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Sealey DNA Lineage Project Update

Story By Dr. Ken McCrea, DNA Lineage Project Mgr.

Project Goals

This project has two main goals. The first is to clearly establish the 37-marker Y-chromosome DNA profiles for the various Seeley immigrants (all spellings, but for convenience I'll use Seeley here), including Robert/Nathaniel, Obadiah, and the others, for example the Isle of Shoals Seeley/Cilley family.

The second goal of the project is to help researchers to either establish their connection to one of the immigrants or to confirm their conventional genealogical research using DNA data. Many researchers do not have their Seeley lineages confirmed back to the immigrant. For those people, DNA can clearly show if they are descended from either Nathaniel or Obadiah. All but one of the Seeleys tested to date have been found to be descendants of Obadiah or Nathaniel. The one person who does not match those lines lives in England with Seeley ancestors from the same area as we suspect that Obadiah came from. All of the people tested in the U.S. have been clearly found to be descendants of Nathaniel or Obadiah.

When we have obtained enough DNA data from individuals with known lineages, we may be able to use the DNA data to identify the first several generations down from an immigrant using a

person's DNA profile. Mutations (random changes in the DNA profile between generations), happen rarely, but often enough to be found during the number of generations between the immigrants and the living generations. These changes are passed down from father to son. In the results we have collected to date, only one of the seven Nathaniel or Obadiah descendants matches the original pattern exactly. The other subjects have either 1 or 2 changes in their DNA. None of the seven subjects are exact matches for each other. This shows that it is very likely that these changes can be used as "markers" for the different lineages. When enough data is collected, it should be possible to say something like "you are most likely on the Obadiah-Jonas line because you have a score of 16 at DYS456" (just a hypothetical example, not clearly shown yet).

Recent DNA Findings

The most interesting results from the project so far are that we have been able to definitely identify several Seeleys of unknown lineage as descendants of either Nathaniel or Obadiah. These are:

Nathaniel Descendants:

Ezra D. Seeley, born 1797/99 in either Canada or Vermont.

Please See DNA Lineage Project Update Page 3

Preps for SGS Reunion Underway

Story By SGS President Jim Seeley

I visited Terry Tietjens in cold and icy Abilene, Kan. from Jan. 4-11 to start detailed planning for our reunion. **We have reserved the Abilene Civic Center for our meetings.** Terry had hoped to have the meetings in the renovated Old Abilene Town but fund raising challenges have delayed that project's construction plans. The civic center is the same facility we used during the 1999 Reunion.

The reunion starts with a **free BBQ/picnic dinner** on the lawn of the Seelye Mansion at 1105 North Buckeye in Abilene, at 4:30 p.m. Wed., Sept. 14. The SGS board of directors will host the BBQ.

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Membership

Membership is open to anyone interested in genealogy, history or biography; amateur or professional. Although the name Seeley refers to one family surname, SGS counts among its family those with surnames spelled a variety of ways such as: Seeley, Seelye, Sealy, Sealey, Seley, Selye, Seale, Seelee, Seela, Cielely, Cealy, Cilley, etc.

Membership Dues

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SGS International Reunions

are held every two years. The next one is scheduled for September 2005 in Abilene, KS. 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.

The editorial opinions expressed in this newsletter are the opinions of the writer and do not necessarily reflect the opinions of the Society or the editors, nor are the Society or its editors responsible for errors of fact or opinion. Proved errors will be corrected.

The President's Report

The SGS Reunion will be held Sept. 14-17, 2005 in Abilene, Kan. If you have a recommended agenda item for the business meeting, please send it to me even if you can't attend. Your suggestion will be read and if a motion is made from a member attending, it will receive a vote. As one member puts it, we don't want to disenfranchise members who are unable to attend the reunion. Proposed agenda items will be promulgated in the Newsletter before the reunion.

Proposed revisions to the SGS Constitution and By-Laws (C&BLs) are published in this newsletter. Please review the proposed changes in preparation for a vote at the reunion. A summary of the C&BLs changes will be available at the reunion. A copy of the approved C&BLs will be available after the reunion for those requesting one and a copy will be included in each new member packet on paper or via Email. My thanks go to Kathie Olsen, Ray Hall, and George Seeley for their work on this project. I strongly support all their recommendations.

I have received a recommendation that SGS go back to three-year reunion intervals to free board members' time to pursue other society goals. However, one member says, "I am definitely opposed to going back to three-year intervals. At 82 years and counting, I would probably not count on many more SGS Reunions if I had to wait for three more years. If a member misses one, and had to wait three more years, they would definitely be discouraged from participating." And another writes "At 73 and counting, I join you in opposing any change, for the same reasons you mention." Any thoughts?

God bless volunteers. Societies like SGS just can't function without them. New SGS member Robert (Bob) Seeley of Lincoln City, Ore. has agreed to be the SGS CD-ROM Project Director, significantly lightening my SGS workload. He has converted the files on the SGS CD-ROM to Adobe Acrobat (.pdf) files for those members who don't have Microsoft Word. Bob will now make the SGS CD-ROM available in either .pdf or Word format. Adobe Acrobat can be down loaded free from the Internet.

The Alan Phipps research report *The English Ancestry of Robert Seeley* has been added to the latest version of the CD-ROM (Nov. 13, 2004). Those who have purchased an earlier version of the CD should send Bob an E-Mail (rps@rpseeley.com), clearly stating your own E-Mail address, and he will send you the files necessary to bring your CD up to the Nov. 13 configuration. See page 15 for all of Bob's contact information.

Thanks to help from Ruthetta Hansen and Terry Tietjens, we made a good start on organizing the Seelye Research Center (SRC) files. Other volunteers will be making trips to Abilene later this spring to finish the job and prepare the SRC for your visit during the reunion in September. Our objective is to list all the documents at the center, put identification labels on them, then shelving and filing them so they will be easily found. Copies of the list of documents will be provided free at the Reunion.

A final note about the research center: I encourage all members who haven't already done so to submit to the SRC their family lines going back to the eighth generation ancestor listed as a child in the Seventh Generation Book. My estimate is that only about 10% of members have done that. Sharing information is the cornerstone of our Society and the Seelye Research Center. Your research may help others to more fully understand their family relationships.



