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The Wells Reunion was another success with approximately 200 people in attendance. I don't think we have ever had so much good food as we did this year. I hope all of you had enough to eat -- we had food left over. Many of our regulars who could not attend for one reason or the other were missed and those that had passed away will be always missed. There was a memorial service for 40 of our family that died since the 2006 reunion. However, I am sure that there were others that we were unaware of. If you know of other family members that have died, please let us know so we memorialize them in our newsletter. This newsletter for some is the only bit of family news they receive. If you have news or family members or cousins that served in the military please send the information to Mary Walton (*see address above*). We want to include information on their military service for the newsletter and a photo of them, if possible, to go with the article. We only have a few World War II relatives left and would like to have all of them including as well as all the other relatives that served in any branch of the military.

Our committee suggested that the cost for mailing newsletters be shared with you. The printing cost for the July newsletter was \$624.47 and postage was \$300.00 for sending bulk mail. All the time spent writing, proofing, and getting the newsletter ready for mailing is donated to the organization by Mary Walton, Patti Quallich, Kelcee Adkins, Pat Wallace and Jane Overton. Some family members have moved or died. If we are not notified of any address changes and the mail gets returned to us -- we pay the cost. Please notify us of your address changes or if a family member dies that was receiving the newsletter so we can remove them from the mailing list. Note: the post office will not forward bulk mail so if we aren't notified of the address change you will not receive your newsletter. When the July newsletter was sent, we set up an account so RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED was placed on the newsletter. We have to pay .97 cents for each of the post office returns. This procedure is the only way we definitely know if you are receiving your newsletter. Unbelievably we have had approximately 75 returned because family members either moved or their addresses which we weren't notified of had changed. I have removed these 75 returned members from the mailing list except those that have requested to remain on the list. **It is important if you have an address change or move to send a note or call Mary Walton** so our records can be updated. This costs the organization a lot of money that could be used for other needs. Mark your calendars NOW! The next reunion will be August 31, 2008. Don't forget to get your reservations early if you need lodging.

Below are family members that have attended the reunion for the first time since we became a Wells Family Association. If you did not register at the reunion, we do not have your name or if you did not check on the registration paper that you were attending for the first time your name will not appear below.

2007 REUNION - FAMILY FIRST TIME ATTENDING

Sharon Conley	Van Lear, KY	Falon Presenda	Hindman, KY
Mike Wells	Lexington, KY	Eric Christopher Lemaster	Staffordsville, KY
Rita Wells	Lexington, KY	Cathy Goble Lemaster	Staffordsville, KY
Wanda Lee Taylor	Paintsville, KY	Gina Wells	Roan Mtn. TN.
Harry Cyrus	Lexington, KY	Ray Woodby	Roan Mtn. TN.
Debbie Cyrus	Lexington, KY	Savanna H. Goble	Roan Mtn. TN.
Charles B. Wells,	Lawrenceburg, KY	Blake Goble	Roan Mtn. TN.
Rex Music	Staffordsville, KY	James W. Wells	Roan Mtn. TN.
Shaun Isaac Farrell	Cincinnati, OH	Leannah Grace Wells	Van Lear, KY
Bob Hackluey	Sissonville, WV	Jacob Lee Wells	Van Lear, KY
Brenda Hunt Hackuey	Sissonville, WV	Georgetta Robinson,	Prestonsburg, KY
Laura Belle Wells	Ashville, NC	Kathy Wells	Van Lear, KY
Deidre R. Lawson	Florence, KY	James M. Wells	Riverside, CA.
Haliee Lawson	Florence, KY		

2007 REUNION RECOGNITION AWARDS

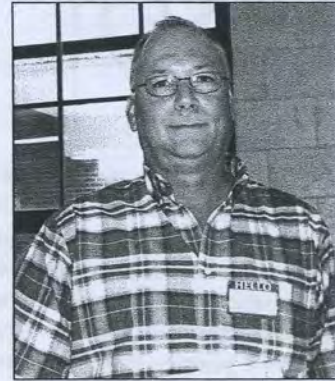


OLDEST IN ATTENDANCE
 Mary Mae Kazee the daughter of the late Ulyssas G. & Sara Susan Wells Welch received the award for being the oldest in attendance. Her late husband was Howard Kazee She descends from Richard Wells through William Green Wells and has two

daughters, Patricia Burchett and Pamela Williams.

TRAVELING THE MOST MILES

JAMES M. WELLS of Riverside, CA. was one of the winners who traveled the most miles to attend the 2007 reunion. James is the son of James "Jim" Doug & Doris Connors Wells of Aberdeen, Ohio. James descends from Richard Wells through George E. Wells and Moses Wells. His father Jim Doug serves on the Wells Family Board.



LARGEST FAMILY IN ATTENDANCE



The **ALI & SADIE COLLINS WELLS** family won the largest family in attendance with 34 members attending. This family descends from Richard Wells through George E. Wells and Roseanna Wells Spears. They have this recognition several times at past reunions.

TRAVELING THE MOST MILES

EUGENE & DORIS WELLS MCFADDIN of Sequim, WA (*below*) won one out of two awards for traveling the most miles to attend the 2007 reunion. Eugene & Doris usually travel to Kentucky every two years for the reunion. Doris is the daughter of the late Colvin & Tessie Burke Wells and descends from Richard Wells through George E. Wells and Roseanna Wells Spears.



THE YOUNGEST IN ATTENDANCE

HAUN ISSAC FARRELL, of Cincinnati, Ohio, the son of Chris and Nancyi Farrell, won the youngest in attendance. He was 8 weeks old and has one brother, Jacob Farrell. The maternal grandfather is Hobert Jacob Wells. Haun descends from Richard Wells through William Green Wells.



DOOR PRIZE AWARDED

KAMI RYDER BELL, of Paintsville, KY won one of three door prizes. Kami, the daughter of Mary Margaret Ryder, descends from Richard Wells through George E. Wells and Roseanna Wells Spears.





HOBERT JACOB WELLS, of Cincinnati won one of the door prizes. Hobert is the son of the late Herbert Dennis and Ella Davis Wells. He descends from Richard Wells through William G. Wells.

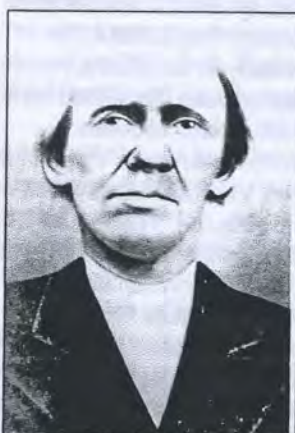


KIMBERLY WELLS HALL & SELENA HALL of Kite, KY, was one of the door prize winners. Kimberly, the daughter of the late Samuel J. & Willa Honeycutt Wells, descends from Richard Wells through George E. Wells and Susanna Wells Spears.

