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Administrivia

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Correspondence

From our website guestbook I received the following:

From: kbonnell@twcny.rr.com [mailto:Robert Warren Bonnell]
Sent: Friday, April 22, 2011 2:40 PM
To: charlie@bunnellfamily.com
Subject: New guestbook entry

Robert Warren Bonnell

Bonnell/Bunnell from Arnot, Pa., and lived in Corning, Steuben Co., New York and Oswego, New York. USA.rwtbonnell217@gmail.com

I am looking for more information my grandmother: Ada M. Pedality Bonnell. Arnot, Tioga Co., PA. 205 Sly avenue, Corning, Steuben Co Died around 1952-1959. skype # : robert.w.bonnell. Her mother and Father Pedality died in house fire in arnot, Tioga Co. ,Pa. She also lived in Blossburg, PA., Lived with a sister Mrs. SarahAnn Pysher?
Bob Bonnell rwtbonnell217@gmail or retiredtwo@twcny.rr.com

I was able to provide him with the following information. If anyone else has more info, please share it with him and me if you would.

Hi Bob,

Thanks for dropping into our web site.

I assume you know that the parents of Ada were Thomas and Martha Pedality/Pedelty. The 1930 census shows that she was born about 1888.

The 1900 census, when she is 12 years old, shows the family living in Bloss Township, Tioga Co., PA. The spelling of their last name appears to be Pedelty. Her father was born in England, Nov. 1858 and Immigrated in 1887, the same year he married Martha; Martha, Ada's mother, was born in PA, though her parents were born in England. Ada was born in July, 1887 but the census also lists Ada as being adopted.

I believe that I've found Thomas in the New York passenger list: He arrived 25 Jul 1887, originally from Durham, England. His ship's port of departure was Liverpool, England and Queenstown, Ireland and the ship's name was Aurania. He appears to have been traveling alone. But, his destination was PA and he married that same year Martha _____ in PA. I would guess that he already knew Martha's family or perhaps his family knew them.

I also find in the 1861 England census a Thomas Pedelty, age 2, son of Ann Pedelty and they are living in Durham, Sheldon. He has 5 siblings. This appears to be a coal mining area based on the occupations of his neighbors and older brother. No father is in the family.

I don't understand the adoption and it is especially intriguing when you consider that Thomas arrived in PA summer of 1887, He married Martha in 1887, and Ada was born in July 1887. Thomas' occupation in 1900 was coal mining - that sort of ties in with the info from the 1861 England census data.

She did have a sister Sarah according to the census.

Did I add anything to your information, or was all of this already known to you?

Charlie Bunnell

[Ada married Albert Bonnell (CB342102) 19 Aug 1909. Robert is the grandson of Albert and Ada, and the son of Warren and Irene (Meadus) Bonnell. See the Lineage section for his Bunnell lineage]



Dustin Shirley, Schwepps@live.com, wrote that his grandmother was Patricia Ann Bunnell who married Frederick Duane Hillis. He was just starting to explore his Bunnell family ancestry. Using Claude's database I was able to provide him his lineage back to the immigrant William. I have laid out his ancestry in the Lineage section of the newsletter

New Members

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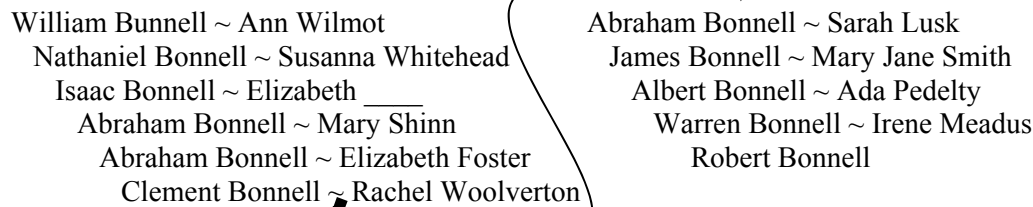
E-Mail Addresses

This provides only revisions to the e-mail addresses shown in the November 2011 newsletter.

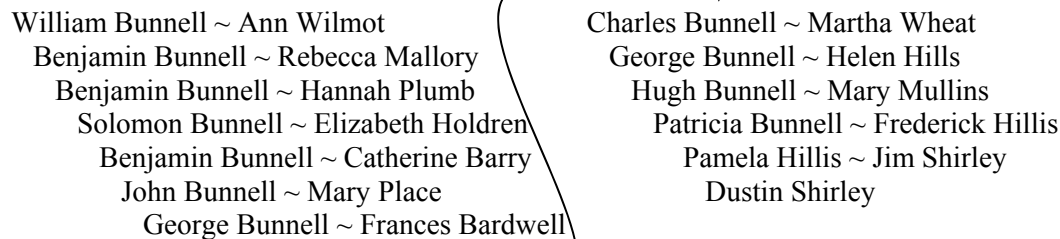
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Direct Lines

Robert Bonnell, kbonnell@twcny.rr.com, provided enough information for me to complete his lineage using the database.



Dustin Shirley, Schwepps@live.com, provided his parent's and grandparent's names and the database did the rest.



John Grady, grady.john1@gmail.com or 4218 Oxhill Rd., Spring, TX 77388-5752, provided the lineage for Max Bunnell, whose obituary was carried in the previous issue.

Peter Bunnell ~ Susanna Erwin
 Samuel Bunnell ~ Sarah Smith
 Henry Bunnell ~ Celia Bowling

Henry Bunnell ~ Ruby Johnson
 Max Bunnell

Elvin Bunnell, ewburnell@embarqmail.com or 1220 Sheirer Rd Mansfield, OH 44903, as part of his DNA testing provided me with enough of his lineage that I was able to construct the rest using the database. Elvin confirmed that this was his lineage as he knows it.

