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## SUMMARY OF RESEARCH GATHERED BY THE SEELEY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY ON OBADIAH SEELEY

*Summary of a report prepared by Apryl Cox, AG®, July 6, 2015*

*Editor's Note: this is a summary of a 20+-page report prepared for the Seeley Genealogical Society (SGS) by certified genealogist Apryl Cox. Her research was paid for by SGS on the recommendation of the Research Committee. The full report is available to SGS members by request. Contact Kathie Olsen (contact info on Page 15).*

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### Objective

Analyze the information gathered by the Seeley Genealogical Society concerning the origin of Obadiah Seeley of Stamford, Connecticut; determine what information is accurate; report the results of research efforts; and suggest further research.



### Summary Statement

The Seeley Genealogical Society

has authorized multiple research projects during the last 30+ years regarding Obadiah Seeley of Stamford, Connecticut. Research findings from those projects were never sorted and organized into a single readable format until now. A review of the collected evidence leads to two conclusions: (1) Obadiah Seeley of Stamford, Connecticut, was not the son of Robert Seeley of Watertown, MA, and Wethersfield and New Haven, CT, and (2) Obadiah Seeley of Stamford, CT, was probably the son of William Seeley and his

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## The Seeley Genealogical Society Newsletter

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### Editors

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### Announcements

The SGS Newsletter is published every February, May, August, and November. Announcements are published for free and are due to the editor by the 15th of the month preceding publication.

### SGS Mission Statement

The Society shall engage in research, study, verification, discussion, collation, publication, dissemination, and preservation of Seeley information for the Society, for the education and benefit of its members and for posterity.

### 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, Seely, Seelye, Sealy, Sealey, Seley, Selye, Seale, Seelee, Seela, Cieley, Cealy, Cilley, etc.

### Membership Dues

Effective Oct. 1, 2011 SGS Membership dues are \$10 per year, \$18 two years, \$25 three years, or \$36 five years. Lifetime memberships are \$125. (Dues are in U.S. dollars and the membership year runs from Oct. 1 to Sept. 30) Pay all dues to:

SGS Membership Chair  
Marie Seelye  
See Contact Info on Page 15

### Seelye Research Center

is co-located with the Seelye Mansion in Abilene, KS. For more information, contact:  
Seelye Research Center, Director  
Terry Tietjens  
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### SGS International Reunions

are held every two years. The next one is scheduled for 2017, in the vicinity of Parkersburg, WV. Please advise the editor if your branch or family has plans for a sectional or local reunion in the interim. Others might like to know about it.

### Editorial Position

The editorial opinions expressed in this newsletter are the opinions of the writers 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.

## SGS PRESIDENT'S REPORT

*Seeley Genealogical Society President, Lynda Simmons*



I am excited to be your new Seeley Genealogical Society President! I look forward to serving and am grateful for the elected and appointed officers who give so much time and talent to our society. I have worked with these fine people for many years and know how competent, dedicated, and very hard working they are!

I'm also happy to welcome three new officers: Secretary Patricia Brooks Palmer, Treasurer Margaret Petersen, and Membership Chair Marie Seelye. They're already hard at work. Thanks also go to our outgoing President Kathie Olsen, Secretary Camille Bell, and Treasurer Sally Seeley for their years of tireless, competent work for SGS.

As SGS President, I am fortunate to follow in the footsteps of excellent people, like Kathie, Jim Seeley, and Marshall Seelye. They all worked very hard for SGS and made it the fine organization it is today.

Because I am replacing Kathie, I want to share some of her successes. She established SGS as a tax-free 501(c)(3) non-profit corporation, organized SGS trips to England and New England, organized four SGS Reunions, co-authored with our mother, Madeline Mills, the three SGS publications highlighting Robert and Obadiah Seeley's first seven generations, encouraged research on Obadiah Seeley, and tirelessly supported SGS goals and missions.

Presiding over my first SGS Executive Board meeting in Abilene, KS on July 29, 2015, I asked each of the officers to talk about what they liked about SGS. The lists included being part of SGS leadership,

working together and feeling as comfortable as a family, preserving history, helping people with their family history, helping with registration, indexing, scanning, researching, and DNA, increasing membership, sharing information about members' ancestors, and communicating all the good things SGS does. One said, "I love the members and officers in SGS." It has been my experience that when we get to know and work with our SGS members, we find out what good people they are—a great family trait.

We also talked about where we want SGS to go and addressed some immediate challenges. The society was formed fifty years ago. Many of our early members are in their nineties or have passed away. This has caused a decline in membership.

Also, as we move to electronic delivery of the newsletter we are having difficulty reaching some existing members. As the past membership chair, I've personally spent countless hours trying to find every member who does not have an email address, but there are still several we have not found.

Accompanying the August emailing of the newsletter, was a note from Paul Taylor listing the members we have not found. If you have any information on those members, please let Marie Seelye know at [seelyew@gmail.com](mailto:seelyew@gmail.com) or me know at: [summitkids@gmail.com](mailto:summitkids@gmail.com). Thanks very, very much for your help.

The SGS Executive Board wants

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wife, Alice Bissell, of Birmingham, Warwickshire, England; he was christened in 1614 and served an apprenticeship in London with Nehemiah Wallington. Evidence that supports these conclusions is explained in the following section.

### *Evaluation of Evidence*

Researchers surmised that Obadiah Seeley would have to have been born about 1630 to fit into the family of Robert and Mary Seeley of Massachusetts and Connecticut. A birth year this late does not correlate well with Obadiah's marriage to the widow Mary Miller between 1642 and 1648.