SOME HISTORY ABOUT DR. WILLIAM GREEN WELLS

BY: JOHN B. WELLS III

This story was in the Wells Newsletter several years ago but felt it worth repeating again since many new members have not had the chance to read this article.



William lived with his parents in their little cabin on Daniels Creek until his father's death. At that point he took over his father's small farm and a trading business the two had established just before Richard's death. On January 15, 1839, William married Mary Butcher, the daughter of Jacob Butcher, also of Scott County, Virginia. Since Jacob Butcher did not

move to Kentucky until the mid 1840's it is likely that Wells traveled back to Virginia in search of a bride. William Green Wells quickly developed a reputation as a hard worker and shrewd businessman. On November 2, 1842, he mortgaged all of his possessions including "One Bay Horse about seven years old, One Bay Mare with one eye, 1 two year old filley, 2 Cows and Calves, 40 head of hogs and the land on which I live containing about One Hundred Fifty Acres" to J. P. Martin & Co. for \$144.59 in order to purchase merchandise for his store. As the only store on Daniels Creek, the risk paid off. By 1846, his holdings had increased to 800 acres of farmland and one lot in the town of Paintsville, an estate valued for taxes at \$905.00. Beginning in 1855, he took advantage of the Kentucky state grants program to acquire thousands of acres of "vacant" land in what are now Johnson, Floyd, and Martin counties. By 1857, he controlled 6,050 acres on the waters of Daniels Creek, Greasy Creek, and Rockcastle Creek. For unknown reasons, in 1857 he traded his lands on Daniels Creek for additional acreage on the right fork of Greasy Creek and moved his family across the mountain to what is now the community of Boonscamp. Wells built a new two-story log house at the junction of "middle fork" and "main Greasy" and located his store nearby. The farm of William Green Wells quickly became the focal point of the Greasy Creek area. In addition to being a merchant and farmer, Wells became a minister in the Methodist Episcopal Church South, a lieutenant in the local militia, and a country doctor. He performed over one hundred marriages between 1852 and 1875. Kozee's "Early Families of Eastern and Southern Kentucky" noted that "religion and service in the name of Christ was the passion of his life. The home of Dr. Wells and the generous hospitality of his wife were the boon and comfort of the traveling Methodist ministry of those early days." The Big Sandy Valley, published by William Ely in 1887, described him as "a prominent man in the ministry, and ... also [as] a physician. He is well known in the Upper Valley, and his talent is highly appreciated, both at home and abroad." Politically, Dr. Wells was a staunch Democrat and was a vocal supporter of the Southern Democrat John C. Breckinridge in the Presidential election of 1860. Undoubtedly, he had much do with Breckinridge's overwhelming victory in Johnson County and that his Republican opponent Abraham Lincoln did not receive a single vote. During the War Between the States, he cast his lot with the Confederate States of America. Traveling to Cedar Bluff, Virginia, he enlisted on November 21, 1861, as a private in Company E of the 54th Virginia Infantry. Wells later affiliated with Co. E of the 5th Kentucky Infantry and fought in the Battle of Middle Creek, but was captured in Morgan County,

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Kentucky, on November 7, 1862. He was taken by his captors to Camp Chase at Columbus, Ohio, where he was held as a prisoner of war until exchanged on November 3, 1863. Upon his return to Johnson County, he formed his own "partisan ranger" company called the Greasy Creek Guards. During the summer of 1864, his company was transferred to Col. William S. Smith's Battalion of Virginia Cavalry and Wells was commissioned as a captain. Although attached to Smith's command, the company continued to act as an independent command carrying out raids against Unionists in Johnson, Floyd, and Lawrence counties. One raid during the fall of 1864 resulted in a postwar lawsuit. John Howes of Paintsville claimed that Captain Wells "while in the company of a military body ... in arms against the Government of the United States did take four head of horses and other property." By October of 1864, Wells and his men were a part of Colonel Edwin Trimble's 10th Kentucky Cavalry, C.S.A. Captain Wells commanded a company of the 10th until January 1865 when his company was transferred to the 13th Georgia Cavalry. Taking command of Company K of the 13th Georgia, Wells and his men were detached for duty in Georgia in February 1865. For two weeks in February, Capt. Wells was a patient in a Confederate hospital at Newnan, Georgia, suffering from "dysentery." He returned to duty late in February and returned to Virginia. He remained with the Georgia regiment until the unit disbanded near Christiansburg, Virginia, on April 12, 1865. Upon his return to Kentucky his men were forced from their homes by occupying Union soldiers. They returned to the field until forced to surrender at Charleston, West Virginia, on June 12, 1865, over two months after Lee's surrender at Appomattox. The war exacted a terrific toll on Wells and his family. His store was closed by occupying Union troops and much of his property was either sold in order to supply his men or was confiscated by the enemy. In 1866, his property included less than 1700 acres of land, one hog, and 10 cattle. In spite of these setbacks, Wells reopened the store and continued the practice of medicine and the "propagation of the gospel." Similarly, his passion for the issues surrounding the war did not diminish. A Union sympathizer from nearby Cassville, West Virginia, reported that "on March 19h [1866] Capt. Willie Wells of Johnson co." confronted him "hurrahing for Jeff Davis, defying everybody" and "abused me as a d___d Abolitionist." His views did not alter his respected position in the community. In 1872, he was appointed as one of three commissioners to select a county seat for the new county of Martin. It was his suggestion that placed the seat at its current location of Inez, Kentucky. In 1870, he formed a new business

along with a group of wartime friends from Coweta County, Georgia. During Reconstruction, the Deep South suffered from a severe shortage of farm animals, a need Capt. Wells was all too happy to fulfill. For almost ten years, Wells drove hundreds of Kentucky mules to market at Newnan, Georgia. As his age advanced and health problems increased, Dr. Wells moved into the town of Paintsville. On April 17, 1883, he purchased "a house and lot on the southeast corner of Cross and Back streets leading from the Methodist Church to the tan yard." This spot is now the location of the World War I memorial at the corner of Court and Second streets. While in Paintsville he assisted in the organization of the Johnson County Battalion of the East Kentucky Confederate Veterans Society and served as an officer until his death. Possibly sensing his end, Wells sold his Paintsville home to his son John P. Wells on April 30, 1886, and moved back to the farm on Greasy Creek where he died less than a year later. Initially, he was buried in the old Ward Cemetery at Offutt, Kentucky, but later the grave was moved to the J.B. Wells Cemetery on Depot Road in Paintsville. Just after his death, a new Methodist Church organized on Greasy Creek and was named "Wells Chapel Methodist Church" in his honor. The first minister was his son, Rev. Aaron Wells. William Green and Mary (Butcher) Wells had thirteen children. Of their eight sons, four served in the Confederate Army and one for the Union, four were farmers, two were lawyers, one owned a general merchandise store, one became a teacher, two served as elected county officials, one served in the Kentucky General Assembly, and four became postmasters. He was a Methodist minister and Confederate officer. He and his family were members of the Methodist Church and religion and service in the name of Christ was the passion of his life. The home of Dr. Wells and the generous hospitality of his wife were the boon and comfort of the traveling Methodist ministry of those early days. In 1838, Dr. Wells married Mary Butcher who was born in Scott County, Virginia. Born in Russell County. WILLIAM GREEN WELLS: born in Russell County, VA, in 1818, he came to Kentucky with his family in the 1820's. A farmer, doctor, and Methodist minister, he settled on a large farm in the Greasy Creek section of Johnson County. He joined the Confederate Army in Virginia in Nov. 1861 in Co.E of the 54th Virginia Infantry, but transferred to Co.F of Ficklin's Btn KY Infantry in 1862. He was captured in Morgan County, KY, in Oct. 1862, and taken to Camp Chase, OH. After his exchange, he organized the Greasy Creek Guards Company of Kentucky Confederate Partisan Rangers. He surrendered at Charleston, WV in June 12, 1865. He returned to Johnson County and farmed until his death in 1887. He is buried in the Wells family

