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THE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Please send your 8th Generation and succeeding Family information to the SGS Database Coordinator [John Seely], Dan Seelye [for Dan's Web Site], and to Terry Tietjens for the archives at the Seelye Research Center. These gentlemen manage excellent repositories of SGS data, assist in responding to SGS queries and help researchers link up with other family members who may have information on your line.

I encourage current members to give a gift of membership to their adult children or other younger family members. Several SGS members have done just that. If you know anyone who might like to join, please let me know and we'll send them an SGS brochure. The brochure contains an application form.

One SGS Member, from a Seeley line who came to America from the United Kingdom after both Robert and Obadiah in the 1600s, suggested research on Seeley lines in England. SGS members who descend from such a Seeley line are requested to submit specific research objectives to the SGS Genealogist for consideration. They are also requested to contact Kathie Olsen with the Town of their ancestor's origin as a possible visit site during the 2004 SGS trip to Great Britain. Because of our limited research funds, we will focus research on what we believe would benefit the most members. Contributions to our research fund are always welcome and should be forwarded to our Treasurer, Mr. William Thresher [address on page 2].

SGS has several members from Canada and some from UK and Argentina. I value these members and ask their inputs on how we can help them with their genealogical challenges and what initiatives they would like to see SGS pursue. I would also like their inputs on places to visit during the SGS visit to UK in 2004 and on SGS research objectives.

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THE PRESIDENT'S REPORT (Continued)

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One issue that will be discussed extensively at the May 18 Executive Board Meeting (see page 5) is the continuing question about the lineage of Obadiah Seeley, SGS #4. Areas for potential continuing research, both in America and in England will be discussed to determine if additional resource commitments would be likely to yield additional information. Also to be discussed is the potential for use of DNA testing methods currently being developed for relating ancestral lines. The results of these deliberations will be published in the next Newsletter.

I strongly support the continuous search for the truth in determining our ancestral lines. However, seldom do we have all the information we need to make a firm decision. So, we are often left with doing the best we can by making an educated guess based on incomplete data. I hope all members will couch their findings in appropriate language if there isn't 100% proof behind a conclusion and I hope members will respect each other's position when differences of opinion exist. I believe working together to resolve differences is one of the real values of belonging to SGS. We have a volunteer to serve as Area Coordinator for the Northern California area. She is Christine Havnar, Email address: <u>jchavnar@sbcglobal.net</u>. Christine actually volunteered during the September 2001 SGS Reunion but unfortunately that fact got lost in my notes. The complete list of SGS Area Coordinators is found elsewhere in this Newsletter. We thank you for volunteering, Christine.

Please contribute to the SGS Newsletter. Please send the Newsletter Editor info on Seeley births, marriages and deaths. Please send Marshall Seelye info on your service in the Armed Forces of your native country and information you may have on a famous Seeley. Please volunteer to assist with one of the projects listed in this Newsletter. Plan to attend the 2003 Reunion in September in Williamsburg, VA and plan to join us for a trip to Great Britain in 2004 where we hope to visit sites of interest to Seeleys. Finally, please send me your suggestions for making SGS a more interesting and valuable Genealogical Society for YOU.

> Jim Seeley, President Seeley Genealogical Society

September 11, 2001 Footnote

On October 17, 2001, Jim Seeley checked the list of victims maintained by the Washington Post for any victims having the last name of Seeley. Thankfully, Jim did not identify any having that surname among the listed victims. Of course, this does not rule out Seeley descendants of another surname; however, for this at least we can be thankful. The victims list is published on http://washingtonpost.com/wp-srv/metro/ specials/attacked/victims/viclist/html

SEELEY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

General Information

Membership is open to anyone interested in Genealogy, History or Biography; amateur or professional, and includes Seeleys and Seeley descendants. Although the name Seeley refers to one family surname, there are hundreds of other surnames of allied families, who intermarried into the Seeleys to form this ALL AMERICAN FAMILY. The name Seeley is spelled many different ways including as examples the following - Seeley, Seely, Seely, Seele, Seele, Seela, Cieley, Cealy, Cilley, etc. All similar surname spellings are invited to become members.

Objectives and Purposes

To preserve and make available for Genealogical research the family records of the Seeley Ancestors. to encourage and assist the study of family history; to promote the exchange of knowledge and to encourage the deposit of family records. To cooperate with other Societies and assist in the publication of Genealogical holdings. To publish the generations of the Seeley family beginning with Capt. Robert Seeley who immigrated to America in 1630. To assist in the education of Genealogical methods, standards and record keeping.

