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The Research Challenge

By Becky A. Clark

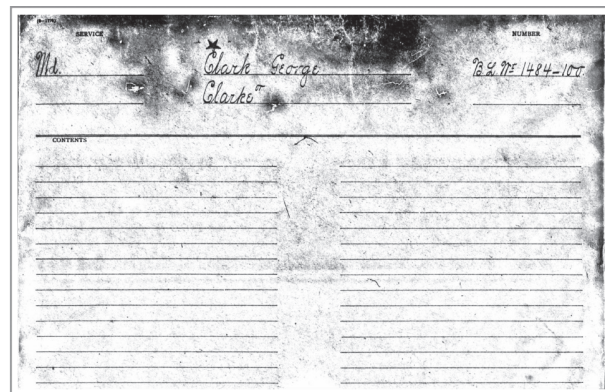
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Recently a Clark cousin of mine here in Denver urged me to get in touch with another relative about researching our Clark family line. She knew I was working diligently on finding some elusive early ancestors and she was acquainted with a cousin she thought I should get to know.

Our “brick wall” ancestor is my four-times great-grandfather Clark. Everyone has been looking for him for a long time, and she knew that this cousin was diligent about proving his research and not just taking the word of other people.

I was able to get in touch with him and we began corresponding. I found him to be just as reported; someone who believes in finding sources and citing them properly. We would correspond occasionally and ponder the possible answers regarding our “brick-wall” ancestor.



**U.S. Revolutionary War Pension and Bounty-Land
Warrant Application Files, 1800-1900.**

That ancestor’s name was supposedly “George” Clark. He is thought to have been born about 1750 and died about 1780 in Maryland and to have lived at times in Baltimore and Frederick counties. Although there is evidence this is where the family was from, no one I know of has ever found any firm evidence that George was his name and that those were his

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Meetings at Columbine

Meeting Times:

Regular Meetings 1:00 pm - 2nd & 3rd Tuesday each month (except June, July, Aug. & Dec.)

Earlybird Classes 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. in Sept., Oct. & Nov.

Board of Directors Meetings 9:30 am - 2nd Tuesday of each month (except June, July & Dec.)

Columbine Writers' Group Meets following the afternoon program on the 3rd Tuesday of the month

Meeting Place:

Lutheran Church of the Holy Spirit, 6400 South University Blvd, Centennial, CO 80121

For more information about Columbine Meetings, visit our web site: www.ColumbineGenealogy.com

Program Previews

CGHS Programs for Fall 2019

By Anita Burbank-Jenkins, 1st Vice President, Programs

Sept. 10, 2019

Richard Kreck will present
"The Untold Story of an
American Crime Family"

Sept. 17, 2019

Rick Waters will present
"Native Americans in
Colorado"

Oct. 8, 2019

Jean Adams & Anita
Burbank-Jenkins will present
"Using Google maps for
genealogy by Lisa Louise Cook"

Oct. 15, 2019

Stan Moore will present
"November 1942,
Watershed of the
Century"

Sharing Stories at the Spring Potluck

What is more fun than the moments when we have an opportunity to tell about ancestors we have researched?

Members spoke about a variety of Famous and Infamous Ancestors giving life to names on our pedigree charts. Some of the stories included a movie star, a priest, a president's love child, the Moffat Tunnel, a powerful female Native American leader and the first user of a baseball mitt.

The food and program plus the many books and periodicals we could buy, made for a great way to close out our winter and spring meetings.

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Used books and periodicals added \$233.50 to our funds for Bemis and Denver Public Libraries.

Educational Opportunities

By Jean Adams, Education Coordinator

Columbine Genealogical and Historical Society has a long history of offering classes in genealogy to the Denver Metro Area. We have held daytime classes at Bemis Public Library in Littleton and at our normal meeting place at the Lutheran Church of the Holy Spirit, 6400 S. University Blvd., Centennial, CO that are open to everyone. Your membership dues help pay the cost of the instructors so that there is no charge for the class. We occasionally charge for materials that are provided to the participants. The Early Bird class in September is an example. Please note that the **class will be held at Bemis Public Library and registration through the library is required by September 10, 2019** so that our book store can order and receive books for the participants.

CGHS is a member of Colorado Genealogical Society www.cogensoc.us. This organization has Beginner Genealogy Classes held on the second Saturday of each month, 10:00 am - 12:00 noon in the Gates Conference Room, 5th Floor, Denver Public Library. Classes are free and no registration is required. Visit the DPL website for more information.

