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#### FROM THE PEN OF THE PRESIDENT

September 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, and 8<sup>th</sup>, 2001 are the dates that all should remember and begin to take the necessary actions. These are the dates of the upcoming Seeley Genealogical Society's reunion to be held at the La Quinta Inn, Tacoma, Washington. On pages 14, 15, and 16 of this issue of the newsletter you will find the schedule of events, registration and lodging information, and other information concerning this most important event. You, as members of the Seeley Genealogical Society, are the ones who will make this event memorable and successful.

Last month I explained that your attendance is what makes reunion's worth-while. Now is the time to put your plans into a starting mode. It is time to start organizing all those files, pictures, records, documents, etc., that you have someplace in, on, or under your desk and around home. Gather them up, sort them out, assemble them into order into a newly purchased notebook about 12"x12"x2" inches. On the front cover should be a cover title

like "MY FAMILY HISTORY" or "THE [Your Family Name] FAMILY." Also show on the cover your name, address, date, and information on how to contact you such as telephone number or E-mail address). Bring this book to the reunion to be shared with others who also are searching for information on their lineage. Oh yes, make sure you have an extra copy that can be sent to the Seelye Research Center, Abilene, Kansas, after the reunion.

It is also now time to cut out, or make a copy of the registration form from page 15 of this or the last Newsletter, fill it in, and send it to me at the address listed on the form along with you payment. You are the one that will make it worthwhile to attend. Registrations are starting to come in, and we are looking forward to seeing you all in September in beautiful Tacoma, Washington.

Daniel P. Seelye, President Seeley Genealogical Society

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# **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

# SEELEY/KNIGHTS FAMILY REUNION

The Seeley/Knights families will be holding their annual family reunion Sunday, July 29, 2001, at the Alba Community Park in Alba, PA. This reunion has been held since 1911 when the family of James and Ida Knights Seeley had a birthday dinner to celebrate the 65th birthday of James Seeley. This year marks the year when James would have been 155 years old.

Those attending are requested to bring a picnic lunch, lawn chairs and plan to have a great time. Lunch will begin at 1 p.m.; but come early and stay late. Everyone is welcome.

Contact Veronica Seeley Newell, Secretary, 2495 S Broadway, Wellsburg, NY 14894 or by E-mail: vanew-ell@exotrope.net

# QUEST FOR NOMINEES

Walter Davis, Chairman of the Nominating Committee for the 2001 SGS Reunion, reports that there are still positions in the roster of officers that need nominees. He is specifically in need of nominees for the following positions:

Second Vice President Genealogist Assistant Genealogist Historian

Interested persons please contact him at: WalDay@aol.com

#### **DELEGATE APPOINTMENT**

**Francis A Ellis**, has been appointed as the delegate of the Seeley Genealogical Society to the Federation Of Genealogical Societies Convention to be held September 12-15, 2000 at Davenport, Iowa.

Francis offered her services after reading about the need for a delegate in the last SGS newsletter. The Seeley Genealogical Society thanks her and Joan Phillips for their interest, service and, contribution in representing the Society to this very important meeting..

### **HELP**

The Memorial & Recognition Committee needs pictures and short biographical sketches of former presidents and others who have made important contributions to the Society. These will include but are not necessarily limited to: De Loss Seeley, Don Eff, Robert Cox, John R. Seely & Maurine, Esther Houtz Walters, Garner Osborne, Helen & Marian Seelye, Madeline Mills & Kathy Olsen.

If you can supply any of these or have a possible contact to help, please contact Marshall B. Seelye at his address on page 2 of this newsletter.

#### **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.

#### 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, Seelye, Sealy, Sealey, Selye, Seele, Seele, Cieley, Cealy, Cilley, etc. All similar surname spellings are invited to become members.

#### **OBJECTS 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 all of 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

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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 2001

in the Seattle-Tacoma 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.

# REUNION SPEAKER Janet G. Baccus

Janet Baccus, has resided in rural Puyallup since 1959, and has lived in Pierce County all of her life. She began teaching genealogy classes in her home, later teaching adult classes at Tacoma Community College and Pacific Lutheran University. Between 1983 and 1988 she wrote a genealogy column for the Pierce County Herald in Puyallup and in 1985 began genealogy lecturing.

