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## Seelye Mansion Owner, SGS Director Honored with 2022 Hubble Medal of Initiative

Story by Nicholas Inman

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Abilene resident, Terry Tietjens was recently honored with the Edwin P. Hubble Medal of Initiative in Marshfield, Missouri, during the Missouri Cherry Blossom Festival. The award, which was first presented to Lady Bird Johnson in 2004, is the city of Marshfield's highest honor and is presented annually to honorees who have shown great initiative in their chosen field. The award is presented by the Hubble Legacy Committee and the Missouri Cherry Blossom Festival.

The 2022 class of honorees included Tietjens, who was honored for his work in restoring and preserving the historic Seelye

Mansion, Rebecca Holden from the classic television show "Knight Rider," Ruta Lee, a classic actress of both television and screen, and Nancy Stafford of "Matlock." John Collett was also honored during the festival with the medal for his work in the armed forces.

Tietjens was introduced at the award ceremony by fellow Abilene resident, Mary Jean Eisenhower, granddaughter of President Dwight Eisenhower and a 2017 recipient of the medal.

Throughout its history, the award has been presented to many outstanding Americans, including

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## The Seeley Genealogical Society Newsletter

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### Announcements

The SGS Newsletter is published periodically as time and circumstance permit. Every attempt is made to publish a quarterly newsletter. Announcements are published for free, based upon space available.

### 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 dues online at [www.seeley-society.org](http://www.seeley-society.org), or mail a check (payable to Seeley Genealogical Society) to SGS Treasurer (see 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 Membership Meetings and International Reunions

are held every two years. The next one is scheduled for 2023, in St. Louis, MO. 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*

Summer is here, and it is a time to rejoice and celebrate. Even so, it is with a heavy heart that I must inform you that we have lost our beloved Director and Assistant Genealogist Christine Havnar. Chris had also recently lost her mother, Elizabeth Seely Kjeldgaard. All members are valued, but when you work with people, you grow closer to them, and their impact on your life is greater. Chris will be greatly missed, and her research will be useful to SGS members for years.

I am delighted to report that the Executive Board has elected Pam Turner, SGS Librarian, to replace Chris as SGS Director. Welcome, Pam!

I was asked to explain in less technical terms our new DNA project, why we want everyone to join it, and how using DNA is helpful in researching. To me DNA is like a big pot of stew, which is then served in individual bowls. It all comes out of the same pot, but not everyone will get the exact same number of carrots or potatoes in their bowls. When searching for the DNA of our ancestors, we are searching for those bowls of carrots and potatoes, which originally came out of that same pot. Finding them proves that they all came from the same pot; then the pieces of the puzzle all fit together, once again becoming a picture or family. The more children a family has the more DNA is out there, waiting for us to find it. Families who remain in the same

location for generations are sometimes easier to trace, but a lot of people have ancestors who moved often, lost everything, and are now all over

the country or even world. All of us have lost sheep in our families. They could be living down the street from cousins, or have worked with someone to whom they later found out they were related. Researching to find these family members, to read the stories, to learn about people who lived decades ago, and then to learn that they are your people is a great discovery and a reason to keep searching for those missing relatives. There have been times when I have gotten in touch with people who knew no relatives beyond their immediate family and were very grateful to learn

about their family history. If you have completed a DNA test for FamilyTree DNA, regardless of which DNA test, please join the new SGS project. If you want more information about which DNA test to take or transferring your DNA from another site, please call or text me. Let me know whether you found this explanation helpful.

The Website Committee is continuing to work on the SGS Website. It takes an army to run this organization and extra eyes to see what has been missed, so if you see



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## Obituary: Former SGS President Dan Seelye

Daniel P. Seelye passed away peacefully February 8, 2022 at age 95.

He was born in Juneau, AK, and graduated from Lincoln High School in Tacoma, WA. On his eighteenth birthday he joined the US Merchant Marines and then the Army. He served his country with honor until WWII ended. He was blessed by marrying Ruth Kachulis. They were together for fifty-four years until Ruth's departure in July 2003. In May 2004, Dan married Marjorie



Heidenrick, who died in 2015.

Dan's professional career spanned forty years as an electrician. He retired in 1987 and spent thirty more years "snow birding" in Desert Hot Springs CA. He loved hot pools, horseshoes, walks in the desert, potlucks, exploring family history, serving as president of the Seeley Genealogical Society, and, especially, making everyone he met SMILE.

Dan is survived by his sister Audrey, brother Alan, sons Dan and Scott and daughters-in-law Sally and Debbie. He was blessed with four grandchildren and four great-

grandchildren.

Dan sacrificed greatly for his family. He spent countless hours dedicated to the success of his sons' swimming careers; transporting them to swim practice and competitions early in the morning and late in the evening was common practice for over two decades. He was president of the Tacoma Swim Club and participated heavily in officiating at local swim meets, both AAU and college level.

A loving husband, father, and grandpa, Dan leaves a legacy full of

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any mistakes, on the site or have problems with it, please let us know. Words of praise would also be welcomed and enjoyed!

The Reunion Planning Committee is once again working on the next SGS reunion, which is scheduled to be held in St. Louis, Missouri, in June 2023. Watch the newsletter and website for further announcements.

It seems that everyone is blaming COVID for something, but sadly, time management and workload explain my problems. Remember that Army truism? SGS is looking for help with the Newsletter, finding obituaries, and writing membership letters, to name just a few things. If you can help or have experience in any area, or are willing to learn, let us know because every job is easier with a group. We are combining the February and May issues of the Newsletter and just have a summer issue, which should catch us up.

Blessings all, until we meet again,  
Connie Martin Birth  
SGS President

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Rebecca Holden, Terry Tietjens, Ruta Lee, and Nancy Stafford pose together at the conclusion of the 2022 Hubble Dinner at the Missouri Cherry Blossom Festival in Marshfield, Missouri. Local resident Tietjen was honored alongside the legendary actresses with the Edwin P. Hubble Medal of Initiative, the city of Marshfield's highest honor. The award is presented annually to people who have shown great initiative in their chosen fields and is presented in memory of Hubble, famed astronomer and namesake of the Hubble Telescope. Hubble was born in Marshfield. (Photo by of the Missouri Cherry Blossom Festival)

President and Mrs. George H.W. Bush, President and Mrs. Jimmy Carter, Dame Olivia de Havilland, Richard Thomas, Ann Rutherford, Betty Lynn, former Congressman Ken Hechler, Jim Leavelle, Frank

Buckles (last WW I veteran), George Beverly Shea, and John S.D. Eisenhower, among others. You can learn more about the award and past honorees by visiting the festival website



## Obituary: Chris Havnar, SGS Director, Asst. Genealogist, Webmaster

Joanne Christine “Chris” Kjeldgaard Havnar was born June 10, 1951, in San Diego, CA, to Peter Dean and Elizabeth Seely Kjeldgaard. She married her husband, Jerry (Gerald Edmond Havnar), in 1980, and they lived in Pacifica, CA. They had one son, Charles, and two grandchildren, Nathan and Sophia, as well as a step-grandson, Ernesto.



