

HENDRICKS HERALD

Great man passes

New hands at the helm

Dear Hendricks Family Members:

Despite Y2K and all of the doom and gloomers here it is 2000, the dawn of a new Millennium. In the span of a life time we have seen technologies arise that our ancestors could have never even imagined possible. One can only wonder in awe at what the upcoming years will bring us. The past year marked the passing away of the Chairman of the Board, Don Hendricks, from an unexpected bout with cancer. Nine years ago I stopped off at a Joseph Smith Hendricks Family reunion on the way to the store. Other than Jack and Lola Hendricks I had never met any of my Hendricks cousins. I was so impressed by Don and Bob Hendricks that I tarried for

a while. Don and Bob were excited that I was the great-grandson of Lurinda Hendricks Leavitt. Don told me that when he was my age Lurinda had gotten him involved in the family organization and charged him to never let the organization die out. I guess Don felt like he needed to return the favor because by the time I finally made it to the store I was the President of the Joseph Smith Hendricks Family Organization. You can never be too careful, even on those short trips to the store! Don was one of the nicest men I have ever met. He had been involved with the Joseph Smith and Henry Hendricks Family Organization for over thirty years! His steady leadership will be greatly missed.

We are quickly approaching our July 2000 reunion date. Dr.

Don Merrill and his wife have put everything they have into planning this reunion, including one kidney. Despite undergoing major surgery, Don is finalizing the reunion plans and will have a detailed report for us in this Herald. It will be a reunion that will live up to its time, place and billing! We have asked the Intra-families to gather and verify the addresses of their members so that we can get an invitation via the Herald out to as many as possible. If you know of members of your family who are not receiving the Hendricks Herald, please contact me at 250 Dunbar Dr., Idaho Falls, ID 83402 or e-mail me at dleavitt@srv.net

Sincerely,

DelLynn W. Leavitt, Acting
Chairman and President.

Hendricks Happenings Happen

I would like to thank those who have responded so positively to my request for help and information. I have had the privilege of hosting two open house type "Hendricks Happenings" in the Arizona area. We have had such great fun meeting some of the 80 Hendricks

families living in Arizona, relatives who have never met before. We didn't even realize there are so many cousins in this part of the country. I have made a trip to Texas and Washington and

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Reports from October meeting

This is the report of the October 1999 meeting of Hendricks Family Board of Directors.

DelLynn Leavitt, acting chair and president, explained that the treasurer, Larry Hendricks, was not able to be to the meeting, but that there was no change in the financial situation since the last meeting.

He requested that any bills that need to be paid be sent to him.

Arie Noot: - Dutch Researcher - has been tracing the ancestors of Henry Hendricks by reviewing the Dutch records. He gave us a pedigree chart detailing the work done so far, along with PAF files, reports and maps.

Harold Hendricks received the diskette with the PAF files. Brian Cooper also made a copy of the data. Arie remarked that no temple work has been recorded in the PAF data file.

We need to check to make sure that the work has not been done yet and then submit the names. Arie commented that the Hendricks work is nearly at an end. Few records are available that go back before the 1500s. He did think that there

was work to be done yet on the Cortelyou line. Other lines that may be pursued are: Rensaler - famous (first generation in New Amsterdam). Schenck - lot of them, but can't make connection. Couwenhoven - some progress is possible. Wycoff - strange line, ends up in Swedish & Dutch. The data he has given us is verified and reliable. When the genealogy goes into Scandinavia it is out of Arie's domain.

Couple of potential lines for research: Cortelyou seems most promising. If he finds an area that looks like there is real information, will let us know.

Harold Hendricks made a motion to authorize Arie to proceed on research with the Cortelyou line if he finds information. Seconded by DelLynn.

Researcher report: Peggy Cordner found problems with Josiah Frost records we received last time, and she asked us to discard that line. She found a verifiable connection that led beyond

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met cousins in that part of the world from the John Thompson and Tabitha Hendricks line.

I want to especially thank Peggy Norcross and Doris Westcott for their invaluable input on this family branch. They have been very generous in sharing their records, documents and pictures. Cousins from other family branches have also made contact and we appreciate their willingness to share the work and do their part. If I have been slow in getting back to you, please call me again. This coming year, the

HHFO will be hosting regional "Hendricks Happenings," an Open House style gathering in various areas where there is a small concentration of Hendricks. If you would like to see a gathering in your area, please contact me by phone (480-964-3145) or email (leann.hord@juno.com).

We are looking forward to meeting you on a more personal level. A gathering of cousins and records is taking place at an ever increasing pace. Please join us in this renewed effort by responding to the queries in the

last Hendricks Herald. Probably the biggest help you could give right now is to help us clean up the mailing list with new and correct names and addresses.

We would also like to add phone numbers and email addresses. There is lots of information to be gathered before we can burn the family history CDs for the reunion in July.

Thank you again for your responses!

LeAnn Hord
Intra-family Coordinator

Directors

Josiah Frost, grandfather of Drusilla Dorris, will pursue Frost line.

She commented that it is almost impossible to pursue the Dorris line any further, since it leads into Ireland and most of the older Irish records have been destroyed through various fires.