We have also learned that there will be a "Volunteer Genealogist on Duty" at Denver Public Library. Western History and Genealogy Department has announced they now offer the service of a genealogist on duty. Several volunteers have agreed to work a regular shift, 10:00 am – 1:00 pm, Tuesday through Fridays to offer hands-on genealogy guidance.

The Aurora Genealogy Society library at the Aurora Central Library offers the same services to all visitors on Wednesdays and Saturdays, 10:00 am – 4:00 pm.

Remaining CGHS Early Bird Classes scheduled for 2019:

September 17, 2019 - 9:30-11:30am

Beginning Genealogy - Researching Newspapers

Bemis Public Library
6014 S Datura Street, Littleton, Colorado 80120. Phone: 303-795-3961

Presenter: Barbara Elliott, CGHS Secretary and Instructor

Materials Fee: \$25.00

Register by September 10, 2019 at Bemis Public Library

There are more historical newspaper resources than you can imagine and they're easier to access with our digital age. This class will give you tips and techniques for finding records in newspapers such as birth announcements, marriages, divorces, obituaries, and news reports.

Participants will receive a copy of *The Family Tree Historical Newspapers Guide*.

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The Cousin Trap

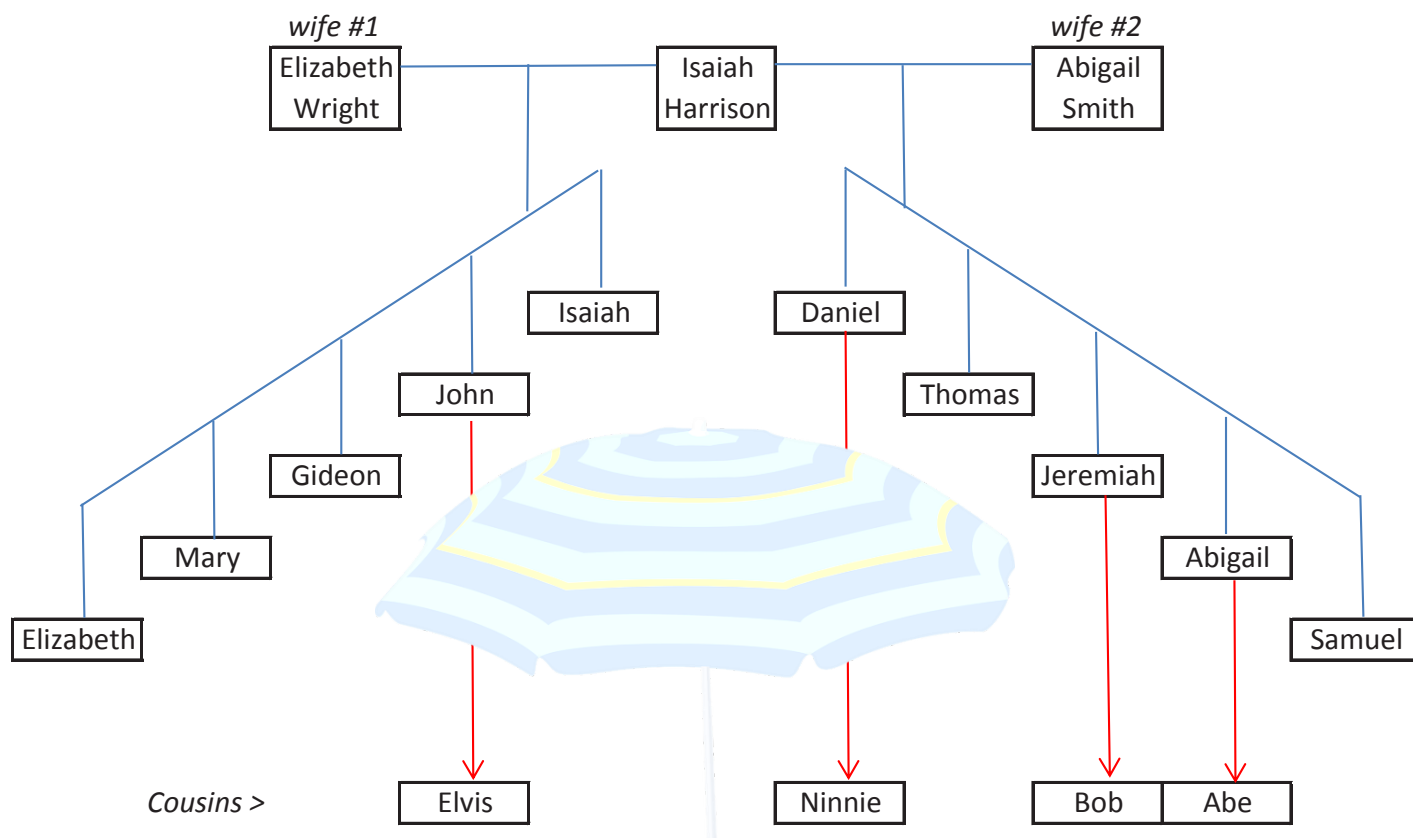
A Way to Find More Cousins

By Bob Jenkins



When Ancestry began offering Autosomal DNA tests, they also began comparing submitted pedigrees for the DNA matches. Ancestry calls a found pedigree match a “hint”. There is a way to improve the results you get from this matching procedure. It is simply to expand your pedigree to include the full families of your direct ancestors. It helps even more to include the children of the direct ancestors and even more to include the grandchildren. In a sense, your tree will be reaching down to connect with shorter trees. This structure of an ancestor with several generations of children, I call the parasol trap based on its umbrella shape.

Back in December 2012, I corresponded with a woman whose pedigree was one away from connecting to mine. I gave her the connection and let her know that it meant she was a cousin of Abraham Lincoln. After expressing some doubt, she was able to make the connection. A two generation example of this Harrison parasol is shown below. The cousins included in this example are Elvis Presley, Abraham Lincoln, Ninnie Harrison (Mrs. Baird, the founder of Mrs. Baird’s bread in Texas) and myself.

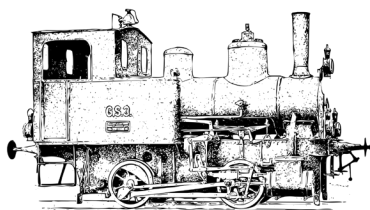