Chris and Jerry shared childcare for their grandchildren with the other grandparents, and after Jerry's death in 2015, Charles, Nathan, and Sophia moved in with Chris. Chris died on March 8, 2022, shortly after being diagnosed with cancer. Besides her son and grandchildren, she is survived by a sister, two brothers, and their families.

Chris was a fixture at Seeley

Genealogical Society Board meetings for almost twenty years during which she served in a number of leadership positions. Although her work brought her in contact with all appointed and elected members of SGS, the person with whom she worked most closely was SGS Chief Genealogist Linda Crocker.

“I met Chris at my first SGS Reunion in 2005 in Abilene, and knew I had met a kindred soul,” said Crocker. “Chris was already serving as the SGS Treasurer at that time. By the 2007 Reunion Chris and Jerry were managing the SGS Website, which Jerry had redesigned, and in 2011 Chris added co-chairing the Ancestor File to her duties.

“Chris spent innumerable hours searching for and recording Seeley vital statistics, primarily in California and Oregon as well as collecting Seeley obituaries, wedding notices,

and all kinds of other Seeley information for the SGS Website. As Ancestor File Co-Chairs, we had agreed to check each other's entries, but I quickly fell behind, since she contributed so much. I was grateful to be able to have Chris stay with me when she came to Parkersburg for the 2017 Reunion, which turned out to be her last.”

SGS Librarian Pam Turner enjoyed her time with Chris as well and said, “If you ever had the pleasure of meeting Chris, you know that the world has lost a special lady. For SGS and genealogical research in general, a powerhouse in finding information is gone. Her support of SGS was extraordinary.”

“My first knowledge of Chris came before I had even met her,” said Turner. “On a visit to the research center in Abilene, KS, I discovered the binders Chris had put together filled with California death certificates and obituaries. It was in these binders that I discovered that an ancestor didn't die in Southern California, as I had thought, but in Northern California.

“This discovery prompted me to want to help in the SRC and eventually led to me becoming its librarian. When I finally met Chris, I had to tell her how those binders had helped me and thanked her for them.

“As time went on, and I got to know Chris better,” Turner continued, “I realized how important family was to her. Not just her own, but everyone else's as well. This was shown through her love of research and wanting to share that research with everyone.

“She was great at finding obituaries. One memory that makes

## Obituary: Elizabeth Seely Kjeldgaard

Elizabeth Seely Kjeldgaard of Eugene, OR, passed away on February 14, 2022, at the age of 92. She was born on June 11, 1929, in Santa Clara, CA, and graduated from Stanford University in 1950.

She was a believer in life-long education and continued to take many educational classes during her lifetime. Her passion was empowering young women in their educational goals.

She was a lifetime volunteer in many organizations, including Girl Scouts, Toast Masters, Navy Wives Club, AAUW, and PEO International.

Elizabeth loved music and had season tickets to both the Hult Center and the Very Little Theater. She was a volunteer in the Symphony Guild

office for many years and coordinated the volunteers for a time. She was Eugene Symphony Guild's President in 2003-4 and was 2010 Eugene Arts & Culture Volunteer of the Year.

Her deceased husband, Peter, was a US Navy officer for 30 years. Between traveling to various military postings and family vacations, she was able to visit almost all fifty US states.

Elizabeth was joined in heaven on March 8, 2022, by her daughter Christine Havnar.

Elizabeth is survived by her children, Karen Sellers and her husband, Richard, David Kjeldgaard and his wife, Lee Zimmerman, and Ned Kjeldgaard and his wife, JoAnna

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## Meeting Minutes: SGS Executive Board, Sept. 21, 2021

*Submitted by Patricia Palmer, SGS Secretary*

SGS President Lynda Simmons called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. EST.

**Quorum:** Kathie Olsen, Acting Parliamentarian, confirmed that a quorum was present.

### **Elected and Appointed Officers**

**Attending:** Lynda Simmons, Jesse Crisler, Paul Taylor, Linda Crocker, Margaret Petersen, Chris Havnar, Connie Birth, Pam Turner, Wesley Waring, Terry Tietjens, Patricia Palmer

**Excused:** Kara Donaldson, David Petersen, Shanna Besendorfer

### **Welcome and Announcements:**

Lynda Simmons

- Lynda Simmons thanked all members for attending the ZOOM

meeting, welcomed and thanked each member of the Board, expressed her gratitude to the Society, and confirmed her resignation as SGS President.

- Jesse Crisler noted that the SGS Constitution was followed explicitly during the search for a new SGS President.
- Jesse Crisler reported that Connie Birth has accepted nomination as the new SGS President. After the election of a new President, Lynda Simmons will move to the position of SGS Past President.
- Connie Birth communicated her wish to work with the membership as a team and spoke

of her true devotion to the Seeley Genealogical Society.

**Treasurer's Report:** Margaret Petersen

- Margaret Petersen reported that the PayPal feature on the SGS Website is an important function for payment.
- At present the SGS checking account balance is \$9,220.74, with more than seventy thousand dollars CDs, which will mature soon.
- Margaret stated she will prepare and present the newest and most updated SGS financial report for inclusion in the November 2021

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## Report: Seelye Research Center Librarian

*Submitted by Pam Turner, SRC Librarian*

I was recently presented with a challenge by a person who contacted our Website with a question about a book signed by Mr. Sherman Seeley. The questioner wanted to know how his grandfather, William Smith (formerly Schmidt), had ended up with the copy, and whether we could tell if they knew each other. He gave me the information he had collected, mostly obituaries from the Seeley Website, and I used that information to begin my hunt, which centered on Huron, SD.

I went through census records for Huron from 1900 to 1920, looking for both Sherman and William. I found Sherman F. Seeley in the 1900 and 1910 censuses, living with his parents in Lake Byron (Huron?), Beadle County, District 0018; he was aged ten and twenty and was listed as being a farmer in the 1910 census. In the 1915 SD census he is living with his wife, Orpha, but the city was not

listed. I could not find Sherman on either the 1920 census or the 1925 state census. By 1930 the family had moved to Becker, Sherburne, MN. I know they were in Huron in 1919 because their middle son was born then and lists Huron as his birthplace. Sherman's WWI draft registration card was also completed in South Dakota.

