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Salem was Terrific!

This year we had almost 30 people take in the sights and sounds of Salem, Lexington and Concord and of course- Beverly. So how did it go?

We started off with a reception Sunday night attended by 24 folks. With heavy hor d'oeuvres, a brief review of our schedule and a terrific talk by Curt Herrick on our DNA project. Monday began very early (on the bus by 4AM) with our box breakfasts in hand. The weather did not co-



operate with us and we ended up standing in 25 degrees with 40 MPH wind gusts and torrents of rain for about 2 hours before the Lexington re-enactment began. Despite the weather the trip was well worth the wait, and I must say the Herricks are a hardy group. From there we went on to Concord which was also delightful. The Colonial Inn and the Longfellow's Wayside Inn welcomed us with great food, a warm/dry climate and a chance to talk to our fellow Herricks.

Tuesday was the bus trip to Beverly which is always enjoyable, as we get a chance to see all the Herrick sights, tour churches, graveyards and the Cabot and Balch houses. That evening was our



farewell dinner and our guest speaker was Ann Lawthers, from the New England Historic Genealogical Society (NEHGS).

At a meeting on Wednesday morning the call for volunteers was answered with many Herricks

offering to help take our HFA into the next phase.



Meet our new board members:



Michael Herrick, HFA #118- President

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Dr. Michael Herrick has been active in the Herrick Family Association (HFA) since 2004. His interest in Herrick genealogy started when his father became interested in family history after finding an original first edition copy (1846) of the Herrick Genealogical Register (HGR) in his mother's attic. His father proceeded to find the link of his Herrick line to the HGR. Once he did that, he was bitten by the genealogy "bug", and he gave that bug to Michael. Michael has pursued information about the Herrick's, particularly the Joseph line, from which he descends. After attending the 2014 HFA trip to Leicester, England, Michael decided to start writing a book connecting the English Herrick's with the American Herrick's as they follow his ancestral line.

After 34 years employment in public education, Dr. Herrick formed Herrick Research LLC, and since then has conducted external evaluation studies for externally funded programs for clients in K-12 schools, universities and departments of education. His firm

also has provided workshops in student assessment for school-based clients. He is still active in running his company. Dr. Herrick has also been asked, and continues to be asked, to be a peer reviewer for evaluation sections of federal grants and for state assessment plans.

Dr. Herrick has a PhD from the University of Minnesota and his undergraduate degree from Michigan State University. He and his wife Jane live on Lake Superior in Wisconsin and winter in Tucson, Arizona. They have two children and five grandchildren.

Merrill Clark Herrick, HFA #169, Vice Pres.- mherrick3@rochester.rr.com

Merrill and his wife, Dianne, live in upstate NY (Victor), near the finger lakes, and born in Canandaigua. He met Dianne in 8th grade and they have been married for 58 years. He has been a member since 2009. Merrill received his BS and Master's degrees in Education from SUNY. He taught Math for over 32 years and coached athletic teams. He says "I have been retired 24 years which has given me the opportunity to search for my genealogical roots through Ancestry. I look forward to helping **HFA** grow in membership and accomplishments."

Dianne Herrick- Treasurer- dherrick2@rochester.rr.com, **Dianne Anthony Carr Herrick**- states "Treasurer is a position that I've held many times. At John Marshall H.S. I was elected to this position as Student Association Treasurer for my Junior & Senior years. The treasurer really did count money for the school which meant giving up a full class period each day and coming to the school office for the job. Treasurer for the D'Lions at the University of Rochester was another position that I held. At the Victor Central S.D., I managed a \$30,000 budget for the Victor Teaching Center. I just completed five years as treasurer for P.E.O. Chapter AL in Rochester, NY. I look forward to working as treasurer for the HFA to further perpetuate the organization.