William Bunnell ~ Ann Wilmot	Charles Bunnell ~ Sarah Quick
Benjamin Bunnell ~ Rebecca Mallory	Henry Bunnell ~ Eva Dando
Nathaniel Bunnell ~ Desire Peck	Perry Bunnell ~ Nettie Braden
Abner Bunnell ~ Elizabeth Preston	Lester Bunnell ~ Ilo Sherman
Abner Bunnell ~ Sarah Atwater	Elvin Wallace Bunnell
Reuben Bunnell ~ Philoma Hull	

Life Changes

Obituaries:

Carol Brotzman, brotzmans@epix.net or R.R. 1, Box 1206, Laceyville, PA 18623, provided the following obituary which ran in *The Wyoming County [PA] Examiner* from May 18 to May 24, 2011

Marilyn B. (Bray) Bunnell

Marilyn B. **Bunnell**, 78, of Montrose, and formerly of Auburn and Tunkhannock, passed away on Wednesday, May 11, 2011, at Meadow View Senior Living Center, after an extended illness.

She was born in Scranton to the late Charles W. and Elizabeth (**James**) **Bray**.

Surviving are her daughter and son-in-law: Charlene **Bunnell** and Tim **Detwiler** of Wilmington, Del.; son, Jonathan A. **Bunnell** of Auburn; two granddaughters: Abbey and Emma **Detwiler**; two sisters and brother-in-law: Charlene and Jack **Lance** of Scranton, and Ardith **Buhlman** of Buffalo, N.Y., two sisters-in-law: Barbara **Bray** of East Rush, and Doris **Bray** of Clarks Summit; two brothers-in-law: Dick **Hall** of Birchardville, and Robert **May** Sr. of Austin, Texas; numerous nieces, nephews and cousins.

She was predeceased by four sisters: Ann **May**, Dorothy **Zehner**, Carol **Hall**, and Elizabeth **Bray**; and four brothers: Billy, Richard, James and Charles **Bray**.

Marilyn was a 1950 graduate of Meshoppen High School. She married her husband, Gershom W. **Bunnell**, later that year.

She worked in retail at J.C. Penney in Scranton, Burlington Coat Factory in Edwardsville, and KenMar Furniture in Meshoppen. She also worked as a care giver for the elderly. She enjoyed her animals, gardening, music, and loved her family.

A Memorial Service was held Sunday afternoon, May 15, at the Daniel K. Regan Funeral Home in Montrose, with Rev. Jane M. **Pykus** of the Montrose United Methodist Church officiating.

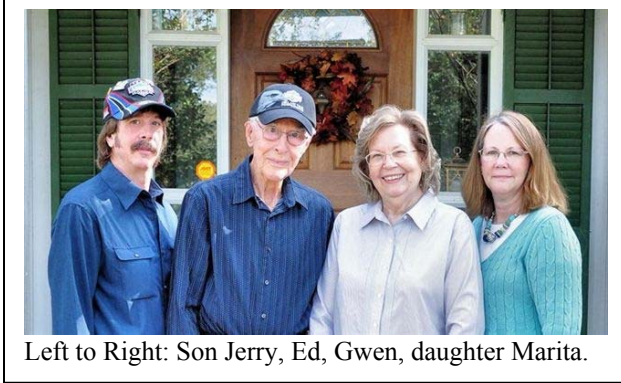
Interment in the Bunnell Cemetery, Auburn Township.

Memorial donations in Marilyn's name can be made to the True Friends Animal Welfare Center (Humane Society), 270 Lake Ave., Montrose, PA 18801.

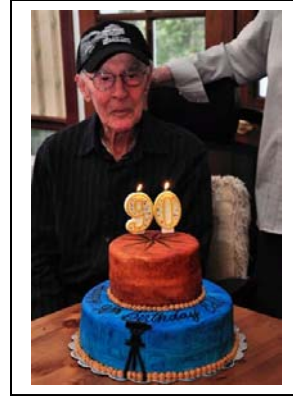
[Ed. Note: Gershom Worthy Bunnell is 351303 in the database. His lineage is: William¹, Benjamin², Benjamin³, Solomon⁴, Benjamin⁵, Gershom⁶, Jonathan⁷, Gershom⁸, J. Arthur⁹, Gershom¹¹.]

Birthdays of Note:

Ed Quickel, gquickel@comcast.net or P. O. Box 806, Lake Jackson, TX 77566-0806, celebrated his 90th birthday last November 20th with a birthday bash held at a niece's B & B (Valcour Verandas). For those who have not heard the story, Ed's grandfather was a Bonnell, but a divorce and the grandmother's remarriage resulted in a name change for the children, including Ed's father. Ed and Gwen's son, Jerry, had his name legally changed to Bonnell. Ed's DNA test results confirmed that he is a descendant of William, the 17th century immigrant.



Left to Right: Son Jerry, Ed, Gwen, daughter Marita.



Submissions

The previous issue, on pages 4 – 5 the obituary for Max Bunnell was printed but in my comments I noted that his lineage was known only two generations back. John Grady, grady.john1@gmail.com or 4218 Oxhill Rd., Spring, TX 77388-5752, has since written and provided Max's lineage back to the known progenitor of the Kentucky clan. The simplified lineage is provided in the Lineage section; what follows is the detailed lineage:

6) Max Uhl Bunnell

5) Henry Rosseau Bunnell b. 8 May 1905, Hardyville, Hart Co., Ky
 d. 3 May 1976, Elizabethtown, Hardin Co., Ky
 bur: Goodman cemetery, Hart Co.

Ruby J. Johnson

 m. 18 Sep 1926, Jeffersonville, Clark Co., Ind
 b. 20 Nov 1907, Munfordville, Hart Co., Ky
 d. 12 Feb 1996, Horse Cave, Hart Co., Ky – Caverna Hospital
 bur: Goodman cemetery, Hart Co.

4) Henry Rosseau Bunnell b. 9 Nov 1860, Hart Co., Ky
 d. 5 Jan 1916, Hardyville, Hart Co., Ky
 bur: Canmer cemetery
 m/2. 29 Oct 1901, Munfordville, Hart Co., Ky

Celia ("Doll") Bowling

 b. 7 Sep 1875, Munfordville, Hart Co., Ky
 d. 30 Jun 1962, Glasgow, Barren Co., Ky
 bur: Goodman cemetery, Hart Co

3) Samuel Washington Bunnell b. 11 Jun 1824, Green Co., Ky
 d. 29 Sep 1895, Hart Co., Ky
 bur: Bunnell family cemetery at Possum Trot, Hart Co
 m. 26 Jan 1846, Tennessee (Sumner Co.?)

