



LINNELL FAMILY NEWSLETTER

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Hello Cousins.

It is with two thoughts in mind that I write to you for my article in this newsletter. These thoughts bring both happiness and sadness. Let's deal with the first thought - that of my Washington Nationals winning this year's World Series.

For over 30 years I have waited for this to happen. What a journey it has been, culminating in this triumph with a bunch of slap happy guys (the sharks) who did not quit even when they had lost darn near half of their games in the beginning of the season, mostly because they could not hold a late-inning lead. Somehow or other they were resilient enough to bounce back and go on a playoff run that would lead them to the magic moment - winning all four games on the road. Sheesh!



The bad part: They will lose a lot of their best players to free agency, which I guess is the norm these days. But be that as it may, this is one happy camper who will continue to wear his curly W everywhere he goes.

My second thought brings me a great deal of happiness but much more sadness and disappointment. I am going to have you read an open letter from the Orleans Historical Society chair regarding their - and ours - attempt to procure enough funding to purchase the Captain Linnell House at Cape Cod, MA. Here it is:

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Letter From the Chairman



By Jerry Linnell

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“Dear Members and Friends,

Recently we announced that most of the funds needed for improvements to our 1834 Meetinghouse and adjacent Hurd Chapel had been raised, but we determined it was necessary to end our current effort to acquire and preserve the Captain Linnell House. We are extremely grateful to those who made capital campaign donations, yet very disappointed that we could not garner more significant support in raising all the funding needed to complete the purchase as scheduled in mid-January, 2020.

We achieved more than 40% of our \$3 million fundraising goal. Much of that was for the Meetinghouse and adjacent Hurd Chapel-buildings we already own. Raising funds for Linnell proved tougher-many foundations do not support property acquisitions, or consider them only after a significant portion of the purchase price is collected. We appealed to Orleans residents but it proved hard to convince enough people that preserving the Linnell House was a good investment and an important legacy for Orleans and the Lower Cape.

When it was clear we could not complete the sale in January, we developed an alternate funding plan to get us to our goal by the fall of 2020. We notified the Sellers in September and tried unsuccessfully to negotiate an extension of the closing date. Facing a contractual requirement for a third non-refundable down-payment on October 16, our Board voted unanimously not to proceed. We still think Linnell fits well with our vision and if the funding or timing for the purchase were to change, we would be interested in further discussions.

Now we are refocusing on the Meetinghouse, Hurd Chapel and the CG 36500 motor lifeboat, and are excited about the future. With the improvements to the Meetinghouse and

Hurd Chapel, along with re-grading and leveling part of the property to accommodate large-tent events, we will be able to expand our exhibitions, events, history presentations, concerts, and youth programs while making spaces available to rent for other public and private functions.

Construction at the Meetinghouse will start next month to make the building, doorways and bathroom more accessible and compliant with the Americans with Disabilities Act. Next year, work will begin to re-orient the Hurd Chapel uphill and add a climate-controlled basement for archive preservation. Meanwhile the 73-year-old CG 36500 remains in good condition and on display, maintained by a very dedicated group of volunteers.

As for buying and preserving Linnell, we gave it our best effort for more than two years-and are very glad we tried.

Kathleen McNeil

Board Chair”

Before I go any further I want my cousins to rest assured that if they donated to this wonderful venture, they will be receiving back what amount they gave. I have been advised that this will begin soon.

My happiness comes in the fact that our little LFA would have met its pledge of \$25,000 with a boost in the end from a couple of cousins who were determined to see our target met.

So in closing I say thanks to all of you who tried to help the Society in their monumental task. Hopefully the new owners will keep the name so that our heritage will live on in a small but important way.

From Jane and I, we wish you a happy holiday season.

Jerry Linnell

P.S. I hope you will consider donating some of what the OHS reimburses you perhaps to the scholarship fund, the gravestone fund or the association in general. I am going to do so.

LINNELL FAMILY WEST COAST REUNION

By Paul E. Linnell, Jr.