Columbine 2nd Vice President, Jean Ouellette, discovered this article when searching for newspapers at www.genealogybank.com The Conductor was her Grandfather.

Train Conductor Shot At

December 30, 1907

The *Waterbury Evening Democrat* reported that Harold I. Blanchard, a conductor of the Highland division freight train was shot at by three "tramps" with intent to kill on December 30, 1907. In East Hartford, Connecticut, Conductor Blanchard warned Frank Reed to get off the train and supposed that he did. However, upon arrival in Oxford, Connecticut, approximately 35 miles later, Blanchard found Reed and two others asleep in the corner of an empty car. He made the three get off the train. As Blanchard was going from that car to the caboose the tramps opened fire on him. Some shots threw dirt in his face and one struck the handle of the brake on which his right hand was resting as the



train was moving. Another shot struck the side of the caboose over his head. Blanchard returned fire and then was out of range. Word of the shooting was telegraphed to Hartford and a special engine was sent with Chief of Railroad Police McMahon and another officer. The three men were captured in Oxford, Connecticut.

Frank Reed, Thomas Lee, and John Temple stood trial in Oxford, Connecticut Superior Court on February 19, 1908. The *Waterbury Evening Democrat* reported that half an hour sufficed for the jury to reach a verdict. Although Lee was a companion, he was found not guilty, as he did not shoot. Reed and Temple were found guilty and sentenced to one to five years in the state prison.

Welcome to our newest member Deb Proctor

She is researching the surnames Leinweber, Kammerzell, Johnston and Proctor.

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October 22, 2019 – 9:30-11:30am

Keeping Up with the Genealogical Buzz

Lutheran Church of the Holy Spirit,
6400 S. University Blvd., Centennial, CO

Presenter: Kathy Tarullo, Director Arvada Family History Center

You can find genealogical information all over the Internet. It can oftentimes be overwhelming with the torrent of information out there, unless you know where to look. You can keep up on the latest Genealogy Buzz with just a few specific internet sites you already use and information digestion strategies. With this class, you can quickly learn what information is available to you through tweets, blogs, newsletters, RSS feeds, webinars and podcasts. You can discover the genealogical side of YouTube, Pinterest, Facebook and Instagram, and the power they have in developing your genealogical research skills.