She has been a member of Tacoma-Pierce County Genealogical Society since 1974 and since 1978 has been the Projects Chairman. She is a charter member of the Washington State Genealogical Society serving as the beginning Secretary. She serves as the president of the Heritage League of Pierce County which published the four volume series "A History of Pierce County."

Janet has branched out into yet another field of research, adoption searches. She became a certified and licensed Confidential Intermediary with the Superior Courts of Washington state in 1995.

#### TIOGA COUNTY RECORDS

The Seeley Genealogical Society has been notified by Rhoda English Ladd that she has placed her collection of Seeley Records in the Tioga County Historical Society Museum Ladd Genealogical Library, which is located at 120 Main St., Wellsboro, Tioga County, PA. These records consist of family records, census and cemetery records pertaining to Seeleys in Tioga County and Bradford County, Pennsylvania, and Steuben and Chemung Counties in New York. Rhoda English Ladd is a Genealogy Research and Consultant, located at 2 Gale St., Oregon, IL, 61061, (815) 732-6120.

#### **MEMBERSHIP**

#### **NEW MEMBERS**

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#### **OBITUARIES**

Mills, Ernestine V. (Seeley), age 87, January 7, 2001; mother of Jeanine (Fred C) Rabe of Williamsville, NY, wife of the late Edward J. Mills; grandmother of Sheryl (Gary) Henzler, Jacqueline (Dr. H. Albin) Gritsch of Bel Air, CA., and Darryl C. Hurd of Union City, CA; greatgrandmother of Rhett and Kristen Hurd, John Henzler, and Paul Gritsch; great-great-grandmother of Inez Esparza. Sisters Rebecca Straub and Rachel Conte, both of Dearborn, MI., and sister-in-law Virginia Seeley of Dickson, TN, also survive Mrs. Mills. Internment is at Forest Lawn Cemetery in Detroit, MI. {*The Buffalo News*, January 14, 2001} [Submitted by Rachel Seeley Conte, 24320 Michigan, Apt. 503, Dearborn, MI., 48124]

**Pawson, Florence A,** SGS # 0385, passed away at the age of 93 on October 10, 2000. She was a charter member of the Connecticut Genealogical Society and the Seeley Genealogical Society. [Submitted by her daughter, Lois Pawson

### Guidelines for Publishing Web Pages on the Internet<sup>1</sup>

By Jim Seeley, SGS Genealogist

The February 2001 SGS Newsletter contained an article on *Standards for Sharing Information with Others*. The National Genealogical Society published the Standard. A growing number of us are establishing our own Web Sites to share genealogical data. That's wonderful for those who have computers and that number is growing daily. Appreciating that publishing information through Internet web sites and web pages shares many similarities with print publishing, considerate family historians –

Apply a single title to an entire web site, as they would to a book, placing it both in the <TITLE> HTML tag that appears at the top of the web browser window for each web page to be viewed, and also in the body of the web document, on the opening home, title or index page.

Explain the purposes and objectives of their web sites, placing the explanation near the top of the title page or including a link from that page to a special page about the reason for the site.

Display footer at the bottom of each web page that contains the web site title, page title, author's name, author's contact information, date of last revision and a copyright statement.

Provide complete contact information, including at a minimum a name and e-mail address, and preferably some means for long-term contact, like a postal address.

Assist visitors by providing on each page navigational links that lead visitors to other important pages on the web site, or return them to the home page.

Adhere to the NSG "Standards for Sharing Information with Others" regarding copyright, attribution, privacy, and the sharing of sensitive information.

Include unambiguous source citations for the research data provided on the site, and if not complete descriptions, offering full citations upon request.

Label photographic and scanned images within the graphic itself, with fuller explanation if required in text adjacent to the graphic.

Identify transcribed, extracted or abstracted data as such, and provide appropriate source citations.

Include identifying dates and locations when providing information about specific surnames or individuals.

Respect the rights of others who do not wish information about them to be published, referenced or linked on a web site.

Provide web site access to all potential visitors by avoiding enhanced technical capabilities that may not be available to all users, remembering that not all computers are created equal.

