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THE RFA 78TH ANNUAL REUNION

18 -20 September 2003

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Information about camp areas is in the packet
members received from Bill Marshall.

RFA REUNION REGISTRATION FORM IN MAY-JUNE ISSUE

PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION TO WILLIAMSBURG

-- **NewportNews/Williamsburg International
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The limo ride to the Hospitality House will cost about
\$10.

-- **Richmond International Airport.** Many good
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-- **Train: Amtrak** has excellent service between
Williamsburg and Boston/NYC/Philadelphia/
DC.

TOURING COLONIAL WILLIAMSBURG (CW)

To get reduced tickets to CW, Bill Marshall
must be with you when you buy your tickets.
Anyone coming before Thursday who wants a
reduced price CW ticket **must contact Bill
Marshall BEFORE they come so that he
can make arrangements to meet you to
purchase ticket(s).**

OTHER NON-REUNION ACTIVITIES

Don't forget to let Bill Marshall know what you are most
interested in doing (aside, of course, from attending the
RFA reunion) while in Williamsburg.

GUEST SPEAKER AT REUNION

It is with great pleasure that we announce Mary Beth McKimmy of Jigsaw Genealogy as our keynote speaker. Her presentation will be *What About Martha's Side of the Family: Researching Women in Colonial Virginia*. She is a genealogist and teacher in the Tidewater area. There will be time for interaction with Ms. McKimmy.

MEET YOUR LINE COORDINATORS

At least some of the RFA Line Coordinators will be in Williamsburg for the reunion. – a great opportunity to meet with other members of your family line/group, and to discuss next steps in research. Bring your records and photos and share them with others.

SWEM LIBRARY GENEALOGICAL COLLECTION

About Virginia families. Material may include a chart, Bible records, notes, pertinent letters, or a newspaper clipping. Some of the items are unique to Swem Library. Most of the papers were compiled in the 19th and 20th centuries, with information dating back to the 18th century. Also available are many genealogical periodicals, some otherwise unavailable.

TENTATIVE REUNION SCHEDULE subject to change

Wed., 17 Sep: 5-7 p.m. Registration
 Thu., 18 Sep: 8:30-9 a.m. Registration, Coffee & Danish, Mix & Mingle
 9-10: Opening Notes
 10-12 Noon: Keynote Speaker
 Noon: Lunch on your own
 Afternoon: Introduction to Swem Library
 Evening: Dinner on your own
 Fri., 19 Sep: All day: Mix & Mingle/Research
 All meals on your own
 Sat., 20 Sep: 9-11: RFA Membership meeting.
 12: Luncheon (paid in advance by RFA)
 Adjourn *sine die*.

GETTING READY FOR REUNION

Earl Gregg Swem Library, The College of William and Mary, Williamsburg VA
<http://www.swem.wm.edu/>

Library of Virginia, Virginia's State Library, Richmond VA:
<http://www.lva.lib.va.us/whatwehave>

Virginia Historical Society, Richmond, VA:
<http://www.vahistorical.org>

Historical & Genealogical Societies of Virginia:
<http://www.obitlinkspage.com/hs/va.htm>

Virginia Genealogical Society, Richmond VA:
<http://www.vgs.org/>

Tidewater Genealogical Society, Hampton VA: Links to about 30 political jurisdictions in the Tidewater area (Tidewater is the area north of the James River and east of the Chesapeake Bay Watershed.)
<http://www.rootsweb.com/~vatgs/>

Virginia Genealogical & Historical Societies by County or City: Provides information re locality, hours, etc.
<http://www.vgs.org/societies.html>

Official Web Site of the Williamsburg Area Convention and Visitors Bureau. information regarding Jamestown, Williamsburg, and Yorktown, where the American Dream was born.
www.visitwilliamsburg.com

Yorktown Battlefield – explore the fields, forts and historic buildings where American independence was won. www.yorkcounty.gov/publicinfo/press/arch_2003/2003-046.htm

Virginia's James River Plantations Historic plantation sites along the James and its tributaries - from the Williamsburg and Hampton Roads Area.
www.jamesriverplantations.com/

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www.buschgardens.com/

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www.state.sc.us/patpt/

Hampton Roads Naval Museum is one of 11 official Navy museums and is subordinate to Commander, Navy Region, Mid-Atlantic, interprets the 220 year history of the US Navy in southeast Virginia.

www.hrnm.navy.mil/

Virginia War Museum is administered by the Div. of Historic Services, City of Newport News, Virginia, and Interprets American military history from 1775.

www.warmuseum.org/

**NEW DEADLINE FOR
NOMINATION OF RFA OFFICERS
FOR 2004**

See Mar-Apr issue, page 12.