Y-DNA samples from male descendants of Nathaniel Seeley (a known son of Captain Robert Seeley) and descendants of two known sons of Obadiah Seeley (Obadiah and Jonas) were processed by Oxford Ancestors. The two groups of descendants differed by three out of ten markers, and eleven out of forty-three markers. Thus, Y-DNA testing shows no close relationship between Robert Seeley and Obadiah Seeley.<sup>1</sup>

An apprenticeship record for an Obadiah Seeley who apprenticed to become a turner was located in London. This Obadiah Seeley worked first as a servant and then as an apprentice to Nehemiah Wallington, a second-generation Puritan.<sup>2</sup> Obadiah's apprenticeship lasted for nine years (1627-1635).<sup>3</sup> Obadiah's name was last mentioned in the records of the Turners' Company of London in 1637.<sup>4</sup> Obadiah did not take on apprentices,<sup>5</sup> was not listed in the guild's minutes

or wardens' accounts,<sup>6</sup> and did not leave a probated will in courts with jurisdiction over the London area.<sup>7</sup> These facts imply that Obadiah moved out of London some time after 1637. No evidence has yet been found that

tools, more than an average man would own.<sup>13</sup> His tools and his carpentry ability support the hypothesis that he was the same Obadiah who apprenticed as a turner in England.

Obadiah named two of his sons Jonas and Habakuk.<sup>14</sup> These uncommon given names may reflect the names of his youngest brother Jonas (christened 1636) and Habacuck Byssell of Sheldon, Warwickshire (christened 1602), who could be closely related to Obadiah's mother, Alice Bissell.

**Obadiah's inventory proves that he owned a number of woodworking tools, more than an average man would own. His tools and his carpentry ability support the hypothesis that he was the same Obadiah who apprenticed as a turner in England.**

this Obadiah still lived in England after Obadiah Seeley appeared in Stamford, CT.

Obadiah's apprenticeship record named his father as William Seeley, a draper of Birmingham, England.<sup>8</sup> A christening record for Obadiah, son of William Seeley, dated 1614, was located in Birmingham.<sup>9</sup>

The Obadiah Seeley born at Birmingham was a strong Puritan, as was the Obadiah Seeley of Stamford, CT. (Nehemiah Wallington took only apprentices who shared his religious persuasion).<sup>10</sup>

While working in London, Obadiah Seeley may have associated with the Slawson and Angell families who lived in the contiguous county of Surrey who later immigrated to Stamford, CT.<sup>11</sup> Obadiah may have immigrated to Stamford to join friends he had known in England.

Obadiah built a house for John Miller in Stamford, which indicates that he possessed carpentry skills.<sup>12</sup> Obadiah's inventory proves that he owned a number of woodworking

### *Recommendations for Future Research to Link the Obadiah Seeley of Stamford, CT, with the Obadiah Seeley of Birmingham, Warwickshire, England.*<sup>15</sup>

1. Strive to locate a marriage or burial record for Obadiah Seeley in London between 1637 and 1700, using Ancestry's databases. If nothing is found, this would support the hypothesis that Obadiah immigrated to the New World.
2. Search the Turners' Company records, 1648-1670, to determine whether Obadiah was still connected with the company. This time period has apparently not been searched. If Obadiah is not mentioned, then his absence from these records supports the hypothesis that he left London.
3. Complete a search of the Commissary Court of London index for a will for Obadiah Seeley. If nothing is found for him, then this would support the

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hypothesis that he immigrated to the New World.

4. Locate and read probate records for Seeley and Bissell testators of Warwickshire, Worcestershire, and perhaps London, who could be close relatives of Obadiah Seeley and his mother, Alice Bissell. The purpose of this search is to find a will probated before 1657 (Obadiah's death year) that mentions Obadiah's current residence—hopefully, New England. Include all courts with jurisdiction over this area.
5. Seek a probate record for Obadiah and/or Sarah (Seeley) Bruen to learn whether Obadiah's widow or children were mentioned by them. If Obadiah Seeley's family members are mentioned, then this would strengthen the hypothesis that Obadiah Seeley of Stamford was the brother of Sarah Seeley of Birmingham. Obadiah Bruen died in 1681 in New Jersey.
6. Strive to find a connection in Surrey, England, between Obadiah Seeley and the Slawsons, Angells, and possibly Millers, who may have lived there before the 1630s, later moving to Stamford, CT. Finding such connections would suggest that Obadiah may have immigrated to Stamford, CT, to join his former associates or friends in England. The George Slawson who was Obadiah's next door neighbor in Stamford, CT, was born in Southwark, Surrey, England, about 1615, the son of Richard

Slawson and Anne Angell.

George Slawson immigrated to America by 1637 and married in Stamford in 1642. Perhaps Nehemiah Wallington and Obadiah Seeley knew George Slawson and his parents due to their business trade in Surrey.

### *Recommendations for Future Research on Related Questions*<sup>16</sup>

1. Trace the ancestry of Augustus Seeley (b. about 1748; d. 1811 in Elizabethtown, Leeds, Ontario,

**Recommendation:**  
**Trace the ancestry of Augustus Seeley (b. about 1748 ; d. 1811 in Elizabethtown, Leeds, Ontario, Canada), whose DNA markers place him in the Obadiah Seeley branch.**

Canada), whose DNA markers place him in the Obadiah Seeley branch. Augustus was a Loyalist and moved to Ontario. He may be a direct descendant of Obadiah or of one of Obadiah's Seeley ancestors. Since Obadiah's son, Obadiah, Jr., was considered an "enemy" to the town, Augustus might descend from him.

Therefore, begin by tracing the descendants of Obadiah Seeley, Jr., to learn whether Augustus might fit in this line.

2. Contact Jerome E. Anderson to learn what additional information he has gathered regarding Obadiah Seeley's ancestry. (Anderson was alive as of 2011.) However, James R. Seeley's notes concerning his telephone

discussion with Anderson state that "Jerry believes he has told individual members of SGS all he knows regarding immigrant Obadiah Seeley."<sup>17</sup>

3. Continue research on Obadiah Seeley's ancestry as follows:
4. Seek the marriage of William Seeley and Alice Bissell in Sheldon, Warwickshire, as well as other Warwickshire and Worcestershire parishes in the vicinity. The couple likely married about 1608. The objective

is to verify that Alice's maiden name was Bissell.