Sarah Frances Smith

 b. 27 Dec 1827, Barren Co., Ky
 d. 26 Dec 1912, Hart Co., Ky
 bur: Bunnell family cemetery at Possum Trot, Hart Co

- 2) Peter Bunnell
- b. 15 Jan 1784, Va (Spotsylvania Co.?)
 - d. 18 Jan 1868, Hart Co., Ky
 - bur: believed to be in the Elijah Moss burying ground, one of Hart County's oldest, and very near to where his home was. There is no grave marker for him.
 - m/1. Susanna Erwin
 - b. 5 Oct 1793, Augusta Co., Va
 - d. 8 Jun 1851, Hart Co., Ky
 - bur: believed to be in the Elijah Moss burying ground.
- 1) Peter Bunnell s/o. I wish I knew for sure. Currently one Wm. Bunnell, who died in Mercer Co., Ky., seems the most likely candidate



Steven Glazer of the Cranford, NJ Historical Society contacted me regarding William P. Bonnell, 1840-1911 (CB340353) and his brother John Newell Bonnell, 1843-1892 (CB340354), Civil War veterans who lived in Union County, New Jersey. Steven shared much of his information on Bonnells in the area: Due to the many names mentioned, I have included an ancestry chart on page 34 for the individuals mentioned here.

From Index to Articles mentioning Bonnell in *Cranford Chronicle* and *Cranford Citizen* (prior to 1945)

1/24/1894 – J.V. Bonnell has succeeded John White as proprietor of the flower shop at 87 Broad St., Elizabeth.

[Ed. Note: The 1900 census showed a Jessie V. Bonnell in Elizabeth who was a nurseryman florist. Jessie Vreeland Bonnell (CB331636) was the son of David and Henrietta (Vreeland) Bonnell) Jessie is a distant cousin of the other Bonnells discussed in this section. The 1900 census shows 46 Bonnells living in Union County, NJ]

8/10/1900 – Nelson Bonnell – Livery

6/8/1900 – Nelson Bonnell will have livery stable that W. N. Gray is building in rear of his property on Union Ave. Stable 40/86 ft. Office between Hoffmeier's Plumbing and Mr. Bigelow's line fence, will be 10x15ft.

[Ed. Note: Nelson L. Bonnell is listed in the 1890 census, b. 1868, NJ; Livery stable keeper. Wife is Carrie M., b. 1868, NJ. Had 5 children with 3 living. In the data base he is listed as John Nelson Lloyd Bonnell (CB351734), son of William P. and Josephine (Williams) Bonnell. However, in his mother's obit, he is listed as Nelson J. Bonnell. So it's hard to determine what his full name really was without a birth certificate.

1/8/1901 – Wm. Drake, died at 78; He was grandfather of Miller Bonnell, proprietor of Vreeland's Mills.

[Ed. Note: Miller is a business description rather than an actual first name I believe. This should be William H. Bonnell (CB351231), son of John Newell and Laura (Drake) Bonnell]

1/29/1901 – Mrs. Bert Bonnell died 1/27 at her home, Vreeland Mills, Surviving are husband and 3 children.

[Ed. Note: I could use a little help on Bert Bonnell.]

5/20/1902 – Nelson Bonnell moved from Eastman St. to Woodlawn.

10/3/1907 – George Bonnell, a lineman for the phone company, electrocuted when he was working on lines on a pole between Beadle Bridge and the Lobster House.

[Ed. Note: I don't know where this George Bonnell fits into the family. It's not the George C. Bonnell, Civil War Veteran, as he died in 1904. Any help here?]

6/22/1911 – Wm. P. Bonnell, real estate man and veteran of the Civil War died in Ros. Pk., 6/19. Well known in Cranford and in his early days, he and his brother conducted the old Vreeland Grist Mills.

From the *Elizabeth* [NJ] *Daily Journal*, May 4, 1892, pages unknown:

Mr. John N. Bonnell died yesterday at the residence of his father-in-law, William Drake, at the Irvington mills. Deceased was in his forty-ninth year, and was a veteran of the late war, having served as a private in the 26th New Jersey Regiment. The funeral will take place at Irvington tomorrow afternoon at 3 o'clock. Deceased leaves a widow and three children. He was a brother of Enos, George and William Bonnell, of Roselle.

DIED.

BONNELL – On Tuesday, May 3d, at noon, John N. Bonnell, in his 49th year. Funeral service at the home of his father-in-law, Wm. Drake, at Irvington Mills, at 2 o'clock, on THURSDAY, May 25th. Interment Evergreen Cemetery.

Annual Report of the Adjutant –General of the State of New York for the Year 1898 (Registers of the First, Fifteenth and Fiftieth Engineers, and First Battalion of Sharpshooters.) Page 26:

BONNELL, GEORGE C. – Age, 23 years. Enlisted, September 4, 1861, at Newark, N. J.; mustered in as private, Co., E, September 25, 1861, to serve three years; appointed artificer, July 1, 1862; mustered out, September 24, 1864, at Bermuda Hundreds, Va.; also borne as George C. Bunnell.

BONNELL, WILLIAM P. – Age, 21 years. Enlisted, September 4, 1861, at Newark, N. J.; mustered in as private, Co. E, September 25, 1861, to serve three years; appointed artificer, date not stated; mustered out, September 3, 1864, at Bermuda Hundreds, Va.; also borne as William C. Bonnell and William P. Bunnell.

[That last entry is really interesting!]

From the *Cranford Citizen*, 6/22/1911, page 5:

William P. Bonnell, a real estate man and a veteran of the Civil War, died at Roselle Park, on Monday evening, where he had resided many years and had been identified in the town's advancement. He was well known in Cranford, and in the early days, with his brother, conducted the old Vreeland grist mills.

From the Real Estate section of the May 14, 1905 edition of *The* [NY] *Sun*:



From the *Westfield [NJ] Leader*, 11/29/1922, page 3:

Mrs. Josephine M. Bonnell

The funeral of Mrs. Joseph[ine] M. Bonnell was held Sunday afternoon from the home of her daughter, Mrs. J. C. Dushanek, 419 South avenue, and interment was made in Evergreen Cemetery, Elizabeth, Monday morning.