Nominations must be received by the Executive Secretary **not later than 1 September 2003.** E-mail nominations to:

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or mail nominations to:

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2004 RFA REUNION

Want it to be in your town? If so, please contact Bill King about being the Site Host for next year. It is very difficult to plan site activities if we are not familiar with a city. **Please Help!**

MEMORIALS

Donna Roberts Sapp, wife of Dwight S. Sapp, of Brinklow MD, died of leukemia 8 June 2003. Donna joined RFA in 1999 as member number 3022.

Senator J. Strom Thurmond, who was 100 years old, died on Thursday night (26 June 2003) at hospital in his hometown of Edgefield, SC. Sen. Thurmond joined RFA in 1977 as member 1792.

TODAY

LT. RAYMOND F. BARNES, JR, USN

Submitted by Lee Taylor

(Inadvertently omitted from the May-June issue.)

On 14 April 2003, RFA member, Art W. Reynolds sent an e-mail to several of us about the 28th birthday of Ray Barnes on 19 April. Ray is Art's second cousin, twice removed, and a direct descendant of Delphina Reynolds 1851-1938). Art also told us that Ray is a Navy fighter pilot stationed on the *USS Theodore Roosevelt*, then in the Mediterranean, assisting in Operation Iraqi Freedom.

Immediately I knew that the spotlight for this issue would be on Ray, and I e-mailed him, asking for a biography. Ray joined RFA in March 2000 as member 3093. He not only sent the bio, but some great pictures. I wish we had space in the newsletter for them, but they lose their identity when reduced to fit. (Not Ray's fault - mine because I don't know what to do with photos in the first place!) But they will be placed in the RFA scrapbooks.

On the 18th of April, Ray wrote that his air wing's role in the liberation of Iraqi liberation was over, thankfully with no casualties in the wing. Ray also said that he was proud to be over there representing us (RFA) and thanked all for continued support.

Raymond Francis Barnes, Jr., was born in Portland ME, 19 Apr 1975, to Raymond and Cheryle Barnes.

He grew up in Gorham ME and attended high school there. He was active in the Boy Scouts and became an Eagle Scout when he was 16. After graduating in 1993, he earned a BS in Aviation Management and Flight Operations from Daniel Webster College in Nashua New Hampshire.

Ray's Navy career began later that year when he

attended Officer Candidate School in Pensacola FL for 13 weeks and earned his commission as an Ensign in January 1998.

He completed the first phase of flight training in Milton FL at NAS (Naval Air Station) Whiting Field, was selected to fly jets, and moved to NAS Kingsville Texas for advanced training there.

In January 2000 he was designated a naval aviator and received my wings of gold, was promoted to Lieutenant (junior grade) and reported to NAS Oceana in Virginia Beach VA, where he received training in the F/A-18C Hornet. After nine months of training he was assigned to Strike Fighter Squadron Fifteen (VFA-15), his present duty station, for a three year tour which ends this November.

He deployed with his squadron onboard the USS *Enterprise* (CVS-65) from April to November 2001, in which time he flew missions in support of Operation Southern Watch over Iraq and Operation Enduring Freedom (OEF) in Afghanistan. In fact, his squadron flew the first strike into Afghanistan when OEF began.

Ray was promoted to Lieutenant in Feb. 1002, his present rank, and is now on his second deployment, this time aboard the USS *Theodore Roosevelt* (CVN-71). He has been actively involved in Operation Iraqi Freedom, typically leading several aircraft from the Mediterranean Sea into Northern Iraq. He started this cruise in January, and was not sure what the rest of the cruise would be like.

It is now very good to report that they have just pulled out from a five-day port call in Koper, Slovenia, and don't yet know what the rest of the cruise will entail.

Ray descends from Gilman Reynolds of Burham Maine, who was killed in the Civil War. He has not seen sufficient evidence as of yet to connect him with Electious Reynolds of Middleboro MA, but suspects his origins lie there. If any members have this evidence (Gilman-John B.-Daniel-Daniel-Ephraim-Electious) he would love to see it.

Ray is still single, owns a house in Virginia Beach VA, and enjoys outdoor activities (kyaking, hiking, camping, etc.) as well as genealogy.

Ray, I am sure I speak for all our Reynolds families when I say "thank you" for what you have done in our behalf. Come home safely!

Latest news: Ray may be home in June! Maybe we will see him at the reunion in September.

YESTERDAY

JOHN A. REYNOLDS ODEBOLT PIONEER

by

John C. Ross, RFA Member 2252

John A. Reynolds, the oldest son of immigrant English parents was born Independence Day 1854 in the town of Hudson, Summit County, Ohio. He died 56 years later in Odebolt, Sac County, Iowa.

His parents, William and Rebecca (Tawn) were married 19 June 1850 in the Parish Church of little market town of Moulton, England. Moulton lies among the marshes and fens bordering the North Sea and its towerin church spire dominates the flat Lincolnshire countryside for miles. The town is located a scant dozen miles south of the little town of Boston, from which the Pilgrim Fathers sailed to Holland before they founded their new home in Mass. The Reynolds and Tawn families had lived in Mooulton for at least two generations struggling to work the land and raising children. In the custom of the times the families were large – Rebecca had seven brothers and sisters and William's was nearly as large.