Membership Dues	\$8.00 per year, U. S. Funds. Year is September 1 to August 31.(\$15 two years; \$21 three years; \$30 five years)
Life Membership	\$100.00, U. S. Funds, Pay all dues to Membership Chairman.
Research Fund	Personal Contributions. Any amount welcome at any time.
Donald Eff Memorial Fund	Personal Contributions welcome at any time.
Newsletter	Quarterly newsletters, Special Editions, Free Queries, Announcements and Offers of Help. Newsletters are issued in February, May August and November, Queries and other articles must be in the hands of the Editor by the 15th of the month prior to publication.
Reunions	SGS Reunions are held every two years. The next one is scheduled for September 2003 in the Williamsburg, VA area. Please advise the Editor if your branch or family have plans for a sectional or local reunion in the interim. Others might like to know about it.

National Research Center Co-located with the Seelye Mansion at 1105 N. Buckeye, in Abilene, KS 67410

SGS Publications

Descendants of Robert Seeley (1602-1677) and Obadiah Seeley (1614-1657): Generations One Through Five, 1997 Edition, and The Sixth Generation Families, 1995 Edition, are both available for US\$17.00 each including postage. The Seventh Generation Families: Descendants of Robert Seeley (1601-1667) and Obadiah Seeley (1614-1657), 2000 Edition, is available for US\$25.00 including postage. These books may be ordered from from the Seelye Research Center, P. O. Box 337, Abilene, KS, 67410-0337, or from the President, Chief Genealogist, or Newsletter Editor of the Society at their addresses listed on page 2 of this Newsletter. Prior issues of the Newsletter are available for US\$1.00 each from the Newsletter Editor or from the Seelye Research Center.

Member's Home Pages

Seelye Genealogy to Share Daniel P. Seelye http://home.att.net/~seelyegen

SGS EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING AND LOCAL MINI-REUNION

The SGS Executive Board of Directors will meet at the Seelye Research Center in Abilene, KS on May 18, 2002. Agenda items include: review of planning for the 2003 SGS Reunion in Williamsburg, VA, review status of initiatives for increasing membership and making present members more active, review existing SGS processes [queries, ordering SGS Publications, requesting SGS membership, etc.], review SGS research objectives, report on Seelye Research Center issues, review status of Famous Seeley List and List of Seeleys in the Armed Forces, provide inputs to Kathie Olsen on the 2004 trip to Great Britain, use of DNA in Seeley genealogical research, and other items to be determined.

SGS members, particularly those living in the Abilene, KS area, are invited to listen in on the SGS Board meeting on May 18, subject to space limitations. A mini-Seeley Reunion is planned around a dinner the evening of May 18. If you plan to attend, please let Terry Tietjens know as soon as possible. Let him know if (1) you want to attend the Board of Directors meeting and (2) if you will be attending the Seeley Dinner. Terry's Email and US Mail address is found on page 2 of each Newsletter.

SEELEY/KNIGHTS FAMILY REUNION PLANNED

The Seeley/Knights Reunion will be held in Alba, PA Sunday, July 28,2002. The descendants of James A. and Ida Knights Seeley will gather at the new Community Pavilion, just off Rt. 14 on the Windfall Road.

Many gather before noon to catch up on the family, so join us if you can. We will start lunch promptly at 1:00 pm with the business meeting following.

ENGLAND IN 2004

Several individuals at the Seeley Genealogical Society Reunion in Tacoma last September expressed interest in going together to England in 2004 to visit Seeley Family sites. If you are interested in going on such a trip, please write a short note to Kathie Olsen at 639 8th Ave, Salt Lake City, UT 84103-3124 or send an Email to davidkathie@mstar2.net. The dates and itinerary are open to suggestion; and the final arrangements, including costs will be determined at a later time depending on the interest.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

If any family group is planning a local or regional meeting, a notice of that meeting will be published in this Newsletter if the editor is informed. This is not restricted to Seeley/Seelye family groups; but all such notices are welcome. Please submit them in time for Newsletter deadlines of February, May, August and November.

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OBITUARIES

Marjorie Ann Maynard Guytine died on 28 Nov 2001 in Newark, NY. She was married to Dr. Robert Guytine and they had no children. Marjorie was the daughter of Madeline Marie Seeley Maynard and the granddaughter of Clyde H. Seeley. Clyde's line [unproven] was James A., James, William, Samuel, Nathaniel, Ebenezer, Jonas, and Obadiah. Marjorie was b. on 8 Jan 1944 and she had no siblings. She was buried in the Glenwood Cemetery, Troy, PA and she is survived by numerous relatives in the Bradford County, PA area. [Provided by James Seeley]

