

## LINNELL FAMILY NEWSLETTER

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### Letter from the Chairman

#### By Jerry Linnell

Hello, Cousins. An article in USA TODAY by Chantal Kelly, titled "Know Your Family History: Lifestyle choices, screening can alter genetic destiny," was sent to me recently by CC and Claude Whitney. That headline is a mouthful, for sure, but if you read between the lines — sort of — you can make the connection that it is time for that college-bound or already enrolled college student family member to SEND IN A SCHOLARSHIP ENTRY for a chance at winning \$1,000 — that's right, not \$500 but \$1,000 — toward next year's college tuition, books, housing, whatever the winner decides to use it for in furtherance of their educational endeavors. Certainly almost all of my cousins know what it takes to win this great prize; the rules have been inserted in many previous newsletters and they have been posted on the LFA Website.

Getting back to the article to which I referred, Chantal Kelly says, "I thought I had a pretty good idea of what it [family medical history] was..."

Both of her paternal grandparents had colon cancer. The article goes on to say that the U.S. Surgeon General's office is spearheading a drive to encourage all of us to know our family medical history and share it with our families and doctors.

Darned if that doesn't seem to be a perfect topic for an entry to be submitted to the LFA secretary, Pam Linnell, PO Box 408, Rosendale, NY, 12472. Remember, also, the application has to be in by the end of March.

The article goes on to say that Pete Zumpfe, 61: Comes from a long line of long-lived people, including one grand-mother who died at 105. So he had believed that family medical history "was something for other people to worry about." Then he started talking to relatives and checking records to learn exactly how family members had died. "What I realized was that everyone was living into their 80s or older, but everyone was dying of a heart attack or stroke."

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Mr. Zumpfe is taking aspirin, sharing his findings with other family members — and looking forward, he hopes, to at least as many decades as his grandparents enjoyed.

There you have it, cousins: a great subject for that college hopeful to sit down and discuss with grandma or grandpa, mom or dad, aunt or uncle, sister or brother, and get some great information, take some notes, prepare a little thesis, and send it in to be eligible to win this newly increased amount to be used toward that greatly needed college education — and even maybe one day be a member of the Linnell Family Association Steering Commitree, a position which requires much educational experience and pays very handsomely these days. Not.

I bid you farewell for now, my beautiful cousins. Have a great spring. I hope to see a lot of you this summer in my yearly trek to the north woods and God's country -- good old Grand Marais, MN. If I don't see you there, why not think about coming to the nation's capital and soaking up the beautiful cherry blossoms or watch your elected representatives and Senators "speak your mind."

## Mail From Our Cousins

### Introductions by Heather Linnell

Janet E. Linnell wrote to us last November from snowy Anchorage, Alaska. She sent some beautiful pictures af her home state for us to enjoy. We always love to hear from our Linnell causins across the globe!

#### Janet writes:

In Alaska, we're always looking for things to do indoors at this time of year, so having an opportunity to get to know some more Linnells, would be a pleasant pastime ... and if you want to hear some tales about Alaska, I have lots to share. They're about unusual things that happen fairly often here but may rarely happen "outside." In Alaska, burside means the rest of the USA is that some newcomers to Alaska call, the lower 45 ... or even the lower 49. since Hawaii is actually due South from here).

If you want to hear about our people, animals, big cabbages, annual events and beautiful Aurora nights ... I'll be glad to share what I know. However, so far this Fall, what I'm learning is making me a little cranky because it hash t been as warm as usual in Ancharage. In fact, for the last 3 weeks, it feels more like living in the interior where Fairbanks and all those colder places are located. And what I mean is ... usually after our first local snowfall, the temperatures hover around freezing or above, and we get more snow. But this year, it snowed before Halloween, then got so cold ... that first snowfall is still here. The low temps are getting monotonous too. For instance, today it waited until almost 10:00 AM to "warm up" all the way to 3-degrees Fahrenheit ... but then the sun shone so brightly from a clear blue sky, it made those drifts of old snow, sparkle like diamond dust.