A few months after they married, John's parents fled the poverty of England and immigrated to the little town of Hudson, on Ohio's Western Reserve. Their first child, Mary was born 21 Mar 1851 and John was born 4 Jul 1854. Shortly thereafter the family moved to Grinnell, Iowa where William worked as a farmer. Here John spent his formative years. When he was eight his older sister, Mary died on 27 Nov 1862. She was not yet 12 years old and her little toy doll has been preserved under glass where it may be viewed today in the Grinnell Historical Museum. Three years later a brother, Frank was born. Tragedy struck the little family again when on 21 Oct 1866 John's mother, Rebecca died. She was not yet 46. John's father,

William was left with two children to raise, so seven months later, on 13 May 1869, he married the widow Charlotte Elliott. Charlotte was born Charlotte Weaver in Kent, England on 9 Mar 1838, and married William Elliott in London when she was 25 years of age and to this union were born three daughters. William Elliott and two of their daughters died in England. So to save her surviving child also named Charlotte (or more commonly Lottie), she fled to Grinnell in 1865 to live with her sister who had left England some years earlier.

Little Lottie, who was eight years old when her mother and William Reynolds were married, was destined to become John Reynolds' wife. They were married 25 Feb 1878 in Grinnell and almost immediately moved to Odebolt, arriving in the midst of a fierce spring snow storm. He was 23 and she was 16. They probably had little more than a horse and wagon but were filled with unbounded optimism and in Odebolt they firmly planted their roots.

John and Lottie were among Odebolt's first residents opening a blacksmith shop and investing in farm land. We usually think of a blacksmith as a brawny man but from the two photos that I have John appears to be a small man – perhaps 5'5" or 5'6" tall with a slight wiry build. We deduce, however, that he was strong enough to manhandle horses and swing a heavy hammer all day.

John and Lottie had seven children: Ida Agnes (1 Sep 1878-18 Jul 1973), Nellie (26 May 1880-1944), Walter William (31 Mar 1882-9 Dec 1931), Charlie (10 May 1844-1952), Flora (18 Sep 1885-29 Sep 1978), Benjamin Harrison (8 Nov 1888-13 Apr 1964), and Lottie (7 May 1891-7 Oct 1959). Seven days after the baby Lottie was born, mother Lottie died of "blood poisoning" on 14 May 1891 just short of her 31st birthday; and according to her obituary in the *Cronicle* all of Odebolt's stores were closed as 60 businessmen marched in the funeral procession from the church to the cemetery.

John Reynolds was left with six motherless children to raise. (The baby Lottie was taken to Grinnell to be raised by her grandparents until her grandmother died, then she moved back to Odebolt to be with her father. There is a family tradition that John hired 22 year-old Teres Shea, the daughter of Odebolt hotel owner, Cornelius Shea as a housekeeper. Regardless, a year- and-a-half later John and Teresa were married on a frigid Christmas Eve in 1892 in Sious City.

There are probably people in Odebolt who still remember Teresa (my grandmother) but I have only a shadowy recollection of her. I have a photo taken when she was young depicting a pretty Irish girl with wide innocent eyes. John and Teresa had five children: Mary (7 Jun 1894-23 Apr 1971), Josephine (31 Mar 1897-29 Mar 1980), Eugene Edward (16 Mar 1899-19 Apr 1975), my mother Gertrude Isabelle (23 Oct 1903-), and Alice Margaret (22 July 1909-26 July 1966).

By 1866 John Reynolds was in the middle of city affairs. He first served as a member of the city council and then between 1895 and 1902 served as mayor of the city. He usually served on the council's finance committee,

was the treasurer of the Masonic Lodge (also the Master 1892-1893), treasurer of Fire Department, treasurer of the Cemetery Association and an incorporator of the Library in 1896. All of these positions involved a fiduciary responsibility which seems to indicate the trust and respect the residents of Odebolt had for him. He was a deeply committed husband and father and when his 12th child was born in 1909 friends presented him with a top-hat circle with 12 little baby dolls pinned to the brim of as a gentle joke honoring his productivity.

On 5 July 1910, the day after his 56th birthday, and after taking a holiday, John went to his blacksmith shop as usual. About 9:30 as he was shoeing a horse, his partner, Charles Kistler, noticed his left hand drop. He had suffered what would be a fatal stroke. Although his left side was paralyzed he remained conscious as he was carried home and laid on his bed. About 11:30 he suffered a second stroke and died about 12:30.

John, along with his first wife, Lottie and his second wife Teresa are all buried in the Odebolt Cemetery. (His mother, Rebecca who died 21 Oct 1868, his father, William who died 19 Mar 1903, and stepmother, Charlotte who died 10 Nov 1905 are all buried in the Grinnell Hazelwood Cemetery, as is his brother, Frank, who died 23 July 1919 leaving a widow and eight children.