As for William Smith, I found him in the 1920 census in Huron Ward 3, district 0296, Beadle County, SD, living with his wife, Anna, and four sons. He is also listed on the 1915 SD state census but did not list the city where he is living. In 1910, I find him as William F. Schmidt in Spink, SD.

My conclusion was that if these two men crossed paths, it would have been between 1910 and 1920. I looked over the actual census sheets and discovered that they did not live close to each other. Based on their

age differences, job differences, differences in their children's ages, and no apparent connection in any census, I would have thought that they never connected. Since Smith worked for the railway as a station agent, I think it probable that the book was left in the station, and that was how he acquired it.

Of course, my conclusion could be one of many, but this challenge presented a different way to think about genealogical research: could a connection be found between two unrelated families from the early 1900s? It showed me that families moved more than I had thought, and it helped me understand how to navigate Ancestry a bit better. So even though I could not connect these two families directly, my search improved my research skills and made me think outside of the box, regarding genealogical research in general. I was thankful for the challenge.

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- Margaret noted that SGS would be paying \$1,000 to Terry Tietjens for the SGS Research Center and \$1,000 to Logan Seelye, who manages the Website.

### SGS Website Update: Paul Taylor

- Paul Taylor noted that the site requires supported and sustainable development.
- During the discussion of the SGS website, the SGS Board concluded that SGS will retain the services of Logan Seelye for another fiscal year to manage the continued development of the Website, help other SGS member acquire skills necessary to update it, continue to migrate information from the old to the new Website, etc.
- Paul Taylor noted that some information on the old site need not be transferred.
- Margaret Petersen has been trained to accept PayPal payments from the Website.
- The Website Committee will meet on October 5, 2021.
- Paul Taylor moved and Linda Crocker seconded that SGS renew Logan Seelye's contract annually at the recommendation of the Website Committee in the amount of \$1,000; motion unanimously approved.
- Lynda Simmons noted that both Walt and Marie Seelye are in poor health.
- Connie Birth, current Membership Chair, checks the Website to determine who is accessing it, sends emails to those requesting membership, and has created an

EXCEL spreadsheet of members; she confirmed that the Website has generated membership and sale of SGS items.

### SGS 2021 Souvenir Book: Jesse Crisler

- Jesse Crisler has completed a Souvenir Reunion Book for the 2021 virtual Reunion in St. Louis.
- He moved and Paul Taylor seconded that thirty books should be printed and sold at a cost of \$25; motion unanimously approved.

### Membership Survey: Lynda Simmons

- Some Members of the Society identified themselves as willing to help with discreet jobs.
- Lynda Simmons asked Board members to encourage the membership to volunteer.

### Nomination of Connie Martin Birth to SGS President: Jesse Crisler

- The Constitution requires that the nomination of a new President must be approved by SGS

membership.

- Paul Taylor recommended that an email be sent to SGS members to vote on her nomination.
- If elected, Connie Birth would be sworn into office via a ZOOM meeting on September 28, 2021.
- Board members thanked Lynda Simmons for her great leadership skills, tireless dedication, and true allegiance to SGS.
- Jesse Crisler moved and Paul Taylor seconded that Connie Birth's nomination as SGS President be placed before the membership; motion approved unanimously.

### New Business: Lynda Simmons

- Lynda Simmons announced the appointment of Shauna Besendorfer as SGS Membership Chair.
- Terry Tietjens noted that he is looking forward to hosting a Reunion in Abilene, KS, soon.

**Adjournment:** 8:15 p.m. EST.

## 10 Years Ago in SGS: Seelye Research Center Filing

From the August 2012 SGS Newsletter, an article appeared highlighting a gathering of SGS members at the Seelye Research Center to file items and update the SRC Document Index. The last large SGS visit to the SRC was 2018 before the



pandemic. Now that travel restrictions have eased and people are feeling better about traveling and being in close proximity to one another, perhaps now is the time to consider another trip to the Research Center in Abilene, KS. Would you be interested in such a trip? If so, please reach out to SGS President Connie Birth ([clbirth@sbcglobal.net](mailto:clbirth@sbcglobal.net)) or SRC Librarian Pam Turner ([Cello\\_t@comcast.net](mailto:Cello_t@comcast.net)) and let them know a good time for such a trip.



## Draft Minutes: SGS Executive Board Meeting, Sept. 28, 2021

*Submitted by Patricia Brooks Palmer, SGS Secretary*

SGS President Lynda Simmons called the meeting to order at 7:04 PM EST.

### **Quorum:** Acting

Parliamentarian, Kathie Olsen, was not present, though a quorum was affirmed.

### **Elected, Appointed, and Members-at-large attending:**

Lynda Simmons, Jesse Crisler, Paul Taylor, Linda Crocker, Margaret Petersen, Chris Havnar, Connie Birth, Camille Bell, Steve Hollands, Patricia Palmer

**Excused:** Pam Turner, Kathie Olsen, Wesley Waring, Terry Tietjens, Shanna Besendorfer

### **Welcome and Announcements:**

Lynda Simmons and Paul Taylor  
Paul Taylor explained the process which Jesse Crisler had followed to seek a nominee for the office of SGS President to replace Lynda Simmons who has resigned, effective October 1, 2021.

Connie Birth agreed to be

nominated for the office and was unanimously elected by those members who voted.

Lynda Simmons expressed her gratitude to Connie Birth for accepting the position of SGS President.

Lynda Simmons spoke about her love for the Society and its members of the Society and her gratitude and appreciation for members of the Executive Board.

### **Old Business and Updates:**

Lynda Simmons described the contents of the 2021 Reunion Souvenir Book, which has been sent to the printer and will be available for \$25.00, including shipping, through the SGS Website; checks may also be sent to SGS Treasurer Margaret Petersen.

### **New Business and Swearing in Ceremony of SGS President:**

Connie Birth provided members with her resume and biography, sharing her

hope that she will not disappoint anyone as she attempts to fulfill her new position.

Jesse Crisler inducted Connie Birth as the SGS President, effective October 1, 2021.

Members then thanked Lynda Simmons for her dedication, her talents as an inspirational leader, her encouragement of innovation, and her trust in each member of SGS.

The Board exchanged views on how to proceed with Logan Seelye's contract, which was reviewed.

The Board was satisfied that the language of his contract fulfilled the needs of the Society in terms of further development and refinement of the Website.

The Board determined to pay Logan Seelye his contracted amount.