And you should have seen how long our Harvest Moon lasted a week ago. For several nights before and after the 5th, when it was Full, the Moon was so round and bright every night, you'd forget to turn your headlights on until after you left your driveway. That made the cold seem extra crisp, and prompted you to look up to see if the magic was causing Santa and his reindeer to practice a fly over or two."



On the way to Seward (from the highway before the first snows fell)



After having to "post-hole" through a January 3rd snow to browse a little, this moose got so tuckered out ... a nap became more attractive than the thought of trying to find more food in a patch of woods in the Tudor Hills near the Lake Otis Parkwoy.

Our cousin, William Linnell (118, 241, 236, 124, 21), wrote to us before he left for a tour of duty in Afghanistan. William is in the U.S. Army and I asked him to share a bit about himself with the LFA members. I was very interested to know about our causins serving in the Armed Forces and thaught you might be as well.

Our prayers are with you, William, and all of the other members of the Linnell family serving in the United States Armed Forces. We'd love to hear from you!

#### William writes:

I signed up for the Army my senior year of high school. Because I got out and went to the reserves they adjusted my time in service. So my date of active duty is now May 86, which now makes my retirement date May 2010, with 21 yrs and 5 months of active duty time. My rank is a Sergeant First Class.

I took the M1 tank Armor Crewman basic training at Ft. Knox, KY. Sep 84 - Jan 85.

1st duty station — Garlstedt, Germany with D company, 2-66 Armor, 2nd Armor Division, Feb 85 - Oct 86. Served as a tank driver.

2nd duty station — Ft. Hood TX with A company, 2-8 Cavalry, 1st Cavalry Division, Oct 86 - Sep 87. Served as a tank gunner then as a tank commander.

Got out of the Active Army and went Army Reserves from Apr 88 - Apr 89 then went back on active duty. I was an infantry instructor on U.S weapons at FT. Campbell, KY.

3rd duty station — Friedberg, Germany with B company, 4-67 Armor, 3rd Armor Division, Apr 89 - Aug 90,

then to C company, Aug 90 - Aug 93. Served with C company during the Persian Gulf War from Jan 91 - Jun 91. Served as a tank gunner.

4th duty station — Ft. Carson, CO with D company, 2-35 Armor, 4th Infantry Division, Aug 93 - Sep 96. Served as a tank gunner, tank commander and as a tank Platoon Sergeant.

5th duty station — Ft. Hood, TX with A company, 1-12 Cavalry Regiment, 1st Cavalry Division, Sep 96 - Aug 98. Served as a tank commander. Then with B company, Aug 98 - Mar 03 as a tank commander, then as a tank Platoon Sergeant.

6th duty station — FT, Knox, KY w/HHC, 2-81 Armor, 1st Armor Training Brigade, basic training for armor crewmen, Mar 03 - Jan 06. Served as a Tank commander/ Instructor for basic trainees. From Jan 06 - Oct 06, served as the Battalion's Operations Security Officer. Currently going to FT. Riley, KS for special training then going to Afghanistan from Jan 07 - Feb 08.

Awards: 1 Meritorious Service Medal, 3 Army Accommodation Medals, 7 Army Achievement Medals, National Defense Medal w/bronze star, Army's Good Conduct Medal 7th award, Humanitarian Service Medal, Army's Outstanding Volunteer Service Medal, Southwest Asia Medal w/3 campaign stars, Liberation of Kuwait Medal (Saudi Arabia), Liberation of Kuwait Medal (Kuwait), Professional Development Ribbon (3), Valorous Unit Award, the German Marksmanship Badge (silver).



Picture sent by William Linnell

My hobbies are: hunting, collecting military rifles my grandfather and great-grandfathers used in the wars that they served in, snow skiing, collecting old coins and Superman/Batman collectibles. I love reading comics

because from a young age I could draw exceptionally well and wanted to be a cartoonist. I love history and our family history.