John Reynolds left an estate valued at some \$60,000—quite a tidy sum in the days when a family of six could live comfortable on \$100 a month. So his 32 years in Odebolt had been good to him, but I feel that perhaps he gave more to the town than he took from it. He nurtured it with his sweat, muscle and mind from the raw prairie and saw it blossom into a beautiful tightly knit city. Moreover he gave Odebolt 12 children, all of whom were quietly successful in the world.

RICHARD REYNOLDS VA and Wilkes Co. GA

Stephen F. Tillman, in his 1959 Reynolds Family book, listed

6509. RICHARD SPENCER REYNOLDS, b. 1749 Caroline Co. VA, d. 1787 Wilkes Co. GA. He served in the Rev. War with Henderson's Co. of the VA State Line, with wife Sarah ___, and children: Rachel, Thomas, Garland, Joseph, George, Elijah, Benjamin Franklin, Richard, Elizabeth, Spencer, John, Greensby,

Matthew, Dorothy, and Mary.

A number of Reynolds researchers have attempted to sort this family with mixed results. The Richard Reynolds who died 1787 in GA is the not the above Richard Spencer Reynolds and did not have the children named above as Rachel, Garland, Elijah, Greensby, Matthew, Dorothy and Mary. Richard Spencer Reynolds and these children may be of another Reynolds family, as will be seen in the following article. Determining the parentage of the Richard Reynolds, below is still a work in progress. Also note, that no reference is made here of involvement of this Richard in the Revolutionary War.

Shirley Hern, her friend and cousin Becky Rice and others have done excellent research on this family and an excellent summary of their results is given below. They, and RFA, hope that their efforts will help others researching this family. They trace Richard Reynolds back through Orange, Culpeper, and Henry Counties of VA. Eventually, I believe this Richard will be tied into the Cornelius Reynolds family of Essex/Caroline Counties, Virginia – *Bill King*

RICHARD REYNOLDS

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with assistance from Becky Rice and Others

1. **RICHARD¹ REYNOLDS.** Born, circa 1728. Died, before 1787, in Wilkes Co. GA. His date of birth was probably about 1725-1730.

On 29 March 1754, Robert Duncanson brought suit against Richard Reynolds in Orange Co. VA for debt. George Doggett was security for the appearance of Richard and Zachary Lewis was his attorney. An indenture between John Spotswood, Esqr, and Richard Reynolds was executed for rents and covenants on a 200 acre farm for the "natural lives of Richard Reynolds, Spencer and George Reynolds, or longest liver" for the price of 1000 pounds of tobacco. This lease was recorded on 28 Aug 1760.

Richard bought land in Culpeper Co. VA on 13 Apr 1767 from the estate of John Spotswood, 114 acres, sold by the executor. He and his wife Sarah Anne sold this land 21 Aug 1770.

He is next found on the tax list in Henry Co.

VA, in 1778. He was on the 1779 tax list in Henry Co. with Spencer Reynlds, Richard Reynolds Jr., George Reynolds and John Reynolds. These probably were his sons who were then all over the age of 21. He was granted land in Wilkes Co. GA in 1784, but was deceased by 20 Oct 1787 when George Reed sold the tract.

According to *Gone To Georgia* by William C. Stewart, the will book containing Richard's will (Book DD) is lost. We are then forced to rely on the administrator's accounts. Sarah Ann Reynolds was sole executrix of Richard's estate but the estate was still unadministered in 1793 when Thomas Reynolds reported that she was deceased.

Thomas Reynolds was appointed administrator of the estate 14 Feb 1793, with Spencer Reynolds as security. Each legatee received 11 pounds, 13 shillings, 7 pence hapenny as his share of Richard's estate on 6 January 1795.

Thomas Reynolds was guardian of Aaron and Moses Reynolds who ere grandsons of Richard Reynolds and they received one share of the division between them. Their mother as Catey James, dead by 1804, but the name of their deceased father is not known.

He (Richard) married Sarah Ann DOGGETT, daughter of George Doggett and Ann Chattin (Chatwin), circa 1749. Born, circa 1730. Died before 1793, in Wilkes Co. GA.

The will of George Doggett of Culpeper Co. VA in 1758 names a daughter Sarah Ann Reynolds. The wife of Richard Reynolds is identified as Sarah Anne in a deed they made in 1770. Sarah's sister, Margaret Doggett Scroggins and her family, moved to Henry Co. VA and Wilkes Co. GA in concert with Richard and Sarah Ann Reynolds. The circumstantial evidence that her maiden name was Doggett is strong, but no proof has been found. Sarah Ann survived her husband. Children.

i. **SPENCER REYNOLDS.** Born circa 1750 in VA. Died 19 May 1830 in Flat Creek, Williamson Co. TN. Burial 1830 in Reynolds in Cemetery, Flat Creek, Williamson Co. TN. Probate of Estate: Jul 1830 in Williamson Co. TN. He married Phebe, circa 1769.