November 19, 2019 9:30-11:30am

Think Inside the Boxes: Organize and Analyze Your Data with Spreadsheets

Lutheran Church of the Holy Spirit,
6400 S. University Blvd., Centennial, CO

Presenter: Beth Benko, Broomfield and Boulder Genealogical Societies

Spreadsheets were originally created to calculate (and re-calculate) large columns and rows of numbers. They can also be used to manage and analyze vast amounts of genealogical data. This presentation covers basic spreadsheet functionality and demonstrates how they can be used for genealogy. Learn about using spreadsheets to organize information from city directories and census records. See how to create a timeline of your ancestors' lives.

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dates of birth and death. Some records have been found in the various counties of Maryland for George Clarks, but nothing definitive to tell us that one of them is our relation. The only other information we have is from family lore, passed down through an elderly descendant's recollections of stories told to him over the years. One of those recollections was that George owned a boat and sailed back and forth between Dundee, Scotland and Baltimore. Part of that story was that my three-times great-grandparents, John and Eleanor, knew each other as children and used to go down to the shore and wait for his boat to come in.

This would have been somewhere between 1775 and 1780; 1775 being about when John was born and 1780 being when George supposedly died. The information has come down through family sources over the years, but as far as I know, no one has been able to prove it with documentation. Many have searched for a boat captain named George Clark sailing from Baltimore during this timeframe, but I don't know that anyone has found a real answer. My three-times great-grandfather, John, would have been about five years old in 1780, when George supposedly died and John's future wife, Eleanor, would have been about three years old.

I do know for sure that our ancestor had three sons, all of whom were probably born in Frederick County, Maryland. I have not been able to find birth records for any of them, but John (my three-times great-grandfather) was born about 1775, James, about 1780 and Daniel, about 1781. I also know that all three ended up living in Greene and Washington counties in southwestern Pennsylvania. I have information on John's life in Washington County and later in Ohio, including census and land records. I know where and when he died, but have no record of his birth. The same applies to his two brothers, James and Daniel, who lived in Greene County, not far from John. I have Pennsylvania land records showing their relationship to one another and a local history book, *The Tenmile Country and Its Pioneer Families* by Howard L. Leckey, has information on James and Daniel's wives and children. But their father remains elusive.

One day my cousin sent me an Ancestry link in an email saying:

"I just sent you a link for a Revolutionary record for

***What he was challenging me
with was the fact that other
people accept documents
they find on family trees
without reviewing them
or thinking about whether
the information matches up
with what we know
about our ancestors.***

George Clark. I have my ideas as to what the record means, but let's see what you make of it."

I went to the link he sent me and found a Revolutionary War Pension and Bounty Land Warrant Application for a George Clark(e) of Maryland.*

When I read beyond this first page, illustrated below, two things caught my eye right away. This was an 1829 warrant application for Allegany County, Maryland, and it stated on one of the pages that a Zadock Clarke was the heir of George Clarke. Zadock stated that to the best of his knowledge George Clarke enlisted in 1780 for the term of the war and that he continued to serve until the war ended.

The document was dated February 23, 1829, and contained a certification by his attorney, M.C. Sprigg reading as follows:

"Zadock Clark, the person within named is the son of Geo Clark, who died leaving two sons – Zadock and Otho, the latter of whom is also dead without (indecipherable). . ."

Also in the document was a declaration sworn and subscribed before an Allegany County Justice of the Peace, which read as follows:

"Personally appeared before me, the subscriber, a Justice of the Peace, for said County, Zadock Clark and made oath, in due form of law, that he is the son and only heir at law, of George Clark, late a soldier in the first or second Regiment of Maryland and that the said Geo Clark died the 12th day of April 1815, leaving a widow and no other children except one son who is since dead."

After reading this entire document and transcribing it to make sure I read it properly, I wondered why in the world my cousin sent this to me. It seemed obvious from looking at it that this was not our George Clark because it stated Zadock Clark was his only heir and that George had only one other son (Otho) who was deceased as of the 1829 date of this warrant application.

Two of our ancestor's sons were still living in southwestern Pennsylvania in 1829. Daniel passed away in January 1823 in Greene County and his two brothers, John and James, are listed in his December 1822 will. James passed away in Greene County in 1856 and John in Perry County, Ohio in 1860.

Knowing my cousin would have sent this for a reason,

*The surname Clark is found spelled with and without the "e" on various pages of the warrant application.