Seeley DNA Lineage Project Update *(continued from page 1)*

John B. Seeley, born 3 Jun 1835 in Niagara Co., NY; died 14 Jun 1903 in Prairie City, McDonough Co., IL.

Samuel Seelye, b. 6 Aug 1778, KY?, d. 27 Apr 1854, Greenup, KY.

Obadiah Descendants:

John Byron Seeley, born in Malaquanatch, Island of Cape Breton, Nova Scotia, Canada, December 5, 1843, died Nov. 8, 1926 in Olympia, WA. He was a son of Austin Seeley, born in MA

Augustus Seeley was born in New England about 1739.

The complete results of the project can be seen on the Internet at: <http://SeeleyDNA.info>

How you can help (or be helped)

We now have the 37-marker "Nathaniel Profile" clearly established. We still need to test additional Seeley-surnamed males to help establish the "Obadiah Profile." Also, we have not yet tested any Seeleys known to be descended from immigrants other than Nathaniel or Obadiah.

If you fall into any of these categories, please consider participating in the DNA project:

- Have a well documented lineage back to Nathaniel or Obadiah
- Have a well documented lineage back to any other Seeley immigrant
- Want to confirm your research using DNA
- Don't know the identity of your Seeley immigrant ancestor

To be tested, you need to either be a Seeley-surnamed male, or find a living Seeley-surnamed male on your line to test. At the present, participants will need to pay for the cost of their own testing. The cost of the testing is \$195 for the 37-marker test through the Relative Genetics lab.

The identity of the test subjects will be kept strictly confidential. Participants will only be identified by the first few generations of their Seeley lineage. Participants who are close matches with other participants can be put in contact with each other to share genealogical information if both parties agree to it.

To join the project or if you have any questions about it, please contact Project Manager, Ken McCrea at Ken@SeeleyDNA.info or (717) 336-5520, or 20 Terrace Ave., Stevens, PA 17578.

How About Volunteering to be an SGS Area Coordinator?

SGS area coordinators have two primary functions. Here's what's entailed:

The first is to help the **SGS Query Editor**. As members of the query team, area coordinators help research queries, or provide recommendations to people who submit queries that may be tied to the area coordinator's specific geographical area. You might be familiar with local genealogical societies, or with state or county laws that bear on finding an answer. Additionally, area coordinators might be able to refer the person to a professional genealogy researcher who can help the query submitter for a fee. Often, state, city, or county genealogical/historical societies maintain lists of such professionals. Linda Crocker is our SGS Query editor and her Email address is llc100@btopenworld.com.

The second area coordinator primary function is to support the SGS **Membership Chairman's** efforts to increase membership within their geographic areas of responsibility. Ray Hall (ramonhall@prodigy.net) is our Membership Chairman and Ruthetta Hansen is his assistant. They also have responsibility for promoting SGS as described in our Constitution and By-laws.

Other Area Coordinator functions are to encourage attendance at SGS Reunions and gather news articles from their regions for the SGS Newsletter.

Our past practice has been for our Chief Genealogist, Dian Little (little44@msn.com), to recruit and supervise area coordinators. Your involvement

need only be for as much time as you can afford.

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* Means address is on page 15

Correction

Editors Note: After publishing the Timeline of Robert Seeley on page 6 of the Nov. 2004 issue of the SGS Newsletter, I received the note below from its author Kathie Olsen.

"I recently discovered that I had made an error on the timeline for Robert. The burial date for William, father of Robert is 5 June 1614 and the burial date for Grace, the mother of Robert is 15 Nov 1635. Both were buried at St. Mary's Parish, Bluntisham cum Earith, Huntingdonshire, England. I apologize for this error."

Seelye Research Center Document Filing System

A status report by Jim Seeley

Editor's Note: In January Jim Seeley joined Terry Tietjens (Seelye Research Center Director) and Ruthetta Hansen (SGS Historian) at the Seelye Research Center to prepare the center for the upcoming reunion. Below is a note from Jim on how the files there are being organized.

I hope you will plan to visit the Seelye Research Center soon or at least during your SGS Reunion visit. The objective of the SRC filing system to make it easier for you to just come in and find the document you want. Each document will have an identification label so that when you take a document from a shelf or file drawer, you'll know where to put it back in its assigned location when you're done with it. A good place to start is to review The Document Listings Folder. All documents are assigned to a group and the Document Listing for each Group is a good way to find a document that interests you. Believe me, the SRC is accumulating a lot of very interesting documents. Although much work remains to be done, present document groupings are as follows:

Abbreviation	Group Name
AS	Armed Services Lists
AFI	Ancestor File Index
BK	Books
CD	Census Data
CEM	Cemetery Records
DR	Death Records
FC&H	Family Compilations & Histories (biggest group!)
HER	Heraldry, College of Arms
HIST	SGS History
MBR	Membership lists
NEWS	Newsletters
PHON	Phone Directories
REU	SGS Reunion Files
RF	Research Files (19 sets so far)
RP	Research Reports
TREAS	SGS Treasurer's files
WILL	Wills and Estate Inventories

Each document identification consists of its location (shelf or file drawer number), the group abbreviation, and a number or alphanumeric to specifically identify it within its group. A "map" of the Research Center room identifies the numbering scheme for the shelves and file cabinet drawers. An example document ID label might be Dr C3 RF Osb, meaning file cabinet drawer number C3 contains the Research Files of Garner Osborn, founder of SGS. Document listings (as of mid-January) are far from complete, but should be completed by early September 2005.

