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President's Message

Greetings! In this issue of the Echo you will find information about our upcoming Phillip Hamman Family Reunion, July 28 to 31 (Thursday to Sunday), in Scottsboro, AL, near Fackler. Please make your reservations soon at the Comfort Inn Scottsboro. The deadline for getting our group rate is only a few weeks away (June 27). Jim Rose has done a great job of planning our reunion – read on to see! He does need to have a count soon of how many will be at the Saturday banquet, so please let him know how many of you plan to join us for dinner. Lori and I plan to be there, how about you? Send Jim an email! It sure will be good to see everybody again after having to cancel our 2020 Reunion due to Covid.
--Gary Hamman

Hamman Reunion Information

This will be a special Phillip Hamman Family Reunion. We are celebrating 50 years since the beginning of the family organization. We are recognizing the replacement of the Hamman historical marker and will dedicate this new marker. We are recognizing the location of Phillip's homestead near Fackler. We will visit the land where Phillip and Christina finally settled and ended their mortal travels.

Dates: **Thursday, July 28, 2022, through Sunday July 31, 2022**

Location: Scottsboro, AL Comfort Inn and Suites, **(256) 259-8700**
25775 John T. Reid Pkwy, Scottsboro, AL 35768

Link to make reservation with Hamman group <https://www.choicehotels.com/reservations/groups/ZM50D4>

We have a block of rooms (available Wed July 27 through Sunday July 31) reserved under the Phillip Hamman Family name. Room rate is \$104 per night. We have a block of 20 rooms, 10 rooms with king beds, 10 rooms 2 queen beds. (We stayed there in April— nice hotel, nice rooms and nice pool)



Rooms must be reserved by Monday June 27, 2022 to get this rate.

Travel from Airports to Comfort Inn in Scottsboro:

Huntsville, AL, is 55 miles (Driving time 50 min)

Chattanooga, TN, is 71 miles (Driving time 1 hr 10 min)

Birmingham, AL, is 117 miles (Driving time 1 hr 50 min) (Southwest Airlines flies to Birmingham and fares may be lower than other airlines)

Nashville, TN, is 133 miles (Driving time 2 hrs 5 min)

Agenda for the Reunion

Thursday July 28— morning free time for shopping, sightseeing.

Phillip Hamman library project, 12:00 noon – 4:45 PM. Hopefully some you will help us with this.

The Dekalb County Library in Ft. Payne, AL, has an area devoted to information from the Phillip Hamman Family. This material needs to be sorted, labeled, and organized. With help from family members, we can review and organize this material. With many to help us, we can hopefully complete much of this task on Thursday.

Friday July 29—Library visit. Because the Dekalb Co. Library closes at 1:00 PM on Fridays, some may wish to revisit the library Friday morning. This would be a time to research the Hamman materials here in this collection.

Noon- 3 PM **Cemetery visits**. We will visit graves of Phillip and Christina at the Valley Head Cemetery. We will also visit nearby White-Hall Cemetery. (Graves of William Cook Hamman family)

Friday evening. Gathering at hotel after dinner for socializing, 7-9 PM, Hotel meeting room

Saturday July 30—10:00 AM **Dedication of Phillip Hamman roadside historical marker**, Fackler, AL

Marker is located about 13 miles (15 minutes) from the hotel. It is between Fackler and Carns, Alabama, on County Road 42, about 5 miles west of US Highway 72. Marker is about ¼ mile west of Holder Farms on Co. Road 42. We will meet here and have a brief ceremony to recognize the placement of the marker.

We will make one more stop about a mile north on County Road 55, just north of Roaches Cove Baptist Church, at the **Middleton Hayes Cemetery**. This area was also part of land owned by Phillip Hamman.

Return to Scottsboro for lunch

2:00 PM—4:30 **Presentations**

Presentations about Hamman history, meeting room at Comfort Inn, Scottsboro

--Recognition of past Hamman leaders and contributors

--Latest discoveries about Phillip Hamman land in Jackson Co. AL

--Summary of genealogy connections of each child of Phillip and Christina Hamman (someone from each line will be asked to give this summary)

--Other participation

--Silent auction

6:30 PM Evening **Banquet** at Comfort Inn meeting room

7:30 **Hamman family business meeting**.