The meeting was called for adjournment at 7:35PM EST. No motion was made or required. No opposition to adjournment.

## Draft Minutes: SGS Executive Board Meeting, April 14, 2022

*Submitted by Patricia Brooks Palmer, SGS Secretary*

SGS President Connie Birth called the meeting to order at 7:07 p.m. EST

**Quorum:** In the absences of a Parliamentarian, Connie Birth noted that a quorum was present.

### **Elected and Appointed Officers**

**attending:** Connie Birth, Paul Taylor, Jesse Crisler, Margaret Petersen, Lynda Simmons, Pam Turner, Patricia Palmer

**Excused:** Wesley Waring, Linda Crocker, Kara Donaldson, Terry Tietjens, Shanna Besendorfer, Barbara Lewis

### **Old Business:** Connie Birth

- Margaret Petersen had previously informed the Board of Directors

via an email that the SGS CD would be maturing soon.

- She noted that the 5-year CD rate with Global Atlantic is currently 2.95% for funds under one hundred thousand dollars. After an investment of one year, an investor may withdraw as much as ten percent of funds with no penalty.
- Jesse Crisler moved and Paul Taylor seconded that the CD be invested at the recommended rate; motion approved unanimously.
- After further discussion, Jesse Crisler revised his motion so that CD funds not exceed eighty thousand dollars with the

remainder to be placed as reserve operating funds in the SGS

checking account; amended motion approved unanimously

- Connie Birth appointed Margaret Petersen, Jesse Crisler, and Lynda Simmons as CD trustees.

### **New Business:** Connie Birth

- Margaret Petersen agreed to write an article for the SGS Newsletter concerning the investment of SGS funds in a CD.
- She stated that the current checking account balance is \$7,582, with \$5,000 in the regular savings account, and \$84,916

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## Photos: Military Seeleys (all spellings) in the News



(ABOVE) U.S. Marine Corps Pfc. Aaron J. Seeley, a native of Corner, Alabama, graduates Marine Corps recruit training as the honor graduate for Platoon 2082, Fox Company, 2nd Recruit Training Battalion, at Marine Corps Recruit Depot Parris Island, South Carolina, Oct. 15, 2021. Seeley earned this distinction over 13 weeks of training by outperforming the other recruits of his platoon during a series of training events designed to test their basic Marine Corps skills. (U.S. Marine Corps photo by Lance Cpl. Kevin Lopez Herrera)

(BELOW LEFT) U.S. Air Force 1st Lt. Dominic Sealy, Task Force Liberty, examines winter jackets at Joint Base McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst, New Jersey, Oct. 21, 2021. The Department of Defense, through U.S. Northern Command, and in support of the Department of Homeland Security, is providing transportation, temporary housing, medical screening, and general support for at least 50,000 Afghan evacuees at suitable facilities, in permanent or temporary structures, as quickly as possible. This initiative provides Afghan personnel essential support at secure locations outside Afghanistan. (U.S. Air Force photo by Airman First Class Kylee M. Warren)

(BELOW RIGHT) Cmdr. Jeffrey Gerring, commanding officer of the Freedom-variant littoral combat ship USS Billings (LCS 15) (Blue Crew), right, turns over the hull to Cmdr. Brett Seeley, commanding officer of Billings (Gold Crew), during an exchange of command ceremony in Ponce, Puerto Rico, Apr. 22, 2022. Billings is deployed to the U.S. 4th Fleet area of operations to support Joint Interagency Task Force South's mission, which includes counter-illicit drug trafficking missions in the Caribbean and Eastern Pacific. (U.S. Navy photo by Mass Communication Specialist 3rd Class Aaron Lau)





