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From the Editor

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The optimist proclaims that we live in the best of all possible worlds; and the pessimist fears this is true.

James Branch Cabell (1879 - 1958), U.S. Essayist and Novelist

Best in the Nation!

In the last issue, *Clan Ewing* Chancellor David Neal Ewing announced that the *Journal of Clan Ewing* had won the National Genealogical Society's (NGS's) competition for the best Family Association Newsletter in 2008! At the NGS Conference in Kansas City on May 14th, Jim McMichael accepted the award from Janet A. Alpert, President, NGS, on our behalf (see photo to the right).

It was quite appropriate for Jim to accept the award since he initiated the *Journal* and was its Editor for its first eight years. After Jim, Jill Spitler served as Editor for four years and expanded the *Journal's* content in several directions. I became Editor in 2006. Because I continue to receive many high-quality contributions, I do not have to worry all that much about the *Journal's* content — although I have persistently 'noodled' (a.k.a. 'edited') the articles to improve their contribution, understandability and style. Rather, I have been able to use my skills as a computer geek to create a professional-journal 'look' which makes the *Journal of Clan Ewing* heads-and-tails better than what is produced by other family associations and equal to what is published by various genealogical societies. My thanks go to Jim and Jill for getting us to the point that it was a simple-matter-of-programming to make our *Journal* be the Best in the Nation!



In This Issue

This issue continues to provide both genealogical data and sociological information regarding the 'life and times' of our Ewing ancestors. In addition, William R. Smith's and George W. Ewing's articles introduce a new focus for *Journal's* articles: Reports detailing the travels/travails genealogists make when tracking down their ancestors. Finally, this issue announces various happenings during the upcoming gathering and provides materials related to these happenings. Please enjoy!

How Are We Doing?

Now that we are the Best, how can we become better? What would you like to see in future issues? And what balance should we strike between information in the *Journal* versus what is posted on the *Clan Ewing* web site? Please send your observations and suggestions to me at *Riddle at WmERiddle dot com*. Many thanks in advance for any and all of your help in making the *Journal* be truly the Best in the Nation.

Wm E. Riddle

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Finding Findley and John

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In the Ireland Research Report of 1995 for *Clan Ewing in America*,¹ we find the following information and comment:

MUSTER ROLL, 1631, LONDONDERRY & DONEGAL (D1759/3c/2) 'being the names of all the men between 16 and 60 years and fit to bear arms'

Raphoe Barony; lands of the Duke of Lenox

Patrick Porter - no arms

lands of the lady Conningham, widow of Sir Jas C., undertaker of 2,000 acres -

ffyndlay Ewing - sword & snaphance

Patrick Porter - no arms

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Findley² or ffyndlay is found on the lands of the widow of Sir James Conningham, in the Barony of Raphoe. The obvious next step was to check up on Sir James. After a search of several books on the Plantation Period, it appeared that his full title was Sir James Cunningham of Glengarnock, Dacostrosse and Portlough. The latter was the name given at the time to the portion of Donegal he had been assigned by King James I to maintain and populate. It comprised the northern part of Raphoe, between the Foyle and the Swilly, bounded on the north part by Innishowen. That narrows ffyndllay's likely home to the parishes of Templemore, which at the time took in Burt, Fahan, which at the time included Inch, or Desertegney. This is a relative small area. It was good, arable land with some bogs and woods. Sir James had 2,000 acres in all, later obtaining some from the nearby Duke of Lenox. He was heir to his father in 1601 and received his patent in 1610, 20th July, being one of the few sought as an undertaker by the King himself. His own lands were in north Ayrshire, the estate being at Braidstane and all were quite profitable, though by the start of his patent finances were quite precarious and he sold and mortgaged land in Ayrshire, Stirlingshire, Dunbartonshire and Perthshire to be able to take his Ulster lands. By 1623 he was dead

The above information gives us a clue as to where the earliest Ewings in Ireland lived and possibly the area where they came from in Scotland. Assume you are one of these undertakers in the early 1600s. Where do you go to recruit people to move to your acreage? Remember, they do not want the Irish. From what I have I read, the undertakers recruited people to move from the area where the undertaker had lived before moving to Ireland.

Let's look closer at the above information. First, the researcher indicates the area is in the Barony of Raphoe. And that barony is south of Inishowen³ but has a boundary with the Barony of Inishowen. With it being south of Inishowen, it falls in the parish that is currently called All Saints. Based on the area

¹ See the full report at www.ClanEwing.org/research/Document_RelIreland_Report.html

² Findley is spelled several different ways.

³ This barony of Inishowen is also spelled Enishowen and Innishowen

being in All Saints Parish, and All Saints Parish having not been a part of the Templemore Parish, as far as I can determine, is there a possibility that additional information might be in some church records?

In my February article,⁴ we learned about new information for Findley and John Ewing:

Ewing, Findley, of Coole McItean, County Donegal, yeoman, was granted Irish denization on 19 July 1631 (IPR).

Ewing, John, of Letterkenny, County Donegal, merchant, was granted Irish denization on 19 July 1631 (the same day as Finlay).

We can pretty well define the area referred to as Coole McItean by looking at the grants to the undertakers, described below. One of the problems with looking at the records of the early 1600s and trying to locate the townland on the maps of today is that the names have changed in some cases as well as some of the townlands have disappeared.

Many, if not all, of you have used Google to search the Internet. In case you did not know, Google is taking old books that are not protected by copyright (or other constraints), digitizing them and making them available on the Internet at *books.google.com*. I have found some of these books in my searches and they are interesting reading. William Riddle did an article a few issues back⁵ about how search the Internet. Try playing with searches and include *Ireland* (which says you are looking for items with your search phrase and Ireland). You will get hundreds, thousands, millions of hits. To look at a hundred or so them will take a good bit of time. But, realize that the 99th hit may just have something that will help you!

I invite those readers who have Internet access to do a Google-based searching exercise. Go to <http://books.google.com> and do a search for *The Plantation in Ulster*. Near the beginning of the results will be: *An Historical Account of the Plantation in Ulster at ...* by George Hill. The book was published by M'Caw, Stevenson & Orr, Ltd., Dublin & Belfast, in 1877.⁶

This is a book you will want to review and read. Actually, I would encourage you to look at the entire book over a period of time. In the right panel on your screen, you can scroll down a couple of inches or so. Then, you will see where you can search the book. At this point, I want you to look at pages 293-296 and 505-513. The easiest way to get to those pages is search the book for McAula and you should get a couple of hits. Use those to get you to page 294 and 508. Those pages give the townland names of the land that was given to the undertakers.

On page 295 of the book we find:

7. Grant to Cuthbert Cuningham (152) The small proportion of *Coolem^cItrien* ... The premises are created the manor of *Coolem^cItrien*....⁷

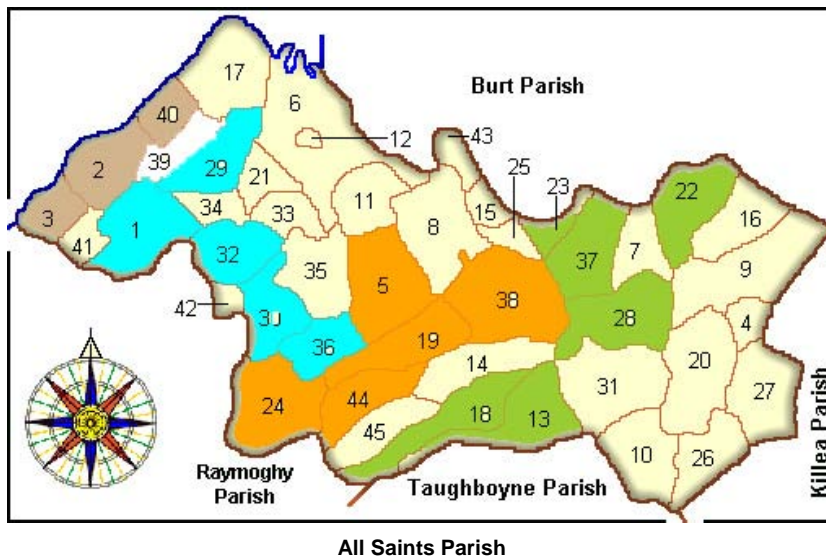
⁴ McMichael, James R. Nailing Down Ewing Facts, *J. Clan Ewing*, Vol. 14, No. 1 (February 2008), pp. 5-9.

⁵ Riddle, William E. Web Site News, *J. Clan Ewing*, Vol. 12, No. 4 (November 2006), pp. 5-8.

⁶ John McLaughlin alerted me to this book by sending me some of its pages concerning the townlands that belonged to James Cunningham.

⁷ *Coolem^cItrien* is found spelled several different ways.

Some of the townland names have changed and you can not find them on a parish map. To pinpoint where I believe Findley lived, I will give you some numbers that you can find on the following All Saints Parish map.^{8,9}



Undertaker

3. Alexander McAula
4. John Cuningham
6. James Cuningham
7. Cuthbert Cuningham

Numbers on Map

- 2, 3, 40 (light brown) and part of 39
 1, 29, 30, 32, 36 (blue) and part of 39
 13, 18, 22, 23, 28, 37 (green)
 5, 19, 24, 38, 44 (orange)

The above is not a complete list since some of the townlands given in the grant could not be found on the map. When we look at the 1659 Census of Ireland Modern Townlands, we find listed under 'Taghboine Parish ... Ballihaskan qr., Col Mcltraine qr. land, Ruskie qr. land ...' and that leads us to believe that No. 8 on the map is also part of the land Cuthbert Cuningham received.

It appears that we can safely say that Findley Ewing lived on one of the townlands on the map colored orange or green or one of the townlands that borders those two colors. It appears that it could be No. 8 on the All Saints Parish map. Burt Parish shares the north boundary line for All Saints Parish.

⁸ Generally, when I refer to a map, I am referring to the Parish maps that be found at:

<http://freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.com/~bhilchey>

Hopefully, you are already familiar with the maps that are available at this site.

⁹ For those that get the *Journal* electronically, you will be able to see the townland marked in the cited colors.

When we look at the Civil Survey for 1654, County Donegal, Barony of Raphoe, Parish of Taboyne, we find the following:

Anna Coningham, the heire of Sr. James Coningham British Protestant

Culmacatraine [8], Gorteree [24], Belliheskies [5], Rusky [38], Drumay [19], Dramillian [?], Portlogh [37], Letrum [28], Monglash [31] & Clune [10], Corcamen [13], Drumlocher [18], Tillianan [44]

Anna Coningham holdeth ye prmises by Patent granted in the name of Jas Coningham of Balliachan for the use of the sd Heretrix of Sr. James Coningham of Glengormocke.

Also, we find in the 1654 Civil Survey:

John Ewen claimes the Quartr. land of Gortree by deed of Purchase from Alex. Coningham freeholder thereof.

Gortree is 24 on the All Saints Parish map and that puts John quite close to where Findley lived.

Next, we know that James Cunningham sold land in Ayrshire, Stirlingshire, Dunbartonshire and Perthshire so he could take up his lands in Ireland. I would guess that area in Scotland is where James Cunningham tried to recruit people, among them:

Alexander Ewing of Culmcatryan

John Ewing of Gortree (also named in the 1654 Civil Survey). [A John McEuan is listed in the 1640 muster rolls under Sir James Cunningham at Raphoe Parish. Might be the same person. His name is also spelled McEwen in the Civil Survey.]

Humphrey Ewing of Creighaduff

to move to Ireland.¹⁰

From a description¹¹ of *Volume 3: Londonderry Lands and Families* of Rev. George Hill's *An Historical Account of the Plantation in Ulster*

This book tells the story of the Londoners coming to settle in Ireland. The settlement included the lands of: Loughinsholin, which had previously belonged to Tyrone; the old county of Coleraine which had belonged to O'Ca'hane; a small portion of the county of Donegal, including the island on which the city of Derry stood; and a small portion of County Antrim adjoining Coleraine. These were handed over to twelve London companies for plantation ... and united to form the present county of Londonderry (Derry).

In the following quote,¹² we find several families that lived close to a Ewing family in the colonies:

On, one and the same day, namely, the 1st of November 1614, John Cuningham, afterwards Sir John, leased several parcels of his lands. James Robbins, Robert Hunter, and John Martin,

¹⁰ See the Ireland Research Report 2, page 1, where the researcher identifies where James Cunningham lived in Scotland. The report is available at www.ClanEwing.org/research/Document_Relreland_Report.html. In other documents, I have read about the undertakers recruiting people from the area where the undertaker had moved from to Ireland. But, I do not have the sources.

¹¹ www.IrishRoots.com/id4055.htm

¹² Hill, Rev. George. *An Historical Account of the Plantation in Ulster*, M'Caw, Stevenson & Orr, Ltd., Dublin & Belfast, 1877. p. 506 (footnote).

rented the quarter called Ardie [no. 1 on the map]; William Boyle, the quarter called Moyle [no. 32]; James Patterson, Alexander McKilchany and John Plowright, the quarter called Monegragane [no. 29]; John Molsed, Robert Allane, John Fyeff, Donnell McKilman, and John Wilson, rented the quarter called Playter [no. 36]; Bernard Coningham, James Boyl, John Bryce, William Sare, Donnell Gillaspick, John Fleming, Donnell McEve, William McCassack, Alexander Colewell, John Wigton, John Ramsay, Stephen Woolson, Andrew Calwell and William Coningham, rented the quarter called Moyfadda [no. 30]; Andrew Coningham and Robert Boyl got the quarter called Donboy [no. 17?]; and Donnell Connell, the 5/16 part of Roghan [no. 39] adjoining Monegragane [no. 29]. [*Inquisitions of Ulster, Donegal*, (5) Car 1), page 506, footnote 160.¹³]

Folks, the above is like driving down a country road in Maryland, Ohio, Pennsylvania or some other state with your grandchildren and describing where your great-great-grandparents lived as well as uncles, aunts, and etc. Remember, the above is in the first few years of the 1600s.

From the above, one name really pops out at me: Alexander McKilchany. Do you remember when you took the trip to Ireland via *maps.google.com* (suggested in one of my previous articles¹⁴) and on your screen you saw Elaghbeg and to the left you could see Carnashannagh and just above Carnashannagh is the name Kilmackilvenny. John Ewing (1648-1745) married Jennet McElvaney. John is not my ancestor, but, if he was, I would be 'fired up' and ready to dig, dig, dig. There may not be any connection between all of those names but it would be fun trying to determine what they all mean.

How big of an area are we talking about? From where you are, if you went three-and-a-half miles east as well as west and four-to-five miles north as well as south, that would be about seven-by-ten miles. Possibly, most of all of the area in County Donegal we are interested in would fit in this area.

Possibly, a lot of you have seen the following information:

Papers in the court house in Lifford, the assize town of Donegal County, show that in 1603 a license was issued to David Ewing of Cavan, authorizing him to plant trees, as elsewhere seen.

The above is from page 113 in *Clan Ewing of Scotland* by Elbert William R. Ewing, published in 1922.¹⁵ Lifford is not very far from Letterkenny the best that I can determine.

If David Ewing was forty years old in 1603 when he planted the trees, he would have been born about 1563. The year 1603 is before the plantation period started. Therefore, he was not recruited by an undertaker to move. He could be from any place.

As indicated earlier in this article, Findley and John Ewing are identified as being in Ireland in 1631. Assuming they are about forty years of age, they would have been born about 1590. That could easily be a time that David Ewing was having children. Do we assume that Findley and John were recruited

¹³ This is another book at Google Books.

¹⁴ On page 9 in: McMichael, James R. Nailing Down Ewing Facts, *J. Clan Ewing*, Vol. 14, No. 1 (February 2008), p. 5-9.

¹⁵ Ewing, Elbert William R. *Clan Ewing of Scotland*, Corben Publishing Co., Ballston, Virginia, 1922. Available for purchase from www.HigginsonBooks.com and online at www.ClanEwing.org/books/EwingEWR/index_ewr.htm.

and moved during the plantation period? If so, they would have been in Ireland before 1625. If they were married at that time, they could have been born around 1585.

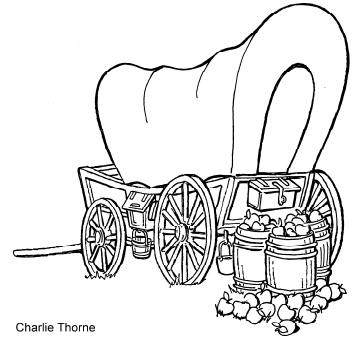
This is probably a good place to end this article. I have no idea if I am making any progress or not, but, I believe as a group we could find some answers. One person can not find an answer for all the questions that we as a group may come up with. It needs to be a team effort. Please send me your contributions, comments, observations and suggestions at *JimMcMcl at gmail dot com*.

James R. 'Jim' McMichael is a fifth great-grandson of Alexander Ewing (1676/77-1738) who emigrated to the colonies in 1727 with wife, Rebeckah, and their three children. Alexander was a son of Robert Ewing, Townland Elaghbeg, County Donegal, Ireland. Jim published his Ewing history: Alexander Ewing (1676/7-1738) and Descendants,¹⁶ in 1999. Jim served as Editor of the Journal and Treasurer for nine years. Currently, he is the Clan Ewing Genealogist. For relaxation, he gets in two-to-three rounds of golf each week. On occasion, he scores his age or better.

¹⁶ Available online at the *Clan Ewing* web site (www.ClanEwing.org).

Echoes of the Shenandoah **Tenth Gathering of Clan Ewing in America**

Southern hospitality awaits you in Winchester, Virginia! The local cousins as well as the Planning Committee for the 2008 Gathering are looking forward to your visit. We have enjoyed reading the names of those who have registered for September and we are excited to see you! In addition to the states mentioned in the last issue, we now have folks coming from Michigan, Ohio, Indiana, Pennsylvania, Alabama, Kentucky, Iowa and Kansas. Have you sent in your registration? If not, there is a registration form at the back of this issue for your convenience. It is **not** too late to register. While the Early Bird Discount deadline has passed, registrations will be accepted until September 6. Note, however, that the last day for full refunds is August 31st, and no refunds will be made after September 12th.



Charlie Thorne

We have been working hard to make this a great gathering! The current schedule for ***Echoes of the Shenandoah*** is printed on the inside back cover of this issue. In this updated schedule, we note and regret that Ron Smith will not be able to join us due to other pressing commitments.

Travel costs are higher than they have been in the past, but we really want you to come! At the back of this issue, the *Things to Know* information includes some travel options which you might not have considered. Other tips are also located there.

An activity has been added to the events: We will explore the possibility of a second trip to Scotland and Ireland. This discussion will be moderated by Barbara McGuinness, who led a previous tour in 2001.

Your family history is what makes the occasion so special! Hopefully you are gathering up photos and stories to share with your Ewing cousins in Winchester. In addition, have you ever wondered about those Ewings who were the inspiration for the television show *Dallas*, broadcast from 1978 to 1991? Polly Ewing Brown, a member of that family, will attend the gathering and give us the inside scoop!

In this issue of the *Journal*, we continue our series of reports providing background information relating to ***Echoes of the Shenandoah***. Previously featured in this series are:

Historical Context

- Ewing, Evelyn Jones. Colonial History of the Shenandoah Valley, *J. Clan Ewing*, Vol. 13, No. 2 (May 2007), pp. 11-14. An introduction to the settlement of the Shenandoah Valley by William Ewing and other descendants of John Ewing of Carnashannagh.
- Ewing, Jeannette. A Short History of Stephens City, *J. Clan Ewing*, Vol. 14, No. 2 (May 2008), pp. 16-18. Many towns were settled around the time that Stephens City received its charter in 1758 under the name of Stephensburg. Also known as Newtown and Pantops, it is located in the Shenandoah Valley just south of Winchester. This article reviews the town's early

settlement and growth, with attention to several early residents who helped establish the city's culture and economic infrastructure.

- McClure, Jean. Great Philadelphia Wagon Road, *J. Clan Ewing*, Vol. 13, No. 3 (August 2007), pp. 15-20. A discussion of the development of the migration path from Philadelphia into and through the Shenandoah Valley, with an emphasis on the use of this migration path by descendants of John Ewing of Carnashannagh who settled the Stephens City, Frederick County, Virginia, area.
- Fravel, Linden. The Newtown Wagon, *J. Clan Ewing*, Vol. 14, No. 1 (February 2008), pp. 13-18. This report concerns one of the most common and essential tools of early America, the *road wagon*. It complements the information about the Conestoga wagon in Jean McClure's report. Linden describes the Newtown wagon and the wagon industry in Newtown (Stephens City). He also provides information about the history of the Frederick County area up to the Civil War.
- Ridgeway, Trish. Winchester Experiences the Civil War, *J. Clan Ewing*, Vol. 14, No. 2 (May 2008), pp. 13-15. During the Civil War, Winchester was decimated. The area saw huge numbers of soldiers occupying its buildings and consuming everything in sight. Not only that, but soldiers brought typhoid and other virulent diseases that spread through the local population. This article briefly discusses the resulting suffering of civilians and soldiers during this period.

Ewing Families

- Ewing, Evelyn Jones. Ewings of Shenandoah Valley, Virginia (Part 1), *J. Clan Ewing*, Vol. 13, No. 3 (August 2007), pp. 15-20. A genealogy of the descendants of John Ewing of Carnashannagh emphasizing the children of William Ewing, his son.
- Ewing, Evelyn Jones. Ewings of Shenandoah Valley, Virginia (Part 2), *J. Clan Ewing*, Vol. 13, No. 4 (November 2007), pp. 13-25. A continuation of the genealogy of the descendants of John Ewing of Carnashannagh emphasizing the children of William Ewing, his son.
- DaHarb, Darryl Dene. John Ewing, Son of William Ewing, Grandson of John Ewing of Carnashannagh, *J. Clan Ewing*, Vol. 13, No. 4 (November 2007), pp. 26-31. A discussion of the descendants of John Ewing, son of the William Ewing who is the emphasis of the reports by Evelyn Jones Ewing.

Local Attractions and Activities

- Ewing, Jeannette. The Handley Library, Winchester, Virginia, *J. Clan Ewing*, Vol. 13, No. 2 (May 2007), p. 15. A brief introduction to an important place to visit and conduct research while attending the 2008 Gathering.
- York, Ted and Betty (Ewing). The Museum of the Shenandoah Valley and the Historic House and Gardens at Glen Burnie, *J. Clan Ewing*, Vol. 14, No. 1 (February 2008), p. 12. Provides a glimpse of the *Historic House and Gardens at Glen Burnie*, home of the founder of Winchester, Col. James Wood, and the adjacent *Museum of the Shenandoah Valley* which provides visitors with many insights into the founding and evolution of this region of Virginia.
- Ewing, Evelyn Jones. Cedar Creek Presbyterian Church, Marlboro, Virginia, *J. Clan Ewing*, Vol. 14, No. 2 (May 2008), pp. 19-21. The Cedar Creek Presbyterian Church was founded in

1736 on Cedar Creek, an important tributary of the Shenandoah River. Opequon Presbyterian Church, also founded in 1736, is situated on Opequon Creek about three miles southwest of Winchester and four miles north of Stephens City. The congregations of Cedar Creek and Opequon, two of the oldest churches in the Winchester area and only about nine miles apart, have shared pastors and enjoyed a close relationship through the years.

- Ewing, Evelyn Jones. Winchester – Home of Spirits and Ghosts, *J. Clan Ewing*, Vol. 14, No. 2 (May 2008), p. 12. Winchester resident Mac Rutherford conducts popular evening Ghost Tours through Winchester and Mt. Hebron Cemetery. During his tours, he weaves fascinating stories about the area's ghosts and spirits. Many of these stories are included in a recent collection of quite amusing one-to-three-page write-ups. Three of the locations he includes on his tours are quite close to each other. Gathering attendees might be interested in visiting them while in Winchester. This article provides synopses of his stories about these three locations.
- n.a. History of the Wayside Inn, *J. Clan Ewing*, Vol. 14, No. 2 (May 2008), p. 11. A short history of the Wayside Inn in Middletown, Virginia, which will be the venue for the Gathering's dinner on Friday, September 19, 2008.
- Avery, Karen. Local Area Attractions, *J. Clan Ewing*, Vol. 14, No. 1 (February 2008), pp. 19-20. A list of attractions in the general area — Washington, D.C., to the north, the Allegheny Mountains to the west and Williamsburg on the south — attendees may want to visit and enjoy during extra days before and after the gathering.

