



LINNELL FAMILY NEWSLETTER

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Greetings to my LFA family.

It is my opportunity to once again write to you via our newsletter and tell you about another interesting voyage upon which we are about to set sail, an adventure which many of us will be facing with some mighty high hopes.

As you may know, we are working with the Orleans Historical Society to help them purchase the Captain Ebenezer Linnell home and museum located on Cape Cod. They are mounting a fund-raising campaign of over \$3 million to do lots of work there, a part of which is this purchase.

You owe it to yourself to put down your sails for a bit and go to www.CHOcenters.org for a more in-depth description of the ongoing efforts of the Orleans Historical Society in the ports of theirs and our voyage.

The LFA will ply its oars in teaming with the OHS to make this all happen over the next years. The support we as an organization can give to this undertaking will be so very gratifying to the OHS and us as a family in presenting and preserving our Linnell family heritage.

I am, as the chairman of the LFA, asking you on behalf of the steering committee to help us raise \$25,000 to be comingled with CHO's efforts to accumulate the necessary funds to help in the purchase of the former home of our illustrious captain -- an absolutely stunning facility and one of which we can all be very proud for decades to come.

Throughout the next year or two you may go to the CHO website and find out just exactly where we stand in our efforts to help in the monetary aspects of their work and in support of their long-term goals. Having the Captain Linnell house and museum as a nautical beacon on our voyage is so important for our family and I hope you will help us accomplish our \$25,000 goal.

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Congratulations to our most recent Linnell Family Association Scholarship winner! We are proud to announce that Ellie Johnson, from Sturgeon Bay, Wisconsin, is the first recipient of our newly increased \$2000 award! Ellie plans to attend Alfred University in Alfred, New York, working toward an Art/Art Management degree.

Ellie is the daughter of Tess and Rory Johnson and has twin brothers, Bennett and Jace. She is part of the Linnell Family through her mother, and tells us how very proud she is to be part of that heritage. (Aren't we all!) Her winning essay will be published in the fall Linnell Newsletter. You will appreciate her enthusiasm about her heritage.

Congratulations Ellie! We look forward to sharing your educational journey ahead.

The Untold Story of Samuel Linnell & His Service in the War of 1812

Part Two of A Three Part Series By Jason J. Quick

Samuel Linnell was 3rd Sgt. In Samuel Harger's Co. of Pamela Township, Jefferson Co. Militia. The unit was part of the 108th Infantry Reg. Commanded by Maj. Calvin Britain. Samuel was mustered from March 4th to March 25th 1813 and was Paid \$5.56 for service at Brownsville, NY by J Edmonds Paymaster. Samuel was probably training around the home of General Jacob Brown who resided in Brownsville and was the commanding General of the Jefferson Co. Militia.



On May 28th 1813 Samuel Linnell was called out to defend Sackets Harbor from an expected attack by the British forces. Samuel was living in Pamela Township and now a Second Sargent in Captain Samuel Harger's Co. of 108th New York Militia. Capt. Harger was ill, so Lt. Andrew Newell was acting commanding officer. Samuel's unit quickly marched to Sacketts Harbor by dusk and was assembled in a defensive position next to other Militia units on the bank of Lake Ontario near and facing Horse Island.

“That on or about the 28th of May 1813 orders were received from the Colonel to muster the Co. and march them to Sackets Harbor to defend that port from an attack mediated by the enemy. Capt. Harger being sick and unable to take the command of said company” - Andrew Newell (SLP)

Early the next morning on the 29th, the British along with a group of Indian allies landed close to their position and a light battle ensued. *“The ground where the action commenced partly cleared and obstructed by brushes and fallen timber, and troops were during the action compelled to retreat, this deponent sprained his ankle during the action and was unable to retreat with the rest if the Militia. He was surrounded by enemies by the enemies and Indians and was felled to the ground by a severe blow inflicted by an Indian with the breach of a gun on the back of this deponent's head, and while this deponent was down, an Indian seized this deponent by one of his testicles and pulled it with all his strength, while others held him down, which gave this deponent such pain as to deprive him of all strength.” - Samuel Linnell - 1832 (SLP)*

Samuel was assisted by the Indians to the shore of Lake Ontario and taken by canoe to the HMS Royal George a 20-gun sloop. Samuel was captured with Ensign Abraham Graves, John Ayers, Joseph Cook, and Jonathan Ingalls and about 25 other soldiers mostly from the 76th New York Militia.