Avoid using features that distract from the productive use of the web site, like ones that reduce legibility, strain the eyes, dazzle the vision, or otherwise detract from the visitor's ability to easily read, study, comprehend or print the online publication.

Maintain their online publications at frequent intervals, changing the content to keep the information current, the links valid, and the web site in good working order.

Preserve and archive for future researchers their online publications and communications that have lasting value, using both electronic and paper duplication.

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# **GENEALOGISTS CORNER**

#### by Jim Seelev

# **SGS Considering Area Coordinators for Queries**

The "Query Team" (Dan Seelye, John Seely, Jim Seeley, Kathie Olsen, Terry Tietjens and Veronica Newell) has been considering setting up Area Coordinators to assist the Chief Genealogist with coordinating SGS research and queries. Area Coordinators would become familiar with genealogical research resources peculiar to their area and may have the opportunity to advertise SGS at the local level. Inputs by Area Coordinators to the SGS Newsletter on lessons learned and items of interest to the Society could make the Newsletter more interesting to the membership.

We have two volunteer Area Coordinators so far: **Terry Tietjens** for the State of Kansas; **Ray and Ann Hall** for the Rocky Mountain Region (Colorado, Montana, Wyoming and New Mexico). **If you would like to volunteer, please contact Jim Seeley at 571-212-1517 or via Email at jrseeley@aol.com.** The idea is to have a coordinator to cover each Country in which Seeleys live as well as the 50 States of the United States (the area could even be reduced to a City or a group of Counties dependent upon the number of volunteer Area Coordinators).

#### **Initial Rules to Follow:**

- 1. The SGS Newsletter will publish the names of Area Coordinators after the name has been approved by the SGS President or Chief Genealogist.
- 2. Members and other Researchers should initially send their query to the Area Coordinator with a copy to the Chief Genealogist. If an Area isn't obvious or an Area Coordinator hasn't yet been approved, the query should be sent to the Chief Genealogist. The Chief Genealogist will assign a unique tracking number to each new query.
- 3. The Area Coordinator should work with the submitter of the query to edit the query for publication, and then send the query to the Query Team (names in paragraph one above).
- 4. Submitters and Area Coordinators are requested to use the following abbreviations:

#### Abbreviations standardized by the National Genealogical Society (NGS)

abt = about	aft = after	aka = also known as	anc = ancestor/try
arr = arrived	b = born	bap = baptized	bef = before
bd = birth date	bpl = birthplace	bro = brother	bur = buried
ca = circa	cem = cemetery	cen = census	ch = child(ren)
Co = County	d = died	dau = daughter	d/o = daughter of
dpl = death place	desc = descendant(s)	em = emigrated	esp = especially
exch = exchange	f = father		

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# **QUERIES**

# SGS QUERIES Data as of 18 April 2001)

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

#### Please note:

Jim Seeley, the SGS Genealogist is now full-timing in a motor home and can be contacted via his Cell Phone 571-212-1517 or at his Email address <a href="mailto:jrseeley@aol.com">jrseeley@aol.com</a>. Queries/updates sent to his home address must be retyped by his son, Tom, and sent to him via Email. Tom has agreed to mail him more voluminous reports (if he knows where he is).

### **QUERY UPDATES**

<u>Update to Query # 0102-5</u>: The submitter was Carl and Mary Krogh (not Krough). Please correct their Email address to cckrogh@crocker.com.

<u>Update to Query # 0102-8</u>: The submitter was Linda Crocker. Linda's correct Email address is <u>Linda.crocker@btinternet.com</u>.

Not very extensive updates here! MEMBERSHIP, we could sure use more help.

### **NEW QUERIES**

<u>Please send a copy of any information you might develop regarding the following queries to the submitter, copy to the Chief Genealogist.</u>

**Query # 0105-1**: Submitted by Betty Shalhamer, 2621 Hutton Dr., Beverly Hills, CA 90210 *Subject: Matilda Seely* 

Betty is looking for information on a Matilda Seely (b about 1792, place unknown; d 17 Aug 1824, Yates Center, Orleans Co., NY; married Philemon Lee Austin). Her third son was Justus Austin (b about 1814, Onondaga Co., NY). Her first two sons were Stephen S. and Philemon, both born in Canada. She also had four daughters; Melinda, Matilda, Maria and Marinda. Matilda and Philemon lived in Casenovia, Madison Co., NY between 1815 and 1818.

