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Eunice Mosher Linnell Portrait

I am sure that all Linnells, but especially the descendants of Samuel Linnell of Grindstone Island, will be interested in the following series of e-mails between Mark Chidichimo and Rachel Wynn. This may be the only portrait of Samuel's wife, Eunice Linnell, in existence.

James Swedberg, Editor

Hello, Linnells.

I'm Mark Chidichimo, 3rd great grandson of Adam See and Eunice Linnell. I'd like to first thank Rachel Wynn for the info I found on the Internet regarding Samuel Linnell in the The Descendents of Robert Linnell (pp 331-334). I had bits and pieces of the info on the See family, and your work put it all together for me, thanks!

My great aunt Vernita Glass Pulse, daughter of

Ed Glass whose father, Charles Glass, married Adam See and Eunice Linnell's daughter Sarah Cecelia See, gave me an old dauguerrotype in an envelope marked "Eunice Mosher." I believe it's probably Eunice Linnell, because her life/age corresponds to the woman in the photo. Another



interesting item: I grew up in Belvidere, Ill, where my great grandfather moved to around the turn of the century. Once I started doing family research about 10 years ago, I found that Sarah's uncle, Thomas Jefferson Linnell, moved to the Belvidere area 60 years before.

I have photos of several of the See children if you are interested - I have scanned images and donated the originals to the Charlevoix Historical Society.

Mark Chidichimo Matawan, NJ

Dear Mark.

I have been considering the question of whether your portrait of "Euncie" is of Euncie Mosher or Eunice Linnell. By the time of Euncie Linnell's death in 1901 pictures were being made on paper rather than the more expensive process of daguerreotype. The new process came during the Civil War.

The fact that your envelope stated that this was a daguerreotype should be considered as a fact, I believe. people were very proud of having such a picture made. Eunice Mosher lived until 28 November 1853, and could have had this process in creating a picture of her. I believe that we should consider that this is a picture of Eunice Mosher for these reasons. Would you concur? Sincerely,

Rachel Wynn

Rachel

You're 100% correct. I had bought a book on dating photos and screened most of my old ones, but I missed this completely. Due to the age of the subject at the time of the photo, and the fact that dags were popular in the 1840s, I do believe that if it's a choice between the two

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Additions to the Family Records

Births, Deaths, Marriages

2 Great-grandsons for **John Henry Linnell** (11a,b15,7-10-1,32) **Andrea Marie Kidney** (11a,b15,7-10-1,321,1) has two sons:

i. Austin Lane b. 15 Oct 1999

ii. Juston Thane b. 8 Sept 2003

Updates for the Oswald Vern Linnell family:

Oswald Vern Linnell (118,241,112,646) d. 26 Dec 2003 at Silver Bay Veteran's Home, Silver Bay MN.

His funeral was held at the First Congregational Church in Grand Marais, MN.

Terry Ann Linnell Skoog (118,241,112,646,1) divorced 15 Dec 1987

Jeremy William Skoog (118,241,112,646,11) m. Susana Pierson 17 July 1999

i. Ashley Ella Skoog b. 12 Nov 03, Chicago IL

Jeremy is a Physical Therapist and Susana is a Physician's Asst.

Joshua Kenneth Skoog (118,241,112,646,12) m. Jennifer Ann Major 28 July 2001

i. Madison Haley Skoog b 13 Aug 03 Tampa FL

Josh works for IBM and Jennifer is an Acct. Manager for Progress Telecom.

Rick Allen Linnell (118,241,112,646,2) m. Ann Remington 30 July 1983

Eric James Linnell b. 22 Nov 1989 Fargo ND

Kelsey Ann Linnell b. 23 Jan 1995 Fargo ND

Rick is now Supt. of Schools at St Clair MN. Ann teaches in the elementary school.

Kim Russell Linnell (118,241,112,646,4) m. Wendy Lynn Grafton 14 Oct 1978

Kaitlynn Rayne Linnell b. 27 June 1995

Kim & Wendy own and operate their own store in Grand Marais MN.

Relationship Chart

To find the relationship between two individuals with a common ancestor, follow these instructions. Assuming Individual "A" is the 3x Great Grand Child of the common Ancestor, place him in the 3x Gr. Grand child portion along the top of the chart. To make things simple, Assuming that individual "B" is also a 3x Great Grand Child of that common Ancestor, place him in the 3x Gr. Grand child portion along the left hand side of the chart. Follow both lines to their intersection, and you will find that they are Fourth Cousins to each other.