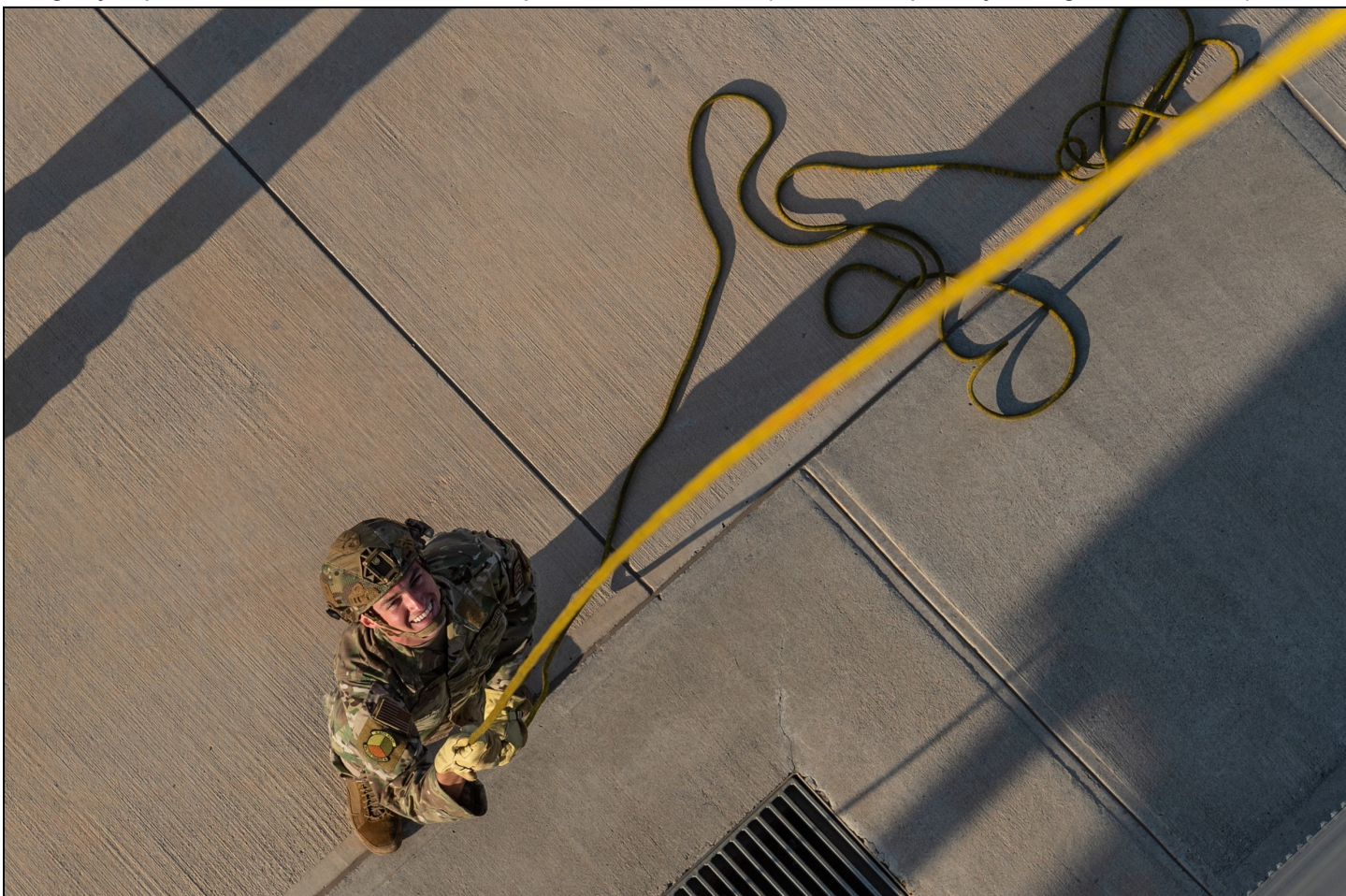


(ABOVE) Command Master Chief Leon N. Sealey from Navy Personnel Command's Talent Management Task Force leads a MyNavy Coaching workshop in the Chief's Mess aboard the Nimitz-Class nuclear-powered aircraft carrier USS George Washington (CVN 73) at Newport News, Va. July 19, 2022. The workshops explored utilizing peer-to-peer coaching to enhance the development of Sailors both for personal and professional growth. (U.S. Navy photo by Mass Communication Specialist 2nd Class Aislynn Heywood)



(ABOVE RIGHT) U.S. Air Force Col. Meredith Seeley, Task Force Holloman vice commander, plays with Afghan evacuees at Aman Omid Village on Holloman Air Force Base, New Mexico, Jan 13, 2022. The Department of Defense, through U.S. Northern Command, and in support of the Department of Homeland Security, is providing transportation, temporary housing, medical screening, and general support for at least 50,000 Afghan evacuees at suitable facilities, in permanent or temporary structures, as quickly as possible. This initiative provides Afghan personnel essential support at secure locations outside Afghanistan. (U.S. Army Photo by Pfc. Anthony Sanchez)

(BELOW) Airman 1st Class Joel Seeley, an explosive ordnance disposal technician assigned to the 39th Civil Engineer Squadron, secures a rope during rappelling training at Incirlik Air Base, Turkey, Oct. 20, 2021. This training provides EOD members with skills needed for emergency response situations to access and recover personnel and ordnance. (U.S. Air Force photo by Staff Sgt. Alexander Cook)





## 2021 SGS Membership Meeting and Reunion Souvenir Books For Sale

*EDITOR'S NOTE: Jesse Crisler once again completed a Souvenir Book for the most recent reunion. The book is obviously shorter than past editions, but since it is really a compendium of the preceding two years, it's still a substantial document that contains a wealth of information. I asked Jesse to tell you a little about the book. Here's what he said:*

A great way to remember the unusual 2021 SGS Virtual Membership Meeting and Reunion will be leafing through the pages of the latest Reunion Souvenir Book, now available. Recently completed by SGS second Vice President Jesse Crisler, the new book contains a

complete record of all events during the reunion last May, including presentations by Paul Taylor on the history of the Society, Kara Seelye-Donaldson on the SGS DNA Lineage Project, Michael Hook on the Seelye Mansion in Abilene, Logan Seelye on the new SGS Website, and Stephanie Mills Moore on St. Louis, the site of the next Reunion in 2023. In addition, the book will include the SGS Constitution and Bylaws with all changes approved by the membership at the Reunion, minutes of all meetings of the Executive Board since the 2019 Reunion in San Diego as well as minutes of the Virtual Reunion, Treasurer's report of 2020

and 2021, contact information for all elected and appointed SGS officers, and reports from them for the past two years. One of the most valuable articles in each reunion is the record of past Reunions, complete with photos of attendees.

The Souvenir Book will also contain a group photo of those attending the virtual Reunion via Zoom.

Another article in this Souvenir Book is a review of past presidents of SGS and their accomplishments by Jesse Crisler, included as a companion piece to Paul Taylor's history. Finally, SGS President Lynda Simmons wrote an overview of highlights of the Reunion for the book, and the lyrics to two Reunion songs, which Lou Ann Crisler wrote and sang during the Reunion, appear on the back cover of the book. All in all,

the latest Reunion Souvenir Book promises to be a fitting document, preserving all that occurred at the 2021 SGS Virtual Membership Meeting and Reunion. Copies can be ordered for \$25.00 via the Website ([www.seeley-society.org/shop/](http://www.seeley-society.org/shop/)) or by check mailed to SGS Treasurer Margaret Petersen (contact information on the last page of this Newsletter).

In addition to the most recent Souvenir book, the following past issues are also available

- 2007 – Wethersfield, CT  
1 copy - \$20.00
- 2009 – Salt Lake City, UT  
1 copy - \$20.00
- 2011 – Horseheads, NY  
5 copies - \$25.00
- 2013 – Grand Rapids, MI  
4 copies - \$30.00
- 2015 – Abilene, KS  
2 copies - \$35.00
- 2017 – Parkersburg, WV  
1 copy - \$35.00
- 2019 – San Diego, CA  
1 copy - \$35.00

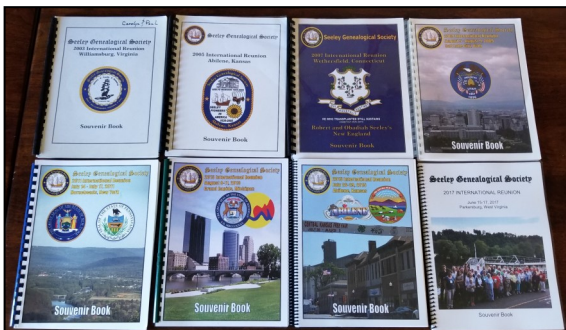
Seeley Genealogical Society

### 2021 Virtual Membership Meeting and Reunion

May 22, 2021



Souvenir Book



### New SGS Members

● William Seeley	Life
● Robert Seeley	Life
● Emily Haun	1 yr
● Laura Lunde	5 yr
● John Seely	1 yr
● Paul O'Rear	1 yr
● Scott Seely	1 yr
● Greg Laws	1 yr
● Ellen Blake	1 yr
● Branda Corey	1 yr
● Matthew Seeley	1 yr
● Robert Howard	3 yr