Dean Kendall Seeley passed away February 23, 2002 at the Darway Nursing Home. Son of Adelbert E and Matilda Alberts Seeley, he was born June 2, 1915. He is survived by his wife, Alma Stone Seeley, several grandchildren and great grandchildren. He was predeceased by three children; Keith D. Seeley, 1990, Roy W. Seeley, 1994, and Patricia M. (Seeley) Crandell. Burial was in the Glenwood Cemetery Troy, PA. [Provided by Veronica Newell]

Justus Frandsen Seely, age 61, passed away February 23, 2002, in Portland Oregon. He was born Feb. 11, 1941 to Justus O. and Louise Frandsen Seely in Mt. Pleasant, UT. He is survived by his wife who resides in Corvallis, OR; daughter Heather Seely Roberts; son, Justus Sansom; daughter, Erin Lee; five grandchildren; and one sister, Mary Louise Seamons of Orem, UT. He was buried in Mt. Pleasant City (Continued on page 16)

MEMBERSHIP BROCHURES NOW AVAILABLE

One issue that is crying for the attention and help of the Society membership is the fact that we have reproduced and are sending brochures out to prospective new SGS members that describes the Seeley Genealogical Society and includes a membership application form. If anyone would like me to send a brochure to a recommended prospect, they should send me the complete name and address of the person to receive the brochure. I will mail it after checking with our Membership Chairman to ensure we haven't duplicated efforts. We want to exhaust our supply of brochures before the Postal rates go up as expected in mid-2002. Jim Seeley, President

Seeley Genealogical Society

QUERIES

SGS QUERIES (Data as of 12 April 2002)

Query number is 2 digit year; 2 digit month of Newsletter; then query sequence number

Please send queries to Jim Seeley at <u>jrseeley@aol.com</u> [or to the US Mail address listed on page 2 of this Newsletter] or to your Area Coordinator, listed elsewhere. Jim assigns Query numbers for tracking purposes and forwards the query to the Query Team comprising Dan Seelye, John Seely, Kathie Olsen, Ray and Ann Hall, and Terry Tietjens. He then consolidates all responses, and provides the appropriate input, by Query # to the SGS Newsletter Editor. Contact Jim and the query submitter if you have information to add.

QUERY UPDATES

Update to Query # 0111-7 The submitter was Kathy Cummings, c/o Marilyn O'Conner, 47 High Street, Carthage, NY 13619 her query regarded her grandparents **Hiram** and Perleyette **Seeley**. SGS had no records that could help Kathy with her query. However, SGS Member W. Leonard Seeley saw her query in the November 2001 SGS Newsletter and wrote to Kathy. He stated he had no information on Hiram, but he believed his great grandfather, Austin Seeley was a younger brother of Hiram's. His Austin was born in either Massachusetts or New York and he believes his Austin might have been the son of James Davison Seeley [SGS#1646], the eldest son of Ebenezer Seeley, the Loyalist, [SGS # 476]. W. Leonard Seeley invited Kathy Cummings to write to share Seeley Family data. Thank you Leonard for responding to a cousin's request.

Update to Query # SR2001-10 The submitter was Georgiana Harger Stevens, RgSte48398@aol.com. Georgiana was seeking information on Mary/Polly Seeley and her husband Eber Harger. This query appeared in the February SGS Newsletter and the interim response identified Mary/Polly Seeley as SGS # 1974. Helen Harger Stevens responded to the query and agrees with Mary/Polly Seeley's line as described in the SGS 7th Generation Book, page 7 of the Nathaniel Section. Helen is a great great granddaughter of Mary/Polly and Eber Harger. However, she believes Eber Harger died in Oakland County, MI not Genesee County as stated in the 7th Generation Book. Helen's Email was forwarded to Georgiana. Georgiana is continuing her research in trying to tie female Hargers to this family. She is also seeking info on an Eber Harger who was married on 2 Apr 1843 to Eliza Taylor. Thank you for your response, Helen.

Update to Query # 0202-4 The submitter was SGS Member Marilyn Seely VanStory, Email <u>MvanStory3@aol.com</u>. She was seeking information on the father of her great great grandfather **Ebenezer Seely**, b. 6 Nov 1802 and d. 6 Jan 1886 and information on any living Seely relatives. First, Terry Tietjens, Director of the Seelye Research Center in Abilene, KS responded that Ebenezer Seely [8th Generation], SGS # 2660 seemed to be a good fit. Ebenezer's parents were Jeduthan/Juduthen Seely [Ebenezer, David, John, Benjamin, Nathaniel,

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Robert] and Sally Mary Gibbs, dau. of William R. and Sally Mix Gibbs. Second, SGS 1st Vice President, Kathie Olsen responded that Betty Allen of Kimball, NE had submitted information on Ebenezer Seeley. Kathy stated that a history of Whitesides County, [NE?] contains a biography that indicates Ebenezer had three children, two died in infancy and one, Ralph M. Seeley, who was b. in 1867, was still alive when the book was published. Third, SGS Member Jane Carpenter responded to Marilyn VanStory that all the information Marilyn is asking for is on the Internet at Familysearch.org including all the relatives down from **Martin V. Seely** [Marilyn's great grandfather]. Jane provided Marilyn instructions on locating Ebenezer at that web site. Jane is a former Assistant Genealogist of SGS. Thanks to Terry, Kathie and Jane for responding so completely to this query.