Bob Seeley, SGS Area Coordinator and CD-ROM Project Manager

Robert (Bob) Seeley is the son of Paul Edgar Seeley and Ida Pauline Oliphant. He has two sisters Anne and Patricia. Those of you who attended the 2003 SGS reunion may remember Anne, who was there with her husband Terry Birch. Terry got Bob re-interested in genealogy and provided most of the information that appears on Bob's Internet genealogy site at <http://genealogy.rpseeley.com/>. There are twenty pages of charts and currently sixty odd individual's pages there. Bob's original interest in Seeley genealogy was generated early in life by his Dad. He remembers his father bragging about the family lineage going back to Robert Seeley of America's earliest days, and then back to England and beyond. Bob is a retired electronics design engineer living in Lincoln City, Oregon. His military service includes four years of active service in the Air Force (two years of which were in Japan), and four years in the Air Force Reserve. He worked many years as a navigational aids specialist for the FAA, and retired after many years with Rockwell International. He had the honor of being on the design teams of the Apollo Spacecraft Command Module, the Minuteman Missile EMP countermeasures systems, the flight control systems of the Advanced Manned Strategic Aircraft XB-70 and B1-B, as well as sole design engineer on a number of proprietary electronic systems.

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Notes from SGS Board Members

From SGS Assistant Genealogist Jane Carpenter:

Just a quick reminder to members and genealogists that there is a great deal of genealogical information available for FREE at familysearch.org - the LDS website. Most of you probably know this already, but much has been added in the last year since the library was remodeled and updated, so it might be worth a second look. Also, if anyone would like me to do anything specific, and wants to e-mail me, I would be happy to try. I teach a class on family history research so maybe I could be of some help there.

I found the Civil War record of Norman Seeley, b. 1840 in Anamosa, Fairview Twp., Jones County, Iowa; m. Mary Ayres; enlisted as Private on 12 August 1861 at age 21. Enlisted in Company B, 9th Infantry Regiment, Iowa on 24 September 1861. Died as a prisoner Company B, 9th Infantry Regiment Iowa on 20 April 1864 in Andersonville, GA. His parents were: Norman B. Seeley{Seely} and Lydia Dustin Crook. I have extensive records on this and related Seeley members. Norman B. Seeley was a brother to my great-grandfather. These were the Seeley's who came from Genesee and Cattaraugus Counties, New York through Portland, Portland Twp., Whiteside County, Illinois to Town of Rome (later called Olin) Jones County, Iowa. I just happened to come across this Civil War-era information and thought it might be of interest to some of our members.

From SGS Webmasters Chris & Jerry Havnar:

WANTED: A copy of the Biography of your Seely/ey/ye or Cilley/y ancestor(s) from "out of copyrighted" book(s). The website can accept information as a xerox sent via the mail, or e-mail the information either as text or as a scan. Photos

welcome.

New at www.seeley-society.net:

- In Memoriam - where SGS can honor those members of SGS who have passed away - We have gone back thru the 2001 newsletter adding what can be discerned from those newsletters.
- Seeley Biographies - we have added several biographies from out of copyright books - There are more available - contributions are welcome.
- Seeley Veterans - A start
- Society Member's Websites - do you want to be linked ?
- Cemeteries with Seeley's
- Seeley's in the Census
- Seeley Treasures from the Attic - Misc Stuff too good to ignore but currently without a home - or posting while it becomes a category of its own.
- Queries - should be current as of this moment from the SGS newsletter available to the Web-parents

Suggestions for other categories are welcome,

From SGS Ancestor File Index Coordinator John Seely:

I am reviewing the microfilm of the CORDWAINERS COMPANY of LONDON Audit Book for the years 1595-1636 looking for another Robert "SEELEY" among the apprentices. I have seen the entry regarding SGS's Robert Seeley earning his release by submitting a "white spoon". I have found a Thomas, son of Robert Seale dated Sept. 1626, but no other Robert so far. This is a line by line effort since this book doesn't have an index so I'll be busy for quite a time.

I have also corrected the "death year" problem for living persons in the Ancestor File Index by adding "res" and the year of contact in the Town field.

Canadian Corner

By Dian Little



DNA Lineage Testing Pays Off:

Our thanks go out to a Seeley cousin of Renfrew, Ontario. His participation in the Seeley DNA lineage project enabled us to identify his direct line through James a son of Augustus Seeley as a descendant of Obadiah Seeley, SGS # 4. Augustus settled in Lancaster and Elizabethtown, Upper Canada after the Revolutionary War. The first record we have of Augustus was at Westchester County, N.Y. in 1760. He joined the Provincial Troops during the French and Indian War along with several other descendants of Obadiah.

This is an excellent example of how participation in the Seeley DNA lineage project puts science to

work (through genetics) to confirm genealogical research.

The Case of Benjamin Seeley:

The following is from *United Empire Loyalist, Second Report of the Bureau of Archives For the Province of Ontario*. Compiled by Alexander Fraser. Published by Genealogical Publishing. It may be the claim of Benjamin Seeley SGS # 120: Case of Benj Seeley, Late of Connect.

Claimant. Says: He came in May 83, went up to Majorfield, did not hear of the act. He lived at Stratford, joined the Brit. At Lloyd's Neck. Sometimes kept Guard on the neck. Chopped wood. Continued within the lines. He had been carried to Gaol before he went within the Lines. He was taken up by 3 officers from the committee. He was robbed of £17 in silver & gold. Lost Beef. When sent to Gaol the officer took his horse and saddle. Left some corn on ye ground, a piece of Chintz, some furniture. He was taken to Gaol for aiding & assisting the Loyalists.

SGS Queries

(Data as of January 15, 2005)

Query number is 2 digit year, 2 digit month of newsletter, query sequence number

Please send your queries to Query Editor Linda Crocker at llc100@btopenworld.com or mail to Linda at home (see page 2) or to P.O. Box 1326, Harwich, MA 02645. Queries are assigned a query number by the Query Editor and are then sent to the Query Team and Area Coordinators. Linda summarizes each query and any responses for inclusion in the newsletter.

If you have any information on the queries below contact the submitter but remember to also send a copy of the information to Linda so the query can be updated in the next newsletter.

QUERY UPDATES

Update to Query 0411-6 Re: Frank J. Seeley

Walter Seeley sent Gerry (the query submitter) contact information for a current Seeley resident of Ripley, NY, residence of Frank J. Seeley and family. No further information.