Dale Ellen Yoe, HFA #062 yoeda@comcast.net, Dale and her husband Jim live in Solomons, MD. They have 3 children and 4 grandchildren. Dale has been a member since 2002, secretary since 2004 and sec/treasurer since 2013. Dale has retired from nursing after 41 years, and has spent a lot of time volunteering in the health field, even in Haiti. Jim and Dale now support the health and welfare of their community by starting a non-profit charity in their area. A member of the DAR, NEHGS, St. Mary's Genealogical Society and Calvert County Historic Society. Favorite pastime- research and exploring old cemeteries.

Assisting Dale will be **Nancy Johnson**, HFA# 212 nancy@imcsoftware.com, she lives in Seattle, WA and is a new member, she is willing to help with the newsletter, etc.

Alice Anabel (A.B.) Herrick Reynolds- remains VP of Research
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Raised a military brat, AB attended 13 schools by the time she graduated from high school, changed universities each year and studied at three different graduate schools for her Master's Degree. With her great husband, Larry Reynolds, they have lived in Eugene, OR, Tacoma, WA and St. Louis, MO before settling in Minnesota in 1974.

AB has taught American History and Civics in a middle school and then second grade in a private in Honolulu, HI while Larry was in Vietnam. Once the kids were in school, Laura Chanel and Ryan Scott, she was the Curriculum Coordinator for a school district and Equal Education Department team member in another district, before joining the 3M corporation as an analyst, conducting supervisor and management training programs. Later, she joins several consulting firms working in areas of strategy and leadership development with Fortune 500 companies and ended her career teaching undergraduates at the University of Phoenix online program.

AB and Larry enjoy time in Florida in the winter, wonderful summers in Minnesota and time at the Reynolds family farm in MO. She says she plays tennis, exercises, reads and enjoys historical research. "I am proud to be a founder of the Herrick Family Association".

Assisting AB with research will be **Sandy Herrick**- HFA# 136; a member since 2006, she lives in Illinois. sherrick@tdh.com

A new role, Membership, will be manned by **James Henry Hilton, Jr. (Jim)**, HFA #168. jhiltonjr@frontiernet.net- Born: November 9, 1944 in Canandaigua, Ontario County, New York. Jim graduated from Middlesex Valley Central School, Rushville, Yates County, New York in 1962 with a NYS Regents Diploma. He graduated from Clarkson College of Technology (now Clarkson University), Potsdam, St. Lawrence County, New York in 1966 with a B.S. in Mathematics.

Jim was married Elaine Emerson on July 8, 1967. They have three children and three and one half (!) grandchildren. He worked in aerospace engineering for 36 years (General Electric, Martin Marietta, Lockheed Martin, BAE Systems).

Currently a member of the Yates County (NY) Genealogical and Historical Society, Ontario County (NY) Historical Society, New York Genealogical and Biographical Society, New England Historic Genealogical Society, and the Herrick Family Association (since 2009) as well as several local historical societies.

Jim will be assisted in membership recruitment by **Jane Bartelme**, HFA #195 janebartelme@gmail.com, who resides part of the year in AZ and part in MN.

James (Jimmy) Yoe- james.yoe@comcast.net Jimmy is the Association's IT specialist as well as the social media and website administrator. He has 14 years of

professional IT experience ranging from hardware and software support and systems administration. He also has 6 years in IT management. He has worked from Hewlett Packard to his current role within Booz Allen Hamilton. On the side, Jimmy designs a lot of the site's graphic design and button layout. Mostly recently, he has dusted off his forum administration skills from 17 years ago to rejuvenate the Herrick forums and maintains the user administration of same.

Curt Herrick, HFA #100- herrickcurt@verizon.net DNA Research- Curt lives in Virginia and has been a member since @ 2004. He has maintained the DNA info since its onset with our project. Helping Curt will be:

Deborah Nelson, HFA # 194, dkncls@yahoo.com. Deborah has been a member since 2014 and lives in Irvine, CA.

And we now have **Event Planners: Deborah Nelson, Nancy Johnson and Michael Herrick.**

What Shall We Research Next?

We have learned a great deal about Henry Hericke in the years since the Herrick Family Association was founded in 2001.