The date of birth on his tombstone (1767) must either be an error or incorrectly transcribed. He was over the age of 51 in 1812 as he did not pay a poll tax on himself, so born no later than 1761 and probably at lest 10 years earlier than that based on the birth dates of his children.

He was residing in Henry Co. VA in 1779. Spencer was living in Pittsylvania Co. VA on 7 Nov 1782 when he bought 300 acres on the head of Mason Banch from James Cox Sr of Henry Co for 20 pounds current money of VA. He had 8 whites and 2 blacks in his household that year.

Also present in the same county in 1782 were John and Richard Reynolds. He was on the 1785 Henry County tax list and also in Capt. Hagan's district in Wilkes Co. GA that same year. This probably is the date he left VA, taking his family with him. I suspect he moved to GA about the time of his father's final illness or death. He was named as executor of the will of Joseph Fortune, with Joseph's wife Mary Fortune, in Pittsylvania Co. January 1784. The will was not probated until 18 Feb 1788, however. Witnesses to the will included George Reynolds, Richard Reynolds and Phebe Tanner. The will directed that a "Stud Horse called 'Whynot', in possession of Spencer Reynolds, one-half mine, be sold to sd. Reynolds for one half the purchase price less the horse's keep."

He was in the lottery and living in Wilkes Co GA in 1805. He left GA after the 1810 tax collection, taking some of his children with him. He was first seen in Williamson Co. TN on the 1812 tax list with 0 white poll and 1 black poll. His brother George was living there in 1808. Spencer and his wife were not listed as heads of household in 1820. They probably were in the home of their son Reuben, both over the age of 45. His will was written 20 May 1826. By that time his son Richard C. was dead and Richard's heirs received his share.

Spencer was guardian to the son of his daughter Matilda by her first husband John Durham in Jan 1829. Spencer Jr. and Reuben seem to be the only sons living in the area when Spencer Sr. died.

ii. GEORGE REYNOLDS. Born 1754 Caroline Co. VA. Died 1813 in Williamson Co. TN; buried in Reynolds Cemetery, Blaze Road, Williamson Co. TN. Probate of Estate, Oct 1813 in Williamson Co. TN.

He married Susannah LANDSFORD, 12 June 1779 in Henry Co. VA. George was living in Henry Co. VA by 1777. He was a 2nd Lt. 15 Sept 1777 in Henry Co. Militia under Col. George Hairston. In Oct 1779, George Reynolds of Leatherwood was appointed 1st Lt. in the company of John Wells. He was made a Capt. of the company formerly commanded by Peter Hairston in 1782. There are several other entries in the court

records related to his military service.

George and Susannah bought land in Pittsylvania Co. on the Muster Branch of Leatherwood Creek. It appears that they also lived in Wilkes Co. GA for a few years after 1787 and before 1796 when they had returned to Pittsylvania Co. He was executor of Jacob Reiger's estate in 1802 and living in Pittsylvania Co. VA as late as 29 Aug 1803.

He was paying tax on 294 5/160 acres on the West Harpeth, Williamson Co. in 1808. He is likely the first of this family to settle there where he spent the remainder of his life.

His tombstone reads "Capt. George Reynolds, Hairston's Co. Va. Regt., Revv. War." The tombstone is located on the farm of W.M. Givens, 5th district, in the Bingham Community. His widow survived him.

iii. RICHARD REYNOLDS. Born after 1754. Died after 1795. His birth date is likely after 1754 as he was not named in the lease his father made that year which included his brothers Spencer and George. Richard was living 6 Jan 1795 when he collected his legacy from the estate of his father.

iv. JOHN REYNOLDS. Born circa 1757. Died after 1795. He receipted for his share in the division of Richard Reynolds' estate 6 Jan 1795.

v. THOMAS REYNOLDS. Born circa 1760 in Culpeper Co. VA. Died 1831 Hopkins Co. KY. Probate of estate: Aug 1831, Hopkins Co. KY. He married Martha Crowley?. His birth year is shown to be between 1760 and 1770 from census records. Thomas purchased a slave, Judy, from the estate of Richard Reynolds in Wilkes Co. GA in 1793. She accompanied the family to Hopkins Co. and is named as his "elderly Negro woman" in his will in 1831. He served as guardian for Aaron and Moses Reynolds, his nephews. His will was written 26 Apr 1831. One of his daughters was still a minor and his wife is not mentioned in the will.

vi. BENJAMIN REYNOLDS. Born after 1765. He married Nancy _____. He was born after 1765 but before 1771. He purchased Ned, a slave, from his father's estate in 1793. There is information suggesting that a male slave named Ned went to southern IL with Benjamin Reynolds, consistent with the acquisition of Ned from Richard Reynolds' estate. Benjamin was living in Hopkins Co. KY in 1810. He sold his land there in 1817 and is found in Edwards Co. IL in 1820.