“Samuel had no hat and a strip of bearskin was around his head” when he first saw him. The ship already had about 130 captured prisoners aboard from the previous night’s battle at Henderson Bay.” - Abraham Graves – 1832 (SLP)

The next day the Royal George sailed to Kingston, Ontario, Canada a few miles away. On May 30th the men were formally surrendered as prisoners of war. *“He had been captured (Abraham Graves), together with Mr. Jonathan Ingalls, Mr. Ayres, Mr. Cook and Mr. Linnell, by the Indians, and taken on board the enemy's fleet when they returned to Kingston, where he and his companions were formally surrendered into the hands of the British General, as prisoners of war. He had had no food from the time of leaving home on Thursday p.m., until Sunday p.m. following, except one small biscuit which the Indian chief had given him.” :* [Abraham Graves, New York Reformer, Links in the Chain Article by Solon Massey - March 24th 1859](#) - The Canadian prisoner of war record of Samuel’s capture shows him being captured on the 28th of May because he was probably lumped in with the other 130 prisoners from the battle at Henderson Bay.

By June 8th the captured Soldiers had been transferred by ship and were recorded being in Quebec. The British POW Records show that Samuel was processed the 24th of June in Quebec and aboard the British prison Ship Malabar. The Malabar was moored just south of Quebec on the St Lawrence River and was a modified 56-gun fourth-rate formerly belonging to the British East India Company commanded by the POW agent, Capt. Francis Kempt. The Malabar was considered a “black hole” and had deplorable conditions. *“with 12 ounces of salt beef and 12 ounces of hard bread his only daily allowances for provisions during the whole time. There were an average of two-hundred prisoners confined on board the said ship stowed and shut below nights, with no change of clothes & without shoes and badly fed, we all became filthy emaciated and covered with vermin, great numbers died, this deponent became sick and feeble” - Samuel Linnell 1832 (SLP) - “In February following, Mrs. Graves got another letter from her husband which gave the intelligence of the death of Mr. Ingalls and Mr. Ayers, by disease induced by cruel suffering and confinement in the hold of a filthy prison ship, and by Starvation. The truth was, that they were dead at the time of the date of the first letter by Mr. Graves, which was about the last days of July, though he did not know it at the time.” - Abraham Graves, New York Reformer, Links in the Chain Article by Solon Massey - March 24th 1859*

According to British records, the Malabar was set to sail for England after Nov 20th 1813 and was going to drop off some of the prisoners off at Halifax. Samuel was recorded being received at Halifax Dec 15th from the Malabar and spent the next 6 months at the military prison at Melville Island. The conditions at Melville were just as bad as the prison ship. *“This deponent was then sent as a prisoner to Halifax where he arrived in December and was confined in a prison, with about 1000 others and suffered from cold, famine, foul odor, and the small pox” - Samuel Linnell – 1832 (SLP)*

On May 31st 1814 Samuel and Joseph Cook were boarded on the Privateer ship Matilda Cartel and sent to Salem, Massachusetts in a prisoner exchange negotiated by Colonel Thomas Barclay *“we arrived on the 7th of June 1814. The said Linnell was put on board a sailboat and sent to Fort Independence Boston. This deponent went from Salem by land and saw him there again. (Fort Independence). This deponent returned to his home in Watertown, Jefferson County and the said Linnell arrived home in about a month afterwards. When the said Linnell arrived at Fort Independence he was about naked, all the prisoners suffered very severely during their captivity.” - Abraham Graves – 1832 (SLP)*

“On the 8th he (Abraham Graves) went to Boston, where he remained until the 14th when he took the stage for home, where he arrived, without accident or adventure, on the 19th day of June, 1814.” - Abraham Graves, New York Reformer, Links in the Chain Article by Solon Massey - June 2nd 1859

To be continued—Get up close and personal with Samuel in our Fall Newsletter!

