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From the Editor

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In mid-August, I suffered a serious, life-threatening, medical 'episode'. The good news: I beat the very slim – less than 10% – odds that I would survive. The bad news: With a month's stay in the hospital followed by a month's rehab followed by another week-and-a-half hospital stay for a minor procedure followed by another three-week hospital stay for a second major procedure followed by a five-week home-health-care period, getting out the August and November issues of the *Journal* was impacted in the extreme. In addition, I decided, for safety and to increase my quality-of-life, to move from living alone in my home to living at a senior-citizen facility here in Santa Fe. If all goes as expected, my move will be accomplished by mid-January. Tote that all up, and I've 'lost' five months and aged about a decade in a mere half-year.

To cope with all of this with respect to the *Journal*, the August and November issues have been combined into a joint issue – Vol. 16, No. 3/4 (August/November 2010). It contains several articles and the usual mix of news about the *Association*, its membership, and queries about a variety of Ewings. It doesn't contain a report on the September gathering or information about new members who have joined since mid-August or passed away since mid-August. These will be treated in the first issue of Vol. 17, due out in February 2011.

Wm E. Riddle

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The Netherlands, cheerfully greeted and ushered us to our romantic room which looked as if it were staged for a Jane Austen movie. She managed everything, from registering us, serving our drinks, waiting our table, and even preparing our food, I think. I once saw her with brass polish and cloth in hand.

In the late afternoon on our first day, we met Margaret Sutherland, a local resident who knows everything about the 500-year old parish church next to the inn. With her were Sinclair, her husband, and Colin McCullum, an Irishman and a genealogist, whose ancestors also came from the Kilfinan area here in the County of Argyll. Margaret and Sinclair live nearby in Tighnabruaich. This couple spearheaded a drive

to restore and maintain the Kilfinan Parish Church. The five of us shared dinner and conversation in the inn's basically unaltered 18th century dining room. The walls were covered with forest green felt and nearly filled with portraits of stiff aristocrats, dead long ago. Jane and I were served the area's famous Loch Fyne salmon. Fish from this loch is much sought after, and an upscale restaurant chain that



Kilfinan Parish Church, adjacent to the hotel.

specializes in sea food, especially salmon, is named Loch Fyne. Yes, my Scotch cocktail was predictably smooth. We five talked about our family histories, Loch Fyne, Kilfinan, and the Kilfinan Parish Church. Margaret told us that at least one MacEwen was buried there. At first, because of the fragility and decay of the tombstones, she replied "No rubbing is allowed" to our request to make a rubbing of an ancestor's tombstone. After dinner, though, she reconsidered with, "It's your tombstone. Rub it if you wish." So we did.



Ann MacEwen's gravestone.

On Wednesday morning, after an English breakfast modified with frighteningly large duck eggs, we phoned Margaret to confirm that her final statement of the night before still held, and we were reassured that it did. Margaret, however, declined our offer to accompany us on the rubbing expedition. Jane and I entered the adjacent church, whose roots go back to the 12th century, and were impressed by the extent and good taste of the restoration. The interior was responsibly refurbished in detail as well as in scope. In the vestibule we found the binder that Margaret had prepared of the alphabetical listing



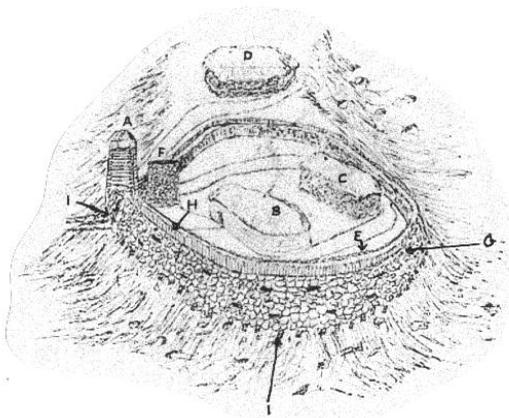
Wally rubbing Ann's tombstone.

of nearby graves. One MacEwen was on the list and a corresponding diagram identified the location of that burial site. In the churchyard (to us, cemetery) we stepped reverently amid the dreary and lonely tombstones, overgrown with brambles and ivy, to the appointed dwelling-place. We located Ann McEwen's tombstone, undoubtedly a distant cousin. Mindful to not disturb the lichen and moss-clad crumbling stone, we taped a length of rice paper over the lettering and began to rub with our heel ball, a globe of hard wax. Our efforts resulted in a good impression of the inscription, which read, "Erected by Donald Martin, Farmer, Park, in memory of his wife Ann McEwen, who departed this life on the 3rd May, 1851, aged 60 years." Later research revealed that Ann and Donald were married in Kilfinan, most likely at the parish church, on April 27, 1815.

Back at the hotel, Maddy offered Wellington boots to Jane and me for our hike to MacEwen castle, situated on a high bluff above Loch Fyne, at least a two-mile trek from the hotel. Two roughly drawn maps, each with a different course, guided Jane and me to the site by directing us around a farmyard, through meadows, and into pastures populated with sheep bleating in protest at the intrusion, and then to the shore of Loch Fyne. We made our way by hoisting ourselves over stiles and hedge-rows, negotiating gates, slogging through brooks deep with muck that nearly sucked our Wellingtons off our feet, and dipping down into and up out of steep ditches, nervously eyeing equally nervous cows as we passed near them, treading over the slimy and slippery boulders that were on the loch shore, and scaling minor cliffs. We arrived at the promontory we had eyed in the distance only to discover that the castle site must be farther on. The trek was not in vain, for we ventured on this obstacle course-of-a-march and finally came upon the cairn that marks the castle's site,

Castle MacEwen

- A Wood tower
- B Turf building
- C Inside stone building
- D Outside stone building
- E Ramparts (undressed stone)
- F Stone tower
- I Gate
- G Inside and out wood reinforcements
- H Wood palisades
- I Stakes to keep walls from sliding down hill



A sketch of Castle MacEwen, as it might have appeared in the 13th century. [Courtesy Kilfinan Hotel.]

high atop another promontory. The castle has been in ruins for centuries. Stones were used as a quarry for those needing them to repair their homes so, ultimately, the castle was dismantled. Despite the castle's despoiled state, I was moved as I stood on ground where my ancestors walked as long ago as 1200. A plaque embedded in the cairn informed us that the memorial was erected in June, 1990 by the Clan MacEwen Society. I recalled the words of British poet William Wordsworth: "While change is inevitable in life, through memory nothing is truly lost and change itself yields its own rich rewards."

Bain's book means more to me now than it did before this trip: "Although it is of ancient origin," Bain wrote, "there are few authentic records of this clan. Skene [19th century Scot historian] quoting the M.S. of 1450 shows that Clan MacEwen . . . existed long before 1450 and that they were known as the MacEwans of Otter. [The village of Otter is a few miles north of Kilfinan.] Rev. Alexander McFarlane, minister of the parish of Kilfinan, writing in 1794, states that 'On a rocky point on the coast of Lochfyne [sic], about a mile below the church of Kilfinan is to be seen the vestige of building called Caisteal mhic Eoghain, or MacEwen's Castle. The MacEwen was the chief of a clan and proprietor of Otter.'

"Eogain no h-Oitrich (Ewen of Otter), who gives his name to the clan, lived at the beginning of the thirteenth century. Gillespie 5th of Otter, flourished about a century later. Swene MacEwan, 9th and last of Otter, granted in 1432, lands of Otter to Duncan Campbell, and resigned the barony of Otter to James I., but it was returned to him with remainder to Celestine, son and heir of Duncan Campbell of Lochow. In 1513 James V. confirmed the barony of Otter to Colin, Earl of Argyll, and thereafter Otter remained in possession of the Campbells.

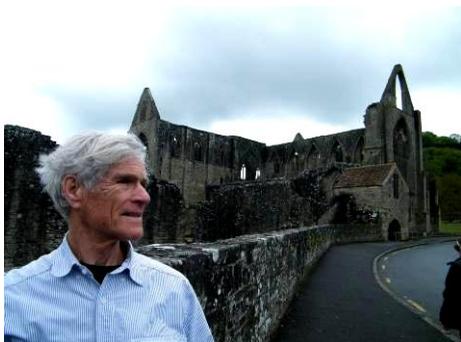
"Without lands the MacEwans became a 'broken' clan and found their way to many districts. A large number settled in Lennox country, others went farther afield to Lochaber, Perth, Skye and the lowlands, including Galloway, but to-day they still form a not inconsiderable clan." [Items in parentheses are part of the original text; my additions are in brackets.]

Our friends in Kidlington gave me a later edition of Bain's book, this one printed in 1976. A comparison of the newer book with the older one revealed only one alteration: the last sentence had been removed, intimating that few if any MacEwen descendants still populate the ancient clan grounds.

We descended the promontory and wondered if we might find a better way back. Jane and I decided to avoid the stony and slippery shoreline and hike the whole distance through forest and meadow. That was not a good decision. This route was even worse than our journey to that illusive cliff. The erratic course we took back to the hotel was even longer and more uncertain. We became lost in the woods and, thus, lost sight of the loch which was our landmark. Feeling completely disoriented, we stood still and listened for the bleating of sheep. They would be in the direction of the farm where we left the road on our way to the castle. We hiked toward their sound, found the meadow, and finally spied a section of our road home, but a barbed wire fence blocked us. I pushed the wire down as low as I could to help Jane over, but nevertheless barbs caught her jeans, which produced a yelp but no rips. We finally alighted on the blacktop road and followed it to the inn, weary wanderers eager to exchange Maddy's Wellingtons for her seared scallops from, of course, Loch Fyne. The next morning we would motor along the same road, this time exchanging the misty lochs of Scotland for the lofty spires of Oxford.

Wallace K. Ewing's grandfather, A. E. Ewing, bequeathed him the family genealogy gene. Some of Wally's earliest memories are of sitting on A. E.'s lap listening to stories of their early Ewing ancestors: Pocahontas James, Swago Bill, and Indian John, among a host of others. A. E. knew how to tell a story and how to make history personal and exciting for even a five-year old. "More than seventy years later," Wally says, "my pulse still quickens when I read or hear about another Ewing, and if that Ewing is remotely related to me, my heart beats even faster." A retired teacher,

Wally has delved deeply into the history of his hometown as well as his family genealogy. He can be reached by eMail at WKEwing at charter dot net.



Another journey took us to Tintern Abbey in Wales.



Jane was thankful for finding the church in Westley Waterless, England, where she once rubbed monumental brasses.

My Elusive Ancestor, David Ewing

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Does he have a first name other than David? We don't know. Does he have a middle name? We don't know. All we can base his name on is the Addenda on pages 5-6 in *Clan Ewing of Scotland* by E. W. R. Ewing.¹ One historian thinks this is an offspring down the line from the Ewings of Craighton simply because of our coat-of-arms. Brian Orr of Scotland sent me a four-page discussion on this possibility. He has several research publications to his name.

David appears on the Naturalized List for Uniontown, Fayette County, Pennsylvania, on 21 May 1798. Immigration and naturalization papers have proven this out. I can find no other mention of a David Ewing in Pennsylvania in any county. He lived in and around the area of Uniontown and Brownsville. Brownsville was founded by his wife's grandfather, Thomas Brown Sr.

The marriage of David Ewing to Ruth Brown can be found documented in a division of land executed by one William Cox of Jefferson County, Ohio. This particular document is dated August 15, 1784. By this time, David Ewing and Ruth Brown were wedded and she must have convinced him to get his Naturalization Papers in order. The *Passenger and Immigration Lists Index, 1500s-1900s* posted on Ancestry.com gives an accounting for David in 1798 in Pennsylvania.² David also shows up in Union Township 1800 Federal Census records.³

In Franklin Ellis' *History of Fayette County Pennsylvania with Biographical Sketches*,⁴ David Ewing appears on page 473 in conjunction with his brother-in-law Neal Gillespie as one of a group of men established to be commissioners —to receive subscriptions to the stock of the company to be formed." This company entailed the formation and laying out of the Monongahela River bridge that was to be erected upon enough funds being secured. I think they dug their heels in and took awhile. The bridge company was not incorporated until March 16, 1830.

Before we turn our attention away from the Pennsylvania area: David appears, also in the just mentioned book, as a member of the first banking institution in Uniontown. The Union Bank of Pennsylvania, which commenced operations in the autumn of 1812, has among its first directors: John Kennedy, Nathaniel Breeding, J. W. Nicholson, Jesse Evans, Joseph Huston, Samuel Trevor and John Campbell (who just might be David's daughter-in-law's father) and others.

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 both www.ClanEwing.org/books/EwingEWR/index_ewr.htm and www.archive.org/stream/clanewingofscotl00ewin/clanewingofscotl00ewin_djvu.txt. The Addenda may be found online at www.clanewing.org/books/EwingEWR/FrontMaterial.htm.

² The source cited in the Index on Ancestry.com is: Morris, Jean S. "Western Pennsylvania Naturalizations." In *Western Pennsylvania Genealogical Society Quarterly Magazine*, vol. 8, No. 1 (August 1981), pp. 6-10.

³ Census of 1800 Pennsylvania, Fayette County, District: Uniontownship, pg 611, Line 9.

⁴ Ellis, Franklin (ed.) *History of Fayette County, Pennsylvania: with biographical sketches of many of its pioneers and prominent men*, L.H. Everts & Co. (Philadelphia), 1882. Available online at: <http://digital.library.pitt.edu/cgi-bin/t/text/text-idx?idno=00aft2784m;view=toc;c=pitttext>

In short ... I have searched, but not much is mentioned about David Ewing in Pennsylvania. He seems to have had a brief residence there, left his mark, and moved on. By the 1830s David Ewing and wife Ruth Brown are gone.

Their first son, Alexander Ewing, was born in 1806. Their second son, George Marshall Ewing, was born in 1818. The *Clan Ewing of Scotland* Addenda states that David went on to have a daughter, Elizabeth, who married William H. Whitton. In fact, as time has proven out, the daughter is named Margaret, not Elizabeth. One must read the Addenda to get the full impact of the story. Every item in the Addenda has been carefully documented and has been proven correct except for the exact parentage of Ewing himself. Further, according to Rev. Catherine Welton, an avid genealogist now retired, and related to me directly through Jane Campbell, the data in the Addenda are correct. They are also thought to be very noteworthy by Brian Orr, the Scottish genealogist.

One very interesting thing about this family is that Ruth Brown had a sister Elizabeth who married a William Cox. This too is stated in the Addenda, and it is the same William Cox who was in charge of the Jefferson County, Ohio, land division mentioned earlier. A James Gillespie married Anne Brown. James Gillespie is thought to be the brother of Neal Gillespie whose daughter, Nellie, who married a Boyle, who in turn were the parents of Marie Boyle who married the Honorable Thomas Ewing. Now, that is a distant relationship at best, but one that cannot be thrown to the wind as it too is mentioned in the Addenda.

My first cousin, William P. Ewing of Kansas, is in the possession of a beautiful long rifle in outstanding condition. We had the rifle appraised and documented beyond any doubt that it was hand crafted in Uniontown, Pennsylvania, by one Peter Smith. Either David or his son Alexander purchased this beautiful rifle before they went west to Illinois.

