together. The Wells Family Board felt this was a great idea and we are encouraging other families to do the same and then come to our Saturday evening and Sunday Reunion.

This way we will be able to visit with our close cousins and then meet our extended cousins and get to know them.

Why not start planning now for your family to meet on Saturday and have lunch together and then come to Johnson Central School for the grave tour and evening activities which will include a genealogical meeting. Then get a good nights rest and attend the Sunday reunion.

The descendants of Samuel & Unoka Clark Richmond will be meeting together but the place will be announced later. We hope that they will all get their families out for a great time. We will be looking forward to seeing all of them at the big reunion at Johnson Central High School.

Bobby Wells, president, appointed three of the board members to work on entertainment for the young people for the 2000 reunion. Young people: plan to attend, for these three young people will have some great surprises in store for you at the next reunion

Thanks to Tommie Cochran, Rita Smith, and Louise McMonegal for their help proofing the newsletter. Thanks Girls!!! Mary

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FIRST TIME ATTENDING REUNION

Andrew Correll,	Englewood, OH
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Dianna Mollette,	Paintsville, KY
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Gerald R. Wells,	Meally, KY
Carol Lafferty,	Paintsville, KY
Alma Jarrell,	Louisa, KY
Joe W. Jarrell,	Louisa, KY
David Eugene Music	Oil Springs, KY
Milford Music,	Oil Springs, KY

AWARDS PRESENTED

We are sorry that we were unable to give two awards since we had two young babies. Makayla Mollett was born 8/9/1999 and Skylar Shay Huff was born 7/23/1999. The family with the largest number in attendance was the Ali Wells family with 13, and Mildred Well's family had 15 but some had already left before the awards were given. We had another family with 19 present but they did not get their number in. In 2000, we would like for you to write family member's names down and give to the president before the presentation; this will make it much easier to determine the winner.

THE YOUNGEST IN ATTENDANCE:



MAKAYA MOLLETTE, b. 8/9/1999 daughter of Michael Joseph and Jamie Lynn Mollette of Paintsville, KY, Makaya descends from Richard Wells through his son George E. Wells and Roseanne Wells Spears lines. Her grandmother is Lorraine Wells Mollette of Prestonsburg, KY.

OLDEST IN ATTENDANCE:



ANNA GOLDA WELLS STEVENS, age 97, of Huntington, WV. Golda was born Feb. 17, 1902, the daughter of Moses & Minta Bevins Wells. Golda

was widowed at a very young age and left with one son Eugene Stevens. She never married again and worked as a cosmetologist until her retirement in Huntington.

Golda descended from Richard Wells through his son William Green Wells who was her grandfather. Golda is the oldest known member of the Wells Family. (Let's give her a card shower for her 99th birthday February 17th.) Her address is 1709-6th Ave., Huntington, WV 25703.

TRAVELED THE MOST MILES:



LARRY DEAN & WAVELEAN WELLS COPE & daughter LISA CHRISTINE COPE, won the award for traveling the most miles to attend the reunion. The Cope family traveled from Anaheim, CA. This is the second time this family has been able to attend the Wells Family Reunion. Wavelean is the daughter of the late Shermom and Lillie Collins Wells. She descends from Richard Wells by way of the George E. Wells line.

FAMILY WITH THE MOST IN ATTENDANCE



THE ALI & SADIE COLLINS WELLS Family

won the family with the largest number in attendance again this year. They had 13 in attendance and they descend from Richard Wells by way of George E. Wells and Roseanne Wells Spears lines. This family has only lost one time in several years. Several of their family members were absent due to sickness this year, but I am sure they will be ready to challenge other family groups to maintain their record as winners in 2000.

WINNER OF DOOR PRIZE

LISA WELLS DILES of Columbus, OH, was the winner of the door prize. Lisa is the daughter of Jefferson & Mildred Wells of Patriot, OH. She descends from Richard Wells by way of Moses Wells. Jefferson was born and raised in the Elliott County vicinity and later in life moved to Ohio. Jeff and his family have attended the reunion regularly since finding out that the reunion existed. Her picture is above.

SCHOLARSHIP AWARDED

STACEY LUNDERGAN, A mistake was made in the last newsletter of our 1998 scholarship recipient. **Stacey had a GPA of 3.765 instead of 2.765, as I listed in the last newsletter.**

Stacey has worked very diligently and is majoring in biology with plans to become a pharmacist. Stacey, we are sorry about the mistake. We are proud of you!

ANDREA DENISE RIFFITH,

Andrea was one of 1998 Scholarship winners. I had a call from her mother, Sheila Goble Griffith, of Allen, KY, and had the privilege to talk with her grandfather, Jimmie Goble. Andrea is attending Prestonsburg Community College with a GPA of 3.89. Her plans are to go into pharmacy. Andrea, we are proud of you. Her picture is below.

**1999 SCHOLARSHIP AWARDED**

ERIN SUSANNA MCCOART of Van Lear, was awarded the 1999 Wells Family Scholarship. Ronald Wells, president at the 99 reunion, made the presentation.

Erin is a graduate of Paintsville High School and is attending the Prestonsburg Community College. At Paintsville High she was a member of the cheerleaders team through her high school years.

She is the daughter of John & Vicky Adkins McCoart. Her maternal grandparents are James N. & Emma D. Wells Adkins of Van Lear.

Erin descends from Richard Wells by way of George E. Wells, William G. Wells & Agnes Wells Auxier lines. Erin's picture is below, being presented the scholarship by Ronald Wells, president.



THE 2000 TRIP

John B. Wells III, is working on the plans for taking the trip to Scotland, Ireland, and Northern Ireland in June 2000. Listed below you will find his message for those of you that are considering taking the trip.

The 2000 Wells Family Heritage Tour of Scotland, Northern Ireland, and Ireland is scheduled for June 9th through June 19th, 2000. Preliminary plans call for tours of Edinburgh, the highlands, Blair Castle, Robert Burns country, Belfast, and Dublin. Stops are being planned dealing with the Richmond, Hutchison, Ward, Baldrige, and Roberts families, but all is not yet finalized. At present there are only forty available spots. So, if you're interested please contact me IMMEDIATELY at (606) 789-1940 (home), (606) 789-4700 (office), e-mail; <doredad@foothills.net>, mail: 733 Court Street, Paintsville, KY 41240. I should have a price figure within two weeks. ON TO SCOTLAND!!!!

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ACADEMICS

ERIN COLLINS of Flat Gap, KY and a student at Prestonsburg Community College was one of 31 students to make the dean's list for the year of 1998-99. Erin has maintained the honor roll throughout her school years.

She is the daughter of Michael and Brenda Bailey Collins and descends from Richard Wells through George E. Wells, William G. Wells and Agnes Wells Auxier lines.

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DENISE WELLS of Raceland, KY, was one of three local students honored at Kentucky Christian College. She was named to the honor roll and maintained an average grade point of 3.30 to 3.74.

Denise was a 1995 graduate of Raceland-Worthington High School. She is the daughter of Larry and Mildred Wells of Raceland and granddaughter of the late King and Hazel Helton Wells. She descends from Richard Wells through the William Green Wells line.

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SPECIAL RECOGNITIONS

GOLDIE A. WELLS & KATHY MUNCY, students of Johnson Central High School received special recognition. A picture of Goldie & Kathy follows.



Goldie, a Junior at Johnson Central High was chosen by her student body as Junior Princess. Kathy, a Senior at Johnson Central High was chosen by her student body as Senior Princess. They were crowned at the school's homecoming football game of the year. Both Goldie and Kathy are excellent students and stayed on the honor roll throughout their school years.

