

THE ECHO
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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Greetings and Merry Christmas! This is the first Echo since our reunion in Tyler, Texas in August so you will find a summary of it by Jim Rose in this issue. Many thanks to Jim for doing this and putting together this issue of the Echo.

Our next reunion will be in Little Rock, Arkansas. There are some Hamman sites to see in the area, e.g., Philip's number 10 child, Jesse Franklin Hamman, is buried in McBee Cemetery about 40 miles east of Little Rock. Many of our family live within 400 miles of Little Rock so we hope they will attend. We could use some help and suggestions from anybody reasonably local to Little Rock or that knows family sites we should visit. Hotel suggestions would also be welcomed. We usually have our reunions the first weekend in August. In 2020, August 1 is a Saturday, so it would be Thursday, July 30 through Sunday, August 2. Let me know if another week-end is better, e.g., Aug 6 thru 9.

Many, many thanks to all that made our Tyler Reunion so nice. We had great local stories and things to do as well as presentations on genealogy and family updates. I thought the Residence Inn accommodations and staff were great.

Best regards,

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Descendants of **Jesse Hamman** settled in Hickory Plains, Prairie County, about an hour northeast of Little Rock. Any descendants of Jesse willing to make some connections and help with planning? Any descendants living in the Little Rock area please let us know who you are!

Notes from the Hamman reunion in Tyler Texas

Our Phillip Hamman reunion in Tyler Texas was a huge success. Most came from Thursday August 2nd thru Sunday August 5, 2018. The Residence Inn was a lovely place to hold the reunion.

Those who attended in Tyler



From 4) Mary Polly--Kaye Lanier, Myra Sweaney, Michelle, Derrick, Braden, and Baylor Edwards, Gary Vigen

From 6) Elizabeth--Mike and Carol Radcliff, Jim and Nancy Rose, Tina, Chris and Josie Wadley

From 9) William-- Ben and Nancy Cooper, Trent and Karen Hamman, Glenda and Vondell Plunkett

From 10) Jesse-- Gary and Linda Butler, Ben and Nancy Cooper, Brian Fikejs , Trent and Karen Hamman, Gary Hamman and Lori Cripps, Ron Hamman, Alexa Heck ,

From 12) Phillip Jr--Ann Carpenter, Amber, Gianna, and Jake Tortorice, Tiffany, Brian and Kourtland Davidson, Hoot and Dorothy Hamman, Alexa Jett, , Gerald and Donna McClintock, Bob and Ele Thompson, Doug and Kimberly Thompson, Stephen, Katlyn, and Phillip Thompson, Ruth Young

Our system for numbering our Hamman line is as follows: 1) John 3) Nancy 4) Mary Polly 5) James 6) Elizabeth 7)Sallie 9) William 10)Jesse 11) Elijah 12)Phillip Jr. 13) Valentine

The fun we had at the reunion

For the Hamman Reunion in Tyler, many members arrived on Thurs Aug 2, 2018 This free day was used to visit some of the local attractions: The Rose Garden and Rose Museum, Some went to nearby Jacksonville, TX to drive thru Cherokee Trace--a drive thru wildlife park, with all kinds of deer, antelope, zebras. camels and much more. All tame enough to feed through the car window? Some enjoyed shopping and a movie. Some swam in the pool. Some just relaxed and enjoyed a quiet day.



Hamman kin enjoying the pool

Cemetery Visits

Friday was our day for organized "tours". We left downtown Tyler to travel northeast to the Jamestown Cemetery. Hammans buried there include William P. Hamman (3rd child of Phillip Hamman Jr) and his wife Ellen R.. Several of William P. Hamman's family are buried in this cemetery. . Most Hamman kin from this area of Texas are from the line of Phillip Hamman Jr



Ruth Young at Jamestown Cemetery

Ruth (Dinkie) Young told us stories of her relatives buried here. Her father Elvie Hamman (he went by "Dink"), as well as her grandfather Claude Evan Hamman (Cloud) At Jamestown Cemetery we were met by one of older relatives, Hulon "Hoot" Hamman., born in 1926, age 92. He met up with us at the cemetery, and visited with us, even in the heat of a Texas August afternoon.



Hoot Hamman at Jamestown Cemetery

Next we traveled a few miles to Providence Cemetery, where Karen Lowe Allen, daughter of Carolyn Hamman Lowe Laprade (buried 2014, Providence Cemetery), told us of her kin buried here at Providence. Carolyn Laprade had been to previous reunions. Next we took a break for lunch and went to a local eatery in Lindale, Pettys Restaurant. It's a local place, and when 40 of us

arrived, we wondered if they would be able to accommodate us all. After a brief wait, they seated us all and fed us quite promptly. Their specialties include catfish and fried onion rings. After a pleasant lunch, we left for our last cemetery.



Lunch at Petty's in Lindale

Lindale Cemetery had a number of Hamman kin buried there. Bob Thompson gave us a tour of the cemetery. Bob is the son of Robert P. Thompson and Clota Hamman Thompson. Bob grew up in Lindale, moved elsewhere in Texas, but came "home" for the reunion.



Lindale Cemetery

Stories we shared

Friday evening and Saturday we had time for family to get together in the hotel meeting room. Many items for the auction on Saturday were on display.

Kay Lanier told us of the numerous resources from Hamman history. She retold the story of Clay Connor (Hamman descendant) and his being a POW in the South Pacific in WWI. (for more on this story, go to <https://www.uso.org/stories/1749-the-unconquerable-soul-of-wwii-legend-clay-conner>)



Cloet Hamman and West Texas Seranaders 1

Bob Thompson told us some stories about his family in Lindale and the surrounding area. Bob told us about his uncle, Cloet Hamman, who was musically talented. He sang with a group, the East Texas Seranaders. Here's a link to their music—cut and paste to see their story and hear some of their music!