This rifle was taken by Alexander Ewing (born in Uniontown, Pennsylvania, in 1806) to the California Gold Rush in 1849. He is well documented by historians Mary and Marvin Jensen who published a booklet⁵ in regards to the wagon trains. Alexander and his son (my great-great-grandfather) are found as being in Wagon Ten. I signed a release form so that this my great-great-grandfather's picture could be included as supplemental data.

John Henry Ewing, Alexander's young son, later took this same rifle on his walk to the Colorado Gold Rush in 1859. We have a marvelous transcription of a handwritten diary concerning this great adventure. One day I hope to publish it in conjunction with other photos and documents of the time and the place. The diary is of outstanding detail, with day-by-day and rock-by-rock commentary in some cases.



We find in Knoxville, Illinois, the tombstones of David Ewing and wife Ruth Brown with the following inscriptions: 'David Ewing born Sept. 29, 1772 died Nov. 12, 1847' and 'Ruth Brown born Sept. 17, 1780 died May 29, 1863'. Although I have not been able to find much information on David himself in Knoxville, the son Alexander had a large mercantile store, and John Henry Ewing carried on the trade in Knoxville and down into Kansas. Who set the tombstones in Knoxville? I would dearly love to know. I have a beautiful picture of them. Alexander's tombstone is there also.

⁵ Jensen, Nary and Marvin. (ed. Judith Bedell) *The 1849 Death Valley Pioneers. Where Did They Go? What Did They Do?*, Death Valley '49ers, Inc. (P.O.Box 338, Death Valley, California 92328), 2005

John Henry Ewing and his wife are buried in El Dorado, Kansas. Margaret Ewing and William H. Whitton, mentioned in the Addenda, are buried in Knoxville, Illinois. George Marshall Ewing and his wife, Elizabeth Maria Taylor, are buried in Knoxville, Illinois. George and Elizabeth have families with offspring too numerous to include here. However, one leads to the Phillip-Chase family and ultimately to the very large Evertson Publishing Company of the U.S. That is a story for another day.

I was born Susan Ann Ewing in September of 1945, San Antonio, Texas. I spent my entire life in San Antonio, Texas leaving only to attend Baylor University and finishing at the University of Texas in San Marcos. I married my high-school sweetheart Buddy Lee Wolfe, our senior year in college. We have two fine children that have blessed us with four healthy grandchildren.

I fell in love with genealogy in my mid-twenties when I was helping my husband's aunt's work on the Wolfe side of the family. We did so much research the hard way but managed to document back to the late 1700's on the Wolfe side of the family. From there my interest grew and I finished off my husband's mother's family back into Germany in the 1500's. I then tackled my mother's side of the family which led me back into England in the 1200's. That took up the next fifteen to twenty years to work on her two sides of the family. Unfortunately we never got too far with her paternal side of the family. We only documented back into the late 1700s. I feel fortunate that although I did not have a computer until around 1996, I managed to acquire all of the above data with pencil and paper and stamps! I also met some wonderful people in Libraries that were more than willing to help me find all of the necessary information to contact various sources. Things just kept growing. I have around twelve five-inch notebooks of family history now.

I spent over 20 years teaching Special Education children while also working on genealogy and raising a family. My husband also taught Special Education students in High School for 18 years. This was his second career and he only retired about three years ago.

When health reasons forced me to retire early, I soon found that a computer was a dream come true. I guess you could call me a self-taught computer person and genealogy addict.

My father, John Donald Ewing, died at a very young age of 53. I had no one to talk to about the family as my grandmother Ewing died the following year. My mother inherited the large Ewing Family Bible and inside it I hit the gold mine that everyone dreams of. It gave me the basic information and documentation I needed to start the Ewing lineage. It was handed down to us from my great-grandparents, William Phillip Ewing and Elizabeth DeMary Foutch Ewing.

Both of my great-grandparents were born in Illinois, one in Sangamon County the other in Knoxville, Illinois. I have worked about ten years on the Ewing side of the family and have been fortunate enough to travel to the cemeteries where my ancestors are buried. Our oldest child lives in Illinois so that provided me a base from which to work out of to gather information on this family. Along with seeing my two grandchildren I could take side trips to the cemeteries in Knoxville as well as libraries and churches to acquire other records.

From Illinois my journey took me into Kansas. Here I found some remaining direct descendants from Alexander Ewing, son of David Ewing and Ruth Brown Ewing. My what history they had to share. We have copies of an old handwritten diary that my great-great-grandfather John Henry Ewing wrote while he walked from Knoxville, Illinois to the Colorado Gold Rush in 1859. The family in Kansas provided me with copies of what is called a 'Birthday Diary'. In that Diaries were more documentations of ancestors and their birth dates which happed to correspond with tombstones and other records I had secured.

I feel blessed to have a family that really cared about their history and provided resources from which I could build a Ewing genealogy tree. I am anxious to find out what our Y-DNA testing results will prove. My male cousin who also lives in Kansas accommodated me with this test. When we get the results back hopefully more things will fall into place and more will be documented on this branch of the Ewings.

Ewing Digital Library

This section of the *Journal* provides various genealogical tidbits – obituaries, will abstracts and transcriptions, abstracts and transcriptions of other primary-research documents (deeds, administration papers, guardianship papers, etc.), newspaper articles, etc. The information has been analyzed to varying degrees by its contributors. Some information is presented with no analytic commentary; some has been rather extensively analyzed. Sometimes, the information is annotated with various comments and data. All of the information is intended to help readers in their genealogical research.

James Ewing (1789-1876) Family

Provided by William Lowe (*FlyLowe at gmail dot com*) as an attachment to his membership application form.

LIKE APPLES OF GOLD – NOTES (CONCLUDED)

(CONT. FROM FEB., 1968 ISSUE – Vol. 22, No. 11. p. 162)

JAMES EWING FAMILY: NOTHING IS CURRENTLY KNOWN OF THE PARENTAGE OF JAMES EWING, NOR OF HIS ANCESTRY. MOREOVER, THE FAMILY RECORD NOW BEING PRESENTED NEEDS A FISTING OF QUESTION MARKS, SPRINKLED WITH LIBERALITY. (THE LISTING OF HIS GRANDCHILDREN, FOR EXAMPLE, CAN ONLY BE CONSIDERED AS A PARTIAL LISTING IN VARIOUS INSTANCES.) THE 1850 FEDERAL CENSUS INDICATES THAT HE WAS BORN IN VIRGINIA. A FAMILY BIBLE RECORD STATES THAT HE WAS BORN 2 DECEMBER 1789; DIED, 27 JULY 1786. WHERE HE DIED AND WAS BURIED IS ANOTHER MATTER. A PENSION APPLICATION REVEALS THAT JAMES EWING SERVED 84 DAYS DURING THE WAR OF 1812, HAVING BEEN DRAFTED IN CAPT. JAMES FLAGG'S COMPANY (MARIETTA) AND "WAS IN A FIGHT WITH THE BRITAINS [sic] AND INDIANS ON THE MAUMEE." THIS APPLICATION WAS DATED AT MIDDLEPORT, OHIO, 13 APRIL 1871, AT WHICH TIME EWING GAVE HIS AGE AS 82 YEARS. ALSO, AT THIS TIME, HIS ADDRESS WAS GRAHAM TWP., MASON COUNTY, W. VA. THE 1870 CENSUS FOR MASON CO. DOES NOT CARRY HIS NAME. IT IS LIKELY, HOWEVER, THAT HE DIED AND WAS BURIED IN THAT COUNTY. AGAIN, THE APPLICATION STATES THAT HIS WIFE'S NAME WAS Chandler; THAT THEY WERE MARRIED IN 1861, MONROE CO., OHIO. THIS OBVIOUSLY WAS HIS SECOND OR THIRD WIFE, AND APPARENTLY, ACCORDING TO FAMILY STATEMENTS, THE MOTHER OF HIS THREE YOUNGEST CHILDREN. THE RECORDS DO NOT DISCLOSE ADDITIONAL INFORMATION CONCERNING THIS LATTER WIFE. OF THE FAMILY NAME EARLY SOURCES GIVE ITS EVOLUTION FROM UENS TO EWINS TO EWING. JAMES EWING WAS FIRST MARRIED TO ELIZABETH SUTTON, 2 JANUARY 1812, WASHINGTON CO., O. THE MOTHER OF THIRTEEN CHILDREN, SHE WAS BORN 22 MARCH 1795 IN PENNSYLVANIA, AND DIED, 25 AUGUST 1853. HER TOMBSTONE WAS LOCATED LAST SUMMER, BROKEN OFF AND LYING IN A CORNER OF THE STARLIN CEMETERY, WATERTOWN TWP.

CHILDREN (16):

1. WILLIAMSON: 4 OCT. 1812 -- 16 JUN 1839, SCHOOL TEACHER, APPARENTLY UNMARRIED. 2. JAMES Ewing: 4 OCT. 1814 -- 21 JUNE 1815. 3. RHODA A. : 28 MAR. 1816 -- 8 APR. 1816. 4. ABSOLEM DAVID: 23 FEB. 1817 -- 30 JULY 1898; MAR. 18 NOV. 1841, COMFORT P. SNODGRASS (1813-1894), BOTH BURIED ON THE NORTHERN BOUNDARY LINE OF LIBERTY TWP., E.U.B. CHURCH. CHILDREN: SARAH E. , JAMES B. , NANCY, MARY M. AND POSSIBLY OTHERS. 5. THO^S JEFFERSON: 10 MAY 1819 -- 6 SEPT. 1828. 6. JAMES: 6 APR. 1822 (OR 1818 ?) -- 20 FEB. 1895; MAR. 1ST, 20 SEPT. 1849; LAURA STANLEY OF SALEM TWP. (NO FURTHER DATA, HIS NAME BEING GIVEN AS JAMES UENS, JR., HERE), 2ND MAR. -- JAMES EWINS OF SALEM TWP. TO MISS CAROLINE MORRIS OF WATERTOWN TWP., 2 SEPT. 1854. CHILDREN: (IF THERE WERE ANY BY THE 1ST MAR. THEY ARE UNKNOWN), 1870

CENSUS, UNION TWP. -- HARRIET, 13 [M. 9 JAN. 1889, CARRON N. ELLIS OF WATERTOWN TWP.], P. A. W. F. J. DOUGLAS, 10. [THERE IS NO FURTHER DATA CONCERNING THIS SON. SURELY HIS PARENTS MUST HAVE EXPRESSED THEIR HUMOR IN THE INSTANCE OF NAMING HIM. IN THE 1870 CENSUS THE FOREGOING INITIALS WERE EMBELLISHED BY SOMEONE WHO ADDED THE FULL NAMES AT A SLANT, IN PENCIL: PHILLIP ANDREW WILLIAM FRANCIS JOSEPH DOUGLAS. THIS SON LATER WENT BY THE NAME OF ANDREW. RECENTLY, A COLLATERAL DESCENDANT STATED THE IT WAS THE FATHER'S HABIT TO REEL OFF ALL SIX NAMES WHEN HE WOKE THE LAD IN THE MORNING. IN WINTER THIS EXERCISE NO DOUBT TOOK THE CHILL OUT OF THE ROOMS.] 7. JENNAH: 5 MAR. 1824 -- 10 JULY 1853; MAR. 6 NOV. 1854, MARY ANN MATTHEWS -- GIVING HIS NAME AS JUNIA UENS; SEEMS TO HAVE HAD A SON, JOHN, AND HAD PERHAPS ADDITIONAL CHILDREN. 8. MARQUIS ("MARK") DE LAFAYETTE: 1 JUNE 1826 -- 23 MAR. 1909; M. 26 MAY 1868, ELIZA JANE FORAKER (OF CAPT. RICHARD FORAKER AND CAROLINE E. NEWTON). CHILDREN: ELBRIDGE ("ELMER"), THO^S L. (LIVED SPRINGFIELD. ILL.), CAROLINE ("CARRIE"), ALBERT JAMES (D. NEW ORLEANS), MINNIE MAY (M. EDWARD WILSON LANE), FLORENCE, FRANK L. , FANNIE BELLE. 9. ARCHIBALD SMITH DOANE: 22 MAR. 1828 -- 27 JUNE 1900; MAR. 9 AUG. 1866, CATHERINE AMELIA FAY; D.S.P. 10. ELIZABETH SARAH: 26 NOV. 1830 -- D. DATE ?; M. 28 AUG. 1849, JACOB WHETSTONE. CHILDREN: FLORENCE E. , MARGARET E. , ARCHIBALD S. , SARAH E. , JOHN B. M. 11. JACOB SELEY: 22 SEPT. 1833 -- 115 AUG. 1853. 12. RHODA ANATINE (OR ANALINE ?): 1 JAN. 1836 -- 21 AUG. 1839. 13. THO^S NELSON: 7 AUG. 1838 -- 29 AUG. 1839. 14. THO^S DOUGLAS ("DOUG"), B. 2 FEB. 1863 (NO FURTHER DATA). 15. MARY VIRGINIA ("JINNIE"), B. 26 MAY 1856; MARRIED, BUT NO FURTHER DATA. 16. MARTHA HARRIET ("HATTIE"): 12 JAN. 1867 -- 1931; M. 10 MAY 1888, MARTIN F. WENDLEKEN, JR; HAD ONE SON, BEN S. , OF COLORADO, ???, ???.

A Civil War Letter from John Marion Ewing

Provided by William Myrl Ewing (*Bill.Norma at cox dot net*)

This is an interesting letter my great-grandfather, John Marion Ewing, wrote to his wife, Sarah E. 'Sallie' Strother, during the Civil War when he was stationed near Alexandria, Louisiana. When Texas seceded from the Union he joined the Confederate Army and was mustered into Captain Joseph A. Moore's Company, Precinct 6, Hopkins County, Texas, August 6, 1861, for active service. He was stationed at Camp Caren Crow, Louisiana, during most of his service. I include a portion of the original letter which my father had encapsulated in plastic to protect it but it caused the letter to be pulled apart. I especially enjoyed this letter since I was a foot soldier in the 89th Infantry Division in Germany during WW2.

My father made the original translation. He and my mother spent hours and hours studying the original letter. The William mentioned in the letter was my grandfather. John Marion Ewing and his wife Sallie Strother had ten children. I regret that I do not have a photo of John Marion Ewing.

In addition to this letter, I have my great-grandfather's billfold which is full of tax receipts. A typical receipt shows the taxes paid were the State ad valorem \$.47, County ad valorem \$.23, and a Lunatic tax of \$.14 for a total of \$.84.

[Editor's Note: The following is a transcription of the transcription provided by William Myrl Ewing. All attempts have been made – in both transcriptions – to assure accuracy and note the author's departures from current-day spelling, phrasing and grammar. The text here has been paragraphed whereas the original did not have this paragraphing. This has been done to enhance readability and understandability.]

Camp on Carin Crow Bayou.
Sunday, Nov. 8, 1863.

Dear Sallie,

I received yours of Sept. 23, and one from William of the 24th in the same envelope. Contents hastily read with the happiest feelings this morning, being two months since your date before.

William said he had just received two from me that I wrote near Alexandria. One he said was dated 13th of August should have been Sept, one the 11th I sent by Maj. Throckmorton, 13th by Leut. Ramsey, and I wrote some 8 or 10 since that time.

I wrote one some ten days ago for clothing which you will be certain to get, though I will mention what I want. I gave one pair of pants, 2 shirts, 2 pair socks, pair gloves with thumb and finger knit to them. Pair of boots or shoes No. 9, without fail to be delivered at Lollers Store by the 5th of December.