Goldie is the daughter of Alex S. & Susie Goble Wells of Van Lear and Kathy is the daughter of Eugene and Charlene Patton Muncy of Williamsport, KY. Goldie and Kathy both descend from Richard Wells through George E. Wells, William G. Wells and Agnes Wells Auxier lines.

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LEE & GEORGIA RICHMOND HALL of Brunswick, OH, won the counties BEST GARDEN CONTEST. There were 60 families entered in the contest and the Best of Show went to Lee and Georgia, whose beautiful gardens were exceptional.

This is the first year that the Hall's have entered, although I must say they have one of the prettiest flower gardens that I have ever seen. I think they

have thousands of day lilies plus every other type of flower and rose that you could ever imagine.

This garden is so weed free and shows that a lot of work has been given to it. If you should be in the Brunswick area in the summer it would be worth your time just to drop by and see their garden. Lee and Georgia will welcome you with that Southern hospitality.

Georgia descends from Richard Wells by way of the William G. Wells, Agnes Wells Auxier and Roseanna Wells Spears line.

CLARENCE E. WELLS This article came out in the Scottish Rite Bulletin, except the last part, which I added about Clarence.

Clarence Eric Wells, Thirty Second Degree Mason, was born on Nov. 21, 1921 in Ashland, KY. He is the son of the late Charles Jefferson & the late Stella Burke Wells.

He attended school in Boyd and Greenup counties and East Bank High School in Kanawha County WV, and West Virginia Institute of Technology.

He enlisted in the Naval Air Corp. as a Cadet in 1943 where he attended University of Virginia, Williams College in Williamstown, Mass., and the University of North Carolina while in training. Mr. Wells received his Navy wings in 1944 and retired from the Navy in 1965 as an officer and Fighter Pilot.

Brother Wells was raised to the Sublime Degree of Master Mason in Salina Lodge #27 at Malden West Virginia in 1951, as well as the York Rite and the Beni Kedem Shrine. He became a member of the Scottish Rite Bodies, Valley of Charleston in 1957 and later The Royal Order of Scotland and the Royal Order of the Jesters. He served as Commander of Legion of Honor in 1981 and is a Past Eminent C. commander of Kanawha Commandry #4. A Temple Aide (Blue Coat) since 1980, Mr. Wells has just been notified that the Supreme Council in Washington, D. C. has voted to bestow the honor of Knight Commander Court of Honor on him. Clarence is a member of the Order of the Eastern Star where he served as Worthy Grand Patron in 1968 and 1969. Also, he is a member of the White Shrine of Jerusalem where he served as Watchman

of Shepherd. He has also served as Local Chairman and District Chairman for the Order of Rainbow for Girls where he holds the Grand Cross of Color.

Mr. Wells is also Past President of the Shawnee Lions Club and Past Senior Councilor of the United Commercial Travelers of America and past President of the Optimist Club.

Brother Wells is married to the former Ernestine Ruth Wheeler and has three children Ronald, Karen and Kathy, and four grandchildren.

Clarence is in charge of the Wells Reunion that meets in June each year at Camp Happy Valley Salvation Army Campgrounds, Teays Valley, WV. This Wells group descends from Richard Wells by way of Moses & Margaret Hillman Wells line. If you descend from this line you may want to attend in June 2000. They stay from Friday until Sunday each year.

Clarence and his family attend our reunion each year and he will be a member of the Wells Family Association Board for 99-2000 year. We are pleased to have Clarence with us on the board.

DR. RANDALL "RANDY" WELLS our very own Vice President of the Wells Family, does a lot of traveling for the University of Louisville. He has made several trips abroad but I can never get him to give me information on his trips.

I did get a note from him upon his returning August 1st from Scotland. Randy stated that he was adjusting to jetlag. He said his stop over in Edinburgh was great and the weeklong meeting in St. Andrews was full of great activities and good food, especially the desserts.

Randy is the son of Ebbic and Dorothy Wells and descends from Richard Wells by way of the George E. Wells line.

SHERRI SMITH, daughter of Rita Smith and granddaughter of William and Edith Wells Mollete, graduated from Morehead State University in May 1999, with a degree in Marketing.

Sherri is employed by Triumph Auto Glass in Charleston, South Carolina. Sherri descends from Richard Wells by way of William G. Wells line. Her mother Rita and grandmother Edith both serve on the Wells Family board.

VANESSA E. MUSIC MAGEE of St Petersburg, Florida and a second year law student at St. Petersburg Stetson University College of Law was chosen to be an associate member of the Stetson Law Review. Law Review is an academic publication, published four times yearly, which publishes articles of legal scholarship written by professors, judges, lawyers, and students. Vanessa was awarded a certificate for the best article written. Competition to be a member of Law Review is tough; thus becoming an associate member is an honor, especially being awarded a certificate for the best written article.

Vanessa worked on her MBA "Masters in Business Administration" this past summer. She took three courses in business administration and two courses in law and made 5 A's.

Vanessa was invited to join Phi Delta Phi, a national legal honor fraternity, and accepted. Her initiation reception was October 7th.

Vanessa is the daughter of Doyle and Terri McCloud Music of Conyers, GA., and the granddaughter of Janice Allene Dunseith of Crossville, TN., who serves on the Wells Family board.

Vanessa descends from Richard Wells by way of the George E. Wells line.

SICKNESS & SHUT INS

Georgia Richmond Hall, Paulina Garza, Beulah Keel, Franklin Keel, Pat Williams, Tom Witten, Bufford Wells DeLong, Melissa "Missy" Conley Wells, Carma Spears Powell, Joe Marshall, Terri McCloud Music, Magaline Fraley, Darlene Clark Burgess, Gloria Spears Sallie, John B. Wells, Jr., Lyman Porter, Donna Rambo. Phillip Wells,

HOSPITALIZATION

EUGENE STEVENS, of Huntington, WV., is the critical care unit after suffering a stroke. He is in Saint Mary's hospital in Huntington.

Eugene is the son of our oldest living member of the Wells Family, Golda Stevens. We are thankful for Nancy Marshall Hackworth who is looking out for Golda and taking her to the hospital to visit Eugene.

Eugene descends from Richard Wells through William G. Wells line.

TOMMIE & THELMA HYDEN WELLS, of Van Lear are in the Paintsville Manor Convalescence Home, Rt. 40, Paintsville, KY. Janice Allene Dunseith and I visited them on 11/6th and they both look good and are looking forward to getting well enough to return to their home.

We had a very nice visit with them and told them that we would be going to see his brother Truman Wells on Sunday who lives at Rush, KY. Truman is 88 years old. His brother is listed below.

TRUMAN WELLS of Rush, KY, has been in the hospital several times since the last newsletter. His daughter, Aloma Wilbur, told me that her father and mother Thelma both are very sick. They have someone staying to help take care of them around the clock.

Janice Allene Dunseith and I visited Truman on the 7th, and enjoyed our visit very much. Truman turned 95 on 11/8 and was very alert although he had a stroke in August and was confined to the bed. He told us that he wanted to come to the reunion but could not find a way to manage it. His spirits are very good and he looked well and told us that he would rather see us than eat.

We wish him a happy birthday and hope he is able to be back at the reunion in 2000. Truman descends from Richard Wells by way of the George E. Wells line.

SAVANNAH KEEL, of Van Lear, KY., had gallbladder surgery in Oct. and I heard from her by e-mail and she said that she was doing great. Savannah is the daughter of Stanley & Judy Butcher Keel and descends from Richard Wells by way of the William G. Wells line. She is a student at Johnson Central High school.

LOIS CLARK MARSHALL of Van Lear, KY, was a patient in Our Lady of Bellefonte Hospital, Ashland, KY.