cemetery. With the rank of captain, he, along with Daniel Hager and A.R. Colvin, were Johnson County's highest ranking Confederate soldiers. Submitted by John B. Wells III, great-great grandson of: Capt. William Green Wells, KY Partisan Rangers. Pvt. John J. Arrowood, Co. G, 14th NC Btn Cavalry. In the case of the William Green Wells from Johnson Co., KY I have always assumed that he was named after a member of his mother's family (his mother was Susannah Hutchinson, whose mother was Nancy Green Hutchinson. Nancy Green's father was Lewis Green, Sr.). (said by Lynn Penick)

MILITARY SECTION

WILLIAM LLOYD WELLS, 82, of Auxier, KY a World War II Veteran, serves on the Wells Family Association Board. He descends from Richard Wells through George E. Wells and Moses Wells. The article below was written by Kathy J. Prater of *The Floyd County Times*, Prestonsburg, KY.



Having been born and reared on a small farm, located in Auxier, and later to become a teacher of vocational agriculture, it is quite appropriate to discover that William Lloyd Wells, age 82, was once a sailor aboard the United States Navy ship, USS Bull, "an attack personnel destroyer," he informed. From aboard the USS Bull, Wells saw battle action from both the Atlantic and Pacific theaters.

"I was drafted out of high school in October, 1943," Wells said in an interview conducted at his home earlier this week. "Most of the boys in my class were," he said, "as a matter of fact, when my class graduated, there were no boys in that graduation class only four girls."

One of only three World War II veterans still living in his hometown of Auxier, Wells today spends most of his time puttering around the house that his parents built in 1950, on the same plot of land that once held their former home ("a four room, well, shack, really," he said) and the farm upon which they

provided sustenance for their family of seven children – five boys and two girls.

Born in 1925 to Leonard and Carrie Music Wells, Lloyd learned early of hard work and dedication to family. Both lessons that served him well during the three years he spent in service to his country.

Leaving his family home in Auxier, Wells went through naval training "in Great Lakes, Michigan," he said, "then after about four months of schooling, I was assigned to the USS Bull, " Wells said that the ship was stationed in Pearl Harbor, Hawaii (attacked by Japanese forces in 1941) "when we were not attacking."

Throughout his naval career, Wells said he was afforded the opportunity to see much of the world. "We had two tours to Londonberry, Ireland," he said, "and I once got to go to 'liberty' to Tiajuana, Mexico with a group of buddies...all in all, there were some good times. Whenever we got free time, we usually spent it at one of the nearby USO's."

Among his memories during his time of service, Wells recalls with great fondness many of the men within whom he served. "I went through training with boys mostly from Kentucky and West Virginia," he said "And a few from Massachusetts...boy, those Massachusetts fellas really made fun of my dialect," he recalled with humor.

"I made some really good friends in the Navy." He continued. "I had several good friends from Boston, one from Washington – the state of Washington – and a really, really good friend from New York. My friend from New York, he had tattoos all over him...always tried to talk me into getting a tattoo, but I always told him I'd never do that."

Perhaps most interesting to many is that Wells was among those who actually witnessed the raising of the American flag on Japanese soil; atop Mount Suribachi, at Iwo Jima, Japan. The resulting photograph of that historic moment, depicting five US Marines and one US Navy corpsman erecting the US flag on the Japanese Island, later came to be regarded as one of the most significant and recognizable images of the war. It was later used by artist Felix de Weldon to sculpt the USMC War memorial, located adjacent to Arlington National cemetery, just outside Washington, D.C.

"I was aboard the ship, and I could see them well," Wells said. "I didn't think all that must of it at the time, except that it sure felt good to see that flag going up...they sure made a big deal out of it later, though, didn't they," he said with a mischievous smile.

Following Wells' tour of duty, he returned home to the small farm in Auxier upon which he was reared and upon which he still lives today. He went on to college, beginning with two years at Pikeville Junior

College ("Pikeville was only a two year school at that time," he said), then to Eastern Kentucky University, finishing up with a degree in agriculture science from the University of Kentucky.

He taught vocational agriculture at Prestonsburg High School for 32 years. "I started out teaching, for two years, in the old building (formerly located on Arnold Avenue, in Prestonsburg), and then spent the rest of my years teaching at the new one," he said. "I enjoyed those years, too.

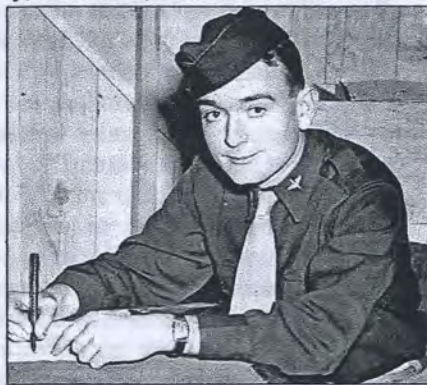
Wells was married to the former Margaret "Jill" Owens (Blackburn) Wells, who passed in 2003 from complications from diabetes. "Some days, I sure wish I had studied home economics," he said, "because I sure don't know much about cooking...I wish I had learned how to cook, but I'm getting by."

Summing up his years of service to his country in the US Navy, Wells said, "I was a completely ignorant 'hillbilly' when they called me in, so it was really in education. The few months I missed of school here at home were more than made up for."

Proud to pay tribute to one of the last remaining veterans of world War II, the Times staff congratulates and appreciates William Lloyd Wells on this Veterans Day, 2007, for his years of service to country, family and community.

Editor's Note: James Paul Connors and Elmer Lee Watson, both of Auxier, are also veterans of World War II.

BERNARD A. JR., WELLS, 86, of Springfield, VA., died on Wednesday, October 9, 2005. He was the son of the late Bernard A. Wells and Cora Blair Wells. Known as Bernie, he was raised in Louisa, KY. He is survived by his beloved wife Irene Wells of Springfield,



Va.; and one son B.A. Wells III.