Now for our fight on the 3rd past on Bayou Buboe. I can't give all the minnieas [sic] first we whipped them and took 960 prisoners, and killed about one hundred from the graves and information by the citizens, we are in persuit [sic] of them. Last night they camped at Vermilean. We are in camp owing to the [sic] most of our Regiment was sent off with the prisoners to Alexandria. Our loss was 146 killed, wounded and missing about twenty killed and some ten taken prisoners, there was some of our Infantry taken as often as three times and before they could get off with them would be retaken. One of our men was taken by a Yankee calveryman [sic] and was going off with him, and one of our men shot his horse down and fell on the Yankees [sic] legs and our man run up and took his pistol from him and took him in.

Know [sic] something about Stones regiment, it is given up that we made one of the daringest [sic] charges or as dangers [sic], lost less and done more good than any on record, we got four wounded, the worse wound was a broken arm. Captain Wilson shot in the heel, we took more Yanks than we had in our Regiment and would have taken more, sending back our men with prisoners reduced our rank and we had to stop the charge, we were on the extreme right. There was two pieces of Artillery [sic] taken and a great many small arms and valuable goods and clothing though I got nothing. As I was sent out with prisoners some got 3 or 4 hundred dollars worth. I am thankful I came out alive for I cant [sic] tell you how it was that we wasn't cut to pieces, for we went under heavy fire of grape shell and minnie balls and it seems like a dream.

You say in your letter that you are afraid that Texas will be over run [sic]. I don't believe that it will be, if they do I think they will have to go on some other route. This is the second attempt that general Franklin has tried Texas, first by way of Sabine Pass, there Magruder met him severely, and then he thought he would try by land, and Rosencrane's defeat in Tennessee and Thorn Green and Magers (?) has set him back again and tis thought that we won't be pestered much this winter with them and at least they wont [sic] get to Texas.

The army here is in fine spirits and generally in good health, there is a great deal of sickness in the Yankee army. They camped 10 days near Appolusus [sic] and they buried 120 men.

I believe that the war will close before this time next year some say by Spring. We got hundreds of letters out of the Yankee camp and one half if not more speak in favor of peace and some say to the shedding of blood. One girl writing to her lover said she wished he had

been a Copper head, that is a peace party, and he would be at home. We have a fine sport of reading letters of the Yankees. I sent you one in my last.

Sallie I want you to write every week at least. I have made an average of that for the last three months.

I want William and you to collect what is due from Morton for the house rent. I told him plainly unless he took care of the fence he couldn't have the house at \$8. If I was there I would make him pay damages. There was no definite time for him to stay. I want the amount collected that he owes and unless he will pay what it is worth or can be rented for to put him out, and if he stays to pay quarterly rent or not let him have it.

I am in good health and hope you and the boys are enjoying the same.

Give my respects to all Wm Levvy and the children and all the others to [sic] numerous to mention. I want to see those three little Johns. Tell Harry if he is at home he might write to me. I write to William next as soon as something turns up.

Now Sallie I want to see you and the boys bad, though when I will I can't say.

J. M. E.

Camp on Uniontown Bayou
 - Sunday Nov 5th 1863

Dear Sallie

the more the more I think of you and the more I think of
 happy feelings this morning being two months since you
 date before this you have had money on loan from me
 that I hope you will send me the same amount of money
 my dear Sallie I have not seen you since you left
 I should have been with you at the little town of
 Stockton 15th by last evening I have not seen you since
 that time I do not see you then days ago for the time which
 you will be better to get that I will mention what I want
 for you as you are four parts shirt & four each pair of
 with shoes & four to them pair Boots or shoes 1 1/2 with
 not feel to be satisfied at the store by this the of
 to me for a fight on the 5th of Nov at Bayou La Poudre
 I can't give all the Miracles first the whole of the
 1st Division killed about one hundred from the houses
 & information of the City was given in periods of them last night
 they were captured at Vicksburg were in our camp over to the
 most of our Regiment was sent off to the President's
 Our losses 1400 killed & wounded & injured or lost twenty million
 & some to take in Burnside this was some of our best men taken as often
 as they were they could get off with them would be relations
 of our men were taken the 2nd day by General Sherman's orders
 off with them & one of our men shot his horse down & fell on the
 hands by 9 our men run up & took his pistol from him & took
 him in the eye something or how they killed it to give
 up that time

we had more than our army or more we got four companies this week
 we was a fine order Capt Nelson shot in the field we
 got more results than we had in our meeting & work
 four taken more burning & taking the earth & taking about
 our results & it was hard to stop the charge was over on the entire
 the night this was two cases of Artillery taken & a great thing
 & small as most valuable good & I do not think that I got nothing

James Ewing (circa 1800 – circa 1849) Descendants

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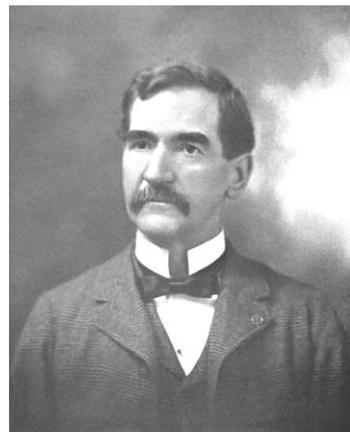
- 1 James Ewing b: Abt. 1800 d: Abt. 1849
 - .. +Sarah b: Abt. 1801 d: Abt. 1858
 - . 2 Margaret Ewing b: Oct 15, 1831 in Ross Co., OH d: Mar 07, 1877 in Marion Co., Bowling Green Twp., OH
 - +William Melvin
 - . 2 Rachel Ann Ewing b: Jun 10, 1833 d: Nov 15, 1852 in Madison Co., OH
 - +Samuel Melvin
 - . 2 Robert Ewing b: Sep 25, 1835 in Marion Co., OH d: Aug 13, 1892 in Crawford Co., Arcadia, KS b: in Old Cemetery
 - +Rozella Russell b: Nov 17, 1836 in Logan Co., Huntsville, OH
 - 3 James Ewing b: Apr 11, 1855 in Marion Co., OH [perhaps]
 - 3 Rachel Ewing b: May 09, 1857 in Crawford Co., KS
 - 3 William Ewing b: May 25, 1860 in Crawford Co., KS
 - 3 Margaret Ewing b: Apr 20, 1862 in Crawford Co., KS
 - 3 Henry C. Ewing b: Dec 03, 1865 in Crawford Co., KS
 - 3 Ulysses Grant Ewing b: May 16, 1868 in Crawford Co., KS d: 1956
 - +Lillian Blanche Speer
 - 4 Walter Wayne Ewing b: Jul 19, 1889 d: May 01, 1918 in Crawford Co., Willy's Camp, KS b: in Old Arcadia Cemetery
 - +Bessie Willey b: 1890
 - 4 Harriet Emma Ewing b: Feb 12, 1898 d: Feb 18, 1980 in Crawford Co., Pittsburg, KS b: in Sheffield Cemetery, Arcadia
 - +Eldon Ellsworth Skidmore b: 1916 d: 2004
 - 5 Dennis Skidmore
 - 4 Robert Ewing b: Jan 16, 1900 d: Jul 14, 1944 in Crawford Co., KS b: in Sheffield Cemetery, Arcadia
 - +Altha Griffiths b: Jun 05, 1918
 - 4 William E. Ewing b: Nov 24, 1901 d: Sep 1984
 - +Irene C. Gabel b: 1899 d: 1994
 - 4 Roy G. Ewing b: Feb 07, 1903 d: Nov 20, 1989 b: in Mount Evergreen Cemetery
 - +Evelyn P. Blattner
 - 4 Mirrel R. 'Scottie' Ewing b: Dec 28, 1904 d: Aug 15, 1989 b: in Glen Eden Memorial Park
 - 4 Charles Tender Ewing b: Oct 28, 1906 d: Jun 30, 1983
 - in Yellow Medicine Co., Canby, MN b: in St. Stephens Cemetery
 - +Norma Ann Ouverson b: Nov 30, 1916 d: Sep 29, 1983 in Yellow Medicine Co., Canby, MN b: in St. Stephens Cemetery
 - 5 Darlene Joyce Ewing b: Aug 28, 1940 in Yellow Medicine Co., Canby, MN d: Sep 07, 2008
 - 5 Karen Kay Ewing b: Sep 30, 1950 in Yellow Medicine Co., Canby, MN d: Apr 07, 2008
 - 4 Joe Ewing b: Apr 12, 1908 d: Dec 1968
 - +Alice D. Harris b: 1901 d: 1982
 - 5 Jack Ewing
 - 5 Larry Ewing
 - 5 'Female' Ewing
 - 5 Donna J. Ewing b: Apr 01, 1931 d: Jul 15, 2002
 - 4 Lewis 'Wayne' Ewing b: 1912 d: Aug 1936 in Crawford Co., KS b: in Sheffield Cemetery, Arcadia
 - 3 Quincy Sherman Ewing b: Mar 17, 1871 in Crawford Co., KS
 - 3 Dennis Ewing b: Sep 01, 1874 in Crawford Co., KS
 - 3 Rozetta Ewing b: Dec 28, 1876 in Crawford Co., KS
 - . 2 Jemina Ewing b: Abt. 1838
 - +Charles D. Melvin

Thomas Ewing (1842-1913)

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THOMAS EWING. (Volume 1, Page 94)

Mr. Ewing is one of the public-spirited citizens of Clinton, to whose energy and foresight that city is indebted for many improvements. While Mr. Ewing, as a prosperous business man, has given close attention to his own private affairs, he has never forgotten or ignored that bond of common interest which should unite the people of every community, and he has ever been ready to promote progress in every line. He was born near Zanesville, Ohio, May 24, 1842, and is a son of John Ewing, who was born in Guernsey county, Ohio, September 17, 1814. He was a shoemaker by trade, near Zanesville, before coming to DeWitt county. In 1858 he located in Barnett township, and later bought a farm in Harp township, which he cultivated until he reached his eighty-third year, when he retired and went to live with our subject. John Ewing is a son of Robert, who was a native of Virginia, whose father, with three brothers, came from the north of Ireland. Robert Ewing was one of the early settlers of Ohio, emigrating from the Old Dominion. He was a shoemaker by trade, and lived to reach the age of eighty years. His wife, who was Mary Beymer, died at the age of seventy years. Their children were as follows: Phillip, John, Simon, Stewart, Julia, Elizabeth, Ellen and Emaline. The parents were members of the Methodist church.



THOMAS EWING.

The subject of this review, Thomas Ewing, is one of the largest dealers in all kinds of grain and coal in the county. He buys grain, shipping mostly to Chicago, south to New Orleans and east to quite an extent. This business was established about 1878, by John J. McGraw, and about 1883, this, together with the beautiful home, was purchased by Mr. Ewing. But the improvements have been so great that it would hardly be recognized. A new office, scales, etc., have been erected, and the lawns surrounding the spacious house are beautiful. This pretty home is located in the southern part of Clinton, at what is known as McGraw's Addition. Aside from this property our subject owns the old farm in Harp township, which he has added to until he now has a quarter section of well cultivated land.

The early life of Thomas Ewing was spent on his father's farm, where he secured a good education in the public schools of the district, which was supplemented by a course of study in the Wesleyan University at Bloomington, Illinois. In 1862, being of a patriotic nature, he enlisted in Company E, Sixty-eighth Illinois Volunteer Infantry, as a private, but his worth was soon recognized and he was promoted to sergeant, in which position he served faithfully until the close of his enlistment. In 1864 he began teaching, which profession he followed for fourteen years, all this time confining himself to three districts in this county. At the end of this period he entered into his present business.

Our subject's mother was Miss Matilda Richey, a daughter of Samuel and Hannah (Jackson) Richey, who were natives of Pennsylvania, and who came to DeWitt county as farmers in 1854. Mr. Richey died at the age of eighty-three years and the wife at sixty-eight. They became the parents of the following

named children: Matilda, who became the mother of our subject; Maria; Alexis J.; Catherine; Susan; Samuel J.; Austin J.; Hannah Ann; and Abel Thomas.

To Mr. and Mrs. John Ewing were born the following named children: Andinet, who married John Barnett and is now deceased; Austin, who died at the age of four years; Thomas, whose name introduces this review, was the next in order of birth; Ellen, who married James Barnett; Simon, a resident of White Heath, this state, married Miss Metta Mitchell Madison; Nora, who married Madison Warrick, of Clinton.

Mr. Ewing chose for a helpmate in life Miss Ordella A. , daughter of Isaac McCuddy, one of the early farmers of DeWitt county. As a result of this union the following children have been born: Russell, a farmer in this county, who married Miss Nellie Foley; Mont V. , formerly a baggage man on the main line of the Illinois Central Railroad, but who is now connected with his father in the grain and coal business, married Fern Thomas; Blanche is the wife of Walter Marvel, and they reside in Freeport, they have one child, Louise; Louise, the youngest daughter, died at the age of four years.

The Democratic party has no more staunch supporter than the man whose name introduces this sketch, and for four years served his township as justice of the peace and as a school trustee for several years. He is a member of the Knights of Pythias and was chairman of the building committee of erecting the K. Of P. building in Clinton, and has held several offices of the order with much credit to himself. He is also a member of Frank Lowry Post No. 157, G. A. R. Mr. Ewing has also taken a prominent part in the organization of the Clinton Chautauqua, which held its first meeting in August, 1901. The following, which we copy from the Clinton Daily Public, will be read with interest:

"About the first of this year a few of the citizens of Clinton conceived the idea of organizing a Chautauqua at Weldon Springs, the only natural place in Central Illinois for such an undertaking. A meeting was called and held in the county court room to select officers and the so called unlucky number of thirteen was present, and election of the following directors: Thomas Ewing, Judge G. K. Ingham, W. H. Oglesbee, John Fuller, W. B. Readey, F. C. Hill, Perry Hughes, F. E. Pinkerton, and C. R. Adair. The directors elected the following officers: President, G. K. Ingham; Vice-President, F. E. Pinkerton; Second Vice-President, W. B. Readey; Secretary, F. C. Hill; Treasurer, Thomas Ewing.

"The foundation of the association are those who first subscribed for fifteen dollars worth of tickets and to the guarantee fund, some agreeing to pay a deficit of one hundred dollars each and others three hundred dollars each. These guarantees entitle members to one vote each for every ten tickets and one vote each for each one hundred dollar guarantee. Thirty-two citizens of Clinton and vicinity signed this guarantee. The amount of the guarantee fund was seven thousand dollars, which will not be called for as there is a surplus to be used as a reserve fund for next year. Up to the present time there are sixty-two members of the Chautauqua association."

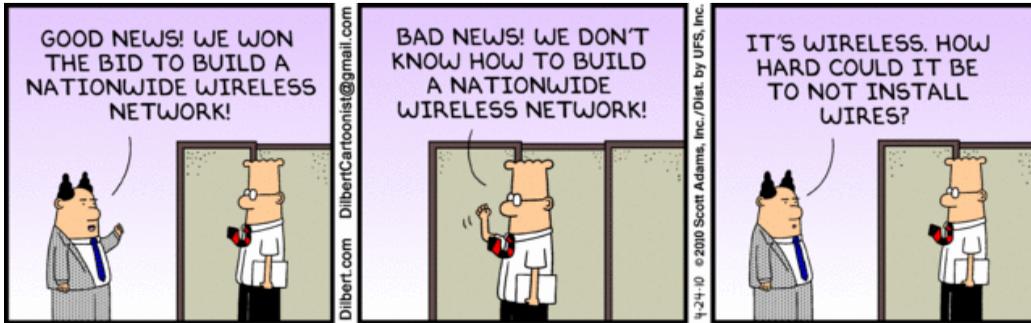
In life Mr. Ewing fully demonstrated the word success, which is due entirely to his own well directed efforts, for without the aid of influence or wealth, he started out to make his own way in the world, and to-day is one of the most substantial and prosperous men in his community, as well as one of the most highly esteemed citizens.