Common Ancestor	Child	Grand child	Gr. Grand child	2x Gr. Grand child	3x Gr. Grand child	4x Gr. Grand child	5x Gr. Grand child	6x Gr. Grand child
Child	Sibling	Niece / Nephew	Grand Niece / Nephew	Gr. Grand Niece / Nephew	2x Gr. Grand Niece / Nephew	3x Gr. Grand Niece / Nephew	4x Grand Niece / Nephew	5x Gr. Grand Niece / Nephew
Grand child	Niece / Nephew	First Cousin	First Cousin 1x Rem.	First Cousin 2x Rem.	First Cousin 3x Rem.	First Cousin 4x Rem.	First Cousin 5x Rem.	First Cousin 6x Rem.
Gr. Grand child	Grand Niece / Nephew	First Cousin 1x Rem.	Second Cousin	Second Cousin 1x Rem.	Second Cousin 2x Rem.	Second Cousin 3x Rem.	Second Cousin 4x Rem.	Second Cousin 5x Rem.
2x Gr. Grand child	Gr. Grand Niece / Nephew	First Cousin 2x Rem.	Second Cousin 1x Rem.	Third Cousin	Third Cousin 1x Rem.	Third Cousin 2x Rem.	Third Cousin 3x Rem.	Third Cousin 4x Rem.
3x Gr. Grand child	2x Gr. Grand Niece / Nephew	First Cousin 3x Rem.	Second Cousin 2x Rem.	Third Cousin 1x Rem.	Fourth Cousin	Fourth Cousin 1x Rem.	Fourth Cousin 2x Rem.	Fourth Cousin 3x Rem.
4x Gr. Grand child	3x Gr. Grand Niece / Nephew	First Cousin 4x Rem.	Second Cousin 3x Rem.	Third Cousin 2x Rem.	Fourth Cousin 1x Rem.	Fifth Cousin	Fifth Cousin 1x Rem.	Fifth Cousin 2x Rem.
5x Gr. Grand child	4x Gr. Grand Niece / Nephew	First Cousin 5x Rem.	Second Cousin 4x Rem.	Third Cousin 3x Rem.	Fourth Cousin 2x Rem.	Fifth Cousin 1x Rem.	Sixth Cousin	Sixth Cousin 1x Rem.
6x Gr. Grand child	5x Gr. Grand Niece / Nephew	First Cousin 6x Rem.	Second Cousin 5x Rem.	Third Cousin 4x Rem.	Fourth Cousin 3x Rem.	Fifth Cousin 2x Rem.	Sixth Cousin 1x Rem.	Seventh Cousin



Hello, Cousins.

As I sit in my office at 416 Constitution Ave., NE, in Washington, DC, just having been given the recess/vacation of the U.S. Senate for the month of August, I again make another attempt at bringing you up to date on the workings of our association. There is not much to write about on the national scene, but most definitely, knowing this family as well as I do, there are sure to be many small family gatherings around the country this summer -- you know, picnics, camping, swimming, etc. And I know Dossie Elliott is working hard at putting together her annual West Coast reunion, this year to be held in Millersburg, OR, at the city park. I had hoped to make it out there to meet "new" relatives, along with some of the "old" crowd that makes it back to the Midwest or East Coast every 3 years for our national reunion, but poor planning does not allow me to get out there this year. However, if I plan ahead far enough, maybe it will happen in the next year or two.

There will be the usual annual music party at Pike Lake in Grand Marais, MN this August 20th, so if you happen to be in the neighborhood drop in and join a lot of relatives and old family friends, as it sure is a swell time of eating, singing, and jamming with all the musicians who love to come and lend their talents to a fun evening.

I will must tell you about a letter I received from Jamie Sunde, the winner of the first LFA scholarship which was awarded at the Black River Falls reunion in 2003. Although it is not accompanied by a musical instrument or a song, it is certainly music to my ears and I hope to yours. She writes that she is thankful for the association's ability to help her with a \$500 scholarship to help buy books and tuition. I quote from her letter:

"The required essay was beneficial and interesting to do. The preparation of it made me look back in history books and talk to my mom and grandpa about our family. Rachel Linnell's {Wynn} family book was a great asset.