New Reports

Several additional reports appear in this issue:

- For those of you planning to bring your notepads and pens for genealogical digging in the Valley, Rebecca Ebert, Archivist at the Stewart Bell Jr. Archives, has compiled some research tips for Winchester and Frederick County.
- With the help of Stacey Lovett Clark, Mary Gosline has provided a report on Clog Dancing, an Appalachian percussive-dance art form.
- Evelyn Jones Ewing provides some additional sketches of spirits and ghosts said to be in the Winchester area.
- The Blue Ridge Parkway and Skyline Drive, both scenic parkways through the Blue Ridge Mountains, are featured in another report.

Historical and Genealogical Research in Frederick County, Virginia

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While visiting Winchester for the *Clan Ewing* Gathering, you may wish to take the opportunity for some genealogical and historical research. Here is some helpful information to assist you.

Frederick County was formed from Orange County by an act of the Virginia House of Burgesses dated November 1738. Because of the lack of qualified persons to serve, the county court did not function until November 1743. By this time, substantial settlement had occurred in much of the large area which comprised old Frederick County. This area included the present counties of: Frederick, Shenandoah, and Clarke in Virginia; Berkeley, Jefferson, and Morgan in West Virginia; parts of Warren in Virginia; and parts of Hampshire and Hardy in West Virginia. In 1753, the boundary between old Frederick and Augusta Counties was moved southward. Then for a period of nineteen years, most of Shenandoah County and part of present Page County fell under the jurisdiction of Frederick County. A familiarity with these shifting boundaries is essential to the task of following the Shenandoah settlers through the maze of county formation. Michael F. Doran's Atlas¹ is an excellent tool for tracking the boundary changes.

Echoes of the Shenandoah

Since Stephens City was founded in 1758, a journey by way of the Great Wagon Road has improved tremendously. A thirty-mile trip often took six hours. Between 1840 and 1918, travelers were required to stop every five miles to pay a toll or show an annual ticket for the Valley Turnpike Road. The same trail is now known as Route 11.

Winchester, the county seat of Frederick County, is a chartered city and has a separate set of records dating from 1790. The records are in the Joint Judicial Center which is located at 5 North Kent Street, Winchester. The center is open Monday through Friday, 9:00 AM through 5:00 PM. The center's telephone number is +1 540.667.5770 and its web site is www.winfredclerk.com. There is limited on-street, metered parking and a parking garage on the corner of Cameron and Boscawen Streets, next door to the Joint Judicial Center. Staff at the Joint Judicial Center will assist you in making photocopies of approved records; however, they do not have time to do research.

Frederick County Clerk's Office Holdings include:

- Birth Records: 1853 – 1912
- Death records: 1853 – 1896
- Marriage Records: Marriage Registers, July 14, 1782 – present. (The Marriage Bonds are not open to the public.)
- Land Records: Deed Books, September 11, 1743 – present; Superior Court, 2-7, Deed Books
- Wills: 1743 – present, indexed; Superior Court Will Book, #1-4, 1791 – 1858

Winchester Clerk's Office Holdings include:

- Birth Records: 1865 – 1891
- Death Records: 1871 – 1891

¹ Michael F. Doran. *Atlas of County Boundary Changes in Virginia, 1634 -1895*, Athens, GA: Iberian Publishing Company, 1987

- Marriage Records: Index to Marriages, 1790 – 1931 (microfilm)
- Marriage Records: 1857 – present
- Land Records: Deeds, 1790 – present (microfilm)
- Wills: 1794 – 1900 (microfilm)

The Stewart Bell Jr. Archives, located on the lower floor of the Handley Regional Library,² is jointly operated by the Winchester – Frederick County Historical Society and the Library. Holdings include manuscripts, printed histories and genealogies, maps and photographs of the Lower Shenandoah Valley and contain items from the 1730s to the present. For example, *Personal Property and Land Tax Records, 1782 – 1850*, may be found on microfilm in the Archives. Other microfilms available for viewing are *Winchester City and Frederick County Court Records*, including *Chancery Court Records*. It is important to search both sets of records, those of the county and those of the city, as well as records of surrounding counties. Archives hours are 1:00 – 8:00 PM on Tuesdays and Wednesdays and 10:00 AM to 5:00 PM on Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays. A more detailed description of holdings and the research policy may be found at www.hrl.lib.state.va.us. The telephone number for the Stewart Bell Jr. Archives is +1 540.662.9041, ext. 22, and its EMail address is [archives at hrl dot lib dot state dot va dot us](mailto:archives@hrl.lib.state.va.us). The library's address is 100 W. Piccadilly Street, Winchester, Virginia. There is limited on-street parking around the library; meters are twenty-five cents per hour. A parking garage on Braddock Street is two blocks from the library.

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Stephens City is celebrating its 250th Anniversary in 2008. A variety of activities are planned throughout the year. Presentations on the architecture and the wagons of Stephens City, an antique car cruise-in, the *Route 11 Yard Crawl*, a puppet show, and the introduction of a new book on Stephens City are among the activities. In October there will be a block party, museums will be open, and artisans will be showing their wares.

² Ewing, Jeannette. The Handley Library, Winchester, Virginia, *J. Clan Ewing*, Vol. 13, No. 2 (May 2007), p. 15.

A Brief History of Clog Dancing

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Clog dancing, also known as clogging, is an American dance form that was created in the Appalachian Mountains. In the mid-1700s the area was settled by people from Ireland, Scotland, England and Germany. As the pioneers came together, their folk dances were combined to form a new American dance accompanied by fiddle and bluegrass music and known for its foot-tapping style where the heel keeps the beat to the music. Other traditions which influenced clog dancing were those of Cherokee Indians, African Americans, and Russian gypsies.

Originally, this type of step dancing developed as a form of personal expression, with each individual using his or her feet as a percussion instrument to accompany music. Around 1900 it was added to square dancing and was later popularized in the Mountain Dance and Folk Festival of Ashville, North Carolina, during the 1920s. As square dancing evolved, the step dancing footwork was replaced by a smoother step. Square dancing replaced clogging in popularity, and the purer form of clogging was primarily performed in Appalachia and the Ozarks.

In the 1970s, along with country music, clogging had a resurgence in the line dance. Today clogging is more complicated and less personal than it was in the 1700s. New styles continue to influence the dance and colorful costumes have been added. Teams of clog dancers perform across the country and compete for cash prizes.

The Skyline Country Cloggers,¹ pictured to the right, will entertain us at the 2008 Gathering. For over twenty years they have been teaching in Crozet, Virginia. Using a wide range of music, the non-profit group performs throughout the state. Stacey Lovett Clark, a member of the Stephens City Ewing family, has danced with the Skyline Country Cloggers and contributed to this article. For more information about clog dancing and its history visit <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Clogging> and www.DoubleToe.com.



Skyline Country Cloggers
(Courtesy of Stacey Lovett Clark)

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¹ www.CrozetOnline.com/cloggers

More Winchester Spirits and Ghosts

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Winchester resident Mac Rutherford conducts popular Ghost Tours through Winchester and Mt. Hebron Cemetery. During the tours, he weaves fascinating stories about the area's ghosts and spirits. Many of these stories are included in a recent collection of quite amusing one-to-three page write-ups.

Gathering attendees might be interested in having lunch or a snack at the Cork Street Tavern, in locating the former Red Lion Tavern, and in visiting the Stone Soup Gallery. The following are synopses of Mac Rutherford's stories about these establishments.

Cork Street Tavern. This tavern, at 8 West Cork Street, has several ghosts or spirits. One is a lady they have named Emily who softly calls a man named John. John has appeared walking in the door, through the bar area and disappearing into the wall. Research found that the tall thin man dressed in black may be the spirit of the first owner of the building whose name was John Mann. Some spirits seem to circulate in the tavern both during day and evening hours. Ladies often feel a pat on the arm or back and notice a coldness around them. (Second Edition, March 2005, p. 3)

The Cork Street Tavern is one of Winchester's popular restaurants and is my, and my husband Jim's, favorite in town. While having lunch there in June, we asked if there had been recent sightings of their ghosts. Our waitress replied that there had been a recent scary event. Only a few weeks before a new waitress who knew little of the history of the building had been greatly alarmed when opening up the tavern early one morning. As she entered, she heard a distinct human cry coming from the older section of the building. Thinking someone had been locked in during the night, she searched but found no one. Soon another worker entered and heard the distinct cry. He had heard of strange happenings there but had never before witnessed an event.

Red Lion Tavern. This tavern was originally located on the corner of Cork and Loudoun streets at 204 South Loudoun Street, near the Cork Street Tavern. The tavern is now an office building, but after the Revolution the German owner and other veterans organized the Daniel Morgan Dutch Mess and met there regularly as George Washington and Daniel Morgan had before the War. The present owners have noticed spirits in the building. Every day a young girl's voice coming from the top of the stairs says, in German, 'Danke' (Thank You) when the lights are turned off at the end of the work day. The shadow of a young woman is seen and the presence of a female is felt. The girl spirit may be a daughter of Peter Lauck, the German owner who served with Daniel Morgan. The Lauck family had several daughters and spoke German. (Second Edition, March 2005, p. 7)



Mac Rutherford

(From: www.LongHillBB.com/indexmac.htm)

Stone Soup Gallery. This establishment, at 107 North Loudoun Street, has been renovated as a shop to sell goods past and present. Often a young girl named Jeanette appears in colonial dress. She is believed to be Jeanette Anderson who lived with relatives in this home in the late 1760s. A young African American was lynched from a tree behind Stone Soup and now heavy-booted feet pace the second floor, going in and out of doors. The same sounds hurry up and down the stairs and rush out the back door. These boots are believed to have belonged to members of the 29th Pennsylvania Unit as it is a fact that this unit of the Union Army was quartered at 107 North Loudoun Street after the First Battle of Kernstown. Paul Cummings, a young, very ill writer during the Civil War, lived in the attic of 107 North Loudoun with two servants, Millie and Victor. The owners of Stone Soup have seen a man and woman talking or arguing while a sickly man looked out a window. The attic was always icy cold even on warmest summer days. (Second Edition, March 2005, p. 31)

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Contributed by William E. Riddle

¹ Evelyn and Jim Ewing. *The Ewings of Frederick County, Virginia*, 1986. Available online at: www.ClanEwing.org/books/Document_WmofFrederickCo.html.

The Blue Ridge Parkway and the Skyline Drive in the Mountains of the Shenandoah Valley

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For those traveling by car to Winchester for the 2008 Gathering of *Clan Ewing in America*, exploring the Shenandoah Valley by way of the Skyline Drive or the Blue Ridge Parkway is something you will not want to miss! Both provide a sense of the scenic, yet rugged wilderness through which our ancestors traveled. The beauty of the land and peace of the mountains are inspiring!



The lovely Shenandoah Valley, composed of three regions, begins in the north at Harpers Ferry, West Virginia, and ends in the south at Salem, Virginia. Bounded on the east by the Blue Ridge Mountains and on the west by the Alleghany Mountains, the valley is linked together by the modern Interstate Route 81 and the older, less hurried, U.S. Route 11.

Skyline Drive curves along the entire length (105 miles) of the Shenandoah National Park.¹ The Appalachian Trail and other hiking trails wind through the park past waterfalls, meadows and rock formations. Fishing, swimming and horseback riding are permitted in designated areas. A descriptive audiotape tour is available to guide your drive from Front Royal, the northernmost entrance of Skyline Drive, to Rockfish Gap near Waynesboro. Two other entry points are located in between. Numerous overlooks provide places to stop along the way. Both natural sites and historical sites are found in the park. *Shenandoah Overlook*, the park visitor guide, is available at any entrance, visitor center or park campground.

The Blue Ridge Parkway, along the edge of the southern section of the valley, connects the Shenandoah National Park with the Great Smoky Mountains National Park.¹ With a length of 469 miles, the parkway spills over into North Carolina and ends at Oconaluftee. Through this region the parkway forms an avenue leading up to 6,000 feet, the highest elevation in the Appalachians. Designed as a recreational motor road, the drive affords visitors a glimpse into Appalachian mountain history. Leisurely driving (45 mph) provides time to relax and enjoy the spectacular views. Split rail fences, old homesteads and historical structures are common sites nestled along side the magnificent mountains. Recreational areas, incorporated along the parkway, offer many overlooks as well as camping and fishing sites and bicycling and hiking trails.

¹ A map of Skyline Drive — showing picnic areas and campgrounds as well as visitor centers, scenic viewpoints and various services — may be found at www.BlueRidgeParkway.org/map1.htm. A series of similar maps showing various sections of the Blue Ridge Parkway, from north to south, may be found at:

www.BlueRidgeParkway.org/map2.htm, www.BlueRidgeParkway.org/map3.htm,
www.BlueRidgeParkway.org/map4.htm, www.BlueRidgeParkway.org/map5.htm and
www.BlueRidgeParkway.org/map6.htm.

When we think of early settlers moving long distances with horses and wagons, we appreciate the Shenandoah Valley as a valuable and much easier route through the mountains. Numerous Scots-Irish sites are found in the valley. For example, near Staunton, Virginia, where the two parkways meet, is the Museum of American Frontier Culture, an international living-history museum. Original farm buildings from the 17th, 18th and 19th Centuries were moved from England, Ireland and Germany as well as from within the Shenandoah Valley. These authentic working farms provide an opportunity to learn about the lives of American settlers before immigration and the lives established after their arrival in the valley.

So plan ahead to spend some extra time exploring the beautiful Shenandoah Valley. You might want to come a day early or have a leisurely drive home.

For more information you may want to visit the following web sites:

- www.VisitShenandoah.com,
- www.BlueRidgeParkway.org,
- www.NPS.gov/blri,
- www.NPS.gov/shen/planyourvisit/driving-skyline-drive.htm,
- www.Frontier.Virginia.gov,
- www.Virginia.org/wildernessroad,
- www.Virginia.org [first roll over *Attractions*, then click on *History & Heritage* in the dropdown menu, and then click on *Scottish/Irish* in the menu to the left; alternatively just go to:
www.Virginia.org/site/content.asp?MGrp=1&MCat=2&MItm=147],
- www.Virginia.org/site/features.asp?FeatureID=225,
- www.BlueRidgeSkyline.com, and
- http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Skyline_Drive.

In addition, the 2008 *Virginia Is for Lovers* Travel Guide is available in print or by EMail from www.Virginia.org.

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A Family Story

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This family story concerns the James and Martha Smith family of Gadsden, Etowah County, Alabama. It relates events of many years ago and reveals a potential, intriguing intertwining of Smith and Ewing families as revealed by Y-DNA testing.

Jerome Coleman Smith was born in 1880 in Etowah County, Alabama. He was my grandfather. Jerome was the second child of William Pearce and Olevia L. (Smith) Smith.¹ Jerome was about five foot, eight inches tall, with black hair and brown eyes. He was attractive to women, neat and clean in his dress and carried himself well. He was a very self-centered person and he told many family stories that were not always true.

Many years ago, he told my Aunt Bea (his youngest child) that his grandfather James was impotent and that his father, William Pearce Smith, was fathered by a person by the name of Ewing who was a Doctor. I did not give much credence to the story at the time, and really did not pay much attention to it at all.

In 1970, I began researching the my wife's genealogy first, then my grandmother's family and finally my father's family, the Smiths. I was at the local library one night looking at the 1870 census for Etowah County, and I found both James Smith and William Pearce Smith as well as Dr. Whitley T. Ewing. I thought this might be the doctor that Jerome knew about and had made up a great story to tell. I did nothing about it. I did not have any information on James Smith and his wife Martha except that they were born in Virginia, so I posted a query to people in Etowah County who might have some knowledge of the Smiths there.

I received an answer from a man in Gadsden who said he had tried to look up a marriage for them but all he found was an excerpt from a will of a Dr. Whitley T. Ewing leaving something to Rosa Smith, Jerome C. Smith, Lillian Smith and Ulyses Smith, the four children of William Pearce and Olevia Smith. That did get my attention, so I called the county court house and asked for a copy of the full will. The lady in the Probate Judges' office told me that the courthouse was being renovated, that the old wills were not in the computer, and that they could not get to were the old wills were stored.

I waited for almost two years and then called again. They sent me a copy of the will and it says in paragraph four:

I give, devise and bequeath to Rosa E. Smith, Jerome C. Smith, Olevia L. Smith and Ulyses G. Smith children of William P. Smith my undivided one sixth interest in and to that part of the Southeast quarter of the Southeast quarter of Sec. thirty-six, in township eleven range 5 east and Southwest quarter of the Southwest quarter, sec. 31 township eleven range 6 east in Etowah County Ala not heretofore by me conveyed to R. B. Kyle and also one note for five hundred eighty-six and 67/100 dollars made to me by R. B. Kyle on the twentieth day of May A. D. 1891 and payable on demand after date; and I hereby authorize, instruct and direct the executors hereinafter named immediately upon the grant of letters of executorship to them, to make proper deed and conveyance of said undivided one-sixth interest in said lands and to

¹ Olevia's maiden and married names were both 'Smith.'

deliver said note of said R. B. Kyle to my worthy friend John Thomas Green as trustee of said children of William Pearce Smith, to be held by him, said trustee for said children until someone shall be duly appointed or authorized to receive receipt for the same.

This will is dated 23rd July 1891.

On January 26, 1892, in the same court, a petition was filed saying it was time to release the will from probate. In that petition it states that B. L. Bellamy was appointed by the court as Guardian ad litem for Rosa, Jerome, Lillian and Ulyses, minor children of William P. Smith, "who though not of kin are mentioned as beneficiaries in said written instrument."

Well ... That is the story as it was told to me. That is the will, verbatim. And thereby hangs a tale.

My son, Tennis, recently participated in several Y-DNA-testing, genealogy-related projects. He initially tested with the National Geographic Project,² which is designed to trace migration patterns of early man. Sometime later, Tennis took a look at YSearch³ for potential matches, and when he saw several Ewings he remembered an old family story about a doctor named Ewing down in Alabama, who supposedly was the 'real' father of Tennis' great-great-grandfather. Tennis ordered-up more extensive DNA testing and checked YSearch again. This time he turned up only Ewings, so he joined *Clan Ewing's* Ewing Surname Y-DNA Project to see what he could find out. The project's administrator, David Neal Ewing, called him and they pretty soon found some other Ewings who are connected to this line.

When I started doing my genealogical research, I learned early on that most family stories are not true or have been distorted in passing by word of mouth. In addition, the U.S. census is not always correct, and occasionally even grave stones are unreliable. From that I decided that the Ewing story needed closer scrutiny than I had given it.

The time line for Whitley T. Ewing is as follows: He was born in Virginia in 1823. When he was fifteen, he left home and traveled west — through Tennessee, Alabama and Arkansas — to Louisiana where he spent some time. His brother, William, was in Illinois, and Whitley joined him there. Whitley spent four years in Marietta, Ohio, and received his education there. Leaving there, he returned to Quincy, Illinois, and began to study medicine with a Dr. Stahl. He graduated from St. Louis Medical College in 1848. He stayed in St. Louis for a year and, in 1850, probably went overland to California with his brother. In 1855, he returned to St. Louis and was married. In 1856, he and his wife went to Cass County, Georgia, where he remained until 1862. From there he moved to Etowah County, Alabama.

The time line for James and Martha Smith is: James was born in 1808 and Martha was born in 1816, both in Virginia. William Pearce Smith, their son, was born in 1851 and his wife Olevia was born in 1853, both in Alabama. When William Pearce was born, Dr. Whitley T. Ewing was in California. If there had been a liaison between Martha and Dr. Ewing, it would have had to transcend considerable time and distance 'difficulties.' By the time Dr. Ewing came to Alabama, Martha would have been forty-six years old. All of this leads me to believe it was Jerome's mother, Olevia, and not his grandmother, Martha, who had an affair with Dr. Ewing. This would have been an affair between an older man and a younger woman, but that was not unheard of. As of this time we have no proof that any of the children

² www3.nationalgeographic.com/genographic

³ www.YSearch.org, a free public database of Y-DNA results maintained by FTDNA.

other than Jerome is descended from Dr. Ewing. However, there is at least one male descendant (from Ulyses) that we are trying to locate in Mississippi.

There is one final note to this: Shortly after Dr. Whitley T. Ewing's death, William Pearce Smith and three of his children moved to Morgan County, Alabama. Rosa was married at this time; she did not move to Morgan County until later. Was this to avoid a scandal? Did all four children belong to Dr. Ewing? Was this an affair that went on over a period of nine years?

The song of life goes on, year after year, generation after generation. Secrets die with each of us. All we can know about this affair is what the DNA testing suggests.

Immigrant Eyes

lyrics by Guy Clark

Oh Ellis Island was swarming
Like a scene from a costume hall
Decked out in the colors of Europe
And on fire with the hope of it all

There my father's own father stood huddled
With the tired and hungry and scared
Turn of the century pilgrims
Bound by the dream that they shared

They were standing in lines just like cattle
Poked and prodded and shoved
Some were one desk away from sweet freedom
Some were torn from someone they love

Through this sprawling tower of Babel
Came a young man confused and alone
Determined and bound for America
And carryin' everything that he owned

Chorus

Sometimes when I look in my grandfather's Immigrant Eyes
I see that day reflected and I can't hold my feelings inside
I see starting with nothing and working hard all of his life
So don't take it for granted say grandfather's Immigrant Eyes

Now he rocks and stares out the window
But his eyes are still just as clear
As the day he sailed through the harbor
And come ashore on the island of tears

My grandfather's days are numbered
But I won't let his memory die
'Cause he gave me the gift of this country
And the look in his Immigrant Eyes

Contributed by William E. Riddle

Tracking John Ewing from April 10, 1754 until April 25, 1832

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My Ewing family research began about 1988 but did not start in earnest until 1995 when my wife Marilyn and I were searching family history at the Allen County Library in Fort Wayne and delving into anything with the name of Ewing. Snooping through the index cards with the Ewing name I pulled one with the title, *Clan Ewing in America* showing Rev. Ellsworth Samuel Ewing's name, address and phone number in Madison, Indiana. Following our return to Battle Creek, I phoned the Ewing home and sadly was informed by a very pleasant Mrs. Ewing that Ellsworth had recently passed away. After expressing my condolences, Mrs. Ewing and I had a long conversation during which she questioned me about my family line. Then she asked me: Who was your immigrant ancestor? Pleading ignorance, I told her I did not know and that I had very little information on my line beyond my grandfather. She quickly recognized my lack of knowledge in Ewing genealogy and offered to send me the complete series of charts Rev. Ewing had developed over several years. These may not be 100% accurate but did provide a great deal of information helping me with my Ewing family puzzle. Mrs. Ewing suggested I contact James McMichael. Jim was then Treasurer, Editor, Membership Chair, Genealogist and member of the Board of Directors of *Clan Ewing in America*, and she referred to Jim as 'Mr. Clan Ewing.' Needless to say, a phone call to Texas was in order, followed by an incredible amount of correspondence between Jim and me by what we now call SnailMail. This was prior to my owning a computer and using the Internet. Jim was, and still is, a great inspiration in helping me and many others find and confirm our family details.

After finding our way around all the census films in the library, Marilyn and I were fortunate to take our journey on the road. Our first stop was my own hometown — Muncie, Indiana. Then on to Rush County, Indiana, where we found information on my great-grandfather, William T. Ewing, who was born March 8, 1842, and died just short of his 37th birthday on February 26, 1879. We then visited the Rush County Clerk and Records Office. We were looking for his obituary but found, instead, the obituary of his father, James M. Ewing, who was born April 12, 1799, in Pendleton County, Kentucky, and died June 16, 1881, at the age of 82. This eventually led us to Falmouth, Pendleton County, Kentucky, and the rest of the story.