- Richard L. Herrick accomplished the mammoth task of updating the 1845 and 1885 versions of the Herrick Genealogical Register (HGR1 and 2), producing HGR 3 which helped us all track our own Herrick family trees.
- We have proven via signature comparisons and other documentation that Henry of Salem and Henry of Virginia were different people. We've also confirmed that Henry of Virginia was most likely Henry of Beaumanor, the son of Sir William of Beaumanor.
- We have developed a theory about the family line of Henry of Salem.
- We have conducted some research on Henry of Virginia to learn more about his wife Ann, their children and what happened to the family after they left Virginia.
- We have identified Herricks in the earliest events of the American Revolution.

But there is so much more to discover.

What topics would members of the Herrick Family Association like to research further?

Our approach has always been to encourage people to pursue topics that interest them most. Below is a list of options. Please let us know what intrigues you. And let us know if you'd like to work on some topics on your own or be part of informal research teams.

1. Help Dale collect, organize and eventually publish the additions, corrections and clarifications of the unclassified Herricks.
2. Help A.B. and others continue to dig into the theory we have about the family line of Henry of Salem. Is the theory right? Were there other Henry Herickes?
3. Help A.B. identify Herricks and document their service and stories in the various wars: a) French and Indian Wars, b) American Revolution, c) War of 1812, d) Civil War, e) Spanish American War, f) World War I, g) World War II, h) Korea, i) Gulf Wars
4. Document the Herrick role in slavery in the United States.
5. Identify Herricks who have served in various civilian, public service and business roles.
6. Identify Herricks in the creative and scientific realms.
7. Summarize the Herricks involved in the Salem Witch trials and their involvement.
8. Create a booklet that illustrates the Herrick artifacts, buildings and sites in Salem and Beverly to serve as a guide for interested Herricks.
9. Discover the Herrick migration routes and their means of travel as they spread out from Massachusetts. Map the movement of the generations.
10. Work with A.B. to study the Herrick family in England in the 1500-1700s, their global trade business and how the Henry of Salem branch worked with them.
11. Connect with Michael to learn more about the Viking settlers in England and their history in the Leicestershire area of England. Identify the families and document their stories.
12. Work with Curt to use the DNA results and forums to find the Herrick origin in Scandinavia.
13. What else?

Let us know what intrigues you. I'll report your interests in the next newsletter and we can find ways to support each other and form groups when it makes sense.

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Caroline Wessel recently sent us info on her new book "**Beaumanor War and Peace**", which we had a chance to preview in Salem. You can check Amazon, Abe and Clarendon books to order a copy.

Now our own **Karen Herrick** HFA #148, has taken a new look at the book. Because of the length of her article, I will stretch it out over 3+ newsletters, beginning here with the first 4 pages.

**PSYCHIC THOUGHTS ON *BEAUMANOR WAR AND PEACE* -
The Curzon Herrick Years 1915-1939
Rev. Karen E. Herrick, PhD**

I've recently had the pleasure of reading the above delightful book, *BEAUMANOR WAR AND PEACE* and believe Caroline Wessel has done her usual thorough and complete job of explaining so much about the Curzon-Herrick years starting in 1915 with the end of the Herrick dynasty and the beginning of the Curzon Herrick ownership.

Her first book entitled *BEAUMANOR* covered the years of seven generations of Herrick ownership beginning with Sir William Herrick who purchased Beaumanor in 1595. He was a rich London goldsmith and Court Jeweler for Elizabeth I and James I. The new book portrays life in the Edwardian period onwards up until 1939 and mentions the different psychic abilities of Lady Kathleen. These abilities drew many of the visitors to Beaumanor.

This article is being written for members of the Herrick Genealogical Society and anyone else who is interested. This author feels that people who are interested should be able to receive an education in the psychic and spiritual experiences of life as these experiences happen to 40-50% of people living in the United States and Great Britain.

I will be offering some comments and education about what might have been happening to Kathleen Curzon Herrick as it pertains to her psychic abilities.