5. Search for Alice Bissell's christening and parents' names in Sheldon, Warwickshire. She took her first child to Sheldon to be christened, suggesting that this may have been her home parish.

6. Conduct research on William Seeley's supposed parents, William Seeley and Anne Bloxish or Blocksidge.

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## Draft Minutes: SGS General Membership Meeting, July 29, 2015

*Submitted by Camille Seeley Bell, 2013-2015 SGS Secretary*

SGS President Kathie Olsen called the meeting to order at 9:15 a.m.

**Quorum:** George Seeley, Parliamentarian, confirmed that a quorum was present.

**Song:** Lou Ann Crisler led

members in singing the Reunion song, "Seeleys on the Range" (lyrics by Lou Ann Crisler), accompanied by Terry Tietjens, Director-at-large.

**Minutes:** Minutes of Membership Meeting, Aug. 10, 2013, read by

Camille Seeley Bell, Secretary, and unanimously approved after questions and discussion.

**Treasurer's Report:** Submitted by Sally Seeley, Treasurer

- Beginning balance was \$90,118.87 and ending balance is \$93,977.99 (see printed report).
- Report unanimously approved.

**Auditing Committee:** Lou Ann Crisler and Sherri Hileman reported that they had reviewed and approved accounting practices.

- Report by Auditing Committee unanimously approved.

**State of the Society:** Kathie Olsen reported on SGS accomplishments, 2013-2015.

- 501(c)3 status attained, and SGS approved as a non-profit organization; Jesse Crisler and the membership thanked Kathie for working through that very tedious process.
- Reunion Souvenir Book of 2013 Reunion published and delivered.
- Golden Anniversary of SGS Reunion here in Abilene that all are enjoying, made possible because of many hours of work by many volunteers; sixty-nine people registered from fifteen different states; first time attendees recognized.
- Eight newsletters published and mailed to members.
- Membership list of 336 members verified after much hard work by Lynda Simmons, Membership Chair.
- SGS Website continues to be a very

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valuable resource to those interested in Seeley Genealogy.

- Seeley Ancestral File contains almost 50,000 names with more added almost daily by indexing the eighth generation.
- Seelye Research Center adopted emergency policy; water detectors installed; Esther Houtz Walter papers acquired through efforts of Jim Seeley, Past President, and Jesse Crisler, Second Vice President; cabinet to house this collection and other historical artifacts purchased by Pam Turner, Librarian, and paid for by Jim Seeley.
- Apryl Cox, certified genealogist, retained to analyze information gathered on Obadiah Seeley; her report, summary, and recommendations for future research submitted.
- SGS Newsletter received honorable mention in the Family Genealogy Newsletter competition.
- Tree planted to commemorate fiftieth anniversary of SGS.

**Newsletter, Reunion Souvenir Book, and Facebook Page:** Paul Taylor, First Vice President

- August will be the last printed SGS Newsletter, which will be redesigned, beginning with the November issue and distributed via e-mail.
- All contributors to the August issue should submit articles shortly after the Reunion.
- Orders are now being taken for the 2015 Reunion Souvenir Book at a cost of \$30.00 at the reunion and \$35.00 thereafter; the book will be dedicated to Marshall and Evelyn Seelye for their many years of

leadership and commitment to SGS.

- SGS Facebook friends now outnumber SGS members, a goal that Paul has been working towards; those desiring to contribute content should get in touch with him; the purpose of the Facebook page is to increase awareness of SGS and direct visitors to the official SGS Website.
- SGS Reunion pictures will be taken directly after this meeting on the front steps of the Seelye Mansion.

**Other Business:** Kathie Olsen

- SGS Executive Board recommendation that there be no changes at this time to the dues structure or lifetime memberships was unanimously approved after discussion.
- Jesse Crisler, chair of Nominating/Election Committee, presented the following slate as officers for 2015-2017: Lynda Simmons, President, Patricia Palmer, Secretary, and Margaret Petersen, Treasurer, with all other current officers continuing to serve; there being no further nominations from the floor, the slate was unanimously elected.
- Executive Board recommended Marietta, Ohio/Parkersburg, WV, as site for 2017 SGS Reunion; after presentation by Linda Crocker, Chief Genealogist, recommendation was unanimously approved.
- The following members volunteered to serve on the 2017 SGS Reunion Committee: Linda Crocker, Sally and George Seeley, Jesse and Lou Ann Crisler, Jim Seeley, Linda Crocker, Kathie Olsen; Lynda Simmons as President will serve as chairperson.
- Discussion concerning date of next

reunion achieved no consensus.

**New Business:** Kathie Olsen

- Stephanie Mills Moore suggested using DNA information to identify possible new members.
- LeAnne Seely suggested using a mass mailing similar to mailings used by SGS years ago to identify possible new members.
- LeAnne Seely also suggested increasing interest in reunions by having essay and art competitions and letting children register for free.
- Jesse Crisler proposed that Michael Hook, President of the Seelye Mansion Foundation, be given an Honorary Life Membership, which was unanimously approved.
- Linda Crocker recommended that members show appreciation for Kathie Olsen's service to SGS, which was unanimously approved.

**Adjournment:** 11:15 a.m.

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our organization to be the best it can be and meet the needs of our members. We asked ourselves the following questions and discussed them. We would like your input. Please send your replies to my email address above.

- What is SGS?
- What do we do?
- Why is SGS of value?
- Why should members belong?
- How can we attract new members, especially younger ones?

We are glad that you are members! We want to hear from you and get your ideas.

I send you my very best wishes.  
Lynda Simmons, SGS President

# Draft Minutes: 2015-2017 Executive Board Meeting July 29, 2015

*Submitted by Patricia Brooks Palmer, 2015-2017 SGS Secretary*

SGS President-elect Lynda Simmons called the meeting to order at 4:11 p.m.