Our 2019 Linnell Family West Reunion (LFWCR) was held on Sunday, July 28, 2019 at the Timber Linn Memorial Park in Albany, Oregon. We would like to send a special shout out to reunion attendees Betty Evilo (Linnell) Thomas (Age 95); Ralph Milton Linnell (85); Bonnie Joyce (Hughes) Linnell (90); and Ladoska “Dossie” (Linnell) Elliott (91), who were part of our Linnell Family group who made the trek from Kansas to Oregon in the 1930’s.

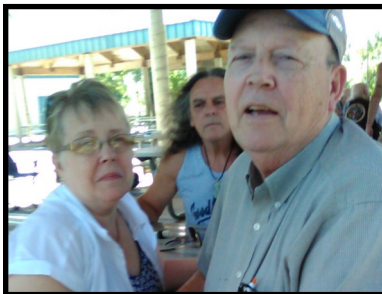
Mark your calendars, the 2020 LFWCR will be held on Saturday, July 11, 2020 at Timber Linn Memorial Park in Albany, Oregon



The Brinsons: Tyler, Joel,
Tami, Jenna and Josi



Ralph Milton Linnell and his sister, Betty Evilo (Linnell) Thomas
(Standing behind her Father) Teri (Linnell) McDermott, Roberta Hayne
and Mickey Gurney, Dossie (Linnell) Elliott and Paul E. Linnell, Jr.



Donna (Reel) Wilson and her Husband,
David, and Frank Howe



Dossie (Linnell) Elliott, Dorothy (Linnell)
Johnstone, and Paul E. Linnell, Jr.



Frank Howe



Jade Kohn; Bonnie Kohn; and Bob Olin

Many thanks to everyone who attended, including:

Paul Edward Linnell, Jr. (Hillsboro, Oregon)
Dorothy Marie (Linnell) Johnstone (Albany, Oregon)
Bob Olin, Bonnie Kohn, Jade Kohn (Albany, Oregon)
Tamera (Olin), Joel, Tyler, Jenna, and Josi Brinson (Albany, Oregon)
Christopher, Jasmine Snow and Shyanne Needham (Halsey, Oregon)
Steven Stapleton (Albany, Oregon)
Ladoska “Dossie” (Linnell) Elliott (Sweet Home, Oregon)
Donna (Reel) and David Wilson (Sweet Home, Oregon)
Bonnie Joyce (Hughes) Linnell (Salem, Oregon)
Micah Joseph Bochsler (Salem, Oregon)
Frank Howe (Salem, Oregon)
Betty Evilo (Linnell) Thomas (Eugene, Orego)
Ronald “Mickey” Gurney and Roberta Hayne (Eugene, Oregon);
Ralph Milton Linnell & Teresa (Linnell) McDermott (Kent, Washington)

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

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

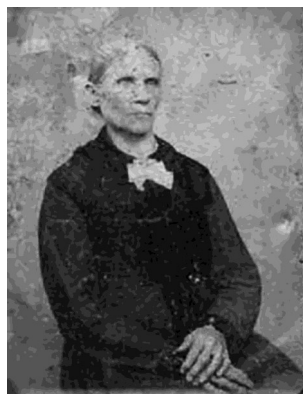
Samuel Linnell was 3rd Sgt. in Samuel Harger's Co. of Pamela Township, Jefferson Co. Militia. The unit was part of the 108th Infantry Reg. Commanded by Maj. Calvin Britain. Samuel was mustered from March 4th to March 25th 1813 and was Paid \$5.56 for service at Brownsville, NY by J Edmonds Paymaster. On May 28th 1813 Samuel Linnell was called out to defend Sackets Harbor from an expected attack by the British forces. Early the next morning on the 29th, 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 spent time on the Malabar, a Prison Ship, and was then held for months in a Military Prison at Melville Island.