### SGS Member Renewals

- Wisconsin Historical Society 1 yr



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- invested in the CD.
- Connie Birth will determine whether the Society's subscription to Newspapers.com has been renewed to assist Linda Crocker in her research for SGS.
- Jesse Crisler will get in touch with Camille Seeley Bell, chair of the Nominating Committee, to nominate a new Director to replace Chris Havnar, who has died; the election will occur via email.
- Reunion Planning Committee members for the 2023 Reunion are Connie Birth, Lynda Simmons, John Mills, Stephanie Mills Moore, Paul V. Taylor, Jesse Crisler, Lou Ann Crisler, Linda Crocker, Camille Bell, Annette Earle, and Kelly Findley; the committee will address providing time for the reunion attendees to confer, visit, and compare genealogical information, providing venues outside St. Louis proper to reduce hotel and meal costs of the hotel, inviting Shane Seeley, a university poet, as a speaker, and proposing a suitable date for the Reunion, i.e., on or about June 15, 2023.
- The Board decided that the February and May issues of the Newsletter be consolidated into a single spring issue and that the Newsletter appear only three issues per year.
- On behalf of Daniel Seeley, former SGS President, who passed away recently, \$315 has been donated to the Society.
- It was suggested that the Board consider memorializing in some way, members who have made a considerable contribution to the Society.
- The next SGS Board meeting was scheduled to occur on June 22, 2022, 9:00 p.m. EST

**Adjournment:** 9:12 p.m. EST

## SGS Wants YOU! As the Next SGS Newsletter Editor

*Story by Paul Taylor, SGS Newsletter Editor*

If I'm lucky, you're reading this newsletter in August of 2022. That's more than nine months after the previous edition, November 2021, *should* have come out. Unfortunately that one was late too, as have been all the newsletters in the past year.

I have previously made it known that I cannot continue in the appointed position of newsletter editor. Not because I don't enjoy doing it (I really do), but because last year I accepted my final promotion at work before I retire in five years. This new position is an extraordinary opportunity, but it is also extraordinarily time-consuming. On top of that our two children, Cameron and Nick, who many of you have met at SGS Reunions over the past 20 years, have moved on and are now living in other states. This means we travel a lot more to see them. Bottom line, for the next five years, I'm going to be way too busy to continue doing the

newsletter. Plus, after 20 years of doing it, it's way past time for a fresh perspective on how to best provide SGS membership with the news they need about Seeley family history, genealogy in general, and the society.

The Executive Board has even had initial discussions about new and different ways to disseminate SGS news to members including leveraging our new and vastly improved website or more aggressively using our Facebook page.

I will happily provide a thorough pass down and an archive of the electronic files and photos I've collected over the years to whoever is willing to take on the job.

I have used Microsoft Publisher the entire time I've done the newsletter. If you don't have access to a desktop publishing software package, SGS may be able to help with a subscription to Microsoft 365 or perhaps Adobe InDesign.

Doing the SGS Newsletter is a fun job that allows you to be creative and provide a valuable service at the same time.

In fact, the SGS Newsletter is one of the primary benefits of membership in the society. That's why it's important for it to be done on time every time, and why I am no longer able to do it.

If you're interested in taking on this important and fun job, please reach out to SGS President Connie Birth (contact info on page 15) and let her know you're interested. I will set up meetings to discuss how we've done the newsletter in past, share files with you and continue to help out however I can.



## SGS Queries (as of March 26, 2022)

*Coordinated and Compiled by SGS Query Editor Linda Crocker*

The SGS query column leverages the amassed knowledge of the Seeley Genealogical Society, the research skills of the Society's query team, and the knowledge of SGS members to help answer challenging research questions.

Submit queries to SGS Query Editor Linda Crocker at [llbc100@msn.com](mailto:llbc100@msn.com), or mail to Linda at home (contact information on page 15). Queries are assigned a query number by the Query Editor. Linda summarizes the query and responses for inclusion in the quarterly SGS Newsletter.

Be sure to follow a few guidelines when submitting a query:

**Be specific and detailed:** Give all the information you have about the person or family in question,

especially dates and locations.

**What resources have you already consulted?** SGS

publications or website? Census? Public records? 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 a Seeley family? Our sources?

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

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

If you have information to share on queries from current or past issues of the Newsletter, send it to the query submitter and also to Linda Crocker, **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 two digit year, two digit month of the Newsletter issue and query sequence

### New Queries:

**2202-1** Submitted by Paul Seeley ([pnseeley@icloud.com](mailto:pnseeley@icloud.com))

Paul forwarded a question from a child of Marie Seeley: I am interested in finding out about Angus Ronald Seeley. My great grandmother was Deborah Macallister, who lived in Hartland, ME, when I was growing up. She married Angus Ronald Seeley and had a son with the same name who married my grandmother, Agnes Colson Seeley (from Waunsqueak, ME, which I think was really Winter Harbor). My mother was Marie Seeley, and her siblings were Edgar and Evelyn. My grandmother Macallister had three children, Grace (Grace E. Grace), Owen Nichols (I believe Grace and Owen were from a different marriage), and my grandfather Angus. My grandfather died when he was thirty-seven, and I believe the year was 1943 or 1944.

#### SGS Response:

##### 1940 Census Solon, Somerset, ME

- McAllister, Owen K., age 50, b. ME, res. 1935 same place, fireman, novelty mill
- McAllister, Deborah D., wife, age 48, b. ME, res. 1935 same place
- McAllister, Victor, son, age 19, b. ME, res. 1935 same place, learning trade
- Sealey, Benton, tesson, age 23, b. ME, res. 1935 same place, laborer

##### 1940 Census: Loudon, Merrimack, NH

- Seeley, Angus R., age 24, b. ME, res. 1935 Solon, Somerset, ME, chopper/laborer woodsman
- Seeley, Agnis V., age 23, b. ME, res. 1935 Solon,

##### Somerset, ME

- Seeley, Marie A., daughter age 1, b. ME
  - Next door to
  - Seeley, Edward E., age 49, divorced, b. ME, res. 1935 Solon, Somerset, ME chopper/laborer, woodsman
- ##### 1930 Census: Solon, Somerset, ME
- Seeley, Edward, age 39, age at first mg. 24 yrs., b. ME, ME, ME, laborer, common
  - Seeley, Deborah, wife, age 38, age at first marriage 23, b. ME, ME, ME
  - Seeley, Ronald, son, age 14; Berton, son, age 13; Grace, dau, age 12, all b. ME, ME, ME

##### 1920 Census: Edmunds, Washington, ME

- Seeley, Edgar E., head, age 29, b. ME, ME, ME, laborer, boating
- Seeley, Deborah J., wife, age 28, b. ME, ME, ME
- Seeley, Angus R., son, age 4 yrs., 7 mos.; Belton E., son, age 3 yrs., 7 mos.; Grace E., dau, age 2 yrs., 2 mos., all b. ME, ME, ME