I decided to research Zadock Clark a little further. That sent me down a rabbit hole, the results of which made me wonder if my cousin thought there could be some other sort of relationship to us that I wasn't seeing.

Before researching any further, however, I decided I'd better just find out why he thought this gentleman was related to us. I emailed and asked if he was trying to challenge me.

I told him I didn't see how this George could be our ancestor unless there was something I was missing about Zadock Clark. I didn't want to pursue it further unless he could tell me why I should.

His response was to tell me that he wasn't going anywhere with that link. He didn't see the connection and wanted to see if I came to the same conclusion. He then pointed out that he had found roughly 36 cousins with Clark family trees on Rootsweb.com, and six or so of them had links to

this land warrant as a source for our George. He told me these Rootsweb trees showed that George died between 1780 and 1785, but as we both noted, the death of the George in the land warrant was 1815.

So, what I learned from this email exchange with my cousin was that, just like me, he reviews the documents he finds on other people's trees and based on the proven facts we have, he too knew this couldn't be our George. What he was challenging me with was the fact that other people accept documents they find on family trees without reviewing them or thinking about whether the information matches up with what we know about our ancestors.

This made me even happier that I had found another Clark family researcher trying to locate accurate answers to our elusive "brick-wall" ancestor.

The search goes on. . .

Researching the Society of Friends (Quakers)

By Barbara Elliot

As I read "Quaker Nantucket" by Robert J. Leach and Peter Gow, I realized that there were a lot of different sects. As in most churches, there is a continual upheaval of dissenting opinions and as such, the churches split into differing factions. So when researching Quaker records you need to check all Society of Friends records.

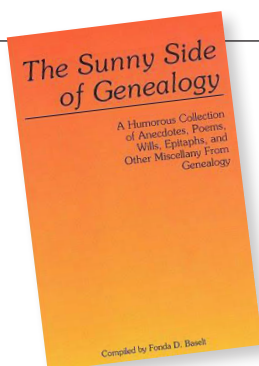
The different sects:

1. Orthodox
2. Hicksite (1828)
3. Wilburites (1844)
4. Gurneyites (1846)
5. Otisites (1859)
6. Kingites (1859)

There are Monthly Meeting Records, Yearly Meeting Records, Men's Meeting and Women's Meeting Records.

As you research these records, read everything in the time period that your family was living within the Meeting House area. Everything is listed in the Meeting records and if you have a family member that was brought before the men's or women's meeting, until it is resolved there will be something written about it in those records. Look at the certificates of removal, when members moved from one congregation to another. The certificates usually name the whole family that are moving and where they are going.

Don't overlook any Society of Friends records. If your family isn't listed in the Births, Marriages and Deaths, that doesn't mean they were not a part of the Society. My families were founders of different Monthly Meetings and were listed there, but not in any of the births, marriages or deaths.



On a Lighter Note

"The cheapest way to have your family tree traced is to run for public office."

...

"Genealogists are the only people I know who read books back to front."

Both from "The Sunnyside of Genealogy" compiled by Fonda D. Baselt

The Adventure Continues

By Nancy Reubert

It has now been a year since I wrote the DNA article which appeared on the front page of the spring issue of Columbine's newsletter. The following is a continuation of that story.

My cousin Anthony had a birthday coming up, and his ex-wife decided to throw him a huge surprise party. It was held at a large club in Wilmington, Delaware (where most of my Italian relatives live), with dinner, drinks and dancing, and 80 people invited. It still astonishes me she was able to keep it secret.

My husband, Tex, and I arrived in town a couple days early so we'd have time to do a bit of visiting with other family as well. I was excited to finally be able to meet my new cousin Greg and second cousin Lisa and her dad, Tom. Greg arranged for a DNA Cousins dinner at a local restaurant the night before the party. The only down side, of course, was that we couldn't let Anthony know yet that we were in town.

It was just wonderful to meet up with Greg and Lisa and our significant others, and a new second cousin who had popped up, Pete and his wife. Pete is still a mystery. He's a decently close DNA match with the rest of us, but we are still working on the exact connection. He grew up with his mom who had told him that his father was Italian,

but that's all he knew till he took the test. A Wilmington person all his life, he's now been experiencing revelation after revelation, discovering that he is related to people he grew up with, people he's worked with, people he's friends with. The Wilmington Italians are a large bunch and they all seem to have intermarried (plus the other more informal, uh, connections).