She spent some time with her daughter, Nancy Hackworth, Flatwoods, and is presently recuperating at her home.

She is the daughter of the late Elmon and Virgie Wells Clark and descends from Richard Wells through the George E. Wells line.

VIRGINIA COLLINS EDGEL of Flatwoods, KY, and a member of the Wells Family board has been sick and in the hospital several times since the last newsletter. Virginia went to her son John's home in California to be with family while receiving chemo and radiation. She has undergone surgery to remove a kidney and received radiation.

Her sister Paulina Garza left in Oct. to visit her sister and she has promised to keep us informed of her progress.

I had an e-mail from Paulina today (10/25). She visited Virginia and she was so sick from taking the chemo that she has refused to take any more. Paulina said she will complete her radiation and then she was headed back to Kentucky. This will be in November.

Virginia is the daughter of the late Hansford Collins and descends from Richard Wells by way of Rosann Wells Spears line.

CARL COLLINS of Van Lear, KY, has been a patient in Paul B. Hall Hospital, Paintsville.

Carl went through chemo and radiation but had some difficulty and ended up in the hospital again. He has been running a high temperature and his doctors are puzzled as to what is causing it. He is presently home receiving special attention from his wife Polly. We are happy to hear that he was baptized Nov. 5th. Carl is the son of the late McKinley & Callie Daniels Collins and descends from Richard Wells through the George E. Wells line.

JOYCE WELLS O'CONNER of Columbus, Ohio, was visiting her sister before Labor Day in N.C., when she became very sick. Joyce was diagnosed as having three aneurysms of the brain.

After several weeks of being critical, the doctors had to operate to save her life. Her sister Elaine was with her daily and as she began to improve, Elaine would take her out of the hospital for visits.

I talked with Elaine today 10/24 and she was discharged from the hospital and returned to Columbus where she is presently in a rehabilitation center. Her sons are continuing the TLC that Elaine was giving her in NC.

Joyce is the daughter of the late Gene and Alma Wells and descends from Richard Wells by way of the George E. Wells line.

If any of you remember Joyce and would like to send her a card the address is: Joyce O'Conner, CRSI, 44 South Souder Ave., Columbus, OH 43222.

DEAN SPEARS of Wurtland, Kentucky has been in the Veterans Hospital several times in Cleveland, Ohio.

Dean has had two angioplasties and has an aneurysm of the aorta, but can't have anything done until the heart is treated first. He is presently home recuperating.

Dean is the son of the late Arnold & Lorene Burke Spears and descends from Richard Wells by way of William G. Wells & Rosann Wells Spears.

ARTHUR COLLINS of Greenup County was a patient in Our Lady of Bellefonte Hospital where he suffered a heart attack.

With much loving care from his wife Wanda and daughter Tommie and his strong determination, he was out and home earlier than expected.

They are not holding this man down, for he was back to his regular hunting activities before the doctor knew it.

Arthur descends from Richard Wells through Rosann Wells Spears line. Arthur, his wife Wanda, and daughter Tommie are all members of the Wells Family Board.

SHERRI WELLS BENETTE, of Lexington, NC., fell on her neighbor's drive and broke her leg in three places. She was in a Lexington Hospital for several days and is presently home having difficulty getting around with a cast on her leg all the way up above her knee.

Sherri is the daughter of Alex Samuel Wells and descends from Richard Wells by way of George E. Wells, William G. Wells and Agnes Wells Auxier lines.

According to her doctor, she will be off work for two to three months. She is receiving special care from her husband Norm.

NORMA RUTH WELLS MASON of Hobe Sound, Florida, had colon surgery in June. She was a patient at a local hospital in Hobe Sound.

Norma is the daughter of the late Oliver Clarence and Emma A. Thornsby Wells of Boyd County.

She is a sister of Vernon Wells of Erlanger and James Wells who is a member of the Wells Family Board. She descends from Richard Wells through his son Peter Well's line.

NEVA SUE WELLS BAKER of Willoughby, Ohio was a patient in a local hospital where she

underwent open heart surgery in July. She is recuperating at home with special care from her family.

Neva Sue is the widow of the late Lex Baker and the daughter of the late Elmer & Pearl Hamilton Wells of Van Lear, Ky.

She descends from Richard Wells by way of George E. Wells and Rosann Wells Spears line. Her brother Herman Wells serves on the Wells family Board.

GLORIA G. SPEARS SALLIE of Ashland, Kentucky was a patient in St. Mary's Hospital from 7/29 to 8/7/99 where she underwent emergency surgery. Her husband Bill was just recuperating from surgery when she took sick. Gloria is doing much better with care from her husband and children.

Gloria is the daughter of the late Beverage & Norma Miranda Spears. She descends from Richard Wells by way of William G. Wells & Rosann Wells Spears line. She is a member of the Wells Family Board.

FRANKLIN KEEL of Auxier and a patient in Martin County Rest home has been in Highland Regional, Three Rivers, and Paul B. Hall Hospitals since the last newsletter.

Frank is a diabetic and has suffered from several strokes. He is presently back in the Martin County Rest Home where he is doing better.

Frank is the son of the late Rufus & Lucy DeLong Keel and descends from Richard Wells through the William G. Wells line.

His wife Beulah Keel and daughter Mary F. Moore both are members of the Wells Family Board.

DELORES "SIS" WILLIAMS BOOTH of Van Lear, and the wife of Clifford Booth, has been in Highland Regional Hospital where she underwent surgery for colon cancer.

She is presently home receiving special care from her husband Clifford. Delores is the daughter of the late Bernard & Alta Wells Williams and descends from Richard Wells through George E. Wells & William G. Wells lines. She & her husband are members of the Wells Family Board.

NORMA SPEARS STEPP of Prestonsburg, is a patient in a local nursing home.

Norma is the daughter of the late John Walker Spears, and descends from Richard Wells through Rosann Wells Spears line.

ELBERT H. "CHUB" BROWN of Erlanger, KY, underwent eye surgery for a wrinkle on his retina at Christ Hospital, Cincinnati, OH.

His surgery went well and he is receiving special care from his wife Frances. He is happy to be able to get back to playing golf again.

Chub's wife, Frances, is the daughter of Vernon Wells of Erlanger, and descends from Richard Wells by way of the Peter Wells line.

JUANITA WELLS of Erlanger, and wife of Vernon Wells, has been very sick and has been receiving chemotherapy. According to her stepdaughter, Frances Brown, she is doing better and very optimistic.

Her husband Vernon Wells descends from Richard Wells by way of Peter Wells. His brother James Wells serves on the Wells Family Board.

CYNTHIA A. "CINDY" WELLS MORRIS

Cindy was a patient in August in Kings Daughters Hospital, Ashland. She was a very sick person and spent some time there, with pancreatitis. Cindy had to miss the reunion this year but is presently home and has returned to work.

She is the daughter of the late Ali and Sadie Collins Wells, and descends from Richard Wells through George E. Wells and Rosann Wells Spears line.

CHARLIE FORD of Okeechobee, FL, underwent open-heart surgery in August. He is presently at home receiving special care from his wife Benette Collins Ford.

Benette is the daughter of Carl & Polly Wells Collins and descends from Richard Wells by way of George E. Wells, William G. Wells & Agnes Wells Auxier.

MARRIAGES

DENISE DAWN WELLS & BRIAN RICHARD CIOFANI were united in marriage on July 10, 1999 at Wurtland Freewill Baptist Church.

The Rev. Virgil Knipp, the bride's uncle, read the vows at 1:30 p.m. Denise is the daughter of Larry and Mildred Wells of 700 Brown St., Raceland, KY. Brian is the son of Richard and Donna Ciofani of Richmond, VA.