##### 1910 Census: Edmunds, Washington, Maine;

- Seeley, Albert W., head, age 52, age at first mg. 32 yrs., b. ME, ME, ME, boatman, riverboat
- Seeley, Effie E., wife, age 53, age at first mg. 32 yrs., borne 11 ch., 8 living, b. ME, CAN, ME
- Seeley, Edgar E., son age 19, seaman before the mast; Gladis M., dau, age 15; Herman H., son, age 11, all b. ME, ME, ME

##### Maine Marriage Index

- Deborah Seeley of Solon, ME, md. to Owen K Mcallister of Solon, ME, on Jan 22, 1938

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- Deborah L. Dudley of Dennysville, ME, age 22, dau of William R. Dudley and Nancy Reynolds, md. to Edward E. Seeley of Edmunds, ME, age 23, son of Albert W. Seeley and Effie Eudora Hayward, first mg. for both, md. Nov 12, 1914, at West Pembroke, ME NH Death Cert.
- Angus Ronald Seeley of Concord, Merrimack, NH, d. Jul 7, 1946, son of Edward Seeley and Deborah Dudley, husband of Agnes Colson  
So Deborah Dudley married Edward Edgar Seeley and had three children, including Angus Ronald. Then she and Edward divorced, and she married Owen Mcallister.  
Edward Edgar Seeley is the son of Albert Winchester Seeley (<https://www.findagrave.com/memorial/145592908/albert-winchester-seeley>). Albert Winchester Seeley is a son of Jacob W. and Nancy H. Owens Seeley of Washington Co., ME. Jacob is a son of Abraham and Jane Whitney Seeley. We have not been able to ascertain the lineage of Abraham.

**2202-2** Submitted by Sherry Byrd ([rockrunstockfarm@gmail.com](mailto:rockrunstockfarm@gmail.com))

Sherry is a pedigree researcher and Appaloosa breed historian. She came across the genealogy site for J. Leo Seely in connection with Appaloosa horses. She saw where his family bred purebred sheep and cattle. She says that J. Leo Seely has a registered Appaloosa horse credited to him. The horse is named Spangle, ApHC F31, foaled in 1937. He was a black/white blanket with black spots. His sire is listed as an unregistered horse named Spot; his dam is listed as an unregistered horse named Mathelda. J. Leo Seely is listed as the breeder of this horse. If you go to <https://appaloosateritory.com/Articles/foundation1.html> (or just search for Appaloosa Territory, then go to "foundation numbers" 1-100), and scroll down to F31, you can see the information and photo of this horse. Sherry is wondering whether there is any other information or photos about horses (particularly Appaloosas) that J. Leo Seely may have owned and/or bred. She says that there is a registered Appaloosa mare named Manti-Sue ApHC T4453, bred and owned in Utah, that is shown as sired by Seeley's Appaloosa. There are several descendants of this mare in Utah, according to registry records. She is hoping for some sort of information about any possible horse breeding program J. Leo Seely may have had.

**SGS Response:** Findagrave has a memorial for John Leo Seely (1887-1971). It mentions that he died of head injuries when he fell off his horse and that he was an "employee of the Dept. of the Interior, working with Indians" (<https://www.findagrave.com/memorial/143394/john-leo-seely>)

We also have his obituary on our website: <http://www.seeley-society.net/obits-ly/obit-johnleo.html>.

John Leo is a descendant of Justus Azel Seeley (SGS# 836). It turns out that he is in former SGS President Lynda Simmons's line, so I asked her for help. She replied to Sherry: "Leo inherited his parents' home in Mount Pleasant, Utah. My husband and I stayed in that house the night before we were married. Leo's parents were John Henry Seely and Margaret Folkman Peel, and they built the

home. John Henry Seely's parents were Justus Wellington Seely (SGS# 2237) and Clarissa Jane Wilcox.

In [FamilySearch.org](http://FamilySearch.org) there is a picture of Leo, his wife, Edna Lucile Rolph, their two daughters, Ina and Chesla, and grandchildren. My mom loved Ina and Chesla. I remember Leo looking the same as he does in that picture. There are many other pictures and memories of him, including one that said Leo died of a kick in the head from a horse he was training." Lynda encouraged Sherry to explore all the information on Leo and his family available at FamilySearch.org.

**2202-3** Submitted by Chris Havnar. I thought that in memory of Chris I would work on the last unconnected person she researched for the database. She had sent the following:

CAMI

- Chas R. Seely, md. Nov 27, 1916, in Los Angeles, CA, to Genette A Peake  
1940 census El Cajon, San Diego, CA
- Seeley, Chas. R., age 81, widowed, b. PA, 1935 same place  
1920 census El Cajon, San Diego, CA
- Seely, Charles R., age 61, b. PA, PA, PA, fruit farmer
- Seely, Jennet, wife, age 52, b. IL, VA, IN  
1910 census Buckeye, Spokane, WA
- Seely, Charles R., age 52, b. PA, PA, PA, md. 25 yrs. to
- Seely, Mary E., age 46, b. IA, NY, CAN, 5 ch., 4 living
- Seely, Harry J., age 20, b. NE, PA, IA; Mamie E., age 17, b. MT, PA, IA; Allen R., age 14, b. WA, Pa, IA  
1900 census Rock Creek, Spokane, WA
- Seely, Charles R., age 41, b. Oct 1858, PA, PA, PA, farmer, md. 14 yrs. to
- Seely, Mary E., age 36, b. July 1863, IA, NY, CAN, 4 ch., 4 living
- Seely, John R., age 13, b. Jul 1886, Harry, age 10, b. Jan 1890, both b. NE, PA, IA; Mamie E., age 7, b. Aug. 1892, MT, PA, IA; Allen R., age 4, b. Oct 1895, WA, Pa, IA  
1880 census Richland Allegheny, PA
- Seely, Charles, age 21, b. PA, PA, PA, farm laborer  
1860 census Allegheny Ward 3, Allegheny, PA
- Seeley, John M., age 21, b. PA, bartender
- Seeley, Christiana, age 22, b. PA
- Seeley, Charles, age 1; Emma, age 6 mos., both b. PA

CADI

- Charles Reed Seely, b. Oct 28, 1858, PA, d. Apr 4, 1948, San Diego, father's surname Seely
- Reed J. Seely, b. Oct 5, 1896, WA, d. Feb 6, 1967, Los Angeles, mother's maiden name Potter

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Chris also found obituaries for Charles R. Seely and his 2<sup>nd</sup> wife. Genette. The question is, who are John M. Seely and his wife. Christiana?