She did find the pedigree of Josiah Frost who married Mary Polk, b. in Hartford. These records go back to 1575.

Temple work needs to be done for these people. Additional research will be done by Cherie Nelson - assistant research director. She has been working with Peggy, and may be able to uncover new leads, refocusing on Maryland period, 1760-1790.

A motion was made and sustained to study that area and try to find the four Hendricks daughters.

Harold Hendricks reported on the continuance of work being done on the PAF data files. With a little more work, all of Albert's family will be done. Harold and Brian also examined the new version of PAF - 4.0.

With it, we have a way to integrate birth-order code, so can combine all the family records into one file. Nothing has done on web page yet; but he has made contact with Paul Sharp.

CD-ROM: Brian Cooper presented plans to create and distribute a CD-ROM at the family reunion. A CD-ROM could hold all the data and more, and is about the same cost to produce as a floppy disk but the floppy would not be adequate to the task.

We would still make a few floppy disks available for those who have the older machines, but the CD will be the main item. Using a CD would also make it possible to use genealogy data in other formats including web-format. This would mean you wouldn't have to run a program to look through it, just click on it (under Windows 95 or NT).

PAF 4.0 software: Church headquarters reported the family can distribute this software as long as it isn't sold.

Photographs: We can scan in the photographs from the sources we have and make them available as well. Current genealogy programs (PAF 4.0

included) allow integration of photographs.

Family histories: It is possible to put the entire Red Book onto the CD-ROM.

It was discussed whether this would dry up the market for the books that Larry Hendricks has for sale, and agreed that there are still many people who would prefer to have the printed copy.

The entire Henry Hendricks web site: We may also include pointers to other useful web sites on the Internet. The cost will be small. A recent advertisement showed 100 writable CD-ROMs for sale for less than \$80.

Leann Hord commented that she has found a number of representatives from different parts of the family. Many are excited about working on different parts of the family records to get them up to date. She expressed a firm conviction that the Hendricks family database has to be ready in five years.

W.D. Hendricks reunion: Roughly 50-60 to individuals attended the W.D. Hendricks reunion this year in Providence, UT.

Joseph Smith Hendricks Reunion: Dennis Hendricks reported on the Joseph Smith Hendricks reunion, held at Downey, Idaho. Work continues on the Joseph Smith Hendricks book.

Mary Hart's trip report appears elsewhere in this edition of the Herald as does the report on the reunion and the potential for a Drusilla Hendricks play.

Drusilla's Story

There will be a wonderful surprise in Provo in conjunction with the Hendricks Family Reunion. Only July 6 and 8, a new musical drama will be premiered based on the life history of Drusilla Dorris Hendricks. Cousin Karla Hendricks Huntsman, part-time theater professor at BYU, has written Drusilla's story in an innovative format. Through a series of inspired events, composers, directors and choreographers are collaborating their professional talents to produce a show you don't want to miss! Watch for details in the next newsletter.

Research director's journey of discovery

By Mary Lalene Hart
Research Director

EDITOR'S NOTE: This is the first of a two-part report by family Research Director Mary L. Hart on her journey of family discovery that she took last summer. Part two will appear in the April Herald.

The concept for the Hendricks/Hendrickson Reunion to be held in New Jersey in June 1999 originated with Dr. Andrew A. Hendricks from Lumberton, N.C. He had long been a member of the Reformed Dutch Church called the "Old Brick Church" in Marlboro, Momouth Co., N.J.

The original Dutch Reformed Church was built in 1699 on "Hendrickson Hill" and was called "The Reformed Church of Freehold and Middletown" and is presently known as the "1st Reformed Church of Freehold" or the "Old Brick Church."

Although the original brick church is no longer standing this still is same Dutch Reformed Church Organization to which our ancestors belonged.

Andrew Hendricks is a descendant of Hendrick Willemz, who had two sons, William and Daniel. William changed his name to Hendricks and Daniel's family kept the Hendrickson name.

At one time it was thought that we descended through William also, but later research proved that we came through Hendrick Hendricks who married Helena Cortelyou and who was the son of Jacob Hendricks Hafte.

Our Henry Hendricks Family was issued an invitation to this

reunion and since Harold Hendricks, our family archivist, was already planning to attend a seminar back east he wanted to attend. Harold and two of his sons met with LeAnn Hord, our intra-family coordinator, and I in Cincinnati, Ohio, where he had rented a mini van for our transportation.

We started our trip by visiting with Joe and Martha Hendricks at the Cincinnati airport, who are members of the John Thompson Hendricks Family, then we drove to Franklin, KY.

The next day we met with Sonney Broderson, a cousin of Joe and Martha Hendricks. He showed us several cemeteries and the property of John Thompson and Tabitha Dorris Hendricks and the spring near their home that we had heard so much about through the years.

James and Drusilla only lived a mile from Tabitha who was Drusilla's sister.

We then drove to Greenville, Kentucky to visit Brenada Cobb and her family.

She showed us pictures of her ancestors, Jesse Hinton and Sarah Mayes. Jesse was the son of Rev. Samuel C. Hinton and Rebecca Hendricks, who was the daughter of Albert Hendricks, son of Henry and Sarah Thompson Hendricks.