NEW QUERIES

Query 0502-1 Submitted by Doris Pratt (revdocdp@valstar.net)

Subject: Rhoda Jane Amelia Seely, SGS # 3903

Doris is descended from #3903 Rhoda Jane Amelia Seely Pratt Nichols. She is trying to find death records for Rhoda, her paternal great grandmother. According to family records, she died at the home of her brother #3900 George Washington Seely, at Long Beach, CA, possibly before 1911. Dan has sent the information in his files to Doris. It is to do with Rhoda's husbands and children. Does anyone know when or where Rhoda died? Also, if anyone's interested, the Daughters of the Amer. Rev. is considering Doris's supplemental for possible patriot John Seely (1742-1795) (our #193), husband of Mary Corner/Carner/O'Connor (b.1740).

SGS Response: Chris Havnar found a possible death record in the California death index: Rhoena Nichols age 78, died Los Angeles County 31 May 1909. She has sent information to Doris about getting the actual death certificate.

Query 0502-2 Submitted by Barb Zimmer (SkyHarbor@aol.com)

Subject: Angeline Cool and Margaret Cool

Barb is looking for the Seeley mother of Angeline Cool (Lince) (Bullock). Barb says she is probably from Duanesburg or Stratford or Dolgeville areas of Fulton Co. NY. Angeline b. ~1828, so mother would be born about 1800. There are many Cool and

Seeley intermarriages and family reunions according to family history. She has found Angeline in the following census records:

- 1860, Brutus, Cayuga, NY: Angeline L. Bullock, b. 1827, married to Levi Bullock.
- 1870, Norway, Herkimer Cty., NY: Angeline, b. 1827, m. to Levi.
- 1880, Butler Center, Wayne Cty., NY: Angeline, age 53, married to Levi Bullock.
- She was buried in Grand Rapids, MI., d. 1890.

According to Barb it's very possible that Angeline and Levi lived in Stratford, Fulton Co., NY, before the above censuses. Also, Angeline seemed to have three sons from a previous marriage to ___Lince: Benson, Cpins(sp) (I think this is Caspius or Cassius) and Charles H.

SGS Response: I (Linda) found them in the 1860 census. Capius M. is age 15, Charles H. is 11 and Bronson (Benson) is 8, all listed as Bullock. In the 1870 census it is Cassius M. Lince and Benson Lince. I can't find them in the 1850 census. In the 1880 census there is a Margaret Cool aged in the 70's with Angeline and Levi. Does anyone recognize this family or have a record of a Margaret Seeley marrying a Cool?

Query 0502-3 Submitted by Roberta Ward (BertaNWard@aol.com)

Subject: Merit (Merritt) Seeley

Roberta (Bertanward@aol.com) is researching her husband's family. Merit Seeley (age 6) is listed with two brothers (George W., age 9 and Joseph H., age 4) in the 1850 census of Salisbury, Herkimer County, NY. Their parents are William Seely, age 33 and Betsey Seely, age 24, all b. NY. Merit Seeley married Harriet Barnes and Roberta has found 5 children: Edson D., b. 1867, Charles, b. 1872, Ward, b. 1870 (her husband's ancestor), Blanche who m. a Shanahan and Ester who m. Clarence Richmond. If anyone has information on this family please contact Roberta and send me a copy.

SGS Response: I found Maxon Seely age 25 and family living in the next house to William and Betsey in the 1850 census. There is also a Hulda Seely nearby who would appear to be Hulda(h), widow of Solomon Seeley, SGS#381a (see page 53 of the sixth generation families of Nathaniel Seeley). In the 1800 census of Salisbury there is a Solomon Seely with several children. Can someone document a relationship between William Seely, father of Merit, and Solomon Seely?

Query 0502-4 Submitted by Loreen Wells (loreenwl@open.org)

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Queries (continued from page 6)

Subject: Sarah Seeley, SGS # 4170

Loreen is looking for information on her great-grandfather Jacob Ostrander, husband of SGS#4170, Sarah Seely. Sarah married Jacob W. Ostrander in New Canaan CT on September 30, 1850. Officiating was the Rev. Theophilus Smith of the New Canaan 1st Congregational Church. Who was Jacob - where he was born, who were his parents and where they were born, who were his siblings? Jacob and Sarah are buried together in Lakeview Cemetery at New Canaan. According to headstones and cemetery records there Jacob was born September 2, 1823 and died July 19, 1911 in Bridgeport, CT. Sarah was born May 30, 1825 and died November 14, 1885 in New Canaan. Buried with them is Jacob and Sarah's son Stephen, also Jacob's brother, John Ostrander, and John's wife Mary. Stephen was born June 30, 1851, probably in New Canaan, and died on February 15, 1883 in Norwalk CT. John was born November 7, 1821 and died February 9, 1892 in New Canaan. Mary died July 22, 1897 in New Canaan.

Loreen's grandfather is John Jacob Ostrander, born March 30, 1862 in New Canaan. He died June 13, 1932, in Enterprise, Oregon. This John was the son of Jacob and Sarah, brother to Stephen. Loreen has found no other children born to Jacob and Sarah, although an obituary claims John had a sister in the east. Jacob's brother John had no children that she can find.

Loreen has examined various census records but cannot find Jacob before 1860. She has found Ostrandens in Salisbury, CT but cannot connect to them.

SGS Response: Your Query Editor found Sarah living with Stephen Seely (SGS#1818), a distant cousin, in the 1850 census for New Canaan, Fairfield, CT, taken about 6 weeks after her marriage (Roll 132_38, page 347). Since Sarah's parents died when she was quite young I'm wondering if she was raised by Stephen (and named her first child after him). Although the census taker still calls her Sarah Seely he also notes that she was married within the year. Maybe Jacob is off building a house for his bride? Can anyone corroborate that Stephen Seely raised Sarah?

Query 0502-5 Submitted by Anita Woods (awoods@cox.net)

Subject: John Seely of Hudson County, NJ and Arthur W. Seeley of Norfolk, VA

Anita contacted SGS via the website for help in finding the ancestors of Arthur William Seeley Sr., her g-grandfather, founder of Seeley Florists, Tidewater Drive, Norfolk. Anita knew that Arthur was b. in 1887 and was married to Florence Caroline Schmitt. Anita thought the family might have come to VA from PA.