vii. JOSEPH REYNOLDS. Born

before 1774. Probate of estate: 1822 in Hickman Co. KY. He married Frances _____. He was in the Wilkes Co. GA militia in 1793. General, the slave he acquired from the Richard Reynolds estate in 1793, is mentioned in Joseph's estate appraisal in Hickman Co. in 1822. He died intestate.

viii. **BETSEY REYNOLDS.** Died after 1795. She was single in 1795 but of age.

ix. **ANNE REYNOLDS?** Died after 1793. She married Jacob Reiger, who received a payment from the estate of Richard Reynolds, presumably in right of his wife although Anne was not mentioned by name as an heir in the record. He was in Pittsylvania Co. VA in 1784 and seen in records associated with the Reynolds men. Anne was living 21 Jan 1793 but is not mentioned in Jacob's will dated 23 Nov 1802 in Pittsylvania Co VA. Some of their children were unmarried (and minors?) When Jacob died. Anne probably was named for her maternal grandmother, Ann Chattin Doggett.

Chronology of The Reynolds

Families of Virginia

by Rod Stucker, Professional Genealogist

29 Aug 2001, Final Report

Part 6

[Thanks to Rod Stucker and his client, whose permission has been granted to RFA to publish this report. The report will run in each issue of *Recollections* until completed, a major document for descendants of Christopher of Virginia. Only non-Reynolds names are capitalized. - Lee Taylor]

In March, 1643, by an Act of the General Assembly, Isle of Wight County was divided into two parishes:

The upper parish to extend from Lawnes Creek to the eastern side of the Bay, the creeke deviding the plantation of Sam. DAVIS and Joseph COBBS to be the extant and division of the said upper parish: The lower parish to extend from the Pagan-Poynt upon the river side to the plantation of Rich. HAYES, from the Pagan-Poynt upon the bay including all the southerly side to the plantation of the said Cobbs, and that all the inhabitants alreadie resideing or that hereafter shall reside on that side to belong to the said lower parish."

Officially, the Upper Parish became known as Warrosquyoake Parish, and the Lower Parish as Newport Parish. The Act of 1734 herinafter referred to gives the

official name to Newport for the first time. (Doc.#154c-d)

According to a book entitled *Historical Notes of Isle of Wight County*, we also located the following parish history available on the Internet:

"As early as 1629 a parish existed in Warrasquyoake. By 1643 it was necessary to divide the county lengthwise, making the Upper and Lower parishes using the Pagan River as the dividing line. Later the names were changed to Warrasquyoake for the Upper and Newport for the Lower Parish. In 1734 these parishes were again divided, this time at the Blackwater River. The upper parts were combined and called Nottoway Parish; the lower parts were named Newport. All of Nottoway Parish formed the new county of Southampton in 1749, leaving all of Newport in Isle of Wight County." Notice that this second description of the parish histories is better defined than the original description listed above. The fact that the Upper and Lower Parishes used the Pagan River as the dividing line is important information for identifying the Reynolds families who resided on the shores of the Pagan River and Cypress Creek where Christopher Reynolds, Sr., obtained his first land patent in 1636 as listed above. In 1734, the Upper and Lower Parishes were divided again at the Blackwater River with the portions of the Upper Parish combined with the Nottoway Parish which became Southampton County in 1749, leaving all of the Lower Parish, now called Newport Parish, in Isle of Wight County.

Another enlightening description from the book entitled *Isle of Wight County, 1608 - 1907*, by Col. E. M. MORRISON, provides the following interpretation of the original description of the Upper and Lower Parishes of Isle of Wight County:

In 1642 the county, heretofore one parish, was divided into two. Lawnes Creek was the northern and Pagan Creek was the southern boundary of the Upper Parish; Pagan Creek the northern and the Nansemond county line the southern boundary of the Lower Parish. They both extended [East] to the North Carolina line, about ninety miles [prior to the formation of Nottoway Parish in 1734, and Southampton County in 1749 as listed above].

Though the Newport Parish records contain some birth records for the years 1705-1757, which were transcribed from an early parish register, they were lost. However, a transcription of these colonial birth records from the lost

parish register appear on pages 223-228 of a later parish register for Newport Parish which is contained on microfilm via *Miscellaneous reel 649; Isle of Wight County reel 50*, at the Library of Virginia. These birth records are also listed in the Newport Parish records which are transcribed and published by William Lindsay Hopkins. Though there are several listings for Christopher and Richard Reynolds in the Newport Parish records which are extant from 1724-1784, as listed below in this chronology, there are no birth, marriage, death or burial records listed for any individuals named Reynolds in either the Lower or Newport Parish records.