After visiting with Sarah Broderson Saunders, sister of Sonny Broderson, we drove on to North Carolina and quickly found Rockinham Co.

Henry and Sarah Thompson Hendricks are listed on the 1790 Rockinham Co., census with three of their sons.

John David Hendricks, who is

a descendant of Albert Hendrix, sent us a map prepared by the N.C. Historical Society and we were able to find the property of Henry and Sarah Thompson Hendricks. Nearby were the properties of Henry Hendricks Jr. and his brother John.

We also found a little church and graveyard where a lot of the neighbors of Henry and Sarah were buried as well as the Luke Barnard property which is now being developed into houses. Abraham lived about 10 miles northwest from the rest of the family near Eden, N.C. in a little town called Stoneville.

There was a large house at the top of a hill and Harold talked to a woman at the house who told us something of the history and how to get there. She said that the area was now a cow pasture that is padlocked so that we could not get in.

We followed her instructions and found it through a lot of underbrush and trees.

We were able to drive the van inside the area.

It was so quiet and peaceful.

The sun was shining bright and birds were singing.

Little Matrimony Creek was nearly dried up, but a little stream was flowing.

We all stood there quietly reflecting then Harold gave a beautiful prayer, and we felt the spirit of our ancestors.

It was so special to stand on the land and to know that it once belonged to my third great grandparents.

I could almost see the horses and wagons winding through the hills.

HENDRICKS REUNION 2000 REGISTRATION FORM

July 7-8, 2000
(Please print clearly)

Head of household _____ Under 60 Over 60
Spouse _____ Under 60 Over 60
Hendricks grandfather or grandmother _____
Address _____
Phone _____ E-Mail address _____

Children	M/F	Age
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Friday, July 7, 2000 - 5:00 p.m.

Registration fee, per individual = \$5.00

Or Registration fee for a family = \$25.00 (a few families already paid) \$ _____
(A family is parents and unmarried children)

T-shirts for Hendricks Reunion 2000 (optional), each \$4.00

List family members and size of T-shirt desired (S, M, L, XL, XXL)

_____ \$ _____

Catered dinner Friday \$5.00 per person \$ _____

Saturday, July 8, 2000

Seven Peaks admission (optional) \$10.50 per person ages 4 - 60 \$ _____

Computer classes on Family History (1st North and 6th East) \$ FREE

Catered dinner Saturday, 5:00 p.m. \$7.35 per person Saturday dinner total \$ _____

GRAND TOTAL ENCLOSED \$ _____

Please send this form with your check, made out to Henry Hendricks Family Organization, to Don Merrill, 3586 North 180 East, Provo, UT 84604.

Registration deadline is May 15, 2000.

All funds are required with your registration. You can receive information about hotels, motels, campgrounds, etc. by phoning 1-800-222-UTAH. You will receive confirmation of your registration by mail. Your reservation at Seven Peaks will be at the "Will Call" window. You can learn more about the Freedom Festival at <www.freedomfestival-usa.com>.

Vice President's Message

Please plan to come to the Henry Hendricks Family Reunion on July 7 and 8, 2000. The Fourth of July will be on Tuesday. Some people may want to make a whole week's vacation out of it, taking in the Freedom Festival Parade on July 4, the Stadium of Fire on July 4, and other Freedom Festival events.

Formal proceedings will begin at the Eldred Senior Center, 270 West 500 North in Provo, on Friday, July 7 at 5:00 p.m. There we will have a check-in. Each person will receive a name badge which will include his/her own name and his/her progenitor who was 5 generations from Henry Hendricks (most of us are 7-9 generations from him).

The children will have a pioneer treasure hunt outdoors. The adults and teens will hunt indoors for a covered wagon carrying the name of their 5th generation ancestor. When they find it, they will note that each wagon has a number (from 1 to 4), which will tell them which of 4 tables to go to for their free gift. A dinner will be served, after which we'll have a fun program with singing and prizes, followed by a short business meeting.

Saturday, July 8, 2000: Breakfast on your own. It has been observed that many reunions are of interest only to the older members of a family, so this time we have included a day at Seven Peaks Water Park, which can be enjoyed by young and old alike. Admission is free for children 3 years and younger and for senior citizens 60 and older. Hot dog stands and snack bars are available at the park for lunch. We'll have the use of a pavilion which can handle 250 people, starting at 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, July 8. A catered dinner will be served there at 5:00 p.m. The park closes at 8:00 p.m.

We'll also have the use of the Family History Training Center at 1st North and 6th East during the day on Saturday. That facility contains 30 computers, so that anyone who is interested in learning how to use a computer in genealogical work can do so. From the water park you can get your hand stamped and return without additional charge.

Please register before May 15, 2000, using the enclosed form. Because of the size of the facilities, we'll be limited to the first 350 registrants.

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WE COULD USE A LOT OF HELP!
PLEASE take this opportunity to sign up and help. REMEMBER, many hands make light work and more fun. Come, put your shoulder to the wheel.

REUNION COMMITTEES:
(Volunteer for one or more and suggest someone else!)

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