SGS Response: Investigating census records I found Arthur b. in 1887 in VA but his father b. in NJ. In 1910 Arthur was resident in Tanner(s) Creek, Norfolk, VA with his wife Florence and their infant son. In a nearby household I found John S. Seeley, age 62, b. NJ, father b. NY, mother b. NJ, with his wife Eliza, age 56, b. VA and 3 teenage children. Eliza and John had been married 35 years and had a total of 9 children, all living. In other nearby households I found August Seeley, age 30, b. NJ, father b. NJ; Walter W. Seeley, age 34, b. NJ, father b. NJ; Ralph A. Seeley, age 29, b. VA, father b. NJ and Silas Seeley, age 27, B. VA and father b. NJ. I couldn't find census records for the family in 1890 nor 1900. However, in 1880 I found John and Eliza in Kearney, Hudson Co. NJ with son Walter, age 5 and a daughter Mamie (or Marnie), age 3. Just a few houses away I found John Seely, age 66, b. NJ with wife Mary and sons Charles, age 21, George age 19 and Arthur, age 17. John and Mary (Mary Ann) and their family can be traced back through 1870 and 1860 to the 1850 census of Harrison, Hudson Co. NJ (Kearney used to be part of Harrison) where they are listed with 5 children including John Silas, age 3. I have sent all the relevant information to Anita so she can work at corroborating this line of descent from John Seely of Harrison/Kearney, NJ, through his son John who moved to Norfolk, to his son Arthur W. Seeley of Tanner's Creek.

Now the question is – Who is John Seely of Hudson County, NJ? According to the census information he was born in NJ about 1814-16 (his age varies slightly from census to census). He named his oldest son William H. and the next son is John Silas. His wife's name is Mary or Mary Ann. If you can help with this question please contact me, your Query Editor and copy your response to Anita.

Query 0502-6 Submitted by Charlie Russell (c21charlie@cot.net)

Subject: William A. Seeley and Calista Price Seeley

Charlie Russell has asked for the help of SGS Newsletter readers in identifying the photos below.



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SGS Reunion Preparations Underway *(continued from page 1)*

Ruthetta Hansen is in charge of the registration table this year and she will have a table set up on the lawn during the BBQ Wednesday evening. She will have registration packets ready for those who have



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pre-registered and will make packets for others. At registration, she must collect money from those who have not prepaid for lunches and dinners. Since we need to let the caterers and restaurants know the numbers ahead of time, please help us by letting us know your plans. Ruthetta and her assistants will also have a table set up and open at the Civic Center during non-meeting times.



Abilene & Smoky Valley Railroad

The registration fee, lunch and dinner costs are listed on the Reunion Registration form which can be found on page 9 or on the SGS Web site. As in the past, we plan to make this a pay as you go reunion, meaning, those who attend will help share with the expenses. Expenses include: meeting space, meals, rental equipment for speakers and presenters, and speaker costs. We plan to cover the expenses by collecting registration fees, collecting cost of meals, and selling Reunion souvenir items. Because of the



Greyhound Museum

high costs of transportation and per diem, we plan to hire local speakers and/or invite members to provide presentations and entertainment. This process is underway; so if you would like to be a speaker or presenter, please contact me at jrseeley@aol.com or jrseeley@adelphia.net.

Breakfasts each day, and lunch on Thurs., Sept. 15 are on your own. Catered lunches are planned for Friday and Saturday at the civic center. Some refreshments will be available during meeting times. Dinners are being arranged for Thursday, Friday, and Saturday evenings with speakers or entertainment.



Seelye Research Center

The dinner Saturday evening will be a coat and tie (encouraged, not required) affair and will include installation of the new officers. A free farewell brunch is planned for about noon on Sunday at the Mansion.

A list of speakers and presenters will be in the May 2005 SGS Newsletter. The programs on Thursday and Friday will be two-tracked. That is, presenters will be scheduled (twice) while tours are



Eisenhower Presidential Library & Museum

scheduled. The theme of this year's reunion is ***The Seeley Family as Pioneers***. Volunteers are requested to give presentations to specifically help develop that theme. The business meeting will be on Saturday.

We are also celebrating the 100th anniversary of the Seelye Mansion. Terry Tietjens has agreed to discuss the history of the mansion as part of the

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program. He will also give tours of the mansion at grounds of the Seelye Mansion. The Seelye Research Center will be open Sunday morning.

There has been a little advancement in our knowledge of the careers of immigrants of both Robert and Obadiah Seeley since our last Reunion. The program will bring us up-to-date on those two issues. We would also like to schedule presentations on the origin of other Seeley lines, including those from Canada, Argentina, New Zealand, and England. If you know a speaker from the Kansas area who speaks on genealogy or genealogically related history subjects, please let me know.

There will be a list of churches included in your registration packet. There will be no scheduled meetings Sunday, but plan to attend the **free farewell brunch** on the

grounds of the Seelye Mansion. The Seelye Research Center will be open Sunday morning.

Tentatively, we plan to rent the Abilene Trolley for a one-and-a-half hour tour of the city of Abilene on Friday. The trolley seats 30 and we'll need 30 to sign up by noon Thursday with the Registrar (Ruthetta) first come, first served, at \$3 each. Money will be refunded if not enough people sign up.

We plan to sell souvenir items (tote bags, reunion souvenir books, etc.) to help defray reunion costs. Your support will be appreciated.