**Quorum:** George Seeley, Parliamentarian, confirmed that a quorum was present.

## Elected and Appointed Officers

**Attending:** Lynda Simmons, Paul Taylor, Jesse Crisler, Sally Seeley, Patricia Brooks Palmer, Linda Crocker, Terry Tietjens, Ruthetta Seelye Hansen, Wesley Waring, Kathie Olsen, Pam Turner, George Seeley, Camille Seeley Bell, Margaret Petersen, and Pam Turner,

**Excused:** Marie Seelye, Chris Havnar and Bob Seeley

## Other Members

**Attending:** Sue Craven

## Welcome and Announcements:

Lynda Simmons

- Lynda Simmons thanked Kathie Olsen for her many contributions as president of SGS and noted her contributions as follows: the establishment of SGS as a tax-free 501(c)(3) non-profit corporation, the four reunions during her tenure, her dedicated work to support the goals and mission of the Society, and her comprehensive and tremendous contribution to the development of the three Seeley Generation books.
- Lynda Simmons also thanked Board members and officers and introduced new officers: Margaret

Petersen, Treasurer and Patricia Palmer, Secretary, and acknowledged Marie Seelye, Membership Chair.

**Minutes:** Minutes of the Membership Meeting, held July 29, 2015, Abilene, KS, were read and unanimously approved.

**Newsletter:** Paul Taylor, Publications Editor

- Paul Taylor will e-mail a spread sheet to all individuals who have agreed to be responsible for

society or library of choice for one calendar year.

- Lynda Simmons has sent letters to members who have no e-mail addresses, requesting e-mail addresses from them or remittance of \$12.00 annually to continue to receive paper copies of Newsletter.

## SRC Acquisition Policy Clarified:

Terry Tietjens, Director-at-large

- Terry Tietjens indicated that he will hold all Seeley family acquisitions at the Seeley Research Center; he also noted that policies are currently

in place regarding acquisitions, which will accommodate any new acquisitions as well.

- Terry Tietjens noted that the Eisenhower Center has waived its customary rental fee of \$250.00 as a donation to SGS.



Newly elected SGS President Lynda Simmons leads the first meeting of the 2015-2017 SGS Executive Board July 29, 2015.

## Reflections on the

**State of SGS:** Lynda Simons

submitting articles for the Reunion Souvenir Book, reminding them of their assignment.

- Lynda Simmons noted that three people agreed to sponsor the Newsletter to genealogical libraries/general libraries; Wesley Waring made the initial recommendation for the sponsorship of the SGS newsletter to other societies/libraries with the intention that SGS may become more visible because of the distribution of the Newsletter to libraries or historical societies.
- Each of the sponsors agreed to sponsor the SGS newsletter to the

- Lynda Simmons asked for reflections regarding individuals' opinions, feelings, etc., regarding the part they play within SGS.
- Paul Taylor noted that we "are at a crossroads as a genealogical society. What do we contribute, and are we achieving our mission to the outside world?"
- Jesse Crisler expressed a need to "assign commentary/speakers at open sessions" in order to provide opportunities for others.
- Lynda Simmons stated her appreciation of Stephanie Mills

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# Attendees of the Seeley Genealogical Society's 2015 International Reunion in Abilene, Kansas

## ROW 7 (BACK)

Mark Seely (Castle Dale, UT)  
 Irving J. Seely (Dundee, NY)  
 Mark Simmons (Park City, UT)  
 John I. Mills (St. Louis, MO)  
 Ivey Harris (Leavenworth, KS)  
 Yvonne M. Seely (Dundee, NY)  
 Kathie Olsen (Salt Lake City, UT)

## ROW 6

Ron Sandquist (Woodbury, MN)  
 LeAnne Seely (Castle Dale, UT)  
 Kate Seely (Castle Dale, UT)  
 Linda Crocker (Parkersburg, WV)  
 Bea Seeley (West Valley, UT)  
 Camille Seeley Bell (North Salt Lake, UT)  
 Lynda Simmons (Park City, UT)

## ROW 5

Lou Ann Crisler (Provo, UT)  
 Renee Seely Johnson (Spencer, NY)  
 Ruthetta Seelye Hansen (McCracken, KS)

## ROW 4

George Seeley (Delanson NY)  
 Dal Seeley (West Valley, UT)  
 Terry Tietjens (Abilene, KS)  
 Glenn Cox, (Salt Lake City, UT)  
 Connie Birth (Spencer, OK)  
 Enid Cox (Salt Lake City, UT)  
 Patricia Brooks Palmer (Lincoln, CA)  
 Betty Carolyn Seely Wilson (Midwest City, OK)

## ROW 3

Michael Hook (Abilene, KS)  
 John Palmer (Lincoln, CA)  
 Marshall B. Seelye (Hudson Falls, NY)  
 Bill Hileman (Harrison, MI)  
 Stephanie Mills Moore (Colorado Springs, CO)  
 Lynn Sandquist (Woodbury, MN)

## ROW 2

Jesse Crisler, (Provo, UT)  
 Gail Allen (King George, VA)  
 Nicholas Taylor (Alexandria, VA)  
 James R. Seeley (Glen Allen, VA)  
 Wesley Waring (Maple Grove, MN)  
 Pam Turner (Colorado Springs, CO)  
 Carolyn Seeley Taylor (Alexandria, VA)  
 Sally Seeley (Delanson, NY)

## ROW 1

Sherry Hileman (Harrison, MI)  
 Margaret Petersen (Salt Lake City, UT)  
 Sue Craven (Harrison, MI)

## FRONT ROW Seated

David B. Stewart (Lenexa, KS)  
 Veronica Seeley Newell (Wellsburg, NY)  
 Florence A. Seeley Allen (King George, VA)  
 Joan Bretz (Harrisburg, PA)  
 Carol Haddon (Colorado Springs, CO)  
 Marion Hileman (Harrison, MI)  
 Kathryn Seely (Castle Dale, UT)  
 Wayne James (Tampa, FL)





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Moore's comments at the General Membership Meeting regarding DNA; perhaps a DNA process via Ancestry.com may be a means of soliciting interest in SGS.