**SGS Response:**NEMI

- Charles R. Seeley, age 26, of Madison, NE, b. PA, son of John Seeley and Lizzie Reed, md. at Madison, NE, Jul 7, 1885, Mary Potter, age 20, of Madison, NE, b. IA, dau. of Delos Potter

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hope, laughter, and love to his family and all who had the great pleasure of knowing him.

A memorial service for Dan was held on March 4 at 9:00 a.m. at the Tahoma National Cemetery in Kent, WA. Family and friends then celebrated his life at Mama Stortini's Restaurant in Puyallup, WA.



### CONTINUED From Page 4: Chris Havnar

me smile occurred when we were in Abilene, and she kept handing papers to Jerry to scan. He quipped that she was going to break the scanner, and Chris said to just keep scanning because she needed the copies for the Website. It is one of many nice memories that I have of Chris. Everyone who knew her will miss her greatly, our thoughts are with her family."

Crocker acknowledges the work Chris contributed to Seeley genealogy

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Kamppi; grandchildren, Charles Havnar and his wife, Angelica, Kathryn Quinlan and her husband, Joe, Kimberly Lewis and her husband, Cody, Michael Sellers, Christopher Kjeldgaard, Hailey Kjeldgaard, and Caroline Kjeldgaard, as well as eight

will be a lasting legacy.

"SGS was very fortunate to benefit from Chris's interest in documenting data about her Seely family and all Seeleys," she said.

"I hope we will be able to honor her legacy by continuing to collect Seeley data and stories, while maintaining and expanding the Ancestor File for the benefit of future Seeley genealogists," said Crocker.

"I'm sure those who knew Chris will miss her as much as I do."

great-grandchildren Ernesto, Nathan, Sophia, Jensyn, Karston, Shane Herbert, Angelina, and Juliette. She will be missed by all.

She was interred on March 24, 2022, at Oak Hill Cemetery in San Jose, CA.

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#### 1880 census Allegheny City, Allegheny, PA

- Seely, Elizabeth, age 39, b. PA, Wurtemberg, Wurtemberg
- Seely, Emma, dau, age 20, b. PA, PA, PA (someone crossed out dau, changed Emma to Allen, changed F. to M., and changed age to 25)
- Seely, Charles, age 20, son, engineer on RR, b. PA, PA, PA

#### 1900 census Allegheny Ward 4, Allegheny, PA

- Seely, Elizabeth C., b. Aug 1840, PA, GER, GER, widow, 6 ch., 2 living, washing
- Allen, Emma A., b. Jan 1860, PA, NY, PA, widow, 3 ch., 3 living, washing

#### 1910 census Pittsburgh, Allegheny, PA

- Seely, Elizabeth, age 67, b. PA, GER, GER, scrubwoman, 6 ch., 2 living
- 3 boarders
- Allen, Emma, dau, age 50, b. PA, NY, PA, widow, 4 ch., 1 living
- Allen, Molly, age 20, granddau, b. PA, Wales, PA, wrapper, candy factory

#### 1920 census Pittsburgh, Allegheny, PA

- Seely, Elizabeth, age 80, b. PA, parents, b. Willemberg, GER, widow
- Seely, Emma, age 59, b. PA, PA, PA, single

#### PA Death Certificate

- Elizabeth Seely of 822 Lockhart St., Pittsburgh, b. Aug 17, 1838, d. Apr 8, 1921, at Pittsburgh, Allegheny, PA. Emma Allen (same address) is the informant. She says that Elizabeth's parents were Jacob Fortenbacher and Annie Weidheimer, both b. GER. Elizabeth was buried at Union Dale Cemetery.

- Emma Allen, b. Jan 8, 1860, d. Jun 27, 1930, widow of Patrick Allen, dau of John Seely and Christina Fortenbacher, both b. PA; Informant Wm. J. Fortenbacher

#### Findagrave:

- Uniondale Cemetery, Pittsburgh, Allegheny Co. PA
  - Seely, Capt. C. C. (Feb 1789-1872), Div. 1
  - Seely, Elizabeth (Aug 17, 1838-Apr 8, 1921), Div. 1
  - Allen, Emma Seely (Jan 8, 1860-Jun 27, 1930), Div. 1, Sec Q
  - Allen, Robert "Our Son" (Dec 1, 1892-Jan 27, 1909), son of Patrick and Emma Seely Allen, Div. 1 Sec. B, Range 3
- St Mary's Cemetery, Pittsburgh, PA
  - Allen, Patrick age 38, son of Patrick and Bridget Allen. D. Jul 5, 1897

#### 1850 census Allegheny Ward 4, Allegheny, PA

- Ceiley, C.C., age 55, b. PA, carpenter
- Ceiley, Caroline, age 15, b. OH; John age 12, b. OH

#### 1880 census Pittsburgh, Allegheny, PA

- McAllen, Patrick, age 65, b. IRE, IRE, IRE, retired laborer
- McAllen, Ellen, age 63, b. IRE, IRE, IRE
- McAllen Patrick, son, age 24, b. Wales, IRE, IRE, RR engineer
- McAllen, Bridget, dau, age 20, b. Wales, IRE, IRE

**Conclusion:** I found more information on John M. Seely's wife and his children, Charles Reed and Emma, but I could not place him. He is possibly related to C. C. Seeley, but I could not prove it nor get more information on C. C. If you can help, please let me know.



## SGS Elected Officers & Board of Directors for 2021 - 2023

**SGS Constitution, Art IV, Sect. 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.

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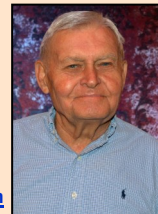
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**SGS Constitution, Art IV, Sect. 1:** "The President shall appoint an Ancestor Files Chair, a Membership Chair, a Director of Communication, Assistant Genealogists as required, and a Director for the Seelye Research Center." **SGS By-Laws, Art. III, 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." **SGS By-Laws, Art. III, SECTION 10:** "The President, with the approval of the Executive Board, may establish other positions and collateral duties not named elsewhere."

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- **SGS Website Redesign Committee:**  
Oversees the website redesign.
- **2023 Meeting/Reunion Committee:**  
Arranges the upcoming SGS reunion which will be held in St. Louis, MO.



# Seeley Genealogical Society

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☐ ROBERT SEELEY (1602-1667) ☐ OBADIAH SEELEY (1614-1657) ☐ OTHER \_\_\_\_\_ ☐ UNKNOWN

I AM WILLING TO SHARE INFORMATION ON MY SEELEY FAMILY LINE WITH SGS ☐ YES ☐ NO

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