A Psychic or a Medium

A psychic or a medium is a person with exceptional ability to acquire information through extrasensory perception (ESP) which is the blending of two vibrational fields - earth and the "other side" and vice versa. A medium is a person who blends these two vibrational fields for speaking to the "dead." Psychics are usually people you use if you want to find your keys or your deceased grandmother's money in the attic. Some mediums and psychics have interchangeable skills in communicating with spirits, so you may use them for both purposes.

Mediumship is not a profession one chooses. It is usually inherited. Otherwise it may come from a blow to the head, a fall or an accident. It can also appear after some other type of spiritual experience such as an out-of-body (OOB) or near-death experience (NDE). Spirits are simply people who have died. They communicate to us through thoughts. Ghosts are also people who have died but they seem not to have the ability to communicate through thought. They are usually seen visually with no message of thought coming from them to us.

Concept Originated?

You might ask where did the concept originate regarding speaking to the dead? In ancient Israel, as in many cultures in the ancient Near East, the Israelites believed that a person would continue to exist after “death.” It was thought that their spirit went somewhere below earth most often called “Sheol.” Everyone went there. There was no judgment of good or bad attached to Sheol.

Like the Egyptians, many believed that the deceased had some of the same basic needs that they had when they were alive. Mostly, food and drink were provided at their tomb when the burial took place. In some places, the dead were buried under the houses of their relatives. It was thought that the “dead continued to pay an active role in the word of the living, possessing the power to grant blessings to their relatives and to reveal the future” (Metzger & Coogan (1993), p. 16). This art of revealing events by supposed communication with the dead was called necromancy. A witch or a medium aided in this communication. The original Hebrew words for this can be translated as divination, sorcery, prophetic power, magic or fortune-telling.

We know necromancy has been happening for a long time due to one story about it in the Old Testament of the Bible. This consultation with a witch or a medium was made by King Saul (I Samuel, Chapter 28) who desperately needs help. His high priest and holy man, Samuel, is dead. Although King Saul outlawed all forms of divination, he violates his own ruling by seeking out the medium of Endor and requests communication with the spirit of Samuel. Samuel appears and condemns Saul predicting his doom. He would lose the next day’s battle.

Ancient historical records state that Saul in desperation to have a preview of the future resorted to dream interpreters, prophets and Urim. According to Bible authorities, Urim was a divination method that consisted of casting sticks from a container and then having their esoteric significance interpreted, like reading tea leaves. Originally these had been associated with a priestly office and were used when people came to seek divination, which is the direct determination of divine will, usually interpreted with some object that is perceived as a sign. In the Old Testament, God seems to discredit magicians and diviners.

In the New Testament of the Bible, the miracles of Jesus seem to indicate that God is present for these “miracles” rather than having the practice of “magic” done by only a select

number of people and which, many times, went against God's powers. In Corinthians I: 12: 1-11, Paul states, "Now concerning spiritual gifts, brethren, I would not have you ignorant... Now there are diversities of gifts, but the same Spirit. And there are differences of administrations, but the same Lord. And there are diversities of operations, but it is the same God which worketh all in all. But the manifestation of the Spirit is given to every man to profit withal."

These gifts used originally by priests, magicians and diviners are given to Jesus to use in the name of God. The disciples are given these gifts upon Jesus' death. Paul eventually states that all men can manifest this Spirit and use these gifts. In Corinthians, he goes on to say that there are many kinds of gifts – the gifts of healing, working of miracles, prophecy, discerning of spirits, interpretation of tongues, etc. – and that the spirit of God will allow these to be divided to "every man" (and, the author is going to assume, "every woman").

During the Protestant Reformation, it was believed that miracles occurred during Biblical days but had ceased to happen anymore except in rare incidents. The reformers believed that the bursts of miracles in the days of the Apostles was a temporary happening that died out as soon as the church no longer needed them to prove its message. It seems apparent these miracles are needed just as much now and are happening as they did in the time of Christ and the disciples. However, most people, now, have a problem believing that they do.

Beginning of Mediumship in the United States

Mediumship in the United States began with the Fox sisters in Hydesville, New York in March of 1848. Two adolescent sisters began communicating with a spirit at night because they heard "taps" on their bedroom wall. As two sisters were fooling around before they fell asleep, they started to ask the "tapper" questions and the spirit would eventually "rap out" yes or no answers.