Getting this far, we were determined to find more about John Ewing's past. I contacted Jim McMichael; he suggested we check the 1880 Census that would show the birthplace of his parents. John did not die until 1881 so he appeared on this census and his record showed his father's birthplace as Virginia and his mother's as Pennsylvania. Digging into the files of the Pendleton County Courthouse and a local library, we found others doing research before us, including the late C. Harold Ewing, a prominent Falmouth attorney and the father of our own Dr. Roger Ewing. Harold had spent years writing and contacting postmasters in any town with the name of Ewing. I have a copy of one such letter, written January 10, 1941, to the postmaster of Ewing, Kentucky. C. Harold Ewing managed to gather some very important information, such as John's service aboard the galley ship *Safeguard* during the Revolutionary War. Harold later passed his most valuable findings on to his son Roger. Even with all this diligent work, he apparently was unable to uncover John's Virginia family background.

A different lawyer, family researcher and writer — Ewing O. Cossaboom of Cincinnati — wrote the following in 1975:

The Barton Papers show that the first John Ewing was married twice. The first time was on March 10, 1794 in Bourbon County, Kentucky and he had 10 children, many of whom moved to Missouri. Two sons stayed in Morgan, Taylor and Milton. His second wife was Mary, widow of Lanty McCann. The first and original John Ewing died Apr. 19, 1832 at Morgan. Mr. Coosaboom concluded, "The Barton Papers also indicate service in the American Revolution, however, to the present generation, there is nothing of his life prior to coming to Kentucky which seems to be known. Perhaps some writer will learn more in the distant future." [Apparently, Cossaboom was unaware that John's first marriage in 1778 was to Esther and that Esther left John in 1792.]

A fellow *Clan Ewing* member, active in Pendleton County research, unfortunately had climbed the wrong branch of our family tree and connected us to the New Jersey Ewing line. Sadly, other researchers have documented this information, which went back to Findley of New Jersey; these errors have since been corrected.

We did locate a letter on file in the Pendleton County Courthouse dated January 8, 1830, from the War Department Pension Office rejecting a claim for pension for John Ewing, stating "the Row Galley in which he served, belonged to the State of Virginia and was not on the continental establishment. As the law does not provide such cases, his claim has been rejected." (A copy was sent to Hon. R. M Johnson, House of Representatives.)

Still digging, we hit pay dirt: the application for this pension. In this declaration, it states:

- "John Ewing, aged 75 years, a soldier of the Revolutionary War, filed the following declaration, dated 21 December 1829."
- That John Ewing enlisted for one year in June 1776, in Stauntown, Virginia, in the marine service of Captain George Elliot, commander of a fleet of Rowgallies, in the defense of the coast and capes of Virginia. Further, that he served on the Rowgally named The Safeguard against the enemy but principally against Dunmore's tenders, Dunmore being engaged at the time in committing depredations upon the coast.
- Said Ewing was discharged, after one year, at Yorktown, Virginia.

Up to this time it seemed impossible to find John Ewing's year of birth, but this information made it simple arithmetic and placed it in 1754. The DAR had it listed as 'about 1760,' which we corrected this past year.

Now knowing John was from Virginia and born in 1754, we began searching for a John Ewing of Virginia born in 1754 and found only two. One John Ewing was born in December 1754 in Bedford County, Virginia, and died in Logan County, Kentucky. The other, John Ewing of Frederick County and later of Pendleton County, Kentucky, was born April 10, 1754.

Those researching Frederick County played a valuable part in making this connection. This includes the excellent work of Margaret Ewing Fife,¹ Evelyn Ewing and her husband James Earl 'Jim' Ewing Jr.,²

¹ Fife, Margaret Ewing (ed. James R. McMichael). *Ewing in Early America*, Family History Publishers, Bountiful, Utah, 84101. Available from www.HigginsonBooks.com and online at www.ClanEwing.org.

and also the charts of Ellsworth Ewing. They all indicated John's birth as April 10, 1754, and said that he had gone to Greenbrier County, which was then a part of Virginia, and had removed to Kentucky and married Esther who eloped from him in 1792. Nothing further, but all of this information was important in connecting John Ewing of Pendleton County to be the same John Ewing of Frederick County, Virginia.

There is a marriage bond on file in the County Clerk's office in Bourbon County showing John Ewing posting a fifty-pound bond with the clerk for his marriage to Alice Caswell on March 10, 1794. Alice was a native of Pennsylvania.

Known children of John and Alice Ewing are:

- B. Taylor; married Eleanor Fugate, a daughter of Martin Fugate.
- Elijah; born May 6, 1797; died September 21, 1869 in Missouri; married Elizabeth Makensan and had eight children:
- James M.; born April 12, 1799; died June 16, 1881 in Rush County, Indiana; married Mary McKenny December 24, 1822, and had eight children.
- John, Jr.; died in 1838 in Missouri.
- Mariah; married Henry H. Fugate February 1, 1825. (Henry was a son of Martin Fugate.)
- Milton; married Nancy Brann on March 10, 1834. She was born January 6, 1816, and died July 10, 1884.
- Samuel; died in Missouri; married Mary P. Courtney in 1838.
- William; died in 1834 in Missouri, married Elizabeth _?_.

Their birth order is unknown.

After John Ewing's second wife, Alice, died, he married Mary McCann, widow of Lantry McCann on September 3, 1825. They had two children: William and Elizabeth. Mary died October 5, 1838 and is buried near Ewing, Missouri.

John Ewing died April 25, 1832, at age 78. James Ewing was named the administrator of the estate. John's burial location is not known. One letter indicates that he was buried behind a stone house on the property where he died. This would be near Morgan, Kentucky. Others believe he was buried near Ruddels Mills, Kentucky.

A copy of the inventory of his estate at the time of his death shows John owned seven Negro slaves in addition to his household goods, farm animals, tools and land on Fork Lick Creek, all of which had to be sold to settle his estate. A list of his debts includes a bill for whiskey.

On March 21, 1801, John Ewing executed a deed for 10,111 1/2 acres of land but reserved 1,000 acres in a square. From the large size of this holding of land, it may have been that John Ewing received this as a land grant by virtue of being a Revolutionary War soldier, but this was not the case since only those serving three or more years were granted land.

² Evelyn and Jim Ewing. *The Ewings of Frederick County, Virginia*, 1986. Available online at: www.ClanEwing.org/books/Document_WmofFrederickCo.html.

John was appointed a trustee for the town of Falmouth, Kentucky, at a meeting of the trustees on April 12, 1794. The name of John Ewing appears in the first deed book of the county as one of the Trustees of Falmouth on June 4, 1799 (Deed Book A, page 22). In April 1805, an excerpt from county court records shows that John Ewing, Esq. produced a Commission from the Governor of the Commonwealth appointing him sheriff of the county. In May of 1811, he entered into a bond for \$333.1/3 and was granted a license for a tavern and later built and operated a gristmill near Morgan.

It is hard for me to imagine John traveling from Yorktown, Virginia, to Greenbrier County, Virginia, and then on to Pendleton County, Kentucky, in the late 1700s. I believe John made his way to Kentucky in either a flat or keel boat on the Ohio River. Ewing O. Cossaboom wrote, "To the pioneer settlers of Pendleton County, General Clark's successful march against the Shawnees in 1782 was all important because it opened up the Ohio River Route which was used by such pioneers as John Ewing."

Much more could be added to *Tracking John Ewing*, but I will leave this for another time.

George William Ewing — Past Chair and Chancellor of Clan Ewing in America and sixth great-grandson of John of Carnashannagh — is a native of Muncie, Indiana, and has been a resident of Battle Creek, Michigan, since 1963. Now retired, he and his wife Marilyn spend the winter months in Boca Raton, Florida.



Scottish Restrooms

Contributed by David Neal Ewing

Samuel Ewin/Ewen/Ewing: His Life and Descendants

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In 1683, William Penn wrote a letter advertising for colonists for his proprietary colony called 'Pennsylvania.' "[This was] his most effective promotional tract to The Society of Free Traders in London. In it he described the attributes of the proprietary colony. It proved successful; by 1700 Pennsylvania's population reached 21,000."¹

"William Penn offered 200 acres to any settler able to pay immediate quitrent, with 50 additional acres for every servant he brought over, but the recipient was required to improve his land within three years or have it recovered by the proprietor."²

"In March 1777 an Act was passed, which appointed registers and recorders for the new State ..."³ This Act basically ended the acceptance of subsequent 'tomahawk claims' and 'improvement claims.'

Samuel Ewin/Ewen/Ewing — who was born circa 1743 and died circa 1808 — was one of the colonists attracted by William Penn's advertisement. For forty years he resided on the same property that fell, over the years, in many jurisdictions: at first, the property was in Teboyne/Toboyne Township, Cumberland County; then it was in Barree Township, Bedford County; then in Barree Township, Huntingdon County; and finally it was in West Township, Huntingdon County.

The major intent of this article is to provide the necessary evidence to establish the presence of Samuel Ewing (s. maker⁴), prior to 1777, in the newly acquired territory in Pennsylvania below the West Branch of the Susquehanna that was purchased at the Treaty of Albany in 1754 from the Indian Tribes and specifically in the upper region of Shavers Creek. The article also endeavors to distinguish him from other members of the Ewing Family that lived in the region. This article also provides a continuity of direct family ties to a seventh generation branch of the descendants of Samuel and Sarah Ewin/Ewen/Ewing through their son Samuel Jr.

In 1768, Samuel Ewin/Ewen/Ewing is found in Teboyne/Toboyne/Tyborne Township, Cumberland County, Pennsylvania. Assuming his age to be twenty-five at the time, the year 1743 is a reasonable estimate of his year of birth. It appears that Samuel Ewin/Ewen/Ewing came to Toboyne Township, Cumberland County, from the border region of Pennsylvania and Maryland.

The record shows Samuel Ewen/Ewing (s. maker) having fifty acres, one or two horses and one or two cattle throughout his adult lifetime in the Shavers Creek Manor region.

Samuel Ewing of West Township, Huntingdon County, died in October/November 1808. He died intestate, and on November 9, 1808, his wife, Sarah, and son, Samuel Jr., were served a Letter of Administration, due December 9, 1809. His land was apportioned within the family and in 1812 a one-third portion was sold to the McCormick Family. In 1815, Robert McCormick sold a tract of land that

¹ <http://historymatters.gmu.edu/d/7440>

² www.Hoover.org/publications/policyreview/3459836.html

³ www.Phila.gov/phils/Doc/Invento/exeml.htm

⁴ The designation 's, maker' appears in several documents. It appears to mean 'shoes/saddles/harness – leather – maker.'

contained a portion of the Samuel Ewing property purchased in 1812. The resale of this portion was legitimized with a statement:

... part of the same tract of land heretofore mentioned was held by Samuel Ewing by an improvement the said improvement being made according to law previous to the year 1777 and seen in 1800 and divided between the heirs of the said Samuel Ewing since his decease agreeable the intestate laws of the Commonwealth ...

Deed: Robert McCormick (and Jane his wife) to Mark McDonnald [sic] 18 May 1815.

Samuel Ewing Sr. (Toboyne) married Sarah _?_ and they had two sons, Samuel Jr. and James. Samuel Jr. moved to Muskingum, Ohio. James remained in Huntingdon, Pennsylvania. An 1815 Huntingdon deed of sale provided a listing of issue implying age sequence, making Samuel Jr. the third child of Samuel Sr. and Sarah, preceded by Sarah (Jr.) and Martha, followed by Catherine, James, and Mary.

Samuel Ewing Jr. married Elizabeth _?_, and they had two sons, James and Martin R. Ewing. In the 1880 census, Dr. James Ewing of Hebron, Ohio, noted his father was born in Pennsylvania. In the same census, Dr. Martin R. Ewing of Pickerington, Ohio, noted his father was born in Maryland. Both noted that their mother (Elizabeth) was born in Pennsylvania. Of interest for the analysis presented in this article is that the East/West territorial border dispute between Pennsylvania and Maryland was resolved by the Mason and Dixon Line survey between 1765 and 1767 — the period just prior to the arrival of Samuel Ewing Sr. in Teboyne.

The basis for the conclusions reached in our analysis follows. In the following, * *Ref:* items provide evidentiary support for the analysis. The non-asterisk, *Ref:*, items provide a timeframe, evidence and/or potential familial context. *Notes:* provide commentary to assist readership.

- : *Ref:* 1728/29 – Four men named William Ewing in Chester: one went to Bucks County, one went to Amelia/Prince Edward County, one remained in Chester County and lived in West Nantmel Township, one who is in the East Nottingham Tax Records, Chester County, is believed to be the William Ewing who married Jean Gordon (Fife,⁵ page 376) and died in Tyrone 1774 (Fife, pages 376 and 368).
- Ref:* 1733 – On 6 March 1733, William Ewin requests 200 acres of land in the township adjoining the Barrens of the County of Chester for which he agrees to pay ... (Fife, page 376).
- Ref:* 1734 – William Ewing is found on the Tax list of East Nottingham Township. (Fife, page 376)
- Ref:* 1737 – William Ewing, 39th of 63 men signing a road petition to the Court of Common Pleas. (Fife, page 376).
- Ref:* 1739-1749 – Tax records nonexistent. (Fife, page 376)
- Ref:* 1750 – William Ewing appears on the Tax record of Londonderry County. (Fife, page 376)
- Ref:* 1754 – Treaty of Albany; land south of West Branch of Susquehanna was purchased.
- Ref:* 1754 – Newly purchased territory called Tyrone Township, Cumberland County.

⁵ Fife, Margaret Ewing (ed. James R. McMichael). *Ewing in Early America*, Family History Publishers, Bountiful, Utah, 84101. Available from www.HigginsonBooks.com and online at www.ClanEwing.org

- Ref: 1760 – William Penn 'proprietaries' acquire 2,608 acres "for their own use" on the headwaters of Shavers Creek and called it Shavers Creek Manor. The tract was surveyed for settlers in 1762.
Note: This area ultimately became part of Barree Township. This area is also where we find Samuel, William and Thomas Ewing as well as other familiar names in the overall research, e.g., Chaney, Ricketts, Cotton, McCormick, and Cresswell.
- Ref: 1761 – William Ewing appears in West Pennsboro, Cumberland County, with Thomas Ewing, "... who it seems is a son. It is someone for whom he is responsible." (Fife, page 380).
Note 1: Margaret Fife concludes Chapter XXXIX with "I believe, most sincerely, he is brother to those other men named Ewing in East Nottingham twp, Chester County, Pennsylvania beginning with 1729" (Fife, page 381).
Note 2: "Those others" (mentioned in Note 1) are: "Esther Ewing m. to James Cowden; Henry Ewing of East Nottingham, Londonderry, and Oxford Townships, Chester; John Ewing of East Nottingham; Samuel Ewing of West Nottingham who married Rebecca George, and twin of Henry (above); Alexander Ewing who died in East Nottingham in 1752 (intestate) and had many children. I believe all these people are children of one James Ewing who lived on INCH ISLAND in Lough Swilley." (Fife, page 381).
- Ref: 1763 – Teboyne/Toboyne/Tyborne Township created from Tyrone Township, Cumberland.
- Ref: 1763 – William Ewing was in Tyrone with Thomas Ewing, the elder, by 1763. Thomas stayed with him through 1771 when he seems to have obtained land in Barree Township, Bedford County (Fife, page 368)
- Ref: 1767 – Barree Township created within Cumberland from sections of Toboyne.
- Ref: 1768 – "The first reference to Ewing in Tyrone" (Fife, page 368).
Note 1: Fife does not mention any given names.
Note 2: Research shows that three Ewin/Ewen/Ewing members were in Tyrone/Toboyne at the same time — William Ewing, Thomas Ewing and Samuel Ewing. The relationship must have been reasonably close.
- Ref: 1768 – William Ewin 200a W, 15 C (Tax record, Tyrone)⁶
Note: William Ewin/Ewing has now been 'seen' in Pennsylvania since 1728 (40 years) (Fife, page 376).
- Ref: 1768 – Thomas Ewin 150a W, 12 C (Tax Record for Tyrone, Cumberland)
- * Ref: 1768 – Samuel Ewin with 45a UnW, and 5a C, 1h, 1c (Tax listing for Teboyne Township, Cumberland County, Gillian K. Leach, Pioneer Historical Society, Bedford).⁶
Note 1: Samuel must have been at least twenty-one years of age.
Note 2: Samuel was an 's. maker' (1798 West Township Tax List). He had apparently completed his apprenticeship, and was looking for a place to pursue his business interest.
- Ref: 1769 – William Ewin/Ewing is in Tyrone with 100a W, 17a C, 1h, 1c – also Thomas Ewing (Fife, page 368).
Note 1: What happened to 100 acres in the lapse of one-year? Was there a transaction?

⁶ Taxes were dependent on one's holdings: land, dwellings, horses, cattle, etc. Abbreviations — h, c, C, UnW, W etc. — are used in these tax record citations to indicate these influences on the tax. These abbreviations are explained in the table at the end of this article.

- * Ref: 1769 – Samuel Ewin with 50a UnW, 3a C, 1h, 1c (Tax listing for Teboyne, Gillian K. Leach, Pioneer Historical Society, Bedford)
- Ref: 1771 – William Ewing with 100a W, 10a clear, 1h, 1c – also Thomas Ewing "Renter" (Fife, pages 368 and 380)
- Ref: 1771 – Thomas Ewing "seems to have obtained land in Barree Township, Bedford Co" (Fife, page 368)
- Ref: 1771 – " Thomas Ewing, however, acquired land in Barree Township, Bedford County, near to the land that William Ewing (died 1774) had purchased" (Fife, page 380)
- Ref: 1771 – Dispute begins between Cumberland and Bedford re: ownership of Barree Township (see Ref: 1779)
- Ref: 1772 – William Ewing with 100a W, 15a clear, 2h, 1c (Fife, page 368)
- Ref: 1773 – William Ewing with 100a W, 20a clear, 1h, 2c (Fife, page 368)
- Ref: 1773 – Samuel Ewing (first son of William), born circa 1751, marries Jean Neal, born circa 1758 (Fife, 370)
- Ref: 1774 – William Ewing of Tyrone writes his Will (Fife, page 368). He refers to his wife, Jean/Jane Gordon, his sons, Samuel, James and Alexander, and his daughters, Martha and Jean/Jane. Leaves his land to sons, Samuel, James and Alexander.
Note: Thomas Ewing (who traveled with him) is not mentioned in the 1774 Will.
- Ref: 1774 – Samuel Ewing (only Ewing in Tyrone) probably already married (Fife, page 368)
- Ref: 1775 – Samuel Ewing (only Ewing in Tyrone) (Fife, page 368)
- * Ref: 1776 – Samuel Ewing is in Tyrone Township with 50 acres (Fife, page 368).
Note 1: This must be Samuel (s. maker) of 1768 – 1769. See 1777 – Samuel Ewing as Freeholder. Also see 1779 — Fife shows Samuel as only Ewing in Tyrone with no land (Fife, page 368)
- Ref: 1776 – James (Ewing) is a 'freeman' (Fife, page 368).
Note: Second son of William Ewing
- * Ref: 1777 – Freeholders of Barree Township, Bedford County, petition for Justices of the Peace to the Assembly in Philadelphia of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, listing seventeen freeholders including Chaney Ricketts, James Cresswell, Alexander McCormick, Thomas Ewing and Samuel Ewing. Bedford County document, October 4, 1777. The document basically states "we did not meet this past April to elect two person to be justices etc." Also refers to the Northwest District of the aforesaid Township. (Reference courtesy of Georgia (Ewing) Morgan, document housed in www.Footnote.com)
Note 1: The freeholders indicated that they were part of Bedford even though the dispute over ownership was not settled until 1779.
Note 2: Samuel Ewing's land bordered on the land of Alexander McCormick so they knew each other (see 1812, 1815, 1826).
- Ref: 1779 – 1771-1779 Dispute settled. Barree Township assigned to Bedford County.⁷

⁷ www.rootsweb.com/pacumber/towns.html

- Ref: 1779 – James Ewing (second son of William Ewing, deceased 1774) purchased his brothers (Samuel's and Alexander's) portions by an indenture dated March 27, 1779 (Fife, pages 368-369).
- Ref: 1779 – James Ewing sells land to Jacob Myers on April 6, 1779 (Fife, pages 368 - 369)
- Ref: 1779 – Samuel Ewing is the only Ewing in Tyrone Township with no land (married) (Fife, page 368)
Note: This must be Samuel Ewing son of William Ewing and Jean Gordon.
- * Ref: 1779 – Samuel Ewen 50a, 2h, 1c, no sheep (Bedford County Tax page 31) (Gillian K. Leach, Pioneer Historical Society, Bedford, Pennsylvania)
Note: Barree is now officially in Bedford County; see Samuel Ewen in Ref: 1780.
- Ref: 1779 – Alexander Ewen — Single Freeman. Page 31 Barree Township.
- Ref: 1779 – Thomas Ewing — 200a, 1 dwelling (Bedford County Tax page 46 Barree – Gillian K. Leach Pioneer Historical Society, Bedford, Pennsylvania).
- Ref: 1780 – Alexander Ewing (third son of William, deceased 1774) only Ewing in Tyrone; no land; listed as 'freeman' (Fife, page 368)
- * Ref: 1780 – Samuel Ewing 50a, 2h, 4c (Tax Record Toboyne, Gillian K. Leach , Pioneer Historical Society, Bedford, Pennsylvania)
- * Ref: 1780 – Samuel Ewen, Barree Township, Bedford County. According to a compilation of tax lists by John 'D' and E. Diane Stemmons. (Gillian K. Leach , Pioneer Historical Society, Bedford, Pennsylvania)
- * Ref: 1781 – Bedford 'Special Tax – An Act for raising additional Supplies for the year 1781' – For: "Redeeming the Bond of Credit of the United States of America and for Providing Means to bring the present War to a happy Conclusion." Listed, amongst others, is: Samuel Ewings in Barre [sic] Township, Bedford County, with fifty acres being taxed; State - 3.5, State Tax - 4.2, County tax - .8 (Gillian K. Leach – Pioneer Historical Society, Bedford, Pennsylvania)
- * Ref: 1782 – Samuel Ewen/Ewing found in Barree Township, Bedford (Burkholder, Ruth – RMB Services, Stouffville, Ontario, Canada – March 21, 2006)
- * Ref: 1784 – Samuel Ewen shown with 50a, 2h, 1c, no sheep (Bedford County Tax, page 31) (Gillian K. Leach, Pioneer Historical Society, Bedford, Pennsylvania)
- * Ref: 1785 – Taxable Citizens in Barree Township included, amongst others: Thomas Erving [sic], Samuel Erving [sic], John Erving (Sr.) [sic], John Erving (Jr.) [sic], James Criswell [sic], John Cotton, Robert Criswell [sic], Alexander McCarmick [sic], John Young [sic], John Erving [sic], Caney Rickets [sic], John Rickets [sic] Edward Rickets [sic]. Single Freeman: John Erving [sic]. (Barree Township Tax Assessment Listing⁸)
- Ref: 1786 – William's sons — the three Ewing brothers Samuel, James and Alexander — were issued Warrants for land in Washington County, Pennsylvania: Alexander – February 15, 1786; Samuel – February 22, 1786; and James – April 5, 1786 (Fife, page 370).
- Ref: 1787 – Huntingdon County is formed out of Bedford, includes Barree Township. (Africa,⁹ page 48)

⁸ www.pa-roots.com/bedford/taxlists/tl1785barree.html

⁹ Africa, J. Simpson. *1883 History of Huntingdon and Blair Counties, Pennsylvania*, Louis H. Everts, Philadelphia, 1883.