He donated his remains to the George Washington Medical School and his ashes will be interred at Arlington National Cemetery at a later date... The information provided below was provided by Bernie's son Bernard A. Wells III from an interview with his father on (06/14/2004).

As his father described his military history. When the U.S. entered World War II, I was attending the University of Kentucky. Because I was in ROTC, I was allowed to graduate three months early, entering the Army Air Corps as a second Lieutenant in May 1942 at Fort Thomas, Kentucky.

My duties were in supply/logistics, generally opening up new bomber training bases. Being in supply enabled me to be a very well dressed lieutenant. From Fort Thomas I was sent to the 91st Bomb Group, 411 Squadron, McDill Field, Tampa, Florida. There we formed the 96th Bomb Group, 413th Squadron, which was sent to Boise, Idaho (I don't think the base had a name other than Boise).

Next I was sent to Walla Walla, Washington, and then to Rapid City, South Dakota (another no-name base that later became Ellsworth AFB).

My next stop was one of the most remote bomber bases in the U.S., Pyote Army Air Field, in west Texas. It was aptly nicknamed Rattlesnake Army Air Base. From there I had a brief stop in New York City where I married Irene Neff (Louisa, Kentucky) at the Little Church around the Corner on April 28, 1943.

Then I was off to England, winding up in East Anglia, Norfolk County, at a B-17 base at Snetterton Heath. My company had a large cat for a mascot that feared no dog on this earth. I was in England until the end of the war, ending up as a captain.

Upon returning to the U.S. and during a brief stay in New York City, I had a memorable and hours-long dinner with the Italian family of one of the enlisted men in my company. Then I was sent to Camp Atterbury, Indiana, and placed on inactive duty – thus ending my military career.

I then took advantage of the G.I. Bill to earn a law degree from the University of Kentucky. Bernie as he was known served in the Army/Air Force as Captain in WW2 and graduating from University of Kentucky, graduating from UK Law School in 1946."

Bernie served as a Special Agent of the F.B.I (Federal Bureau Investigation) from 1949-1971; then worked at the U.S. Department of Justice as an attorney. Returned from federal service and worked as a bank security director for several years, had a long and distinguished career as a Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. Bernie descends from Richard Wells through William Green Wells.

Bernie was a faithful supporter of the Wells Family by sending a check each time he received a newsletter. He only had the privilege of attending one reunion that I recall.



RAY WELLS, of Catlettsburg, Kentucky was born on 3/25/1927 to the late Russell and Georgia Burchett Wells in Greenup County KY. He completed Elementary School at Woodland Elementary and graduated from McKell High School in 1945. Ray entered

the United States Navy in June 1945 and served till Aug. 1946. He was a motor Machinist Mate 3rd Class on USS Hissem DE400. Before Ray completed Boot Camp World War II was over. Therefore, he did not see any combat. After serving 14 months in service Ray was discharged and returned to Greenup County. He entered Ashland Junior College studying Business Administration. Ray married Charlotte Arlene Sandy on 12/4/1948 the daughter of the late Isaiah Clark and Hattie Hill Sandy. Ray and Charlotte are the parents of two children Sandra Rae and Michael Ray Wells and two grandchildren Aaron Michael Wells and Lindsay Elizabeth Wells (Blaine Larsen) Bellamy. Both grandchildren are graduates of The University of KY. Ray retired after 38 years in the Insurance business. He and his wife were members of Brick Union Christian Church at Grays Branch, Greenup County. After living most of their life in Greenup Co., they moved to Graydon Heights, Boyd County in 1992. Ray descends from Richard Wells through Moses Wells.

CONGRATULATION'S

DR. RANDALL LEE WELLS, Louisville, KY, Wells Family President was a professor with University of Louisville for many years until he retired on August

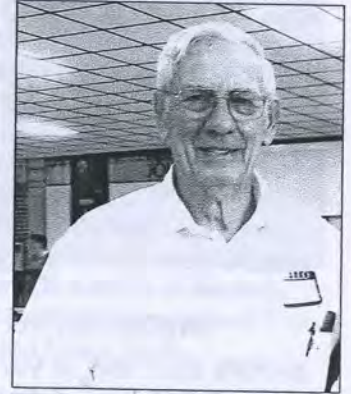


31, 2007. Randy, a world traveler, left July 11 for Alopecia, Mexico and Aug. 5th for Daytona Beach. Randy is now serving his third term as President of the Wells Family Association. We are very fortunate to have Randy as our leader for he is very faithful and

supportive of the family. He wrote the guidelines for

the Wells Scholarship and serves as chairperson of the Scholarship Committee. Dr. Wells is the son of Dorothy Louise Deering Wells and the late Ebbie Wells. He descends from Richard Wells through George E. & Elizabeth DeLong Wells.

JAMES "JIM" PRESTON, of Urbana, OH, member of the Wells Family Board, our reunion auctioneer, has been recognized by Kathleen Fox of The Urbana Daily Citizen. Kathleen Fox wrote an article on 8-24-2007 wrote that Jim Preston has spent the last couple years sifting through



papers, talking to fellow Urbana Rotarians and families of former Rotarians in an effort to create a history of the organization's first 50 years. "I have learned a lot about the history of Urbana." Said the researcher-writer of "History of the Rotary club of Urbana, Ohio 3674 USA: 1957-2007" The 263-page history of the local club's first 50 years is expected to be available about Sept. 20 when the group will celebrate its 50th birthday. Founded Sept. 3 1957, the club held its first meeting Sept 24 for that year. Preston said activities of the Rotary Club and of its individual members have had a strong and positive impact on Urbana. While the book relates the start of Rotary traditions such as the Fourth of July festivities, Rural Urban Night and the Rotary daily bar, it also informs readers of the group's three major projects of the last 50 years: the city park, Rotary Manor and Freedom Grove. "Melvin Miller had a thought in his head... this would be a good place for a city park," Preston said Rotarian Miller and son-in-law Sam Forward bid for in a 1959 auction that was the start of the city park, years later names Melvin Miller Park. Preston said Rotarians and many others helped make the park what it is today. The book also relates how comedian Phyllis Diller donated funds to the park and had some advice: "Keep the grass green and the pool full." In 1981, the Rotarians' second major project, Rotary Manor, a facility providing government subsidized housing for senior citizens. Rotarians now are involved in their third major project, the park in the making at the corner of U.S. Route 68 and state Route 55. Freedom Grove is being created to pay tribute to the country's freedoms and military veterans. Plans are to 10 monuments, each for a war in which the country was involved, and a grove of trees. Each monument costs \$1,700 and so far there are sponsors for 5.5 for the monuments. Next week, work

is expected to start on the tower from which the county's Bicentennial Bell will hang in Freedom Grove. The history book includes a visual of how Freedom Grove will look when completed, as well as *Daily Citizen* articles and photos of Rotary events through the years, briefs from the group's weekly meetings through the decades and a list of current and past officers. Preston said 200 copies of the book initially are ordered and 130 already are spoken for. He added, more copies will be printed if more people express interest in buying the book. To register for a copy, contact Preston at 937-653-6374. Jim's wife, Clara Wells Preston, is the daughter of the late Sherman & Lillie Collins Wells and descends from Richard Wells through George E. Wells.