--Election of officers and presentation of new family volunteers

--Closing of silent auction, 'winners' announced

--Financial status of Hamman Family Organization

--Selection of site and dates for future Hamman reunion

-- Other presentations

Sunday July 31

9:00 AM- Hamman Family Devotional

9:30—10:00 AM- Dismiss family reunion

Other Hamman Reunion Items

We need you! Service Opportunities in the Hamman Family

We need to know if you can help us

- 1) Donate something we can **auction** off at the reunion
- 2) **Contribute** to the fund to pay for the Phillip Hamman Historical marker. We still need to pay for the costs of fabricating this marker. We solicit your help!

- 3) **Participate in the reunion program.** In the past we have had genealogy presentations, family stories, poetry, musical performances. Can you help us at this reunion?
- 4) **Contribute stories** and information to the ECHO. We can always use news, personal updates. Send to Jim Rose jimandnancyrose@gmail.com, or send to 1005 S. Red Barn View Dr., Santaquin, UT 84655.
- 5) **Volunteer** to help the family organization. We could use help with genealogy contributions, reunion planning, website contributions. Volunteer to be Assistant Echo editor, volunteer to serve in the organization leadership! Volunteer to be President or Editor of the ECHO!
- 6) **Donate something** for our Hamman collection at the **Ft. Payne library**. Personal or family history items, new articles, pictures all can be contributed and included in the Phillip Hamman section at the library
- 7) Help us **update email** and address lists for younger Hamman descendants—so everyone can receive the ECHO!
- 8) **Donations and contributions** are always appreciated. They help fund sending out the ECHO and pay for costs related to reunions. Send contributions to Connie Thompson, 311 Blackmon Trail, Bells, TX 75444.

Reunion Auction--change

Every 2 years at our Hamman reunions, we solicit items to be auctioned off. Money obtained from the auction has been our main source of funds to run the Hamman Organization. We still need items to be auctioned off at the reunion in Scottsboro. This year we may change the process somewhat and do a “silent auction”. Items offered will be on tables at the side of the meeting room for our Saturday afternoon meeting. A paper next to each item will allow you to view each item up close and write down a bid amount. Bids will close at a specified time that evening, and the highest bid will receive the donated item.

Ft. Payne Library Project

The Dekalb County Library in Ft. Payne, AL, has an area designated for the Phillip Hamman Collection. Prior family members and members of the local DAR (The Phillip Hamman Chapter of the DAR) have 4 filing cabinets with material about Phillip Hamman which have been donated. The collection is disorganized and needs help. It includes family notes and letters, copies of old ECHOs, Hamman articles and publications, a collection of family group sheets for all Hamman family members, and a lot of pictures. **Our project would include organizing** similar items into the same drawers, **labeling** binders and articles, etc. There are multiple pictures, many of them unlabeled. If we can **identify** anyone in a picture, now is the time to do it before another generation passes on. The library has given us the go ahead to manage and organize the Hamman collection. Ideally, we would like to create an **index** of what is there at the library in this collection. I believe we can make a major dent in this task if we have enough people there to assist. Since the library closes at 1PM on Fridays and is closed on Saturdays, the best time to do this project is Thursday, July 28th. Completion of this project will provide Hamman information for our relatives and for interested persons in the future. We need your help!



Information you could use? *Poster found in a church in France (translated)*

“When you enter this Church it may be possible that you hear ‘the call of God’.

However, it is unlikely that He will call you on your mobile.

Thank you for turning off your phone.

If you want to talk to God, enter, choose a quiet place and talk to Him.

If you want to see Him, send Him a text while driving



Phillip Hamman Historical Marker—A Tale of Two Markers

As you are aware, one of the reasons we are holding the Phillip Hamman reunion in Scottsboro this year is to acknowledge the placement of a historical marker near the site of the Hamman farm near Fackler. This sign is a replacement of the marker originally placed by the roadside in 1971.

In the early 1820's, Phillip and Christina Hamman moved from Kentucky to Jackson Co., AL, and settled on land between Fackler and Carnes north of County Highway 42. They remained in this area until Phillip's death in 1832.