Mrs. Bonnell, after several weeks' illness, passed away Friday morning. She was the widow of the late William P. Bonnell, a veteran of the Civil War who died in 1911. She was 78 years old and born in Mendham, N. J., and had lived in Westfield for nine years. Besides Mrs. Dushanek, she is survived by another daughter, Miss Mabell, and one son, Nelson J. Bonnell, of Elizabeth. She is also survived by eight grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

From http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Union_Township,_Union_County,_New_Jersey,

Mayors of Union, NJ (Incomplete)

#	Mayor	Years in Office	Party	Terms	Notes
7	William P. Bonnell	1896		17	

[Ed. Note: William was the 7th person to be Mayor. The previous 6 persons served a total of 16 terms; William served one term]



Steve Glazer also sent a clipping from the NY Times, 30 Nov 1919. He wrote: "As is often the case, the obit screwed up the military record of John. During the Civil War, he actually served in the 12th NY State Militia as a quartermaster sergeant, and in the 1st NY Engineers. I see his entire pension file is available from the National Archives (for \$75)."

JOHN SANDS BONNELL, who was for fifty years with the wholesale dry goods house of Mills & Gibb, died in his eightieth year on Friday at his home, 1,030 Ocean Avenue, Brooklyn. Mr. Bonnell served during the draft riots in New York City and was a commissary sergeant in the 12th New York Regiment of Engineers during the Civil War.

[Ed. Note: John is 003419 in the database and his lineage is known only one generation back. His parents were Stephen and Mary (____) Bonnell.]



And finally Steve Glazer sent the following, noting that the list of Bonnell and Bunnell Civil War veterans buried in New Jersey is from the 2006 book *Our Brothers Gone Before*. See: <http://ourbrothersgonebefore.wetpaint.com/>.”

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BONNELL, AARON EDWARD Pvt, K, 2nd DC Inf, 10-30-1885. Walnut Grove Cemetery, Mount Freedom, Morris County.

BONNELL*, ALEXANDER V. Capt, D, 31st NJ Inf, 8-13-1872. Presbyterian Church Cemetery, Flemington, Hunterdon County.

BONNELL, CHARLES P. Pvt, G, 26th NJ Inf, 1911. St. Mark's Cemetery, Orange, Essex County.

BONNELL, DAVID Pvt, K, 2nd DC Inf, DoD Unknown. Walnut Grove Cemetery, Mount Freedom, Morris County.

BONNELL, EDWARD C. Corp, A, 1st NJ Inf, 2-6-1914. Evergreen Cemetery, Hillside, Union County.

BONNELL, GEORGE C. Artificer, E, 1st NY Eng, 2-19-1904. Connecticut Farms Cemetery, Union, Union County.

BONNELL, GEORGE WESLEY Pvt, G, 40th NJ Inf, 1923. Presbyterian/Methodist-Episcopal Cemetery, Succasunna, Morris County.

BONNELL*, ISAAC Pvt, B 11th NJ Inf, 1-16-1880. Fairmount Cemetery, Newark, Essex County.

BONNELL, JOHN DoD Unknown. United Methodist Church Cemetery, Vernon, Sussex County.

BONNELL, JOHN WESLEY Musc, 7th NJ Inf Band 1890. 1st Presbyterian Church Cemetery, Orange, Essex County.

BONNELL, JONATHAN (aka: Bunnell, John) Pvt, A, 26th NJ Inf, 5-2-1892. Evergreen Cemetery, Hillside, Union County.

BONNELL, JOSEPH W. Pvt, G, 26th NJ Inf, 5-16-1873. Rosedale Cemetery, Orange, Essex County.

BONNELL, MAHLON Pvt, B, 38th NJ Inf, 7-1-1901. union Cemetery, Frenchtown, Hunterdon County.

BONNELL, ROSWELL V. Sgt, F, 19th U.S. Inf, 12-3-1916. Rosedale Cemetery, Linden, Union County.

BONNELL, STEVEN M. Pvt, F, 12th MI Inf, [Cenotaph. Killed in action at Shiloh, TN.] 4-6-1862. Evergreen Cemetery, Hillside, Union County.

BONNELL, WILLIAM Pvt, H, 5th NJ Inf, 3-4-1899. Alpine Cemetery, Perth Amboy, Middlesex County.

BONNELL, WILLIAM Pvt, C, 14th NJ Inf, 2-23-1873. Presbyterian Church Cemetery, Mount Freedom, Morris County.

BONNELL, WILLIAM P. Pvt, F, 27th NJ Inf, 6-15-1910. Mount Pleasant Cemetery, Newark, Essex County.

BONNELL*, WILLIAM P. Artificier, E, 1st NY Eng, 6-20-1911. Evergreen Cemetery, Hillside, Union County.

BONNELL, WILLIAM W. Pvt, I, 26th NJ Inf, [Died of wounds received 5-4-1863 at Bank's Ford, VA.] 6-7-1863. Presbyterian Cemetery, Springfield, Union County.

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BUNNELL, CHARLES R. Pvt, F, 14th CT Inf, [Wounded 5-3-1863 at Chancellorsville, VA.] 8-2-1911. Good Luck Cemetery, Murray Grove, Ocean County.

BUNNELL, CHARLES R. Corp, H, 29th NJ Inf, 8-27-1864. Old Methodist Cemetery, Toms River, Ocean County.

BUNNELL, ISAAC Corp, D, 30th NJ Inf, 5-15-1900. VanCampen Cemetery, Calno, Warren County.

BUNNELL, J.F. 1917, Cedar Ridge Cemetery, Blairstown, Warren County.

BUNNELL, JOHN (see: Bonnell, Jonathan) Evergreen Cemetery, Hillside, Union County.

The asterisk indicates additional service during the Civil War beyond that listed.

Steve and I have been trying to sort out J.F. Bunnell, above. It should be John Fletcher Bunnell of Blairstown (CB330694). We can find no record of his military service. As we are preparing to go to press, Steve is working with the authors of the books to determine what their source was. Neither of us has been able to find him in any of the usual Civil War records. In the 1910 census, which asked for civil war service, he did not indicate that he had served.

Steve adds that: "I have been working with one of the authors to continue updating the book. If you have any additions to make to the list -- such as providing full dates of death or middle names, as well as any other CW vet Bonnell's [and Bunnells] buried in New Jersey -- please provide [Charlie Bunnell] with the edits and [he] will pass them along to be added to later editions of the book, thereby creating a more complete public record of your ancestors."