Nuptial music was provided by Linda Ball of Wurtland, pianist, and soloists Martha Faulkner of Flatwoods, the bride's aunt, and Amber Platt of Cincinnati.

Cindy Timberlake of Richmond was the bride's honor attendant. Her bridesmaids were Tasha Faulkner of Flatwoods, the bride's cousin, Jaclyn Morrison of Worthington, and Theresa Norris of Painesville, Ohio.

Michael Berman of Norfolk, Va., was best man. Groomsmen were Bradley Thompson of Lebanon, IN, Jesse Mitchell of King, N.C. and Michael Lynn of Saginaw, MI. Ushers were the bride's cousins, Bryan Faulkner and Kevin Faulkner, both of Flatwoods. Ali Ball of Greenup was the flower girl. A reception at the church followed the ceremony.

The bride is a graduate of Raceland High School and Kentucky Christian College in Grayson. The groom, also a graduate of Kentucky Christian College, is

employed as an accountant with Siecor Corp. in Winston-Salem, N.C. Following a wedding trip to Nassau, the Bahamas, the couple will reside in Kernersville, N.C.

Denise is the granddaughter of the late King and Hazel Helton Wells and descends from Richard Wells through his son William G. Wells line.

JANE WELLS MUNCIE & KEITH GREEN of Winchester, KY, were married on June 24, 1999. Jane is the daughter of Mr. & Mrs. John B. Wells Jr. of Paintsville, KY. Jane is the mother of John and Danny Muncie of Winchester.

She descends from Richard Wells by way of the William G. Wells line.

ROBERT JOSEPH DRAKE & MARINA ANNIE DOMINIQUE SCHEMBRI were married on 8/14/1999 in Spokane, Washington. The young couple honeymooned in Victoria, B. C., and recently returned to Montpellier, France, where they are both completing their education. Robert is the son of Robert and Anita "Collins" Drake Sr., and grandson of Jesse Charles Collins of Daniels Creek, Van Lear, KY.

Robert Joseph descends from Richard Wells through George E. Wells and Roseanne Wells Spears line.

EILEEN WELLS ONEY & OCEL MARTIN were married October 10, 1999 at her daughter's home in Lexington, KY. Her children Marlene and Tricia gave a reception. Her son Todd Oney gave his mother away.

Eileen dated Ocel before marrying her late husband, Ishmael Oney, who died in 1996. Ocel went to World War II, and after the war resided in Alaska for 16 years before settling in Colorado.

The couple is honeymooning in Colorado where they will spend time before returning to Greenup County. They are not certain at this point exactly where they will reside but are leaning toward Greenup County.

Eileen is the daughter of the late Ali and Sadie Collins Wells and descends from Richard Wells through George E. Wells and Rosann Wells Spears lines.

TONYA RENA COLLINS & HAROLD GREGORY HORN were married on Saturday, August 7, 1999, at half past four o'clock in the afternoon at Auxier Freewill Baptist Church, Auxier, Kentucky.

A lighting of a Memory Candle was in honor of Otis and Margaret Griffith, the bride's maternal grandparents. The wedding party included the Rev. Randy Powers, Matron of Honor, Misty Jordan, friend of the bride. Maid of Honor, Cassandra Camden, cousin of the bride, bridesmaids, Tammy Brown, sister of the groom, Kelly Collins, cousin of bride, and Rayetta Griffith, cousin of bride.

The best man was Adam Collins, brother of the bride. Groomsmen were Scott Gabbard, friend of groom, Bruce Conley, friend of groom, Mike Stapleton, friend of groom and Stacy Lemaster. Flower girl was Emily Brown; ring bearer, Jason Frasure; ushers, Amanda Griffith; program attendant, Cynthia Camden; and guest book attendant, Erin Collins. A beautiful reception followed the wedding at the Ramada Inn, Paintsville, with a wonderful sit down dinner. While the band played, the wedding party danced and enjoyed themselves.

Tonya is the daughter of Larry and Rita Collins of Van Lear. Her grandparents are Carl and Polly Collins. Gregory's parents are Mr. & Mrs. Harold Horn of Paintsville, and the grandparents are Mrs. Ida Harvey and the late Steve Harvey.

Tonya descends from Richard Wells by way of George E. Wells, William G. Wells and Agnes Wells Auxier.

BIRTHS

HANNA MICHELLE JUDE b. 9/16/1999, weighing 5 lb. 13 oz., and 19" long at Cable Huntington Hospital. The proud parents are Bryan and Dawn M. Wells Jude of Warfield, KY. Dawn is the daughter of Gerald R. Wells of Meally and Vicky Chaffins of Garrett, KY.

Hanna descends from Richard Wells by way of George E. Wells, William G. Wells and Agnes Wells Auxier lines. I had the opportunity to see and hold little Hanna on 11/4 at Paintsville and she is a beautiful baby.

DALTON TYLER RATCLIFFE born 4/27/1999 at Cable Huntington Hospital. He weighed 6 pounds, 8 ounces. Dalton was welcomed by his 2 year old brother Justin Ratcliffe, Jr.

The proud parents are Justin & Traci "Copley" Ratcliffe, and the grandparents are Randy & Claudia "Plummer" Ratcliffe, all of Ft. Gay, WV. The great-grandparents are Millard & Krimhilda Plummer of Ft. Gay, WV.

Dalton descends from Richard Wells by way of his son by William G. Well's line.

BRIAN KENNETH CAMPBELL born 8/24/1998; we failed to get this in previous newsletters. He is the son of Brian and Laura "Ratcliffe" Campbell. The grandparents are Randy and Claudia "Plummer" Ratcliffe of Ft. Gay, WV. The great grandparents are Millard & Krimhilda Plummer, of Ft. Gay, WV.

Brian descends from Richard Wells by way of William G. Well's line.

ANDREW DUNCAN MUNCIE b. 10/5/1999 to the proud parents, John & Beverly Muncie of Winchester, KY. John is the son of Jane Wells Muncie Green, and they descend from Richard Wells by way of the William G. Wells line.

John is a nephew of John B. Wells III who serves on the Wells Family Board.

KYLE WILLIAM WELLS b. 6/2/1999 at 7:35 p.m., weighing 6 lb. 5 oz., came 5 1/2 weeks early. The proud parents are Christopher T. and Lisa Wells, of Lexington.

The grandparents are Ronald & Judi Wells of Georgetown, KY, and are very proud to have a grandson after two beautiful granddaughters.

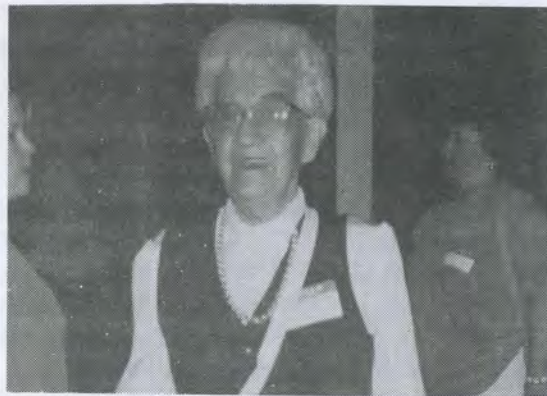
Kyle descends from Richard Wells by way of George E. Wells and Moses Wells line. Kyle's grandparents, Ron and Judi, serve on the Wells Family Board.

EMMA CHRISTINE JACKSON born Aug. 5, 1999, weighing 6 lb. 7 oz. The proud parents are Jeff and Christine Jackson of Willoughby, OH.

The paternal grandmother is Janice Baker Jackson. The great grandparents are Neva Sue Wells Baker and the late Lex Baker of Willoughby, OH. Jeff and his wife Christine are nurses at the University Hospital, Cleveland, OH.