The night of the party, when Anthony walked in the room the look of absolute disorientation on his face told me that Michelle's party secret had been well-kept. He went around the room with amazement after amazement. He couldn't believe I had traveled 2,000 miles for the event. My gift to him was a 15-foot long pencil-drawn family tree that I had worked on for weeks. We had it spread out on a long table for everyone to look at and add their corrections to. And I got to meet Tom, Lisa's dad, who honestly is a dead ringer for his Italian biological dad.

AncestryDNA tells me I'm up to 385 matches who are 4th cousins or closer. A quick glance at the list tells me most of them are on my Italian side. In addition to the new people who pop up on this list, I've also been able to reconnect with second cousins I knew as a kid and since lost contact with. The adventure continues.

New Books for Denver Public Library Coming This Summer

By Ann Lisa Pearson, Acquisitions Chairperson

The latest purchases by Columbine's Public Acquisition funds are for volumes containing Vital Records from towns in Maine. The towns are: Arrowsic, Boothbay, Bowdoinham, Canton, Cushing, Durham, Edgecomb, Gouldsboro, Greenville & Shirley, Mount Vernon, Newcastle, and Woolwich. One book lists the names from Somerset Probate records.

These are hardback books by various authors, printed by the Maine Genealogical Society. More will be compiled in the coming months and years.

Because of our members' generous donations to the Acquisitions Fund, the Society Budget and Used Book Sale, Columbine purchased these books for Denver Public Library. This year books worth over \$1,000.00 have been donated.

If you have a Wednesday to do research, you are welcome to go to Denver Public Library with me. I park in the garage across 13th Street from the Art Museum plaza and Library. The fabulous collection on the 5th floor has been made possible by your dollars as well as the other genealogy societies and individuals in the area.

Genealogical What Ifs

By Anita Burbank-Jenkins

It was time. Father had passed away in 1985 and Mother had followed him in 1999. For years I had put off getting into the many boxes that I inherited. As my parents' only child I have all of the photos, slides, movies, memorabilia, and documents that they left behind. Among those treasures I also have Mother's baby shoes, Grandfather Percy's pipe, Great Grandmother Lizzie's apron, and other family items.

In a box of letters, I found one from Mrs. D. R. Burbank Sr., Ridge wood, N.J.¹ addressed to my father, Mr. David R. Burbank, Oconomowoc, Wisconsin². As I read the letter, struggling with the stylized handwriting, I recognized some familiar names. From my family chart I realized that this letter was from my father's paternal aunt by marriage, Ethel Bradner Burbank. Ethel's husband, David Redman Burbank³ was my father's uncle and my grandfather, Percy Shelly Burbank's⁴ younger brother. My Father and his uncle had the same first, middle, and last name! In the above-mentioned letter, written on March 21, 1948, Aunt Ethel wrote that several "Davids" in the family had married "Jeans." In one instance, my father, David Redman Burbank (1903-1985), was preparing to marry my mother, Jean Hamley⁵ (1909-1999). Aunt Ethel's son,

David Redman Burbank (1906-1983)⁶ had married Jean Vandegrift⁷ (1911-1990).

I made other discoveries in the letter. Aunt Ethel mentioned spending time with her son, David and daughter-in-law, Jean (Vandegrift Burbank), and their two children. She wrote that the young Burbanks had a lovely young daughter named Ann and an eighteen-month old son named Davey.

Checking the family chart I realized that Ann (Ann Alexander Burbank) was my cousin Susan's mother! I had found Susan⁸ five years ago on the genealogy internet site, Ancestry.com on which any member can find photos of a person on another tree by typing the name in a link. I typed in my grandfather's name, Percy Burbank, and several photos came up that I had never seen! I was intrigued and contacted the owner of this family tree. After I explained who I was and my connection to Percy Burbank, I shared



David Redman Burbank
(1906-1983)

how excited I was to see the photos. We then discovered that our most common ancestors were Eleazer Ambrose Burbank and Abbie Adelaide Wyman (my great grandparents and cousin Susan Graham's great, great grandparents). Susan and I are second cousins once removed! We discovered that we each had a copy of the same photo of our shared great grandparents!

Over the years we have become close friends and share information about our ancestors during our weekly telephone chats. Susan told me stories and background information about our family in New England that neither my father nor I had ever heard, since we grew up in Peru. After getting to know each other over the phone, Susan and her husband Jim (Jim Graham)⁹ drove from Chicago to see my husband, Don and me a few years ago.

