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Jewett Website

Jewett Family member, Rodney Jewett has volunteered to host and maintain his Jewett website for our benefit. He does own the domain name. You can access the website at www.jewett.org. Back issues of the newsletter, and yearbooks have been added. Current issues of the newsletter are not available at this time but will be added at a later date.

From the Editor's Desk

Thank you to Douglas Wingerath, Robert Young, Gregory Jewett, Toni Chavez, A. Douglas Peabody and Jim Jewett their contributions to this edition of the Quarterly. Your time and efforts are most appreciated.

I would like to express my thanks to everyone that who has submitted material for inclusion in the newsletter. For important family events such as births weddings and deaths, I will attempt to include those items in the next newsletter. Other stories, genealogical updates or interesting tidbits will be worked into future newsletters as soon as possible. Photos are welcome, I ask only that you submit them either as glossy prints or JPG files.

Tom

Contemplations of your President

Seems like I am always talking about the weather but spring has definitely sprung here in Massachusetts. The maples are leafed out and the others well on their way. One of my favorite flowers, the lily of the valley, is out as are a lot of the spring bloomers. Occasionally the weather people warn of a possible frost but that is almost over. The lawn will need mowing soon and the flower beds will need cleaning and mulching.

With both Claire and I retired, sometimes the days get long and we end up watching too much TV – especially in the winter. To combat this, we have been setting aside Wednesday as "adventure day". Don't get too excited, the meaning of adventure is different when you are in your late 60's from when you were a youth. For us, it means getting in the car and driving to a new destination and having a late afternoon meal at an unusual location. Even unusual has different meanings – our first adventure was to a Sonic drive-in in Danvers, MA where they have interesting hot dogs (I am a hot dog junkie and love Chicago dogs which have everything but the kitchen sink). Last week we drove to Providence and had Andean / Peruvian food at Los Andes and yesterday we went to Marlborough and tasted Brazilian barbeque buffet. Fortunately, this can be quite inexpensive – the Brazilian buffet was only $9.95 each. Who knows what next week will bring.

I have also been busy on the automobile front which always makes Claire nervous. I purchased a new / old 2003 Oldsmobile Aurora from a friend with only 74,000 miles and the navigation system to replace my existing 2003 Aurora with 125,000 miles on it. I also purchased a 2003 Oldsmobile Bravada (a midsize SUV) to replace my aging 1994 Chevy pickup in Maine. Both the Bravada purchase and the Aurora on eBay were good experiences.

Don't forget about "Jewett Day" on August 3rd at the Jewett house at Oberlin Heritage Center. JFA Director Greg Jewett has been instrumental in making this event happen and you would do well to put it on your "to do" list if you can be in the area. If you are interested in visiting the Oberlin Heritage Center, I have a limited supply of admission tickets available. Contact me and I will send them out on a first come, first served basis.

Dues and publication fee payments continue to trickle at a slow pace. It is odd how some people will skip paying for a couple of years and then suddenly start up again. Dues and publication fees are essentially our only source of revenue so please send yours in today if you have not already done so. Our main expenses are printing and postage and, as most of you know, the postal rates again rose in January 2013. If you have already paid for 2013, thank you.

Toujours le même,

Ted Loranz

FYI and Announcements

Belated Photo

Robert Young, (JFA #16,387) submitted a photo of selected members of the Mardi Gras Krewe he belongs to, along with other Jewett cousins. The photo was taken at the Krewe Luncheon oin February 8, 2013 in the New Orleans French Quarter. Pictured at right are:
Back Row:
Thomas Poindexter (husband of Elizabeth Ann Melancon (JFA #16,445), Lt. Cmdr. Donald Toso Jr. (JFA #16,464), Keith Toso (JFA #16,460), Donald MaKay, Jr (JFA #16,455), David Melancon (JFA #16,448), and Robert Young.

Front Row:
Michael Toso III (JFA #16,458), David Toso (JFA #16,461), Dr. Donald Toso Sr. (JFA #16,385), Brian Toso (JFA #16,459)

Other cousins who are in the Krewe, but are not pictured are: Lawrence Lebon Jr. (JFA #16,413), Brian Lebon (JFA #16,414), Paul Melarcon Jr. (JFA #16,444) and Guy Heartfield (JFA #16,484).