1 Oct 1645, *Isle of Wight County Wills and Administrations*, Bk. 1, p. 330, Christopher Reynolds listed as a land owner bounding land owned by Arthur Smith called the *Freshett and John Roe's Neck* in the will of [Col.] Arthur SMITH [Sr.] of Warrisqueake, recorded 9 Feb 1693 (Doc.#132j, 182d)

1646, *Biographical Dictionary of Early Virginia*, 1607-1660; WILLIAM RENNALDS listed in various records of York County, Virginia (Doc.#191d)

This is the first record of a Reynolds/Rennalds family listed in York County records. Due to the lack of name and residence patterns and the location of York County, William Rennalds does not appear to have been directly related to Christopher Reynolds, Sr., the immigrant or his descendants of Isle of Wight County. York County was created from Charles City County in 1634.

1648, *Early Virginia Immigrants* by George Cabell Greer, p. 276; William Reynolds was transported to Isle of Wight County by John SEWARD (Doc.#21a)

According to the publication entitled *Early Virginia Immigrants* by George Cabell Greer, who was clerk of the Virginia State Land Office, there were several individuals named Reynolds/Reynolls who were transported to Colonial Virginia as servants in the mid 1600's. The author of this publication appears to have extracted the names of these indentured servants from the land patents and transportation records which were used to issue the original land patents and headrights to the individuals who were responsible for transporting these servants to Virginia. This publication lists these immigrants and indentured servants with the individual who was responsible for their transportation as well as the county where they were transported. Several were

transported to Charles River and Charles City Counties. There were also three Richard Reynolds who were transported to: New Norfolk County in 1637; to Charles City County in 1638; and to Virginia, no county listed, in 1652. William Reynolds was the only immigrant/indentured servant listed who was transported to Isle of Wight County. He was transported in 1648 by John SEWARD (Doc.#21a). Interestingly, Christopher Reynolds, Sr., the immigrant is not listed among them and only William Reynolds was transported to Isle of Wight County.

1648, *Biographical Dictionary of Early Virginia*, 1607-1660; THOMAS REYNALLS listed in a bill which he assigned to another in York County, Virginia (Doc.#191e)

1649, *Biographical Dictionary of Early Virginia*, 1607-1660; WILLIAM RENNOLS listed residing in Northumberland County (Doc.#191c)

This is the first record of a Reynolds/Rennols family in Northumberland County. Due to the lack of name and residence patterns and the location of Northumberland County, William Rennols does not appear to have been directly related to Christopher Reynolds, Sr., the immigrant or his descendants of Isle of Wight County. According to the *Biographical Dictionary of Early Virginia*, 1607-1660, William Reynalds died in 1655 in Northumberland County where records, dated 1658, list he had a wife Ann and children named William Reynalds, Jr.; James Reynalds; and Ann Reynalds (Doc.#191e).

9 Apr 1649, *Seventeenth Century Isle of Wight County, Virginia*, by John B. Boddie, p. 531, Christopher Reynolds listed residing next to 300 acres of land sold by Ambrose BENNETT to Ambrose MEADER (Doc.#131ac)

The 1645 and 1649 land records reveal that Christopher Reynolds, Sr.'s land was located adjacent to the land of his neighbors, Col. Arthur Smith, I and Ambrose Bennett. In addition, Christopher Reynolds, Sr.'s land was bounded by the tracts of land called the *Freshett and John Roe's Neck*. Ambrose Bennett was possibly related to Mr. Edward Bennett of whom Christopher Reynolds, Sr., the immigrant appears to have been an indentured servant.

1652, *Biographical Dictionary of Early Virginia*, 1607-1660; Thomas Rennolds of Lower Norfolk County listed as the subject of a headright in Lower Norfolk County (Doc.#191c)

Colonial Virginia headrights were usually issued in the form of land patents which were granted to an individual by the Colonial Virginia government in return for providing transportation of individuals to Virginia. This Thomas Reynolds appears to have been the same individual listed below in our report: 1669-1671, *Lower Norfolk County Deeds*, Bk. E, pp. 47, 113, 116; Thomas Reynolds of Lower Norfolk County is listed buying and selling land in Lower Norfolk County; 1 Sep 1671, *Brief Abstracts of Lower Norfolk County Wills*, 1637-1710, by C. F. MCINTOSH, p.37-8; Thomas Reynolds listed as husband of Elizabeth ASHALL, daughter of George Ashall according to the will of George Ashall of ye little Creek in Linhaven Parish, proved 17 Feb 1672 (Doc.#193a). These records appear to be the source for some family genealogists including Col. Steve F. Tillman, for listing that Thomas Reynolds was the son of Christopher Reynolds, Sr., the immigrant. However, other than the fact that Thomas resided in Lower Norfolk County which is near Isle of Wight County, there is no documentation to support this theory. The theory that Thomas Reynolds was the unborn child listed in the will of Christopher Reynolds, Sr., the immigrant regarding his wife, Elizabeth Reynolds, does not correspond with the dates of the above headright or the above deeds and will records. Lower Norfolk County, Virginia land records reveal that Thomas Reynolds first obtained land there in 1652 as listed above, and again from 1669-1671 as listed above (*Deed Book E*, pp. 47, 113, 116). If Thomas Reynolds was born in 1654/5 as indicated by "the unborn child which my wife goeth with" listed in Christopher Reynolds, Sr., the immigrant's will, then Thomas would only have been age eight years old in 1652 when he first obtained his headright in Lower Norfolk County. Usually, individuals were over age twenty one before they were allowed to buy and sell land in Colonial Virginia. Hence, this could not have been the unborn child of Christopher Reynolds, Sr., the immigrant. Though this Thomas Reynolds was old enough to have been a brother of Christopher Reynolds, Sr., the immigrant as suggested by some Reynolds researchers, there is nothing other than name and residence patterns to document this information. Lower Norfolk County was originally created in 1637 from New Norfolk County. It was located south of Isle of Wight County. Lower Norfolk County no longer exists and related records are currently housed in Chesapeake City, Virginia.