Back to Aunt Ethel's letter: Aunt Ethel wrote about having received a wedding announcement from my father about his upcoming marriage before World War II. She added that she would send a wedding gift that he could take back to Peru in his trunk. She asked him to write her a long letter telling her how he had met my mother. She also wanted to know about his mother, Elvira Burbank.¹⁰ She wrote, "what a very hard time you had up here before" (referring to when Father had come to the States from Peru to go to MIT and had almost died in a car accident in 1929). She mentioned that his English was better and asked, "Do you speak it often with your wife?" She also asked him to come visit her.

After sending a copy of Aunt Ethel's letter, my Cousin Susan shared her own memories of that lady. She was touched to read her great grandmother's letter and see her handwriting since she did not have any of her letters. Susan told me that the family had been close and had spent a lot of time together. The siblings were "tight". She said that the letter from Aunt Ethel filled with news of the family indicated that my father had been included in their circle. (My father had stayed with this young couple and their three sons in 1924 when he had come to the U.S. to go to college). In her letter, Aunt Ethel asked about Father's

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Beginnings

Researching the Pinkham Family

By Sylvia T. Burnside

43° 7' N 70° 50' W

The oarsmen pulled together and familiar sounds were heard of the oars dipping, lifting and dripping before pulling the small boat toward the shore through swirls of sea smoke on the morning of October 10, 1633. The air was quiet, and the men murmured among themselves as they contemplated their future in this new land. Indians had called the place Winichahanat. There was settlement before the arrival of these men, but this meant a new home to these who sought freedom of thought. The *James* became farther away, and with it the other passengers, who would come in succeeding days, the ones who wished them well, lowered the boat, and settled in to keep the mother ship from drifting in the tides.

Captain Thomas Wiggin captained the ship *James* on several trips across the Atlantic. This one in 1633 was to fetch “more ample means for carrying on the plantation.”¹ “The heads of the principal families now added by Captain Wiggin to the settlement, in addition to Edward and William Hilton, were John Ault, Thomas Beard, Thomas Canney, Edward Colcatt, John Dam, William Furber, John Goddard, John Hall, Thomas Johnson, Henry Langstaff, Thomas Layton, William Leveridge, Francis Mathews, James Nute, Hatevil Nutter, James Ordway, Richard Pinkham, William Pomfrett, Thomas Roberts, Henry Tebbetts, John Tuttle, and Richard Waldron.”² It is not known which of these men were rowers in that first small boat but I like to think that Richard Pinkham was among them.

1 Notable Events in the History of Dover, New Hampshire by George Wadleigh, Dover, N.H. 1913. Page 13. 2 Ibid

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mother, sister (Adela Blume Burbank), and younger brother (Luis Bianchi Burbank), showing that she had had a close relationship with them also. The following is an excerpt from a letter written by David Redman Burbank dated Sept. 5, 1924 to his mother, Elvira:

“My dear mother,

I hope that all of you are well, I arrived in New York Tuesday at dawn and when I disembarked at 9:30. The first thing I saw when I got off was a face that seemed very similar to my father's. It could not be any other than my uncle. When I spoke to him he said that yes, he was a Burbank.

We took a train that went under the Hudson River then another train that took us to Ridgewood, New Jersey, 20 miles from New York. His wife, my aunt Ethel, is very loving toward me as are all of my cousins; David 18, Teddy 14, and Jack 10. The first thing they did was to show me my room. I will be staying in David's room on the 3rd floor. My cousins have taken me for ice cream and to the cinema, but the hard part is that they don't speak a word of Spanish. But that way I will learn English. My Uncle David is very loving. He won't let me pay for anything. The town of Ridgewood is very lovely and the stores are very pretty. Anywhere you go you see radios in many stores. My uncle has said to me that it would be better if I gave