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Family Updates

Cluster 63

Vanessa Lillie Wingerath (JFA #12, 954) married Mark Ferguson (dob 9/12/83) on August 8, 2011 in Brooklyn, NY. Vanessa is the daughter of Douglas Wingerath (JFA #12,725) and Tamini Joy (Farah) Wingerath. As son, Oliver Wingerath Ferguson was born on February 23, 2013 in Brooklyn, NY.

Sara Leslie Wingerath Schlanger (JFA #12,953) married Ian Schlanger (dob 12/27/79) on 8/20/11. Sara is the daughter of Fred Jewett Wingerath (JFA #12,724) and Mary Martha (Steele) Wingerath. A daughter, Eleanor Sydney Schlanger was born on July 23, 2012.

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Corrections

Kevin Michael Poche, JFA #16,579, married Rachel Songy on 31 May 2009 in New Orleans, La. Rachel was born 4 Aug 1985 in New Orleans, La., and is the daughter of Michael and Amy Songy of New Orleans.

Adair Therese Poche was born to # 16,579 Kevin Poche and wife Rachel on 24 Jan 2013 in Jefferson Parish, La.

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Reminder: Jewett Day at Oberlin University

Jewett Day at the Jewett House, Oberlin Heritage Center (Oberlin, OH) will be Saturday, August 3, 2013 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. It will be part of the **Family Fun Fair** which is an Oberlin community tradition featuring free family activities all over downtown with hands-on history fun and mini-tours at the Oberlin Heritage Center. This year, the Heritage Center will showcase the Jewett House and its history, its first residents, Frank Fanning and Sarah Frances (Fanny) Gulick Jewett and their ties to other members of the Jewett Family. Dr. Frank Fanning Jewett inspired student Martin Hall in his discovering of a cost-effective process for commercially manufactured aluminum and founded the company ALCOA. The Jewett Family of America traces its heritage back to America's first settlers and includes strong ties to abolitionists and the Massachusetts 54th Volunteer Infantry. All welcome! More information on the event will be forthcoming. Details from the Oberlin Heritage Center can be found at the following website:

www.oberlinheritage.org

Gregory Jewett is heading up the organization of the Jewett tie-in to the Family Fun fair. Also, Gregory has just confirmed that a working Jewett car will be at the event. He is inviting anyone able to visit to do so. I am sure he would also welcome any assistance in planning activities and helping to man the tables. You can contact Gregory using the information in the list of directors above, or via e-mail at:

GLJEWETT@coopertire.com

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Graduation News

Catherine Michelena (JFA #18,368) received two BA Degrees: a BA in Sociology/Anthropology and a BA in Women's Studies. Attached are two photos of the Graduation announcements. Catherine is the great granddaughter of Jennie Marie (Jewett) Fuller (JFA #18,215) and daughter of Caroline Francis (Fuller) Michelena (JFA #18,312) and Gabriel Michelena. She is very passionate about both these fields and hopes to be able to land a job wherein she can make good money and inspire others to be compassionate about the social issues that affect us. She is planning on going on and getting her Master's, probably out of state, as she wants to eventually become a professor. No doubt, since she loves to talk and inspire others. Things are really looking up for her; her blog www.inspirebohemia.com is doing great, she is being contacted by major corporations about advertising and association.

Lourdes Marquez (JFA #18,300) daughter of Pedro & Lucille Marquez (JFA #18,237) graduated from Miami Dade college May 2012 to begin studying Graphic Design at Miami International University of Art & design. We have a great artist in the family

Ivan Chavez (JFA #18,359) son of Ivan & Antonia Chavez (JFA #18,293) graduated from the City of Miami Fire Department on
March 8, 2013. He is now a firefighter for the City of Miami Fire Dept. He continues and joins a long line of firefighters.