Update to Ouery # 0202-7 The submitters were SGS Members Herman and Elaine Seelye, Email <u>ehseelye@postoffice.pacbell.net</u>. Their updated query seeks birth, death and marriage information on the descendants of Catherine, a daughter of Charles H. Seelye, SGS # 2600 [eighth generation in the Nathaniel line] and on Catherine herself. Dan Seelye provided Herman and Elaine a Group Sheet that listed the children of Catherine Seelye [b. 5 May 1881] and her husband, Linus Inman as: Kenneth Inman [b. ca 1906], Lester Inman [b. ca 1906] and Charles Inman. The submitters had that info less the birth dates. The submitters also reported that Charles Inman had two children who they understood lived in the Chicago area. Dan's Group Sheet listed the following data on Charles H. Seelye's daughter, Catherine: b. 5 May 1881, Lindley, Steuben County, NY. She m. Linus Inman (E.W.?), ca 1899, in Lawrenceville, Tioga County, PA. Catherine died 12 Sep 1906, Greensboro, Guilford County, NC. Linus was of Lawrenceville, Tioga County, PA. Any members who have birth, death or marriage info on Catherine's descendants are requested to contact Herman and Elaine Seelye at the above Email address, copy to Jim Seelye.

[Herman also reported that his brother Raymond died 13 Mar 2002 in Ocala, FL and that the interment would be at Holy Cross Cemetery in Parma, OH where his father [Thomas Seelye] and mother are buried.]

NEW QUERIES

<u>**Ouery # 0205-1**</u>: Submitted by Ted Reising, Email: <u>tedohio@yahoo.com</u> <u>**Subject: Reuben Seely (alive in 1820)**</u>

Ted is requesting the ancestry of Reuben Seely who was enumerated in the 1820 census of Florence Twp., Huron County (now Erie County), OH. Ted is wondering if Reuben is connected to the Jehial Seeley (1781-1873) who lived/died in Berlin Twp., Erie County, OH and listed as SGS # 2282 in the 7th Generation Book.

<u>SGS Interim Response</u>: Dan Seelye responded that he found the following data in John Seely's SGS Database: Reuben Seeley b. ca 1800, Ohio(?) m. 15 Oct 1825, Huron County, OH Clarissa Allen. No ancestry was listed for them in this database. If anyone has further information on this query, please reply to the submitter copy to Jim Seeley.

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<u>**Query # 0205-2</u>**: Submitted by Laura Seelye Wesselhoff, Email: laurawellelhoff@juno.com <u>**Subject: Abner Seelye**</u></u>

Laura is trying to find the children of Abner Seelye, b. 1808 in CT, d. 1883 in Baxter, IA, m. 1829 to Julia Ann Rosein (b. 25 Jul 1809, d. 2 Apr 1883). Laura's line is Raymond F. Seelye, Paul Abner Seelye, Earl Abner Seelye (b. 1891), and James Abner Seelye. She wonders if her line descends from Abner Seelye, b. 1808.

SGS Interim Response: Dan Seelye responded to Laura with a Family Group Sheet listing the following children of Abner Seelye (SGS # 2278) and Julia Ann Rose who m. in 1829: Thomas Seeley [b. 13 May 1831], Sally Seeley, Andrew Jackson Seeley [b. 1834], Charles O. Seeley [b. 1837], Emily Seeley [b. 1840], Horace Burr Seelye [b. 1843], Erastus Orrin Seeley [b. 1846], John R. Seeley [b. 1849], Rionel Floyd Seeley [b. 1852], and Netta Seeley [d. at age 3]. Dan also provided references along with a name and the address of who submitted the data. Kathie Olsen responded that her records agreed with Dan's as far as the Children of Abner SGS # 2278 goes. However, this data does not connect Laura's line with Abner SGS # 2278. Dan Seelye also reported a James A. Seeley who m. Frankie Hereford from the Illinois State Marriage Index, Fulton County, IL and recommended Laura check that marriage record for parents names. If anyone has further information on this query, please reply to the submitter copy to Jim Seeley.