James N. Ewing (1826-1854) and Elizabeth C. Gabbert (1830-1904)

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1 James N. Ewing b: Nov 1826 Marshall Co., WV d: Jun 01, 1854 Wood Co., WV
 .. +Elizabeth C. Gabbert b: Mar 07, 1830 Wood Co., WV d: May 23, 1904 Wood Co., Deer Walk, WV [paralysis]
 . 2 Nathaniel 'Fulton' Ewing b: May 27, 1850 Wood Co., WV d: Jul 11, 1900 Wood Co., WV
 +Martha Salsman Graham b: Oct 23, 1849 Jefferson Co., Steubenville, OH d: Feb 13, 1934 Wood Co., WV
 3 Orange Kelso Ewing b: Jan 16, 1872 Wood Co., WV [OR Homer City, PA] d: Nov 24, 1947 San Antonio, TX
 +Sarah Jane Rice b: Apr 19, 1877 Wood Co., WV d: Feb 10, 1958 Wood Co., Parkersburg, WV
 4 Luella Ewing b: Aug 1896
 4 Wilbur Earl Ewing, Sr. b: Jan 19, 1898 Wood Co., WV 63927 d: Nov 29, 1987 Wood Co., Parkersburg, WV
 +Garnet Atkinson b: Aug 01, 1905 Wood Co., Parkersburg, WV d: Mar 23, 1992 Wood Co., Parkersburg, WV
 5 Wilbur Earl 'Sonny' Ewing, Jr. b: Oct 16, 1931
 +Barbara Kay Bassett b: Abt. 1934
 4 Leah Ewing b: Feb 1900
 3 Iona Ewing b: Abt. 1874 Wood Co., Deerwalk, WV
 3 John James Ewing b: Sep 1875 Wood Co., WV
 +Edna May (Ewing) b: Abt. 1886 WV
 4 Frank W. Ewing b: Abt. 1907 Wood Co., Walker Twp., Deerwalk, WV
 4 Bernard Ewing b: Abt. Mar 1909 Wood Co., Walker Twp., Deerwalk, WV
 4 Paul W. Ewing b: Abt. 1913 Wood Co., Walker Twp., Deerwalk, WV
 4 Lawrence Ewing b: Abt. Dec 1915 Wood Co., Walker Twp., Deerwalk, WV d. Bef. 2010
 5 George 'Jimmy' Ewing b: Aft. 1935
 5 Joseph Holmes Ewing b: Aft. 1936 Wood Co., Walker Twp., Deerwalk, WV d: Bef. Jun 2010
 6 Cody Ewing
 5 Herbert Ewing b: Aft. 1937
 5 Mary Ewing b: Aft. 1937
 5 Debbra Ewing b: Aft. 1937
 5 David Ewing b: Aft. 1937
 5 Brenda Ewing b: Aft. 1937
 5 Sue Ewing b: Aft. 1937
 5 Karen Ewing b: Aft. 1937
 5 Steve Ewing b: Aft. 1937
 5 Lawrence Ewing, Jr. b: Aft. 1937
 5 Ruth Ewing b: Aft. 1937
 5 Edna Ewing b: Aft. 1937
 4 Margaret L. Ewing b: Abt. Nov 1917 Wood Co., Walker Twp., Deerwalk, WV
 4 Clara 'Evelyn' Ewing b: Abt. Oct 1919 Wood Co., Walker Twp., Deerwalk, WV
 4 Virgil Ewing b: Abt. 1921 Wood Co., Walker Twp., Deerwalk, WV
 3 Selah Ewing b: Dec 1877 Wood Co., WV
 3 Sarah E. Ewing b: Jan 1880 Wood Co., WV
 3 Clara B. Ewing b: Feb 1882
 3 Erastus H. Ewing b: Jan 1885
 3 Willard M. Ewing b: May 23, 1887 d: May 1979 Wood Co., WV
 4 Jack Ewing
 5 David Ewing
 3 Joel B. Ewing b: Dec 1889
 . 2 Lloyd E. Ewing b: Sep 18, 1851 Wood Co., VA/WV d: Dec 22, 1908 Wood Co., WV
 +Alvira Mabel 'Belle' Smith b: Abt. Mar 19, 1856 Washington Co., OH d: Oct 22, 1909 Wood Co., WV
 3 Laura Ewing b: Abt. 1872 Wood Co., WV
 3 Lola D. Ewing b: Jul 04, 1876 Wood Co., WV
 3 Mary E. Ewing b: Nov 22, 1878 Wood Co., Walker Twp., WV
 3 James W. Ewing b: Oct 13, 1881

..... 3 Lillia Maude Ewing b: Aug 16, 1883
..... 3 Helen Ewing b: Jul 03, 1886
..... +Thamer Bartlett b: Abt. 1885
..... 3 Beatrice Ewing b: Mar 19, 1891
..... 3 Edith Belle Ewing b: Jun 14, 1893 Wood Co., WV
..... +Preston Linger b: Oct 07, 1888 Lewis Co., Beech Lick Stone Coal Creek, WV d: 1957 Lewis Co., WV
. 2 John Henry Ewing b: Jan 10, 1854 Wood Co., VA/WV d: Jan 02, 1931 Wood Co., WV
..... +Letitia Jemima Whitlatch b: Jun 17, 1854 Wood Co., WV d: Mar 05, 1913 Wood Co., WV
..... 3 Lee Ewing b: Feb 27, 1877 Wood Co., WV
..... +Lucy Lemley b: Oct 17, 1883 Pleasant Hill, WV d: Apr 22, 1973
..... 4 Clarence Ewing b: Abt. 1908
..... 3 Winona G. Ewing b: Feb 1879 Wood Co., Walker Twp., WV
..... +Herbert Manley Combs b: Jul 01, 1875 Washington Co., OH d: Jun 08, 1959 Washington Co., Salem, OH
..... 3 Ola M. Ewing b: Oct 1880 Wood Co., WV d: 1964 Wood Co., WV
..... 3 Homer K. Ewing b: Aug 20, 1882 Wood Co., WV d: 1952 Wood Co., WV
..... 3 Theodore C. Ewing b: Nov 1883 Wood Co., WV
..... 3 Felicia 'Pearl' Ewing b: Mar 22, 1887 Wood Co., WV d: Jan 12, 1959 Wood Co., WV
..... +William O. Fouse b: Abt. 1887 d: 1954 Wood Co., WV
..... 3 Isa Gertrude 'Incy' Ewing b: Dec 1889 Wood Co., WV
..... +Chester S. Whiteman b: Abt. 1887



Strangers in the Box

By Pamela A. Harazim

Come, look with me inside this drawer,
In this box I've often seen,
At the pictures, black and white,
Faces proud, still, serene.
I wish I knew the people,
These strangers in the box,
Their names and all their memories
Are lost among my socks.
I wonder what their lives were like.
How did they spend their days?
What about their special times?
I'll never know their ways.
If only someone had taken time
To tell who, what, where, when,
These faces of my heritage
Would come to life again.
Could this become the fate
Of the pictures we take today?
The faces and the memories
Someday to be tossed away?
Make time to save your pictures,
Seize the opportunity when it knocks,
Or someday you and yours could be
The strangers in the box.

From Pam Harazim, East Hampton, Connecticut

I authored the poem *Strangers in the Box*. At the time I was teaching scrapbooking classes, and used the poem in my presentations. I have found it in so many places, printed as 'author unknown', but I am trying to correct this and ask that people credit me.

I originally wrote the poem when my mother had dementia, and I realized that the stories she loved to tell me about her youth and her family were locked inside her, and I didn't remember them like I was so sure I always would. Hence, the box of strangers. I have few stories of family before my grandparents – I need to do some genealogy hunting for myself!

I have included the original version (to the left). There are many variations out there! I'd love to know where people come across it. I was astounded when I learned that my poem is everywhere! I never put it on the web myself!

If anyone has any questions, they may contact me at [DPHarazim at cyberzone dot net](mailto:DPHarazim@cyberzone.net)).

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Bridge to the West

I learned something important about the *Ewing Family Association* at the gathering in Uniontown last September. As most of you know already, Bill Riddle suddenly became incapacitated by illness just few weeks before the gathering. Not only was Bill chairing the organizing committee for ***Bridge to the West***, but also he is Webmaster of our website, Editor of our *Journal* and a hard-working member of our Board of Directors. Much of the success of several projects we have undertaken over the last four years has been due to Bill's thoughtfulness and seemingly inexhaustible energy, and Bill was so ill that I couldn't even talk with him. I was near sick with worry myself, not just about what to do about the gathering, but what would become of the EFA.

On August 24 at 7:59 PM I sent an eMail to the EFA Board and to the gathering organizing committee notifying them of Bill's illness. At 8:18 PM I received a reply from committee member J. David Ewing saying that he would ~~take~~ [the gathering] from here." At 6:34 the next morning, Barb McGuinness wrote me before going to bed after returning home on a red-eye flight, saying that she was on board for the emergency. At 9:06 AM committee member Virginia Okie also responded with encouragement and an offer to help. By that afternoon, Jane Weippert had arranged to take over the last minute financial wranglings, and by 10:30 that night I had heard from a quorum of the Board voting to press ahead with the gathering.

The gathering came off with scarcely a hitch, thanks not only to those mentioned above but to the fact that everyone pitched in — including especially J. David's extended family, several of whom live in the Uniontown area. His eight-year-old grandson A.J.'s enthusiasm was one of the highlights of the gathering for me. Perhaps because of the economy we had fewer attendees than in recent years, and we had less formal programming than we might have had because we didn't have Bill's input on his Squire James Ewing and other Ewings in the James of Inch line that lived in the area, but this allowed more time for fellowship and conversation, making this the most relaxing gathering I have attended.

Election Results, New Board of Directors and Officers

At each biennial gathering the members elect a Chancellor and a Board of Directors for the EFA. The Board then elects the other officers: Chair, Secretary and Treasurer. The Chancellor appoints Activity Coordinators and committees as necessary, subject to the approval of the Board. I was re-elected Chancellor for what will be my final two-year term as Chancellor. We do not have official term limits, but to my mind six years will be plenty long enough. The Board has ten members; immediate past Chancellor George W. Ewing and I are members of the Board *ex officio*. Two new members, Melvin K. Ewing of Lincoln, California, and Daniel C. Ewing of Fort Wayne, Indiana, were elected and six others were re-elected. The Board elected Wally Ewing as Chair and Beth Toscos as Secretary; Jane Weippert was re-elected Treasurer but expressed her intention to resign in a few months because she will be running for public office. Here is the complete list of our new Board of Directors:

Karen Avery, Gainesville, VA

David N. Ewing, Chancellor, Albuquerque, NM

Melvin K. Ewing, Lincoln, CA

Daniel C. Ewing, Fort Wayne, IN

George W. Ewing, Battle Creek, MI

Wallace K. Ewing, Chair, Grand Haven, MI

William Ewing Riddle, Santa Fe, NM
Beth Ewing Toscos, Secretary, Fort Wayne, IN

Eleanor Ewing Swineford, Cabot, AR
Jane Ewing Weippert, Treasurer, Cecil, OH

The Ewing Family Association Archives

The *Ewing Family Association* has archived a variety of materials collected by Rev. Ellsworth S. Ewing, Margaret Ewing Fife, Myrtle Armstrong Roe and others, and consisting of numerous copies of Ewing Wills, Deeds, DAR and SAR Records, some Pennsylvania tax records and similar such records. An index of these materials is posted on our website¹ but the materials themselves exist only as printed copies, which are stored at the Cecil County Historical Society in Elkton, Maryland.

Betty Ewing Whitmer has served as Clan Ewing/EFA Archivist as long as I can remember. She has almost singlehandedly organized and cataloged the collection and has arranged to have the archives transported to each gathering, where she has set up a resource room so that gathering participants can take advantage of this important collection of reference materials. At other times, the archives are available to researchers by arrangement with the Cecil County Historical Society, which has generously housed the archives between gatherings. Betty determined that it was time for her to retire as archivist in order to devote more time to family matters. Characteristic of her thoroughness and forethought, before even informing me of her resignation she ascertained that Esther Johnson and Mary Gosline would be willing to take over caring for the Archives. These are exceptionally capable Clan Ewing stalwarts, who live reasonably close to Elkton, and I was very pleased to make the appointments.

Meanwhile, we were excited to learn from Beth Ewing Toscos that the Allen County Public Library in Fort Wayne, Indiana, would be willing to digitize our Archives so that we can assure their preservation and make them available on-line. Discussion revealed that there were many questions to address before moving forward with the project, so I appointed a committee consisting of Betty, Esther, Mary, Beth, Daniel C. Ewing and Martin Ewing to explore this further.

Other Activity Coordinators

Merchandise: Virginia Ewing Okie has volunteered to take over handling the EFA/Clan Ewing merchandise. Virginia already has experience managing an on-line retail business from her home in Florida. She and Martin Ewing will be working together to set up a system for electronic and on-line payments, both for merchandise and perhaps also for dues and registration payments in the future.

Webmaster: Martin has begun working with Bill Riddle to transition into replacing Bill as Webmaster. As you may know, Martin was instrumental in setting up the EFA Google Groups list, and he has a lot of ideas for improving communication among the members.

Membership, Current Members: Jill Ewing Spitler was prevailed upon to continue as Membership Coordinator for current members. Jill has served in many roles for the organization through the years, official and unofficial, and she has a knack for knowing who is who and what is what. She has been a little discouraged for lack of feedback, but so are we all. I think all of us sometimes wonder as we are sitting at the computer late at night whether anybody is even reading this stuff. No matter what office Jill holds, or even whether she holds one, we can be sure that she will be working on behalf of the EFA.

¹ http://www.ewingfamilyassociation.org/index_Archive.html

She would welcome anyone's offer to help or take over as Membership Coordinator for current members.

EFA Genealogist and Membership, New Members: Karen Avery has also continued both as EFA Genealogist and as Membership Coordinator for new members. As Jim McMichael used to say, she often has more on her plate than she can say grace over. She would dearly like to surrender one or the other (or both) of these roles. Because Karen has been collecting Ewing genealogies for years and has literally tens of thousands of Ewings in her database, it is hard for me to imagine that there is someone as well equipped to serve as EFA Genealogist, but there is no reason that someone couldn't take over as Membership Coordinator for new members. This involves welcoming each new member and helping them prepare a notice for inclusion in the Welcome New Member section of the *Ewing Family Journal*, and helping new members contact and compare notes with their cousins.

Editor of the Ewing Family Journal: You will have noticed that the issue of the *Journal* scheduled to come out in August never made it to press. Bill Riddle fell seriously ill just before sending the issue to the publisher. By the time Bill was well enough to give me the issue, it looked like he would be able to clean up the few final details remaining and get it in the mail only about a month late. Then he had to have a second operation. By the time he was back in shape to resume the discussion, it was already time to begin preparing the November issue of the *Journal*, so we decided to publish a 'combined issue' for August and November, and then to be back on track for quarterly issues beginning in February next year.