On Saturday, September 4, 1971 the Tidence Lane Chapter of Daughters of the American Revolution and descendants of Phillip Hamman dedicated a highway marker recognizing Revolutionary War hero, Phillip Hamman. That ceremony was attended by Hamman descendants, local church leaders, and local dignitaries.



Newspaper article Scottsboro Daily Sentinel Sept 10, 1971

Sometime around the year 2000, the historical marker was vandalized. It had been damaged with gunshots and was found on the ground near the road. The marker was given to Judge John Graham, a judge in Scottsboro who has had interest in preserving the history of Jackson County. Judge Graham contacted Ralph Hammond regarding the handling of the damaged marker. Ralph was one of the original leaders of the Hamman organization (Ralph has since passed away in 2010). Ralph remarked that since the marker was damaged, the Judge should dispose of it as he saw fit. Judge Graham gave the marker to Will Parks III, a Scottsboro attorney. When contacted by Hamman family members, Mr. Parks said that the marker was in his back yard, being used as part of his landscaping. Mr. Parks was very supportive of the Hamman family project to arrange a new marker.

At the Hamman family reunion in Chattanooga, TN, in 2016, the family decided to begin a project to have a new marker manufactured and installed. The project was delayed by the outbreak of Covid-19 and the cancellation of the Hamman reunion scheduled for Aug 2000 in Little Rock, Arkansas. Over the last year, the project has been completed, and a new historical marker recognizing Phillip Hamman has been erected.

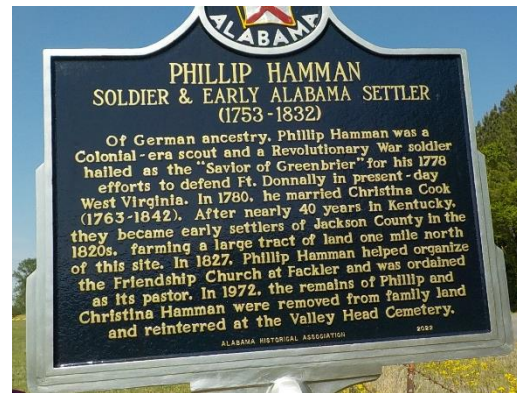
Hamman family leaders, working with the Alabama Historical Association, got approval to get a new marker fabricated. The new marker has different wording than the first marker. The first marker listed Phillip's date of birth as 1750. Review of historical documents suggests that Phillip's actual date of birth was 1753. Previously it was believed that Phillip was born in the Palatinate Germany. Although the exact place of his birth is still unknown, newer research suggests he was born in America, possibly in New Jersey or Maryland.

The initial 1971 marker stated that Phillip and Christina Cook were buried in a double grave on the family farm one mile north of Highway 42. In 1972, what was felt to be the remains of Phillip and Christina were removed from the farm and reinterred at the Valley Head Cemetery in Valley Head, AL.

The suggested wording for the current Hamman marker was submitted to the AHA last year, along with documentation that the information was historically correct. The Alabama Historical Association has a committee to review wording for markers. Their committee suggested several adjustments, and the final wording was agreed upon.

In April 2021, the new Phillip Hamman historical marker was placed in the ground by a group of Hamman family members: Jim and Nancy Rose, Vondell and Glenda Plunkett, and Gerald and Donna McClintock. Jim and Nancy flew in from Utah, Gerald and Donna came down from Tennessee, and Vondell and Glenda came from Lookout Mountain, GA.

To help prevent vandalism, they worked with local farmer, Emmett 'Porky Holder' of Holder Farms, to find a location to place the sign. They agreed to put the sign on Holder property, inside the property fence, near the site of the previous Hamman sign on Highway 42.



With a trailer loaded with the sign, 2 bags of concrete, shovels, gloves and a posthole digger, the group drove to Fackler. A spot was located, the hole was dug, and the marker post was set in concrete. The marker was now in place, ready for the dedication ceremony at the Hamman reunion in July, 2022.

Now that the Phillip Hamman marker has been installed, the plan is to have a ceremony to dedicate the marker at 10:00 AM, Saturday, July 30, 2022.