<u>**Query # 0205-3</u>**: Submitted by Jack and Cheryl Brooks, Email: jlbrooks@wi-net.com <u>Subject</u>: Benjamin Seely</u>

Jack and Cheryl are searching for the parents of Benjamin Seely, b. 31 Dec 1778, d. 8 Sep 1864 in Southport, Chemung County, NY, and who m. Permilia Edsall [b. 30 Nov 1788, d. 6 Sep 1866]. Cheryl descends from Benjamin Seely. Jack and Cheryl provided SGS her line back to Benjamin.

SGS Interim Response: Bradford County, PA is adjacent to Chemung County, NY. *The History and Geography of Bradford County Pennsylvania 1615-1924* By Clement F. Heverly, Promoted and Published by THE BRADFORD COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY, page 378 states "Parmilia Edsal m. Benj. Seely and had a brother named Seeley in 1850." Also, tax records place a Benjamin Seeley (Seely) in Columbia Twp., Bradford County, PA in 1812 and in Wells Twp, Bradford County, PA in 1821, 1822, and 1829. These data may not pertain to the same Benjamin nor does it connect Benjamin to his ancestors but it may be helpful. If anyone has further information on this query, please reply to the submitters copy to Jim Seeley.

<u>**Query # 0205-4</u>**: Submitted by Pepita Ferrari, Email: peppich@pop.total.net <u>Subject</u>: Sarah Emma Edmonds Seelye</u>

Pepita Ferrari is a Director/Producer for Films Piche Ferrari Inc. She has done research for a documentary film on Sarah Emma Edmonds, the Canadian girl who enlisted in the Civil War as a man named Franklin Thompson. Then on 27 Apr 1857 she married Linus

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H. Seelye a carpenter and Freemason of Saint John, New Brunswick. Pepita is now completing the research phase of a documentary film on this woman's life for television and expects to enter production this summer and fall. She is in touch with families in New Brunswick and Fort Scott, KS. Pepita is looking for any new material since her last contact with SGS in late 1997.

SGS Interim Response: Terry Tietjens responded that the Seelye Research Center has copies of *Behind Rebel Lines, the incredible story of Emma Edmonds, Civil War Spy* by Seymour Reit and *Nurse and Spy in the Union Army* by Emma E. Edmonds. Terry also said The Fort Scott National Historic Site in Fort Scott, KS had sent many related materials from their archives and offered to make and send copies. He suggested Pepita consult pension records of Franklin Thompson and contact Mrs. Leone Cullor and Mr. Ed McCreedy of Fort Scott, KS (living relatives) for information. If anyone has what is considered more recent research information, please contact Pepita Ferrari, copy to Jim Seeley.

<u>**Ouery # 0205-5**</u>: Submitted by Jean Seeley Richards, Email: <u>Jbeoabn@aol.com</u> <u>Subject: William Seeley, SGS # 3184</u>

Jean is seeking some form of proof [or rationale that indicates] that William Seeley, listed as SGS #3184, is the son of John Seeley, SGS #1390 [7th generation]. Jean believes William's son Charles Seeley and wife Amy Prichard are her great-great grandparents. However, Jean has information that indicates that her William and Charles may descend from John S. Seeley, SGS #149 or that her William may be William H. Seeley [SGS #1137]. Jean is trying to determine which William is her ancestor, and to which line [Nathaniel or Obadiah] is she connected. She is seeking the full name of her William's wife. Jean Richards and her cousin, Kay Larsen [KaySFO@aol.com], have provided rationale for the ancestral links described above.

<u>SGS Interim Response</u>: Jean Richards is an SGS Member and has access to the 3 SGS Publications. If anyone has information that could help answer Jean's or Kay's questions please reply to them direct, copy to Jim Seeley.

<u>**Query # 0205-6</u>**: Submitted by Darlene Seeley Baker, Email: Dbaker@ci.glendale.ca.us <u>Subject: Jesse Seeley and Prudence Brown</u></u>

Darlene is seeking information on the descendants of Jesse Seeley [b. 18 Aug 1808 Carlisle, Schoharie, NY d. 9 Jan 1888 Medina, OH] and Prudence Brown [b. 2 Oct 1809 NY d. 22 Oct 1883 Medina, OH]. They were m. 18 Feb 1830. Jesse is the son of David Seeley and Ursula Sweetman.

SGS Response: Dan Seelye responded with a Group Sheet on Jesse Seeley and Prudence Brown listing 15 children: Marietta Arabell, Caroline, Delia, John V K, Wesley Allen, Samuel Brown, Emma Jane, Esther (Hester), George Delwin, Nathan S, Mary Oviatt, Harmon J, Carrie G, Hiram G, Elizabeth, and Charles. This Jesse Seeley is believed to be the son of David Seeley [SGS#1993 in the Nathaniel line] and Ursula Sweetman. Dan also sent Darlene 1880 census data on John B. Seeley, his wife Sarah E. and their two children George A. and Malissa E. Seeley all from Prairie City, McDonough County, IL. If anyone has additional

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information that could help answer Darlene's questions please reply to her direct, copy to Jim Seeley.