Betty will appreciate any information that SGS has on Matilda. Betty does not have an email address. <u>SGS Interim Response</u>: A search of the 3 SGS Publications did not find a match for a Matilda Seeley (b. 1792). The only relatively close scenario is SGS # 3154. This Matilda was a dau of Simeon Seely (SGS # 1349) and Simeon's birth is given as 15 Oct 1769 (his age would have been 23 at Matilda's birth). The other problem with this scenario is that SGS # 3154 has "(dy)" after her name, which possibly means "died young". Certainly more research is needed and hopefully one of our Newsletter readers will have more information.

**Query # 0105-2**: Submitted by Suzanne Stamper-Youmans, Email address **rojo45390@yahoo.com** or **ROJO@wesnet.com** 

Subject: Diana Seeley

Suzanne is seeking info on a Diana Seeley of Monmouth County, NJ circa 1850. Will and testament of Jeremiah Youmans, late of the aforesaid County of Bergen, NJ, deceased (dated 1850) mentions executor: Diana SEELEY – widow of Monmouth County, NJ.

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Suzanne has a deed dated 5-10-1824 for John Seeley to Dianna Youmans (Monmouth County, Middletown Twp., NJ) witnessed by John Patterson and an Elizabeth Seeley. (Sealy) The deed stated that John Seeley reserves his right of life to the land and that Diana would not have possession until after his death? I do not know if this Diana Youmans is the same Diana Seeley.

SGS Interim Response: No information was found in the 3 SGS Publications on this Diana Seeley.

#### Query # 0105-3: Submitted by Sheila Cooke-Goodwin, Email Seeley C2@aol.com.

#### Subject: Castle Seeley, SGS # 2280

Sheila is a member of SGS and very interested in documenting her family's Seeley line back to Castle Seeley, SGS # 2280. (An asterisk \* indicates my line.) She believes that Castle Seeley and Grace Nichols had 3 children: (1) Sarah, m. Nathan Clark, (2) Henry and (3) \*Theodore Thomas. Other family members indicate that Castle Seeley, SGS # 2280, was married a second time in Oswego, NY to Ossina? and that Castle had 3 more children from this marriage (4) George, (5) Edward and (6) Elvinah.

Sheila is a descendant of Theodore Thomas Seeley, b. 1823 in Athens, NY, d. 1870, and the 3<sup>rd</sup> child of Castle Seeley. Theodore married twice, 1<sup>st</sup> to Elisabeth Darby 1815-1847 (Cairo, NY). Sheila does not believe there were any children from this 1<sup>st</sup> marriage. After Elisabeth Darby Seeley passed, Theodore married her younger sister as his 2<sup>nd</sup> wife, Anna Maria Darby 1836-1917. They had 4 children: (1) Edgar Belmer Seeley 1859-1924, (2) \*George Castle Seeley 1861-1933, (3) Thomas B. Seeley, and (4) Emma Seeley 1863-1926.

George Castle Seeley b. 28 April 1861 Athens, NY, d. 29 Jan 1933 Hensonville, NY m. 1<sup>st</sup> Elma G. Pelham, b. 14 Jan 1866, d. 18 Jun 1891 Windham, NY. dau of Joseph Pelham, farmer, and Julia M. Jacobs. George and Elma had 2 children: (1) Clark Joseph Seeley b. 27 Apr 1886 Hensonville, NY, m. Martha Barnes and (2) \*Elma Beulah Seeley b. 16 Apr 1891 Hensonville, NY. Elma Beulah is Sheila's Grandmother.

George Castle Seeley m.  $2^{nd}$  Elma Stimson. Their children: Alfred Seeley and Graham Seeley. George m  $3^{rd}$  Alma Simpson, no issue.