I hope you will plan to visit the Seelye Research Center (SRC) during your reunion stay. The objective of the new SRC filing system is to make it easier for you to just come in and find the document you want or one that interests



2005 SGS Reunion Registration Form

<i>NAME (FIRST, MIDDLE INITIAL, LAST):</i>	<i>LINE (e.g. NATHANIEL, OBADIAH, OTHER):</i>
<i>ADDRESS (NUMBER, STREET):</i>	<i>TELEPHONE NO.:</i>
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<i>ADDITIONAL GUEST NAME (FIRST, MIDDLE INITIAL LAST)</i>	<i>RELATIONSHIP (i.e. SPOUSE, SON, DAUGHTER, ETC.)</i>
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Reunion Expenses

	# of guests:	@	Subtotal:
Registration Fee		\$12.00 ea.	
Lunch Friday, Catered by Kirby House		\$7.50 ea.	
Lunch Saturday, Catered by Barb's Deli		\$7.00 ea.	
Dinner Thursday @ Mr. K's Farm House		\$12.00 ea.	
Dinner Friday @ Brookville Hotel (Chicken Family Style)		\$17.00 ea.	
Dinner Saturday @ Country Club (Buffet)		\$18.00 ea.	
Payment by: <input type="checkbox"/> Check <input type="checkbox"/> Money Order			TOTAL:

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Sites to Visit: Seelye Mansion, Eisenhower Center, Candy Factory, Lebold Mansion, Dickenson County Historical Society, Greyhound Hall of Fame, Old Abilene Town - - See the May issue of the SGS Newsletter for more info.

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He thinks the gentleman in the left-hand photo is William A. Seeley, b. 23 July 1778 and d. 24 October 1858, his g-g-g-grandfather. It is suspected that the lady seated at the lower left of the right-hand photo may be Calista Price Seeley, b. 9 May 1846 and died 7 March 1947, a daughter of Jonas Seeley who was b. 30 Dec. 1818. These people resided in Mattoon, Cumberland County, IL.

SGS Response: Long-time SGS Member Dan Seelye provided some information from his files but cannot verify its accuracy. The information shows William A. Seeley to be born in Elmira, Chemung, NY and to have died in Toledo, IL on the dates above. William may have had 7 wives. According to Dan's file William was married to Sarah Judson (1790 – 1825) who had 6 children including Jonas b. 31 Dec. 1818 and d. 20 Oct 1886. Jonas married Elizabeth Anna Ingram. Jonas's older sister was named Celesta (b. 1816, d. 1860). Can anyone identify William A. Seeley's parents or verify Dan's data? Contact Dan if you would like to see the complete file on William's wives and children. That may help both Dan and Charlie solve a mystery by answering these questions. Dan's contact data can be found on page 15.

HOW TO SUBMIT A QUERY

If you would like to submit a query that will run in the SGS Newsletter, please follow a few simple guidelines.

Be specific and detailed: Give us as much information as you have about the person or family in question, **especially dates and locations. What resources have you already consulted?** The SGS Publications? The census? Cemetery records? Ancestry.com? **What exactly do you want to know?** Parent's names and details? Information on siblings? Information on a family marrying into the Seeley family?

After your query is printed in the newsletter please keep us informed about any information you receive or any further progress you make on your own. Other members may also be interested or related to your line. One more name, date or place may be the key to connecting your line to another.

Your query will also be posted on our website. Make sure we have your current email and normal address – sometimes we get information several months after publication and we want to make sure we are able to get it to you..

Hereby Submitted

Committee Proposes Revisions to SGS Constitution & By-Laws

The Seeley Genealogical Society Constitution and By-Laws require that revisions or amendments to those documents must be printed and submitted to the membership in the newsletter at least three months prior to the reunion held every other year. A committee appointed by SGS President Jim Seeley has drafted proposed changes to the Constitution and By-Laws. Accordingly, a summary of the proposed changes follows as well as a complete copy of the constitution and by-laws as proposed. This document will be voted on by the membership during the SGS Reunion in Abilene this September. If it is ratified, it will be adopted by the Society effective November 1, 2005. The committee that was chaired by Katherine Olsen, included George Seeley and Ramon Hall. Members wishing to express their opinions on any of the above changes may contact Katherine Olsen, First Vice President of SGS, and Chairman of the Committee for consideration of changes to the Constitution and Bylaws (contact data on page 15).

CONSTITUTION

Change

The logo used in the heading was changed to the new logo.

Art. II Sec. 1

A non-uniform indent was removed; and variant spellings of the Seeley name were added to indicate the breadth of membership.

Art. IV Sec. 1

a. In the section defining Officers of the SGS, the previous footnote stating that all officers may be of either gender was incorporated.

b. The title of the Ancestor Files Chairman was corrected.

c. Authority was included for appointment of Assistant Genealogists as required.

d. The position of Judge Advocate was abolished.

Art. IV Sec. 4

The redundant word "below" was removed.

BYLAWS

Art. I

Title from "Membership and Dues" to "Dues and Membership."

Art. I Sec. 1

Section on dues clarified and updated. A specific statement was added to clarify that any change to the dues structure has to be approved by a three-fifths vote of the members attending a reunion, subject to quorum requirements. The fixed dues statement for the Lifetime Membership was removed as all dues

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are subject to the above requirement for change.

Art. III

Title changed from "Duties of Officers" to "Duties of Elected Officers."

Art. III Sec. 1

A redundant statement concerning Assistant Genealogists was deleted as it is covered elsewhere.

Art. III Sec. 7

A redundant statement concerning Assistant Genealogists was deleted as it is covered elsewhere.

Art. III Sec. 8, 11, 12, 14

The duties of these Appointed Officers were moved to Article IV, Duties of Appointed Officers.

Art. III Sec. 9

Duties of the Judge Advocate were deleted.

Art. III Sec. 10, 13, 15

Renumbered to Sections 8, 9, and 10 for continuity of the numbering system.

Art. IV

New Article added titled "Duties of Appointed Officers"

Art. IV Sec. 1

Duties of the Publications Editor are defined.

Art. IV Sec. 2

Duties of the Ancestor Files Chairman are defined.

Art. IV Sec. 3

Duties of the Research Center Director are defined.

Art. IV Sec. 4

Duties of the Membership Chairman are defined.

Art. IV Sec. 5

Duties of the Assistant Genealogists are defined.

Art. V

Section changed from "IV" to "V" for continuity.

Art. V Sec. 3

Requirement added to require the "Audit Report" to be presented to the membership in attendance at each reunion.

Art. VI

Section changed from "V" to "VI" for continuity.



Seeley Genealogical Society Constitution and By-Laws

(As Revised and Proposed Nov. 19, 2004 by the SGS Constitution and By-Laws Committee)

Constitution

ARTICLE I: Name

- SECTION 1. The name of this organization shall be THE SEELEY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY, hereinafter referred to as "the Society."
- SECTION 2. The Reverend Garner Osborne is recognized as the founder of the society. Any person who was a member prior to 1965 is a charter member.