- Linda Crocker noted that Chris Havnar aligns obituaries sent to her to the membership list of SGS.
- It was noted that Debra Seely's books sold out after her presentation; Jesse Crisler recommended the site [www.abebooks.com](http://www.abebooks.com) as a place to find her books at a reduced price.
- Other officers expressed their commitment to and gratitude for their association with SGS.

### Research Goals and DNA:

- Based on discussion of the DNA Lineage process/project, Lynda Simmons will follow-up with Walt Seelye, DNA Lineage Project Coordinator, on processes and procedures currently underway for the project.
- George Seeley voiced his concern for more research about Seeley ancestry and the "brick walls" several members have encountered in their research.
- Wes Waring noted that he believes there is a defined "need for identifying more individuals for research."
- Kathie Olsen mentioned the work of Apryl Cox regarding compiling previous reports on Obadiah Seeley, which SGS greatly appreciates.
- Kathie Olsen reminded the Board that SGS has offered a free DNA test to any member of the Seeley/

Seely/Seelye family that would further SGS research objectives.

### Future SGS Projects: Lynda Simmons

- Kathie Olsen expressed a hope that SGS foster more research and history on various Seeley lines.
- Camille Bell asked that SGS consider the idea that "historical sites" which have a Seeley historical significance "be memorialized with plaques."
- Paul Taylor added a word of caution



SGS President Lynda Simmons asked board members to list what they feel are the top issues and challenges the society faces. She'll use those topics to develop an agenda for SGS.

concerning possible memorializing of sites.

- George Seeley suggested a booklet of Seeley places of historical significance could be published.
- Lynda Simmons reminded officers that the Johnson bequest was available for research; Wes Waring and Kathie Olsen clarified that the Johnson bequest was to be used for "research and other activities."

### SGS Website: Lynda Simmons

- Paul Taylor introduced the idea of a content management system for the SGS Website, suggesting "Drupal" (an open source content management system) as an option.
- Lynda Simmons will call Chris

Havnar, SGS Webmaster, to determine what assistance SGS could provide her.

### Publications Committee: Paul Taylor

- Members of the committee are Paul Taylor, Jesse Crisler, Kathie Olsen, Pam Turner, Lynda Simmons, Sue Craven, Chris Havnar, Bob Seeley, Sue Craven, and Linda Crocker.
- The committee oversees publication of the SGS Newsletter, the SGS Facebook page, the SGS Website, and other SGS publications.
- Bob Seeley manages SGS CDs.
- Paul Taylor noted that the generation books could be set up in a drop-box, which would in turn allow access to members of the Publications Committee.

### Old Business: Lynda

Simmons

#### Obadiah Research

- Wes Waring asked for clarification of allocation of funds for Obadiah research as of now.
- George Seeley suggested SGS use a set amount of money to further research on Obadiah Seeley's lineage.
- Jesse Crisler moved that the Board designate \$2,000 from the Johnson bequest to fund Obadiah research; motion unanimously approved.
- Linda Crocker moved that an initial \$1,000 be allocated for Obadiah research with a report regarding the research to follow in an upcoming issue of the SGS Newsletter; motion

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unanimously approved.

Seelye Research Center: Pam Turner, SGS Librarian

- Terry Tietjens noted that the SRC carries full insurance provided by the Seelye Mansion Foundation.
- Kathie Olsen suggested SGS assist in support of the SRC; Terry Tietjens is not in favor of seeking 501(c)(3) status for the SRC, as the Seelye Mansion Foundation is not in favor of this. He also declined more funds to support the SRC.
- Linda Crocker moved that SGS increase its support of the SRC from \$750.00 to \$1,000 per year; motion unanimously approved.

**New Business:** Lynda Simmons

Seelye Research Center Budget

- Jesse Crisler commented that the

SRC should have a budgeted fund, which allows for supplies needed to run its business end; George Seeley suggested a library fund for the SRC



SGS Parliamentarian George Seeley (right) advises the SGS President that a quorum of SGS Executive Board members are present.

as part of the SGS operating as a line-itemed expense.

- Jesse Crisler moved a library budget of \$500 for the SRC be created;

motion unanimously approved.

2017 Seeley Reunion

- 2017 Reunion Committee members are Lynda Simmons, Linda Crocker, Sally Seeley, George Seeley, Jesse Crisler, Lou Ann Crisler, Sue Craven, Wes Waring, James Seeley, Paul Taylor, Margaret Petersen, and Kathie Olsen; a smaller group will preview the site and report back to the committee.

Next Meeting

- Jesse Crisler moved that the next meetings of the Executive Board and the Reunion Committee occur either on April 29/30, 2016 (primary date) or May 13/14 (secondary date) at the SRC in Abilene, KS; motion unanimously approved.

**Adjournment:** 5:31 p.m.

## Updated Research: McKenzie Seelye (SGS#879), brother, Hurlbert H Seeley (SGS#877a) Submitted by Linda Crocker, SGS Chief Genealogist

I had been doing some research on the family of Dr. Hiram Seelye, SGS# 873. In the 7th Generation Families of Nathaniel Seeley we have a McKenzie Seelye (SGS# 2418) listed as his son. This McKenzie is listed with Hiram in the 1850 census of Dayton, Montgomery, OH as age 23, born OH, student.

I couldn't find any further information on him but as I searched I found another McKinzeey Seeley, leading me to SGS# 2418's step-uncle and a new step-uncle.

Hiram Seeley, SGS# 873 was a son of Jonathan Seelye and his first wife, Elizabeth Bromley. Jonathan had a 2nd wife (no issue) and then he was married for a 3rd time, to Freelove Bromley, a niece of his first wife. Freelove remarried after Jonathan's death in 1839; her new

husband was Ethan/Either Barnes.