Phillip Hamman Land—Jackson Co. Alabama

Phillip Hamman was an early settler in Jackson Co., AL. Alabama territory was created from Mississippi Territory before Alabama was made a state in 1819. Phillip Hamman settled on land north of the Tennessee River in the region between Fackler, Carns, and Stevenson (those towns did not exist back then). Most of the land had not been surveyed, and people settled on the land, then got deeds and title later. The General Land Office Records of the BLM show 5 parcels of land belonging to Phillip Hamman in Alabama:

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT General Land Office Records										
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	AL1220_090	HAMMAN, PHILIP	8/1/1831	3577	AL	Huntsville	002S - 007E	W½NW¼	29	Jackson
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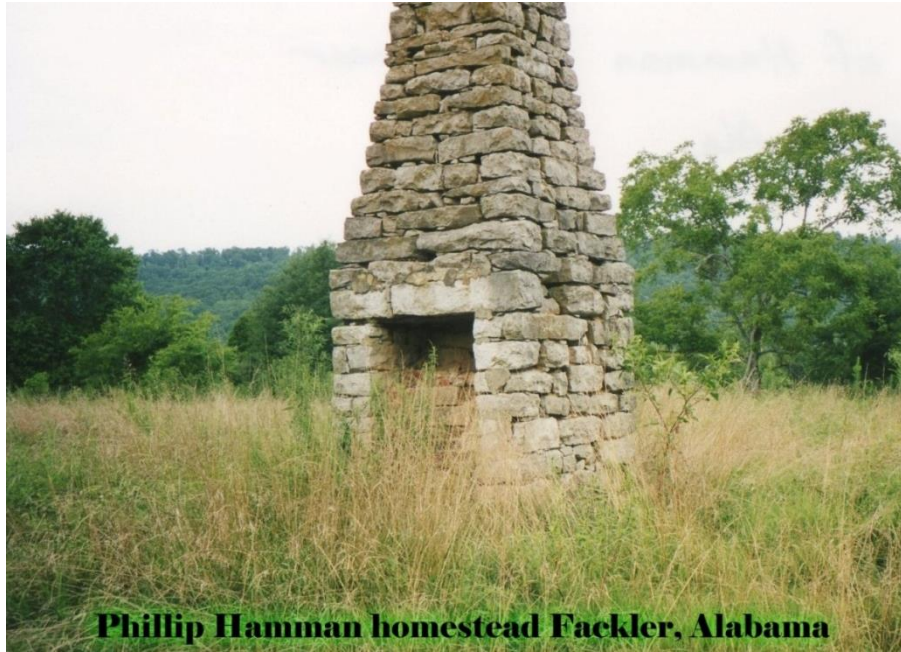
These parcels can be viewed on the Jackson Revenue Commisioner Parcel Viewer, [Jackson County ISV3 \(kcsGIS.com\)](http://kcsGIS.com). Two parcels are on the south side of the Tennessee River (now Gunterville Lake) and are inaccessible by road. Three parcels are on the north side of the Tennessee River, by the Phillip Hamman homestead near Fackler.

Initial land ownership was likely by claim and possession. Years later as the government began to survey this land, patent ownership was generally granted to those in possession of the land. Phillip came to Jackson Co. in 1823 and died in 1832. The land patent requests for the land mentioned in the BLM index were dated 1831, 1831, 1839, 1845, 1845. Clearly, Phillip was gone by the time title to much of this land was requested. It appears that Phillip's son, James Hamman, attempted to get title to the land he felt belonged to his father. It was likely that the Hamman farm included other areas of land not listed in the above

documents. Phillip was felt to be buried in Section 36, Township 2S, Range 6E, according to the newspaper article from the Scottsboro Sentinel, Sept 1971.

This is closer to where the previously identified stone house and chimney were located.

That chimney was viewed by family members years ago. Searches in 2016 at the Chattanooga Hamman reunion, and more



recently in April of this year failed to find any remnants of the chimney or house. It is likely that the area is now so overgrown that it is impossible to locate it. Gerald McClintock and Jim Rose spent several hours in that area. They were unable to find the spot. It is likely we will have to remember this location from old pictures only.