<u>Query # 0205-7</u>: Submitted by Dick De Geus, Email rdegeus@attbi.com <u>Subject: Mary Marcella Seeley, SGS # 2974</u>

Dick is seeking evidence to confirm the date of death of Mary Marcella Seeley. Dick believes her date of death is 1883 based on Trenton Cemetery, Trenton Township, Pierce County, WI records as listed on the web site at <u>http://www.rootsweb.com/~wipierce/trentoncem.txt</u> where "Mary M. Adams" is listed as the wife of Jeremiah Adams. However, the SGS 7th Generation Book lists her date of death as 27 Aug 1851. Dick is also seeking information on the names of the children of one of Mary Marcella Seeley's daughters, Mary Abigail Adams [Dick's great grandmother] and on Mary Abigail's marriage to David McClure Pilsen to confirm his Mother's records. Dick submitted his query via Dan Seelye after he had run across Dan's web page at <u>http://home.att.net/~seelyegen</u>.

<u>SGS Interim Response</u>: Kathie Olsen reports that the death date given in the SGS 7th Generation Book for Mary Marcella Seeley, SGS#2974, is wrong. The death date of her sister Elizabeth, SGS#2977, was inadvertently used as the death date of Mary Marcella Seeley and will be corrected in the next errata pages. Kathie has no further info on Mary M. or her descendants except the notation that she had 9 children. This notation agrees with the records Dick received from his Mother. He provided some data on the 9 children to SGS. If anyone has additional information that could help confirm Dick's line, please reply to him, copy to Jim Seeley.

Query # 0205-8: Submitted by Valeria Johnston, Email: Okiehummer@aol.com

Subject: Ethel L. Seeley

Valeria is seeking information on her husband's grandparents, Ethel L. Seeley [b. 1886, d. 20 Jun 1937] and Samuel Johnston [b. 1874, d. 27 May 1923]. Valeria says descendants of this couple live in northwest PA but other family members believe they may have originated from the WI or MI areas. She lists the children of Ethel and Samuel Johnston as: Walt, Robert, Russell [b. 22 Jul 1914, d. Jul 1973], Pearl, Homer, Paul Everett [b. 21 Jul 1905, d. 24 Nov 1981], Earl [b. 1908, d. 1934], and Ruby [b. 1922, d. 1966]. Paul Everett Johnston is Valeria's father-in-law.

<u>SGS Interim Response</u>: A review of the 3 SGS Publications found no mention of Ethel L. Seeley or Samuel Johnston. Dan Seelye responded that he could offer no help either. If anyone has information that could help Valeria, please reply to her, copy to Jim Seeley.

<u>**Query # 0205-9**</u>: Submitted by Anne Townsend, Email: anneto@a-znet.com <u>Subject: Lois Seeley and Nathaniel Seeley</u>

Anne is seeking information on Lois Seeley who was 83, b. NY and living with Anne's husband's great grandparents in the 1850 Owego, Tioga County, NY census [making Lois' birth date ca 1767]. She is believed to have been living with them during the

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1840 census as well.

Anne is also seeking information on Nathaniel Seeley, b. 1788 m. Lucy Kelsey. They had a son George Griffith Seeley, m. 1st Julia A. Morris. Julia d. 1844; m. 2nd 1846 Ursula Allen Elwood.

SGS Interim Response: John Seely, SGS Database Coordinator reported that he has no Lois Seeley in his database and no matching Lois Seeley could be found in any of the 3 SGS Publications. However, I am not aware of any Seeley's who lived in the Tioga County, NY area until several years after Lois Seeley's probable birth in 1767. We know that many/most of the Seeley's in that area came from Orange County, NY. It is possible Lois was the mother, grandmother, or elder family member of one of the great great grandparents of Anne's husband who lived in the Tioga County, NY area during the census of 1840 and 1850. So, a search of census and other records in Orange County, NY during the earlier years of Lois' life may provide a lead.

John Seely did report a match for the Nathaniel Seeley Anne is looking for. We believe he may be SGS # 1701 found on page 63 of the Obadiah section of the 7th Generation Book. Nathaniel m. 16 Feb 1809 Lucy Kelsey [b. 31 Aug 1791, d. 15 Sep 1873] dau. of Abner and Ann Easton Kelsey of Elmira, NY. Nathaniel and Lucy are listed as having 9 children, one of which was George Griffin/Griffith Seely [b. 16 Jul 1814, Osceola, PA and d. 9 Apr 1874 Farmington Township, Tioga County, PA] and was married to Julia A. Morris, then to Ursula Ellwood. Nathaniel Seeley's [SGS # 1701] line is Nathaniel, Nathaniel, Ebenezer, Jonas, Obadiah. Dan Seelye sent Anne a Group Sheet on Lucy and Nathaniel Seeley. If anyone has additional information that could help Anne, please reply to her, copy to Jim Seeley.