1850 census Medina, Lenawee, MI

- Barnes, Either age 64, farmer b. NY
- Barnes, Freelove age 54 b. VT
- Barnes, Either age 26 b. NY, farmer
- Barnes, Evaline age 18 b. NY
- Barnes, Chloe age 1 b. MI
- Seeley, Makinzeey age 14 b. NY

1860 census Medina, Lenawee, MI

- Barnes, Ethan age 74 b. CT, farmer
- Barnes, Freelove age 63 b. VT
- Barnes, McKenzie age 24 b. NY, laborer

1870 census Medina, Lenawee, MI

- Seeley, McKenzie age 33 b. VT, farmer

- Seeley, Delia age 26 b. MI

1880 census Medina, Lenawee, MI

- Seley, McKenzie age 43 b. NY, ENG, VT, farmer
- Seley, Adelia age 30 b. OH, NY, NY

- Seley, Lillie age 9, Jennie age 1, both b. MI, NY, OH
- Barnes, Freelove age 83, mother b. VT, ?, ?, widow

1900 census Seneca, Lenawee, MI

- Seeley, McKinzee b. Sept 1835 NY, VT, VT, lumber dealer, md 28 yr to
- Seeley, Adelia L b. Jan 1844 OH, NY, NY, 4 ch., 2 living

(In 1910 in Seneca it is McKenzie age 74 b. NY, NY, NY, md 47 yr to Delia age 66 b. OH, OH, OH, 3 ch, 2 living)

I also found a biography of McKinzeey Seeley published in 1888:

<http://goo.gl/I2awjR>

It names his parents as Jonathan and Freelove S (Bromley) Seeley.

Michigan Marriage Index

- Jennei M Seeley b. abt 1878 in MI, dau. of Mac Seeley and Adelia

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Kindel, md 25 Jun 1902 at Morenci, Lenawee, MI to Clark E Cottrell age 28 b. MI, son of T Cottrell and Lovina W Barr.

So this McKenzie Seeley is SGS# 879. The problem is we have him named as Herbert McKenzie and I found no evidence that he was ever named Herbert.

I checked with Kathie Olsen, current SGS president who worked with her mother Madeline Mills to compile our three printed SGS volumes. She indicated that one of the sources was the pension records of Jonathan Seelye. I was able to access those records through Ancestry. There were many papers including a March 1855 application for McKenzie Seelye, age 19, only living minor son of Jonathan to receive 160 acres of bounty land. He is a resident of Hudson in Lenawee Co. MI and is represented by his guardian, Hurlbert H Seelye age 25. There are many papers with affidavits from Hurlbert, from Jonathan's widow Freelove Bromley Seelye Barnes and others, all attesting to McKenzie's status as the only surviving minor son of Jonathan Seelye who served in the Revolutionary War.

Then I found this record in the Michigan Death Index

**Name:** Hulbert H. Seeley

**Birth Date:** abt 1830

**Death Date:** July 16, 1903 at Fairplains, Montcalm, Michigan, age 73

**Occupation:** Farmer

**Marital Status:** Widowed

**Father Name:** Johnathan Seeley

**FHL Film Number:** 1295524

A census records check found:  
1900 census Fairplain, Montcalm,

### MI

- Seeley, Herbert L b. Aug 1859 MI, NY, ENG, farmer
- Seeley, Hurlbert, father b. Nov 1829 NY, NY, NY, widowed

1880 census Fairplain, Montcalm,

### MI

- Seeley, H H age 50 b. NY, NY, VT, fanning mill maker
- Seeley, Elizabeth age 54 b. ENG, ENG, ENG
- Seeley, HL age 20, farmer; Cora age 18, Reuben age 10, all b. MI, NY, ENG

### next home

- Hines, Jefferson, age 31 b. OH, OH, OH, jobber in lumber (this will be Cora Seeley's husband)
- Hines, William, brother age 25 b. OH, Oh, OH, widowed, jobber in lumber (this was Grace Seeley's husband)

1870 census Hudson, Lenawee, MI

- Seeley, Hurlbert age 40 b. NY, patent rights dealer
- Seeley, Elizabeth age 45 b. ENG
- Seeley, Grace F age 15, Herbert L age 11, Cora J age 9, Reuben M age 1 mo - b. April 1870., all b. MI

1860 census Hudson, Lenawee, MI

- Skeels, Hulbert age 30 b. NY, pat. Man
- Skeels, Elizabeth age 32 b. ENG
- Skeels, Chase age 5, female, Herbert age 11 mos, both b. MI

1850 census Medina, Lenawee, MI

- Holbert Selie age 20 b. NY, cabinetmaker, living in the home of Robert J and Catharine Sloane. They have 2 children and some other tradesmen living with them. Robert Sloane is a fanning mill maker.

Civil War Draft Reg'n Jun 1863

- Seeley, Hubbard H age 32, of Hudson, Lenawee Co. MI, md, b.

NY, fanning mill

Montcalm County MI Marriages

- Cora J Seeley & Jefferson M Hine
- July 1, 1880, VOL A PG 148
- Grace F Seeley & William V Hines
- Feb. 3, 1878, VOL A PG 116
- Herbert L Seeley & Artie M Piatt
- June 2, 1900, CTY REC# BK C PG 25

MI Marriage Index

- Hurlbert H Seeley & Elizabeth Wilson, July 4, 1853, Lenawee County MI

Since we didn't have Hurlbert listed as a son of Jonathan I have assigned him a new number, SGS# 877a. His children have the following numbers:

- Grace F Seelye is SGS# 2431a. She was b. 1855 and died in 1880 in Fairplain, Montcalm, MI. She md William V Hines in 1878.
- Herbert L Seelye is SGS# 2431b. He was b. 1860 in Hudson, Lenawee, MI and died in 1923. He was md twice – no children
- Cora Isabelle Seelye is SGS# 2431c. She was b. 1861 in Hudson, Lenawee, MI and died in 1923 in Wexford Co. MI. She md Jefferson McCleary Hines in 1880 and had 10 children.
- Reuben M. Seelye is SGS# 2431d. He was b. 1870 in Hudson, Lenawee, MI and died in 1943 in Petoskey, Emmet, MI. He never married.