Thankfully, we look for Bill Riddle to recover completely, but this illness has really gotten his attention and caused him to reflect on his priorities. He very much wants to finish a book or two he has been working on regarding the family of Squire James Ewing, and a number of related families in Southwestern Pennsylvania. During his tenure as Webmaster and Editor of the *Journal*, he has brought an impressive degree of technical quality and scholarship to both the website and the *Journal*. Bill plans to work with Martin Ewing long enough to assure a smooth transition as Martin becomes Webmaster. Bill will also continue to edit the *Journal*, but he is very clear that we need now to identify a person or persons who will be willing to begin helping him with a view toward taking that over. These are the two biggest jobs in the EFA, and in my judgment they are the most important. Bill has worked out a number of technical issues with the *Journal* and now has templates for producing it and a relationship with a publisher who understands the product we want. Editing the *Journal* does not require a polymath computer wizard like Bill, but it will require a person who has pretty well mastered Microsoft Word formatting and has at least an interest in editing the work of others.

Ewing Genealogy Documentation Project: Bill Riddle will continue to Chair this committee, but we have had such disappointing response from members that there is not really much for him to do. Recall that the EGD project is intended to have a representative or representatives from each Ewing family line, whose responsibility it will be to prepare a documented genealogy of the line that we can post on the EFA Website and serve as a moderator for an ongoing discussion among genealogists interested in the line, so as to improve documentation and correct errors in the genealogy. You can read about this on the website at http://www.ewingfamilyassociation.org/EGD_Project/index_Project_EGD.html.

Ewing Surname Y-DNA Project: I am happy to continue tending the Ewing Surname Y-DNA Project indefinitely, but would welcome the participation of anyone who would like to become more involved with this. Our initial goal with the project was to recruit 100 Ewing men for testing so that we could get an idea of how many unrelated Ewing lines there might be and create a genetic frame work for testing

conventional genealogies. We have exceeded this goal and have developed a database of over 125 Ewing haplotypes that will be a valuable resource for researchers into the future.

What I Learned

I already knew that none of us last forever and our best laid plans can go astray (indeed, they are certain to do so eventually). What I learned is that the EFA has a great depth of spirit and many more folks willing to step up to the plate in an emergency than I realized. I am encouraged in the hope that our little association will grow and prosper indefinitely into the future.

David Neal Ewing

Chair's Message

Wallace K. Ewing, Chair, Board of Directors (*WKEwing at charter dot net*)

Over a life time we are dubbed with many nicknames, some of them achieved, some of them thrust upon us, and some bestowed gratuitously. Because of my research and writings on the history of my hometown, Grand Haven, I've been given the title of —ocal Historian Wally Ewing,” typically with no pause, as if this were my given name. Perhaps I should also be labeled —ocal Genealogist,” since my interest includes genealogy. Personally, that means exploration primarily on Pocahontas James, his forebears, and his descendants.

While revising my business card, I searched for a better title than —ocal Historian” to define what I do. What I do is cross the threshold of a person's vital statistics and go beyond defined perimeters. I research for bits and pieces that give me clues about the person, and then I try to visualize the whole person in a new light that makes them real. It is like putting jigsaw pieces in place, except there is an infinite number of pieces and I don't have a picture of what the person looks like. It seems that my job is like that of forensic detective or forensic medicine investigation, except I rely less on science and technology and more on anecdotal information, said or written. I decided —Forensic Historian” had a nice ring to it and defined my study.



Wallace K. Ewing, Ph.D.
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What is forensic, anyway? Forensic is the art of gathering information, some objective, some subjective. When I attend a Ewing Family Gathering, such as the one in Uniontown, Pennsylvania, I learn more about my ancestors, not just when and where they lived, but how they lived. J. David Ewing's stories about his forebears from the Uniontown area and Thor Ewing's talk narrating how the Ewing/MacEwen families lived in Scotland provided eloquent illustrations of our family's history. They also made it clear that there are gaps in the stories. Our task is to fill those gaps. We can accomplish our goal of completing a narrative of our ancestors' lives by keeping a broad membership base in the *Ewing Family Association*, continuing to publish a journal that disseminates new information and looks at old information in a new way, and hosting Gatherings that are eclectic, enlightening, and fun.

I look forward to seeing you at the 2012 Gathering in Gallipolis, Ohio.

Wally Ewing

Genealogist's Message

Karen Avery, Genealogist (+1 703.743.1293, *BKAvery2 at comcast dot net*)

Recently interest in family history seems to be a very popular hobby for more and more people. The past few months have been very busy for me in my attempt to answer a large number of Ewing family queries. It is my pleasure to be able to help individuals with their family lineage, especially if I already have some pertinent matching data in my file. Other genealogical queries are much more difficult to answer, but I do try. Hopefully a small hint will help a person continue their search in a new direction. With our exciting new genealogical tool – the Y-DNA test – people have a greater chance of discovering their roots.

After my recent accident of spilled coffee on my computer, I have been struggling. Not with the computer exactly, but I made a big mistake in upgrading my old, simple genealogy software program. It was an easy-to-use version and I was able to quickly produce the reports that I use on a daily basis. I found the new upgraded version unusable and have eliminated that version. To complicate matters, I installed a completely different genealogy software program. Neither the old nor the new are perfect according to my specifications! I now find myself adding all information into two programs, meaning twice the work! What is wrong with this picture?

Karen Avery

Membership News

Jill (Ewing) Spittle, Coordinator - Current Members (+1 330.464.6378, *JEwingSpit at aol dot com*) and Karen Avery, Coordinator - New Members (+1 703.743.1293, *BKAvery2 at comcast dot net*)

Here we are at another issue of the journal; the time does fly. I have run out of things to say and ideas to use for membership. For the good of the group, I am stepping down and hope someone else can find the time and energy to do this important job for the family. My contact with other Ewings has been a great joy whether they join or not. They are mostly glad to hear about our family group and know that history is being kept on the name Ewing.

We will be meeting in September to vote for officers and new blood to keep us moving. If you have the love of family and a little time to spare (and a computer helps), the rewards are endless. I have held many jobs these many years, and all are important to keep our family group going. Give it some thought and "Ask not what we can do for you, but what you can do for the family."

Jill (Ewing) Spittler

We welcomed several new members this quarter and I believe more and more will join the *Ewing Family Association* in the near future. People have discovered the *Association's* web site – which was the plan! It is very exciting that two previously unknown (to me) cousins of my direct line became new members. Linda 'Lynn' (Ewing) Coughlin and I are first cousins, once removed. Steve Allen and I are fourth cousins. We cousins will meet for the first time in Uniontown, Pennsylvania, at the 2010 Gathering. I can hardly wait. I look forward to meeting other new members as well. Please join us.

Karen Avery

New EFA Members ... Welcome Aboard!

Steve Allen lives in Rockford, Michigan. He may be reached at *SteveKAllen56 at msn dot com*.

At this time my earliest known Ewing ancestors are John and Lucy (Williams) Ewing. I understand there has been some progress in this line and we now connect back to Alexander. My Mother was Velma Jean Ewing, daughter of Earl Howard Ewing. Earl was the son of Lyman Otis Ewing. He was the son of George Samuel Ewing who was the son of John and Lucy (Williams) Ewing. My uncle Earl Norman Ewing had his Y-DNA tested a few years ago which helped identify some additional links. I have been doing genealogy work since 1977.

Response By Karen Avery (BKAAvery2 at comcast dot net)

It was a thrill for me to receive news that you have joined the *Ewing Family Association*. We knew from earlier correspondence that you and I share common third great-grandparents - John Ewing II and his wife, Lucy Williams. This couple has been the focus for many researchers over the years. Finally, we have a break-through and I welcome your help in regards to summing up the details of our line.

Your lineage is as follows:

- John Ewing, I (1739 - after 1800) and Rhoda Badger (1741 - after 1800)
- John Ewing, II (1765/75 - circa 1812) and Lucy Williams (1785-1856)
- George Samuel Ewing, Sr. (1805-1883) and Deborah Parsons (1812-1883)
- Lyman Otis Ewing (1855-1942) and Emma L. Phelps (1857-1915)
- Earl Howard Ewing (1892-1955) and Laura A. Hubbard (1902-1955)
- Velma Jean Ewing (1933-???)
- Grant K. Allen (1930-???)
- Steven Kenneth Allen (1956-???)

Linda 'Lynn' (Ewing) Coughlin and her spouse **Bryan** live in Aurora, Illinois. They may be reached at *LCoughlin at portecrail dot com*.

I am a cousin of Karen Avery, Beth Toscos and Jane Weippert. Our common ancestors are the 'hard to find' John Ewing and his wife Lucy Williams. I trace down from their John Ewing (1811-1889) through William A. Ewing (1839-1907), Albert Alonzo 'Al' Ewing (1870-1938), Albert Leroy 'Roy' Ewing (1899-1969) and then Ervin 'Dale' Ewing (1923-1991), my father.

My husband and I recently returned from a trip to Ireland. During our trip, I collected contact information for about four dozen Ewing, Ewang, McEwan and McEwen families from telephone books for the various areas we visited. I hope that someone can use this information to contact them and invite them to join the *Association*.

Cody Ewing lives in Parkersburg, West Virginia. He may be reached at *cody.c.ewing at gmail dot com*.

What I know about my family was traced back to a town called Deerwalk, West Virginia. It is in Wood County and outside of Parkersburg. There is a road there called Ewing Road and was the site of the old home place. My great-great-grandfather was named Orange Ewing, a strong Scottish name. I am currently working in the Middle East and still own the second farm located in Parkersburg, West Virginia.

[For more about Cody Ewing's ancestors see the Information Available and Sought item on page 39.]

Shannon (Ross) and Ray Fred Hopkins live in Sparks, Nevada. They can be reached at *ShannHop at yahoo dot com*.

My paternal grandmother is Dorothy Ewing from Leetonia, Columbiana County, Ohio, who was born in January 1901. I have followed her line back to her father Elmer E. Ewing and then to his father, James (wife Mary) who was born in Allegheny, Pennsylvania. There I have come to a stop. I use both Ancestry.com, the LDS website, and *New Family Search.org*. I am originally from northeast Ohio.

William Lowe and his wife **Nancy** live in Locust Grove, Georgia. They may be reached at *FlyLowe at gmail dot com*.

I am a descendant of James Ewing (born 1789) through Thomas Douglas Ewing (born 1863 in Meigs County, Ohio) and his daughter Hannah Ewing (born 1904 Calhoun County, West Virginia) who married Charles McCoy. Their daughter, Virginia Helen McCoy (my mother) married William Lowe (my father). I am looking to further my research to the period prior to James and believe his father's name was Samuel but cannot confirm this. Looking to connect the dots and would welcome all the help I can get.

[More information regarding William Lowe's ancestors may be found in the James Ewing (1789-1876) Family item on page 9.]

Carolyn (Ewing) Robichaud and her husband **Paul** live in Madisonville, Tennessee. They may be reached at *CPR1955 at yahoo dot com*.

I have traced my family (Ewing side) as far back as William Ewing, born between 1605-1625 in Stirlingshire, Scotland, died Feb 1718 in Ulster, Ireland.

My grandfather was Arlie Odell Ewing, born in Arkansas around 1914.

[More information regarding Carolyn (Ewing) Robichaud's ancestors may be found in the Information Available and Sought item on page 39.]

Dennis Skidmore lives in Liberty, Ohio. He may be reached at *DSkidmore82 at gmail dot com*.

I am searching for information on my great-great-great-grandfather James Ewing (circa 1800 – circa 1849) and his wife Sarah (circa 1801 – circa 1858) and their ancestors. James and Sarah had four known children:

- Margaret Ewing: born about October 15, 1831, in Ross County, Ohio; died March 7, 1877, in Bowling Green, Marion County, Ohio; married William Melvin on October 19, 1853, in Madison County, Ohio.
- Rachel Ann Ewing: born July 10, 1833; died November 15, 1852, in Madison County, Ohio; married Samuel Melvin on January 8, 1852, in Marion, Ohio.
- Robert Ewing (my great-great-grandfather): born September 23, 1835, in Marion County, Ohio; died August 13, 1892, in Crawford County, Kansas; married Rozella Russell on April 11, 1854, in Marion County, Ohio.
- Jemima Ewing: born about 1838; married Charles D. Melvin on December 18, 1856, in Madison County, Ohio.

Any help in connecting my Ewings to the rest of the Ewing clan would be greatly appreciated! I have hit a brick wall.

[More information regarding Dennis Skidmore's ancestors may be found in the James Ewing (circa 1800 – circa 1849) Descendants item on page 13.]

Keeping Up With the Ewings

William M. Ewing (Member #166) has new snailMail and eMail addresses: 5722 E. 110th Street, Tulsa, OK 74137; *Bill.Norma at cox dot net*. He writes:

My son, Tom, purchased a lovely home in South Tulsa and invited Norma and me to move in with him and his family. Norma and I have the master bedroom on the first floor since I don't do stairs very well at age 84 while Tom's family have the three upstairs bedrooms. We don't normally eat meals together because we have separate cooking facilities, but it's a great joy to watch our seven-year-old granddaughter growing up.

I enjoyed the last *Ewing Family Journal* very much. I am still writing a weekly family newsletter for about thirty relatives. When we moved I changed the name of my newsletter to the *Eagle Wing Press* even though the legend is probably not true. It's a great story, however. I have finally trained several of the relatives to send me weekly reports.

Linda Ewing (*LMEwing at hughes dot net*) writes:

I am a Nova Scotia Ewing. My cousin Russell Ewing, Prince Edward Island, has been the family historian and has all of the records back to 1833. I'm not sure he has been in touch with others or provided any of his research. I am concerned as he is in his 90's and just diagnosed with cancer. I spent time with him this past summer and plan to go again in August but not sure he will be well enough to see me. The main focus of my trip will be to attend a church service at the Grafton Covenanter Church (only two services held a year). This will be the 168th anniversary of the church which my great-great-great-grandfather helped to found in 1842. To my knowledge I will be the first direct ancestor to attend in several generations. It seems that we Nova Scotia Ewings are almost a missing link! I only found my 'family' last year and am very new to the genealogy of my family. I want very much to have Russell's work preserved as he has only one son and no grandsons. This will be the end of the Ewing line in Nova Scotia.