"I would highly recommend that all eligible students apply for this scholarship. Not only did it help me financially, but it helped me learn more about my family. Knowing those stories is priceless. Most of all, I know that a huge family, spread across the U.S. and overseas, is helping support me in my goal of becoming a pharmacist. Thank you all once again. Sincerely, Jamie Sunde."

News from Our Cousins



Good morning cousin!

This morning in Maine is overcast and around 70 degrees and muggy. I am writing in response to the article "A Linnell Star". She is my granddaughter and I am very proud of her accomplishments. I have a picture of her that was printed in the Portland Press Herald. and was cleared by them to be published in the family newsletter. I failed to mention the tall girl number 42 is Heather. Virgil



I could not say it better. On behalf of the association's steering committee, I encourage you to get those members of the family who you know plan to or are attending college to enter their applications for the next scholarship award in 2005. Also, don't forget, we have two funds (scholarship and cemetery restoration) that can use a dollar or two to help the association continue its efforts in these endeavors.

Well, my dear friends, as Jamie is surely doing this summer, I am hopeful you are also attempting; that is, a little work, relaxation, and a lot of play. Travel safely.

Jerry Linnell

From Our English Cousin Derek Allen

In the May 2004 issue we began a series of articles about our Linnell cousins. Derek Allen of Bristol, England, is a Linnel descendant who has done a lot of research into his Linnell roots. While we have yet to connect our ancestor, Robert Linnell, with other English Linnells, we feel confidant that someday the connection will be made. The following is a series of questions which were posed to Derek over the internet, along with his replies.

Q1. How did you start doing family history research?
A.1. When my paternal grandmother died in 1965 my father showed my brother and me her will. We were interested in the middle name she had and wondered why she had it, (and how could a parent call a little baby girl such a name). Her maiden name was Beatrix Marion Codgbrook WESTERDALE. Also in amongst her papers was a copy of a will dated 1842 for a lady called Kitty SCRIVEN. It took three years for my brother and me to work out that Kitty's eldest son Richard SCRIVEN was our ancestor, and then the reason behind that middle name.

Q2. What success have you had?

A2. In the nearly 40 years of research we have had many highs and lows. We have obviously learned a great number of techniques, not least of which is reading old handwriting. My biggest success is tracing one line of my wife's family back to the mid 12th century (someone else had devoted a lifetime to this work and published). Other than this I have many of my ancestors back to the 17th century.

Q3. What has been your greatest difficulty?
A3. Over the years of research I have got used to many disappointments but these are counterbalanced by the occasional success. It does not sound like much, but the greatest difficulty is being able to spend enough time at the record offices merely doing the basic research. Life has to go on and there is a little more to life than family history.

Q4. What is your best source of information?
A4. I find that if you can get a snapshot of a family, that is the most rewarding find. This can be provided by a census entry (usually 1841 and 1851 census) but the older 'snapshots' provided by a probate document is so rewarding. Wills have been retained right back to the 15th century in some districts and to get a copy of one that is relevant to one's studies is fantastic. I recently obtained a copy of a will for Lucy Harris dated 1720, from our

The Linnell Name

It can show up almost anywhere! John Henry Linnell of Bethany, Oklahoma saw it staring at him from the pages of an article in "Traditional Homes" magazine, June-July 2004. The contents of heiress Doris Duke's country home in New Jersey was to be sold at Christie's in New York The first page of this article showed the remarkable mirror created by William and John Linnell. English cabinet makers of note. In announcing the value of this piece the article reads,

"Dinner guests could admire their reflection in a gilded over-mantel mirror with rococo foliage climbing up the frame, carved by 18th century father and son cabinetmakers William and John Linnell (\$250,000 to \$400,000)."

How delightful to find objects and paintings created by the English Linnells, artists of note, located in American museums and homes.

Public Record Office web site. This took a bit of a gamble, but for a small sum I had immediate access to a copy, and it proved to be a perfect fit.

Over the years I have built up a network of friends and we all use each other to do research in the area where we live. This is so useful, especially if one has respect for the quality of their work and analysis.

Q5. Other LINNELL points?