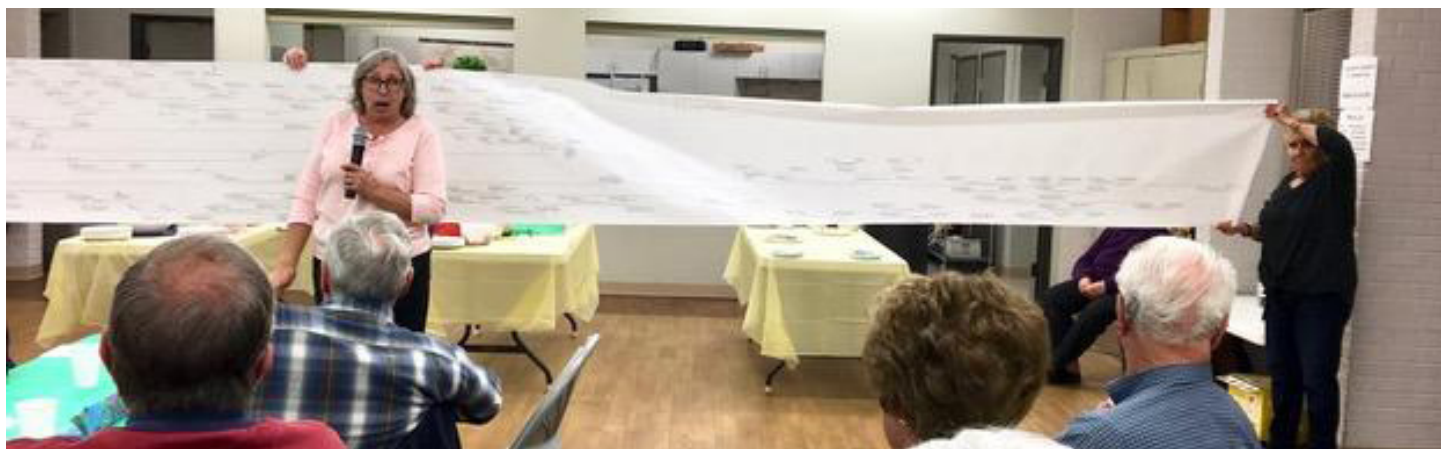
him the money I brought so he can put it in the safe in his office while I am here. I don't think I need to worry about anything. My nicest cousin is Teddy...”

I have often wondered about the “what ifs:” What if I had not put my family tree on Ancestry.com? What if I had not found new photos of Grandfather Percy's on that web site?

What if I had not taken the initiative to contact my cousin Susan? What if I had not found Aunt Ethel's letter written almost eighty years ago? What if I had not copied, translated, and transcribed the 130 letters my father wrote to his mother from 1924-1929?

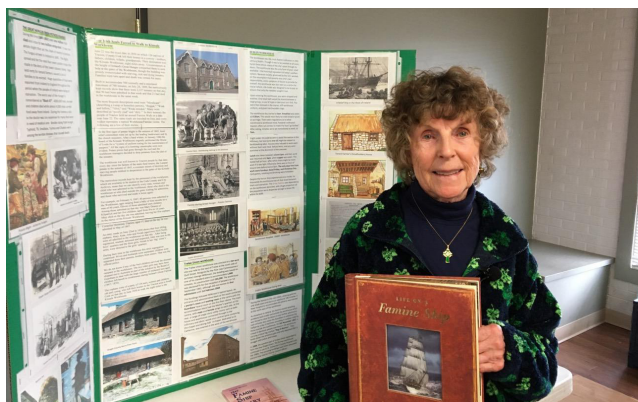
The hand of providence helped me find my cousin Susan while searching for ancestors on Ancestry.com. It also encouraged me to read the letters my parents had entrusted to me. The power of the written word helped me find a new cousin through a letter written years ago!

1. Ethel H. Bradner Burbank (1879-1967)
2. David R. Burbank (1903-1985)
3. David Redman Burbank (1871-1934)
4. Percy Shelly Burbank (1848-1920)
5. Jean Hamley (1909-1999)
6. David Redman Burbank (1906-1983)
7. Jean Vandergrift (1911-1990)
8. Susan Principata Graham (1955-)
9. Jim Graham
10. Elvira Bianchi Burbank



Nancy Reubert needed help to display her 23 foot long pedigree chart taking us back to colonial times.

Book Sale, Potluck & Programs



Marylee Hagen, Columbine member, displayed her Irish collection and related the hard times during the famine.



Ron Floberg's story of his Aunt Minnie, a movie star and wife of a well known actor in the 1930's, added humor to the program.



Above: Angela Weeden made and wore her Civil War era clothing which she described being worn by most of our ancestors at that time. She covered all apparel from bonnet to shoes.



Left: Sean McGuire introduced the group to his Spalding ancestor, developer of the baseball mitt.



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