Sheila's grandmother, Elma Beulah Seeley m. Leslie B. Cooke. Their children were (1) Emma Louise Cooke McGuinness b. 9 Dec 1914, (2) and (3) twin girls who died at birth and (4) \*Seeley Burton Cooke b. 6 Sep 1917 Ashland, Greene Co., NY, d. 6 Apr 1962, Colliersville, Otsego Co., NY, bur. Oneonta, NY. Seeley Burton Cooke is Sheila's father.

QUESTIONS: (1) Does the SGS have any information on the children of Castle Seeley, SGS # 2280? (2) What do I (Sheila) need to send to the SGS to verify my family line? (3) Are any descendants of my great uncle Alfred Seeley members of SGS? (Alfred moved to Burbank, CA.) He referred to a book on the Seeley line. I can only assume he was referring to SGS's work.

SGS Interim Response: Regarding Questions 1 and 3, John Seely, SGS Database Coordinator, responded that he had records sent to SGS by Alfred Thomas Seeley of Burbank years ago that had Sheila's father, Seeley Burton Cooke's birth date. John also said SGS LIFE member, Edgar George Seeley III descended from Clark Joseph and Martha (Barnes) Seeley and provided Edgar's address. Finally, John provided Sheila with the address of SGS member Mrs. Joan M. Becker, a descendant of Edgar Belmar Seeley, son of Theodore Thomas Seeley and Anna Maria Darby. Regarding Question 2, SGS does not verify the Seeley line of its members. The objects and purposes of SGS are "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 all of 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." (OBJECTS AND PURPOSES from the SGS Newsletter)

#### Query # 0105-4: Submitted by Bill Wood, Email doow12414@webtv.net

#### Subject: Hannah Seelev from Stamford, CT

Bill reports that in doing family research he has come up with a Hannah Seeley from Stamford, CT born about (Continued on page 10)

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1800, give or take a couple of years. She married Zabadee Badeau (no date) and then they had a daughter born in Carmel, NY on 28 Jun 1822. Mary A. Badeau is Bill's great great grandmother. Any information on Hannah Seeley would be helpful.

SGS Response: John Seely, SGS Database coordinator, responded that the name he has for Hannah's spouse is Zebedee Budeau. Hannah was mentioned in her father's will filed 14 Mar 1828. Her parent's names are William Henry and Mary "Polly" (Stevens) Seeley. William H. Seeley (SGS # 3174) is buried in Gilead Cemetery, Carmel, Putnam Co., NY. Hannah is in the 9<sup>th</sup> generation of the Obadiah line, according to Esther Houtz Walter's notebooks. Hannah had 8 siblings. We do not have any data on her descendants, so we would appreciate receiving a Family Group Sheet and Ancestor Chart showing your connection to Hannah and Zebedee Budeau/Badeau.

#### Query # 0105-5: Submitted by Steve Cilley, Email AbnerSeelye@aol.com

#### Subject: Abner H. Cilley

Where did Abner H. Cilley, b. abt. 1794, d. 4 Feb 1872 in Canaan, NH, come from? He just seems to appear in Canaan around 1813, but his parents cannot be found. He m. Sarah Bradbury on 14 Dec 1815. Her family came to CT and it is possible that Abner may have come from there also. Could he be the son of Abner Seelye (son of Abner Seelye and Hannah Thayer) b. 31 May 1768 in New Milford, CT?

SGS Interim Response: Neither the Seeley Database or the 3 SGS Publications contain information on Abner H. Cilley. The Abner Seelye b. 31 May 1768 in New Milford, CT is listed as SGS # 816 in the SGS Publication The Seventh Generation Families of Nathaniel Seeley (SGS # 3). SGS # 816 spouse is listed as Eunice Smith and his place of death is listed as Fallsburgh, NY. Recommend the submitter contact Mark Cilley, the SGS Judge Advocate, at Mark@cilley.net. Mark has a web page that is worth checking but its URL is not available at this writing.

**Query # 0105-6**: Submitted by Elizabeth T. Seeley (Mrs. James H. Seeley), 294 Hrubetz Road, S.E., Salem, Oregon 97302

#### **Subject: Elizabeth Seeley**

Request any record or information on an Elizabeth Seeley, the daughter of Robert Seeley, who married a William Stebbins 12 Dec 1840 and who died at Plainfield, NY 6 Jan 1873. I know nothing of William, except possibly that his father was also a "William" and no known middle name - if any - for either of them. And, the dates I've given are the only ones of record that I have.

