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PRESIDENT'S CORNER

by Larry "Joe" Reynolds



Well, it looks like summer has finally arrived here in Texas. After months of rain, some of the heaviest we've had in years, the sun is out and the temperatures are reaching near 100.

Summer is a busy time of year for a lot of us, Vacations, having the Grandchildren over for a visit, gardening, and yard work. It doesn't leave much time for Genealogy, but I've found that if you stop, it's just that much harder to start up again.

Why not decide to spend just a little time each day, perhaps if you haven't already taken, or had taken, a yDNA test, now is the time. For those of you who have taken the test, make an effort to contact each and every one of your matches. You never know where that important lead will come from.

I would like to also ask each of you to think about what you can do to help the RFA to grow and continue to help others. I know that in the age of Internet, many of our Genealogical and Historical Societies are having problems. So many have given up the meeting and lectures and are now just going straight to the different Web Sites to look for the information that we use to look for at our meetings.

The RFA is only as good as the information that we provide, when our members stop sharing information with

other members then there is no reason for a new person to join. Please share stories, facts, and events with our Newsletter Editor or myself.

I would like to also state at this time that I'm currently looking for someone to take over as President of the Reynolds Family Association. I've served for the past four years and I think some new blood is perhaps just what this organization needs. I would welcome any suggestions any of you may have.

WELCOME NEW AND RETURNING MEMBERS!

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3421-025 - Susan Jane Cruse, 606 Knights Bridge Road, Canby OR 97013-3341, Email: deafmtnbear@gmail.com, (Robert Reynolds)

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3423-025 - Nancy Beth Wallander, 450 Avenida Sevilla, Unit B, Laguna Woods CA 92637-8046, Email: nancywallander@hotmail.com, Christopher Reynolds (immigrated 1622))

3424-025 - Mary G. Reynolds, 125 Mill Valley Circle, S, Sacramento CA 95835-2239, Email: Reynolsrap@aol.com, (Joseph Reynolds (Rennels))

3425-025 - Dr. Harrah Robert Reynolds, 5248 Pheasant Trail, Ann Arbor MI 48105-9554, Email: hrr@umich.edu, (Asa Reynolds - born 1759)

3426-025 - Shirley LaRee Olson, 29624 Thimbleberry Lane, Evergreen, CO 80439-8544, Email: olsonart@email.com, (Vincent Dye Reynolds)

3427-025 - Janice A. Brown, 41 Derry Street, Merrimack, NH 03054-3134, Email: janicebr@earthlink.net, (Samuel Reynolds 1674-1745)

3428-025 - Kay A. Hafner, 31 Amethyst Dr., Queensbury, NY 12804-9499, Email: kayhafner@gmail.com, (George Reynolds B. 1751 Rhode Island D. 1824 Moreau, NY)

3429-017 - James Edward Phillips, 304 Drury Lane, Huntsville, AL 35802-4500, Email: jimphillips@aol.com, (Christopher)

3430-025 - Tammy Louise Hensel, P.O. Box 382, College Station, TX 77841-0382, Email: tammylou.hensel@gmail.com, (John Reynolds)

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NECROLOGY

Constance "Connie" POOL

On Thursday, June 25, 2015 Connie Pool passed away peacefully with her children by her side.

Connie was born February 4, 1927 in Great Neck, NY. She spent her childhood in Long Island and Brooklyn and raised her children in Greenwich, CT. The place Connie loved more than anywhere else in the world, though, was Lakeway, TX.

As her children were growing up, Connie was a homemaker and travel agent. She traveled the world, visiting every continent, except Antarctica. She was particularly proud of being in China at the same time as President Nixon in 1975. She was also an avid gardener in both CT and TX.

Connie married Barry Pool in 1984 and in 1987 they moved to Lakeway. She loved the warm weather and made many wonderful friends in the DAR, playing golf at the Lakeway Country Club and, after Barry's passing in 2003, in the Solo's. She told her children many times that the best friends she ever had were in TX.

Connie moved back to CT in April 2015 to be nearer to her children. Her family is grateful they got to spend so much time with her these past two months in CT.

Connie is survived by her daughter, Barbara Seath Begley, and Barbara's husband, Bob Begley; by her son, Drew Seath; and by her grandchildren, Shelby Seath, Samantha Seath, Mackenzie Begley, Bryan Begley, Stephanie Begley Hilz and Stephanie's

husband Ryan; by her step-children, Catherine Pool Jacob, Barry Pool, Jr., Chris Ward and their families; and by her cousin, Jackie Lunardoni, and her husband, Lou.

Connie will be remembered at a memorial service on July 25, 2015 at 11am at the Lakeway Church. For those who wish to honor Connie, her family suggests a donation be made to one of her favorite charities, the Lady Bird Johnson Wildflower Center.

REYNOLDSFAMILY.ORG

www.reynoldsfamily.org has made the following updates this quarter:

- I have added several new and revised GEDCOMs to our Members Only web site, however, I could use many many more! If you haven't already shared your GEDCOM, please send me one now.

HOUSEKEEPING

Don't forget to send in your changes of address or email.

85TH ANNUAL RFA REUNION

It is with much regret that I have to tell you that I've decided **not** to hold our 85th Annual Reunion this September. After checking with all members, I found only about 6 who said that they would make the event.

A lot of work, planning, time and money goes into setting up a reunion, and unless we can

get more people interested, I just feel that it's not worthwhile.

One of our members, Mark Reynolds, suggested that we hold reunion for our different lines instead of for the entire RFA. I think this may be a good idea. I'd love to hear from our Line Coordinators to see if this is something you would be interested in. I also received a suggestion from Debbie Jones that we do a survey of all members to see what they thought about a reunion, places to consider, time or year etc. Watch for an announcement later.

If anyone has any strong opinions, one way or the other, I'd love to hear them.

QUERIES

Upon writer request members' queries will be published without charge and non-members' will be published at discretion of RFA, also without charge. Queries may be edited and RFA assumes no responsibility for their accuracy. [Editor's comments will be in brackets.] Please address all queries to the editor.

Christina M. Meyer,
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Hello, I accidentally came across your website and thought I'd contact you to see if our families are the same. I come from a long line of Reynolds. My grandmother's mother was Virginia (1907-1965). I am wanting to find all i can on Christopher Reynolds (came over here in 1622 from England) I am on ancestry.com. I know that the name Reynolds is a common name, but you never know.

Thank you,
Christina

Susan Jane Cruse,
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606 Knights Bridge Road,

My Mother was Sue Irene Reynolds. My grandfather (her father) was Charles Franklin Reynolds. All of Lima, Ohio. Both are buried in the Willamette National Cemetery in Portland. My father, Earl Cruse was a WWII veteran and my Grandfather was a veteran of the 2nd Ohio Volunteer Infantry. 1898. My 3rd grandson is Daric Reynolds Cruse. My Mother always said we are English, Irish and Scots. She was an only child so I have everything of hers which was everything of my Granddads including photographs going back to the Civil War. Be all this as it may, as a genealogist tracing my Reynolds' is frustratingly difficult. I was very close to my Granddad but not smart enough to ask questions. Now I am 73 and am still searching.

**Donna L Castorina, Dlcas55@yahoo.com,
506 Edison Road, Trumbull, CT,**

I am researching branch of my family on my mother's side and have a feeling that I may be linked to the Reynolds quite far back. This is the furthest I've been able to locate:

(Hon) John D Reynolds Wallingford, CT, married to Lydia Scarrit (sp?); died Oct 18, 1853. Children: Seraphina, Louisa, John D and Martha.

Hon. John D Reynolds is listed in Census as a farmer in Wallingford, CT