Nicholas Peabody (JFA #24,312), son of A. Douglas and Annick Peabody (JFA #24,240) and great, great grandson of Amos Everett Jewett, graduated from Barnstable High School in Barnstable, MA. As quarterback for the Barnstable team, Nicholas was instrumental in leading the team to an Old Colony League Championship and State Playoffs his junior year, and this past fall, as a senior, he captained the team as they competed in the Division 1 Super Bowl at Gillette Stadium, eventually losing to Everett. For the season, he threw for 2,627 yards and 34 touchdowns while also carrying the ball 73 times for 366 yards and seven more scores. His achieved national recognition for his efforts, being selected as the ESPN Boston Offensive Player of the Year, and all-state quarterback. He was also the Runner-Up for the MA Gatorade Player of the Year, and ESPN's Mr. Football Award, among other awards and honors. Nicholas has also achieved several academic awards and is currently in line to graduate Valedictorian. Nicholas was accepted for early action to Princeton University, where he has an offer to play football at quarterback and tight end.

Benjamin Jewett, son of Michael and Andrea Jewett (JFA #22,680) graduated from the University of Minnesota, Carlson School of Management with a Bachelor of Science degree in Finance and Accounting on May 20, 2013.

Curt Jewett, of Leraysville, PA graduates in June 2013 from Northeast Bradford High School. After an exciting track and field career with the Northeast Panthers Curt has signed a letter of intent to attend Penn State Univertisy as a member of the track team. Curt specialized in the 800 and 1600 meter events. Curt, shown at right captured the state title for the boys 800 meter run in the Class AA PIAA Track and Field Championships held May 25, with a time of 1:58.25.

In Sympathy

Julia Estelle Reddin (Haines), (JFA #24,499) of New Dominion, P.E.I. died at the Queen Elizabeth Hospital, on Tuesday, December 14, 2010. Julia was a retired dietitian, home economics teacher, and professor at UPEI. Born January 2, 1923, in Moncton, N.B to William Haines (JFA #9,507) and Annie (Dickson) Haines. Beloved matriarch of "the Tea Hill Reddins": Nancy and Pat (Rush), Mt. Albion; Ellie and Kevin (O'Brien), Cornwall; Tom and Agatha, San Jose, California; Arthur and Carmen (Gomez), Huatulco, Mexico; Vicki and Sonny (Gauthier), Rustico; Tony and Marion (Copleston), Bonshaw; Aggi-Rose, New Dominion; and Peggy and Wade (Gauthier), New Dominion. Proud grandmother of Ryan Conway Reddin and Julia Conway; Marianne Reddin Aldrich, Beth Burton and Robbie and Ginny Reddin; Laura, Mikaela and Rosie Gauthier; Lindsey and Andy Reddin; Jesse Cousins and Max Knechtel; and Patti MacDougall; as well as her great-grandchildren. She was predeceased by her husband William Reddin, her parents and a sister, Dorothy Wills (JFA #24,298). A funeral mass was celebrated at St. Francis of Assisi in Cornwall, with internment in St. Martin of Tours and St. Francis of Assisi cemetery in Cumberland.
Submitted by Ted Loranz

Linda Marie Jewett (nee Hogan), age 50 of Hawthorne, on Sunday, April 14, 2013. Born in Sayville, NY, Linda was raised in Buffalo, NY and Waldwick and moved to Hawthorne in 1991. An executive secretary with Columbia Bank for 30 years, Linda enjoyed being a soccer and volleyball mom. Linda Marie Jewett was the beloved wife of Corey Jewett (JFA #24,391) of Hawthorne. Loving mother of Allison Jewett, also of Hawthorne. Dear sister of Eric Hogan of Hawthorne. Funeral service will be held at 11:30 AM on Thursday, April 18, 2013 at the Browning-Forshay Funeral Home, 557 Lafayette Avenue Hawthorne. Interment will follow at the Laurel Grove Memorial Park, Totowa.
Reprinted from The Record/Herald News
April 16, 2013