BOOK BEING PUBLISHED

DANNY BLEVINS, of Van Lear has just published a book called *"Images of America, Van Lear"*. The



book will be released on January 9, 2008. It is a pictorial history of Van Lear and can be purchased at Arcadia Publishing's Site; the publisher's price is \$19.99. Pre-release orders may be placed at a discount price on line at:

www.arcadiapublishing.com, if you order from the publisher you may get it at \$13.99. After the release it is hoped that it will be available as a reunion fundraiser and Words'n'Stuff Bookstore in Van Lear also plans on stocking it. I already ordered my copy from Amazon.com which will be shipped after 1/9/2008. Danny, president of the Van Lear Historical Society, publishes the Van Lear Bankmules Newsletter several times each year. Danny descends from Richard Wells through George E. Wells.

PAULA FAY WELLS, of Lloyd, Greenup County KY celebrated her 84th birthday. She was born on 11-25-1923 to the late Roland & Paulina Fay Wells. Paula presently resides at Trinity Station Retirement Community Village, Room 311, Flatwoods, KY 41139. Her phone number is (606) 834-9993. I am sure she would love hearing from



any of you. Family and friends surprised her with a birthday party on Sunday the 25th. Those who enjoyed cake and ice cream with her were Ray and Charlotte Wells, Sandra Wells, Bob & Rica Wells, Pat Womack, Opal Hienman, Debbie Hienman, JoAnn Wells, Scott Wells, Marie White, Angela Coburn, Max Coburn and Marlee Coburn. Paula has served on the Wells Family Board since we organized in the 70's. She has been known for her genealogical research through the years. She descends from Richard Wells through Moses Wells and Margaret Hillman Wells.

MARRIAGES



MARINE BRANHAM JACKSON & PAUL WHITTEN were married on Oct. 19, 2007 at Liberty University Church at Lynchburg, VA. The Rev. Jonathan Falwell (son of Jerry Falwell) performed the ceremony. There were nearly 400 in attendance. The Bridesmaids were Hanna Whitten, daughter of the groom, and Guilianna & Giovanna Combeletta. Best men were the groom's sons, Tyler Whitten, Brandon Whitten, and the bride's son, Tyler Jackson. Marine was given in marriage by her father Carlos James Branham from Martin, KY. The mother of the bride, Elaine Wells Andrusia of Charlotte, NC, was walked down the isle by her son and the bride's brother, Carlos James Branham Jr. The bride's maternal grandparents are the late Eugene and Alma Wells and her paternal grandparents are Oscar and Daisy Branham of Martin, KY. Paul is employed with Whitten Funeral Home and Marnie owns "Jackson Design Company". Following a reception held in the "Pate Chapel" the couple honeymooned at Cabo San Lucas in Mexico. The couple will be residing at 332 Catalpa Dr., Lynchburg, VA. Marnie descends from Richard Wells though George E. Wells.

SCHOLARSHIP AWARDED

RIANNA NICOLLE RITZ, of Volga, KY was awarded the 2007 Wells Family \$500.00 scholarship. Brianna graduated from Johnson Central High School, Paintsville, KY as an honor student with a



3.5 GPA. At Johnson Central High, Brianna received several academic awards including National Honors Society. She was a 4-year varsity basketball player and a 3-year varsity softball player. She was accepted and will be attending the University of Cumberland at Williamsburg, KY where she will major in Biology or Education. Brianna has not only received the Wells Scholarship but received University of Cumberland's Academic Scholarship, a basketball scholarship and a softball scholarship. Brianna has attended many Wells reunions with her grandmother and descends from Richard Wells by way of George E. Wells and Roseanna Wells Spears. Brianna is the daughter of Stephen V. Ritz & Pamela J. Fannin Ritz of Johnson County, KY. Her grandparents are Charles E. & Dorothy J. Collins Fannin and the great grandparents were Martin Dallis & Murl Wells Collins.

ACADEMICS

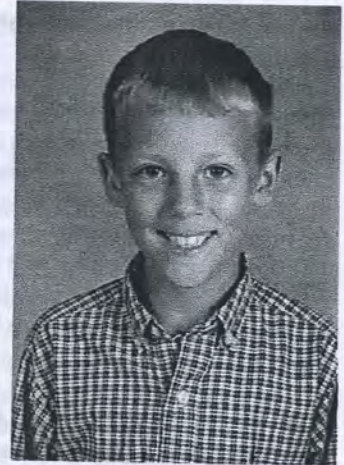
Adam Kimbler, 12th grader at Prestonsburg High School, Honor student with several special awards for his academic achievements.

Heather Quallich, 11th grader at Padua Franciscan High School, Parma, OH. Honor Roll student.

Hope Wells, 8th grader at Johnson Central School, Paintsville, KY, Honor student since entering school.

Lakin Wells, 5th grader at Porter Elementary, Paintsville, KY, Honor Roll student since entering school and was student of the month for October

CONNER WELLS, son of John Wells of Lawrenceburg, KY and grandson of John T. & Jackie Wells is a 4th grader and was invited and accepted in the academic team at Emma B. Ward elementary. Conner is in the future problem solvers and named citizen of the month and is in the gifted program in the reading



and comprehension section. He is active in baseball, soccer and basketball. He descends from Richard Wells through George E. Wells and Moses Wells.

SOME OF OUR FAMILY DISEASE'S

If any of you have any of these problems please contact us for it may be of help to those who have the problem or have been diagnosed with the problem. Several issues back I ran a list of the disease that have been found to run in the family. Below are some new ones that will be of interest to you.

1. ANKYLOSING SPONDYLITIS (As: also known as Marie Strumpell disease and Spondyloarthritis) It is a member of the group of the autoimmune spondyloarthropathies with a probable genetic predisposition. Complete fusion results in a complete rigidity of the spine, a condition known as bamboo spine. It is associated with ulcerative colitis, Crohn's disease, psoriasis, and Reiter's disease.

2. SALT (SODIUM). We have a couple family members that are so sensitive to salt that anytime they eat anything with salt they have difficulty breathing, feeling like they are swelling inside and their heart beats rapidly. If any of you have experienced this problem or know someone that has and has been diagnosed please let us know. One of our young cousins has had many tests and has been to specialists but they can't seem to find out the reason for it. Any assistance would be appreciated for it is difficult to find anything to eat that does not have salt in it.