SGS Interim Response: John Seely, the SGS Database Coordinator, replied that this couple [Elizabeth Seeley and William Stebbins)] was listed in the STEBBINS GENEALOGY available to Mark Seeley in 1979. William Stebbins parents were William Stebbins and Bridget Eliza Jordan. This genealogy was probably at the SUTRO Library in San Francisco. John's data is limited to William's birth date of 10 Jan 1817. SUTRO Library has inter-library loan on it's content if Elizabeth (the submitter) wishes to have access to the book.

#### Query # 0105-7: Submitted by Joan Best, Email, joanbest1@earthlink.net

#### **Subject: Sarah Seeley**

Information on the parents and siblings (if any) is requested on Sarah Seeley, b. about 1750 at Huntington, Long Island, NY, m. Thomas Ireland about 1769, homestead farmed in Rennsalaer Co., NY, had 13 children and died 18 Dec 1830.

<u>SGS Interim Response</u>: A search of the 3 SGS Publications found no match for this Sarah Seeley. If anyone has any of the information requested, please send it to Joan, copy to the Chief Genealogist.

**Query # 0105-8**: Submitted by Terry Tietjens on behalf of Mary Goodman. Please send any information to Terry at <a href="mailto:terryt@access-one.com">terryt@access-one.com</a>, copy to <a href="mailto:jrseeley@aol.com">jrseeley@aol.com</a>.

#### **Subject: Herbert William Seely**

Mary is seeking more information on her great-grandfather Herbert William Seely. He is a son of Israel and (Continued on page 11)

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was b. 23 Aug 1867. Herbert lived in Wakita, Oklahoma and probably died somewhere in that area. Mary thinks he left his family and had another wife and family. Specifically, where and when did Herbert die? SGS Interim Response: A search of the 3 SGS Publications found no match for Herbert William Seeley. If anyone has any of the information requested, please send it to Terry Tietjens, copy to the Chief Genealogist.

# Query # 0105-9: Submitted by Stuart H. Yost, Email <a href="mailto:Shyjam2M@netscape.net">Shyjam2M@netscape.net</a> Subject: Henry Seeley (SGS # 36A)

Wanted, the maiden names of Henry Seeley's first wife Mary and second wife Martha and which children belong to which wife. Henry was the son of Capt. Joseph & Mary (Goodwin) Seeley Sr. He was proprietor of a hotel in Deerfield, Cumberland Co., NJ. His known children are: (1)daughter, d. before 1767, m. \_\_\_\_\_ Moore, (2) Rhoda, m. 1st. Ebeneezer Nichols, m. 2nd. Benjamin Reynolds, (3) Elizabeth, m. John Shute, (4) Sarah, m. David Conklin, (5) Henry, Jr., bapt. 20 Nov 1743, d. 1789, m. 6 Oct 1762 Hannah Dare, (6) Hannah, bapt. 12 Jan 1745, m. \_\_\_\_\_ Bateman, (7) John, b. after 1746, and (8) Abigail, b. after 1749, m. Samuel Conklin, Sr. (bapt. 21 Jun 1747, d. 1795).

<u>SGS Interim Response</u>: There is a little more information here than appears in the SGS Publication *Descendants of Robert Seeley (SGS # 1) Generations One through Five, Revised from April, 1977 edition.* No additional information has been received as of 18 Apr 2001.

<u>Query # 0105-10</u>: Submitted by Tere J. Seeley, Email <u>tjseeley@negia.net</u> and Jim Seeley, Email <u>jrseeley@aol.com</u>