1652, *Early Virginia Immigrants* by George Cabell Greer, p. 276; Richard Reynolds was transported to Virginia by Henry SOANE (Doc.#21a)

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30 Apr 1652, Christopher Reynolds, along with his neighbor Richard Bennett, was elected to the House of Burgesses on 30 Apr 1652 from Isle of Wight Co; Bennett was chosen to be Governor of Virginia. [*Statutes at Large* by William Waller HENNING, Vol. I, pp. 371-373 (Doc.#188); *Register of Ancestors*, National Society of Colonial Dames of America in Virginia, p. 77, 1979]

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Documented Early American Reynolds' Ancestor Lines (American Progenitors)

Code	Year	Name	Line Coordinator
11	1650	John & Ann Holbrook of Weymouth & Stonington CT	Sarah Reynolds Young, 2832 Crest Dr. Bakersfield CA 93306
12	1630	Robert & Mary () of Boston MA	Dorothy Y. B. Johnson, 62 Danube River Drive, Cocoa Beach, FL 32931-2832
13	1634	William & Alice Kitson of Duxbury MA & Cape Porpoise ME	Susan E. Clement, 19 Hemlock Dr, Swansea MA 02777
14	1643	James & Deborah () of N. Kingstown RI	Rosemary Markham, 1996 W 1550N, Provo, UT 84604
15	1650	John & Sarah Backus of Saybrook, Lyme & Norwich CT	Vacant
16	1725	___ Reynolds & ___ Crook of Washington Co. MD	Kerry E. Reynolds, 8403 Whitman Dr, Bethesda MD 20817
17	1622	Christopher & Elizabeth of Isle of Wight VA	Sybil "Lee" Taylor, 4004 Javins Dr, Alexandria VA 22310
18	1676	Henry & Prudence Clayton of Lancaster Co. PA	Marilyn J. Newton, 2240 130th St, Winterset IA 50273
19	1678	Electious & Mary Pease of Salem & Middleboro MA	Susan E. Clement, 19 Hemlock Dr, Swansea MA 02777
20	1634	John & Sarah () Watertown MA, Wethersfield & Stamford CT	Dr. Glenn G. Reynolds, GGREYNOLDS@WORLDNET.ATT.NET
21	1682	John & () of DE	Vacant
22	1708	Richard & Mary Capers, Benjamin & Mary (), William () of St. Helena's Parish SC	} Dottie Smith, 401 N Peppertree Dr., Vero Beach FL 32963
23	1700	John & Elizabeth () of Kent Co. DE	Vacant
24	1635	Katherine Reynolds and Edward Starbuck of Dover NH & Nantucket Island	} Joyce Page, 7501 Long Pine Dr, Springfield VA 22151
25	Line not determined (Stonewalls)		
26	1637	Thomas & Mary of Isle of Wight VA	{ William L. King, 109 Starboard Ct, Montross VA 22520
27	1640	William & Ann Harrison of York Co. VA	{ William L. King, 109 Starboard Ct, Montross VA 22520
28	1660	John & Naomi Latimer of Wethersfield, CT	Cheryl Reynolds Kenter, 2216 NW Fawn Dr., Blue Spring, MO 64015
29	1652	Thomas & Susan Snead of York Co. VA	Betty Baughman, 3151 Pioneer Ct., Kissimmee, FL, 34744
30	1784	James & Mary Bannon, Margaret & Andrew Forgey, Ellen & () McDaniel of Co. Louth IRE & Knox Co. TN	} Julia F. Dean, 3650 S Trenton, Tulsa OK 74105
31	1850	William & Rebecca Tawn of Moulton, ENG & Grinnell, IA	Vacant
34	1886	Thomas & Bigham Stuart of Scotland & Scranton PA	Gerald T. Reynolds, 5 Snow Ave., Binghamton NY 13905
35	1703	James & Susanna () Reynolds of Essex Co. VA	William L. King, 109 Starboard Ct, Montross VA 22520
36	1829	John & Mary Thornton Ashton, England, QUE, NH	Susan R. Phaneuf, 4502 King George Ct, Perry Hall, MD 21128

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