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

Nancy Marshall Hackworth, Manford Walton, Emma Adkins, Lois Clark Marshall, Chester Webb, Lloyd Wells, Nevard Wells, Genevieve Wells, Paula Wells, Geneva Clark Harmon, Pat Womack, Ronald Wells, Clara Wells Preston, Joyce Wells Creech, Jean Wells Webb, Emma Music.

HOSPITAL AND OUT-PATIENTS

CASEY LIVINGSTON, of Urbana, OH. the son of Michael and Patty Preston Livingston was in a 4-wheeler accident on Sept. 8, 2007. He was released from the Columbus, OH hospital 11/21 to recuperate at his parents' home while having therapy at Urbana Hospital. According to his grandparents, Clara and Jim Preston, Casey's progress will be slow since he has to take several kinds of therapy due to the severity of his injuries. Casey descends from Richard Wells through George E. Wells.

GEORGIA RICHMOND HALL, of Brunswick, OH underwent Cataract surgery on 6-28-2007 at Medina Hospital in Ohio. She is the daughter of the late Bill and Myrtle Spears Richmond and descends from Richard Wells through William G. Wells and his sister Roseanna Wells Spears.

CORA WELLS, of Yorba Linda, Calif., underwent surgery which has caused a problem with her vocal cords leaving her with some speech difficulty. They believe the problem will improve. Cora, the daughter of the late Sherman and Lillie Collins Wells, descends from Richard Wells through George E. Wells. Cora is a sister to Clara Preston who is very active with our family & previously served on the Wells Family Board.

ROSE MARY WELLS HARMON, of Brookpark, OH has been a hospital patient several times since the last newsletter. She is presently home recuperating. She is the daughter of the late Elmer & Pearl Hamilton Wells and descends from Richard Wells through Roseanna Wells Spears and George E. Wells.

DOUG JARVIS, of Van Lear is undergoing cancer treatment again, five days each week. His wife Marlene is a member of the Wells Family Board and descends from Richard Wells through his children, George E. Wells, William G. Wells and Agnes Wells Auxier.

EARL WELLS, of Van Lear is undergoing treatment for cancer and is being cared for by his sister Lois Jean Collins. Earl is the son of the late Joe Wells Jr. and Hilda Wells and descends from Richard Wells through his son George E. Wells.

ANICE WILLIAMS MUSIC, of Boonscamp, KY underwent Aneurysm surgery of the Aorta on 7-20-2007. She went through another Aneurysm surgery and triple heart surgery on 10-15-2007. Anice is the daughter of the late Bernard & Alta Wells Williams and descends from Richard Wells through his sons, George E. Wells and William G. Wells. Her sister Dolores Booth serves on the Wells Family Board.

DELORES BOOTH, of Van Lear, KY, daughter of the late Bernard & Alta Wells Williams, underwent cataract surgery on both eyes. She is a member of the Wells Family Board and descends from Richard Wells through George E. Wells and William G. Wells.

TONY MEADE, of Paintsville, KY, son of the Anna Brown Wilson, has been a patient in Highland Regional Medical Center two or three times since the last newsletter. (I am concerned that the hospital is becoming Tony's home away from home) Tony descends from Richard Wells through George E. Wells, William G. Wells and Agnes Wells Auxier.

HERMAN WELLS, of Van Lear, KY, son of the late Elmer and Pearl Hamilton Wells, underwent surgery on 11/5/2007 at Central Baptist Hospital, Lexington, KY removing two Aneurysms. After spending several days in the hospital he recuperated for several weeks at his son's home. On 12-3-2007 Herman said that he is making progress but he will be going through surgery again in a couple of months to remove a blockage in his left leg. Herman descends from Richard Wells through George E. Wells and Roseanna Wells Spears.

RUBY HAYSLETT WITTEN, of Johnson County, KY, daughter of the late Luther & Josephine Crider Hayslett, underwent surgery at University of Kentucky Hospital 9-6-2007. This makes two surgery's in three months that she has had. Ruby descends from Richard Wells through George E. Wells.

JOHN B. WELLS III, of Newnan, Georgia, son of Margaret Hayman Wells of Lexington, KY., and the late John B. Wells Jr., was a patient in an Atlanta, GA hospital for heart blockage surgery where three stints were inserted. John is now home doing well. John, a descendant from Richard Wells through William G. Wells, is a member of the Wells Family Board.

ANNA LOIS WILSON, of Paintsville, KY., daughter of the late Eyvand & Betty Wells Brown, was a patient in Kings Daughters Medical Center, Ashland, KY where she underwent numerous tests. Ann has several health problems. She is a member of the Wells Family Board and descends from Richard Wells through his children, George E. Wells, William G. Wells and Agnes Wells Auxier

MICHAEL KEITH WELLS, of Prestonsburg, KY, a patient at a Huntington WVA hospital, is the son of the late Bill Wells & Lottie Fitzpatrick Wells. He descends from Richard Wells through Simon Peter Wells & is a first cousin to the movie star Johnny Depp.

HATTI ROSE WELLS BRANHAM, of Prestonsburg, KY, daughter of the late Chester & Ernestine Wells, has kidney stones, a cyst on the kidney and an aneurysm on the aorta that is being watched closely. She is going to her doctor in Ashland, KY to take care of the kidney stone and cyst. Hattie Rose descends from Richard Wells through William G. Wells, George E. Wells and Agnes Wells Auxier.

HERMAN WEBB, of Van Lear, KY, the son of the late Melvin & Clara Ramey Webb, underwent outpatient surgery in November, requiring him to take a break from his usual tour guide activities at the Webb House in Butcher Hollow. He descends from Richard Wells through his daughter Nancy Wells Butcher.

MADONNA WEBB KUHN, of Van Lear, KY, the oldest daughter of Herman Webb, has been very ill. She had a pacemaker implanted. She is presently not working in her father's store at Number 5 while recuperating. Madonna descends from Richard Wells through Nancy Wells Butcher.

DEATH'S

FRANCES WELLS ARRINGTON, 84, of Louisa, KY, daughter of the late Franklin Curtis and Mona Aline Johnston Wells, died 8-11-2007. Frances was born July 3, 1923, in Morgan County, KY. She was a retired employee of the Louisa Sewing Factory and a member of Elizabeth Jarrell Baptist Church. In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, Burgess Arrington, in 1995; siblings Roscoe Wells, Elwood Wells, Nell Byrd, Clyde Wells and Hugh Wells; and half brothers and half sisters Edna Nickell, Ernest Wells and Everett Wells. Survivors include a daughter and son-in-law, Helen and Jeff Cooksey of Ashland, KY; a son, David Arrington of Louisa; a grandson, Tyler Cooksey; and a host of friends. The Rev. John DeBoard conducted the funeral on Aug. 14, at Wilson Funeral Home in Louisa. Burial was in Greenlawn Cemetery in Louisa. It is not known if or how or if Frances descends from Richard Wells.