ARTICLE II: Objectives

- SECTION 1. The Society will solicit as members, descendants of the Seeley surname of all spellings to include those who by marriage have acquired another surname, and anyone who has an interest in genealogy. Known surname spelling variants include Seelye, Seely, Selee, Sealey, Sealy, Seela, Cilley, Ceely, Ceilly, and Ceilley; however all similar spellings or variants are included.
- SECTION 2. The Society shall engage in research, study, verification, discussion, collation, publication, dissemination, and preservation of Seeley information for the Society, for its members and for posterity. In so far as practical, the Society will respond to all that inquire about Seeley ancestral lines. The Society will receive, hold, and invest appropriate monies, dues, gifts, proceeds from sales, interest, etc. and control and administer any properties for the benefit of the Society. The Society shall publish a periodic newsletter.
- SECTION 3. The Society will establish and maintain associations with societies of other surnames and state and national organizations to encourage interest in genealogy and to benefit therefrom.
- SECTION 4. The Society will pay special recognition to Robert Seeley of England who immigrated to America in anno domini 1630; and to Obadiah Seeley, who appeared in the records of Stamford, Connecticut in 1640.

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SECTION 5. The Society will maintain a national Research Center, co-located with the Seelye Mansion in Abilene, Kansas. The Research Center will collect family and archival records for research by the membership and members of the general public.

ARTICLE III: Membership and Dues

SECTION 1. There shall be three classes of membership in The Society.

- (1) Charter: Persons who participated in founding and administration of The Society prior to 1965.
- (2) Individual, Library or Society
- (3) Lifetime

Charter, Individual and Lifetime memberships shall apply to a member and spouse.

SECTION 2. Dues shall be specified in the by-laws.

ARTICLE IV: Officers

SECTION 1. The elected officers of the Society shall be a President, First Vice-president, Second Vice-president, Secretary, Treasurer, Chief Genealogist, and three Directors elected from the general membership.

The President shall appoint an Ancestor Files Chairman, a Membership Chairman, a Publications Editor, Assistant Genealogists as required, and a Director for the National Research Center.

All elected and appointed officers of the Society may be of either gender without exception. Throughout this document the use of the masculine pronoun should be considered in the classical sense to apply to both male and female genders.

SECTION 2. Officers and Directors of the Society shall be elected for a term of two years. The election is to take place at the national reunion. Officers and members in good standing are eligible to vote. A quorum of 25 members is required to elect.

SECTION 3. The officers and directors term of service shall begin on the first of the month following the election or re-election of officers at the national reunion.

SECTION 4. No member shall hold more than one office at a time, except for short times resulting from succession to office as provided for in Article IV, Section 5.

SECTION 5. In the event of the resignation or incapacity of any officer, except the President or a Vice President, the vacancy will be filled by a majority vote of the remaining elected officers. For the unexpired term, of the President and/or a Vice-president, succession will be automatic from the remaining elected officers in the order shown in Article IV, Section 1 above, exclusive of the Treasurer.

SECTION 6. The elected officers and directors shall constitute an Executive Board.

SECTION 7. If there is more than one nominee for any office, election shall be by secret ballot, and a majority of those voting shall elect.

ARTICLE V: Meetings

SECTION 1. The membership shall meet at least every two years, as specified in the by-laws. Business of the Society may be conducted if there is a quorum present at the reunion.

SECTION 2. The officers and executive board shall meet as specified in the by-laws and serve without monetary compensation.

SECTION 3. The order of business at all meetings will be governed by Roberts Rules of Order, Revised. The President may appoint a Parliamentarian, who will serve at the pleasure of the president.

SECTION 4. To conduct business of the Society, a quorum of 25 members will be required. Five elected officers constitute a quorum of the Executive Board.

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- SECTION 1. Dues shall be established by the membership. Any change in the dues structure must be approved by a three-fifths vote of the membership at a regular reunion subject to a quorum requirement. The fiscal period is to coincide with the term of the officers. Dues are to be paid to the Membership Chairman, who will issue a membership card, and forward the dues to the Treasurer.
- SECTION 2. Membership will be awarded as specified in Article II, section 1 of the constitution.
- SECTION 3. Membership may be refused or suspended by a three-fifths vote of the Executive Board to anyone or any organization, whose interests conflict with the purpose of The Society.

ARTICLE II: Meetings

- SECTION 1. The President, with the approval of the Executive Board, shall call meetings of the Board and the general membership subject to the minimum requirements of the Article V, section 1 and 2 of the constitution.
- SECTION 2. It is recommended that the president call a meeting of the Executive Board each year in the month of August or at a mutually agreed upon time. The Society recognizes the geographical dispersion of the officers and directors. The President may present to and solicit from officers and directors public mail responses to questions, programs, and reports necessary for the administration of The Society. These are to be reported to the membership in the newsletter. The in-person meeting of officers and directors is encouraged when it is practical.
- SECTION 3. Six (6) of the officers and board of directors may call a special meeting of the officers and directors for consideration of issues. A special officers and directors meeting may also be called by twenty-five members of the Society by signed petition, at no expense to the Society. Quorum requirements will apply.

ARTICLE III: Duties of Elected Officers

- SECTION 1. The President shall be the chief executive officer of the Society and preside at all meetings. He shall be a member of all committees except the nominating and auditing committees. The President is authorized to approve disbursement of reasonable fund amounts from the Treasurer's account(s) for the routine operation of the Society business, to carry on correspondence and to publish the newsletters. The President shall serve as the chairperson of the committee to organize the membership meeting conducted per Article V, Section 1 of the Constitution.
- SECTION 2. If the President determines that an elected officer or director is not performing the duties for which elected, he may request the Executive Board remove the member. Such removal will require a three-fifths vote of eligible Executive Board members.
- SECTION 3. The First Vice-president shall perform duties assigned by the President, preside and perform all duties necessary in the absence of the President, and assume the Presidency if the office becomes vacant.
- SECTION 4. The Second Vice-president shall perform duties assigned by the President, preside and perform all duties necessary in the absence of the President and First Vice-president.
- SECTION 5. The Secretary shall record and preserve the minutes of the meetings of the executive board and of the reunions. The Secretary will perform other administrative duties as assigned by the President.
- SECTION 6. The Treasurer shall safeguard funds and maintain all accounts in the name of The Seeley Genealogical Society. He shall be responsible for adequate financial records. When the executive board shall determine bonding is required, this will be done at the expense of the Society. If investment of funds of the Society is made, approval of the Executive Board is required.