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Elizabeth Marks, [emandhm48@gmail.com](mailto:emandhm48@gmail.com) or 2105 East St, N. Manchester, IN 46962 sent a newspaper article from *The Paper of Wabash County*, Indiana. The article is about Jake Bunnell, son of Barry and Teresa Bunnell, a 17 year old student. He has a band, Small Town, which plays in the Wabash area and includes his brother Wayne, 19. Jake entered a guitar competition in the area, known as the Young Guns competition, which he won. He won a Epiphone Les Paul Custom Black Beauty guitar and a chance to perform with Bonamassa, a renowned guitarist. The song that the two of them performed, Further on up the Road, Bonamassa had last played with Eric Clapton at Royal Albert Hall, London, England. There is a video of Jake's performance available at [www.facebook.com/small.town1](http://www.facebook.com/small.town1). I was not able to fit either Jake or his parents into the family tree anywhere. Does anybody have some idea as to what their lineage may be?

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Speaking of guitars, back in December 2010, Johnny Bonnell, johnny_bonnell@hotmail.com, of New Brunswick, CN wrote that he was ordering his brother a custom guitar case and thought it would be cool to put the bonnell crest on it. So I sent him a copy of the Bonnell crest that we use on the web site and newsletter. Well, I heard back from him and here is the result.



Research Findings

I received an e-mail from Dan Keeley, dankeeley@bajabb.com, of British Columbia, Canada. He sent his family history tying back to a Hannah Jane Bunnell. Included in the tree was Bill Tidball, a former subscriber who passed away 8 January 2006. However the lineage Dan laid out did not match the lineage provided by Bill and published in Vol. 11, No. 2, page 4. Dan put me in contact with Bill's brother, Jim Tidball. Using both e-mail and snail mail Jim sent me several documents that should have resolved the difference, but actually did the opposite.

First the two lineages:

Bill's lineage according to Dan

William Bunnell + ?
Nathaniel Bonnell + Susanna Whitehead
Samuel Bonnell + Abigail ?
Benjamin Bonnell + Elanor ?
Arron Bonnell + Ann Brotherton
Moses Bonnell + Hannah Buckingham
Levi Bonnell + Elizabeth Hill
Hannah Jane Bunnell + Levi Smith
Minella Smith + William Tidball
Albert Tidball + Laura Black
William Tidball

Bill's lineage according to Bill's input

William Bunnell + Ann Wilmot
Benjamin Bunnell + Rebecca Mallory
Benjamin Bunnell + Hannah Plumb
Solomon Bunnell + Elizabeth Holdren
Isaac Bunnell + Lanah Barkeloo
Henry Bunnell + Mary Nihart
James Bunnell + Mary Ann Hull
Jane Bunnell + Levi Smith
Minelli Smith + William Tidball
Albert Tidball + Laura Black
William Tidball

Both lines match the database down to the point of the marriage to Levi Smith; the data base shows Hannah Jane Bunnell (331880) marrying Cornelius Falkenstine and Jane Bunnell (330281) marrying Levi Smith.

The documents that Jim sent were:

1. A copy of a certified copy of the marriage certificate for Levi Smith, son of John and Mary Smith, and Jane Bundell, daughter of James and Mary Bundell. They were married Oct. 13, 1872 in Wayne, La Fayette Co., Wisconsin by JP Fred Gilbert. [other than the name being Bundell rather than Bunnell, the names and dates match the database and Bill's lineage]
2. Application for Pension by Levi Smith, April 11, 1898. In it he states that he is married to Hanner Jane Smith; maiden name Bunnell and they married at the date and place described in item 1. It also states that he had not been married before and provides the names and birthdates of the following living children:

Oliver Dewitt, Jul. 29 1873
 Douglas Jerold, Mar. 31, 1877
 Philip Skyler (?), Feb. 14, 1885
 Clark Jay, Aug 18, 1888.

Minelli, Oct. 27, 1874
 Bernard Lewis, Jun 9, 1882
 Mabel Ester (?), Oct 18, 1886

3. Declaration for Widow's Pension by Jane Smith, 19 June 1913. In it she states that she was married to Levi under the name of Jane Bundell at the date and place stated in Item 1. She states that she had not been previously married. She also states that Levi died June 11, 1913 at Morrystown, Minnesota; this is different from the date and place given in the database and the database should be corrected.

Other references/sources are:

4. From *The Bunnell/Bonnell Family in America*, 2nd Edition, by William R. Austin, on page 217 he lists the children of James and Mary Ann (Hull) Bunnell. The 7th child is Hannah Jane Bunnell. His source is; “Ma’s brothers and sisters’, listed in a diary kept by one of the sons of Hannah Jane (Bunnell) Smith, on a page copied and sent to me by William Tidball, Summerland, BC, on 29 Oct. 1994.” He also cites the Biles Manuscript, pages 37 and 44. The database shows her name as Jane Hull Bunnell
5. Using Claude’s website results in sort of a circular argument: The reference for the marriage data for Jane Bunnell and Levi Smith is Bill’s lineage submission and so it can’t be used as proof of his lineage.
6. 1850 U.S. Census, Lehman Township, Pike County, PA. Jane Bo/Bunnell, dau of James and Mary A. Bunnell, 4 years old.
7. 1860 U.S. Census, Wayne, La Fayette Co., WI, Jane Bunnell, dau of James and Mary Bunnell, 12 years old.
8. 1870 U.S. Census, US wide, no suitable Jane Bundell, Jane Bunnell/Bonnell, or Hannah Bunnell/Bonnell was located. Jane Bunnell’s parents, James and Mary Bonnel, were living in Wiota, La Fayette Co., Wisconsin.
9. 1880 U.S. Census James and Mary Bo/Bunnell can’t be located in the U.S. or Canada. Levi and Hannah/Jane Smith can’t be found, but D. and Jane Smith are in Forest City, Iowa. Children listed:

Evaline, age 14	Oliver, age 7	Minella, age 5
Douglas, age 3	James, age 1	

Perhaps in this census Levi was going by a middle initial we were unaware of. Oliver, Minella/Minnelli, and Douglas all match Item 2 listing for names and dates of birth. James is not listed on Item 2 so he must have died between 1880 and 1898. The other children listed in Item 2 were born after the 1880 census. But this census lists Evaline who was born in 1866, 6 years before Levi was married, and is not listed on Item 2. Perhaps Evaline was deceased by the time the application was submitted.