It was widely believed Back home that Samuel and the other soldiers were killed, but Ensign Graves was allowed to write letters back to home in July since he was an officer and gave updates on the soldiers. "*The general opinion was that he was taken prisoner or killed (Samuel Linnell)*" - Andrew Newell 1832 (SLP) "*It Was sometime in the afternoon before any person who was from that immediate neighborhood returned from the battlefield to relieve the dreadful suspense, by anything like reliable information upon the subject of the results of the engagement. Mr. Winslow I could assure the family that he had been personally present at the scene of strife—that the British had been defeated, and had fled to their vessels and set sail for Kingston, leaving many of their dead and wounded on the field. He could not answer the question of most importance, however, for he had not seen Mr. Graves since the conflict closed. The next day there was a thorough and systematic search Instituted among the dead and wounded, and through the surrounding woods and fields, but all in vain. It was rumored a few days afterwards that some dead bodies had been found in an obscure spot in the woods near the Harbor, and that they had been buried in a pit, which had been dug for that purpose. Mr. Winslow and Mr. Potter repaired at once to the spot designated, and exhumed the bodies, with the view of settling the question of the fate of Mr. Graves; but the only satisfaction derived from the effort was of the negative kind—simply proving that he was not a tenant of that apology for a grave.—The hope that remained was, that he might have been captured as a prisoner of war, and be in the hands of the enemy.—It was, however, a dreadful alternative, and a harrowing suspense to wait until some time towards the last of July before a letter was received from him, written at Quebec, giving the welcome intelligence that he was in good health, though a prisoner in the hands of those whose tender mercies were remembered as cruelty by our fathers in the period of the revolution.*" - Solon Massey from accounts of Mr. Winslow, New York Reformer, Links in the Chain Article June 2nd 1859

After Samuel returned home, he requested payment for 424 days at about .36 cents per day as well as \$42 for clothing and \$4 for the 20-day trip from Boston back home. When the government finally settled his claim, it paid only for 409 days. Samuels incarceration as a POW and the injuries he received eventually took their toll on him. In Dec of 1832 with his attorney Justin Butterfield, Samuel petitioned the House of Representatives to receive a Pension for Injury in the War.

"This deponent further saith that during his imprisonment he suffered more than his constitutions could endure. That he has never recovered from the injury his health experienced during his said imprisonment. That this deponent has never recovered from the injury which it received as aforesaid. But of late year has grown worse as this deponent increased in years and gives this deponent a great deal of pain and his health and strength and inconsequently he is now unable to do scarcely any labour. That when this deponent exerts

himself a pain exudes from it to his kidneys and this deponent further saith that he is now 54 years old; that until very recently he has been in very comfortable circumstances, and thought he would not apply for a pension, but recently his circumstances have changes, and his disability from the injuries aforesaid increases and this deponent considered as it his duty to invoke an application for that relief of which he is entitled. This deponent has heretofore felt a delicacy about exposing to the public the injury which he received in his private parts as aforesaid , which has also had some influence on the mind of this deponent in delaying his application until this time and this deponent further saith, that he had a family and children, and is a farmer, and this deponent further saith that after his he continued to reside in Pamela aforesaid until about 16 years ago when he removed to the town of Orleans in the same county where he has ever since, and still doth reside and this deponent further saith that at the time he was knocked down and injured as aforesaid. There were no person belonging to our troops who witnessed it that this deponent is acquainted with or can find that our troops at the time 40 or 50 rods in observance of this deponent on the retreat, when the enemy overtook him and injured him as aforesaid, That this deponent can only from his service , captivity, and return and the visible marks and all his strength while others held him down, which gave this appearance of the said injuries get upon him and the effect of said injuries. This deponent further saith that he was paid by the paymaster of the New York Militia for his monthly pay during his captivity as aforesaid, after his return home as aforesaid. But this deponent has never received any other pay, nor has ever received any pension, and this name is not on the pension roll of any agency in any State nor has this deponent ever before applied for any pension.” - Justin Butterfield, attorney -1832 (SLP) Unfortunately Samuel’s pension was later denied for the fact there was not a witness to see his injury occurring.