A5. Linnell is pronounced in Northamptonshire as one syllable like 'little'. There is a tendency to say it with two syllables 'Lin- nell'. I have traced my Linnell ancestry back to a Thomas Linnell who married a twice widowed lady. They had four children and he, unfortunately, died young in 1717. The family lived in a small village called Floore, in Northamptonshire. The farm they worked is now owned by the Spencer family (Princess Diana, etc.) but as they only purchased the property in 1875, I have no record of early 18th century tenancy. All of this was brought to light by the chance find of a will for a lady who left sums of money to many nieces, one of whom was the widow with many differently named children.

27th May 2004.



Some Suggestions

Item for the news letter to all Linnells.

I have a few suggestions for all Linnells to consider. I don't believe it is fair to everyone having the association meetings in just three areas, and not consider the rest of the Linnells, and their locations.

First: suggest the election ballots be mailed to all the membership, via the news letter.

Second: I would like to see the association pay the steering committee a sum equal to the cost of travel to the meetings, (type of travel to be considered later), two of the three years that they serve. Also, I would like to see an association established in each of the four to six (to be determined) regions of the country, to meet with the steering committee where the next reunion is to be held.

Third: I would encourage everyone to give their opinions in the LFA news letter.

Also, we need someone to put <u>The Descendants</u> of Robert Linnell on CD to be printed in a revised addition.

I believe you will get more support from all Linnells with these few changes, and possibly encourage more input from some younger Linnells, once they attend a meeting in their region and meet other cousins. We need the younger generation to become interested in serving on the board eventually. I would encourage all Linnells to join in these reunions and meet some new relatives and possibly have new ideas for the association. Please tell your family and any Linnells or descendants, so we can get their input also. I also encourage each one to make copies of this letter and give them to other family members. Any letters or E-Mails I get back, I will send on to the committee. Please send all suggestions to the address or the E-Mail below or to the Newsletter Editors or LFA Chairman.

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Eunices, I'd go with the older.

For fun, I've enclosed an old tintype of someone who MAY be Adam See (or at least some relative of the same generation). It came from a woman who sent me all the photos of his children and, based on the collection of photos she sent me, it's a good possibility. I e-mailed the scanned image to all my cousins and uncles and most stated "that looks like Uncle Pat Glass" (it does to me) or my cousin Laurence, my aunt Jessie Glass's son. I've also enclosed images of the See children:

This is interesting and fun - again thank you so much for all the research you've done. I've made a pretty good dent in Adam See's children, and you're welcome to it, but I know there comes a time when you have to focus or you'll go nuts.

Take care, Mark

Editor's Note:

I have chosen these pictures, from all the ones that Mark sent, to include in this newsletter because they are of people listed in <u>The Descendants of Robert Linnell</u>. (See page 338) No pun intended! Adam See was the husband of Eunice Mosher Linnell. Charles, Byron, Harriet, and Samuel are four of their fifteen children.

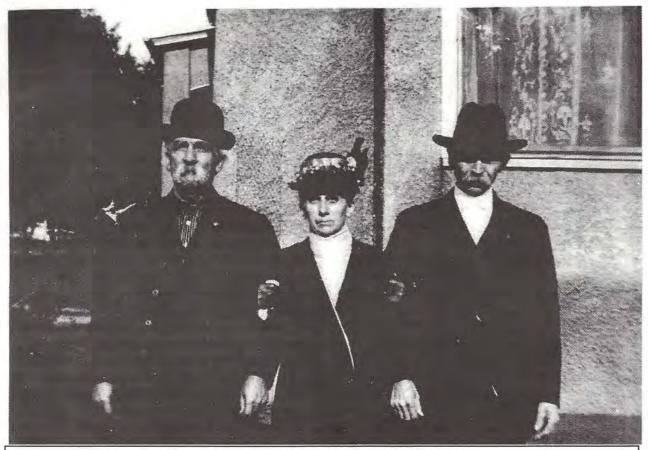




Samuel or Byron See?



Charles See



Byron See, Harriet See Glass, Charles Glass

Don't Get Writer's Cramp!

Just submit a small article about your family for the next <u>Linnell Family Newsletter</u> using your computer. Or, if you wish, just type it up and mail it to the editors. We are looking for articles about interesting lines of work, family history, or anything you want to share. If you have pictures, so much the better, please send copies along. I will return any originals if you tell me that you want them returned.

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