Emma Christine descends from Richard Wells by way of George E. Wells and Roseanna Wells Spears line. (I am sorry but when the information was submitted they did not include Jeff's father's name and I do not know his name.)

DEATHS



Picture of Opal DeRossett.

OPAL JANETTE WELLS HALL DEROSSETT, 90, of Sabina, Ohio, formerly of Floyd County died 11/12/1999 in Greene Memorial Hospital in Xenia, Ohio. Opal was born 4/13/1909, in Floyd County, a daughter of the late Winfield and Sally Burchett Wells.

Surviving are her second husband Fred DeRossett; two sons, Billy P. Hall of Richmond, Mich., and Truman D. Hall of Ripley, N.Y.; a daughter, Malva

B. Cline of Sabina; two brothers, Truman Wells of Rush, KY., and Thomas Wells of Van Lear, KY., and 10 grandchildren.

The funeral was held at Jones-Preston Funeral Home in Paintsville by Rev. Dick Vanhooose. Burial was in the Auxier Relocation Cemetery in Auxier, KY.

Opal was an honorary member of the Wells Family Board and her daughter Malva is a member of the Wells Board. She descends from Richard Wells through his son George E. Wells line.

BRADFORD PLUMMER 85, of Martin County, KY, formerly of Fort Gay, died Thursday in Three Rivers Medical Center at Louisa, KY. Mr. Plummer was born Dec. 19, 1913, at Offutt, KY, a son of the late Eddie Lee and Edith Williamson Plummer. His wife, Violet Grimes Plummer, and a daughter, Brenda Kay Wilmlink, also preceded him in death.

Surviving are three brothers, Deward Plummer of Sellersburg, IN, Millard Plummer of Fort Gay, and Howard Plummer of Huntington; two sisters, Glada Jarrell of Hode, KY, and Lydia Webb of Fort Gay; and a granddaughter.

His body having been bequeathed to the University of Kentucky Medical Department, there will be no funeral service and no visitation. Wilson Funeral Home at Louisa, KY was in charge of local arrangements.

Bradford descends from Richard Wells through the William Green Wells line.

OTIS GOBLE 94, of Corn Fork, died 6/17/1999 at his home. Mr. Goble was born 7/2/1904, in Auxier, a son of the late Lon and Ruann Music Goble. He was a retired construction worker for Ford Construction Co. His wife, Carmack Skeans Goble, preceded him in death.

Surviving are three daughters, Mary Evelyn Wells, Janet Ratliff and Joan Whitaker, all of Prestonsburg; 11 grandchildren; 15 great-grandchildren; and two great-great grandchildren.

The funeral was under the direction of Floyd Funeral Home in Prestonsburg. Burial was in the Harris Cemetery in Corn Fork.

His daughter, Mary Evelyn, is the widow of James Benjamin Wells, son of Sherman and Emma Wells. She descends from Richard Wells through the George E Wells line.

JANICE E. WELLS ADKINS 62, died 7/4/1999 in Euclid, OH. Janice was born 8/3/1936, daughter of the late Elmer and Pearl Hamilton Wells of Johnson County Kentucky. Survivors include her husband, Paul Adkins, and two sons; Paul D. (Chris) Adkins Jr., and Tim Adkins both of Euclid, one daughter; Pamela (Bruce) Cochran.

She had four grandchildren, Kristi and David Cochran; Brittany and Kelly Adkins, two brothers; Elmer Wells Jr., Lakewood, OH, Herman Wells, Van Lear, KY, two sisters; Neva Sue Baker, Willoughby, OH, Rose Mary Harmon of Brookpark, OH.

Service was on July 8, 1999 at Brickman & Sons Funeral Home. The Rev. Michael Spiegel officiated with burial in Whitehaven Cemetery, Mayfield, OH, Section G. Lot 464. Janice descends from Richard Wells through George E. Wells & Rosann Wells Spears.

YVONNE WELLS REATHERFORD 63, of Prestonsburg, died July 2, 1999, at Riverview Manor Nursing Home in Prestonsburg. Yvonne was born 5/2/1936, at Auxier, to the late Sherman and Emma Goble Wells. Yvonne was a nurse aide at Riverview Manor Nursing Home and a member of the Lancer Baptist Church. Her husband, Johnny Reatherford, preceded her in death.

Surviving are a daughter, Kathy L. Tackett of Prestonsburg; a brother, Raymond Wells of Paintsville; two sisters, Sue Wells and Anna Mae Garrett, both of Prestonsburg; a grandchild; and a great-grandchild. The funeral was held at the Floyd Funeral Home in Prestonsburg by To Biddle and Lee Caudill; burial was in the Richmond Cemetery in Prestonsburg.

Yvonne descends from Richard Wells by way of the George E. Wells line.

HAZEL STAFFORD COADY 81, of River Bend Assistant Living, Wheelersburg, OH, died 10/21/1999 in Our Lady of Bellefonte Hospital, Ashland, KY.

She was born 5/16/1918 in Meadow Bridge, WV, to Harry Lee Stafford and Emma Estep Stafford.

Survivors are William Stafford, Ironton, OH, and Betty Stafford Elkins, Haverhill, OH, Helen Stafford Lowe, Huntington, WV.

According to her brother William, she was a very warm and loving person and very grateful for anything you did for her. Her half brother, William, descends from Richard Wells through Rosann Wells Spears line.

EULA SPEARS FERGUSON COLLINS GROSS 79, of Van Lear, KY, died 6/15/1999 in Paul B. Hall Hospital, Paintsville. Eula was born 2/7/1920, in Johnson County, a daughter of the late Martin and Bertha Cumbo Spears. She was a member of the Church of Christ.

Surviving is a sister, Jeanette Webb, of Grayson, a stepdaughter, Dortha Ferguson Strobel, of AZ., and several nieces and nephews.

The Jones-Preston Funeral Home in Paintsville was in charge of arrangements with the Rev. Jerry Scott officiating. Burial was in the Highland Memorial Park Cemetery in Staffordsville.

Eula descended from Richard Wells by way of his daughter Rosann Wells Spears.

GENEVA AUXIER CRIDER 84, of Hager Hill, died 7/24, 1999, at her home. Geneva was born Aug. 5, 1914, in Johnson County, a daughter of the late Milton and Anna Hope Music Auxier.

Surviving are her husband, Samuel Martin Crider; two daughters, Anna Crider and Nancy Archer, both

of Hager Hill; a sister, Fannie Joseph of Palm Cove, FL; a granddaughter; and a great-grandson.

The arrangements were under the directions of Jones-Preston Funeral Home at Paintsville with Rev. Bob Smith officiating. Burial was in the Auxier family cemetery.

Geneva descends from Richard Wells by way of his daughter Agnes Wells Auxier line.

MALTA REED MILLER age 99, died 9/11, 1999, at Mountain Manor Nursing Home. Mrs. Miller was born 9/5/1900, in Johnson County, to the late Will and Louella Ward Reed. Her husband, Russell O. Miller, on 2/14/1952, preceded her in death.

Surviving are one son, John William Miller of Alexandria, VA; one daughter, Jenny Wells of Auxier; one sister, Ella Preston; and eight grandchildren, 14 great-grandchildren and two great-great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held 9/13, at Jones-Preston Funeral Home Chapel, with Paul David Coleman and Lonnie Salyer officiating. Burial was in Auxier Relocation Cemetery at Auxier.

Mrs. Miller's daughter, Jenny Wells, husband descends from Richard Wells by way of George E. Wells line.