#### Subject: The 2 William and 2 Samuel Problem

Two Samuel Seeleys (SGS #s 467 and 501) each had a son named William, per SGS Publication *The Sixth Generation Families of Obadiah Seeley (SGS # 4)*. Both Williams are believed to have lived in Bradford County, PA, one in Wells Township, the other in Ridgebury Township (separated by only a few miles). William (SGS # 1595) was b. about 1792 and William (SGS # 1692) was born 5 Apr 1783, a difference of only 9 years. A genealogical research company, Lineage, Inc., issued a Report in 1998 that concluded William A. Seeley (b. c 1779, d. 24 Oct 1858) and lived in Wells Township, Bradford County, PA was the son of Samuel Seeley (SGS 501) and Mercy Bartlett (SGS 482). However, much of the rationale used to support this conclusion is also valid when applied to the other William Seeley (1783-1867) of Ridgebury Township, Bradford County, PA. Both Wells Township and Ridgebury Township in Bradford County, PA are close to Southport, NY where Samuel Seeley (SGS 501) is buried in Fitzsimmons Cemetery. The William of Wells Township apparently moved to Cumberland County, IL. The William of Ridgebury Township is buried there in Hanlon Hills Cemetery. SGS members Tere and Jim Seeley request information that would help in determining which William is the son of Samuel Seeley (SGS 501) and which is the son of Samuel Seeley (SGS 467).

SGS Interim Response: Tere Seeley provided a copy of the Lineage, Inc. report to Madeline Mills and Jim Seeley. Jim provided a copy to Terry Tietjens. Excerpts of the Report that contained descendants of William of Wells Township were provided to Dan Seelye and John Seely for their Web Site and Data Base respectively. Please send any info you may have to Tere Seeley at tjseeley@negia.net and Jim Seeley at <a href="mailto:irseeley@aol.com">irseeley@aol.com</a>. Particularly useful would be any family records of descendants of these two Williams.

As the SGS Genealogist, I would like to compliment Tere Seeley for providing SGS with a copy of the Lineages, Inc. Report # 96429-Hoyt, James M. Hoyt (a cousin) for contracting with Lineages, Inc. for conducting the research that produced the report, and Lineages, Inc. for a detailed, thorough report, that included copies of its references.

# Query # 0105-11 Submitted by Bonita Clare Roe Antrim, 24681 Willimet Way, Hayward, CA 94544 Subject: Daniel Zelley/Seeley

Bonita recently received information linking the Antram/Antrim family to the Zelley/Sealy family. Thomas Antram, b. 11/30/1686 Burlington N.J. married 5/2/1715 Sarah Zelley, b. Mailsworth, Glouceshire, England, d. 1782 Trenton, N.J. Sarah's Father: Daniel Zelley or Sealy, b. 8/16/1656 Chippenham, Wiltshire, (Continued on page 12)

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England. Does anyone have any information linking the Zelley to the Sealy spelling?

SGS Response: Dan Seelye responded that the Zelley Family Homepage at <a href="http://geocities.com/heartland/creek/2130/">http://geocities.com/heartland/creek/2130/</a> may contain the information Bonita is looking for. A copy of the homepage was printed and will be mailed to Bonita at her address. In summary, it appears that the marriage of Daniel Sealy to Martha Eldridge was recorded, in 1684, by the Quaker Monthly Meeting Records of Nailsworth, England, as Daniel Zealy.

# **GENEALOGIST'S CORNER (Continued)**

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- 5. If an Area Coordinator is not sure of a statement or abbreviation used in the query, and can't get clarification from the submitter of the query, the test as originally submitted should be used.
- 6. Upon receipt of the query from the Area Coordinator, the Chief Genealogist will assign a query number for tracking purposes.
- 7. All responses to the query should include the Chief Genealogist and the appropriate Area Coordinator as "copy to" addressees. The responses should normally include the name and address of the submitter.
- 8. Area Coordinators are requested to provide the Chief Genealogist a proposed write up of their Queries by the 10<sup>th</sup> of the month preceding the publication date for the next SGS Newsletter.
- 9. The Chief Genealogist will consolidate all queries and send them to the SGS Newsletter Editor by the **15**<sup>th</sup> **of the month** preceding the publication date for the next Newsletter.
- 10. Query submittals and updates should generally conform to the format used in the last few issues of the SGS Newsletter, except that the name of the Area Coordinator will be added following the name of the submitter.
- 11. Area Coordinators should offer their advice to a query submitter when he/she is aware of local resources that may be helpful in satisfying the query.

A preliminary List of Duties for Area Coordinators has been compiled, but the volunteer Area Coordinators should review it before it is published in the SGS Newsletter. It is envisioned that Area Coordinators will serve as an ad hoc committee to decide how to best handle queries by the SGS.