10. 1890 Veterans Schedule, Levi Smith is in Morrystown, Rice Co., Minnesota. It identifies his unit as the same one on Jane Smith’s Declaration for Widow’s Pension.
11. 1900 Census, Morrystown Village, Rice Co., Minnesota, Levi and Jane Smith both born in 1848, he in NY and she in PA. Children are Bernard L, b. Jun 1882; Philip S., b. Feb 1885; Mabel E., b. Oct. 1886; Clark J., b. Aug 1888. Jane had 8 children, all of whom were still living at the time of the census.

These children match the last 4 listed in Item 2. James (Item 9) should have been deceased by the time of this census, but she states that all 8 are living.

12. From the Dalby Database, a listing of cemeteries in Rice County, Minnesota, <http://www.dalbydata.com/user.php?action=cemsearch>.

<u>Last Name</u>	<u>First Name</u>	<u>Date of Birth</u>	<u>Date of Death</u>	<u>Cemetery ID</u>	<u>Cemetery</u>	<u>Section</u>	<u>Notes</u>
SMITH	JANE BUNNELL	08/OCT/1843	06/NOV/1920	15 MN 23	RIVERSIDE (MORRISTOWN) - RIV	RIV 692 ECS	SP. LEVI.
SMITH	LEVI		11/JUN/1913	15 MN 23	RIVERSIDE (MORRISTOWN) - RIV	RIV 692 ECS	VET. 61-65 CO B 142 ILL INF. SP. JANE BUNNELL SMITH.

The question was who the wife of Levi Smith was. The legal documents provide us 3 answers:

- Item 1. Jane Bundell, daughter of James and Mary Bundell
- Item 2. Hanner (Hannah) Jane Bunnell
- Item 3. Jane Bundell

And Dan Keeley provides a 4th possibility,

Hannah Jane Bonnell, daughter of Levi and Elizabeth Bonnell.

While it appears that there could be 2 or 3 different Levi Smith's here, the combination of marriage dates, children, cemetery data and military units cited in all the references clearly point to there being only one family.

Hannah, daughter of Levi and Elizabeth I rule out because the marriage cert clearly shows the wife's parents are James and Mary, albeit it says Bundell rather than Bunnell.

I believe her name was Jane (possibly Hannah Jane) Bunnell, daughter of James and Mary Bunnell.

The marriage cert establishes her name and her parent's names.

That cert is referenced in Levi's application for pension, which mentions his children, specifically Minelli, Bill's grandmother.

The cert is mentioned in Jane's application for widow's pension.

The birthplaces of Jane in the census data rules out Hannah, daughter of Levi & Elizabeth.

The cemetery info ties the two of them together.

There are however some unexplained anomalies and I'd appreciate any ideas about them.

1. Bundell vs. Bunnell – I believe it's a clerical error and Jane had to perpetuate it when (probably) submitting a copy of her marriage cert with the widow pension application.
2. Why in the 1880 census is the head of household listed as D. Smith rather than Levi? Based on the children's names and birthdates this has to be Levi's family.
3. Who is Evaline Smith listed in the 1880 census? An adopted child? A cousin or niece erroneously identified as a daughter by the census taker?
4. There is a discrepancy in the number of children.

Queries

I am looking for a book to borrow, rent, purchase, or just get copies of selected pages. It is supposed to be the reference for the database reflecting the marriage of Hannah Jane Bunnell (CB331880) to Cornelius Falkenstein. I would like the source for that marriage information. The book is "Genealogy of Brotherton, Bonnell families of Morris County, New Jersey & Hamilton, Cleremont County, Ohio" by Margaret W. Cooke, published in 1966. Please contact me if you can help me out. Charlie@bunnellfamily.com, phone: 931-210-3731, or by mail: Charlie Bunnell, 13 Windsor Point, Crossville, TN 38558.



Steven Glazer (See the Submissions Section) is looking for any other information on William P. Bonnell, 1840-1911 (CB340353) and his brother John Newell Bonnell. If you have anything, send it to Charlie and I will forward it to Steven.

"I am specifically researching William P. Bonnell and John Newell Bunnell in connection with my study of local Civil War veterans. Just to be clear, William P. Bonnell served as an artificer in Company E of the 1st NY Engineers (9/4/1861-9/3/1864), while John Newell Bunnell served as a private in Company A of the 26th NJ Vol. Infantry (9/3/1862-6/27/1863).

Among any other new information, I am particularly seeking William's middle name, as well as pictures of William P. and John Newell.”

I saw the photo below for sale on e-bay. It identifies him as John Bonnell and is dated August 1, 1933. Does anyone know where this daring young man in his flying machine fits in our family?



Lyda Gray Cloud, grayebc@tds.net or 35824 S. Case Road, Inola, OK 74036-5512 wrote to ask about other family newsletters. I was not able to offer her any help. If you can provide her any information please contact her directly.

“Is there anyone in your memory bank that puts out a newsletter for Roberson, Robertson, Robinson Robsen or Willhite or Pistole? And all of them originated from Ark, Tenn originally and migrated everywhere. Lyda Graye (Bunnell) Cloud”

Steve Grossman,, Stevegrossman@go2mhz.com, wrote that he is

“trying to confirm 100% that my 3rd Great Grandmother was Lucy (Bunnell) Farnham b. 1805 Litchfield Ct to daughter of James b 1768 son of JOSEPH⁵ BUNNELL (*GERSHOM⁴, SGT BENJAMIN³, BENJAMIN², WILLIAM¹*)

Lucy married Charles Farnham from Monterey MA.

Together they had a child by the name of Sarah Jane Farnham (my 2nd GGmother). Sarah's death certificate shows Lucy's maiden name as 'Bunnell'.

However Lucy's death register indicates her father was James but the name appears to read Bullard.

In the attached excerpt from the book *New England Families* it states ‘Lucy, born in 1805, died in 1869; married Charles Farnham, of Monterey, Berkshire county, Massachusetts’.