Deaths

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

Gloria B. Ewing (May 10, 1930 - May 16, 2010)

From: www.arnoldfuneralhome.com

Gloria Louise Boyd Ewing, age 80, of North Canton [Ohio], passed away Sunday afternoon, May 16, 2010 in Aultman Hospital. Born May 10, 1930 in Canton to the late Stanley and Dorothy (Deuble) Boyd. Gloria graduated from Lehman High School in 1948 and attended Ward Belmont Jr. College in Nashville, TN and Baldwin Wallace College where she received a B.A. Degree in psychology and minored in music. She was an active member of the Church of the Savior United Methodist Church for over 50 years having served on numerous committees and sang in the church choir. Member of the United Methodist Women and Rebecca Circle, D.A.R., and MacDowell Music Club. Women's Board of Aultman Hospital, Canton Junior League, Arboretum Garden Club, Canton Women's Club, College Club of Canton. Former member of Brookside Country Club. She contributed an annual music scholarship at Baldwin Wallace and enjoyed playing bridge. Preceded in death by her daughter Valerie Ewing , brother Peter Boyd and by former husband Richard Ewing . She is survived by a daughter and son-in-law Kimberly and Chris Christopher of Troy, MI; son Bradford Ewing of Staten Island, NY; grandson Adam Christopher of Columbus, OH; former brother-in-law Stan (Grace) Ewing; nephews David (Penni) Ewing, Kilin (Crystal) Angels, John (Kathy) Ewing and niece Barbara (Don) Cockroft. Services will be held on Thursday at 11:00 AM in the Church of the Savior United Methodist with Pastor Ed Fashbaugh officiating. Interment in West Lawn Cemetery. Friends may call Wednesday from 2-4 PM and 6-8 PM in the Arnold Funeral Home in Canton and Thursday one hour prior to services (10-11:00 AM) in the church. Memorials may be made to the church or to the donor's favorite charity.



Note from Jill Spittler: Gloria was married to Dave Ewing's brother from the Canton line of my family.

Ann Elizabeth Ewing (March 11, 1921– July 24, 2010)

Washington Post, August 1, 2010

Ann E. Ewing dies; science journalist turned nation's eyes to 'black holes'

Ann E. Ewing, 89, a journalist who specialized in writing about science and who is thought to be the first to report on so-called black holes, died July 24 at Washington Home & Community Hospices of pneumonia after a stroke.

Ms. Ewing wrote from the late 1940s to the late 1960s for *Science News*, a publication of the Society for Science and the Public. Her specialties included astronomy, physics and medicine. After leaving *Science News*, she became a freelance reporter who wrote for medical trade newspapers.



Science journalist Ann E. Ewing received a pilot's license after World War II and enjoyed flying small planes as a hobby. (Family Photo)

Physicist John Wheeler has often been credited with coining the term 'black hole' to describe a collapsed star whose mass is so great that not even light can escape its gravitational field. Wheeler reportedly first used the term at a 1967 conference.

However, Ms. Ewing used the term as early as 1964 in her story " 'Black Holes' in Space" after apparently hearing it at a meeting of the American Association for the Advancement of Science. She did not identify the source of the quote.

Ann Elizabeth Ewing was a native of East Grand Rapids, Mich., and a 1941 physics and chemistry graduate of Ripon College in Ripon, Wis. She studied at the University of Chicago before joining the Navy in 1942, during World War II. She served overseas as a Navy journalist until 1946.

After the war, she received a pilot's license and enjoyed flying small planes as a hobby.

In 1972, Ms. Ewing became one of the first female journalists admitted to the National Press Club. Previously, she was a member of the Women's National Press Club and contributed to two cookbooks by club members.

She was active with civil rights and veterans groups.

Her marriage to Justin F. McCarthy ended in divorce. Survivors include two brothers.

The following comes from a note from Mary Patricia Roth to EFA Member Wallace K. Ewing, Ann E. Ewing's brother.

Please accept my deepest sympathy on the loss of your sister. I sent this eMail earlier to my kids, to my friends who visited Ann and indeed one who sat with Ann for hours before I got there, and to the Tufty family and friends.

Ann died peacefully this morning. She recognized me earlier in the day, but by evening she was in a peaceful state from which she did not awaken. I am making arrangements for her burial at Arlington Cemetery which will probably take place sometime later in the fall, and at a time given by Arlington.

Ann is cited for her scientific work and her writings for *Science News*, and there is a picture of her receiving an award from President Johnson – I believe our beloved neighbor Barbara Tufty also received an award.

But, what I did not know is that Ann is attributed with the first mention of the term 'black hole'. Often attributed to others in '66, Ann first wrote about black holes in '64 and current literature gives her the credit for its first mention. She was a lifelong subscriber to *Science* and *Scientific American*, way past the time when the magazines could make sense to her.

She lived her life the way she wanted to, and all of us are changed by our encounters with Ann.

I will arrange with the Women's War Memorial at Arlington Cemetery to receive some of her Navy related objects.



Ewing Walter Fox (March 28, 1954 – July 29, 2010)

From: *The Portland Press Herald*, August 2, 2010.

(www.legacy.com/obituaries/mainetoday-pressherald/obituary.aspx?n=ewing-walter-fox&pid=144438154)

LISBON FALLS -- Ewing Walter Fox, 56, of Lisbon Falls died unexpectedly at home on Thursday, July 29, 2010. He was born March 28, 1954 in Rutland, Vt., spent his early years in Chippenhook, and attended schools in Palmer, Mass. and Claremont, N.H., where he graduated from Stevens High School in 1972. After a post graduate year at Cushing Academy in Ashburnham, Mass., he received a BS in 1977 from the Whittemore School of Business and Economics at the University of New Hampshire.

Ewing had a distinguished career in sales and management. For 14 years, he was a systems architect and Project Leader at L.L. Bean where he received the prestigious Bean's Best Award in addition to other accolades for the development of a number of now classic Bean innovations. He was an outdoor enthusiast with a love of fishing, camping, skiing, golfing, gardening and especially riding his Harley. Ewing was a talented craftsman, including carpentry and woodworking, and was a voracious reader.

Mr. Fox is survived by his son Ewing David Fox, daughter-in-law, Heather Davis Fox; granddaughter Logan Rae Fox, of Essex Junction, Vt.; his daughter Crosby Elizabeth Fox and son-in-law Kent W. Collier, Esq. of Atlanta, Ga., his daughter Emily C. Fox of Bowdoin; his parents, Wayne C. and Elizabeth Ewing Fox of Westport, N.Y.; his sister Elizabeth Fox; niece Elizabeth Marbury Dyke, and nephew William Bainbridge Dyke, all of Greenwich, Conn.

A memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. at Holy Trinity Church in Lisbon Falls on Tuesday, August 3. Interment will be Saturday, August 7th at the Chippenhook Cemetery in Clarendon, Vt., where he will join seven prior generations of his family.

The family requests that, in lieu of flowers, donations be made to: The Coalition For Brain Injury Research, 270 Hazel Street, Clifton, NJ 07011. For more information go to www.brainjurycure.org.

Web Site News

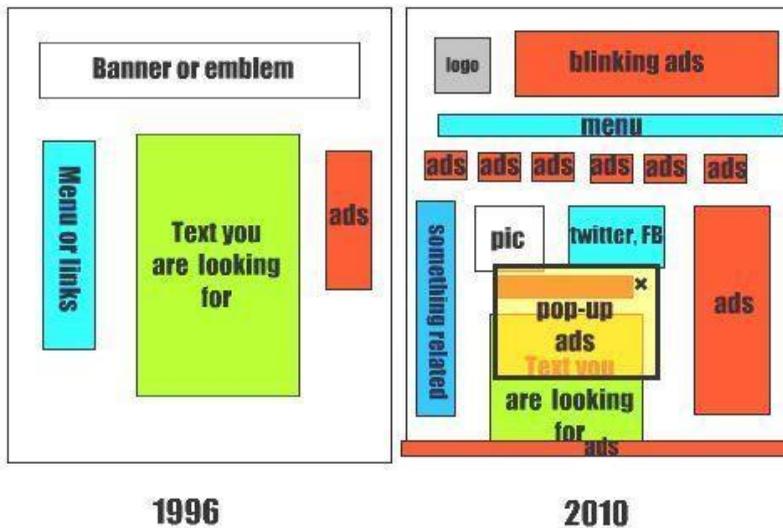
William Ewing Riddle, Web Master (+1 505.988.1092, *Riddle at WmERiddle dot com*)

It's been a very long time since I have passed on news about the *Ewing Family Association's* web site. Basically that's because there's been very little news to pass on! For the past year or so there have been no changes to the web site's 'look and feel' and no new sections have been added. About the only thing I had to say was: The articles in the most recent issue of the *Journal* have been posted to the web site. That didn't seem all that interesting. And I found, every once in a while – like now with respect to the Vol. 16, No. 2 issue – it wasn't true! I guess that's news, but I was too embarrassed to report it.

However, David Neal Ewing passed along an item that I thought fit into this section. I decided to capitalize on its inclusion to reverse – albeit very minimally – my recent lack of news.

Wm E. Riddle

Typical website evolution



Information Available and Sought

This section is intended to facilitate dialogues among members of the *Ewing Family Association (EFA)* as well as among them and non-members. It includes items sent directly to the *Journal's* Editor and the *EFA* Genealogist which offer up or request Ewing-related information.

This section also, as a service to members, reprints selected requests for information and offers of information posted to several sites focused on Ewings, for example, the Ewing-related rootsweb message board at boards.rootsweb.com/surnames.ewing/mb.ashx. With the same intent, selected postings to *EFA's* Forum at groups.google.com/group/EwingFamilyAssociation are also included. Only the item itself is included here. Readers interested in further information for any of these items should go to the item's cited URL.

Andrew and Susan (Purdom) Ewing Tennessee
 vmylius, via boards.rootsweb.com/surnames.ewing/1998/mb.ashx

Is anyone familiar with any of the family of Andrew Ewing (born November 1834 in Virginia) and Susan Purdom (born April 1841, daughter of George Ewing Purdom), who were from the Lewisburg area in

Marshall County, Tennessee? This couple married on January 10, 1861 Marshall County. They had seven children, six of which were:

1. Elizabeth M. Ewing (b. Abt 1864)
2. Martha E. Ewing (b. Abt 1865-Marshall Co., TN)- married, but a widow by 1910 living with her parents, no children.
3. George W. Ewing (b. Abt 1869-Marshall Co., TN) - believe married Clara Watts
4. James T. Ewing (b. Abt 1872-Marshall Co., TN)
5. Maggie V. Ewing (b. Abt 1875-Marshall Co., TN)
6. Walter E. Ewing (b. Abt 1878-Marshall Co., TN) - believe married Knoxie May Young

By 1910, four of their seven children had died. We know Martha was living at the time

There is a Confederate pension application for Mrs. Susan C. Ewing, widow of Andrew Ewing, Tennessee. She's Susan K. in my files.

Charles Carter Ewing (1852-???) from Mississippi
Molly Pere (*MollyPere at comcast dot net*), via Ewing List at rootsweb.com

I am looking into the marriage of Charles Carter Ewing – son of Charles Carter and Mary Ann (Lile) Ewing; born October 17, 1852 – to his second wife, in 1898, Josephine Thompson, who was born 1869 in Alabama. His first wife was Sarah Summingham. I can find no record of their marriage except for a family group sheet copied at the Evans Library in Aberdeen, Mississippi, and the census data. They are listed in the 1900-1920 censuses of Aberdeen, Monroe County, Mississippi. Does anyone have any information on Josephine Thompson? In the 1870 and 1880 Alabama censuses, I found a Josephine Thompson, born in the right year, who was the daughter of S. M. Thompson. I don't know if this is the right one though. Nor do I know any more about her. I'd really appreciate hearing of anything you might know of her parentage etc.

Edmund Ewing (1833-1904) from Ohio/Illinois
Nealbak, via *boards.rootsweb.com/surnames.ewing/1990/mb.ashx*

I am looking for descendents of Edmund Ewing. He was born in Muskinham County, Ohio, in 1833 and Died in Bradford, Illinois, in 1904. I would really like to find some pictures of him and his family to put into my tree. He is my great-great-grandfather. If you know of any of his descendants please reply to *theogeo2 at cox dot net*.

Elizabeth (Ewing) Wallace (1814-???) from Indiana
John E. Wallace (jw4th), via *boards.rootsweb.com/surnames.ewing/1990/mb.ashx*

I am looking for any information on Elizabeth Ewing born in 1814. U.S. Census records show she was born in Ireland. Cannot confirm where in Ireland but likely County Donegal. She married James Wallace. Church records in Tirinisk, County Donegal, Ireland, show that at least five of her nine children were baptized in Donaghmore Parish, County Donegal, in the Presbyterian Church. The family

eventually immigrated to the USA, making their way to Indianapolis, Indiana, where most of them settled.

The whole family that immigrated to the U.S.A. via Liverpool on the SS Shennon on Feb 1850 was:

Elizabeth (Ewing) Wallace b March 1814 Ireland

James Wallace b 1800 Ireland

Andrew Wallace b 1831 Ireland

Samuel Wallace b 1835 Ireland

Sarah J. Wallace b 1837 Ireland

Eliza Wallace b 1839 Ireland

James A Wallace b 1841 Ireland

John Wallace b 1843 Ireland

Isabella H. Wallace Fulton b 1845 Ireland

Oliver Johnson Wallace b April 1847 Ireland

William T. Wallace b 1850 Ireland

Susanna D. Wallace b 1854 New York City

If you have any information, please contact me at [jwallace4th at yahoo dot com](mailto:jwallace4th@yahoo.com).

Ella K. Ewing (1872-1912)

t42Harmony_ScotlandCoMO, via boards.rootsweb.com/surnames.ewing/1993/mb.ashx

Ewing, Ella K. 1872 1912

J. A. Cavin photographed this gravestone in the Harmony Grove Cemetery, Scotland Co, Missouri. Feel free to use the picture for your personal records.

This is one of the 214,103 tombstone photos free for your personal use at <http://teafor2.com> If you have more info, please reply here rather than eMailing me because this is not my family.

Eula M (Ewing) (Rogers) Lawrence (1870 – circa 1956) in Tennessee/Arkansas bubbles2air, via boards.rootsweb.com/surnames.ewing/1997/mb.ashx

I have hit a brick wall with this lovely lady. She was my great-great-grandmother, married (I believe) three times:

- _____ Ewing (b. 1865?); Willie Ewing (b. 1888)
- _____ Rogers/Rodgers; Jessie (female, b. 1894); Ethel (b. 1898);
- Elias Byrd Lawrence (1872 - 1944); Pearl, Riley, Edgar & Mertle.

I am related to her through Edgar Byrd Lawrence. I have no idea what her maiden name was. She is listed as Eula Rogers on the marriage license to Edgar Byrd Lawrence. They were married in Tipton County, Tennessee, in 1898.

Ewings , Asbury Park, New Jersey**Lookin4_u, via boards.rootsweb.com/surnames.ewing/1999/mb.ashx**

I'm looking for information on the following family :

Andrew Ewing b. circa 1863 in New York

Mary Ewing b. circa 1864 in New York; married about 1888

Elmira (Elvira) b. circa 1889

Ernest b. circa 1892

m. Deborah b. 1898

Kenneth b. 1915

Dorothy b. 1920

Barbara b. 1928

Ackerman b. circa 1894

Andrew b. circa 1898

Douglas b. circa 1903

Francis M. Ewing (born 1826)**Query by Nicholas Spencer Ewing (*CoachEwing at gmail dot com*) to the Association's Genealogist, Karen Avery (*BKAvery2 at comcast dot net*)**

I believe that my ancestor Frances M. Ewing (born Pendleton County, Kentucky, in 1826) is the son of James M. Ewing, who is person #54 in your John of Carnashannagh lineage. You show the first child of James M. and Mary McKinney as being Nancy, born in 1829. Census records for James M. Ewing for 1830 (Kentucky) and 1840 (Indiana) both show that there were two males older than Nancy in that household. (James's obituary confirms the move from Kentucky to Indiana in 1837 and I have a copy of this.) Frances M. Ewing shows up in the 1870 census and 1880 census in Oregon. Both times his age points to a 1826 birth date, both times his birthplace is Kentucky, and the 1880 census lists both his parents as being from Kentucky (you have both James M. and Polly McKinney as being born in Pendleton County Kentucky as well). Frances named his first son James, which would make sense because it was the custom to name your child after his grandfather. Also, Mary McKinney's father's name was Frances, so it makes a lot of sense that James M. and Mary would name their first boy Frances, especially since their first girl was names Nancy, after Mary McKinney's mother. I am unsure if he spelled it Frances or Francis but maybe you can help with that?