Our thanks go to Terry Tietjens for generating the concept of Area Coordinators.

# **INTERNET NOTES**

#### GENEALOGICAL INFORMATION ON THE INTERNET

**ELLIS ISLAND RECORDS:** Walter Davis advises that records of immigrants who passed through Ellis Island are available on the Internet at: <a href="www.EllisIslandRecords.com">www.EllisIslandRecords.com</a> This web site includes not only immigrants, but also includes travelers from abroad who are returning to the United States through Ellis Island. The web site is relatively new and is difficult to access because of its very high usage rate. For information contact Walter Davis at: Walday@aol.com

#### ONLINE FREE GENEALOGICAL PERIODICALS:

The following are three online genealogical periodical websites that offer free subscription for E-mail delivery. They frequently contain excellent suggestions by noted genealogical research experts that can help lesser-experienced researchers in their efforts. Since the materials contained exceed the capacity of the SGS Newsletter, it is suggested that those interested subscribe to these Internet periodicals:

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# **REUNION NOTES**

# **Seeley Reunion 2001**

September 6th-8th, 2001

### SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Thursday, 6 Sep 2001	8:00 AM 8:30 AM 10:00-3:30	Executive Board Meeting Registration Bus Tour of Tacoma Area	TBA Lobby
	10.00-3.30	Lunch included	
	All Day	Hospitality Room	7 <sup>th</sup> Floor
Friday, 7 Sep 2001	8:30 AM	Registration	Lobby
	9:00 AM	Main Business Meeting	Meeting Room
		Reports	
		Old/New Business	
		Election of Officers	)? Daveice
	Noon	Site Selection for 200 No Host Lunch	33 Reunion
	1:00 -3:00	Beginning Genealogy—Janet	Nivon Racque*
	1.00 -3.00	Questions and Answers-Janet	
	6:00 PM	Salmon DinnerAfter Dinner	
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	All Day	Hospitality Room	7th Floor
Saturday, 8 Sep 2001	8:30 AM	Registration	Lobby
	9:00 AM	SGS Genealogist Issues	Jim Seeley
	10:00 AM	Computer Use for Genealogy	Dan Seelye et. al.
		Software/hardware needs	
		GEDCOM import & export	
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	Noon	Lunch, No Host	
	2:00 PM 4:00 PM	Closing Meeting Executive Board Meeting	
	6:00 PM	BanquetPrime Rib Dinner	
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		After Dinner Speaker"Coas	t to Coast 50 Years"
		Janet Nixon Baccus, Confiden	
	All Day	Hospitality Room 7th Floor	ř

\*Janet Nixon Baccus—Please see page 5 for the Reunion Speaker's Biographical Sketch.

#### **REUNION 2001SOUVENIRS**

Dan Seelye, President of the Seeley Genealogical Society, has announced that he has procured the following souvenirs appropriate to the SGS Reunion 2001. These will be available at the Reunion or may be purchased in advance from Dan. Any profit will be for the support of the Research Center in Abilene.

SGS Lapel Pins \$5.00

SGS Logo T-Shirts \$12.00 (sizes Large and Extra Large)

SGS Logo Caps \$10.00

If ordering from Dan in advance of the Reunion, please include full cost of desired items plus \$3.95 for Priority Mailing. All funds must be in U.S. dollars or equivalent. Please make checks payable to: Daniel P. Seelye

# SGS REUNION 2001 LODGING RESERVATIONS

Lodging reservations for the Seeley Genealogical Society 2001 Reunion in Tacoma, WA, may be made by calling the La Quinta Inn, 1425 East 27th St, Tacoma, WA, 98421 on either (253) 383-0146 or 1-800-NU-ROOMS (1-800-687-6667. Be sure to mention that you are attending the SGS Reunion to obtain special rates.

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10:15 AM Pick up - La Quinta Inn - Port of Tacoma tour with step-on guide.

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toric homes, downtown, theater district, Old Town

Ruston Way

Noon Lunch at Anthony's at Point Defiance, Point Defiance Park

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3:30 PM Return to La Quinta Inn

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