<u>**Query # 0205-10**</u>: Submitted by Laura Dreyer, Email: Ldreyer2@prodigy.net Subject: Cornelius Seeley

Laura is trying to confirm the burial location of her ancestor, Daniel Dwight Cadwell in the Avon Cemetery, Lorain County, OH. Laura has a letter stating its author had seen markers that showed Daniel Cadwell was buried between Anson Kinney and Cornelius Seeley. However, several Cemetery contacts stated that there is no one there by that name. Laura is asking SGS for information confirming Cornelius Seeley was buried in the Avon Cemetery in Lorain County, OH.

<u>SGS Response</u>: John Seely responded that the SGS Database has a Mary Cadwell m. Cornelius Seeley 27 Feb 1844 in Lorain County, OH. This indicates there may be a relationship between Laura's ancestor Daniel Dwight Cadwell and Mary Cadwell, Cornelius Seeley's wife. Dan Seelye sent Laura a Group Sheet that shows Cornelius Seeley was buried at the Avon Cemetery. Dan did not have the source of his information. If anyone has additional information that could help Laura, please reply to her, copy to Jim Seeley.

<u>**Ouery # 0205-11</u>**: Submitted by Charles R. Willis, Email: c_r_willis@msn.com <u>Subject: John Seeley</u></u>

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Charles Willis is seeking pedigree data for John and Martha Seeley whose daughters married John Inslee in the early 1800s. They lived in Gorham, NY, Seneca County, NY, and finally in Michigan.

SGS Interim Response: Dan Seelye provided Mr. Willis with a Group Sheet on Julia Ann Seeley [b. ca 10 Oct 1801, d. ca 30 Dec 1872 in Hamburg Twp. MI] who m. John Inslee [b. 6 May 1788 in NJ and d. 22 Jul 1872 in Hamburg Twp., Livingston County, MI]. Dan also provided 1850 Census data from Hamburg Twp., Livingston County, MI that listed a Martha Seeley, age 74, living with an Inslee Family. However, he had no connection between Martha and Julia Seeley or information on their ancestors. If anyone has additional information that could help Charles, please reply to him, copy to Jim Seeley.

NOTE: The Query Team has experienced several non-deliverable Emails. The reason - - misreading Screen Names. It is often difficult, if not impossible to differentiate between a lower case I [comes after K] and the upper case I [comes after H] in a screen name. Similarly, a printed rn [RM] often looks like an m [M] in some fonts. Suggestions: (1) Always include your full name in the Email. There is often a relationship between screen names and actual names... and if you don't tell us your name, we don't know who you are! (2) Avoid using letters that can be misinterupted when selecting screen names. (3) Type your Email address in ALL CAPS in the text of your Email if your Internet Service Provider does not require case-sensitive E-mail addresses.

Be an ACTIVE MEMBER

If you have additional info, please respond to the queries. Please send all queries to Jim Seeley (jrseeley@aol.com) or to your Area Coordinator. Jim assigns Query numbers for tracking purposes and forwards the query to the Query Team comprising Dan Seelye, John Seely, Kathie Olsen, Ray and Ann Hall, and Terry Tietjens. He then consolidates all responses, and provides the appropriate input, by Query # to the SGS Newsletter Editor.

1930 FEDERAL CENSUS NOW AVAILABLE

This is a reminder that the 1930 Federal Census has been released for general use and genealogical research. Copies are available at all National Archive Centers and at other research facilities and libraries that make the Federal Census available.

SGS 2003 Reunion at Williamsburg, Virginia

The Holiday Inn Patriot, 3032 Richmond Road, Williamsburg, VA will be the site for our 2003 SGS Reunion in September 2003. SGS plans to arrange shuttle transportation to Colonial Williamsburg, the Busch Gardens Theme Park and Water Country USA. We'll also arrange tours to Jamestown, Yorktown, and other areas of interest. Details will be published in a future Newsletter.

Dates: 2 – 7 (Tuesday – Sunday) September 2003. Mark your calendar and plan to attend.

Reservations: Call the Holiday Inn Patriot at 1-800-446-6001 before 15 August 2003. Ask for the negotiated SGS rate of \$59 plus tax (presently 9.5%). To waive meeting and hospitality room rental fees, 200 or more room nights must be rented to SGS Reunion attendees during the 2-7 September period.