- * Ref: 1788 – First Barree Township assessment in Huntingdon included; Thomas Ewing 300 a. L, 2h, 2c, Samuel Ewing 50a. 2h, 2c, John Ewing (Sr.) for Harshaw - 300a. L, 2h, 1c, John Ewing - 50a L, 1h, 1c (Africa, page 210).
- * Ref: 1789 – Barree Township tax list shows Samuel Ewing 50a. 2h, 2c
- Ref: 1790 – Cumberland Census shows a Samuel (Fife, page 370). "Samuel, eldest son of William Ewing, applied for land in Tyrone Township, Cumberland County, and received a warrant (#120) in 1795. By that time he appears to have moved on to Bedford County, Pennsylvania. He is shown on the 1790 Census of Cumberland County but not on the tax records after that; for example, I have not located them." (Fife, page 370).
 - Note 1: This entry is most interesting and somewhat confusing. Warrant #120 is for a Samuel Ewing, for survey, 220 acres, Tyrone, 1 June 1795 – Return, 24 Feb 1816 - Patentee, Joseph Musselman (Pennsylvania Archives).*
 - Note 2: Huntingdon is formed from Bedford in 1787 (Africa, page 48) — reducing Bedford County to its present size and location.*
 - Note 3: Samuel, son of William is in Washington County, Pennsylvania, in 1786 as we see in the 4th paragraph of Fife, page 370. Also see the 1786 entry in this study.*
 - Note 4: Coincidentally, Samuel (Jr.), son of Samuel (s. maker) appears with 200 acres in 1795 in Barree, Huntingdon. See 1795 Tax List as well as in 1811, 1815 and 1820, Samuel, son of Samuel, is buying land in Muskingum, Ohio.*
 - Note 5: Also, William McClintock, Toboyne, deeded land to a Samuel Ewing in 1813. Deed dated 23 Feb 1813 – Bk V, page 263 (McClintock Chronology - Jack McClintock).*
- * Ref: 1790 – Barree Township tax list shows Samuel Ewing 50 a, 2h, 2c
- * Ref: 1790 – Census shows Samuel Ewing with one male (+16 head of household), two males (pre-16), and four females.
 - Note 1: Samuel Ewing (Sr.) had two sons, Samuel (Jr.) and James who fit the pre-sixteen description.*
 - Note 2: The census shows four females. Samuel had four daughters. Sarah, his wife, is still alive. One of the daughters apparently is not in the home in 1790.*
- * Ref: 1792 – Samuel Ewing — Barree Township tax list 50a, 1h, 2c
- * Ref: 1793 – Samuel Ewing — Barree Township tax list 1h, 2c
- * Ref: 1794 – Samuel Ewing — Barree Township tax list 50a, 1c
- * Ref: 1794 – Samuel Ewing Junr — Barree Township tax list 1h, 1c
- * Ref: 1795 – Samuel Ewing Senr — Barree Township tax list 50a, 2h, 2c
- * Ref: 1795 – Samuel Ewing Junr — Barree Township tax list 200a, 2h, 1c
- Ref: 1796 – Samuel Ewing was married to Nancy Cotton on May 3, 1796, in Huntingdon, Pennsylvania, at the First Presbyterian Church in Huntingdon, Pennsylvania, by Rev. John Johnston (see *Marriages: Rev. John Johnston, Huntingdon, Pennsylvania* – Huntingdon Historical Society, Huntingdon, Pennsylvania)
 - Samuel Ewing was born February 2, 1771, in Donegal, Ireland. Nancy Jane Cotton was born March 21, 1775, in Huntingdon, daughter of John Cotton and Mary Ricketts. This Samuel Ewing (of Donegal) subsequently removed to Beaver County with his father-in-law, John Cotton. Samuel Ewing

died in Beaver County, Pennsylvania. Samuel's Will was written January 10, 1827 (Documentation – Judith Warth - 2006)

Note 1: Samuel Ewing (above) indicates he is born in Donegal.

Note 2: Based on later information from a Robert Ewing residing in Stranorlar Parish, County Donegal, Ireland, and dated August 12, 1875, re: his ancestral family descending from a Thomas Ewing residing in Cavan Townland, County Donegal. The genealogical story relates that he, Samuel Ewing (of Donegal), surprised everyone and "left for America as a boy" (1785 Document – Courtesy of Judith Warth - 2006).

Note 3: In the 1875 letter, we find that Samuel "who left as a boy" for America, was the son of a Charles Ewing and a second wife named _?_ Ewing. It seems highly coincidental that Samuel Ewing (Donegal) would choose West Township, Huntingdon, Pennsylvania, if there were not already a relative there. Therefore, it would appear that a family member (from Donegal) was already residing in West Township, Pennsylvania. In keeping with 'tradition,' new arrivals frequently stayed with relatives until they 'got their feet on the ground.' Samuel Ewing (Sr.) of West Township may have been a relative of Samuel Ewing (Donegal).

Note 4: A West Township 1798 accounting shows Samuel Ewing as 'Irish' (Africa).

* Ref: 1797 – Samuel Ewing — West Township Tax List - 50a, 2h, 2c - is listed as an 's. maker'

* Ref: 1797 – Samuel Ewing — West Township Tax List (s. maker) - \$231

* Ref: 1797 – Samuel Ewing (Irish) — West Township Tax List - \$56.67; also paid for landlord

Note 1: Samuel Ewing (Jr.) is not shown?

Ref: 1798 – West Township is formed from Barree Township (Africa, page 404)

* Ref: 1798 – West Township, first accounting of people: Samuel Ewing (Sr.) 300 a, Samuel Ewing (Jr.), Samuel Ewing (Irish), Thomas Ewing (Sr.) 300a, Thomas Ewing (Jr.) (Africa, page 404).

Ref: 1798 – "No West Township Tax list so marked"

* Ref: 1799 - January — Thomas Ewing brings Trespass Suit against Samuel Ewing. Settled and Thomas paid all costs. Samuel signs release as 'Samuel Ewen.'

* Ref: 1799 – Samuel Ewing — 300 acres

* Ref: 1799 – Samuel Ewing Junr — nothing

* Ref: 1799 – Samuel Ewing (Irish) — 2h, 2c

* Ref: 1799 – In March, Samuel Ewing (Jr.) and his wife, Elizabeth, buy a building lot in Petersburg (Burkholder, Ruth – RMB Services, Stouffville, Ontario, Canada – March 21, 2006)

* Ref: 1799 – In August, Samuel Ewing (Jr.) and wife, Elizabeth, sell the building lot in Petersburg (Burkholder, Ruth – RMB Services, Stouffville, Ontario, Canada – March 21, 2006)

* Ref: 1800 – Census for West Township, Huntingdon County, shows three entries for Samuel Ewing:

Census Page 166 shows Samuel Ewing as age 45+ with wife age 45+, one male aged 10-16 and four females between ages 10 and 26. As we will see in an 1815 land sale document (Robert McCormick), the male would be James and the daughters would be Sarah, Catherine, Martha and Mary.

Census Page 166 shows Samuel Ewing ages 16-26 and wife aged 16-26 with one male child aged 0-10. This child would be James (Dr. James Ewing of Hebron, Ohio), who married 1st Amanda Atkinson, and 2nd Julia Weatherwax. A second son born in 1810 was Martin R. (Dr. Martin R. Ewing of Pickerington, Ohio) who married Vashti Ricketts, daughter of 'Col' John Ricketts.

Census Page 163 shows a Samuel Ewing as aged 16-26 with wife aged 16-26 and no children.

* Ref: 1800 – Samuel Ewing (Irish) — Tax list - crossed out

- * Ref: 1800 – Samuel Ewing — West Township Tax List 300a, 2h, 2c
- * Ref: 1800 – Samuel Ewing Junr — West Township Tax List 1c

- * Ref: 1801 – Samuel Ewing Senr — West Township Tax List 300a, 2h, 2c
- * Ref: 1801 – Samuel Ewing Junr — West Township Tax List 1c

- * Ref: 1802 – Samuel Ewing Senr — West Township Tax List 300a, 1h, 1c
- * Ref: 1802 – Samuel Ewing Junr — West Township Tax List 1h

- * Ref: 1803 – Samuel Ewing — West Township Tax List 300a, 1h, 1c
- * Ref: 1803 – Samuel Ewing Junr — West Township Tax List 1c

- * Ref: 1804 – Samuel Ewing — West Township Tax List 300a, 11h, 1c
- * Ref: 1804 – Samuel Ewing Junr — West Township Tax List 1c

- * Ref: 1805 – Samuel Ewing — West Township Tax List 300a, 1h, 2c
- * Ref: 1805 – Samuel Ewing Junr — West Township Tax List "not shown"

- * Ref: 1806 – Samuel Ewing — West Township Tax List 300a, 1h, 2c
- * Ref: 1806 – Samuel Ewing Junr — West Township Tax List 1c

- * Ref: 1807 – Samuel Ewing — West Township Tax List 300a, 1h, 1c
- * Ref: 1807 – Samuel Ewing Junr — West Township Tax List 1c

- * Ref: 1808 – Samuel Ewing Sen — West Township Tax List 200a, 1h, 1c
- * Ref: 1808 – Samuel Ewing Junr — West Township Tax List 100a, 1h, 2c
- * Ref: 1808 – September-October — Death of Samuel Ewing (Sr.)
Note: If his age was about 65 at death then his birth would be circa 1743.
- * Ref: 1808 – November Memorandum: *Letter of Administration to Sarah Ewing and Samuel Ewing of the Estate of Samuel Ewing late of Barree. Inventory to be exhibited by 9 December 1809* (Alberta Y, Haught, Huntingdon Historical Society).
Note: This would be Sarah Ewen/Ewing (Sr.). In an August 1810 notice (see below), we see the death of "an old lady named Ewen."

- * Ref: 1809 – Samuel Ewing Sr. — West Township Tax List 200a, 1h, 1c
- * Ref: 1809 – Samuel Ewing — West Township Tax List 100a, 1h, 1c

- * Ref: 1810 – August 23rd Notice in Huntingdon Gazette re: death of "old lady named Ewen" in Shavers Creek. (Alberta Y. Haught – Huntingdon Historical Society).
Note 1: Ms. Haught goes on to say "the name Ewen is not known in the area."
Note 2: This appears to be our Sarah, wife of Samuel Ewen/Ewing, deceased, as Samuel signed his name as 'Ewen' in the conclusion of a 1799 altercation with Thomas Ewing.
- * Ref: 1810 – Census shows S. Ewing, female, as head of household with two male children (0-10), one male (10-16) and herself (26-45).
Note 1: Younger Sarah never married (Also 1838 Orphan's Court document indicates "no issue.")
Note 2: It appears that Sarah (Jr.) is 'baby sitting' Samuel Jr.'s two sons (see Ref: 1811) plus one other.

- * Ref: 1810 – West Township, Huntingdon County Tax rolls – Samuel Ewing (Jr.) 100a, 1h, 2c

- * Ref: 1811 – Samuel Ewing (Jr.) — West Township, Huntingdon County Tax rolls – Samuel is no longer on the West Township Tax rolls but we find both Sarah Ewing and Sarah Ewing (Jr.).
- * Ref: 1811 – Sarah Ewing – West Township Tax List 1c
Note: There are no other ladies of that age, owning taxable property, called Sarah Ewing in West Township, so this entry for Sarah Ewing is considered as an aberration of the Tax accounting system.
- * Ref: 1811 – Sarah Ewing Jr. – West Township Tax List 50a, 1c
- * Ref: 1811 – Samuel (Jr.) and Elizabeth Ewing, on June 1, 1811, bought two building lots in Springfield, Muskingum County, Ohio (Burkholder, Ruth – RMB Services, Stouffville, Ontario, Canada – March 21, 2006).

- Ref: 1812 – West Township, Huntingdon, Tax roll for this year is nonexistent.
- * Ref: 1812-1815 – A Huntingdon County Bill of Sale dated May 18, 1815, from Robert McCormick, son of Alexander McCormick, to a Mark McDonald [sic] fortuitously relates the original ownership of a portion of the land sale:
 - a) "Whereas Samuel Ewing late of the township and County aforesaid was seized and possessed of a tract of land situate in the Township aforesaid and being so seized and possessed died intestate leaving issue Sarah Ewing, Martha Ewing intermarried with Thomas Kinney, Samuel Ewing, Catherine Ewing intermarried with William Jones, James Ewing, and Mary Ewing intermarried with William M. Ramsey. And whereas the aforesaid heirs have mutually agreed to Divide the above mentioned property into three equal shares whereby Sarah Ewing, William Ramsey and Mary his wife became possessed of one third part all of which this have by a conveyance bearing date the sixth of April 1812 granted and sold to Robert McCormick aforesaid..."
 - b) "part of the same tract of land heretofore mentioned was held by Samuel Ewing by an improvement the said improvement being according to law previous to the year 1777 and seen in 1800 and divided between the heirs of the said Samuel Ewing since his decease agreeable the intestate laws of the Commonwealth the said parcel being the share of the aforesaid tract Bounded and Described ..."

(Burkholder, Ruth – RMB Services, Stouffville, Ontario, Canada)

Note 1: The description of the Samuel Ewing property puts it adjacent to the McCormick property.
Note 2: We find a fortuitous listing of the issue of Samuel (and his wife Sarah).
- * Ref: 1813 – Sarah Ewing (Jr.) — Sarah (Sr.) is gone from the Tax Rolls
- * Ref: 1814 – Sarah Ewing (Jr.) is gone from the tax rolls
- * Ref: 1817 – Samuel and Elizabeth Ewing in Muskingum. They buy 50 acres from Jonathan Carlisle.
- * Ref: 1820 – Samuel Ewing buys a total of 111 acres (which includes the first 50) and he enters the Salt Manufacturing business (Burkholder, Ruth – RMB Services, Stouffville, Ontario, Canada –March 21, 2006).
- * Ref: 1821 – Samuel Ewing enters into a major contract for 1,000 bushels of salt (Burkholder, Ruth – RMB Services, Stouffville, Ontario, Canada – March 21, 2006)
- * Ref: 1826 – Samuel and Elizabeth Ewing, on June 15, 1826, sell their holdings in Zanesville (Burkholder, Ruth – RMB Services, Stouffville, Ontario, Canada)
Note: A comment in the Dr. Martin R. Ewing write-up addresses the death of his father, Samuel: "He died when his son (Martin) was only 15 years old." That, arithmetically, would be 1826.

- * Ref: 1826 – Sarah Ewing reappears in West Township and buys a small piece of land from Alexander McCormick, son of Alexander McCormick, on June 20, 1826. (Alberta Y. Haight, Huntingdon Historical Society).
Note: Alexander McCormick refers to her as "Sarah Ewing Jun'r."
- * Ref: 1838 – Sarah (Jr.) dies intestate. An Orphan's Court proceeding results in the assignation of James Ewing (brother) of West Township and Martha (sister) as heirs. James, apparently acting for the family, sold the property to Isaac Neff that Sarah had purchased from Alex McCormick in 1826. Sister Catherine's name was struck from the documentation. (Georgia (Ewing) Morgan, document from Alberta Y. Haight, Huntingdon Historical Society).
Note 1: Neff's Mills was established on the property of Alexander McCormick.
Note 2: This is another important document as it substantiates the relationship of three of the children of Samuel Ewen/Ewing and Sarah.

The above documentation constitutes the evidence proving the existence of the immigrant ancestor, Samuel Ewin/Ewen/Ewing (s. maker) and his wife, Sarah, in the year 1768 in Teboyne/Toboyne Township, Cumberland County. It appears that he stayed in one place during his lifetime in Pennsylvania, while the politics of location nomenclature swirled around him: Teboyne/Toboyne Township, Cumberland; Barree Township, Cumberland; Barree Township, Bedford; Barree Township, Huntingdon; and West Township, Huntingdon.

First Generation

The above documentation also provides an insight to the first generation of descendants of Samuel and Sarah Ewin/Ewen/Ewing. Samuel and Sarah Ewing had six living children, all identified in a Huntingdon document of land sale (to Robert McCormick) in 1815.

The children, in listed sequence, were:

- Sarah Ewing (Jr.) – never married. Died intestate circa 1838. According to the 1838 Huntingdon County Orphans Court proceedings Sarah Ewing "died without issue."
- Martha Ewing intermarried with Thomas Kinney. According to the 1838 Huntingdon County Orphans Court proceedings Martha Ewing (sister) was classified as an heir to Sarah.
- Samuel Ewing (Jr.) married Elizabeth. Samuel (Jr.) died after June 15, 1826, in Muskingum County, Ohio.
- Catherine Ewing intermarried with William Jones. According to the 1838 Huntingdon County Orphans Court proceedings "Cathy died without issue."
- James Ewing married _?_ and lived in West Township. According to the 1838 Huntingdon County Orphans Court proceedings James Ewing (brother) was classified as an heir to Sarah.
- Mary Ewing married William Ramsey. She was not mentioned in the 1838 Orphans Court proceeding. She is either 'location unknown,' or dead.

Second Generation

The following identifies the second generation of descendents of Samuel and Sarah Ewin/Ewen/Ewing.

The children of Samuel Ewing (Jr.) and Elizabeth _?_ were:

- James Ewing was born January 15, 1800, in Huntingdon County, Pennsylvania, and died December 14, 1884 (Pataskala Cemetery), in Pataskala, Ohio. He married (1st) Amanda Atkinson who died March 31, 1845 (Hebron Cemetery, Ohio), and (2nd) Julia Weatherwax who died March 8, 1886 (Pataskala Cemetery, Ohio).

- Selections from an article in *The Newark Weekly*, Newark, Ohio:

Dr. James Ewing was born in Huntingdon County, Pennsylvania, on the 15th day of January 1800, and died at the residence of his son-in-law Mr. Joseph Atkinson near Pataskala on Sunday last of Paralysis of the brain.

Mr. Ewing came to Ohio from his native state at the age of 14 years. His father purchased a farm near the West bank of the Muskingum River about 5 miles below Zanesville upon which he erected large salt works which he operated for several years.

Till the age of 23 Mr. Ewing began the study of medicine and on the first day of December 1826 received his diploma from the Medical Society of the 15th District of Ohio at Zanesville.

(Courtesy of Burkholder, Ruth – RMB Services, Stouffville, Ontario, Canada)

- Martin R. Ewing was born September 13, 1810, in Huntingdon County, Pennsylvania, and died September 5, 1888, in Pickerington, Ohio. Martin R. Ewing married (1st) Natalie _?_, and married (2nd) July 6, 1841, Vashti Ricketts, the second child of Col. John Cotton Ricketts¹⁰ and Mary Long.

- Selections from an article published in *Methodism in Pickerington* (Brill, 1905):

Martin R. Ewing was born in Pennsylvania, September 13, 1810. His parents came to Ohio and settled in the village of Putnam now a part of Zanesville, when he was only six months old. Here his father engaged in the manufacture of salt. [His father] died when [Martin] was only fifteen years old.

Young Ewing, being a very studious boy, prepared himself for teaching. He began teaching at eighteen years of age, studied medicine under an elder brother, Dr. James Ewing of Hebron, attended Cincinnati College of Medicine where he graduated with honors, then began the practice at Somerset. Later he removed to Pickerington, then to Hebron, and finally returned to Pickerington in 1864, where he spent the remainder of his days.

He lost his faithful companion [Vashti Ricketts] June 10, 1885 ... Her body rests in Violet Cemetery.

¹⁰ John Cotton Ricketts was the son of Lt. Edward Ricketts and Millicent Green. Lt. Edward Ricketts was the eldest son of Cheney Ricketts of Barree Township, Huntingdon County, Pennsylvania. (Courtesy – Doris Rex Schutte, Researcher, Bonita Springs Florida)

He began to fail in health ... and on September 5, 1888 he passed to his reward ...

(Courtesy of Burkholder, Ruth – RMB Services, Stouffville, Ontario, Canada)

Note: Both Drs. James and Martin R. Ewing participated in the 1880 Ohio Federal Census. Dr. James Ewing noted that his father, Samuel, was born in Pennsylvania and his mother was born in Pennsylvania. Dr. Martin R. (who presumably had been at home at the time of his father's death) noted that his father, Samuel, was born in Maryland and his mother was born in Pennsylvania.

Third Generation

The following identifies the third generation of descendents of Samuel and Sarah Ewin/Ewen/Ewing (from Vashti Ewing's Will dated June 10, 1885).

The only child of Dr. Martin R. Ewing and Natalie _?_ was:

- Mary E. Ewing died in infancy.

The children of Dr. Martin R. Ewing and Vashti Ricketts were:

- Margaret F. Ewing married I. T. Fishbaugh,
- John M. Ewing,
- Saluda M. Ewing married John Leef of Columbus,
- Mary E. Ewing married Virgil L. Weakly,
- James D. Ewing died in infancy,
- Olin R. Ewing married Mary Agnes Mason of Piqua,
- Florence V. Ewing married Franklin P. Stout of Columbus, and
- Irvin Ewing of Ypsilanti, Michigan (married and divorced Addie Buckingham).

Fourth Generation

The following identifies the fourth generation of descendents of Samuel and Sarah Ewin/Ewen/Ewing.

The children of Irvin Ewing and Addie Buckingham were:

- Roy Virgil Ewing (Sr.) was born May 7, 1880 in Pickerington, Ohio, died 1936 in Fort Wayne, Indiana, and married Mabel Elizabeth Beibrick on December 7, 1916. Mabel Elizabeth Beibrick was born January 1896, and died in California in 1955.
- Ezra Atruce Ewing was born November 13, 1884 in Pickerington, Ohio, died June 21, 1952, in Pickerington, and married (1st) Pearl Friend and (2nd) Lolah Holiday.

Fifth Generation

The following identifies the fifth generation of descendents of Samuel and Sarah Ewin/Ewen/Ewing.

The children of Roy Virgil Ewing (Sr.) and Mabel Elizabeth Beibrick are:

- Roy Virgil Ewing (Jr.) was born November 5, 1917, died July 7, 2004, and married (1st) Leila Westphal on June 29, 1941 and married (2nd) Patria Edellyn Talbot on September 1, 1963. Leila — who had a twin brother named Lee Westphal — was born May 29, 1920, and died 1 May 1959. Patria was born January 4, 1919 and died 2003.

- Ava Adeline Ewing married Willard Webb.
- Orin Curtis Ewing died as a teen when his shotgun discharged accidentally while hunting.
- Carol Marie Ewing married Lawrence Samuels.

Sixth Generation

The following sixth generation of descendants of Samuel and Sarah Ewin/Ewen/Ewing are still living.

The children of Roy Virgil Ewing (Jr.) and Leila Frances Westphal are:

- Cheryl Lee Ewing married (1st) David Henry Russell and (2nd) Richard C. Jonsson.
- Nancy Eileen Ewing married Arthur Mark Tiscareno.
- Debra Louise Ewing married Michael Ryan Dickerson.

Seventh Generation

The following seventh generation of descendants of Samuel and Sarah Ewin/Ewen/Ewing are still living.

The descendants of Cheryl Lee Ewing and Lt. Col. David Henry Russell are:

- David William Russell married Ashley (Donna Marie) Sinopoli – with issue.
- Scott Colin Russell married (1st) Cheri Hall – no issue, liaison with Ashleigh Chastain – with issue, and married (2nd) Jacqueline Amanda Price – with issue.

The descendants of Nancy Eileen Ewing and Arthur Mark Tiscareno are:

Jason Mark Tiscareno.

Traci Marie Tiscareno – with issue.

The descendant of Debra Louise Ewing and Michael Ryan Dickerson is:

Nathan Ryan Dickerson married Kristina Marie Shell – with issue.

Tax Record Abbreviations:

a	acres
c	cattle
C, clear	cleared
h	horses
hc, h.c.	horned cattle
I	improvement
s	sheep
L	surveyed
UnW	unwarranted
W	warranted

Cheryl Lee Ewing-Jonsson is a fourth great-granddaughter of Samuel Ewing (c1743-1808) of Eastern and Central Pennsylvania. She received her M.S. in Human Resources and Training from Leicester University, U.K., and teaches personal computer applications to clients at several Departments of Rehabilitation within the Commonwealth of Virginia.