Thanks to the Army, I have had the opportunity to visit 13 different countries and 31 out of 50 states. I have two 1st cousins that are serving in the active army and I know of 3 other distance relatives that are also active army.

#### My cousins:

Clifford Linnell # 118, 241, 236, 124, 43. He is married with 3 kids and is stationed in Germany.

Thomas Linnell Jr # 118, 241, 236, 124, 71. He is not married and has no kids. He also is stationed in Germany.

# West Coast Linnell Family Reunion

By Ladoska (Dossie) Linnell

Our group was small at this last reunion, only 14 family members and 3 guests, but we had a good time visiting and good food as usual. The area that Lyle and Jan live is really beautiful. Wish you all could have been with us. Thanks for your hospitality Lyle and Jan. There will not be a reunion this year. All of us that work to put it together have had some health problems this last year. I understand that when they opened the doors to register for the park, there were about 90 people in line. I will not ask anyone to do that. We will try to find another place for next year. I would appreciate any suggestions you might have.

Contact me with a note at:

425 S 2nd St.

Harrisbug, OR 97446

Or send an e-mail to ladoska1@juno.com. Will keep you all posted. Wishing you all a happy and healthy new year.

# 2008 Linnell Family Association Scholarship

We are pleased to invite Linnell family students to apply for award of the Linnell Family Association Scholarship Fund. The Linnell Scholarship Fund was established in 2000 with a donation of \$500 and has continued to grow since then.

#### WHO CAN I APPLY?

Any high school senior or current student of a college or an accredited higher education program, who is a descendant of Robert Linnell, is eligible to apply for the scholarship. Student applicants are asked to write an essay of not less than 1000 words, nor more than 2,500 words in length, which should be typed and double-spaced. The essay should involve Linnell family history or current positive influences of the Linnell family. One winning essay will be selected this year for the scholarship award of \$1000.

#### **HOW DO STUDENTS APPLY?**

Students should mail their original essay along with: the LFASF Scholarship Application form; two letters of recommendation (one from a teacher of the applicant and one from a member of the applicant's community); and a current academic transcript. Please visit: http://linnell-family.home.comcast.net/ for complete rules and further information about applying for the scholarship award.

#### WHEN ARE ESSAYS AND APPLICATIONS DUE?

Students wishing to enter their essay for the LFASF award must have their application and accompanying essay sent by March 31, 2007.

#### **HOW ARE THE ESSAYS JUDGED?**

The Linnell Family Association Scholarship Fund Administration Committee (LFASFAC) has been established and will oversee the selection and judging of all prospective scholarship award recipients.

#### **QUESTIONS?**

Contact any LFASFAC member, via email, with your questions.

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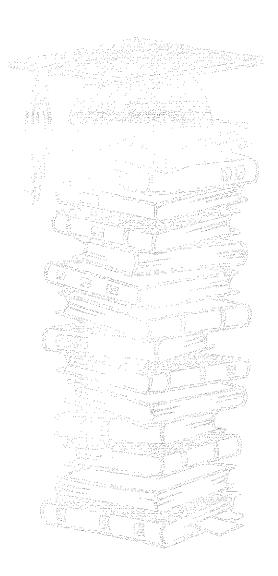
## HOW TO SEND STUDENT ESSAYS AND APPLICATIONS:

1.) Send original essay and application to:

Pam Linnell P.O. Box 408 Roendale, NY 12472

2.) Send to the following address a copy of the original essay, but with your name and address removed, to:

Barrie Westerwick 11 Allocco Drive Holmdel, NJ 07733



# Application for Scholarship Award Name of Applicant: LFA genealogical identification number, if known: Home Address: Applicant's Phone #: E-mail Address: Name of Parent(s) Current School: School Address: Current Grade: Is this a College or University? Will you be attending this school during the 2007-2008 school year? \*YES \*NO If not, give the name of the school you will be attending (High School seniors without this information yet can notify the LFASFAC at a later date, to be announced). School Name:\_\_\_\_\_ School Address: Name, address and title of 2 people writing letters of recommendation for student: Name: Address: Include a current academic transcript, two letters of recommendation and your original essay. Applicant Signature:



## Marriages, Births & Deaths

**Robert Hartley Linnell (11a,b12,753,12)** died 5 Nov 2006 in Lebanon, NH. He was quite active in political issues and other volunteer events such as Habitat:

Otto F Linnell (11a,b15,514,-12) died 6 Dec 2006 of Kansas City.

Velma Geneva (Grose) Montonye (11a,b15,515,13) died 23 July 2004.

Genola Maxine Grose Campbell (11a,b15,515,14) died 17 Dec 2006 in Norton, KS, at the age of 87.

Kenneth Max Roundtree (11a,b15,515,43) died 12 Jan 2007 in Portland, OR.

Jodie Lynne Reel (11a,b15,515,641,3) married Jeremy Michael Scholz on 6 Jan 2007 in Newberg, OR. Jeremy is the son of Gregg & Mary Ann Scholz.

**Toby Alan Reel (11a,b15,515,643,1)** married Valerie Grace Tucker on 23 July 2006 in Sweet Home, OR. Valerie is the daughter of Elizabeth Darden & Thomas Tucker.

Adrianna Rose Fouts (11a,b15,515,644,2) born 24 July 2006 in Corvallis, OR. Parents are Mark & Donaca Fouts.

Ann Livingston Loomis Silsbee (117,612,111,112) died 28 Aug 2003 in Ithaca, NY at the age of 73. She was a composer and poet and published "The Book of GA", poems about her grandmother.

**Mirium Nye Loomis Baker (117,612,111,113)** died 10 April 2004 in Paris, France at the age of 72. She leaves her husband, Wallace R Baker, four children and six grandchildren.

Mazie Clough Kincaid (117,7-10-2,1-10-3,1 sp) died 12 Aug 2006 at her home in Norway, ME, the day after her 93rd birthday celebration. Mazie was the widow of Norman Linnell Kincaid.

**Juanita Linnell Moore (118,241,151,31)** died 5 Sept 2006 at the age of 95 at her daughter's home in Round Hill, VA, surrounded by family. 5 Sept 2006 was also her 70th wedding anniversary.

Thirza Covey Tinthoff (118,241,185,14) Died 2 March 2006 just 8 months shy of her 100th birthday.

Jonas Blackmon Covey (118,241,185,113,3) married Kristen Renee Hanover on 30 Sept 2005 at the Luthy Botanical Garden in Peoria IL.

LaVon Lovise Ellis (11a,b15,515,6) (step-daughter of George Edward Linnell) died 21 Jan 2007 at the age of 83, in Salem, OR; buried in Russellville Cemetery in Molalla, OR.

## THE LINNELL FAMILY ASSOCIATION Steering Committee 2006-2009

The purposes of the Association are to promote fellowship among Linnell Family members through reunions, the publication of the Linnell Family Newsletter, and the preservation of family records.

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## Family Website

Mark Wynn maintains our LFA website. Please visit to find up-to-date news and information. The website address is:

http://linnellfamily.home.comcast.net/

## Eagle Wing Prints

To order a limited edition print of the Eagle Wing, please send us your name, full mailing address and \$30 to LFA Treasurer, Scott Linnell.

## Linnell Family Records

Recent additions to the Linnell Family records can be found at our website.

### From the Editors

We invite you to share your stories with our cousins around the globe! Submissions are preferred via email. Please include the text of the article in the body of the email. All pictures should be high-quality JPGs. If you are unable to submit via email, please send regular post to the editors, Heather or Katie Linnell.





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