Letter From The Chairman



By Jerry Linnell

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Just think, at the next reunion at the Cape in June of 2021 we might very well be able to call this romantic site our own to brag about and perhaps visit with family and friends.

Bon voyage, my dear family. Love to you all and have safe travels this summer.

Jerry Linnell

All photos of the Captain Linnell House are courtesy of the Orleans Historical Society and Jayne Carney Photography



1850 Captain Linnell House
Cape Cod

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LINNELL CEMETERY DECORATIONS FOR MEMORIAL DAY 2019



Photo by Joan Edmonson

The Linnell cemetery in Becker County Minnesota has become a place of interest to my school classmate and fellow veteran Dave "Lefty" Anderson of Park Rapids, MN.

For the past few years Dave has provided a service of decorating the graves of veterans at the Linnell cemetery.

Dave is the current Commander of American Legion Post 212 at Park Rapids and has dedicated his time walking all the cemeteries in Hubbard County plus two in Becker County. Dan and Kathy Pachel are his volunteers to help at the Linnell Cemetery that lists 57 veterans. They make sure that the veteran stars and flags are displayed properly and replacement of missing stars.



Roger & Bonnie Hanson "Tin Soldier"

LFA MEMBERSHIP REPORT

As of the writing of this Newsletter, our Paid LFA Membership for 2019 are as follows:

Annual Memberships:	6
Life Memberships:	172 (37 Deceased)
Total:	178



Our current LFA Membership Database has 757 Names on it. If anyone is curious about their current Paid Membership status, please feel free to contact Paul, as shown on page 7. Our \$20 LFA Annual Membership renews yearly on January 1st! Life Memberships are available for \$125.00. Memberships make great gifts!

To pay your Membership Dues, please go on-line to the LFA Website at www.linnellassociation.com and click on Membership for information on how to register and pay online or by snail mail.



We would like to say Thank You and Welcome Aboard to those Members who, in 2019, have either paid their New or Renewal Annual Membership Dues and/or who have paid their Life Membership Dues, which include:

ANNUAL MEMBERSHIPS:

Bonita “Bonnie” Lou (Soderlund) Featherstone Saint Paul, Minnesota – Renewal Membership
(DRL 118, 241, 116, 541, 1 – Pages 405 and 445 of the DRL)

Alvin Moors Linnell, Jr. Waltham, Massachusetts – Renewal Membership
(DRL 117, 7-10-2, 1-10-1, 21 – Page 146 of the DRL)

Wendy Lee (Swedberg) MacDonald Duxbury, Massachusetts – Renewal Membership
(DRL 118, 241, 185, 822 – Pages 392 and 435 of the DRL)

Sheila Marie (Crosby) McGorman Orleans, Massachusetts – Renewal Membership (Line Not Established),

Tami Lynn (Cyphers) Schipper Somerset, California – New Membership (Line Not Established)

Kay Maureen (Thompson) Swedberg Las Cruces, New Mexico – Renewal Membership
(DRL 118, 241, 185, 82 – Pages 366, 392, and 393 of the DRL),

LIFE MEMBERSHIPS:

James “Jim” Egela Ludlow, Massachusetts – New Life Membership (Line Not Established)

Katie Mae (Linnell) Herring Mechanicsville, Iowa – New Life Membership (Line Not Established)

Elinor Marie (Linnell) Schott Tacoma, Washington – New Life Membership
(DRL 118, 241, 112, 638, 3 – Page 395 of the DRL),

Faith Lydia (Linnell) Struhan Sonningdale, Saskatchewan, Canada – New Life Membership
(DRL 118, 241, 231, 151, 1 – Page 310 of the DRL),

NOTE: Line Not Established indicates that these individuals are not listed in the DRL or in the Additions and Corrections Booklet. Their Parents and Grandparents, etc. may be listed in the DRL Records; however, there is no information on these particular individuals. LFA will be coordinating with each of them to get information, so that we can assign them a DRL Number and keep our DRL Records up-to-date.

LEA VITAL RECORDS



Paul Linnell, Membership / Vital Records Chairman, is working on updating our DRL data. He has created two Questionnaires, the *Linnell Family Information Worksheet* and the *Linnell Family Military History Worksheet*.