From a May 10, 1939 article entitled "Spirit Rapping and Table Tipping" that was found in a *Psychic Observer* magazine, Mrs. Clara Barnett, a Spiritualist chiropractor who taught mediums, states that through experience spirits learn how to approach those who will cooperate with them. "They can meet and overcome conditions on the earth plane but not always in the same way." This could explain why there are so many ways that spirits can contact us if we so desire.

They understood this spirit to communicate that he had been murdered in the house about five years earlier. Upon digging in the basement, a body of a man was found that seemed to prove their story. The credibility of the sisters was compromised later when they were hired by P. T. Barnum for his sideshow. However, the Hydesville story quickly spread. This story and the loss of loved ones during the Civil War turned talking to spirits into a popular attempt at communication in the United States.

Types of Mediums

There are three basic types of mediums. Clairaudient is (I hear), Clairsentient is (I feel) and Clairvoyant is (I see). These types of mediums receive symbols, pictures, names and feelings which they pass to individuals and people in their audiences.

Electricity is the basic feature of matter that makes up everything in the universe. Electrical activity in your body is initiated and regulated by your ion channels. The dictionary says that “electricity is a form of energy generated by friction induction or chemical change having magnetic, chemical and radiant effects. It is made up of protons (positive charges) and electrons (negative charges), which attract each other. A state of strong emotional tension is a type of electrical charge.

As I tell my grandson in my book, *Grandma, What is a Soul?* the love that we feel for each other is the best conductor of energy and that it is also the strongest magnetic force there is (Pg. 25). This would also be true for the siblings Lady Kathleen and George.

Caroline Wessel describes Lady Kathleen sometimes feeling the presence of her deceased brother George who was killed during WWI (pg. 98). This would be described as a clairsentient medium who unintentionally perceives the presence of the deceased through a feeling, usually felt in the stomach, with nothing coming from the physical environment to make Kathleen aware of George. It is best described as coming from “out of the blue” and if the receiver allows it, one receives much comfort from what feels like a “presence” of, as in Kathleen’s instance, her brother.

In Bill and Judy Guggenheim’s book *Hello from Heaven* (1996), this is listed as one of the most common ways of contact from a deceased family member. Their book lists twelve major types or forms of after-death communications (ADCs).

Look for more in the next newsletter.....

HELP WANTED

The membership committee of the HFA is asking for your help. To help us increase membership and thus strengthen our organization, we are asking you to do the following:

1. Pass information about HFA on to family members.
2. Pass information about HFA on to the people whom you may have email contact with concerning DNA results, Herrick research, etc.
3. Be alert for any Herrick Family reunions that you may hear or read about. Send any information about the reunion to Jim Hilton at jhiltonjr@frontiernet.net . He will try to get HFA information to the organizer of the reunion to pass along to the attendees.
4. Spread the word via social media about the Herrick Family Association and especially the new Herrick Forum. The more people who know about

it, the more likely your question will be answered on the Forum.

If anyone is interested in attending the Old Planters Reunion this September, the event information is on their site:

<https://www.historicbeverly.net/event/old-planters-reunion/>

Next:

The Membership Committee recently sent a letter via email only to those members whose memberships were not paid up through 2018. If you received this correspondence, please consider a response. As I hope we made plain in the letter, we desire your participation in the Herrick Family Association more than we want your money! 2019 dues are not required until January. More about that in the next newsletter.

If you are anxious to pay next year's dues, they can be sent to our new treasurer, Dianne Herrick, 6707 Saint Johns Pkwy, Victor, NY 14564

Jim Hilton, Membership Chairman

And finally- since *Rootsweb* no longer has its family forums, we are going to try to have our own. <http://www.herrickfamilyassociation.org/forums/>. Take a look and see. I think we can use it as well as Facebook to help each other in our quest to find our ancestors. Many thanks to Jimmy for getting these things started.