AUDREY LOUISE COLLINS SMITH 87, of Thornsville, Ohio, died 5/28/1999, after a brief illness. Audrey was born 1/12/1912 in Licking Co., OH, a daughter of Burt Hutchison Collins and Missouri Alice Salyers Collins.

Survivors include a daughter, Mary Kathryn Smith Hawk of Newark, OH, and William Smith, also of Newark, and a brother, Bud Collins, of Thornsville, OH. Audrey descended from Richard Wells by way of the George E. Wells line.

RAY DEWAYNE COLLINS, JR. 24, of Van Lear, KY, died 11/1/1999 after an automobile accident three miles north of Prestonsburg on 10/31/99. Ray

was born 5/13/1975 to Ray Collins Sr., and the late Katherine "Kathy" Sue Wells Collins.

Survivors are his father and one brother, Brandon Collins of Inez. Ray was a graduate of Sheldon Clark High School where he was active in sports. After graduating from high school, he entered the Marines where he served four years.

Arrangements were under the direction of Preston's Funeral Home, Paintsville. He was taken to the Daniels Creek Church of Christ at 9:00 am for viewing. The funeral was at 2:00 p.m. Burial was in the Wells Family Cemetery, Daniels Creek. He is a great nephew of Mary Walton, who is your editor.

DELIGHT WELLS HALL 71, of Louisville, KY, died 11/2/1999 at her home. Delight was born 11/3/1927 to the late Richard "Dick" and Fannie Richmond Wells of Auxier, KY.

She was preceded in death by her parents and three brothers; Glen Wells, Chester Wells, and Haskell Wells; one sister; Unoka Frisby. Delight is survived by her husband, Jack Ray Hall, one daughter; Regina Brady of IN; three sisters, Mildred Sturgill, Beatrice Childers, and Lucille Patton, all of Auxier, KY; and one grandchild.

The Fern Creek Funeral Home was in charge of the arrangements, with burial in the Rest Haven Cemetery, Louisville, KY.

Delight descends from Richard Wells by way of William G. Wells, George E. Wells, and Agnes Wells Auxier lines.

OPAL WELLS DARBY 84, of West Melbourne, Florida died 10/30/1998. She was born 11/24/1913, the daughter of George and Lora DeLong Wells of Martin County.

Interment was in Lafayette Memorial Gardens, Rockledge, FL. Opal descends from Richard Wells through the George E. Wells line.

Her nephew is Randy Wells, who serves on the Wells Family Board, and the sister of Randy's mother Dortha Wells of WV.

MILDREN KATHLEEN WELLS HANKINS 71, died April 10, 1999 at her home in West Melbourne, FL. Mildren was born 4/19/1928, at Kayford, WV, the daughter of late George and Lora DeLong Wells of Martin County.

Interment was in Lafayette Memorial Park, Fayetteville, NC. Mildren descends from Richard Wells by way of his son George E. Wells. Randy Wells, who serves on the Wells Family Board, is her nephew, and the sister of Randy's mother Dortha Wells of WV.

LOUISE SPEARS BRAATEN, 67, died Oct., 1998 in Texas. Louise was born 1931 to the late Leon & Mable Setser Spears of Johnson County.

She is survived by her husband James Braaten, but we do not know her children's names. I do not know where she was buried.

Louise descends from Richard Wells by way of Rosann Wells Spears line.

DON'T KNOW IF THESE DESCEND FROM RICHARD WELLS, BUT ARE GIVEN FOR YOUR INFORMATION.

HURSCHELL D. SPEARS 85, of Coal Grove, Ohio, died 7/17/1999 at Kings Daughters Medical Center in Ashland. He was born 9/18/1913, in River, the son of the late Everett and Sonoma Daniels Spears. His wife, Madge Gambill Spears, died in 1998.

He was a retired oven operator for Dayton Malleable Iron Company with 32 years of service. He was a member of the River United Baptist Church at River.

Surviving are a son, John E. Spears of Columbus; three daughters, Madge D. Black of Coal Grove, Iranell Adams of South Point, and Janet McCarty of Ashland; 13 grandchildren; 18 great-grandchildren; 1 great-great-grandchild.

The funeral was held at River United Baptist Church by Elders Londis Meek and John Sparks. Burial was in the River United Baptist Church Cemetery.

Arrangements were under the Phillips Funeral Home in Ironton.

ADRIENNE THOMPSON WELLS age 63, Lexington, widow of Franklin Roosevelt Wells, died 7/11/1999 at St. Joseph Hospital. A native of Lexington, she was the daughter of the late Armel King and Rena Katherine Terhune Thompson.

A member of Ashland Avenue Baptist Church, she was a member of Daughters of American Revolution, Sons of Daughters of the Pilgrims, National Huguenot Society of Kentucky, Kentucky Historical Society, Boonesborough Society, United States Daughters of 1812 National Society, Daughters of America Colonists National Society, and Frederick's Ataxia Association.

Survivors include a son, Frank Thompson Wells, Lexington; and two sisters, Sharon Storm, Goose Creek, SC, and Joyce Howerton, Summerville, SC. Funeral services will be 10 AM Thursday at Kerr Brothers Funeral Home by the Rev. Wallace York. Burial will be in Blue Grass Memorial Gardens.

BILLIE L. WELLS 68, Tomahawk, KY, died Aug. 25, 1999, of a heart attack. Arrangements were under the direction of Phelps & Son Funeral Home.

The funeral was at the Phillip Cove Church, Tomahawk.

CHESTER WELLS age 77, East Old Norwood Road, Science Hill, KY. Mr. Wells was a retired farmer, Army veteran of World War II, husband of Elsie Williams Wells.

Mr. Wells died June 12, 1999 and the funeral was under the direction of Morris & Hislope Funeral Home. Services were at the funeral home and the family suggested that contributions be given to the Heart Association.

MARY M. RISTER WELLS age 52, of South Shore, died Sept. 12, at her home. Mrs. Wells was born May 11, 1947, at West Union, Ohio, a daughter of Betty Maynard Rister of South Shore and the late Willie Rister.

She was a member of Briary Christian Baptist Church at Quincy. Surviving are her husband, Kenneth D. Wells; a son, Kenneth R. Wells of Lucasville, OH; a daughter, Mary Lavonne Bellamy of Flatwoods; two brothers, Robert Rister of Garrison and Charles Rister of Morehead; and four sisters, Daphne Spires of Stout, OH, Ernestine Bloomfield of Wheelersburg, OH, Anna Jewel Abdon of Warnock, and Sheila Jordan of Middletown, OH.

Arrangements were under the direction of Roberson Funeral Home in South Shore. The Rev. Delmar Rogers and the Rev. Carl Well officiated. Burial was in Crystal Dawn Cemetery at Quincy.

SPECIAL GIFTS, MEMORIAL & HONORS

ANNONYMOUS This person sent a \$25.00 donation to be used wherever needed. This person is a regular donator and we appreciate her. Thanks.

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MARGARET S. BERRYMAN of Surry, VA, donated \$50.00 to be used where we need it most. Margaret states that her mother, who used to come to the reunion with her, is doing very well and turned 96, Oct. 4th. We hope that Mrs. Berryman had a wonderful birthday. Margaret, I think we should put the donation in honor of your mother. Thanks.

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JANICE ALLENE DUNSIETH & DOYLE MUSIC I received \$100.00 from this couple for the scholarship fund. Janice & Doyle have given this amount every year toward the scholarship fund.

Last spring I had a call from Doyle wanting some information on the association, and when I sent it, he sent \$12.00 plus he put in \$10.00 cash, stating it was for my trouble. Doyle, the \$22.00 was put in the general fund to go toward expenses. I don't charge, but only request postage.

We really appreciate Janice and Doyle. They are regular contributors. They descend from Richard Wells by way of the George E. Wells line.