Richard C. Jonsson is an engineer out of Rochester Institute of Technology (RIT)², Rochester, New York. He was born, raised and schooled in northern India. He joined IBM after graduating from RIT and has had management assignments in the U.S., U.K., France, and India, with short assignments in Australia, Canada, and Japan.

Richard has twice been to Northern Ireland to absorb its history. Both Cheryl and Richard have recently driven the length of Donegal (old Raphoe), Ireland, in order to visualize that portion of Cheryl's heritage.

Ewing Surname Y-DNA Project – Article 15

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This is the fifteenth in a series of articles about the Ewing Surname Y-DNA Project. The previous fourteen articles have appeared in the last fourteen issues of the *Journal of Clan Ewing*. They are also available online through links at the project's web site (www.ClanEwing.org/DNA_Project/index_Y-DNA.html). Extensively cross-linked results tables, project participant lineages, group relationship diagrams and results diagrams (network diagrams and a phylogeny) are also available on the project's web site.

Recognition for the Ewing Y-DNA Project

The 5th International Conference on Genetic Genealogy for Family Tree DNA (FTDNA) Group Administrators will be held in Houston on November 8th - 9th this year. This two-day convention is attended by a couple of hundred folks who run surname projects like *Clan Ewing's* Y-DNA project. Several of the top scientists in the field will speak, as well as various experts in anthropological genetics, genealogy, computers, ethics and many other areas. Each year, one of the group administrators is invited to present a report on their project. I am very pleased to announce that the Ewing Surname Y-DNA Project has been selected for this honor this year. The project's web site has already been recognized by the International Society of Genetic Genealogy for excellence. We think that the way the project has integrated conventional genealogy and genetic data is unique and especially informative. In addition to this, the project has become a pioneer in exploring the usefulness of DYF399X in genetic genealogy. We think that these are some of the reasons we were selected for this honor.

By now, I have a fair amount of experience giving introductory talks to groups of twenty-to-thirty people who know little about the subject, but you can imagine how intimidating it will be to speak to over a hundred people, many of whom know vastly more about the subject than I do. The conference is more than three months away and already I have a moderate case of the shudders. What I need is a volunteer from *Clan Ewing* to come along for moral support. Seriously, FTDNA allows for up to three representatives for each surname project to attend the convention, but space is limited and we should make plans soon. This is a tremendous opportunity for an interested person to take a huge step forward in his or her understanding of genetic genealogy in general and the Ewing Surname Y-DNA Project in particular. It would be a great advantage to *Clan Ewing* to have some other members to become thoroughly knowledgeable about the Ewing Surname Y-DNA Project. I am not asking for a commitment from anyone to become co-administrator of the project on an on-going basis, though obviously I could use some help and I would like this very much. We will have to ask whoever attends to pay their own expenses, but I would be willing to pay the \$139 registration fee for anyone willing to commit to becoming a co-administrator of the project, and I am willing to spend as much time explaining the project as anyone who attends can stand, regardless of whether or not they want any ongoing involvement. Volunteers will not be expected to speak or answer questions, but it would be very helpful if they bring a couple of dry hankies in case I burst into tears. Please, please, please take me up on this, someone. Contact me soon if you would like to come, as I will need to handle the registration and supply you with more details.

Progress of the Project

A number of new participants have joined the project this quarter. We now have results on eighty-two Ewing men, including seven with variant spellings of the name and one named Smith. The lab is in the process of analyzing samples on five other men, and we are waiting for three men to return DNA collection kits that have been sent to them — if these all come in, we will have 90 participants. Furthermore, we had a tremendous response to the sale FTDNA recently had on upgrades to larger marker panels, and nine men are waiting for results on 67-marker upgrades.¹ As you know, our initial goal for the project was to recruit a hundred participants. It looks like we might just make it in time for *Echoes of the Shenandoah*, though it is doubtful that we will have had time for a full analysis of results for participants who have not joined the project by now. Still, the gathering is not a deadline and we welcome participation by Ewings, Ewins, Ewans, Ewens, McEwans and McEwens everywhere! Information on how to join the project is at the end of this article.

Variant Spellings

Since our last article, we have had a couple of men with variant spellings of the name join the DNA project. A McEwen who was already a member of the McKeon project has added his 67-marker results to the Ewing project. I do not have his lineage yet, or permission to publish his name, but his results put him in our Group 8, where he is closest to the cluster containing SL, ME and PA, but not so close as to be considered related to them in a genealogic time frame — he is genetic distance 11 and 12 from SL and ME, respectively, and 16 from PA. This McEwen, SL and ME are definitely in the R1bSTR47-Scot cluster described by John McEwan and PA probably is as well, but McEwen is the closest of these to the cluster modal. This cluster is found at its highest percentage in the Scottish Highlands, and some folks have argued that it originated in the Picts, but nobody knows that for a fact.²

We have also had a man named Ewen join the project, but his DNA sample is in the lab and results are not expected until about August 1st, after the deadline for this issue of the *Journal*.

And speaking of 'variant' spellings, what do you think about 'Smith?' Imagine my surprise a few weeks ago when the 67-marker haplotype of Tennis Smith (TNS) suddenly appeared in our project. I had a look at the results and found that he was only genetic distance 2 from WR in Group 5, Part 1, a descendant of our old friend, 'I think his name was William.' I called Tennis and his dad, William R. 'Bill' Smith, and heard a terrific story. Bill's version of the story appears elsewhere in this issue of the *Journal*.³ Tennis initially tested with the National Geographic project.⁴ Sometime later he had a look at

¹ Among them are two men in Group 9, three in Group 6, one in Group 8 and three in Group 1. These results will undoubtedly help us better understand the significance of the additional markers, so our advice to those of you who have not ordered the upgrade is to wait and see what our new recommendation may be once we have received and completed the analysis of these results. I expect we should have that done by the time of the 2008 Gathering.

² You can read a slightly out-of-date discussion of this in a section headed *McEwan's Data* toward the end of *Haplogroups, Haplotypes, and Clusters for the Flustered*, which can be found in the Resources section of the Ewing Surname Y-DNA Project's web site (www.clanewing.org/DNA_Project/index_Y-DNA.html). Our new McEwen participant would show up on the chart there under R1bSTR43 at genetic distance 4 from the cluster modal.

³ Smith, William R. A Family Story, *J. Clan Ewing*, Vol. 14, No. 3 (August 2008), pp. 17-19.

⁴ www3.nationalgeographic.com/genographic

YSearch⁵ for potential matches, and when he saw several Ewings he remembered an old family story about a doctor down in Alabama named Whitley T. Ewing, who supposedly was the 'real' father of Tennis' great-great-grandfather. I was able to find Whitley T. Ewing in Fife,⁶ and sure enough, he was descended from the same Samuel Ewing, born 1740, that WR is descended from. WR and William R. Smith are fifth cousins, more or less. This got me a little cooked up, and I began to think that Whitley was not such a common given name, so I had a look in the national white pages online and found Whitley W. Ewing in Carlsbad, California. It turns out that he is a former member of *Clan Ewing*, but though he knew he was descended from Joshua Ewing (father of Samuel, born 1740), his family was from Oregon and he did not know of any Whitley T. Ewing in Alabama. I spoke with him again a few days later, after he had spoken with his cousin, Wilma Evoniuk, in Eugene, and she told him that their ancestor who had settled in Oregon, William Ewing (m. Rebecca Brand), was the older brother of Whitley T. Ewing. Excellent! Now Whitley W. Ewing has also joined the DNA project and has rejoined *Clan Ewing*. We should have his results by the middle of August or so. Sometimes this stuff just knocks me out.

DYF399X Update

I have just sent an updated DYF399X Report (as of July 13, 2008) to all of the project participants that have had this test, and it should be posted on the web site⁷ by the time you get this issue of the *Journal*. We now have results on twenty-four men in the closely related group, plus JMc in Group 8.⁸ In the last issue of the *Journal*, I discussed the rationale for this test in some detail in *Ewing Surname Y-DNA Project – Article 14*, under the heading *Differentiating Closely Related Families*.⁹ Interpretation of the results has not changed too much on consideration of the new results we have received since then, but we had one mildly disappointing finding, which can serve to illustrate a point about this marker.

RA and JC have very similar 37-marker haplotypes, matching one another at $DYS\ 390 = 24$, and differing only at the three most rapidly mutating markers in the 37-marker panel. Both are in Group 1, and neither knows their conventional genealogic connection with any other Ewings. Because DYF399X mutates so rapidly, a close match would support a close relationship, particularly if there were a close match at some off-modal values. As it happens, their DYF399X results differ by two steps at each of two alleles:

RA	23t-26c-28.1t
JC	21t-26c-26.1t

Though this result does not support a close relationship as we had hoped it might, it does not rule out a close relationship. Remember, the fact that DYF399X mutates so rapidly requires us to treat it somewhat the opposite of the other markers: We can use it to support a hypothesized relationship, but

⁵ www.YSearch.org, a free public database of Y-DNA results maintained by FTDNA.

⁶ Fife, Margaret Ewing, *Ewing in Early America*, Chapter 25, page 210, individual D.6. Fife's book is available from www.HigginsonBooks.com and online at www.ClanEwing.org.

⁷ A detailed DYF399X Report and a table of actual results is available on the project's web site at www.ClanEwing.org/DNA_Project/DNA_Articles/Document_DYF399XReport.html.

⁸ The Ewing Surname Y-DNA Project Groups are defined and described in the Results Introduction page on our web site at www.ClanEwing.org/DNA_Project/index_Y-DNA_Results.html.

⁹ Ewing, David Neal. Surname Y-DNA Project – Article 14, *J. Clan Ewing*, Vol. 14, No. 2 (May 2008), p. 31.

we can not use it to rule out a relationship. Another example of this is FI, who had a very confusing result on DYF399X,¹⁰ totally unlike any of the other men in our project (and I daresay, unlike anyone else who has ever been tested), but this cannot be used to argue that he is from Mars.

Some R1b1b2e Haplotypes not in the Closely Related Group

R1b1b2e is the new nomenclature for what used to be called R1b1c7. This is a clade (sub-branch) of Haplogroup R1b that is defined by the SNP M222+, but can also be recognized on the basis of a pattern of STR markers.¹¹ Based mostly on the fact that this clade has been found at its greatest frequency (about 20%) in Northwest Ireland, some have associated this group with Nial of the Nine Hostages and his descendants, the Ui Niall, whose main stomping grounds were once in this area. The large closely-related group of Ewings is in R1b1b2e, but forms a distinct cluster within the group. To give you some perspective on this, consider that in 37-marker haplotypes, members of completely different Haplogroups, such as R and I, are going to be at genetic distances on the order of 40 or more from one another, while members of R1b are likely to be within genetic distance 20 or so, and members of R1b1b2e are likely to be within genetic distance 10 or so. We have defined the 'closely-related group of Ewings' (let us call this the 'Ewing cluster') on the basis that all are within genetic distance 5 of the Ewing cluster modal. As it happens, genetic distance 5 is about the limit of what we would expect to find in relationships within a genealogic time frame.

Up until a month ago all but one of the R1b1b2e men in the Ewing project were in the Ewing cluster. Lonesome old TD was the only exception. His haplotype is actually a little closer to the R1b1b2e modal than the Ewing modal is, but he is genetic distance 9 from the Ewing modal — too distant to include him in the cluster. I have had a terrible time trying to figure out where to put him, because he is not in any of the kinship groups, he is not in Group 8 because that is defined on the basis of being in R1b but *not* in R1b1b2e, and he should not really be in Group 1 because that is defined on the basis of being within genetic distance 5 of the Ewing modal and not in one of the kinship groups. I have ended up displaying his results with Group 1, but adding footnotes saying that he does not belong there.

A month ago, Eddie Lee Ewing (EL) joined the project, and now TD has some company. EL is also genetic distance 9 from the Ewing modal, and he and TD are at genetic distance 6 from one another. Have a look at these results in the table on the following page.

I have left eleven columns of data out of this table, all at markers where TD, EL, the UiN (R1b1b2e) modal and the Ewing modal are exactly the same. Highlighting is with respect to the Ewing modal. What can we make of this? First of all, notice that the Ewing modal differs from the UiN modal at DYS 19, DYS 439, DYS 449, DYS 456, CDYa/b and DYS 442. At four of these seven markers, both TD and EL match the UiN modal and not the Ewing modal. At one of them, DYS 456, TD and EL are one step from the UiN modal in a different direction than Ewing. TD and EL match the Ewing modal and not the UiN

¹⁰ His result is 21t-24c-24t. It is beyond the scope of this article to discuss this in any depth. But, briefly, while the first two alleles are not surprising and match several of the other men in the project, the third allele has a completely different configuration than it usually has. For some correspondence about this with Thomas Krahn, an expert in these matters, see the end of the *DYF399X Report* posted on the project's web site:

www.clanewing.org/DNA_Project/index_Y-DNA.html.

¹¹ You can read about this in *Haplogroups, Haplotypes, and Clusters for the Flustered* in the Resource section of the project's web site, www.clanewing.org/DNA_Project/index_Y-DNA.html.

modal only at CDY_{a/b}, which as you may know are not markers that we like to hang our hats on, because they are rapidly mutating and subject to a lot of parallel and back mutations. That these two men are genetic distance 9 from the Ewing modal already made us think that they are not related to the other Ewings in a genealogic time frame, and now this pattern of differences confirms it. TD and EL just do not have enough of the markers that distinguish Ewing from the UiN modal to be considered a part of the Ewing cluster.

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UiN	13	24	14		12	13	14	29	17	9	10	11	11	25	15	18	30	15	16	16		17	16	18		38	39	12	12			
TD	13	25	14		12	13	14	29	18	9	10	10	11	25	15	18	30	15	16	16		16	16	19		37	38	12	12			
EL	13	25	14		12	13	14	29	17	9	10	11	11	24	15	18	30	15	16	17		16	16	17		37	38	12	12			

But what about whether they are related to one another? They are genetic distance 6 from one another,¹² which is stretching things a bit, and they are both genetic distance 6 from the UiN modal. To make a case for them being related, we would like for them to match at some off-modal markers, as the men in the Ewing cluster do. The strongest argument for a relationship between TD and EL is that they both have DYS 456 = 16, and this is weakly supported by the fact that they also match one another but not UiN at CDY_{a/b}. But as my niece would say: That is some pretty weak sauce, Uncle Dave. Even so, we have some pairs of men within the Ewing cluster we know to be related that are at genetic distance 6 from one another: EG2 and RL in Group 4 are at genetic distance 6 from one another and their conventional genealogy shows that they are sixth cousins, twice removed. JNJN, EG2, TF and TD are all genetic distance 8 from at least a few of the other men in the Ewing cluster, even though none of them is over genetic distance 5 from the modal. If we had data only on a pair of men at genetic distance 8, we would be pretty sure that they are not related in a genealogic time frame. But we have so many men with intermediate haplotypes that we can see how they might very well be related in a genealogic time frame.

I think one of the men on whom we have results pending is a relative of EL, and I think the families of both TD and EL are out beating the bushes for more potential project participants. Who knows what we will discover?

¹² If you are only counting four or five, it is probably because DYS 576 is confusing you — notice that TD and EL are two steps apart at that marker, one on either side of the Ewing and UiN modals.

To Join or Get More Information

If you are ready to join the project, go to www.familytreedna.com/surname_join.aspx?code=M44915. Participation by Ewing women is welcome; they can get valuable genealogic information by persuading a male relative to submit a specimen. For more information, visit the Ewing Surname Y-DNA Project's web site¹³ and the FTDNA web site.¹⁴ If you want to ask questions, call me at +1 505.764.8704 in the evening, or EMail me at davidewing93@gmail.com.

David Neal Ewing has been a member of Clan Ewing in America since 1996 and has served as its Chancellor since 2006. He previously served as Chair of its Board of Directors from 2004-2006. He is also Administrator of the Ewing Surname Y-DNA Project, which he founded in 2004, and he is a regular contributor to the Journal of Clan Ewing. Dr. Ewing has a private practice in clinical geriatric neuropsychiatry in Albuquerque, New Mexico. He received his M.D. degree from the University of New Mexico and did his residency training at the University of Michigan Hospital in Ann Arbor, Michigan.

Al Gore's Chauffeur

Al Gore was being chauffeured to the latest of his speeches concerning the environment. He was really tired and not at all looking forward to giving the umpteenth repetition of his standard talk.

He wound down the window between him and his chauffeur and said: Ted. You've been to all of my presentations. I bet you can give my talk. And I'm tired. So please do it for me!

Ted agreed. When they got to the talk's venue, they switched uniforms. Ted became Gore. Gore became Ted. Ted – alias Gore – went to the podium. Gore – alias Ted – sat at the back of the auditorium.

Ted – alias Gore – gave a perfect presentation.

But at the end, a wizened, white-haired, Einstein-visaged attendee arose and said: What you say is eminently logical. But what about the fact that we haven't seen decreases in the protein levels of frozen vertebrates over the past 20,000 years?

Ted – alias Gore – stroked his chin a couple of times, sighed, turned his eyes to the ceiling, and responded: You know, that's a really simple question that shows you haven't really been listening. In fact, it's so simple that I bet my chauffeur, sitting there in the back of the room, can answer it!

¹³ www.ClanEwing.org/DNA_Project/index_Y-DNA.html

¹⁴ www.FamilyTreeDNA.com/public/Ewing

Ewing Digital Library

Joseph Ewing, Younger Brother of Green Berry Ewing

Posted by Peter T. Ewing

at <http://archiver.rootsweb.ancestry.com/th/read/ewing/2008-05/1211558776>

Joseph Ewing was a younger brother of Green Berry and believed to have been living with him in Cobb County. One of his sons is Joseph Henderson Ewing who is my great-grandfather, who was born 12/3/1847 and who married Amanda Matilda Smith in Clayton County in 1870. They had four children: Ada, Ida, Minnie, and Thomas Monroe Ewing, who is my grandfather. Thomas M. Ewing married Odessa Mann in Haralson County, Ga 12/8/1920. They had Arlin R. Ewing (my father, eighty-seven years old with Alzheimer's) and Ruth Ewing Griswold. Arlin R. Ewing married my mother Mary Frances (Smith) Ewing in Glynn County Ga and they had Susan Ewing Moore, Jody Ewing Waddle, Joseph A. Ewing, and Peter T. Ewing (me). I married Karen Ritch Ewing (from Paulding County, one of the places Green Berry lived) and we have Molly Frances Ewing, age 7. My father, brother and I are the last Ewings living in Haralson County Ga and both of us have girls so the name ends with us. Joseph Henderson and Amanda Matilda as well as all of their children are all buried in Haralson County. I hope to go up to Gwinett County soon to go the Ewing Chapel cemetery where I believe some of Joseph Henderson's and Green Berry's relatives are buried.

Will of William Ewing, Dated February 24, 1810

Transcribed by Richard Cittrell (*rjc at web-access dot net*)

Date Written: February 24, 1810

Proven and Recorded: April 23, 1810

Will Book 3, Page 220
Bedford County, Virginia

In the Name of God Amen. I William Ewing of Bedford County & state of Virginia do make, order and declare this Instrument written with my own hand to be my last Will and Testament revoking all other ___. Imprimis, all my debts & funeral expenses to be punctually and specially paid except the Legacies coming to heirs of Caleb Ewing decd now residing in the state of Kentucky. To my dearly and well beloved wife Anna Ewing & to Mitchell Ewing my brothers son whom I raised, I give and bequeath my whole estate in real & personal and every part thereof to them & their heirs, The latter forever paying to the legatees of Caleb Ewing in the state of Kentucky that is to say Polly & Betsy twelve months after distribution shall take place of my estate one hundred Dollars each. Also at the end of that date One hundred more to each of them with there Fathers estate papers bonds Vc that may be coming to them ___. Nothing in the above sections is to be construed as to prohibit my well beloved wife from the entire and full benefit of my negro man Sam so long as she is my widow ___. Also all my books of Law and religious books of every kind I give & bequeath to Mitchell Ewing. It is also my will that Elizabeth, Shurly & Elenor should have a conveyance made of 150 acres of Land. I let them have on Holsten nob bounded on the East by the lines marked, contained in the bond given them. I give and bequeath to my nephew Mitchell Ewing all that tract of Land he now lives on situate on the branches Otter river bounded by Deardoff, Hardy, and my own lines, 400 acres.

And lastly I do hereby constitute my trusty friends Isaac Oty, Mitchell Ewing & Anna Ewing my lawful Executors of this my last will and Testament. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my and affixed my seal the 24th day of Feby in the year of our Lord 1810.

Wm Ewing {Seal}

Baptist Hardy, Samuel Beard, Joseph Milam

At a court held for Bedford County at the Courthouse the 23rd of April 1810, This last Will and Testament of William Ewing decd was exhibited in Court and proven by the oaths of Baptist Hardy & Samuel Beard witnesses thereto & ordered to be recorded. And on the motion of Mitchell Ewing one of the Executors therein named, Certificate is granted him for obtaining a probate thereof in due form, liberty being reserved the other Executor & Executrix to join in the probate thereof when they shall think fit. Teste J. Steptoe

William and Eliza (Milford) Ewing

Exchange at <http://archiver.rootsweb.ancestry.com/th/read/ewing/2008-06/1213810432>

Contribution by Tammy Mitchell, June 18, 2008:

I have been researching Ewings for just over a year and a half. I know that doesn't seem like much, but I work on it a few hours each day. I can confirm back to about 1760, on my branch, who at that time, lived in (probably Tyrone), Ireland. I follow mine to Ayer, Scotland about 1816, then to Quebec, Canada in 1823 and then, some more to Canada and the U.S. all before 1854. I have a lot of information on my own branch, but nothing that can confirm a known link to the Ewings known in the U.S. prior to the 1850s ... so far.

I could, and maybe might write a book about Canadian Ewings. I might call it something like *How One Irish Couple Populated Canada*, as we are spread now from sea to shining sea, with some in Whitehorse too! I know of, and have communicated with, people at the *Clan Ewing* web site. I have found a person in the Ewing DNA project — who I think by my research is connected to my family. However, while I believe it based on research, I still have to solidly prove it. I don't have a living male Ewing who will take the DNA test. Although I have asked some and offered to pay, they just are not interested.

What generated the question about Eliza Milford, is: I just started reading the *Clan Ewing of Scotland*. I got that book because I heard that a lot of the records that are now destroyed may have been referenced in it, being that it was written in 1922. While reading it, I have started to draw 'trees' on all the pages as I go, so I can keep track of all those same-named Ewings.

Then of course I went to the Internet and typed in key phrases to see how they come up in Google, for example, if anyone has had a break-through or something that can allow me to make a connection.

One of the very first pages that came up was questioning who Eliza Milford really was the wife of. So I thought, if that is in question, how, just how can I get anywhere, if all these people who have done research before me, even to this date question that. Anyway, I think researching Ewings is probably a 'clinical obsession,' as once people get started, they can't seem to stop. I am one of them.

I will leave you with the names of my Irish born Ewings. I have information all over the net, so if you want more data, just type 'Mathew Ewing' Tyrone and Quebec into Google and my information will come up. But for the purpose of this connection, I will just leave you with the first two generations.

Mathew Ewing, born in 1760 in Tyrone, Ireland. Married Ann Kelly (various spellings).

Children that I know of, all born in Ireland: Samuel 1780 (died, 1812 Battle of Salamanca, Spain), James 1785 (to Murkirk, Ayr, Scotland 1816, then Quebec 1823), Nancy Ann (to Murkirk, Ayr, 1819, Bruce Ontario 1852, Iowa 1865), Robert 1797 (to Murkirk 1819, Lanark Scotland 1851, McKeesport, Pennsylvania 1853; died in Clayton Co. Iowa 1869).

I have not been able to find parents for Mathew Ewing, born 1760. The only record I have of him and his wife is from family lore/charts written in the early 1900s and passed down. I'm hoping by working more closely with others, I can open some doors as to any cousins, etc., for my Mathew. Even finding stories — that so and so's brothers went to Scotland in the early 1800s — might be a tidbit to follow.