Suzanne (Mim) Hamel Jewett of Valdosta died Thursday, April 25, 2013 at her residence. She was born in St. Louis, MO to the late Ellis Houston Hamel and Lessie Amonette Hamel. Mrs. Jewett was a homemaker, an avid Denver Bronco Fan, a member of Trinity Presbyterian Church, a Delta Gamma Alumna and was an active member of the Republican Party. She attended Webster Groves High School, William Woods College and the University of Missouri, where she received her degrees in Psychology and Sociology. She moved to Valdosta in 2004 from Denver, CO. Mrs. Jewett is survived by her daughter and son in law, Julia and James Reffel of Valdosta, her granddaughter, Suzanne Reffel, her grandson, Mark Reffel, her brother and sister in law, Albert (Hap) and April Hamel of St. Louis, MO, her sister in law and brother in law, Martha and Glen Hogue of Bella Vista, Arkansas. She is preceded in death by her husband, James Edward Jewett (JFA #24,125) and her son, Daniel William Jewett (JFA #24,133). Funeral services will be held Thursday, May 2, 2013. Burial will follow at a later date in Sunset Memorial Park in St. Louis, MO.
Reprinted from The Valdosta Daily Times
April 29, 2013

Jack Ray Jewett, 83, of Mesick (JFA #21,937), died Wednesday, May 1, 2013, at home surrounded by his loving family. He was born July 15, 1929, in Flint, the son of Earl and Cleta (Hudson) Jewett. Jack went to work for Cadillac State Bank when he was 16 and continued working there for 38 years until his retirement in 1983. He also farmed most of his life as well. Jack was a member of the Mesick United Methodist Church for over 60 years; a former member of the Mesick Lions Club, a member of the Mesick Masonic Lodge #466 F&AM; a member of the Mesick Volunteer Fire Department; a founding member of the Mesick Rescue Squad; and he served on the Mesick Park Board and the Mesick Industrial Committee. In his spare time, Jack enjoyed deer hunting, fishing, playing golf, cutting wood and just being outdoors. On September 14, 1947, in Harrietta, Jack married Shirley M. Paul, who survives. He is also survived by: 5 children, Sharon (Randy) Miller of East Jordan, Jack L. (Ellie) Jewett of Mesick, Kathy J. (Bill) Ely of Mesick, Alan M. (Barb Schellie) Jewett of Mesick, and Garry P. Jewett of Mesick; 12 grandchildren; 21 great-grandchildren; his brother-in-law, Keith (Betty) Paul of Harrietta; several nieces and nephews; and special family friends, Joe and Cathy Cudney of Copemish. Jack was preceded in death by: his parents; his twin sister, Joyce Jewett; his sister, Melba Jewett; and his brother, Earl Keith Jewett. Memorial services will be held at a later date at the Mesick United Methodist Church.
Reprinted from the Cadillac News
May 2, 2013

Duane E. Jewett, 80, (JFA #16,208) died March 22, 2013. He was born in Belleville, KS on February 18, 1933 to Taylor and Mildred Revell Jewett. In addition to his parents, he is reunited with his wife, Donis. He is survived by his sons, Brad and Mark (Sharon), and 5 grandchildren. A memorial service was held Tuesday, March 26, 2013 at Brown-Wynne Funeral Home, Cary, NC.
Reprinted from the News Observer
March 25, 2013

Information Requested

With summer fast approaching, the family reunion season is upon us. If you are organizing an upcoming family reunion, or have news to report from a family reunion, please send the information in for inclusion to the newsletter. Photos of the event are always welcome.

For those who have not managed to send in graduation announcements for the current newsletter, I will reserve space in the next newsletter. Please indicate the graduation date, school, and future plans. A photo can be included if desired.

If there are any updates to the History and Genealogy of the Jewetts of America they will be included in future issues of the quarterly newsletter. The last volume was printed in 1995, nearly 20 years ago now, and with all the genealogists out there, we should be able to update and correct some of the limited family branches. Thank you in advance for any contributions.

A Brief Message From the Past

Michael Johnson, an amateur genealogist from Honolulu, Hawaii recently came across a post card for sale on E-bay. Michael finds old photos and letters and tries to reconnect the photos to currently living family members. The post card, from 1911, was sent from Herkimer to George Angell (JFA #13,181) c/o The Daily Republic in Yakima, Washington. It is unclear if the children shown in the attached photo are the children of George's sister Bertha, or those of a friend.