JOHNNY SPEARS, 67, of Florida, son of the late Shirley & Nola Moore Spears, died 7-30-2007 in a Florida Hospital. He descended from Richard Wells through Roseanna Wells Spears. He is survived by his wife and one brother Donald Spears of Paintsville, KY. He was cremated and a memorial service was held at Phelps and Son Funeral Home in Paintsville.

GARNETTA WELLS RUCKER, 82, of Van Lear, KY, died Tuesday 11/27/2007 in Highlands Regional Medical Center, Prestonsburg. She was born 4/11/1925, in Martin County, KY to the late Marion Jackson & Mary Alice Burke Wells. She was a retired postal clerk and a member of the Van Lear Church of Christ. Surviving are four daughters, Lynda Lee Rucker Ratliff and Emma Ruth (Stanley) Collins, both of Van Lear, Dana Jean (Nathan) Matthews of Lexington KY, and Lori Lynn (Paul) Castle of River, KY; one sister Imogene Wells Sammons of Van Lear; and nine grandchildren, three great-grandchildren and several nieces and nephews. Arrangements are under the direction of Jones-Preston Funeral Home of Paintsville, with Bro. B. Joe Hill officiated. Burial was in Highland Memorial Park in Staffordsville, KY. Garnetta descends from Richard Wells through George E. Wells.

WALTER ELIPHAS "BOB" WELLS, 84 of Paintsville, KY died 11/23/2007 at Paul B. Hall Medical Center, Paintsville. He was born 2/13/1924 in Johnson County a son of the late Jacob Green & Leotia Preston Wells. Surviving are his wife Ruby Fitch Wells of Paintsville; a daughter Brenda Kay Slone of Paintsville; a step-brother Ollie Montgomery Jr.; a half sister, Margaret Ann Wells Preston; a grandchild and a great grandchild. Arrangements were under the direction of Jones-Preston Funeral Home, Paintsville. The funeral was held on Monday at Thealka Freewill Baptist Church with Gary Blair officiating. Burial was in J.T. Wells Cemetery in Tutor Key, KY. Bob descends from Richard Wells through William Green Wells.

ELLIOTT OTIS WEBB, 87 of East Point, KY., died 8-19-2007 at his residence. He was born 11-24-1919 in Auxier, Floyd Co., KY, son of the late Elliott and Margaret Wells Webb. He was a retired coal miner. He was preceded in death by his wife, Florence Ramey Webb, and seven brothers and one sister. Surviving are three sons, Franklin Goble of Auxier, KY., Charles O. Webb of East Point, and Martin L. Webb of Louisa, KY., and seven grandchildren, 12 great-grandchildren and four great-great-grandchildren. Arrangements were under the direction of Jones-Preston Funeral Home, of Paintsville, KY. Bro. Dave Flannery officiated with burial in the Yatesville Memorial Gardens in Lawrence County, KY. Elliott Otis descends from Richard Wells through George E. & Nancy Butcher Wells, Lewis & Margaret Jane Hopson Wells and Margaret Wells & Elliott Webb.

ALLENE "DELONG" HYDEN, 77 of Cincinnati, OH died 10/7-2007. She was born 11-24-1929 in Johnson County KY to the late Curtis and Nora Honeycutt Delong. She was preceded in death by one brother James Douglas Delong. She is survived by her beloved husband Orville Hyden, four daughters; Theresa (Dallas) Alvis, Pamela (Ronald) Campbell, Sandra (William) Huber, and Lori Dorn. Ten grandchildren: Nicole, Jeremy, Jeffrey Carolyn, Stephanie, Christopher, Amanda, Elizabeth, Lindsey, and Michael. Ten great-grandchildren; Emily, Tyler, Jeremy, Brycen, Caleb, Anna, Alyssa, Sophia, Iasiah, and Jace. Surviving are three sisters; Imogene (Benjamin) Carter of Flatwoods, KY; Juanita (Charles) Littleton of Ashland KY; Alka May (late Walter) Boggs of Paintsville, KY; two brothers: Seldon (Sara) Delong of Van Lear, KY, Arville (Shelby) Delong of Cincinnati, OH. Arrangements were under the direction of Frederick Funeral Home with service on Friday 10-12-2007. Allene descends through the Auxier line.

CHARLES OTIS WEBB, 67, of East Point, KY died 10/19/2007 at Highland Regional Medical Center, Prestonsburg, KY. Mr. Webb was born Nov. 13, 1939 in Floyd County, KY, son of the late Elliott Otis and Florence Ramey Webb. He was a retired federal mine inspector. Surviving are two sons, Jim Webb of Prestonsburg and Tim Webb of Ulysses, KY; two brothers, Martin Leslie Webb of Louisa, KY, and Delano Goble of Auxier, KY; and six grandchildren and one great-grandchild. Arrangements were under the direction of Jones-Preston Funeral Home with the funeral in the Chapel. The Rev. Harry Neil Frisby, officiated with burial in the Highland Memorial Park at Staffordsville, KY. Charles Otis descends from Richard Wells through George E. & Nancy Butcher Wells, Lewis & Margaret Jane Hopson Wells & Margaret Wells & Elliott Webb.

CURTIS CLARK, 61, of Harold, KY, died 5-8-2007 at Pikeville Hospital, Pikeville, KY., after suffering several strokes and lung cancer. Curtis was born 3-1-1946 in Floyd Co. KY. He is survived by his wife Gloria Lunch Clark of Harold and two children, Kevin Clark and Kimberly Clark of Harold, two grandchildren, Alexander and Peyton Curtis Clark. Burial was in the K.F. Clark Family Cemetery, Harold. Curtis headed up the Clark Reunion and was writing a book on the Clark family. He attended the Wells Family Reunion once in the past

MARSHALL DAVIDSON, 90, of Prestonsburg, KY, died 8-15-2007 at his residence. Marshall, a retired attorney at law was born 7-4-1917, in Louisville, to the late Dr. Andrew Jackson Davidson and Jessica Correll Davidson Housah. He was a member of the First United Methodist Church, in Prestonsburg, and taught Friendship Sunday School Class for 50 years. He was a lifetime member of VFW Post No. 5839; a charter member of Friends of Samuel May House; a charter member of the Floyd County Historical Society; and a member of the Floyd County Bar Association. He was a U.S. Army veteran of WWII. He graduated from Davidson College in 1939, and was a graduate of the University of Kentucky Law School. He is survived by his wife, Roberta Wells Davidson. In addition to his wife, survivors include a daughter, Deborah Louise Davidson Hicks (Derek) of Prestonsburg; and two grandchildren; Greta Davidson Hicks and Jessica Davidson Hicks, both of Prestonsburg. He was preceded in death by a brother, Andrew Jackson Davidson III. Funeral services was 8-18-2007 at the First United Methodist Church, with Dr. Harold Dorsey officiating. Interment was in Davidson Memorial Gardens, in Ivel. Military graveside services were conducted by Big Sandy DAV Chapter No. 18. Active pallbearers: Ryan Gilbert, John Fogle, Jack Fogle, Tom Hereford, Eddy Clark, Tom Smith, James Spencer, Robert Herrick, Ronnie Slone and Marty Osborne. Honorary pallbearers: Derek Hicks, Donald Hicks, Roger Collins, Barkley Sturgill, Freddie Goble, Sammie Hatcher, Greg Shepherd, Paul Setser, Dr. Doug Adams, Earl Castle, Doug Herman, Bob Burchett and Tom Oak McGuire. Arrangements were under direction of Carter Funeral Home. Mr. Davidson's wife descends from Richard Wells through his sons George E. Wells and Moses Wells.