It's hard to write it all in this box but please just look as James M. Ewing (#54) on your John of Carnashannagh and then pull James's 1830 (Kentucky) and 1840 (Indiana) census. Once you realize that there was at least one boy older than Nancy you will start to see that every piece of evidence points to Frances M. Ewing. There are a number of people on Ancestry.com who list Frances M. Ewing as the son of James M. Ewing and Mary McKinney but I want more proof so that you will list Frances on your site. Please let me know if I can gather any documents to help with this. I worked extremely hard to trace my way back to Frances. If I am able to link him to James M. then I have myself traced back to John of Carnashannagh thanks to your website!

Response by Karen Avery (*BKAvery2 at comcast dot net*) to Nicholas Spencer Ewing (*CoachEwing at gmail dot com*)

I am forwarding your query to Wally Ewing who descends from these lines. He is an expert on this group of individuals. I personally can't change the data that is shown on the *Ewing Family Association* web site, but changes are possible once we have proven data. William E. Riddle (*Riddle at WmERiddle dot com*) is the Web Master and would be the person who could make changes or add a notation.

Response by Wallace K. Ewing (*WKEwing at charter dot net*) to Nicholas Spencer Ewing (*CoachEwing at gmail dot com*)

You present an interesting query and a logical argument. I wish I had a more helpful answer. I searched my files and Margaret Fife's book, *Ewing in Early America*, and was unable to find the names you listed as being descended from John of Carnashannagh, nor did I find any leads in my sister's equally extensive research that appears in *James Ewing, Pioneer*, my ancestor, also known as James of Pocahontas County. As you imply, some sort of substantive support is needed to connect your Francis M. with James M. Ewing and Mary McKinney. A birth record would be a remarkable (and unlikely) find. Otherwise, see if you can locate Francis's marriage record, which might have his father and mother listed, or an obituary for any of these people. Hopefully, you would find something that would establish the implied connection. Please keep me informed of your progress.

Frank Ewing (1898-1982) from Oklahoma

Kathy Sterk (*sterk2*), via boards.rootsweb.com/surnames.ewing/1988/mb.ashx

Looking for information on Frank Ewing, b. 1898 in Oklahoma and d. Feb 20, 1982 in Oklahoma City. He was the son of Hiawatha Ewing of Lincoln County, Oklahoma. Frank married Inez (?) and Frances (?) and had a son, Ed, and possibly a daughter, Julia.

George and Matthew Ewing of Monroe County, New York, and Chappell, Nebraska

Message by Vicki Profitt (*vprofitt at rochester dot rr dot com*) to the Association's Genealogist, Karen Avery (*BKAvery2 at comcast dot net*)

I saw your response to my Rootsweb post about George Ewing. I would love to help you add to your Ewing database. Although I am not a Ewing descendant, I came across George and his father, Matthew P. Ewing, during my research into the Civil War soldiers of Monroe County, New York. Both men served with the 108th New York Infantry during the Civil War.

How can I help you? I have grave photos of Matthew Ewing, his wife and one daughter. I can send you the genealogy I have. There is also a drawing of George P. Ewing I can send you which was in a regimental history of the 108th. Let me know what you would like, and I will happily send it.

Response by Karen Avery (*BKAvery2 at comcast dot net*) to Vicki Profitt (*vprofitt at rochester dot rr dot com*)

Thanks so much for posting on Rootsweb.com and your response to me. There is a slight chance that these men could be part of my Ewing lineage – great, great uncles or some such! I definitely had people in Utica, but don't yet know how everyone might connect. I would greatly appreciate having any information on George and Matthew. What I would really like to be able to do is follow this line to

present day and find a living Ewing male to participate in the Ewing Surname Y-DNA Project (www.ewingfamilyassociation.org/DNA_Project/index_Y-DNA.html) – a tall order, I know. We have over one hundred men in the project and it is so wonderful as results for new men come in and groups are formed according to the results of the tests. It seems that a very large percentage of all Ewings in the U.S. probably are closely related and that our common ancestor probably lived in the 1600s or even earlier.

I am the genealogist for the *Ewing Family Association* (formally called *Clan Ewing in America*). I inherited the job mainly due to the fact that I have a huge Ewing database. I didn't plan to have all this happen – I simply collected data as I found it while searching for my direct line for the past fifteen years.

Photo copies of the graves and the drawing would be wonderful to have. Perhaps at some point, we will feature a short article about this family in the *EFA Journal*.

You stated that George and his wife, Anna, had six children. It would be great to have those names.

It is interesting that recently one of our members, Harry Marshall Ewing (January 1, 1926 to November 29, 2009) was buried near Chappell, Nebraska. More research will be needed to discover if Harry's lineage goes back to George and his father, Matthew.

Response by Vicki Profit ([vprofit at rochester dot rr dot com](mailto:vprofit@rochester.rr.com)) to Karen Avery ([BKAvery2 at comcast dot net](mailto:BKAvery2@comcast.net))

Here are biographical sketches for Matthew P. Ewing and his son, George P. Ewing, written by George P. Ewing for *A Complete History and Record of the 108th Regiment NY Vols* by George H. Washburn.¹

MATTHEW P. EWING, Company G.

MATTHEW P. EWING was born on a farm in the town of Floyd, Oneida county, New York, on the 10th day of January, 1815. The early years of his life were spent on his father's farm. His education was restricted to such training as he could receive at a district school. After leaving school he studied a year or so as a physician, with a view of following the medical profession, but gave it up to work with an older brother at the cabinet business, and with him learned his trade. This he followed a good portion of his life. He was a natural mechanic and genius, and being conscientious and upright himself, he abhorred any compromise with vice or wrong. His character was marked by singular integrity and force. One who knew him well says that from early life he was inspired with an honorable ambition to excel in whatever he undertook. He married at the age of twenty-four; lived in various places during his early married life. In 1857 he moved to the city of Rochester, N. Y., where he raised and educated his children.

Full of patriotism and love for his country, in the summer of 1862 he, with his only son, George P. , enlisted in Company G (Captain T. B. Yale), 108th Regiment New York Volunteers. He remained only nine months, when he received an honorable discharge on a surgeon's certificate of disability contracted while in the field, brought on by exposure. He returned to his home in Rochester, but never regained his health. He devoted a great share of his time to the

¹ Washburn, George H. *A complete military history and record of the 108th regiment N.Y. vols., from 1862 to 1894, together with roster, letters, Rebel oaths of allegiance, Rebel passes, reminiscences, life sketches, photographs, etc.*, Press of E. R. Andrews (Rochester), 1894. An online version is available via the Google Books Project. Go to books.google.com and search for 'george washburn'.

study of Philosophy. Was the patentee of several inventions; among them the process of distilling petroleum by a vacuum, which was first patented in 1866. His mind seemed to be crowded with inventions in his later years, and he had one started which he said would be of more value to the people, when completed, than the vacuum oil process had been. But alas! he did not live to bring it before the public. He died at Pittsford, December 31, 1874, leaving a wife, one son and three daughters.

GEORGE P. EWING, Sergeant Company G.



GEORGE P. EWING was born in the town of Trenton, Oneida County, N. Y., February 17, 1844. In his early boyhood his parents removed to Brighton, Monroe County. He attended the district school there. Later, he attended No. 12 in the city of Rochester. After he left school he was employed by his father, Matthew P. Ewing, to run a stationary engine in the woodenware factory on Broadway. This business was carried on by M. P. Ewing and Daniel Brown. Afterwards he was employed as engineer in the oil refinery of Biers & Crouch, on Cayuga street, nor Pinnacle. Was employed there when he enlisted as private in Company G, 108th Regiment New York State Volunteer Infantry, and left with the

regiment for the front soon after. Shortly after the battle of Antietam he was made corporal; afterward was made sergeant, and remained as such till mustered out of service. Comrade Ewing was with his regiment in all its principal battles, and was never away from it except five weeks, when he was in the hospital from wounds received in the battle of Gettysburg; was hit three times, but not dangerously wounded; was mustered out with his regiment at Bailey's Cross Roads, Va., on the 25th day of May, 1865, by reason of the close of war, having served in the army for two years and ten months; was never home or away on furlough during his enlistment.

After he came home, was in the oil regions in Pennsylvania with his father, who was the original patentee for distilling petroleum in a vacuum. They worked together in Rochester, and finally went to the West; his father's health failing, they returned home; then moved to the village of Pittsford, where they ran a cider mill. His father's health was never restored, and he died in Pittsford and was buried in the cemetery in that place. After a time the family moved back to Rochester, and George entered the whip factory of Clark & Ely, on Exchange street, to run the engine. He remained there until the firm sold out to the Warren Featherbone Whip Company, of Chicago, Ill., located in Three Oaks, Mich., where the factory is. He went there and worked eighteen months; then went to the state of Nebraska, where his is living on his soldier's homestead, having moved upon it on the 23rd of May.

Comrade Ewing was formerly a member of E. G. Marshall Post, G. A. R., and when in Three Oaks joined Woodruff Post by transfer card. When he left Three Oaks took another card, with the full intention of joining a post in Nebraska, but the post is not in working order at the present time. Comrade Ewing's family consists of his wife, one daughter and three sons. His mother and sisters, three in Rochester, N.Y.

GEORGE P. EWING
Chappell, Nebraska

Matthew P. Ewing was an inventor. He created a lubricant used as a harness oil and began a business to sell the oil called Vacuum Oil Company. He and his business partner, Hiram B. Everest, are listed on

Exxon-Mobil's web site. Follow www.exxonmobil.com/Corporate/history/about_who_history_alt.aspx and look for 1879 and the picture of the Vacuum Oil Company building.

In a history of Western Nebraska, George mentions that he and Anna Shove had six children together. However, they must have been born in the years between 1880 and 1900, as I cannot find them in census records.

I'm still working on the Matthew Ewing family tree. I'd like to continue to track his two daughters who married. His oldest daughter, Emma, remained unmarried and is buried beside Matthew and Sarah at Pittsford Cemetery in Pittsford, NY. I'll send a separate eMail with grave photos.

Additional Response by Vicki Profitt ([vprofitt at rochester dot rr dot com](mailto:vprofitt@rochester.rr.com)) to Karen Avery ([BKAvery2 at comcast dot net](mailto:BKAvery2@comcast.net))

Here are photos of the gravestones of Matthew P. Ewing, his wife, Sarah, and their oldest daughter, Emma.



I'd be very interested in hearing more about Harry Marshall Ewing who is buried near Chappell, Nebraska. If George P. Ewing outlived all his children, the only way I can see that Harry would be related is if one of George's children survived to adulthood and had children. I did find a boarder, George K. Ewing, in the Chappell, Nebraska 1900 census who was born in New York in May 1847. My George P. Ewing was born February 1844 and I could not find him in the 1900 census, so it is possible that the person answering the census questions got the answers wrong because George was just a boarder. I don't know.

Let me know if I can be of further assistance with the family of Matthew P. Ewing. I'd be happy to forward any additional information to you as I find it.

James Ewing in Ohio

EmmaWA (cbinred@gmail.com) to *Ewing Family Association's* GoogleGroup, (ewingfamilyassociation@googlegroups.com)

I've recently found a map of the Taylor Creek area in Hardin County, Ohio, made in 1879. James Ewing owned a large farm in that area.

James arrived in the US from Ireland in 1848. He married Matilda Glosgow after that time. Her family arrived in Ohio in 1849. I've traced her family from that point until the early 1900s.

James and Matilda had the following children: Mary, James, Wm. G. , Robert, Matilda, Joseph and Benjamin. All of the children were born in Ohio. I can trace James and Matilda and some of their children through 1930 and the census.

I'd really like to know more about James' family and where he was in 1850.

James Ewing, Port Deposit, Cecil County, Maryland

Tom Ewing (TEwing1@maine-dot-rr-dot-com) to *Ewing Family Association's* GoogleGroup, (ewingfamilyassociation@googlegroups.com)

My great-grandfather was William Penn Ewing of Port Deposit, Cecil County, Maryland. His father (my great-great-grandfather) was James Ewing, born in 1793 and died in 1881. James married Jane Brannon on March 30, 1815 in Harford, Maryland. I have hit a brick wall with him; any help or info would be greatly appreciated.

James Lindsay Ewing, Mobile, Alabama

Query by John Blakey (jblakey1@cox-dot-net) to the *Association's* Genealogist, Karen Avery (BKAvery2@comcast-dot-net)

My ancestor is John of Carnashannagh (c.1648-1745). I'm trying to get information about the James Lindsay Ewing family from Mobile, Alabama. He had a son Robert Wilson Ewing, born in 1859 and later moved to Louisiana, who was a prominent newspaperman.

Response by Karen Avery (BKAvery2@comcast-dot-net) to John Blakey (jblakey1@cox-dot-net)

The earliest James Lindsay Ewing that I have in my data base was born March 14, 1814. I do not have him connected to parents. I do have some information on the family of Robert Wilson Ewing (1859-1931). The *Ewing Family Association* also has a man in the Ewing Surname Y-DNA Project. named James Lindsay Ewing. His ancestry can be found at:

http://dl.dropbox.com/u/431003/Lineages/JL_James%20Lindsay%20Ewing.pdf.

If I can be of further help, please let me know. If you can provide further information about this line, it would be quite welcome, and I will add it to my Ewing data base.

James N. Ewing (1826-1854) and Elizabeth C. Gabbert (1830-1904)

Response by Karen Avery (*BKAvery2 at comcast dot net*) to Membership Information provided by Cody Ewing (*Cody.C.Ewing at gmail dot com*) [See page 25 for a short profile of Cody Ewing.]

A big welcome to you! It will be interesting to learn more about your direct lineage. I do have data for your great-great-grandparents, Orange Kelso Ewing (1872-1947) and his wife, Sarah Jane (Rice) (1877-1958), in my database.

I'm wondering if you are a son of participant WE in the Ewing Surname Y-DNA project. Have you seen the personal lineage pages of the men who have participated in the project? You can find them here: www.ewingfamilyassociation.org/DNA_Project/SiteMap_YDNA.html.

Another interesting Ewing site is found on Facebook. I see a message from a young lady from Parkersburg, West Virginia. The link is:

www.facebook.com/group.php?v=wall&viewas=0&gid=93797223565.

Please be safe there in the Middle East. Should you be home in September, we would love to meet you at the Eleventh Gathering in Uniontown PA.

Response by Cody Ewing (*Cody.C.Ewing at gmail dot com*) to Karen Avery (*BKAvery2 at comcast dot net*)

Yes, Wilbur Earl Ewing Sr. is my father's uncle. Wilbur Earl Ewing Jr. – participant WE in the Ewing Surname Y-DNA Project – we call Sunny. Wilbur Jr. had three brothers, Virgil, Lawrence and one more I can't think of. Lawrence was my grandfather. He had thirteen children. That is a story for another day. Thanks for your research. I would like to participate in the DNA study, can you help me get started?