George Angell was an amature genealogist, and into both his and his wife's family lines. In 1961 George published a supplement to his ancestor's genealogy: "The Genealogy of Some Descendants of William Angell and Thomas Angell of the Angell Family". George used a section of the appendix of that work to provide an articles written for the Jewett Family of America 1959 Yearbook. He also contributed to other newsletters, specifically the 1956 Quarterly #1.

According to the supplement produced by George, his father Olin Trask Angell and his wife, Abbie Jane Sage (JFA #13,161) were married in 1877 at the bride's home farm in South New Berlin, New York. After the wedding they initially lived in the Town of Guilford, Chenango County, New York, where they had three children. In 1888 they moved to Sidney, New York, where their fourth child was born. .

According to a publication on the alumni of Syracuse University, George graduated in 1907 with an AB degree. Afterward he worked with the Sidney Flour and Feed Company from July 1907 to April 1908. He then took a position with the Cortland Atandard Printing Company from April 1908 to September 1908. George moved to the west coast later in 1908 and took a position with the Review of Reviews Company in Seattle and Portland, WA. While on the west coast he was also engaged in fruit ranching. George spent 35 years as a field editor of the Washington state farm papers comprising the Pacific Northwest farm Trio. In 1956 George received an honorary Doctor of Laws degree from Syracuse University. Laura died in Nov. 8, 1957 in Portland, OR, and George died in 1964. They are buried in the Prospect Hill Cemetery in Sidney, NY with the rest of the Angell family. An arrangement with Syracuse University by George Angell and his wife Laura (Burbank) Angell provided scholarships to Syracuse University for graduates of high schools from Chenango, Delaware and Otsego Counties in memory of his mother Abbie Sage Angell. A photo of George and Laura from their time in Yakima Valley, Washington is shown on the next page.

In the supplement to his family genealogy, George states that his father was a man of many talents and was always forward looking. After growing up on a farm near Guilford Center, NY, Olin taught in the neighborhood school, then went away to boarding school. After becoming engaged to Abbie Sage, Olin spent a year in Illinois as a travelling jewelry salesman for Trask & Plain of Ottawa.

After the wedding Olin was in business in South New Berlin, NY, before joining his father on the family farm in 1885. Olin moved to Sidney, NY in 1888 and was in partnership with H.G. Phelps for 25 years in the management of the Sidney Flour and Feed Company. Olin also timbered land from small land holders and resold the land back for farming. During his time in Sidney, Olin saw to it that the feed company had one of the first telephones in the area, as well as a manual typewriter (a Franklin). He also purchased the first automobile in town, a 5-passanger Pope Toledo. The Pope had a 1 cylinder engine which delivered all of 12 horsepower. In his farm practices, Olin was ahead of his times in that he operated a pair of silos on his farm, before the turn of the century, at which time the use of silos was really a new agricultural practice. In the early 1900's he also installed one of the first milking machines on the market, and before electricity, operated it with a 1-cylinder gas engine, the same kind he used of his home electric plant before the power lines were installed.

The house Olin built in Sidney in 1889 had a hot-air furnace and a complete bathroom. Olin installed electric lighting in the house in 1905. Although George indicated his father put little thought into the design of the kitchen and sink areas by placing the dish washing sink in a dark corner of the room, although, the kitchen did have hot and cold running water. In 1915 he returned to faming after purchasing a 500 acre place on the Unadilla River, across from Mount Upton, where his new house was said to have faithfully duplicated the kitchen layout of the house in Sidney. Olin's daughter Bertha and son Stanley were married on the farm, and where both of Stanley's children were born.

Stanley Angell was always considered to be "farm minded" and after graduating from high school, he graduated from Cornell University with a degree in agriculture. He joined his father on the family farm where they bred Holstein cattle at Upton Farms, on Butternut Creek, and the Unadilla River in Otsego County. After his father died in 1935 Stanley continued operating the farm until 1945. Stanley participated in the US effort in World War I, and just before the end of the conflict was promoted the rank of second lieutenant. Stanley was the secretary of the Sidney Chamber of Commerce from 1962 to 1967. Upon his retirement, he and his wife were presented with a portable television as a token of gratitude for service. Upon retiring, Stanley indicated that he was looking forward to travelling, and that winter he and his wife were planning a trip to Florida. He was also looking forward to visiting his son and family, Olin in St. Cloud, MN, as well as his daughter, Mrs. Harold Selander of Griffith, IN. At the time of the article, they are listed as having 9 grandchildren.