Subsequent response by James R. McMichael, June 18, 2008:

I will try to give some information about Eliza Milford and the reason that I think she was married to a William Ewing but not the William Ewing that most people claim. From a research report that was done for *Clan Ewing in America*, the researcher stated that the name Milford did not exist in Scotland in the 16th and 17th centuries. This research report is available at www.ClanEwing.org.

Generally, people accept a William Ewing as being the father of Nathaniel Ewing (1693-1748). Also, some people say that a William Ewing is the father of William Ewing, and would be the grandfather of Nathaniel. I have seen it more than once where Eliza Milford is given as the wife for both of the Williams just mentioned. That in itself seems to say that there is not much to support to say Eliza Milford is the mother or the grandmother of Nathaniel Ewing.

In the book, *Clan Ewing of Scotland*,¹ Chapter XXVI, page 255 begins the information for William Ewing of Rockingham. On page 280, we find the following:

In another letter I find this:

A memorandum made in 1865 from information given me by my paternal aunt, Eliza Milford (Ewing) Dunaway, states that she was named after her great-grandmother whose maiden name was Eliza Milford. This was William's first wife.

Now, we have to ask the question. Would a person ever know for whom she was named? If so, then, it appears to me, that some credit has to be given to the 1865 memorandum.

Also, there are a lot of words written about the Ewings being pure Scot and etc. If that is true and the name Milford was not in Scotland, then where did the name come from? The only record that I know of that puts Nathaniel Ewing in Ireland is the marriage record when he married Rachel Porter, a granddaughter of Robert Ewing, in 1721. I would assume that Nathaniel lived with his family.

As indicated above, I believe that Eliza Milford was part of the William Ewing of Rockingham family. And William of Rockingham is a different family from the one that Nathaniel Ewing belongs to.

¹ Ewing, Elbert William R. *Clan Ewing of Scotland*, Corben Publishing Co., Ballston, Virginia, 1922. Available for purchase from www.HigginsonBooks.com and online at www.ClanEwing.org/books/EwingEWR/index_ewr.htm.

Chancellor's Message

David Neal Ewing, Chancellor (+1 505.764.8704, *DavidEwing93 at gmail dot com*)

This is the last issue of the *Journal* that will come out before for the tenth gathering of *Clan Ewing, Echoes of the Shenandoah*, which will be held this fall in Winchester, Virginia, September 18 - 21, so this is the last time that I will be able to urge you all to attend. We are always excited to see old friends and, in some cases, to make a first time personal face-to-face connection with folks we have been corresponding with for a long time. Please join us in Winchester!

Volunteer News

- I am very happy (and I daresay a little relieved) to announce that John C. Ewin (*Clan Ewing* Member # 998) of Brunswick, Maryland, has volunteered to take over the responsibility of handling *Clan Ewing* merchandise from Bob and Doralyn Johnson, and will become our next Merchandise Coordinator. John has also been helping the organizing committee for ***Echoes of the Shenandoah***, and he has been a big supporter of the Ewing Surname Y-DNA Project. His is the kind of stalwart support that we need to maintain *Clan Ewing* as a vibrant and rewarding organization for us all.
- I announced in February that Jane Ewing Weippert (*Clan Ewing* Member # 934) has agreed to succeed Bob Johnson as Treasurer of *Clan Ewing*. Sadly, it appears unlikely that Bob and Doralyn Johnson will be able to be with us at the gathering because it has become too difficult for Bob to travel. Bob and Jane have just about finished the transition. You may have noticed that Jane's contact information has replaced Bob's in the *Clan Ewing* masthead information.
- Speaking of stalwart support, Patricia Ewing Hammond (*Clan Ewing* Member # 1011) has finished transcribing *Sketches of the Families of Thomas Ewing and Mary Maskell, William Ewing and Eleanor Thompson, James Ewing and Eleanor Rhea and their Descendants, with Historical Data and Reminiscences*, by Joseph Lyons Ewing, 1910. This book has a fair amount of information about a line that does not appear in Fife, and we think it will be an invaluable resource to many Ewing researchers. William E. Riddle now has both this book and E.W.R. Ewing's classic, *Clan Ewing of Scotland*, (which Pat previously transcribed) posted on the web site. I have urged Pat to take a break, but she is already thinking about what book to do next. What a trooper! Thanks a million, Pat!
- Virginia Okie (*Clan Ewing* Member # 996) has also transcribed material for posting on the *Clan Ewing* web site. In her family memorabilia is an original edition of *History of the Presbytery of Redstone Organized By the Synod of New York and Philadelphia, Sept. 19, 1781, and Under its care till 1788; A part of The Synod of Virginia, 1788-1802 of The Synod of Pittsburg, 1802-1881; And now of The Synod of Pennsylvania, 1881-1889*, which was published in 1889. She has transcribed those parts which concern Ewings. In addition, she has loaned the book to the LDS Library in Salt Lake City, Utah, to be scanned and placed online. Many thanks to you, Virginia.¹

¹ A portion of Virginia Okie's transcription appeared as part of: Riddle, William E. Ewing Settlers of Southwestern Pennsylvania, Part 4: Nathaniel Ewing (1794-1874), *J. Clan Ewing*, Vol. 14, No. 2 (May 2008), pp. 35-41.

- We finally received a good scan of the photo of E.W.R. Ewing we have been looking for — William Myrl Ewing (*Clan Ewing* Member # 166) sent us a copy. (Would you have a look at that member number? How long has this guy been a member and how old is he, anyway?)
- I certainly have not mentioned everyone who has recently contributed to the work of *Clan Ewing*. Some of our main volunteers prefer to labor quietly in the background. Mainly, I want to continue to urge more of you to contribute to the work of *Clan Ewing*. I personally started working on genealogy because I wanted to be able to pass on my family's heritage and stories to my grandchildren. Now, I have realized that by joining forces with other like-minded people in *Clan Ewing*, I can make a much richer resource available to my grandchildren than I could ever have created working in isolation. Every single one of you has a piece of the puzzle. Please contribute it, for all our grandchildren.

History of *Clan Ewing* Project

As I thanked William Myrl Ewing for the E.W.R. Ewing scan, I was teasing him a little about his low membership number, because I have corresponded with him quite a bit about the Ewing Surname Y-DNA Project and I know he has a terrific sense of humor. The fact is that the lowest membership number in the records I have is held by a man named Adam! No fooling; based on the numbering scheme, it looks like our oldest member is Nathaniel Ewing Adam (*Clan Ewing* Member # 100) of Irvine, California. Consider that the membership numbers of Joe Neff Ewing, Robert Hunter Johnson and Jim McMichael are 227, 391 and 435, respectively. Plainly, when the member numbering scheme was instituted, members were listed alphabetically and given numbers sequentially, and after that each new member was given the next number. So, we cannot really tell who the first members of *Clan Ewing* may have been just by looking at the membership numbers. Who can tell me who the original members of *Clan Ewing* were and when the numbering scheme went into effect?

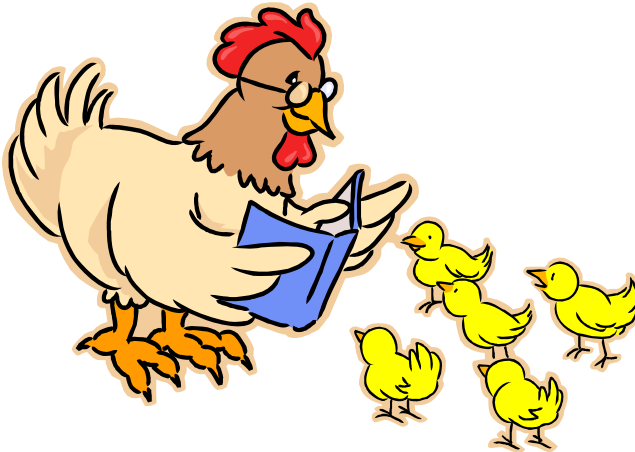
One of the things we are planning at *Echoes of the Shenandoah* is an optional afternoon workshop where we will collect and discuss documents and recollections so that we can prepare an official *History of Clan Ewing*. I have been working with Jim McMichael to get an outline together ahead of time. Jim has also given me a big packet of his correspondence with Rev. Ellsworth Samuel Ewing in the early days as they were discussing how to organize *Clan Ewing*. It would be very helpful if anyone who has documents or photos from the early days of *Clan Ewing* would bring them to Winchester or send them to me. Stories are what would really make the difference between an interesting history and a dry recitation of dates, names and places. In my experience, when one person starts telling a story, that jogs the memory of the next person, and pretty soon stories are freely flowing. That is what we hope to have happen at the workshop, but it would be very helpful if you can think about this a little ahead of time to help get the ball rolling. And if for some reason you will not be able to attend, please send your contributions to me anyway.

Gathering Business

Elsewhere in this issue of the *Journal*, there is a summary of some of the business we will be conducting at *Echoes of the Shenandoah*. Please read that carefully, think about it and come prepared to discuss and vote at the General Membership Meeting, which will be held on Saturday, September 20, 2008, at 7:30 pm. The nominating committee has prepared a slate of candidates for Chancellor and Directors, which also is published elsewhere in this issue of the *Journal*, but nominations will also be accepted from the floor at the meeting. Please also remember that there are

many ways to serve and contribute to *Clan Ewing* that are not elected positions. Tell me about your interests and we will either appoint you to an existing position or create one tailor-made to suit you!

David Neal Ewing



"Who will help me eat the bread?"
said the Little Red Hen.

"We will!" said everyone.

"Great news!" said the Little Red Hen. We shall all eat our fill at ***Echoes of the Shenandoah*** in Winchester this September!

Chair's Message

**Mary Ewing Gosline, Chair of *Clan Ewing's* Board of Directors
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What a beautiful summer we are having! Bob and I enjoyed a wonderful week at Elk Lake near Traverse City, Michigan, with friends from fifty years ago. The weather was perfect and the water skiing and sailing exhilarating. Then we had a beach week with our children and grandchildren near Duck, North Carolina. Again, there was no rain during the day. Upon returning home, I reflected on how much friends and family enrich our lives.

We hope the weather will be as good in Winchester for our 2008 Gathering in September. We know the camaraderie of Ewing cousins will be great!

Some of you might hesitate to come if you do not know any other members. Please do not hesitate or procrastinate! This is the place to meet and greet previously-known and newly-found cousins. It is fun to sort out the different branches of the Ewings through conversations with folks or studying the materials in the Reference Room.

And it is not too late to register. While the Early Bird Discount deadline has passed, registrations will be accepted until September 6th. Note, however, that the last day for full refunds is August 31st, and no refunds will be made after September 12th.

If you have written small pamphlets or booklets about an individual or several generations of your family, created a family web site, charted your Ewing line or made a CD or DVD of family photos, we would love to have a copy to display at the gathering. Either bring it with you or send it to me. If you

have a web site, print a copy of the home page and include an explanation of what the web site is about so that we can post a link to it. Perhaps you have an old diary or a collection of letters that you would like to show folks. Do not send anything valuable to me, but I would love to have you bring those things if you are coming. Our Reference Room will be locked when not in use by members. It is wonderful to see what everyone is doing. From such displays, each of us can gather ideas for what we might like to do with our family information. Please let me know if you need special props for displaying your materials.

One of our goals over the past couple of years has been to increase our membership and to increase attendance at our gatherings. Jill Spittler, our Membership Coordinator, has worked hard to re-connect with former members and introduce new members to all of us through the *Journal*.

In regard to increasing attendance at our gatherings, several ideas were tried. In addition to background reports in the *Journal*, registration packets were mailed to over 300 members in January 2008. During the Spring, announcements were sent to fifty-five national and local historical and genealogical societies as well as libraries, and invitations were sent to over thirty-three Ewing families in the Winchester area. Reminder postcards were mailed at the end of June to members who had not registered.

In an earlier issue of the *Journal*, I mentioned I would like to correct an error that has been made in my Ewing family. As I contemplated where I would begin to set the record straight about Jane Ewing, a great-great-aunt who is often included in the wrong generation of my Ewing line, I decided to see where this error first appeared.

My first step was to check all the old Ewing books. (To me, 'old Ewing books' are the ones published before Margaret Fife's *Ewing in Early America*.²) From there, my thoughts turned to the need for a master list of Ewing books, both 'old' and 'new,' an idea which has been discussed over the years. While books have been transcribed and presented on our *Clan Ewing* web site, I found others in the Archives List, still others cited in my research notes, and more on the Heritage Quest³ web site.

One thing led to another and it seems like it would be a good idea to create a master list that could be printed in the *Journal*, posted on the web site, and, of course, updated from time to time. We will need publishing information so that people can order books through interlibrary loan, a brief description of each book, and a URL for the book if it is available online. John C. Ewin has agreed to coordinate our efforts and prepare the entries for listing in the *Journal* and on the web. A short, initial list has been included in the Reading Room's book list (www.clanewing.org/Project_RRoom_Books.html). Now it is your turn. Please add to it by sending your contributions to John at JCEwin2004@yahoo.com.

In closing, I want to thank the current Board of Directors, Officers and Activity Coordinators, and all the *Clan Ewing* members, for their support as I finish my term as Chair. Interactions with *Clan Ewing* members have made my life richer.

Mary E. Gosline

² Fife, Margaret Ewing (ed. James R. McMichael). *Ewing in Early America*, Family History Publishers, Bountiful, Utah, 84101. Available from www.HigginsonBooks.com and online at www.ClanEwing.org.

³ www.HeritageQuestOnline.com

Archivist's News

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The *Clan Ewing* Gathering is fast approaching and I am looking forward to seeing many of our members who have attended before as well as many new ones at this gathering. It sounds like it will be a great gathering again this year.

In addition to the books given to me for the *Clan Ewing* Archives at the 2006 Gathering, I have received others over the past two years. Included in this group are duplicate copies of materials that are already in our archives. Those that are not duplicates will be indexed and then taken to the Cecil County Historical Society to be added to our collection that is being stored there. Some of the duplicates are photocopy versions, some are original, printed volumes. One copy of each book is sufficient in our archives files. The duplicates, listed below, will be made available to our membership at a silent auction in the Reference Room at the 2008 Gathering.

The Reference Room is the place to bring your histories, memorabilia, photos and whatever you may wish to share with other attendees. If you would like to donate any of this material to our archives, that would be greatly appreciated as long as it is well-documented. In the Reference Room, there will also be a collection of pictures and literature from all of the previous gatherings plus the Scotland trip that a number of our members took in 2001.

Duplicate Copies Available Via the Silent Auction

- *Clan Ewing of Scotland* by Elbert William Robinson (E. W. R) Ewing
- *Edley Ewing, The Texas Pioneer and His Descendants* by Milam Myrl Ewing (two copies)
- *Ewing Family Chronicles 1629 – 1979* by Udell Ewing Busch
- *Ewing Genealogy with Cognate Branches* by Prestley Kittredge Ewing and Mary Ellen (Williams) Ewing
- *From Edentown to Bethlehem* by W. Francis Ewing (from pages 10 to 67 only)
- *Historical Notes on the Ewing Family* by Vernon Ewing (two copies)
- *Our Ewings in Early America 1740 to 1966* by Donald Ewing Brown
- *Samuel Ewing and Jane Davis* by Donald C. Ewing
- *Some Ancestors and Descendants of William and Joanna Thurston Family, Crawford Co., Pa 1780-1853* by Robert Herman Ewing

Betty Whitmer

Membership News

Jill Ewing Spittle, Membership Coordinator (+1 330.345.6543, *JEwingSpit at aol dot com*)

Here we are ready to go to print for the last issue before the gathering. It is so exciting and I hope you plan to attend. It will be so good to see old friends and the many new 'cousins' who will be there.

I want to thank Jane Weippert for taking the Treasurer position. She will be good at it, but it will be hard to follow the fine work Bob Johnson has done these many years. Doralyn says Bob just does not have the strength to continue, and I know that Doralyn has done a lot of the work this last while. Many thanks to both of them for all the work and love shown our family since the beginning. Hopefully, Bob's health will improve and they can join us in Pennsylvania for the next, 2010, gathering. It might brighten his day to send him an EMail at *ClanEwing at verizon dot net* or a card at 513 Cherokee Drive, Erie, Pennsylvania 16505.

I also want to congratulate William E. Riddle on the *Journal of Clan Ewing's* Best in Nation award. As a former *Journal* Editor, no one knows better than I how much work goes into putting the *Journal* together every quarter. Send him a note and tell him you appreciate his efforts on the *Journal*, as well as his related work as Web Master for the *Clan Ewing* web site. His EMail address is *Riddle at WmERiddle dot com*.

We will be changing officers at the gathering in September, and I have decided not to run for the Board of Directors. I have been on the Board since the beginning and want others to have a chance. My experience has grown with every job I have undertaken through the years, and I have loved every new challenge. I came home from the last gathering gung-ho to get my lineage out there and bought Legacy. But I have yet to type the first person into it. That is my goal for the future, as well, of course, staying in touch with all the Ewing cousins I have met and finding some new ones.

Jill Ewing Spittle

Keeping Up With the Ewings

David C. Ewing of Canton, Ohio, found it necessary to cease operations and close Ewing Chevrolet on March 31, 2007, after 93 years of selling Chevrolet products. Both David and his father Stanley C. Ewing are now retired. David reports:

Our employees have found jobs in other dealerships as there are still six remaining Chevrolet dealerships in Stark County, Ohio. I am still active with many community activities: Ohio & Erie Canalway, Stark Parks and Rotary International. My wife, Penni, continues to work as a part-time receptionist for a local acupuncture and my daughter Amy is a full-time rider for the world-famous Lipizzaner Stallions Show (*www.lipizzaner.com*) that is in its 38th annual tour of the U.S. Look for Amy in the show coming to an arena near you. I am sorry to miss the upcoming reunion of *Clan Ewing*. Give my best to all.

David's EMail is *DCE1914 at aol dot com*.

Deaths

With heartfelt condolences to their families, we note the passing of:

David Robert Ewing, 57, who worked recently as a warehouse manager at Alliance Lighting in Columbia, died May 14 at the Gilchrist Center for Hospice Care in Towson, Maryland. He had pancreatic cancer.

Mr. Ewing, who went by 'Dave,' owned a home improvement business from 1985 to 1995.

He was born in the District and spent his early years in Avondale and New Carrollton. He served in the Marine Corps and fought in the Vietnam War, 1969-1970.

He volunteered with the Howard County Huskies as a hockey coach in the 1990s. He enjoyed boating and fishing on the South River and the ocean and spent time in the mountains of Baker, West Virginia, motorcycling and gardening.

Mr. Ewing lived in Silver Spring, Laurel and, for fourteen years, in Glenelg before moving a year ago to Woodbine.

His marriage to Lynn Ewing ended in divorce.

Survivors include: his wife, Dorothy Fridell Ewing of Woodbine; three children from his second marriage, Justin Michael Ewing of Columbia, Christopher Joseph Ewing and Michelle Elizabeth Ewing, both of Woodbine; a son from his first marriage, Wade Alan Ewing of California; his stepmother, Hilda Ewing of Wardensville, West Virginia; a sister, Kathy Amos of Lexington Park; and a brother, James Ewing, whose address is unknown.

Dorothy D. Ewing, age 100, of Ewing Road, Burbank, Ohio, died Friday July 18, 2008, at Horn's Nursing Center in Wooster. She was the mother of James G. Ewing, a former member of *Clan Ewing's* Board of Directors.

Dorothy was born on Feb. 4, 1908, in Orrville, to Samuel E. and Esther (Bushey) Houmard and has been a life-long resident of Wayne County.

She married Robert W. Ewing on July 23, 1927, in Wooster. He died on November 2, 1991.

She previously worked for Freedlanders as a sales clerk and later with the former Armstrong Dressing Plant from 1955-1970.

She was the oldest living member of Wayne Presbyterian Church. She was proud to have served as a midwife caring for new mothers from 1927 through 1940, bringing over thirty babies into the area. She was one of the original supporters in the area for Ida Sue School, and her late son, Charles, was in the first class of seven at the school. She was a member of the Wayne County Historical Society.

She is survived by: two sons, James G. (Martha J.) Ewing and Robert B. Ewing, both of Burbank; a brother, Charles Jesse Houmard of Wooster; eight grandchildren; nineteen great-grandchildren; and eleven great-great-grandchildren.

In addition to her parents and husband, she was preceded in death by two sons, Howard Ewing in 1931 and Charles Ewing in 2002, and four sisters, Mabel Saurer, Marjorie Armstrong, Hazel Cooper-Bucklew and Verna Metsker-Horst.

Flora L. Ewing, 87, of Stoutsville, Ohio, died Saturday, May 24, 2008, at Brown Memorial Nursing Home.

She was born February 11, 1921, in Fairfield County, Ohio, the daughter of William and Helen (Ricketts) McBroom. Flora was a member of St. Paul United Methodist Church.

She was preceded in death by: her parents; her husband, George R. Ewing; a brother, William Ray McBroom; and two sisters, JoAnn Shafer and Jean Rush.

She is survived by: her son and daughter, James R. (Karen S.) Ewing and Karen S. (Seth) Driesbach, both of Circleville; her grandchildren Aaron Scott Joy Ewing, Jaime Todd Ellison, Andrea Bryan Miller and A. J. Jennifer Driesbach; her great-grandchildren Kaitlyn and Kari Ellison, Grace and Gavin Ewing and Logan Miller; a sister, Mary Oxenrider of Wooster; and a brother, Robert McBroom of Lancaster.

Services took place at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday at Wellman Funeral Home, Circleville, with Pastor Doug Shriner officiating. Burial was in Hitler-Ludwig Cemetery.

Harvey Brauer 'Barney' Ewing: Barney was participant HB in the Ewing Surname Y-DNA Project. From his obituary in the *Daily Local News*, West Chester, Pennsylvania, July 1, 2008:

Barney Ewing went to be with the Lord on Saturday, June 28, 2008, at his home in Oxford, after a lengthy illness. He was 98.

He was born Harvey Brauer Ewing to the late Harvey and Amelia Ewing of Rising Sun, Md., and became 'Barney' to all his friends and acquaintances.

He was a farm boy with a dream, a dream to have his own business, selling that new, wonderful machine called the 'automobile.' It proved to be a long, hard road, financially and emotionally, but he was successful and saw Ewing Motors Inc. become a reality, selling Buick and GMC trucks. It was a business that would span several decades.

Barney was known for his honesty, integrity and compassion for others; mentor to some, employer to many and all-around caring person.

One of his most successful endeavors was transporting mushroom compost to the local mushroom growers of Chester County from the various race tracks in Virginia and surrounding areas.

In addition to Ewing Motors Inc., he owned and operated the Oxford Area School District buses for many years; created H. B. Ewing Trucking Co.; and was a dealer for Prentice Loaders and several other small businesses.

He married Marion (Matsie) Carmack of Parkesburg in 1951 and they had two children, Marsha, wife of John C. Summers Jr., of Oxford (with whom they lived the past two years), and David, husband of Eileen Grodsky of Savannah, Ga. [Barney had] one beloved grandson, Zachary Ewing Summers of Manhattan, N.Y.

He was a member of the Wrightsdale Baptist Church, Peach Bottom. He loved his church family. He was preceded in death by one brother, Howard, and two sisters, Evelyn and Lyda. He spent his earlier years mostly traveling and playing his favorite sport, tennis. He was an honorary Kentucky Colonel, a title bestowed upon him by Gov. Chandler, Louisville, Ky.

Interment will be in Oxford Cemetery.

Mary Frances Taylor of Arbor View, Willow Valley, Pennsylvania, died Saturday, July 26 in Lancaster General Hospital, Lancaster, Pennsylvania. She owned the Patrick Ewing home and helped set up the first *Clan Ewing* gathering in Cecil County, Maryland. She has been a true and faithful friend to many *Clan Ewing* members.

Jerry D. Warren (Member # 1018), of Rowland Heights, California, passed away in March 2008.

New Members ... Welcome Aboard!

Several people have recently joined *Clan Ewing* and provided get-acquainted information about their heritage and interests. Please take a moment and send them a *Welcome* message, especially if you and they share a heritage.