[Ed. Note: I wrote as follows to Steve:

“Steve, here’s what I have which does not constitute original sources.

From *The Bunnell/Bonnell Family in America*, 2nd Edition, Consisting of Volume I Revised and Volume II; Compiled by William R. Austin; Heritage Books, 2007.

Page 245 lists Lucy Bunnell as the daughter of James and Azuba (Carter) Bunnell, b. 27 Feb 1805; m. Charles A. Farnham; d. 19 July 1878.

Children (surname Farnham):

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|---------------|----------|----------|
| 1. Sarah Jane | 3. James | 5. Lucy. |
| 2. Charles | 4. John | |

Source is listed as:

Biles Manuscript, pp. 192, 193, 194, 195, 197, 198, 200, 203, 204, 211.

The Biles Manuscript is *The Bunnell Family* – a manuscript compiled [but never published] by John Addison Biles, Homets Ferry, PA, about 1926. [Note that most of his material came from interviews and correspondence with members of the family alive in the early 1900s. So much of the material was 1st or 2nd generation descendant accounts. Unfortunately only a couple of copies exist. Mr. Austin had one copy and donated it to the New England Genealogical and Historical Society with most of his research material. The original is in the hands of one of the descendants of John Biles]”

If anyone has additional information you can send it to me and I’ll make sure Steve receives it.]

DNA & Genealogy

FTDNA, the testing company that we use, has increased the number of markers that can be tested from 67 to 111. We don’t yet know the value of the additional marker testing. I would suppose that the accuracy of the results would increase, especially for those with close 67 marker results, but whether it is worth the \$129 fee is unknown at this time.



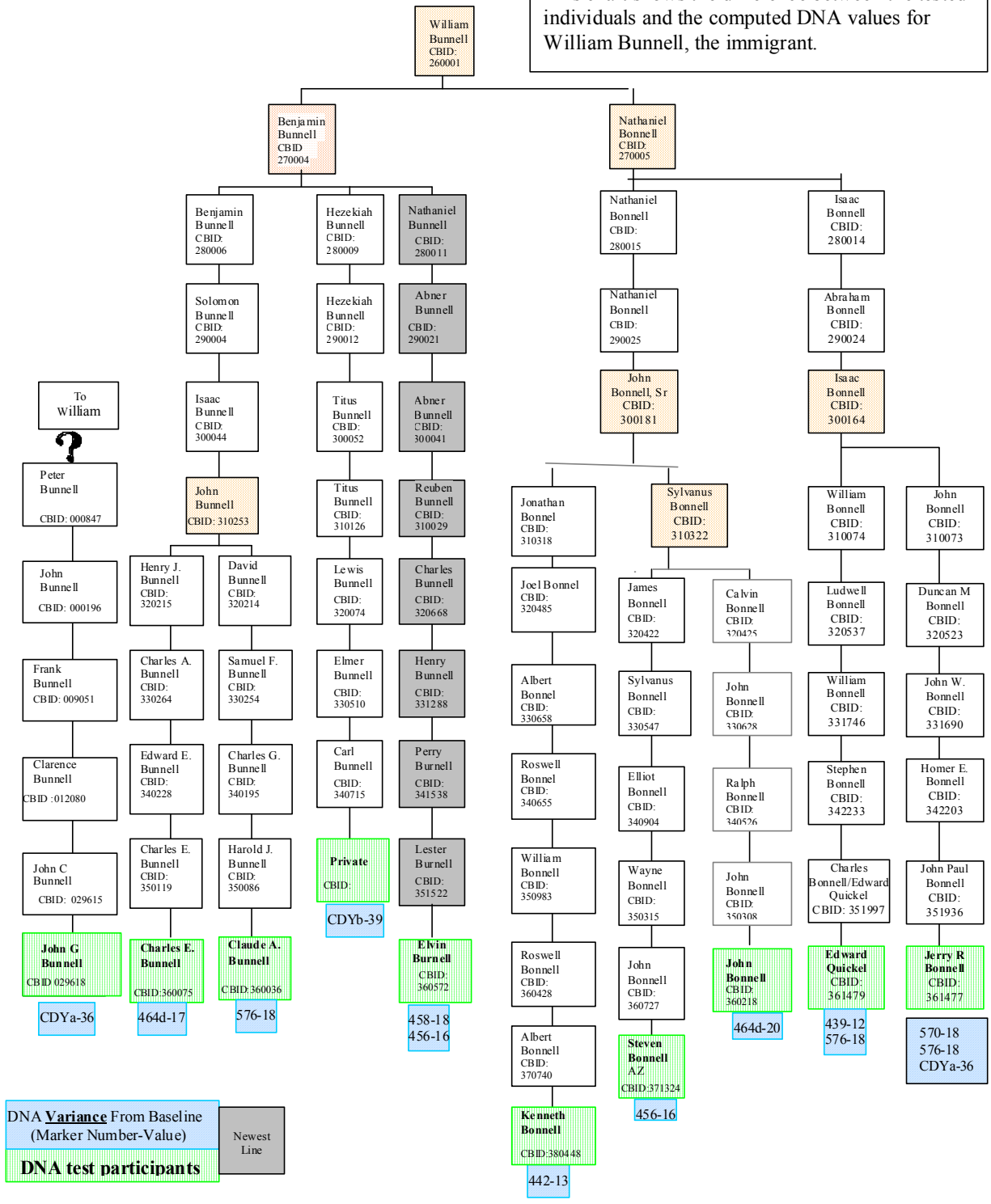
Elvin Burnell recently upgraded to the 67 marker test and the results have provided an additional line as we did not have anyone who descended from Nathaniel and Desire (Peck) Bunnell. Again, the DNA testing helps confirm a lineage that research and documentation had developed. The results show that there is a:

95% probability that Elvin shares a common ancestor with Steve Bonnell in Arizona within the past 8 generations.

91% probability that he shares a common ancestor with Charlie Bunnell within the past 12 generations

And he is only two markers different than our computed William Bunnell, the 17th century immigrant.

This chart shows the difference between the tested individuals and the computed DNA values for William Bunnell, the immigrant.