Stanley's son Olin grew up in Mount Upton, NY, then attended Springfield College, in Massachusetts, where he graduated in 1950 with a degree in physical therapy. His first practice was in a private clinic in Kansas City. He then took a position in the U.S. Veteran's Hospital in Roseburg, OR, 1956-1959. In 1959 He transferred to a veteran's hospital in St. Cloud, MN, where he became the head of the Physical Therapy Department. Olin is now retired and living in Pequot Lakes, MN.

An updating of the descendants of Olin and Abbie Angell are presented below:

First generation

I.1 Olin Trask Angell m. Abbie Jane Sage

Children
- II.1 Linn Sage Angell; b. Oct. 6, 1879 S. New Berlin, NY; d. May 12, 1890 Sidney, NY
- II.2 Bertha Angell
- II.3 George Nelson Angell
- II.4 Stanley Jewett Angell

Second generation

II.2 Bertha Angell; born Nov. 1, 1885 in Guilford Center, NY, m. Oct. 22, 1919 Louis Bombard Peck, b. July 8, 1888 in Lima, NY, d. Oct. 3 1959 in Rochester, NY.

Children (adopted)
- III.1 Stuart Sears Peck; b. Jan. 24, 1921
- III.2 Mary Lou Peck; b. Mar. 13, 1925

II.3 George Nelson Angell, b. Jan. 12, 1887 Guilford Center, NY, d. 1964; m. Nov. 1, 1913 Laura Margaret Burbank, b. Sept. 5, 1887 in Freeport, IL, d. Nov. 8, 1937, Portland, OR.

II.4 Stanley Jewett Angell; b. Jan 30, 1897, Sidney, NY; m. October 22, 1919, Vinnie Rifenbark, b. Oct. 5, 1894 Trout Creek, NY.

Children
- III.3 Olin Sage Angell
- III.4 Sara Jane Angell

Third Generation

III.3 Olin Sage Angell; b. Sep. 13, 1925 in Norwich, NY; m. June 29, 1952, Dava Jo Ikerd, b. Jul. 23, 1931, Caney, KS.

Children
- IV.1 Stanley David Angell; b. Apr. 11, 1953, Kansas City, Mo.
- IV.2 Dana Sage Angell; b. Apr. 10, 1955, Kansas City, Mo.
- IV.3 Lisa Ann Angell; b. Feb. 15, 1957, Roseburg, OR
- IV.4 Leslie Jayne Angell; b. July 10, 1959, Roseburg, OR

III.4 Sara Jane Angell; b. Apr. 12, 1929 in Norwich, NY, m. Jan. 15, 1951 in Belvidere, IL, Harold M. Selander, b. Mar. 20, 1925, Rockford, IL.

Children
- IV.5 Harold Knut Selander; b. Nov. 9, 1951
- IV.6 Bonnie Lorraine Selander; b. Oct. 10, 1953
- IV.7 Kurt Stanley Selander; b. Feb. 2, 1958
- IV.8 Kent Alan Selander; b. Dec. 2, 1960

Note: Much of the information for this article was taken from the genealogical supplement written by George Nelson Angell, which is available on-line. At
http://babel.hathitrust.org/cgi/pt?id=wu.89062845334;view=1up;seq=3

The Sons of the American Revolution

The Sons of the American Revolution (SAR) is the leading male lineage society that perpetuates the ideals of the American War of Independence. As a historical, educational and patriotic non-profit 501(c)(3), it seeks to maintain and expand:

- The institutions of American freedom,
- The meaning of patriotism and respect for our national symbols,
- The value of American citizenship, and
- The unifying force of "E Pluribus Unum" that was created from the people of many nations – one nation and one people.

The SAR does this by perpetuating the stories of patriotism, courage, sacrifice, tragedy, and triumph of the men who achieved the independence of the American people in the belief that these are universal stories of man's eternal struggle against tyranny, relevant to all time, and will inspire and strengthen each succeeding generation as it too is called upon to defend our freedoms on the battlefield and in our public institutions.