Janice Allene is a member of the Wells Family Board and we appreciate their continued support of the scholarship fund. They are both very much interested in education. Thanks

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DOROTHY WELLS gave a \$50.00 donation to the scholarship fund. Dorothy is the mother of Randall Wells, who is Vice President of the Wells Family Association and chairperson of the scholarship committee as well as serving on the auction committee.

Dorothy descends from Richard Wells by way of the George E. Wells. line. Thanks Dorothy.

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BERNIE & IRENE WELLS of Springfield, VA, gave a \$35.00 donation to be used where needed the most. Bernie & Irene are regular contributors to the Wells Family Association.

Bernie is the son of the late Bernard A. Wells, Sr., and he descends from Richard Wells by way of William G. Wells line. Bernard attended the 1998 family reunion and I looked for him this year but they did not make it. Thanks Bernie and Irene for your continued support.

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MABEL WELLS ADAMS of Henryville, IN, gave a donation of \$100.00 to be used where needed the most. Mabel is the daughter of the late George Moses & Core Honeycutt Wells and descends from Richard Wells through the Moses Wells line. Mabel is a regular contributor to the Wells Family and we do appreciate her continued support. Mabel is a world traveler and took the trip to England with

the Wells Family in 1998 & I am sure she plans on the 2000 trip with the family.

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MAGGIE COLLINS PENIX & LOIS COLLINS
MAY of Van Lear, KY, gave \$40.00 in memory of McKinley & Callie Daniels Collins and Merman Penix and Clayton "Dock" May.

Maggie & Lois are the daughters of the late McKinley & Callie Daniels Collins. They descend from Richard Wells by way of the George E. Wells line. Thanks, Maggie & Lois.

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DARLENE BURGESS gave \$50.00 in memory of her cousin, Betty Clark Farley. Betty died April 3, 1999, in Chino, CA. Betty is the daughter of the late Logan "Cooge" & Maggie Wells Clark.

Darlene is the daughter of James Blaine & Luta DeLong Clark. Darlene is a member of the Wells Family Board and a regular contributor to the Association.

She descends from Richard Wells by way of the William G. Wells line and Betty descended through the William G. Wells and George E. Wells line. Thanks Darlene & Haskell.

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MILLARD AND KRIMHILDE PLUMMER of Fort Gay, WV, gave \$25.00 toward the general fund. Millard is the son of Eddie Lee & Edith Williamson Plummer.

He descends from Richard Wells by way of the William G. Wells line. Millard & Krimhilde are regular contributors to the Wells Family and we appreciate them for their continued support.

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GLORIA SPEARS SALLIE gave \$50.00 in memory of her parents, the late Beverage and Norma Spears. Gloria descends from Richard Wells by way of William G. Wells and Rosann Wells Spears line.

Gloria is a member of the Wells Family Board and we appreciate Gloria.

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MANFORD WALTON gave \$25.00 to the general fund and \$25.00 to the scholarship fund. This was given in memory of his parents, the late Chester Walton and Lucy (DeLong) Walton Keel.

Manford descends from Richard Wells by way of the William G. Wells line. He is a member of the Wells Family Board.

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ANONYMOUS, This person gave \$50.00 to the Wells Family Association. He is a faithful contributor to the cause and we do appreciate him. Thanks and God bless.

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CLOTEENE CLARK RICE gave \$50.00 to the Wells Family general fund in memory of her sister, the late Betty Clark Farley, who died April 3, 1999.

Cloteen and Betty are the daughters of the late Logan "Cooge" & Maggie Wells Clark. They descend from Richard Wells through William G. Wells and George E. Wells line. Thanks Cloteen.

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ANONYMOUS person gave \$100.00 to the general fund. This person is a regular contributor and we really appreciate him for his continued support of the family.

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BEULAH WELLS KEEL gave \$50.00 to the general fund in memory of her late father Rolland Wells. Beulah is the daughter of Malta Castle Wells Watson and she descends from Richard Wells by way of the George E. Wells line.

Beulah is a member of the Wells Family Board. She is a regular contributor to the association. Thanks Beulah.

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JAMES D. WELCH gave \$50.00 in memory of his uncle, the late Howard E. Kazee, who died 4/12/1999.

James is the son of Dewey & Mary Bradford Welch and descends from Richard Wells by way of the William G. Wells line. James, we appreciate your giving a memorial to the Wells Family in memory of Mr. Kazee.

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MARY MAY WELCH KAZEE of Paintsville, gave \$25.00 to the Wells family in memory of her late husband Howard E. Kazee who died 4/12/1999.

Mary May is the daughter of the late Ulysses G. & Sarah Wells Welch and descends from Richard Wells by way of the William G. Wells line. Mary is a continued supporter of the Wells family and we do appreciate her. Thanks.

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RONALD & JUDI WELLS gave \$50.00 to the scholarship fund in memory of Ron's mother, the late Carrie Music Wells. Ron is the son of the late Leonard & Carrie Music Wells of Auxier. He is a regular contributor to the Wells Family Association

Ron descends from Richard Wells by way of George E. Wells & Moses Wells lines. Ron and Judi both are members of the Wells Family Board.

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DORTHA WELLS RIPPEGTOE gave \$50.00 to the Wells Family Scholarship Fund. She is the daughter of Ebbic and Dorothy Wells.

Dortha is the sister of Randal Wells, who is chairperson of the scholarship fund and we do appreciate her for supporting our Wells Family. Dortha descended from Richard Wells by way of the George E. Wells line. Thanks, Dortha.

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MARLENE STURGILL JARVIS of Van Lear and **EMMA JOYCE STURGILL MUSIC** of Oil Springs, KY., and their family donated \$50.00 to the Wells Family Association in memory of their aunt Delight Wells Hall who died 11/3/1999 in Louisville, KY.

Their grandparents are Richard & Fannie Richmond Wells. They descend from Richard Wells by way of George E. Wells, William G. Wells, and Agnes Wells lines. Thanks, to all of you. This family will be having a reunion at noon on Saturday before the 2000 reunion and details will be announced in the next newsletter.

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WOODRIDGE & NORMA WELLS, of Grove City, Ohio gave \$25.00 in memory of his aunt Delight Wells Hall of Louisville.

Woodridge is the son of the late Glen & Loretta Blair Wells. He descends from Richard Wells by way of George E. Wells, William G. Wells & Agnes Wells Auxier lines. Delight is the daughter of Richard & Fanny Richmond Wells and descends from the same line as Woodridge does. Thanks Woody and Norma.

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ANONYMOUS DONATOR, gave \$200.00 to the Wells Family Association and we do appreciate this gift and his support that keeps the family going. We do appreciate you and your support. God bless you and yours.

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RECIPES

Microwave Chocolate Pie

by: Janice A. Dunseith

1 1/3 C. sugar	1 1/2 T. cocoa
1/2 C. flour	pinch of salt
3 eggs, separated	1 1/3 C. Milk
1 baked deep dish Pie Shell	

Mix all the above ingredients except Egg Whites. Microwave 3 minutes then stir, Microwave 3 minutes then stir, Microwave 1 minute more if needed.

Add 1/3 stick margarine and 1 t. Vanilla. Mix & pour into a pie shell. Beat Egg whites & add for topping.

Very good and easy.