All Family Members are encouraged to assist in this endeavor. If you would like to help, please contact Paul, as shown on page 7, and he will furnish you with the worksheets. We are looking for information on Births, Deaths, Marriages, Divorces, Other Family Genealogy, and Military History.

LINNELL FAMILY RECORDS UPDATES

BIRTHS:

Seona Althea Thompson (DRL 11a, b15, 7-10-1, 364, 31) on 17 September 2016 in Sacramento, California to Seona Niclaian Huston (DRL 11a, b15, 7-10-1, 364, 3 - Page 238 of the Additions and Corrections Booklet) and Sean Arthur Thompson, Sr.

Abel Anchor Taylor (Line Not Established) on 31 October 2018 to Janet Linnell (Line Not Established) and Claudius Taylor.

Sean Arthur Thompson, Jr. (DRL 11a, b15, 7-10-1, 364, 32) on 11 February 2019 in Brush, Colorado to Seona Niclaian Huston (DRL 11a, b15, 7-10-2, 364, 3 - Page 238 of the Additions and Corrections Booklet) and Sean Arthur Thompson, Sr.

Charlie Margaret Linnell (DRL 118, 241, 231, 124, 421 on 26 February 2019 to Casey Mason Linnell (DRL 118, 241, 231, 124, 42 - Page 323 of the DRL) and Erica Margaret Schleif.

Dustie Rose Linnell (DRL 11a, b15, 7-10-1, 375, 1) on 5 April 2019 to Richard John Linnell (DRL 11a, b15, 7-10-2, 375 - Page 228 of the Additions and Corrections Booklet) and Kristen Gillespie.

DEATHS:

David Ross Laidlaw, Husband of Faye Mae (Reynolds, Bongolis) Laidlaw (DRL 118, 241, 231, 152, 1 - Page 324 of the DRL) on 5 March 2019 in Richmond, British Columbia, Canada.

Byron Dwight Linnell (DRL 11a, b15, 7-10-1, 37 - Pages 221 and 228 of the Additions and Corrections Booklet) on 21 March 2019 in Pleasanton, California, Husband of Deborah Lynn (Burge) Linnell and the Son of the John Henry Linnell, Sr. (DRL 11a, b15, 7-10-1, 3 - Pages 215 and 221 of the Additions and Corrections Booklet) and the late Eunice Bernice Carlson.

Rolland Been, Husband of Sarah Jean (Orlando) Been (DRL 118, 241, 116, 238, 2 - Page 404 of the Additions and Corrections Booklet) on 20 April 2019 in Broken Arrow, Oklahoma.

Jon Walter Crosetto, Husband of Candice Beryl (Linnell) Crosetto (DRL 118, 241, 112, 638, 1 - Page 395 of the DRL) on 24 April 2019 in Eatonville, Washington.

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MARRIAGES:

Casey Mason Linnell (DRL 118, 241, 231, 124, 42 – Page 323 of the DRL) and Erica Margaret Schlief on 8 August 2016 in Merrill, Wisconsin.

Seona Niclaian Huston (DRL 11a, b15, 7-10-1, 364, 3 – Page 238 of the Additions and Corrections Booklet) and Sean Arthur Thompson, Sr. on 29 July 2017 in Ione, California.

Paula Marie Needham (DRL 11a, b15, 515, 611, 4 – Page 234 of the DRL) and Steven R. Stapleton on 18 August 2018 in Taft, Oregon.

Marc Richard Linnell (DRL 11a, b15, 7-10-1, 343 – Pages 228 and 238 of the Additions and Corrections Booklet) and Anna Lorena Elizondo Aceves on 19 October 2018 in Hayward, California.

2019 LINNELL FAMILY WEST COAST REUNION



The Date and Location for the *2019 Linnell Family West Coast Reunion* has been set. It will be held on Sunday, July 28, 2019 at Timber Linn Memorial Park in Albany, Oregon. For those attending from out-of-state, there are numerous Motels and two (2) RV Parks within close proximity of the Reunion Site. Contact Paul Linnell (Membership) if you would like a copy of the flyer with details and directions!

THE LINNELL FAMILY ASSOCIATION

Steering Committee 2019

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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