Registration: The SGS Board will set a nominal registration fee during a meeting in May 2002. A Reunion registration form will be published in the November 2002 and succeeding Newsletters.

Overall Agenda:

- 2, 3 September Tours.
- 4, 5, 6 September SGS meetings, presentation of papers, evening dinners with speakers.

7 September – Tours and possibly an afternoon picnic.

Presentation of Papers: A call for papers is made for presentation at the Reunion on 4, 5, or 6 September. The paper should be related to the Seeley Family or to Genealogy. Papers to be presented will be selected by the SGS President and the Reunion Program Chairperson [Tammy Seeley Graham]. Please send a summary to <u>jrseeley@aol.com</u> and wabitlvr@aol.com.

EDITOR'S NOTE

Your input to future SGS Newsletters is earnestly sought. Obituaries, News Items, Research Notes, etc., are only published if they get submitted. This is your Newsletter— Please contribute to make it more beneficial to other members. If space is limited for any one Newsletter, the items will be held and published as space becomes available.

AREA COORDINATORS

During Reunion 2001, the concept of **Area Coordinators** was discussed and adopted. Area Coordinators will become actively involved in processing queries received which concern their designated area(s), both by coordinating the query with the submitter, and by evaluating the benefits of further research, utilizing the resources available in their designated area(s). Initial volunteers for Area Coordinators are:

Terry Tietjens*	Kansas
Ann and Ray Hall*	Rocky Mountain West including Colorado, Wyoming, New Mexico, Arizona, and Montana.
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*See page 2 for addresses All SGS members are requested to consider volunteering for specific areas in which they reside of in which they have specific expertise. Please submit your willingness to volunteer to Ann Hall, SGS Genealogist.

Volunteers Needed for SGS Projects

The strength of any Society depends on how active its members are in contributing to their Society's objectives. Listed below are Projects that need volunteers. Also listed is a person to contact if you are willing to contribute some time. U.S. Mail addresses for each Point of Contact (POC) are found on page 2 of the Newsletter.

POC

Project

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Be an Area Coordinator for Queries	Ann Hall, <u>ramonhall@prodigy.net</u>
Plan SGS Genealogical Research	Ann Hall, ramonhall@prodigy.net
Assist at SGS Research Center, Abilene K	S Terry Tietjens, <u>terryt@access-one.com</u>
Plan for SGS Reunion in 2003	Jim Seeley, jrseeley@aol.com
Help as Registrar for SGS Reunion, 2003	Jim Seeley, jrseeley@aol.com
Present Paper at SGS Reunion in 2003	Jim Seeley, jrseeley@aol.com
Review Const. & By-Laws for change	Kathy Olsen, <u>davidkathie@mstar2.net</u>
Develop an SGS Web Site	Jim Seeley, jrseeley@aol.com
Develop a <i>Seeley Women</i> book	Jim Seeley, jrseeley@aol.com
Compile a "Famous Seeleys" list	Marshall Seelye, <u>mseelye@localnet.com</u>
Compile list of Seeley Vets in Armed For	ces Marshall Seelye, <u>mseelye@localnet.com</u>
Nominating Committee for 2003 Election	Jim Seeley, jrseeley@aol.com
Plan Trip to Great Britain in 2004	Kathy Olsen, davidkathie@mstar2.net
Host for SGS Reunion in 2005	Jim Seeley, jrseeley@aol.com

Most of these projects are summarized in the President's Report, November 2001 Newsletter. No matter how little time you have, it would be wonderful if each member could contribute to at least one Project.

(Continued from page 6) Cemetery. [Deseret News; Salt Lake City, UT; March 3, 2002; submitted by Nancy B. Fratt]

Jesse Robert Seeley, Jr., 57 of Varney Rd died April 12, 2002, in Dover. He was born May 2, 1944 in Jackson, TN, the son of Jesse and Virgie Lee Seeley. His family includes his parents of Chattanooga; his wife, Maryjane Williams Seeley of Dover; his daughters, Maryjane Bandach, Tracey Harper; and Almee Jean Richards. Jesse is also survived by his brothers, James Larry Seeley and Philip Lee Seeley; a sister, Sharon Finnell; four grandchildren; and a great grandson. He was buried in Dover, NH. [Chattanooga Times Free Press, April 14, 2002; submitted by Jesse R. Seeley]

POSTHUMOUS RECOGNITION

On October 15, 2000, Toll Gate Chapter, National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution, and the Colorado State Society dedicated a plaque at Coal Creek School in Aurora, in memory of **Suzanne Seeley Golden**, Honorary DAR State Regent, Past Vice President General, Organizing General, and former teacher. [submitted by Ann Hall from the Colorado DAR Newsletter.]



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