NOTICE

We still have copies of the Wells Family Cookbook "RECIPES FROM HEAVEN and from the rest of the WELLS FAMILY" If you did not get your copy, you can order it from several members of the family. Or you can request your copy from Mary Walton at address & phone number listed above. The cost is \$10.00 plus \$2.00 for shipping and handling. Many people are ordering them for gifts and when you order just give the name and address of whom you want the book sent to and we will send it for you with a note stating it is a gift from you. This is a service that we offer to our people.

MEMORIALS

ANONYMOUS GIVER, gave \$50.00 to the Wells Family to be used where needed most. This person is a dedicated supporter of the family and we appreciate their dedication.

PAUL ADKINS, of Euclid, Ohio gave \$50.00 in memory of his late wife, Janice Wells Adkins. Paul is a faithful supporter of the Wells Family and is the son of the late Edd & Bertie Wells Adkins. Paul descends from Richard Wells through George E. Wells.

NITA MURRAY LEWIS, of Xenia, Ohio gave \$20.00 the Wells Family. Nita is a cousin of Jim Preston of Urbana, OH. She would like to receive the Wells newsletter and be put on the e-mail list. Her cousin, Jim Preston, is on the Wells Board and is our reunion auctioneer. Jim's wife Clara descends from Richard Wells through George E. Wells.

SHERRY LEE & PHILIP TUCKER, of Prestonsburg, KY gave \$25.00 in memory of Sherry's uncle Clifford Childers who died 12/6/2006. Sherry is the daughter of the late Chester & Ernestine Wells. She descends from Richard through George E. Wells, William Green Wells and Agnes Wells Auxier.

VIOLA DELONG WILLIAMS, of Springfield, Ohio gave \$30.00 in memory of her parents the late Marion & Dora Felty DeLong. Viola is a faithful supporter of the Wells Family and she descends from the Auxier. She is an Aunt of Manford Walton who serves on the Wells Board.

BRAD & KATHERINE WALTON, of Lexington, KY gave \$25.00 in memory of Brad's aunt, Polly Wells Collins, who died May 30, 2007. Brad is the son of Manford and Mary Walton who serves on the Wells Board. He descends from Richard Wells through George E. Wells & William G. Wells.

HATTIE ROSE & BILL BRANHAM, of Prestonsburg, KY gave \$25.00 in memory of Hattie's uncle Clifford Childers who died 12/6/2006. Hatti is the daughter of the late Chester & Ernestine Wells. She descends from Richard Wells through George E. Wells, William Green Wells and Agnes Wells Auxier.

EULAH WELLS VILLINES, of Dayton, Ohio gave \$50.00 in memory of her late brother Eugene Ward. Eulah is a faithful supporter of the Wells Family and serves on the Wells Board. She is the daughter of the late Willard and Melissa Jane Wells and descends from Richard Wells through William G. Wells.

Memorial Contribution Form

The Memorial Fund is an appropriate tribute to your deceased loved ones and assures that their interest and support for the Wells family Association Inc. continues.

For every memorial contribution, a notice of the gift will be placed in the next newsletter. Donors may request that their names not be used and the board respects such a request. Please accept \$ _____ as a memorial contribution in the Honor or Memory of

Who is my _____

State relationship _____

- Use toward stones for unmarked graves
- Use toward the general fund
- Use in the College Scholarship fund.

NOTE: If one of the above is not checked the fund will go to the general fund for expenses of the newsletter and defraying expenses of the reunion

Wildwood Video - % Ronnie Blair
Box 1948 - Paintsville, KY 41240

If you are interested in the 2007 Wells Family Reunion Video, send your check to Ronnie Blair with your name, address and if you want it in VHS or DVD format - send to the Wildwood Video address above. In this video Ronnie is including data of our previous reunion including our former late President Dr. Randy Wells singing and John B. Wells, III giving his presentation on the Wells Family and the DNA that the Wells Family are participating in. If you have a question please call Ronnie at (606) 789-8879. He has been doing the video since 2004 and if you missed out on obtaining yours it can be purchased by contacting him at the above phone or address. The video's cost \$25.00 each. and they do make great gifts.

THE WELLS FAMILY ASSOCIATION INC. SCHOLARSHIP

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 these positions, a scholarship fund has been established for descendants of Richard and Susannah Hutchison Wells.

If you are a senior in high school and are interested in our annual scholarship, you need to get your application in as soon as possible. The necessary information will be outlined below. Your application is due in before July 1, 2008 and there will be no other newsletter before this deadline. **YOU CANNOT WIN UNLESS YOU APPLY!** So get your application in soon as possible.

SCHOLARSHIP AMOUNT

The Wells family Association, Inc. Board has established a fund for ONE (1) scholarship to be awarded annually in the amount of \$500.00. If you meet the eligibility requirements and graduate in the spring of 2008, please complete the application for the scholarship and you may be the recipient of the 2008 scholarship of \$500.00.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Each applicant must:

1. Be a biological or legally adopted descendant of Richard & Susannah Hutchison 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 4.00 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.
8. Anyone receiving the scholarship for 2008 will be required to have attended at least one Wells Family Reunion prior to submission of the application for the scholarship

APPLICATION DEADLINE

The Completed scholarship application form and pedigree chart must be postmarked by July 1, 2008, 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.

All qualified applicants will be presented to the Wells Family Association, Inc. The board votes in the event that there is more than one qualified applicant, the board will develop a system to equitably determine the sole recipient of the scholarship. 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 you are in doubt of having completed the chart correctly, please call any of the persons listed below and they will be happy to assist you:

John B. Wells III, (678) 423-1247, Bobby Wells, (606) 886-2101 or Mary W. Walton, (859) 971-7748.

Remember if you don't get it correct it could result in you not being considered for the scholarship. GOOD LUCK!

THE WELLS FAMILY ASSOCIATION INC. SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

If any applicant should need help in doing their pedigree chart, please phone one of the persons listed under the Application Deadline information on the previous page. Type or print the application.

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 _____ ZIP _____

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 _____ ZIP CODE _____

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 Student Applicant _____ Date _____

PEDIGREE CHART

Chart No. _____

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