So why should you consider joining the SAR? It provides an opportunity to take pride in having your proven family lineage tied to our nation's founding being documented and archived for all future generations. The Jewett Family of America's (JFA) main goal is to preserve our family lineage and pass on this knowledge to our future generation. The SAR provides an avenue to further expand our Jewett family story by connecting it to the founding of our great nation. The Jewett family not only helped to establish a community in the new world where our God given freedoms could be exercised but later fought for the independence of a new nation in order to establish and preserve our freedoms forever.
Some other practical reasons for joining and participating in the SAR are:

- Be part of an active non-profit, non-secret, non-political organization of patriotic men brought together by heritage, dedicated to the preservation of our Constitutional freedoms.

- Local chapters and state societies offer acquaintance with men in your community who you may have similar interests.

- Have opportunities to serve your nation and community as your time permits, in furthering patriotic education and preserving understanding and appreciate of the principles of government which our forefathers established.

- Receive award-winning SAR publications, including the state society's bulletin (i.e. *Ohio Country Bulletin* in Ohio) and the national society's *SAR Magazine*.

- Take part in local chapter activities including dinners, historic presentations, youth history contests and color guard presentations.

The SAR is open to any man of age eighteen (18) years or over, who is a lineal descendant of an ancestor, who supported the War for American Independence, is eligible for membership in the *Sons of the American Revolution (SAR)*. These ancestors are referred to as *Revolutionary War Patriots* and include those persons who fought in the military and/or militia, who provided supplies to the American cause, who served on political bodies supporting the Revolution, and who signed oaths of support and similar acts. For any women, the Daughters of the American Revolution membership is available.

Becoming a member starts with determining your bloodline to a Patriot Ancestor. Follow your family tree by bloodline (not through adopted children) to a Patriot Ancestor; this means that you don't need to know an entire family tree, just a single line back. This is made easier using our Jewett Family Genealogy volumes I through IV. Also, the SAR and DAR (Daughters of the American Revolution) have lists of patriots and other documentation that can help your search. SAR volunteers and many members of the JFA are willing to assist and help to point you in the right direction.

The second step in the process is to find documentation to prove your line. The SAR application requires listing your lineage and must be accompanied by copies of the documents that support this lineage. This means you will need documentation to link each generation to the next. Examples include first-hand sources such as birth, marriage, and death records, census records, tax papers, or any other government document. Bible records may be used only when written at the time of the person being proven. Family History books are not proof, nor are ancestry family files or any other file which is a family recorded record (unless documented by the Library of Congress), as these have been proven to be inaccurate. The History & Genealogy of the Jewetts in America by Fred G. Jewett, volumes I & II are accepted documentation by the SAR and DAR.

If you already have family members who are SAR or DAR members, or find an already accepted application that proves parts of your line, you only need to provide documentation to tie you to that proven line. As an example, you would only require your birth certificate and their application as evidence to document your lineage if your father was a SAR member or mother was a DAR member.

The third and final step in the process is to complete and submit your application. Fill out your lineage, including names and dates of birth, death, and marriage on the official SAR application; once approved, this becomes the official record copy of your lineage. You will also list the evidence used to prove the link between each generation, as well as the evidence for your patriot's service (pension documents, signed oaths etc.). Finally, include the documentation of evidence and submit it to a chapter registrar, along with the appropriate application fees.

A good place to start is to check out the SAR website (www.sar.org) and the DAR (www.dar.org) for membership information, event schedules, and local chapter websites. There are also many members of the JFA who would be more than happy to help you in your quest to prove your lineage for membership in the SAR or DAR.

John Hancock Chapter SAR Color Guard; Findlay, OH
(l to r) Kenneth Jewett, Philip Jewett, Tom Putnam, Jim Haas, Dan Haas, Kyle Jewett, Gregory Jewett

Note: Author Gregory Jewett is a member and board member of the JFA and member of the John Hancock Chapter of the Ohio Society, SAR. His Revolutionary War Patriot is Elam Jewett who served in the Berkshire County, MA Militia. Pictured are his brother, son and nephew during a 4th of July parade.

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