I have more information on the Cottrell children of Jennie Seelye, daughter of McKenzie and on the Hines children of Cora Isabelle Seelye, daughter of Hurlbert H. Seeley. If you'd like to know more, please contact me for the details. My contact info is on page 15.



# SGS Queries

*Coordinated and Compiled by SGS Query Editor Linda Crocker*

The SGS query column leverages the amassed knowledge of SGS, the research skills of the society's query team, and the knowledge of SGS members to help query submitters answer research questions.

Submit your queries to SGS Query Editor Linda Crocker at [llbc100@msn.com](mailto:llbc100@msn.com) or mail Linda at home (contact info. on page 15). Queries are assigned a query number by the query editor, researched, and then sent to the query team and area coordinators for their input. Linda summarizes each query and any responses for inclusion in the newsletter.

Be sure to follow a few simple guidelines when submitting your query.

**Be specific and detailed:** Give

us all the information you have about the person or family in question, especially dates and locations.

**What resources have you already consulted?** The SGS publications or Website? The census? Cemetery records? County histories? Family Bible? Others? (Specify.)

**What exactly do you want to know?** Parents' names and details? Sibling information? Information on a family marrying into the Seeley family? Our sources?

**After your query is printed,** please keep us informed about any information you receive or further progress you make on your own. Other members may be interested or related to your line.

We will publish an update to your query with any new information we

receive. This may lead to even more information. One more name, date, or place may be the key to linking your line to another. Your query will also be posted on our website. Make sure we have your current and complete contact information—sometimes we receive new information months or even years after your query appears.

If you have information to share on queries from current or past issues, send it to the query submitter and also to Linda Crocker, Query Editor, **so the query can be updated in the next newsletter. Please include the query number**, preferably in the subject line of your email. Remember to cite your sources.

The query number is the 2 digit year, 2 digit month of newsletter, query sequence number.

## Query Updates (Data Current as of Oct. 17, 2015)

### Update to Query 1502-3 Re: Elizabeth Seelye SGS# 303

We were looking for sources verifying that Elizabeth, wife of William H Spratt/Sprats was Elizabeth, daughter of Justus Seelye and Phoebe Bissell. Douglas Drake ([capndrakedav@konacondo.biz](mailto:capndrakedav@konacondo.biz)), the original submitter, had some research done by NEHGS. This uncovered not only the will of Justus Seelye, mentioning his wife Phoebe and children (but no names for the children) but also the probate record. Apparently Justus (SGS # 99) did have property of value when he died (we listed him as insolvent at death). The executors of his estate were his wife Phoebe and William Sprats. This indicates a close relationship between the two and supports the claim that his wife was one of Justus Seelye's daughters. A further suggestion is to check the land records for Litchfield County to see if property was transferred between Justus Seelye and William Sprats since their relationship might be stated in the record.

Douglas is descended from Clarissa, daughter of Elizabeth and William Sprats. Clarissa was born 15 Jun 1786 in CT, married Daniel Kellicut in 1806 and died in Concord, Jackson, MI in 1873. The other children of Elizabeth and William were William H Jr. b. 1778 CT, Andrew b. 1784, Hannah Marcy, Susan, Floritas S, Polly b. 1792/3, Phebe, Elisa and Hannah. If you would like more information on the Sprats family please contact Douglas. If you can add anything to further verify that William Sprats' wife was Elizabeth, daughter of Justus Seelye contact your Query Editor.

## New Queries (Data Current as of Oct. 17, 2015)

**1511-1** Submitted by Scott Lewellen ([sblewellen@gmail.com](mailto:sblewellen@gmail.com))

Mary Ann Hecock is the wife of SGS# 1676 Montraville Seeley, both 2<sup>nd</sup> great grandparents of Scott. He is wondering about Mary Ann's family, her parents and siblings.

**SGS Response:** According to the IN Marriage Index Mary Ann and Montraville were md in 1826 in Fountain Co. IN.

From <http://www.joycetice.com/kelsey/seeley03.htm>

• **Montraville Seeley** b. 14 Feb 1805 resided in Fountain County, Indiana where his Hetfield cousins resided, m. 29 Oct 1826 in Fountain County, Indiana, **Mary Ann Hecock**. Enumerated in Richland Township, Fountain County in 1840 with one male under age five (b. 1836-40), one male of age thirty and under age forty (b. 1801-10), one female under age five (b. 1836-40), one female of age five and under age ten (b. 1831-35), one female of age ten and under age fifteen (b. 1826-30), and one female of age twenty and under age thirty (b. 1811-20). Montraville and Mary Ann were of Fountain County on 6 May 1841 when they conveyed (Chemung County, New York Deed 8:261) an undivided 1/3 part of two parcels of 2 acres and 4 acres in Chemung County, New York to Eseck Hecock, Jr. Both Montraville and Mary Ann signed by mark.

1820 census of Crawford Co. IL

• Esok Heycock: 1 male 10-15, 1 male 26-44; 1 female

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under 10, 2 females 16-25

An index to probates in Crawford Co. IL lists an Isabela Hecock

From <http://www.joycetice.com/kelsey/kjspg.htm>

- 5. Aaron Jefferson Hetfield b. 16 July 1789 m. his cousin, Eunice Seeley daughter of Israel Seely and Millicent Strong and removed to Illinois, m. 6 Oct 1822 in Crawford County, Illinois, m(2) Isabella Heacock. Aaron was of Clark County, Illinois when issued a patent for 158.33 acres and 80 acres in Fountain County, Indiana on 10 Nov 1824. Enumerated Fountain County, Indiana in 1830. Aaron was deceased before 1840 when Isabella was enumerated in Richland Township, Fountain County.