Cheryl Ewing Bird of Redmond, Washington.

My earliest known Ewing ancestor is John born 1825; he married Margaret Maloney. They lived in: Chester County, Pennsylvania, in 1850; Lancaster County, Pennsylvania, in 1860; and Fawn Township, Allegheny County, Pennsylvania, in 1870. My grandfather was Rud A. Ewing, born 1901 and son of Robert T. Ewing, born 1866. Robert T. was the youngest son of John Ewing and Margaret _?_. I am now looking for parents of John and Margaret. Any help would be appreciated.

Cheryl may be reached at *cbinred at aol dot com*.

David P. Ewing. David lives in Portsmouth, New Hampshire, with his wife, Elria (Giamatti) Ewing. He is retired, after a career mainly in U.S. foreign intelligence. They have three sons, a daughter, and eight grandchildren. He was born August 3, 1939, in Keene, New Hampshire. His Ewing lineage is:

My father was Donald Freeman Ewing, born December 18, 1909, in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, and died September 27, 1991, in Sarasota, Florida. He had two other children: Joanna Ewing Jones, and Donald Freeman Ewing Jr.

Donald was the son of Lyle Wilson Ewing, born May 17, 1881 in Chariton, Iowa, and died June 1967 in Sarasota, Florida. Lyle had one other son: Lyle Wilson Ewing, Jr.

Lyle was the son of David Jonathan Ewing, born April 7, 1850, in Shelbyville, Illinois, and died August 12, 1943, in Lincoln, Nebraska. David Jonathan had four other children: Pearl, Fay Wilson, Vern David and Charles Q.

David Jonathan was the son of David Ewing, born May 21, 1816, in or near Lancaster, Ohio, and died March 14, 1885, in Shelbyville, Illinois.

Based on considerable circumstantial evidence, it seems very likely that David was the son of Thomas Ewing, born 1782 in West Pennsboro, Pennsylvania. Such a son, David born circa 1816, is mentioned without further information on page 357 of Margaret Ewing Fife's *Ewings in Early America*.¹ That would link my line with that of William Ewing (c1709-c1770).

David Ewing had eight other children, of whom the following five grew to adulthood: Thomas, Martha, Rebecca Lucretia, Margaret Jane, and Edward Payson.

David's EMail address is *Dewing62 at gmail dot com*.

¹ Fife, Margaret Ewing (ed. James R. McMichael). *Ewing in Early America*, Family History Publishers, Bountiful, Utah, 84101. Available from *www.HigginsonBooks.com* and online at *www.ClanEwing.org*.

Eddie Lee Ewing of Sioux Falls, South Dakota. Eddie writes:

I and my wife Toni J. are full-time RVers. We retired out of Omaha, Nebraska, four years ago and have been on the road ever since. We enjoy traveling around, doing research, meeting cousins, visiting graveyards and studying history. We have spent the last four years in the west and mid-west. After next winter we plan to spend the next couple of years traveling in the east and the Atlantic states.

I retired from the Air Force and my wife retired as a customer service manager at a call center. Besides genealogical research, we enjoy country western couples dancing and meeting new folks.

We 'workamp' wherever we go. That means we work a few hours a week as volunteers. We currently volunteer for the Corps of Engineers near Des Moines, Iowa. We have been canoe guides on the Rio Grande and Camp Hosts in Oklahoma.

We try to spend the winter in the south and the summers near our children who mostly reside in Nebraska. We have seven children and seventeen grandchildren.

As probably with most every researcher, we keep in EMail contact with many cousins throughout the country. I have worked on genealogy on and off for the past thirty years but have only gotten very serious about it in the last four years.

I was born in California and my sweetheart was born in Oklahoma.

I am a new Ewing Surname Y-DNA Project participant (EL) and am closely aligned with the McLaughlins in Donegal, Ireland. I am stuck in Kentucky to South Carolina in 1700 to 1783. With a clue to Donegal, maybe I can work back to the America.

My earliest known Ewing is Robert born about 1740, probably Ireland, and died in Mason County, Kentucky.

Eddie may be EMailled at *GoodWaterGirl at aol dot com*.

Terry L. Holden of Sherman, Texas. Terry is participant TL in the Ewing Surname Y-DNA Project. He and wife Carol just started researching their Ewing heritage in the past year.

My branch of the Ewing family is from the Dayton, Ohio, area and southwestern Ohio. I am having difficulty getting documentation past my grandparents and have found the following regarding my Ewing heritage:

My mother, June Louise Ewing, was born January 9, 1921, in Dayton, Montgomery County, Ohio, and married Robert Ray Burger on April 24, 1942, in Dayton, and Jonnie Richard Holden on September 3, 1955, in Truth or Consequences, New Mexico. She died June 12, 2003 in Truth or Consequences, New Mexico.

My grandfather, Dean Elwood Ewing, was born April 20, 1892, in Chillicothe, Ohio. He married Daisy D. Riley in Ohio about 1915. He died March 19, 1952, in Truth or Consequences, New Mexico.

My great-grandfather is believed to be James W. Ewing, born May 1851 in Wood, Virginia. He married Harriet Seeling on October 29, 1871 at Chillicothe, Ohio. Harriet was born in October 1853 in Ohio.

Terry may be contacted at *HoldenT at hotmail dot com*.

Mary Moore Turner of Little Rock, Arizona. Mary is married to Ervil Turner. Her Ewing heritage is:

parents	Marline Ninger m. Max Moore
grandparents	Lloyd Ewing Moore m. Zella Level
great-grandparents	Patrick Ewing Moore m. Elizabeth Wright
great ² -grandparents	William Nogh Moore m. Margaret Ewing
great ³ -grandparents	Patrick Ewing m. Nancy Darst
great ⁴ -grandparents	Joshua Ewing m. Rachel Craig
great ⁵ -grandparents	Patrick Ewing m. Jane Porter
great ⁶ -grandparents	Joshua Ewing m. Jane Patton
great ⁷ -grandparents	William Ewing m. _?_

Mary may be reached at *Mturner1975 at comcast dot net*.

Susan Ewing Wolfe of McCoy, Texas. Susan and her husband Buddy Wolfe write:

Thanks for the invitation to add a note or two. I am thrilled to be part of *Clan Ewing in America*, and hope it opens some doors for me. I have extensive research, over 1,300 pages of verified legal documentation, etc. on my branch of Ewings. I am just stuck as to which branch we tie into in America, and then of course would like to go backwards as well to Scotland.

I have been doing research, with concrete information for more than thirty years now. The main lineage I am concerned with is that of David Ewing born September 29, 1772. He first shows up in Fayette County, Pennsylvania, in 1798, and he married a Ruth Brown of Brownsville, Pennsylvania. His entire history is found in the Addenda Page in *Clan Ewing in Scotland* by E.W.R. Ewing,² and I have been fortunate enough to prove beyond any doubt each and every member listed on that page. I have tombstone pictures, wills, Church and Bible records, and other data concerning the family.

I have also been fortunate enough to have extensive lineage on the Campbell family; Jane Campbell married David's son, Alexander Ewing. They are all buried in Knoxville, Illinois, with Church records, and tombstone pictures for proof. I will share material with anyone who is interested in this lineage. E.W.R. Ewing's book indicates that this branch of the Ewing family is related to the Hon. Thomas Ewing and others. I have hit a stumbling block in proving the connection to a branch in America, although I have come forward with nine generations of Ewings stemming from David, and many of their offspring.

If anyone has information that can help me, I would greatly appreciate it. I am pleased to be a part of the *Clan Ewing in America* and hope this leads to new trails for my research. I will answer EMail queries and send the information I have as promptly as I am able.

Susan may be emailed at *RanchLady at hughes dot net*.

² Ewing, Elbert William R. *Clan Ewing of Scotland*, Corben Publishing Co., Ballston, Virginia, 1922. Available for purchase from www.HigginsonBooks.com and online at www.ClanEwing.org/books/EwingEWR/index_ewr.htm.

Web Site News

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Many additions have been made to the *Clan Ewing* web site in the past three months.

- The Reading Room's book list³ has been expanded to include books that various researchers have found to be valuable but which are not posted on the *Clan Ewing* web site. This includes books held in the *Clan Ewing* Archives. The expanded book list includes information about the availability of the books. This includes links to other sites providing online access, sites from which electronic versions of the books may be downloaded, and re-seller sites offering printed copies for a fee.
- Transcriptions of four Ewing-related books have been added to the web site:
 - Joseph Lyons Ewing's *Sketches of the Families of Thomas Ewing and Mary Maskell, William Ewing and Eleanor Thompson, James Ewing and Eleanor Rhea and their Descendants ...*, 1910. (Transcribed by Patricia E. Hammond.)
 - Elbert William Robinson (E. W. R.) Ewing's *Clan Ewing of Scotland*, 1922. (Transcribed by Patricia E. Hammond.)
 - *George D. Ewing Memoirs*, 1922. This is a narrative discussion of George D. Ewing's paternal and maternal ancestors. A partial transcription, by Evelyn Ewing Glass, was previously published in Volume 3 (1997) of the *Journal*. (This newer, complete transcription has been provided by Alan C. Ewing.)
 - John M. Barnett, John C. Meloy and Ebenezer Finley's *History of the Presbytery of Redstone*, 1889. This is a partial transcription which includes Ewing-related pages appearing in the book. (Transcribed by Virginia Ewing Okie. She has loaned her original, printed copy of the book to the LDS library for scanning and posting.)
- 2008 Gathering background reports, Ewing Surname Y-DNA Project articles and Southwest Pennsylvania Project articles which appeared in the May 2008 *Journal* issue have been added to the relevant sections of the web site.
- An index of the documents and research reports held in the *Clan Ewing* Archives has been posted at www.ClanEwing.org/index_Archive.html.
- Information about Ewing-related merchandise (coffee cups, tote bags, shirts, etc.) has been posted at www.ClanEwing.org/documents/Document_Merchandise.html.
- The *Clan Ewing in America* bylaws have been posted at www.ClanEwing.org/documents/BYLAWS.pdf.
- Several changes have been made to the Ewing Surname Y-DNA Project's material.
 - The project's results have been updated several times, first to reflect the discussion in the project's Article 14 appearing in the May issue of the *Journal* and most recently (July 24, 2008) to bring the project's material up to date.
 - A *Results Directory* has been added to provide a navigation palette by which viewers may easily navigate among and view the project web site's pages.

³ www.ClanEwing.org/Project_RRoom_Books.html#redstone

2008 Clan Ewing Membership Meeting

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Like all gatherings of *Clan Ewing*, ***Echoes of the Shenandoah*** is intended primarily for fellowship and fun, but another important purpose of the gatherings is to conduct the business of *Clan Ewing*. *Clan Ewing in America, Inc.* is a non-profit corporation, incorporated under the laws of Pennsylvania. As such it is governed by a set of bylaws, a copy of which has been posted on the web site at www.ClanEwing.org/documents/BYLAWS.pdf. The Bylaws provide that certain business of *Clan Ewing* be conducted at each gathering. This article outlines some business that we will be tending to at ***Echoes of the Shenandoah*** at the General Membership Meeting, to be held on Saturday, September 20, 2008, at 7:30 pm.

Election of Officers

Sections 4.2 and 6.2 of the Bylaws of *Clan Ewing* provide that at each gathering the members of *Clan Ewing* elect a Chancellor and a Board of Directors, and that the Board of Directors elect a Chairman, Secretary and Treasurer. The Secretary and Treasurer need not be directors, though they can be. The Chancellor and immediate-past Chancellor are *ex officio* members of the Board of Directors. At the 2006 gathering the following Board of Directors was constituted:

- David Neal Ewing, Chancellor
- George William Ewing, Past Chancellor
- James Gilbert Ewing
- Joseph Neff Ewing, Jr.
- Mary Ewing Gosline
- Robert Hunter Johnson
- James R. McMichael
- William Ewing Riddle
- Jill Ewing Spitler
- Beth Ewing Tosco

At their first meeting at the 2006 gathering, this Board elected Mary Ewing Gosline as Chairman, though after some discussion we determined that it would be more appropriate to refer to this office by the gender-neutral term 'Chair.' Eleanor Ewing Swineford and Robert Hunter Johnson were re-elected as Secretary and Treasurer, respectively. In February 2008, Jim Gilbert resigned from the Board because of illness in his family, and the Board elected Eleanor Ewing Swineford to serve out his term as Director. Bob Johnson has recently told us that he will not stand for re-election as Treasurer. Jane Ewing Weippert has volunteered to accept this crucial post, though she must be formally elected by the new Board at the gathering.

A nominating committee consisting of Hazel Daro (*Clan Ewing* Member # 149),⁴ J. David Ewing (*Clan Ewing* Member # 248)⁵ and Dave Purtill (*Clan Ewing* Member # 854)⁶ has been appointed to identify candidates for Chancellor and Director. If I should be re-elected as Chancellor, George and I will both continue on the Board. If not, I will continue on the Board as immediately past Chancellor. This means we will elect a new Chancellor and eight Directors at the General Membership Meeting at the gathering. The new Board will elect officers at its first meeting, on Sunday morning, September 21. The terms of office run from one gathering to the next, but in many cases directors and officers have been re-elected

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⁵ J. David Ewing, P.O. Box 16282, Tampa, Florida. [JDEFFloridaLLC at yahoo dot com](mailto:JDEFFloridaLLC@yahoo.com)

⁶ David A. Purtill, 225 Tara Drive, Banner Elk, North Carolina 28604. [MountainDave at skybest dot com](mailto:MountainDave@skybest.com)

and have served several terms. Anyone who wants to serve as a director or officer, or knows of someone who would like to do so, should contact Hazel or another member of the nominating committee as soon as possible and no later than Saturday morning, September 20th at the gathering.

Subject to Board approval, the Chancellor appoints a number of Activity Coordinators, including the Genealogist, Membership Coordinator, Archivist, *Journal* Editor, Web Master, and Merchandise Coordinator. The Chancellor also assigns committee memberships and appoints committee chairs, as, for example, the EGD committee, the EONS committee and so on. The last named committee has no chair or members so far and we are looking for volunteers. The Board can also create a new position or committee if there is a good idea and some enthusiasm for one. We welcome enthusiastic new folks into leadership positions. Activity coordinators and committee members can be appointed at any time, but the gathering would be a good time to discuss them. Please let me know if you would like to serve or know of someone else who would like to serve *Clan Ewing* in any capacity.

Amendments to the Bylaws

Rev. Ellsworth Samuel Ewing originally conceived of *Clan Ewing* as an organization for the descendants of twelve Ewing immigrants to America, who he thought were all descended from one William Ewing of Stirling in Scotland. Conventional genealogy and the Ewing Surname Y-DNA project have established that Ellsworth was mistaken in his belief that all of these families are biologically related, and we have also learned of many more Ewing lines. By the time the Bylaws were written, criteria for membership were expanded to include anyone descended from a Ewing or married to a Ewing. Many of us believe that it best serves the purposes of *Clan Ewing* to welcome all Ewings everywhere to join with us in furthering the purposes of *Clan Ewing*. At the gathering in September 2006 an amendment to the Bylaws opening membership to anyone who supports the purposes of *Clan Ewing* was approved by the members.

The Board has now adopted another amendment designed to make *Clan Ewing* more inclusive by changing Article I of the Bylaws as shown below, where the double-underlined language has been added and the language crossed out has been removed:

ARTICLE I

NAME AND PURPOSE

Section 1.1 Name. The name of this organization shall be **Clan Ewing in America**, hereinafter referred to as the **Clan**.

Section 1.2 Purpose. The purpose of the **Clan** shall be:

- (i) To foster interest in the Ewing Family and a spirit of fellowship among the members of the **Clan**;
- (ii) To promote gatherings of the **Clan**;
- (iii) To encourage genealogical research and share the finds with others;
- (iv) To collect and preserve historical and genealogical records of ~~the ancestors and descendants of immigrants to America who bore the surname of Ewing~~ Ewing families around the world; and
- (v) To publish a family newsletter or journal periodically with information that is of a biographical, genealogical and historical nature.

The Board has also approved some changes in Articles III and IV to allow for Board meetings by Email. Email meetings may already be permitted by the existing Bylaws in Sections 4.10 and 4.11, but it was thought best to spell this out explicitly. Finally, the Board has approved a few minor corrections here and there, including replacing 'Chairman' with 'Chair' throughout so as to make the term gender neutral, and removing a couple of references to 'annual meetings,' because in fact we ordinarily have biennial meetings. Again, the double-underlined language has been added and the language crossed out has been removed:

ARTICLE III
MEMBERS

Section 3.1 unchanged.

Section 3.2 Admission to Membership. Each person qualified under Section 3.1 hereof who keeps a currently valid postal or Email ~~mailing~~ address on file with the Secretary shall be a member.

ARTICLE IV
DIRECTORS

Sections 4.1 – 4.4 unchanged.

Section 4.5 Meetings. The Board of Directors may hold meetings both regular and special, either within or without the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. ~~At each regular annual meeting, the Board of Directors shall organize itself and elect the officers of the Clan for the ensuing year and may transact any other business.~~ Electronic meetings shall be equivalent to face to face meetings in every respect.

Section 4.6 First Meeting. The first meeting of each newly-elected Board of Directors shall be held immediately following the meeting of the members at which such Directors are elected and no notice of such meeting shall be necessary, or the meeting may be held at such time and place as shall be specified in a notice given as hereinafter provided for special meetings of the Board of Directors, or as shall be specified in a written waiver signed by all of the Directors. At its first meeting, the newly-elected Board of Directors shall organize itself and elect a Chair, Secretary and Treasurer, as specified in Section 6.2 of these Bylaws.

Sections 4.6 – 4.9 unchanged.

Section 4.10 ~~Conference Telephone~~. ~~One or more Directors may participate in a meeting of the Board of Directors, or a committee thereof, by means of conference telephone or similar communications equipment by means of which all persons participating in the meeting can hear each other.~~ Electronic Meetings. Directors may participate in meetings of the Board electronically by any means that allows all of the Directors to hear or read all contributions to the discussion from each of the other Directors. Electronic means include but are not limited to conference telephone calls or means of electronic collaboration, for example, Email and instant messaging.

Section 4.11 Informal Action. Any action which may be taken at a meeting of the Directors or the members of any committee of the Board may be taken without a meeting if a consent or consents in writing setting forth the action so taken shall be signed by all a majority of the

Directors or the members of the committee, as the case may be, and shall be filed with the Secretary of the **Clan**.

ARTICLE V
COMMITTEES

Section 5.1 unchanged.

Section 5.2 Committee Members. Except as otherwise provided in these Bylaws or in the resolution creating ~~the a~~ committee, all committee members and the chairman chair of each committee shall be ~~designated~~ appointed and removed by the Chancellor ~~with the approval of the Board~~. The Chancellor may, ~~with the approval of the Board~~, designate one or more alternate members of any committee, who may replace any absent or disqualified member at any meeting of the committee. The Chancellor shall be an *ex officio* member of all committees, with vote. All actions of the Chancellor with respect to committee membership shall be subject to Board approval.

Section 5.3 Terms. Members of committees shall serve at the discretion of the Chancellor or for one year terms or for such terms as are set forth in the resolutions establishing the committee. Vacancies in any committee shall be filled by the Chancellor and reported to the Board at its next regular meeting.

Section 5.4 unchanged.

ARTICLE VI
OFFICERS AND AGENTS

Section 6.1 Titles. The officers of the **Clan** shall be a President (to be known as the "Chancellor"), a Chairman Chair of the Board of Directors, a Secretary, and a Treasurer...[remainder of Section 6.1 is unchanged.]

Section 6.2 Election of Officers. The members at each Family Gathering shall elect the Chancellor and Board of Directors. The newly-elected Directors, ~~at each annual meeting~~, shall elect the Chairman Chair of the Board of Directors, a Secretary, and a Treasurer at their first meeting. The Secretary and Treasurer may, but need not be Directors. The Secretary and Treasurer will be included in all meetings and discussions of the Board regardless of whether they are also Directors, but will vote only if they have been elected as Directors.

Sections 6.3 – 6.4 unchanged.

Section 6.5 Chairman Chair of the Board of Directors. The Chairman Chair of the Board of Directors shall preside at all meetings of the Board of Directors, shall take the place of the Chancellor when the Chancellor is unable to fulfill the duties of that office, and shall undertake such other duties as are assigned to the Chairman Chair by the Chancellor.

Sections 6.6 unchanged.

Section 6.7 Treasurer. The Treasurer shall have the custody of the corporate funds and securities and shall keep full and accurate accounts of all receipts and disbursements in books belonging to the **Clan** and shall deposit all moneys and other valuable effects in the name and to the credit of the **Clan** in such depositories as may be designated by the Board of Directors.

The Treasurer shall disburse the funds of the **Clan** as may be ordered by the Board of Dir the Board of Directors, at its regular meetings, or when the Board of Directors so requests, an account of all the transactions as Treasurer and of the financial condition of the **Clan**. The Treasurer shall attend all meetings of the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE VII FINANCE

[Remove the comma after 'time' in the second line of Section 7.1]

The Bylaws provide that any change approved by the Board is subject to the approval of the general membership, so we will also be voting on these changes at the General Membership Meeting in Winchester.

Future Gatherings

At the 2006 Gathering in Fort Wayne, we decided that it would be a good idea to begin choosing locations for future gatherings four years in advance. We made the decision at that time to have the 2008 Gathering in Winchester, Virginia, and also chose the Pittsburgh/Unionville area of southwestern Pennsylvania as the site for the 2010 Gathering. An organizing committee for the 2010 Gathering has already begun to work on that project and you will be reading more about that soon.

At ***Echoes of the Shenandoah*** in Winchester, we hope to choose a site for the 2012 Gathering. It would be wonderful if we had several proposals to choose from. Anyone who is willing to organize a gathering should contact me or Mary Gosline as soon as possible, and certainly before the gathering this September, so that we can plan on having you present a proposal at the General Membership Meeting. In any case, we will be discussing ideas about what would be good locations for future gatherings, and how gathering location might affect attendance. For example, I will be asking about how a gathering in the West would be received.

Future Directions

We should also think about and discuss future directions for *Clan Ewing* at ***Echoes of the Shenandoah***.

One thing I would like to discuss is why *Clan Ewing* does not have any African-American members, notwithstanding that in the 2000 U.S. Federal Census over 17% of folks named Ewing and nearly 53% of folks named Ewings identified themselves as African-American. I have worried that this might be due in part to the fact we call ourselves 'Clan Ewing,' and for some this evokes the very unsavory memory of a very different sort of 'Klan.' Should we think about renaming *Clan Ewing* as the *Ewing Family Association* or something like that?

Another issue is how we can encourage participation by Ewings in other countries, especially Britain and Ireland. We have begun reaching out to Ewings in other countries, but could calling ourselves *Clan Ewing in America* be discouraging them from joining us? I have had a very preliminary discussion with Thor Ewing in England about an international organization. Should there be a new organization, such as *Clan Ewing International* or something like that, of which *Clan Ewing in America* could be an affiliate? Or should we re-organize *Clan Ewing* so that it could have affiliate chapters in other countries?

I do not personally have any strong feelings as to the specific form wider coordination, cooperation and communication should take, but I do feel strongly that *Clan Ewing* will be enriched if we can cooperate and communicate with Ewings everywhere, regardless of their race or nationality.

Chancellor and Board Member Candidates

Nominating Committee: Hazel Ewing Daro, Chair (+1 907.457.7329, *HDaro at mosquitonet dot com*), J. David Ewing (*JDEFloridaLLC at yahoo dot com*), David A. Purtill (*MountainDave at skybest dot com*)

The *Clan Ewing* Board of Directors consists of up to ten members, including the Chancellor and immediately-Past Chancellor as *ex officio* members. At the General Meeting during the 2008 Gathering, members will be voting for a Chancellor and up to eight Board members.

Listed below are people who have agreed to serve, 2008 to 2010, should they be elected as Chancellor or Board member. Each person has given his or her consent for their name to be on the list. We have a good balance of new members and past members to present to the membership. We are very fortunate to have so many to agree to serve on the Board, if elected.