Chicken Club Brunch Ring

by: Mary W. Walton

1 C. Mayonnaise
2 T. Dijon mustard
2 T. fresh parsley, snipped
1 T. onion, finely chopped
1 can (10 oz.) chunk white chicken, drained & flaked.
4 slices bacon, crispy cooked, chopped
1 cup (4 oz.) finely shredded Swiss cheese, divided
2 packages (8 oz. Each) refrigerated crescent rolls
1-2 large plum tomatoes, thinly sliced
1 medium red bell pepper
2 cups shredded lettuce

Preheat oven to 375°F. In 1-Qt. Batter Bowl, combine mayonnaise and mustard. Snip parsley with Kitchen Cutters. Chop onion with Food Chopper. Add parsley and onion to mayonnaise mixture; mix well. In Classic 2-Qt. Batter Bowl, flake chicken with Pastry Blender. Chop bacon with Food Chopper. Add bacon, 3/4 cup of the cheese, and 1/3 cup of the mayonnaise mixture; mix well. Unroll crescent dough; separate into 16 triangles. Arrange triangles in a circle on 13" Round Baking Stone or pizza pan with wide ends of triangles overlapping in the center and points toward the outside. (There should be a 5-inch diameter opening in center of Stone.) Using medium Stainless Steel Scoop, scoop chicken mixture evenly onto widest end of each triangle. Bring outside points of triangles up over filling and tuck under wide ends of dough at center of ring. (Filling will not be completely covered so I pinch the dough together.) You can use the tomatoes by cutting and placing between openings of ring. Bake 20-25 minutes or until deep golden brown. Remove from oven; immediately sprinkle with remaining 1/4 cup cheese. Cut around bell pepper, Separate halves; remove membranes and seeds. Fill with remaining mayonnaise mixture; place in center of ring. Arrange lettuce around pepper. Cut and serve. Yield: 8 servings. Approximately 540 calories & 42 grams of fat per serving. (I use fat free mayonnaise & cheese which will make it low fat) Excellent for anytime.

YOU MAY WANT TO SEND RECIPES FOR
FUTURE NEWSLETTERS

HAPPY HOLIDAY'S TO ALL OF YOU.
FROM: MARY, TOM, RITA & LOUISE!!!

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. The following could be used for your tax records. Please accept \$ _____ as a memorial contribution in honor/memory of

who is my _____
State relationship _____

1. Use toward stones for unmarked graves _____
2. Use toward the general fund _____
3. Use toward the College Scholarship fund _____
4. If one of the above is not checked the memorial or honor the funds will go to the general fund for expenses of the newsletter etc.

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SCHOLARSHIP FOR 2000

If you are a senior in high school, you need to get your application in for the 2000 scholarship. I am going to run the necessary information for you to apply for the scholarship in this newsletter. Your application is due in by **July 1, 2000** and we won't have another newsletter going out until the spring of 2000. The \$500.00 scholarship will be a great help toward expenses of your first year of school. You will not win unless you apply, so begin to gather your information now.

THE WELLS FAMILY ASSOCIATION INC SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION FORM

The Wells Family Association, Inc. Board encourages family members of all ages to become involved in association activities that help preserve

the heritage and legacy of the Wells family line. It further supports the need for graduates to continue plans for education beyond the secondary level. In view of the positions, a scholarship fund has been established for descendants of Richard and Susannah Hutcheson Wells that requires completion of a Wells family genealogy activity.

SCHOLARSHIP AMOUNT

The Wells Family Association, Inc. Board has established a fund for one scholarship to be awarded annually in the amount of \$500.00. We are giving you the information needed to apply for the scholarship early, since we will only be sending out two newsletters before the next reunion. If you graduate in the spring of 2000, please complete this application for the scholarship and you may be receiving the 2000 scholarship of \$500.00. This will make the fifth year the family has given a scholarship. Previous scholarships were won by Jacob B. Wells in 1995; Amanda L. McKenzie, 1996; Robert Wells, 1997; Stacy Lundergan, 1998. There were two \$250.00 scholarships given in 1998 to Peter Cook and Andrea D. Griffith. Erin Susanna McCoart won the 1999 scholarship. There will be only one scholarship given in the future unless finances come in and the board votes to change guidelines.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Each applicant must:

1. Be a biological or legally adopted descendant of Richard & Susannah Hutcheson Wells.
2. Be a graduating high school senior the spring of the year of application.
3. Have a letter of acceptance from the school in which you plan to enroll in the fall (This has been defined broadly to include any recognized institution such as a vocational or technical institute, junior or community college, regular four-year college, or university that grants a certificate, diploma, or degree based on a planned program of study.)
4. Complete the scholarship application form.
5. Have a minimum 2.0 ("C") GPA on a 4.0 scale. This is to be verified by the signature of a high school administrator or counselor on the application form. Submit a pedigree chart of

family line, using the format provided by the historical committee.

6. Agree to use the scholarship money during the first academic year for which it is given or return the amount to the Wells Association Board Treasurer.
7. Agree to send a copy of your first year semester/quarter grades to the President of the Wells Family Association, Inc. Board.

APPLICATION DEADLINE

The completed scholarship application form and pedigree chart must be postmarked by **July 1, 2000**. Mail to: Dr. Randall L. Wells, 10337 Timberwood Circle, Louisville, KY 40223. Only completed application forms, accompanied by the pedigree chart that ties you to Richard Wells, will be considered for the scholarship.

SCHOLARSHIP DECISION

All qualified applicants will be presented to the Wells Family Association, Inc. Board at its summer meeting. In the event there is more than one qualified applicant, the board will develop a system to equitably determine the sole recipient of the scholarship.

The former guidelines for the scholarship set out that no more than two scholarships in a five-year period will be awarded to applicants who have not attended the Wells Family Association, Inc. annual reunion held over Labor Day weekend.

The Wells Family Board voted at the meeting on November 6, 1999 that the 2000 scholarship will be the last one considered for a recipient that has not attended a reunion.

In the year 2001, anyone receiving the scholarship will be required to have attended at least one Wells Family Reunion prior to submission of the application.

All scholarship applicants will receive a letter from the board president announcing the recipient. A check for \$500.00 will be presented at the Wells Family Reunion to the recipient. The recipient will be recognized both at the Wells Family Association, Inc. Reunion and in the Association Newsletter.

All material submitted becomes the sole property of the Wells Family Association, Inc. Board for use in naming a scholarship recipient and in updating Wells family genealogy records.

If any applicant should need help in doing their pedigree chart, please phone any of the Historical Committee members listed. Bobby Wells (606) 886-2101, John B. Wells III, (606) 789-1940, Charles C. Wells, (606) 789-1688, Paula Wells, (606) 473-9957, or Mary W. Walton, (606) 325-4314.

*Note: Sorry about you not getting this before Christmas, but we had printer problems again,
Mary*

THE WELLS FAMILY ASSOCIATION, INC.
SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Please type or print.

FULL NAME _____

HOME ADDRESS _____

CITY & STATE _____ ZIP CODE _____

HOME TELEPHONE _____

I understand that I must be enrolled as a senior during the year I apply for the scholarship. I will graduate (or have graduated) this school year from:

HIGH SCHOOL NAME _____

SCHOOL ADDRESS _____

CITY & STATE _____

OVERALL HIGH SCHOOL GRADE POINT AVERAGE IS _____ ON A 4.0 SCALE

SCHOOL SIGNATURE (PRINCIPAL OR COUNSELOR) _____

I understand I must have a letter of acceptance from the school in which I plan to enroll in the fall. I have been accepted at:

NAME OF INSTITUTION _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY & STATE _____

As part of this application, I understand I must prepare my family tree. The line that I present in the format provided by the Historical Committee is:

(Branch of Family Tree) _____

I have attended _____ reunions of the Wells Family Association, Inc. held over Labor Day weekend.

I also agree to submit grades for the first academic year to the President of the Wells Family Association, Inc.

Signature of Parent (or Guardian) _____ Date _____

Signature of Parent (or guardian) _____ Date _____

Signature of Student Applicant _____ Date _____