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- SECTION 7. The Chief Genealogist shall have custody of the genealogical files of the Society and maintain such other files necessary for the performance of his duties. He will safeguard them from common hazards. The duties are those generally accepted as responsibilities of a genealogist. He will be assisted by genealogists appointed by the President. He shall comply with the requirements of Article II, section 2 of the constitution. He shall also work closely with the Director of the national Research Center to assure that all Society records are copied and/or archived at the Center for researchers' use.
- SECTION 8. Directors: The three Directors shall serve as representatives of the general membership. They may be assigned duties by the President to assist in the administration of the Society.
- SECTION 9. The immediate past President shall be an ex-officio member of the board of directors and committees in a non-voting advisory capacity.
- SECTION 10. The President, with the approval of the Executive Board, may establish other positions and collateral duties not named elsewhere.

ARTICLE IV: Duties of Appointed Officers

- SECTION 1. Publications Editor: The Publications Editor shall be responsible for the organization, printing and mailing of the quarterly newsletter. The newsletter shall include inquiries submitted to the Society for general membership response. The closest liaison must be maintained with the Membership Chairman and the Chief Genealogist to perform these duties.
- SECTION 2. Ancestor Files Chairman: The Ancestor Files Chairman shall be responsible for maintaining a computerized database of all ancestor files submitted by members of the Society. He shall also be responsible for responding to inquiries to the Society regarding established lineage.
- SECTION 3. Research Center Director: The Research Center Director shall be responsible for maintaining the National Research Center in Abilene, Kansas, as a resource to Society members and members of the General Public. He shall act as an advisor to the President and to the Chief Genealogist.
- SECTION 4. Membership Chairperson: The Membership Chairperson shall be responsible for the promotion of the Society membership, maintenance of membership rolls, and collection and forwarding of dues to the Treasurer. He shall be appointed by the President from the membership exclusive of the Treasurer.
- SECTION 5. Assistant Genealogists: Assistant Genealogists, when appointed, will be responsible for specific tasks in support of the Chief Genealogist's function.

ARTICLE V: Committees

- SECTION 1. Committees. The president shall appoint necessary standing and ad hoc committees and require reports from them.
- SECTION 2. Nominating committee. The president shall appoint a nominating committee of at least two (2) members one year in advance of the national reunion. The nominating committee shall ascertain that all candidates nominated will be willing to serve if elected. The election shall be as provided in Article IV, section 2 and section 3 of the Constitution. Nominations may be made from the floor for all offices with the consent of the nominee.
- SECTION 3. Auditing committee. The president shall appoint an auditing committee of not less than two (2) members, to examine the financial records of the Society, once every two years, or oftener if required by the executive board. The results will be presented to the membership in attendance at each reunion, and submitted in writing for publishing in the newsletter.

ARTICLE VI: Amendments

- SECTION 1. The Constitution or By-laws of the Society may be amended by a three-fifths majority of members, provided that a quorum is present, at an authorized reunion. Any amendment proposal must be printed and submitted to the membership in the newsletter at least three months prior to the reunion.

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SGS Publications Available for Order

All Checks should be made payable to SGS.

There are three major SGS publications available for order from the Seelye Research Center.

1. ***The Descendants of Robert Seeley (1602-1667) and Obadiah Seeley (1614-1657): Generations One Through Five, 1997 Edition (U.S. \$17)***
2. ***The Sixth Generation Families, 1995 Edition (U.S. \$17)***
3. ***The Seventh Generation Families: Descendants of Robert Seeley (1601-1667) and Obadiah Seeley (1614-1657), 2000 Edition (U.S. \$25)***

Contact Terry Tietjens at the Seelye Research Center for information (contact data below).

Prior issues of the **SGS Newsletter** are also available through the Seelye Research Center and can be purchased for \$2 each.

Finally, the **SGS CD-ROM** includes numerous files in both MS Word and Adobe Acrobat formats, both easily searchable. The **SGS CD-ROM** (U.S.\$15) is available from Bob Seeley (see contact data below). It includes:

Folder A - SGS Publications

(By Madeline Mills and Katherine Olsen)

1. Generations One Through Five Robert & Obadiah
2. Sixth Generation Robert
3. Sixth Generation Obadiah
4. Seventh Generation Robert
5. Seventh Generation Obadiah

Folder B - SGS Ancestral File Index (Database Index by John R. Seely)

1. John Seely Seeley List
2. Seeley Children, Alphabetical List
3. Seeley Children, List by Mother
4. Non-Seeley Children, Alphabetical List
5. Non-Seeley Children, List by Seeley Mother
6. Submitters SGS

Folder C - Fred C. Hart, Jr., CG Research Reports on Obadiah Seeley (with attachments)

1. Origin of Obadiah Seeley
 - a. Chronological Listing of Obadiah Seeley's Stamford, CT Records
 - b. Stamford, CT Records (Introduction)
2. Obadiah's Relationship with John Lawre(n)son and Family of John Miller
 - a. Lawre(n)son/Seeley Events
 - b. Miller - Seeley Events
3. Origin of Early Stamford Settlers
 - a. Register of St Martin
 - b. The Family of William Seeley
 - c. Stamford Settlers Before 1700
4. Mary, Wife of Obadiah
 - a. Doubtful Angel
5. Probate Record for William Seeley

Folder D - Report from Alan Phipps, MA, AG

1. The English Ancestry of Robert Seeley

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I/we have submitted our Seeley line back as far as known to Terry Tietjens, Director, Seelye Research Center, P.O. Box 337, 1105 N. Buckeye, Abilene, KS 67410	
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