- Chancellor
 - David Neal Ewing
- Board of Directors
 - Karen Avery
 - George W. Ewing
 - James E. Ewing
 - Joseph Neff Ewing, Jr.
 - James R. McMichael
 - David A. Purtill
 - William Ewing Riddle
 - Eleanor Ewing Swineford
 - Beth Ewing Toscos
 - Jane Ewing Weippert

We have not heard back from everyone who was recommended to the Nominating Committee. Further, others may be nominated from the floor during the General Meeting. So the final lists to be considered at the General Meeting may identify other persons willing to serve.

Note that should David Neal Ewing be elected Chancellor, then he and George W. Ewing will automatically be *ex officio* members of the Board of Directors as Chancellor and immediately-Past Chancellor, respectively. If, however, David Neal Ewing is not elected Chancellor, then he will automatically be an *ex officio* member of the Board as the immediately-Past Chancellor and George W. Ewing will be a candidate for election.

Information Available and Sought

Ewing Family Cemetery, Stephens City, Virginia

The Ewing Family Cemetery Association would like to honor the Ewing ancestors buried in the Ewing Family Cemetery, Stephens City, Virginia, and their descendants, at the 2008 Gathering, ***Echoes of the Shenandoah***. If you are a descendant of William Ewing who was born circa 1711, married Elizabeth Tharp, and died in 1781, or of Samuel Ewing who was born circa 1718, married Margaret McMichael, and died in 1798, please communicate with Jim and Evelyn Ewing. They may be contacted at 115 Walnut Circle, Emporia, Virginia 23847, +1 434.634.9227, +1 434.594.4199 or *JimAndEvelyn at telpage dot net*.

Ewing Surname Y-DNA Project Participants

Tammy Mitchell (*info at DowntownInteractive dot com*) is seeking help in supporting the Y-DNA testing of a male in her Canadian Ewing family that she feels is possibly related to participant JM2 in the Ewing Surname Y-DNA Project. Jane Gilbert (*hokiejane at yahoo dot com*) has a standing offer to pay for Y-DNA testing of men who can satisfy her that they are descended from James Ewing of Inch through his son John born 1698/99. William E. Riddle (*Riddle at WmERiddle dot com*) is similarly willing to support the Y-DNA testing of descendants of James of Inch's grandson Squire James (a son of Alexander) who married Mary McKown.

China's Secret Mummies

As part of its *Explorer Series*, National Geographic Channel has a show, *China's Secret Mummies*, described as follows: "In a remote Chinese desert, archaeologists have unearthed mummies that are thousands of years old and completely misplaced in this part of the world. These mysterious mummies look European; some [had] blond hair, stood more than six feet tall, and wore tartan plaids. Where did they come from? Dr. Spencer Wells, National Geographic explorer-in-residence and Genographic Project director, and Dr. Li Jin, director of Genographic's East Asian regional center, attempt to tease apart the complex genetic identity of these unusually well-preserved mummies." Information about the airings of this show may be found at <http://channel.nationalgeographic.com/episode/china-s-secret-mummies-3094/Overview>. This web page also provides a short video clip.

Southwestern Pennsylvania Gormleys and Pierces

I would be grateful for some advice and direction from people knowledgeable about North Fayette County, Pennsylvania. I have a newspaper article dated November 7, 1955, and titled *200 Year Old Hotel Becomes Hospital*. The article provides a history that says this property was first owned by Michael Gormley, who staked out 2,100 acres and received a grant from William Penn sometime before 1747 (Gormley was killed by Indians in 1747).

Gormley people are said to have sold the property in 1749 to Andrew Pierce, who built the house in 1752 as a stagecoach stop. The article states the property is on Route 30 in Imperial, Pennsylvania, but then further along talks about a tunnel under the old Oakwood Road, now the Oakdale Road (from the house to the barn). It also states the stage stop was used for sixty-eight years, then Andrew Pierce Jr. became a doctor and made a cancer and TB hospital of twenty rooms. The current owner, Jack Hanna,

bought the house and sixty-nine acres in 1930, it appears to have been called the Glen Gormley Hotel and maybe run as a bread and breakfast.

Here is my dilemma. I am a descendant of Andrew Pierce. However, my oldest Andrew Pierce was born in 1743, so I find it unlikely he bought real estate when he was six years old. Also, this Andrew Pierce was known to have purchased real estate in 1786 (a much better timeframe) in Forward Township, a fair distance away. Another Andrew Pierce, born 1809 and the grandson of the first Andrew Pierce, is known to have purchased four acres of real estate in 1838 (acquired through Warrant from the state) in then Fayette Township and is shown in that same area in the 1840 to 1880 Census, always listing his occupation as a farmer. Neither of these Andrew's were known to be doctors, although the second Andrew Pierce had a brother Amos, born 1796, who is claimed to have been a Cancer Doctor. This Amos had a grandson, Amos, born 1852, who was also a Doctor. However, again, the Census records find the two Amos Pierce's in Elizabeth and West Elizabeth through 1910. From the *Warrantee Atlas of North Fayette County*, the properties around the Pierce land were all dated around 1785, none of them showing the name Gormley. The only Gormley land grant I find is in 1849 in Scott Township. If this is the same Pierce property, Andrew or someone along the line added to it to get to sixty-nine acres. Andrew Pierce was born in 1809 and died in 1888. Maybe that is when it became the hospital. Census records do not show Pierces living in the area after that (or at least as far as I can tell, the spellings changed so much Ancestry has a hard time catching them and I have not gone, page-by-page, through the 1900 to 1930 censuses.)

Using Mapquest (www.mapquest.com), I find what is called Oakdale Road and will agree that it intersects with Route 30. However, I can not figure out if it is in Imperial or North Fayette (looks to me like North Fayette, and looks pretty close to the 1876 Map I find that shows Andrew Pierce in North Fayette). So, my questions: Does anyone have information on the Glen Gormley Hotel? Was it in North Fayette or Imperial? Does anyone know anything about stagecoach stops in the area or where I could find details? Does anyone know anything about a Cancer Hospital in the area? The article talks about a room on the third floor that housed convicts (I think they were traveling by stage) and the tunnel under the road does not seem a necessary thing unless old Uncle Andrew did not want to go outside to milk the cows in the winter.

Thanks so much, in advance, for any insights you can provide. Linda McCalmont ([LMcCalm2001 at yahoo dot com](mailto:LMcCalm2001@yahoo.com)).

Rev. Columbus Ewings and his Niece Debra Ewing

Information about a Rev. Columbus Ewings and his niece Debra Ewing may be found by visiting www.nacdl.org/public.nsf/0/a4a2b4ec580c1b6685256ec20066f794?OpenDocument and searching the page for *Ewing*.

William Ewing (1890-1970)

William Ewing, born in 1890 and died in 1970, served with the Glasgow Police from 1911 to 1950. During his service he rose to the rank of Chief Superintendent C.I.D. in 1944. Information about him may be found at www.ewing.nl/police.htm.

Upcoming Events

2008 September 3-6: Federation of Genealogical Societies (FGS) Conference, *Footprints of Family History*, Pennsylvania Convention Center, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. See www.FGS.org/2008conf/FGS-2008.htm for more information.

2008 September 13: Frederick Bus Trip to Monocacy Site. The Adams County (Pennsylvania) Historical Society will sponsor a September 13, 2008, bus trip to the Monocacy National Battlefield and Visitors' Center. John Lucas, a Society volunteer, will give a tour of the battlefield in our shuttle bus. The afternoon will be spent on a guided tour of the National Museum of Civil War Medicine in Frederick. Reservations can be made on the Society's web site or by calling the Society office at +1 717.334.4723, ext. 201. The deadline for registration, with payment, is Friday, August 29th or when the bus is full.

2008 September 18-21: *Echoes of the Shenandoah*, Tenth Gathering of *Clan Ewing in America*, Winchester, Frederick County, Virginia. See pages 7-16 and the inside back cover of this issue, or visit www.ClanEwing.org, for more information.

2008 October 7: Adams County (Pennsylvania) Historical Society Monthly Meeting. Karin Bohleke, Hidden Adams County Costume Treasures. 7:30 PM, Alumni Auditorium, Valentine Hall, Lutheran Theological Seminary Campus at Gettysburg, 61 Seminary Ridge, Gettysburg, Pennsylvania. (+1 717.334.4723, *info at achs-pa dot org*). Karin will talk about the wonderful examples of fashionable clothing worn by Adams County residents throughout the decades. Among the many notable holdings in the costume collection of the Adams County Historical Society are an 18th century calash, an 1840s silk-satin wedding dress, a boy's shirt burnt by battle debris, exquisite silk bustle gowns, and other impressive items. Hear about how up-to-date Adams Countians actually were and, at the same time learn some guidelines about dating the clothing.

2008 October 18: The Adams County (Pennsylvania) Historical Society will sponsor an all-day bus trip to Philadelphia on Saturday, October 18. The bus will leave the Gettysburg Church of the Brethren, 1710 Biglerville Road (approx. 3 miles north of the square on the left just beyond Sixeas Furniture), at 7:30 AM. The first stop will be the Independence Visitor Center where you will pick up a brochure, map and free timed ticket for guided tours of Independence Hall. Independence Park spans 45 acres and includes twenty buildings that are open to the public: Independence Hall, Liberty Bell Center, Congress Hall, Old City Hall, Second Bank of the United States, New Hall Military Museum, Carpenters' Hall, Franklin Court, Christ Church, Bishop White House, Todd House, Declaration House, City Tavern, Deshler Morris House, Mikveh Israel Cemetery, Philosophical Hall, National Constitution Center, Independence Visitor Center, Free Quaker Meeting House and the Merchants' Exchange Building. The cost for Society members is \$60/non-members \$70. The fee includes transportation and driver gratuity. Reservations can be made on the Society's web site, by mail, or by calling the Society office, +1 717.334.4723, ext. 201.

2008 October 26 - November 2: 4th Annual Genealogy Conference and Cruise, Eastern Caribbean. Sponsored by Wholly Genes, providers of *The Master Genealogist*. Speakers include: Elizabeth Shown Mills, John Grenham, John Tifford, Tony Burroughs, and Megan Smolenyak Smolenyak. For more information see: www.WhollyGenes.com/cruise.htm.

2008 November 12: Adams County (Pennsylvania) Historical Society Annual Dinner Meeting. S. Roger Keller, *Music of the Civil War Era and Their Stories*. 7:30 PM, Alumni Auditorium, Valentine Hall, Lutheran Theological Seminary Campus at Gettysburg, 61 Seminary Ridge, Gettysburg, Pennsylvania. (+1 717.334.4723, info at [achs-pa dot org](http://achs-pa.org)).

2008 November 22: The Adams County (Pennsylvania) Historical Society's annual fall cupola tour will be held Saturday, November 22, 2008. See what Union General John Buford saw on July 1, 1863. Members may register on the web site or via check. Tickets are \$100.00 for members and \$125.00 for non-members of either the Society or the Seminary Ridge Historical Preservation Foundation. Proceeds from the event benefit these two charities.

2008 December 2: Adams County (Pennsylvania) Historical Society Monthly Meeting. Jim Thomas, *History and Tour of Prince of Peace Episcopal Church*. 7:00 PM, Prince of Peace Episcopal Church, Gettysburg, Pennsylvania. (+1 717.334.4723, info at [achs-pa dot org](http://achs-pa.org)).

2008 December 6: Christmas at the White House Tour. Reservations are being taken for the Adams County (Pennsylvania) Historical Society's White House Christmas tour. Unlike all the other tours the Society sponsors, this has many 'conditions.' The schedule for the time for the tour of the White House will not be available until two weeks before the event. Because of Homeland Security and the post-election time frame, the tour could be cancelled even the night before. Register by calling the Society's office at +1 717.334.4723, ext. 201. Deadline to sign up is Friday, November 14th or whenever the coach is full.

2009: An exciting project known as *Homecoming Scotland* is underway in Scotland, which promises to be a year-long celebration of all things Scottish. Coincidentally, 2009 also is the 250th anniversary of the birth of Scotland's beloved bard, Robert Burns, so it is a fitting time. Information about this event may be found at www.HomeComingScotland.com.

2009 May 13-16: 31st National Genealogical Society (NGS) Conference in the States and Family History Fair. Raleigh, North Carolina.

2009 September 2-5: Federation of Genealogical Societies (FGS) Conference, Little Rock, Arkansas. See www.FGS.org for more information.

2010 Fall: Eleventh Gathering of *Clan Ewing in America*, Pittsburgh area, Pennsylvania. See www.ClanEwing.org for more information.



Julie Andrews Turns 69

To commemorate her birthday, actress/vocalist Julie Andrews made a special appearance at Manhattan's Radio City Music Hall for the benefit of the AARP.

One of the musical numbers she performed was *My Favorite Things* from the legendary stage show and movie *Sound Of Music*.

Here are the lyrics she used:

*Maalox and nose drops and needles for knitting,
Walkers and handrails and new dental fittings,
Bundles of magazines tied up in string,
These are a few of my favorite things.*

*Cadillacs and cataracts, and hearing aids and glasses,
Polident and Fixodent and false teeth in glasses,
Pacemakers, golf carts and porches with swings,
These are a few of my favorite things.*

*When the pipes leak, When the bones creak,
When the knees go bad,
I simply remember my favorite things,
And then I don't feel so bad.*

*Hot tea and crumpets and corn pads for bunions,
No spicy hot food or food cooked with onions,
Bathrobes and heating pads and hot meals they bring,
These are a few of my favorite things.*

*Back pains, confused brains and no need for sinnin',
Thin bones and fractures and hair that is thinnin',
And we won't mention our short shrunken frames,
When we remember our favorite things.*

*When the joints ache, When the hips break,
When the eyes grow dim,
Then I remember the great life I've had,
And then I don't feel so bad.*

Contributed by William E. Riddle

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Things to Know Before You Go

Flying to Washington Dulles Airport?

Washington Dulles International is the airport closest to Winchester. In making flight arrangements, please remember that traffic can be very heavy at any time of day for a variety of reasons. Although the distance is roughly fifty-five miles, travel time can often be close to three hours. If you do plan to fly, early morning (for example, 7 AM) flights will require that you leave the hotel very early (for example, 2:30 AM) in order to clear security in time for your flight.

Shopping for the best prices?

If you find a cheaper flight into Reagan National Airport, SuperShuttle shared ride van provides service from Reagan National to Dulles Airport where you can catch the AES Limousine to Winchester. The SuperShuttle cost is about \$25 and the estimated travel time is 45-75 minutes. Remember to make reservations. Another option is Amtrak which stops in Martinsburg, West Virginia once a day.

Need a ride from/to the airport?

Transportation between Dulles Airport and Winchester is available by rental car or AES Limousine Services. If you choose limousine service, please ask for Mike or John at +1 800.832.6561. Reservations may also be made via EMail by contacting *brenda at aeslimo dot com*. Reservations must be made no less than 72 hours prior to date of needed service in order to guarantee availability of car. AES will try to consolidate reservations so as to reduce the per-person charge.

Making Connections!

We've found a terrific location for kibitzing with cousins! In addition to the Reference Room where we can peruse books, research, posters, etc., the Hampton Inn's unique reception area (adjoining the Reference Room) will be a great place to visit during the day or after dinner.

Breakfast? Will biscuits and gravy or waffles and sausages hold you over until lunch?

If not, fill in with fresh fruit, pastries, yogurt, muffins, dry cereal or oatmeal. Wash it down with your choice of coffees, teas, juices and we'll see you on the bus!

Want to bring your own?

That's OK! If you get cranky at night without a glass of milk before bed, you are in luck. Every room has a refrigerator AND a microwave. Great place to park your doggie bag for a midnight snack.

Elevators?

Yes! The Hampton Inn Winchester – North at Berryville Avenue has elevator service!

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Bringing the children?

Jim Barnett Park has paths for hiking and biking, plus a large playground! The location of our Fun Run/Walk on Thursday, it will be the site of the *Apple Harvest Festival* on Saturday and Sunday. In addition, for an interactive, hands-on, learning experience for the entire family check out the Shenandoah Valley Discovery Museum.

Need a handicap accessible room?

A limited number of handicap accessible rooms are available. If you are in need of one, please indicate this when making your reservation with the Hampton Inn Winchester – North at Berryville Avenue.

Free time?

Friday and Saturday mornings will include tours and drive-by overviews. If the knees just won't let you do a lot of walking, come along. There's plenty to see from the comfort of a coach seat. Free time in the afternoons provides opportunities to visit sights on your own, attend talks and discussion groups, check the displays in the Reference Room and relax with friends.

What shoes should I bring?

Fall months are gorgeous in the Shenandoah Valley. While we won't be hiking in the mountains, you will want to bring comfortable walking shoes for the cemetery and tours.

What to wear?

Dress is casual! In September the average temperature range for Winchester is 55° to 77°. Hopefully we'll have warm sunny days, but dress in comfortable layers to be prepared! We do usually spiff up a bit for Saturday evening dinner, but no ties are necessary. Feel free to bring your kilt and keep 'Mountain Dave' Purtill company. If you don't have a kilt, we'll still let you in!



'Mountain Dave' Purtill

Echoes of the Shenandoah

Tenth Gathering of Clan Ewing in America

Winchester, Virginia
September 18-21, 2008



Registration Form

NAME _____ PHONE _____
 ADDRESS _____
 CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____
 E-MAIL _____

Who is your earliest known Ewing ancestor? _____

NAME (as you wish it to appear on your name tag)	FEE		PLEASE CHECK AS APPROPRIATE								
	Adult	Child Under 12	Interested in the "Fun Run/Walk" on Thursday.			Friday Dinner Choice:			Saturday Dinner Choice:		
			↓	Chicken	Vegetarian	Salmon	Pork	Tortellini			
Total Enclosed											

PAYMENT: Please make your check payable to *Clan Ewing* and mail it with a completed registration form to:
 James E. Ewing Jr., Registration Chair
 115 Walnut Circle, Emporia, Virginia 23847

SPECIAL NEEDS OR DIETARY RESTRICTIONS: _____

Gathering Registration, Hotel and Travel Information

Gathering Registration

Registration Fee:

- **Early Bird:** Before July 15, 2008, the fee is \$190 per adult and \$90 per child under the age of 12.
- **Normal:** From July 15 to September 6, 2008, the fee is \$210.00 per adult and \$100.00 per child under the age of 12.

Cancellation Policy:

- Full refunds will be made for cancellations phoned or received on or before August 31, 2008.
- Full refunds minus a \$50.00 per person processing fee will be made for cancellations phoned or received between September 1 and 11, 2008.
- No refunds will be made for cancellations phoned or received on or after September 12, 2008.

Hotel Reservations

NOTE! Hotel accommodations are not included in the gathering's registration fee.

Room Rates: We have reserved a block of rooms at a discounted rate at the Hampton Inn Winchester – North on Berryville Avenue for the nights of September 18-20, 2008. The reduced rate for a single or double room is \$70 plus tax with no additional charge for children under age 18. Additional adults are \$10 per adult per night. This rate is available on a first-come-first-served basis.

Making Your Reservation: To make your lodging reservation, please call the hotel directly at +1 540.678.4000 and identify yourself as a member of the *Clan Ewing* group so that you receive the discounted rate. (By making your reservation directly with the hotel, it will be attributed to the gathering and the charges for the gathering's group events will be minimized. Please do not call the Hampton Inn's reservation center (an 800 number) because your reservation will not be counted in the rooms set aside for the gathering.) The reduced rate will be available only until the block is filled or September 11, 2008, whichever comes first. After that date you may be charged the full rate. It is important to make your reservation as soon as possible because there are other events in the Winchester area during the weekend of our gathering.

Travel Considerations

Transportation Between Dulles Airport and Winchester, Virginia: Washington Dulles International (IAD) is the major airport closest to Winchester; the distance is approximately fifty-five miles. Transportation between IAD and Winchester is available by rental car or AES Limousine Services. If you choose limousine service, please call +1 800.832.6561 and ask for Mike or John. Reservations may also be made via EMAIL by contacting *brenda* at *AESLimo dot com*.

For additional and up-to-date information about the gathering, visit www.ClanEwing.org/2008_Gathering/index_Project_Gather_2008.html.

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Tenth Gathering of *Clan Ewing in America*

Hampton Inn Winchester – North at Berryville Avenue
Winchester, Frederick County, Virginia

Gathering at A Glance



Charlie Thorne

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 2008

Morning:

6:00 - 10:00 Breakfast in the Hampton Inn's Lobby
8:00 ... (optional) Fun Run/Walk in Jim Barnett Park
9:00 - 12:00 Reference Room open for Individual and Group Research

Afternoon:

1:00 - 4:00 Reference Room open for Individual and Group Research
2:00 - 5:30 Registration Desk open
4:00 - 5:00 Board Meeting

Evening:

6:00 - 8:00 Buffet Dinner and Welcome
8:00 - 9:30 Dessert Café Sponsored by the Board

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 2008

Morning:

6:00 - 10:00 Breakfast in the Hampton Inn's Lobby
9:00 - 12:30 Bus Tour of Handley Library, Ewing Family Cemetery and Stephens City
12:30 - 1:30 Lunch at Stephens City United Methodist Church

Afternoon:

2:00 - 5:00 Afternoon activities such as visiting with friends, sightseeing, individual and group research in the Reference Room, and attending presentations and discussion groups.

Evening:

6:00 - 8:30 Dinner at the Wayside Inn
Speaker: Michael Foreman
*Winchester and Frederick County
1744-2008, the Agony and the Ecstasy*

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 2008

Morning:

6:00 - 10:00 Breakfast in the Hampton Inn's Lobby
9:00 - 11:30 Bus Tour of Glen Burnie House and Gardens and the Museum of the Shenandoah Valley
11:30 - 12:30 Lunch at the Museum

Afternoon:

1:30 - 5:30 Afternoon activities such as visiting with friends, sightseeing, individual and group research in the Reference Room, and attending presentations and discussion groups.

Evening:

6:30 - 8:00 Banquet: *Clan Ewing's* Twentieth Birthday Celebration and General Meeting
8:00 - 8:45 Skyline Country Cloggers

Afternoon Presentations will include:

- David Ewing: *Update on the Y-DNA Project*
- William Riddle: *James Ewing of Inch*
- Walter Ewing: *Ewing Civil War Letters*
- Trish Ridgeway: *The Civil War in the Shenandoah Valley*

Afternoon Discussion Groups will be dynamically arranged, onsite, to match attendee needs and interests.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 2008

Morning:

6:00 - 10:00 Breakfast and Farewells in the Hampton Inn's Lobby

Have a Safe Trip Home!

Clan Ewing in America fosters interest in the Ewing family; promotes gatherings of its members; publishes a journal with biographical, genealogical and historical information; encourages identifying the relationships among Ewing families; and encourages genealogical research and the sharing of results.

Membership is open to all persons with the surname of Ewing or who are descended from anyone with that surname; to anyone who is, or has been, the spouse of such a person; and to anyone who otherwise supports the organization's purposes. To join, send a membership form to *Clan Ewing in America*, 17721 RD 123, Cecil, Ohio 45821. Forms are available at www.ClanEwing.org. Annual dues are \$25.00. Membership includes the quarterly *Journal of Clan Ewing*.

Publication of the ***Journal of Clan Ewing*** began in 1994. The first two issues were published in August and November 1994. They were not designated with a Volume and Number. The February 1995 issue was designated as Vol. 1, No. 3, as it was the third issue of the *Journal*.

The *Journal* is currently published quarterly in February, May, August and November.

We welcome contributions to the *Journal of Clan Ewing* from *Clan Ewing* members and others. Electronic copy is preferred and should be sent to the Editor (*Riddle at WmERiddle dot com*). Hardcopy submissions should be sent to William E. Riddle, 223 N. Guadalupe #313, Santa Fe, New Mexico, 87501. If you would like to discuss a potential submission, please call William E. Riddle at +1 505.988.1092.



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