Corrections

Patti Bunnell, pattifayb@gmail.com or 1512 McDonald Ave., DuPont WA 98327, wrote regarding her father's obituary published in the previous issue on pages 5 – 6. I identified him as Henry Bunnell and went so far as to say it corrects the database entry. My apologies Patti. She wrote:

“My father's name IS **Harry** Gordon Bunnell - for some reason you identified him, via your 2/11 newsletter publication of his obituary, as Henry.

I guess it could be one last joke, as we over the years enjoyed family jokes related to how he was always being called by the wrong name, or misidentified as someone else (most common misnomers were Pete and Howard). I think Henry is a first.

I have also attached his ancestral line, done by you, and sent to me in Aug. 2009 - after I wrote you about my discovery that he had Bunnell/Bonnell on both sides.

Thanks for all your good work to further the cause of genealogy.
Patti Bunnell”

Post Script

Steve Glazer who supplied so much information for this issue also asks:

“Has anyone ever compiled all the Bonnell/Bunnells who served during the Civil War? If you are interested, I have written a book -- available for \$10 -- about such Civil War research. Here is a press release (forgive me if I had already mentioned this):

<http://library.constantcontact.com/download/get/file/1102943000463-37/NJ+Civil+War+150+Committee+Discover+Press+Release.pdf>”

A quick search on Ancestry.com showed that there were just over 500 Bo/Bunnells who served during the war; that includes both Union and Confederate. If someone out there has the inclination to take on such a project I'd be glad to share any data out of the newsletter files. I would think that it may be worth publishing a small number of books.

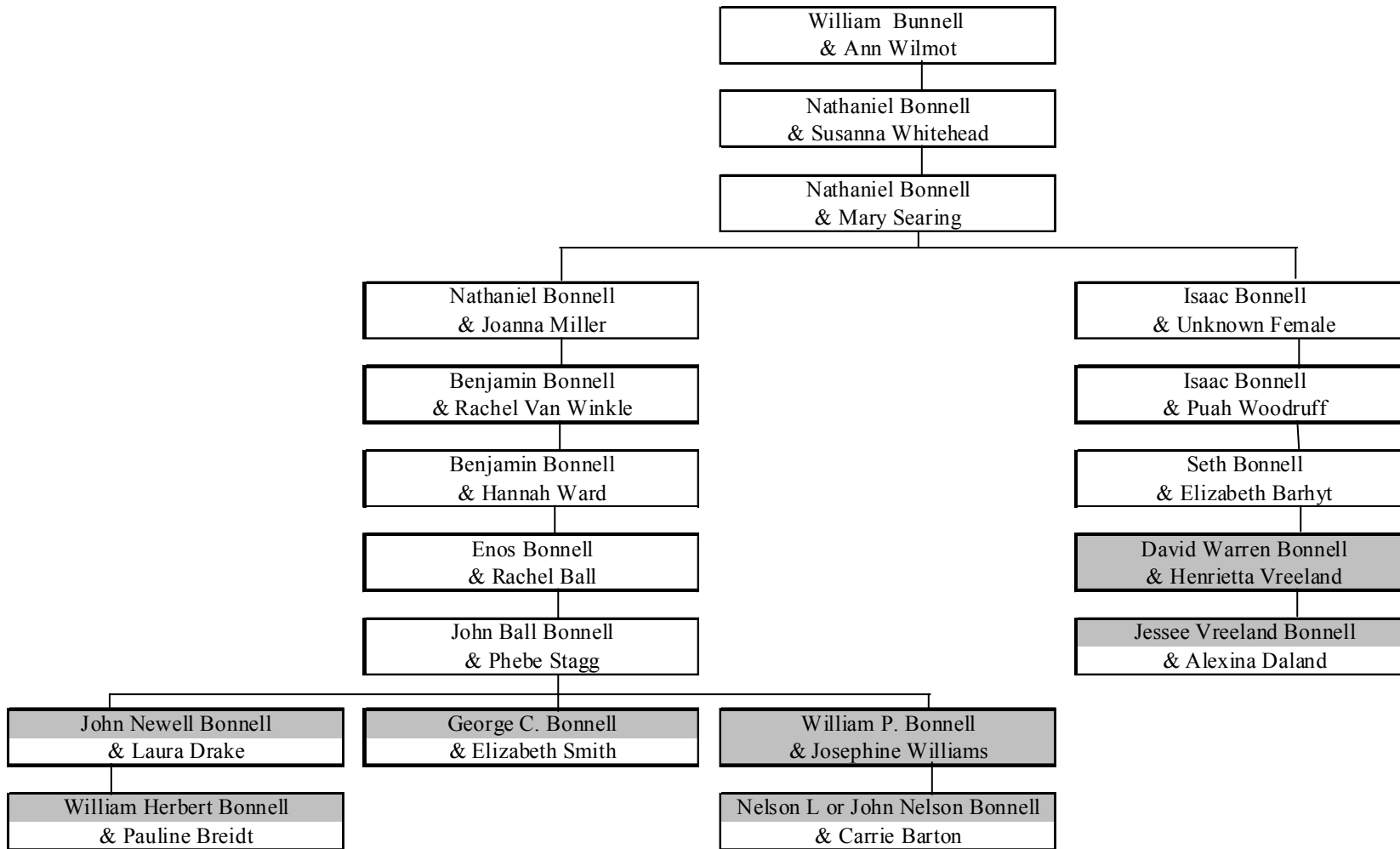
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You may have noticed that Steve Glazier from the Cranford, NJ Historical Society has submitted a lot of information for this newsletter. There is more that I'm saving for the next issue. What I have right now deals with John Fletcher Bunnell of New Jersey (CB330694), but Steve is still researching and sending material. So if you have any material on this John Fletcher Bunnell, send it in and we'll see if we can develop our own biography of him.

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A special note: A number of our subscribers were affected by the downturn in the economy and are still trying to get back to where they were in life. Fortunately, we also have a number of readers who send in an extra donation each year. One seems to offset the other and as a result we have not dropped anyone due to inability to pay dues. A big thank you to all those who have sent the little bit extra.

Family tree to accompany the material submitted by Steven Glazer and shown in the Submissions section on page 22.



This does not show all descendants of each generation, only those mentioned and identifiable in the accompanying article.