Samuel Linnell was married to Eunice Mosher (pictured left) and they both were originally from Belgrade, Maine. Samuel and Eunice’s fathers, both participated on the Revolutionary War. Samuel’s father, Joseph Linnell served as a Private in the Barnstable County, Mass. Militia under Captains; Micha Hamilton, Ebenezer Baker, and Jacob Lovell. Eunice’s father, Jonathan Mosher was a Private in the Dartmouth, Mass. Militia in Thomas Kempton’s Co. under Col. Timothy Danielson. After Samuel returned from being incarcerated, he was mustered out 3 other times as a Private under Capt. Henry Knowles; 1. July 10th 1814 for a march to the great Sacket River, 2. Sept 14th and 15th 1814 for the Defense of Eastham, and 3. Dec 19th and 20th 1815 for the Battle of Rock Harbor

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LFA “CENTURY CLUB” MEMBERS



We have three (3) Linnell Family Members, and possibly more, who are part of the “Century Club”. In 2019, they turned “100 years old or older”, which includes:

Ida Henrietta (Dale, Hopkins) Linnell (DRL 11a, b15, 515, 61S – Page 225 of the DRL). Albany, Oregon – She is the second wife of the late Paul Edward Linnell, Sr. and my Step-Mother. She turned “101 years old” on 1 February 2019.

Rachel (Linnell) Wynn (DRL 117, 612, 123, 21 – Pages 87, 96, and 97 of the DRL). Catonsville, Maryland – She is the wife of the late Rev. John Charles (J. C.) Wynn, and one of LFA’s founding members. She served as our first LFA family historian for over 30 years! She turned “101 years old” on 11 November 2019 (Veterans Day).

Kathryn Elizabeth (Linnell) Lesh (DRL 18, 241, 142, 314 – Pages 379 and 419 of the DRL). Madison, Alabama – She is the wife of the late J. Phil Lesh. She will be “101 years old” on 17 December 2019.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

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

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| Annual Memberships: | 9 |
| Life Memberships: | 172 (37 Deceased) |
| Total: | 181 |



Our current LFA Membership Database has 758 Names on it. 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 Members:

Alvin Moors Linnell III Waltham, Massachusetts – Renewal Memberships for 2019 and 2020.
(DRL 117, 7-10-2, 1-10-1, 21 – Page 146 of the DRL)

Sherri A. (Linnell) Thorn Moorestown, New Jersey – New Annual Membership.
(Line Not Established)

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LFA Vital Record Update (cont'd)

Birth Notices:

Raphael Luke Sunde Chen (Line Not Established), Born 2 October 2019 in Barnesville, Minnesota to Jamie Lynn Sunder (DRL 118, 241, 116, 231, 33 - Page 467 of the DRL) and Andrew Shihwa Chen.

Death Notices

Dennis David Long (DRL 118, 241, 145, 852S - Page 421 of the DRL), Husband of Loie Ann (Linnell) Long; died on 29 May 2018 in Pine City, Pine County, Minnesota. He was laid to rest in the Birchwood Cemetery in Pine City, Minnesota (FAG 190220446).

Marriages:

Jamie Lynn Sunde (DRL 118, 241, 116, 231, 33 - Page 467 of the DRL) and Andrew Shihwa Chen.

NOTES from the Author:

- “Line Not Established” indicates that the individual is not listed in the DRL and/or in the Additions and Corrections Booklet. The LFA will be coordinating with each of them so that we can assign them a DRL Number and keep our records up to date.
- If you have not been receiving your LFA Newsletters, we may need to correct the address we have on file for you and/or your Annual Membership may have expired. Please feel free to contact me so we can figure it out.
- If you have any updates for our births, deaths, marriages or “Centurions” list, please contact me

Paul E. Linnell, Jr.
LFA Membership and Vital Records Chairman

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