Hammond obituary

William (Bill) Carroll Hammond, age 89, passed away May 28, 2017, in Falls Church, Virginia. Bill was born to Lucille Johns and Claude Nelson Hammond in Brunswick, Georgia, on March 4, 1928. He was a descendant of William Cook Hamman through Burlington Green Hamman. Bill worked for the railroad and was a Naval Reservist 1946-1951. He then enlisted in the Army where his specialty was topographic engineering. He received numerous medals including Bronze Star Medal, Meritorious Service Award, Good Conduct Medal, Vietnam Service Medal, Army Commendation Medal, World War II Victory Medal, as well as other awards. He is survived by his wife Marianne Helga Hammond, daughter Barbara Ann Hammond Wingard (Robert), and son Andrew Sean Hammond (Julie). His funeral was held at Arlington National Cemetery.



Phillip Hamman Website

The Phillip Hamman family has a website, "philliphammanfamily.org". Please visit this site and see what you think.

The "Home" page gives basic information about the Scottsboro, AL, reunion in July 2022. Click on "About Phillip Hamman" to see some information about Phillip.

Also there are links to other Hamman sites, including the Phillip Hamman Facebook page. If you click on "ECHO", you will have access to several previously published editions of the Echo (we plan on adding more soon).

Full Family Tree for Phillip Hamman on Ancestral Quest

Some of you have viewed the full list of descendants for Phillip Hamman on Ancestral Quest. We have over 20,000 descendants in our searchable data base. Anyone can view this family tree.

Here's what you need to do to view this:

- 1) Go to Ancestral Quest. If you wish to view only, download the Free Ancestral Quest Basics Program. You will need to set up (and remember) a user name and password. Click on Collaborate. To get access to the Hamman family tree, you will need to contact me, Jim Rose jimandnancyrose@gmail.com (801-592-4274) and let me know your user name. I can then invite you to join our Hamman group. I can then give you access to the Hamman file. You will be able to "read only."
- 2) If you wish to have access and be able to make additions and corrections, you will need to purchase and download the latest version of Ancestral Quest (AQ). (currently \$34.95 purchase price) After getting added to the list of users and editors, you may add names or edit information that is incorrect.

We hope to have a presentation at the reunion about how to use Ancestral Quest.

If you have been using the Hamman family tree on Ancestral Quest, make sure your entries are correct. Doris Rose says she recently had to correct dozens of names with the first name entered in the surname field.

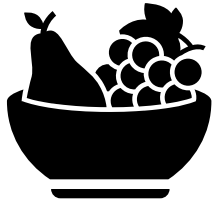
Recent trip to Alabama

Jim and Nancy Rose recently made a trip to Jackson Co., AL. The last part of April 2022, they flew from Salt Lake City, UT, to Chattanooga, TN, and met up with Vondell and Glenda Plunkett. The purpose of the visit was to install the new Phillip Hamman historical marker as well as scout out the area for the upcoming Hamman reunion. Jim and Nancy were able to check out the Comfort Inn we will be staying at in Scottsboro. They gave it two thumbs up.

Jim spent some time at the Jackson County Courthouse reviewing land records for Phillip Hamman. He was able to visit the locations for several pieces of property owned by Phillip Hamman in the early 1800s. Jim plans to give a presentation on Hamman land in Jackson Co. at the reunion in July.

Things to do near Scottsboro

- 1) Shop at the Unclaimed Baggage Outlet in Scottsboro. Unclaimed luggage from airlines around the country gets sent to this location in Scottsboro. There is fun shopping and some good bargains if you visit. 509 W Willow St., Scottsboro, AL. Open until 6 PM.
- 2) Visit the Scottsboro-Jackson Heritage Center, 208 Houston St., Scottsboro, AL, 9-4 M-F. Historical and cultural museum of Jackson County. Tour the museum. Research items available. Some area and family histories.
- 3) Stephens Gap. Waterfall into a deep pit. Requires a SCCI permit to park and visit.
- 4) Other natural points of interest are located near Scottsboro.
- 5) Huntsville- US Space and Rocket Center. Home of the largest space museum in the world. 47 miles hotel to Rocket Center. \$25 admission for adults. Plan on 3-6 hrs to see this.



Substitutes for a Healthy Diet

Pasta-Zucchini

Chips- Carrots

Milk- Almond Milk

Rice- Cauliflower

Butter-Sadness

Cheese-Nope

Tacos-This is stupid...

I'm not doing it