This Aaron is SGS# 1684, a cousin of Montraville. There are several Hecocks buried in Newtown Cemetery in Fountain County IN including Eseck W (d. 25 Mar 1859 age 38 yr, 6 mos., 3 days) and his wife Sarah (d. 11 Aug 1845 age 29 yr, 3 mos., 1 day).

### Indiana Marriage Index

- Esek W Hecock md Nancy Moore 24 Jan 1847 in Fountain County.

It seems likely that Mary Ann Hecock is related to Eseck Hecock – one of her sons was named Eseck. If anyone has further information on the Hecock family please send us information for a query update.

**Query 1511-2** Submitted by Scott D Kendall on our Facebook page

Scott's great grandfather was Charles Elkins. He was born in NY State in 1879 and sent on an orphan train to Kansas. He is listed as a boarder with the Leonard Eckstrom family in Lawrence, Cloud, KS in the 1900 census. He remained in KS the rest of his life. He was married twice, first to Estella Slaybaugh, the mother of his children, who predeceased him and second to Edna \_\_\_\_\_. A Y-DNA test of his great-grandson shows him sharing Y-DNA with several Seeleys, including past SGS President Marshall Seelye. Scott wonders if we can identify Charles' parents.

**SGS Response:** Charles lists his birthdate in the WWI Draft Registration as 15 July 1879. In the 1920, 1925, and 1930 census records of Topeka, Shawnee, KS Charles has a brother named John Elkins, 1 year younger, single, living with him. John's WWI Draft Registration lists his birthdate as 15 Jul 1880 and lists Charles as his next of kin. He and Charles live at the same address. Charles' next of kin is his wife Stella.

### Social Security Applications and Claims Index

- Charles Elkins
- SSN: 509032950
- Born 15 Jul 1879 at Brooklyn, NY
- Claim Date: 2 Jul 1952

### Findagrave:

- Charles Elkins (1879-1960) is buried in Rochester Cemetery, Topeka, Shawnee, KS. Also listed on his tombstone are his first wife, Estella M. (1880=1926), his second wife, Edna E. (1915-1984) and son Theodore M (1904-1905). Buried in the same cemetery is John Elkins (15 Jul 1880-13 Jan 1956).

I haven't been able to locate any records before 1900 for either brother, as Seeley or Elkins. If you can help please contact me.

**Query 1511-3** Submitted by Tom Erickson

([terickso25@gmail.com](mailto:terickso25@gmail.com))

In researching his grandmother Mildred Seeley (1908-2002), Tom wants to verify her descent from John Seeley, SGS# 3033. Mildred's father was Thomas Charles Seeley b. 9 May 1873 at Brainardsville, Franklin Co. NY, md Avelina Newsome 4 July 1900, d. 16 Mar 1958. According to Tom, Thomas Seeley's parents are John S Seeley and Mary Ann Miller Sellers with Richard Norman Seeley as the father of John S and John Seeley, SGS# 3033 as the father of Richard.

**SGS Response:** Here's what a check of census records reveals on the question.

### 1900 census Concord, Merrimack, NH

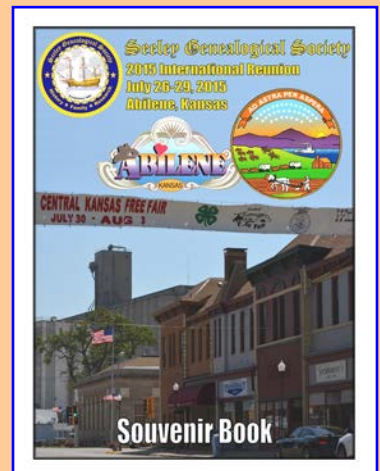
- Seely, Mary b. June 1860, age 49 (so should be Jun 1850), CAN, ENG, SCOT, widow, 5 ch., 5 living, landlady
  - Seely, Thomas C b. May 1873, brakeman RR, Albert H b. Dec 1876, locomotive fireman, Gordon E. b. Feb 1881, drug store clerk, all sons b. NY, CAN, CAN
  - McKenzie, Robert, s-in-law b. Nov. 1875 MA, SCOT, SCOT, boilermaker, md 0 yr to
  - McKenzie, Emiline A b. June 1879 NY, CAN, CAN
- 1880 census Belmont, Franklin, NY**
- Seely, John age 32 b. CAN, CAN, CAN, wheelwright
  - Seely, Mary age 30, wife b. CAN, ENG, SCOT
  - Seely, Thomas, age 8, John Jr age 5, Albert age 3, Emily age 0, all have measles, all b. NY, CAN, CAN(John and Mary are also there in 1875 with Thomas and John and are there together without children in 1870)

Unfortunately there are at least 3 John Seely/Seeleys in the 1851 and 1861 censuses of Canada, all born between 1846 and 1849. I have not been able to find any record that shows which John is the one that married Mary and immigrated to the US and resided in Franklin Co., NY. Any help you can give will be appreciated.

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  - 2006 Research Rpt on Obadiah Seeley (old English records), Clifford L. Stott, CG
7. The SRC Document Index (with Change Seven entered) lists documents shelved at the Seelye Research Center (U.S. \$10)
8. The SGS GEDCOM CD is a file of genealogical information from SGS publications and the International Genealogical Index (U.S. \$15)
9. Souvenir Book of 2013 Grand Rapids, MI. Reunion (U.S. \$30)
  - Item 1 should be ordered from Lynda Simmons
  - Items 2, 3, 4, 5 should be ordered from Terry Tietjens
  - Item 6 from Bob Seeley
  - Item 7 from Pamela Turner
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10. SGS 50th Anniversary T-Shirt from T. Tietjens (U.S. \$12/\$14)

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