Response by Karen Avery (*BKAvery2 at comcast dot net*) to Cody Ewing (*Cody.C.Ewing at gmail dot com*)

As I look over your lineage in my data base, I'm a bit confused as to exactly where you fit. Perhaps you can give me more details of your family? Please include more specific data on dates of birth, death and maiden names of women who married into your family. I have a very large Ewing data base and sometimes it's difficult to find the correct person. For instance, one Wilbur Earl I have is nicknamed Buck. I don't have one nicknamed Sunny that I know about, but wonder if he is one and the same Wilbur Earl or someone completely different! Try to list the children of your great-grandfather, Orange Kelso Ewing. I have only Luella, Wilbur Earl Sr. , and Leah listed as children so far. It appears am clearly missing some people of this generation.

I look forward to including your full lineage. When I have a fuller picture, we will discuss whether it would be wise to participate in the Ewing Surname Y-DNA Project.

Response by Cody Ewing (*Cody.C.Ewing at gmail dot com*) to Karen Avery (*BKAvery2 at comcast dot net*)

Well, let me run back a little bit. My father Joseph Holmes Ewing has thirteen brothers and sisters. Their father was Lawrence, in that generation there was five siblings I think: Lawrence, Wilbur, Virgil, and two others I can't remember. One was named Leah though. Sunny would be Wilbur's son, my father's cousin. They all come from a place in Wood County called Deerwal, West Virginia. There is a road there

called Ewing Road which is known as the old home place for us. Very close is Mountwood Park. My father was raised there, before it was a park or a lake. They had lots of dealings in a forgotten town called Volcan, West Virginia. Mountwood Park celebrates it with Volocano Days.

My Fathers family: George/Jimmy, Joseph, Herbert, Mary, Debbra, David, Brenda, Sue, Karen, Steve, Lawrence Jr. , Ruth and Edna.

My Father and Lawrence Jr. both passed away from cancer.

I will get more Information as I can. I will also contact Sunny and see if it was perhaps him or his son who provided the Y-DNA sample.

Further Response by Cody Ewing (*Cody.C.Ewing at gmail dot com*) to Karen Avery (*BKAvery2 at comcast dot net*)

I refined my research some more ...

Orange was a brother to John James. John James was my great-grandfather. He had eight children, these are listed in order of birth: Frank, Bernard, Paul, Lawrence (my grandfather), Virgil, Margret, Evalen and Sarah (died as a child).

Wilbur Earl Jr. was my father's cousin. I am trying to map this out on a tree so it makes better sense. But the families are so large using a tree doesn't work.

John James was married to Edna May.

Response by Karen Avery (*BKAvery2 at comcast dot net*) to Cody Ewing (*Cody.C.Ewing at gmail dot com*)

I spent some time this morning looking up census records on your family and think this will help you. The 1930 census is the most recent census that is available to the public. You will need to continue getting information from that date forward from your relatives.

I've attached an outline Descendant Report [see page 16] beginning with James N. Ewing (1826-1854).

I believe you and the man who is representative of your line are second cousins, once removed. This means that he is a generation older than you. If you still want to do the Y-DNA test, I will put you in touch with Dr. David Neal Ewing, the Ewing Surname Y-NDA Project Administrator. He will be able to tell you if it makes sense for you to be tested.

John B. S. Ewing and Nancy G. Mills

Query by Carolyn (Ewing) Robichaud (*CPR1955 at yahoo dot com*) to the Association's Genealogist, Karen Avery (*BKAvery2 at comcast dot net*)

My dad left handwritten notes in his estate going back to John B. S. Ewing, who married his cousin, Nancy G. Mills, b 1791 in Virginia, d Mar 1752. Ancestry.com, at

<http://trees.ancestry.com/tree/15278295/family/pedigree?fpid=826649248#pedigree=797884726>

shows John B. S. is descended from John Ewing, b 24 Dec 1747, d 1781; John was the son of Gen. Robert Ewing, b 1718 Ireland, d 25 Jun 1787 in USA. Am I on the right track?

Response by Karen Avery (*BKAvery2 at comcast dot net*) to Carolyn (Ewing) Robichaud (*CPR1955 at yahoo dot com*)

It is unclear as to the parents of John B. S. Ewing. I have conflicting information when it comes to Ewings living in Bedford County, Virginia, in the mid-1700s as well as relevant Ewings who lived in the 1600s in either Ireland or Scotland.

Thank you for including access to your pedigree tree. I viewed your tree and added some of your information to my large Ewing data base. I did not add many of the female Ewings but did include all Ewing males for later possible Y-DNA matches.

Speaking of Ewing males, you might seriously consider having one male of your line join the Ewing Surname Y-DNA Project. This test cannot 'prove' ancestry, but it can point to a suspected ancestor. This will place your line among others with whom you are closely related. You can find much more information at www.ewingfamilyassociation.org/DNA_Project/index_Y-DNA.html. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to ask.

Response by Carolyn (Ewing) Robichaud (*CPR1955 at yahoo dot com*) to Karen Avery (*BKAvery2 at comcast dot net*)

I am saving my dimes to get my brother tested for the Ewing Surname Y-DNA Project. We are both fascinated by the process!

For your master tree, the Ewing children, my siblings are:

Carolyn Patricia Ewing, b 04 Feb 1955 in Long Beach, Los Angeles County, California

married Jan 1976 to David Scharf, b 17 Dec 1942 in New Jersey

child Edith Anne Scharf, b 10 Feb 1976 in Los Angeles California

married second to Paul Robichaud, b 12 Jul 1948 in Massachusetts

Terry Lynn Ewing (female). b 08 Nov 1956 in Tucson, Arizona

married Abdul Ghassemian, born in Iran

married Daniel R. Constant

child Alexander Constant

child Monica Joy Constant

Dennis Wayne Ewing, b 30 Jan 1958 in Mojave, California

married Connie Curry (divorced)

child Jason Glen Ewing, born about 1994 (I think)

Robert Ewing/Ewans (circa 1830 – 1864)**Query by Melissa Falldin (*Mfalldin at cccu dot com*) to the Association's Genealogist, Karen Avery (*BKAvery2 at comcast dot net*)**

I am seeking a Robert Ewing. The conjectured information: he was born around 1830, died in the Battle of Cold Harbor in 1864; he may be buried under the name Ewans. His wife, Mary E. Ewings is buried in St. Edwards Cemetery in Mendon, Michigan. Mary was supposedly Mary E. Connor. They had daughters Mary and Sarah. Both of whom were married to men named Marantette, Franklin Columbus

and Patrick Henry Marantette. I am descended from the Marantettes. The girls, Mary and Sarah were supposedly known as Aunt Sate and Aunt Mate. I can't find any reference to a Robert Ewing in Michigan.

Response by Karen Avery (*BKAvery2 at comcast dot net*) to Melissa Falldin (*Mfalldin at cccu dot com*)

I'm afraid that I can't be of any help to you. Have you written for the military records for the man who died in the Battle of Cold Harbor? That could confirm if this is the man you seek.

I found the cemetery listing for Mary E. Ewing, wife of Robert who was sixty-four years old when she died May 20, 1892. Have you tried to find her death records?

Response by Melissa Falldin (*Mfalldin at cccu dot com*) to Karen Avery (*BKAvery2 at comcast dot net*)

Yes, I actually have the information on this Mary Ewing. She is my great-great-great-great-grandmother and was the wife of Robert. But the trail seems to end there.

Thomas Ewing (1842-1913)

Query by Mary (Ewing) Gemmell (*MEG3128 at comcast dot net*) to the Association's Genealogist, Karen Avery (*BKAvery2 at comcast dot net*)

Can you recommend a professional genealogist to hire to research my family? Maybe someone familiar with Ewing history? (By the way, my brother is participant TW, group 4, in the Ewing Surname Y-DNA Project.)

Response by Karen Avery (*BKAvery2 at comcast dot net*) to Mary (Ewing) Gemmell (*MEG3128 at comcast dot net*)

I do not know of any professional genealogists among our members. I have very little information on your lineage. All that I do have was taken from your brother's personal Ewing Surname Y-DNA Project lineage chart. If you would care to share more details, I might be able to give you some helpful hints.

I note the towns of Peoria and Ashkum, Illinois. I suggest you begin with queries to both Iroquois County Genealogical Society and Peoria County Genealogy Society. There are probably historical societies in both counties. If you know of other areas where your family lived, definitely ask for help in those places also. You should be able to connect with a genealogist if you ask at these places.

I would be happy to do a further check of census data if you could share additional information about your ancestors. Please include places lived, estimated birth and death dates and maiden names if you have them.

It appears from a biographical article concerning Thomas Ewing (1842-1913) [see *Thomas Ewing (1824-1913)* on page 14] that he was likely a nephew of your Philip Ewing. There is much very good information in this article that should help considerably.

William and Anne/Ann (McNeil/O'Neil) Ewing

Query by Elizabeth Ewing (Elizabeth at the-elizabethan-era dot com) to Ewing Family Association's GoogleGroup, (EwingFamilyAssociation@googlegroups.com)

Some of you have been so fortunate to have discovered your ancestors. I am searching for the ancestors of James Ewing (or McEwing or Ewings). I believe he was the 'natural' son of William McEwing (or Ewings or Ewing).

While I bought the Ewing Surname Y-DNA Project's kit to trace the lineage through a direct male descendent, I have been unable to locate one who would be willing. Because it has been so many years since I have seen or heard from any of the Ewing relatives (I live on the west coast and have lost all contact with them), I am hoping one or more of these names will ring a bell with you to help me in that search. To my knowledge, most of them remained in and around New Kensington, Arnold and the greater Pittsburgh area. A grandson or great-grandson or great-great-grandson of one of the three brothers (John, James or Joseph--Charles had only one daughter--me), or a granddaughter, great-granddaughter or great-great-granddaughter of one of the eight Ewing daughters who I could contact would be greatly appreciated. Frances (Franny) Elder Fleischman had been living in Beaver Falls, I believe (she would be able to provide some DNA information on Matilda Gilmour Ewing), if she is willing. Any help or suggestions would be greatly appreciated.

William McEwing (or Ewings)

agricultural laborer; b. ?; d. ?

m. Anne (or Ann) McNeil (or O'Neil)

James McEwing (or Ewings or Ewing)

b. 31 July 1840 (Inch, Wigtownshire); baptized 27 Dec. 1840

m. Jane Higgins

b. 1833? (Kirkcowan, Wigtownshire of Balkerr, Parish of Inch); daughter of John Higgins and Mary Ann Wright); m. 17 May 1864 in Inch, Wigtownshire, Balkerr, Parish of Inch; as shown in 1881 Larkhall census, Harlees Home, he as a coal miner

1. John Ewing

b. 1862 in Glenluce ("atural" birth); d. ?

2. James Ewing, Jr. (worked as coal miner)

b. 14 April 1865; d. 27 January 1928; m. 26 September 1884 Shawsburn, Dalsersf Kirk, Church of Scotland; husband and wife both emigrated to U.S. 1887 or 1888 with Margret and Annie

m. Matilda Gilmour

daughter of Joseph Gilmour (b. 1835) and Margaret J. Bowie (b. 1835); b. 1866 or 1867 (Shawsburn, Dalsersf); d. 7 January 1941, Arnold, Pennsylvania

2.1. Margret 'Maggie' Ewing

b. 11 January 1885, Scotland; d. ~ 1942, New Kensington, Pennsylvania

m. _____ Allen

- 2.2. Annie Ewing
b. 5 January 1887, Scotland; d. ~ 1953, Arnold, Pennsylvania
m. _____ Timmerberg
- 2.3. Jean Ewing
b. 24 May 1888, Pennsylvania; d. 19 February 1949, Pennsylvania
m. _____ Caldwell
- 2.4. James Ewing III
b. 24 February 1890, Pennsylvania; d. ? Pennsylvania
m. Laura _____
- 2.5. Rubenia 'Beenie' Ewing
b. 27 October 1891, Pennsylvania d. ? Pennsylvania
m. White Edgar
- 2.5.1. Jerry Edgar
- 2.6. Agnes Ewing
b. 1892, Pennsylvania; d. 30 July 1907, Pennsylvania
- 2.7. Joseph Ewing
b. 26 December 1893, Pennsylvania; d. ? Pennsylvania
m. Jean _____
- 2.8. Elizabeth 'Sis' Ewing
b. 3 September 1896, Pennsylvania; d. ? Pennsylvania; m. 18 January 1918
m. Bill Purks
- 2.9. Mary Ewing
b. 21 July 1899, Pennsylvania; d. 12 March 1952, Pennsylvania; m. April ?
m. Werner (?) Stresky
- 2.10. John Ewing
b. 9 February 1901, Pennsylvania; d. ?, Pennsylvania
m. Marie _____
- 2.11. Helen Ewing
b. 20 March 1903, Pennsylvania; d. ?, Pennsylvania
m. Fanny Andree
- 2.12. Georgene Ewing
b. 21 February 1905, Pennsylvania; d. ?, Santa Maria, California
m. Clyde Francis Elder
- 2.12.1. Helen Berle Elder
 b. ?, New Kensington, Pennsylvania; d. ?, Nipomo, California
 m. Henry (Hank) Chabot

2.12.2. Frances Elder
 b. ~1928, New Kensington, Pennsylvania
 m. George Fleischman

2.13. Charles David Ewing
 b. 30 March 1908, Mechanicsburg, Pennsylvania; d. 22 January 1975, Los Angeles, California; m. April 1934, New Kensington, Pennsylvania
 m. Dorcas Elizabeth Reighter
 b. 2 September 1904; d. 9 January 1998

2.13.1. Donna Elizabeth Ewing
 b. 27 June 1935

3. David Ewing
 b. 9 July 1867 (258 Gartsherrie, Old Monkland, Scotland); d. ?

The following is a photo of the twelve surviving Ewing children, taken probably in Arnold or New Kensington, Pennsylvania, circa 1935 – 1940.



Row one: Margaret 'Maggie' Ewing Allen, Annie Ewing Timmerberg, Jean Ewing Caldwell and Reubenia 'Beenie' White Edgar

Row two: Mary Ewing Stresky, Georgene Ewing Elder, Helen Ewing Andree and Elizabeth 'Sis' Ewing Purks

Row three: Charles Ewing, James Ewing III, Joseph Ewing and John Ewing

William T. Ewing from Indiana

geoewing, via boards.rootsweb.com/surnames.ewing/1001.1.1/mb.ashx

I am a descendant of William T. Ewing of Rush County, Indiana. William was a brother of both James and Francis Ewing. I would like any information on either of these two. They were the sons of James M. Ewing born April 12, 1799, to John and Alice Caswell Ewing and Mary R. McKinney. Both were born in Pendleton County, Kentucky.

Upcoming Events

2011 May 11-14: 2011 NGS Family History Conference, Charlestown, South Carolina. For up-to-date information about this event, visit www.NGSGenealogy.org.

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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 *Ewing Family Association*, 17721 Road 123, Cecil, Ohio 45821. Forms are available at www.EwingFamilyAssociation.org. Annual dues are \$25.00. Membership includes the quarterly *Ewing Family Journal*.

Publication of the ***Ewing Family Journal*** began in 1994. Through 2008, the publication was titled *Journal of Clan Ewing*. 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* from *Ewing Family Association* 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.