<https://countrytimeinsentirelblues.blogspot.com/2018/11/east-texas-seranaders.html?fbclid=IwAR1bgzZsYr-xhz6VDOq7rgJrr0p3klfoutcvJZGkj2Fyfx8a4Jt6fQAV4m0>

We had someone from each of the Phillip Hamman lines who were in

attendance, stand and tell us a bit about their family line.

Tina Rose Wadley gave a presentation about **"The Stories that Bind Us"**

(<https://www.nytimes.com/2013/03/17/fashion/the-family-stories-that-bind-us-this-life.html>). Based on research done by Marshall Duke, a psychologist from Emory University, findings have shown the "best single predictor of children's emotional health and happiness" seemed to be related to how much they knew about their family's history. The children who were able to answer 20 questions about their parents and grandparents seemed to have better self-esteem and fewer behavioral problems. (To see the 20 questions, go to an article by Dr. Duke: https://www.huffpost.com/entry/the-stories-that-bind-us_b_2918975). So

research has shown that getting our children and grandchildren involved in family history is a secret to having them be happy and better able to cope with stress!



Ann Carpenter and Ruth Young

Tina also had everyone present place a leaf on our "Hamman family tree", on our own family branch. Ruth Young and her sister Ann Carpenter told stories about the Hamman kin in the Lindale, Jamestown region. Their father, Elvie "Dink" Hamman, was a craftsman who made beautiful canes. Ruth and Ann brought one of his canes to show, to auction, and to demonstrate! They led us in singing several Texas songs!



Reunion Auction

It is our tradition at Hamman reunions to have an auction. Items donated are auctioned to give the family funds to run the organization (main cost remains mailing out Echo editions) We had some fun items for the auction. Ann Carpenter donated many unique items from her craft store, many had been uniquely changed to Hamman items. We had wall plaques, pillows, blankets, quilts, hats. We had had "Hamman" mugs, "Hamman" playing cards, a nifty doll house "Hamman" barn, complete with hinges on the stall doors. We had a Hamman cane, handcrafted by Dink Hamman. Two Texas quilts. A large blanket with the Hamman group picture from Chattanooga (Thanks to Lori Cripps). And lots of other neat stuff. Thanks to those "donated".



Auction items

Hamman Family Organization finances

At the reunion in Tyler, thanks to the generosity of family members, we had a very successful auction. We were able to raise \$2126. This money will be used for postage for our ECHO mailings. Thanks so much. We should be set until our next reunion in 2020.

Didn't get a chance to donate?

If you did not get to the reunion in Tyler, but would still like to make a contribution to the Hamman family, donations can be sent to Connie Thompson, 4491 Dugan Chapel Rd, Bells, TX 75414

Traditional Hamman Devotional

Sunday morning the family assembled for the traditional devotional before we all departed for home. Tina Rose Wadley and her 2 children sang a beautiful song, "I am a Child of God". Jim Rose gave a short thought, asking for us to remember the stories from the Bible of the 10 Lepers and the Good Samaritan. We are reminded to be grateful, to offer service, and be grateful recipients of good done to us by others. We closed with Ruth Young leading us in "Happy Trails to You"

Hamman Business Meeting

During our Saturday evening meeting, we conducted our Hamman family business

Leadership for the family organization will remain unchanged:

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Corrections to "Phillip Hamman, Man of Valor"

Jim Rose reminded those who have Ralph Hammond's book, "Phillip Hamman, Man of Valor" that there needs to be a correction made for the pages that refer to Phillip as a passenger on the ship Crawford. Y-DNA testing has shown that the Phillip Hamman on that ship is not related to our Phillip Hamman (see note below).

Jim also reviewed the Y-dna evidence and opinion of Brian Hamman suggesting that our Phillip Hamman is likely a brother to Henry Hamman, possibly sons of Johan Jacob Hamman, and Abraham Hamman may be a brother to Jacob Hamman, possibly sons of Johan Hamman. It is possible that Phillip's father and Abraham's father were brothers and grandsons of a yet unidentified common Hamman ancestor.

Phillip Hamman of Greenbrier Co: Not aboard the Ship Crawford

Ralph Hammond in his book, "Phillip Hamman, Man of Valor", (Strode Publishers, Huntsville Al., 1976), wrote that Phillip Hamman came to Philadelphia in October 1772 aboard the ship "Crawford". Using Y-DNA evidence, this connection to the ship "Crawford" has been shown to be incorrect.

The Phillip Hamman (along with his brother Peter Hamman) who arrived in Philadelphia in 1772 on the ship Crawford, settled in Northhampton Co., PA in the 1779s. Y-dna from male descendants of the Crawford Hamman line does not match the Y-DNA of Greenbrier Hamman descendants.

We have not yet identified the immigration history for this Phillip Hamman, who died in Fackler, Jackson, Alabama. For Y-DNA information on numerous Hamman family lines, go to http://www.brian.hamman.com/Hamman_Y_chromosomeResults.htm

If you have a copy of Ralph's book, you might like to make a copy of this note and insert it into the book as an addendum/correction.

Phillip Hamman historic marker

At the reunion, we discussed the possibility for purchasing a new Phillip Hamman historic marker. We had a majority of people in attendance support the idea of placing a marker near the Hamman Fackler homestead in Jackson County. A number of people agreed to make donations for such markers. We agreed to do some research into how much markers would cost and how we could go about getting this done.



After reviewing the options for obtaining a new marker, the two best sources seem to be the DAR (previous sign was a DAR sign) or the Alabama Historical Association. Both signs would be similar in design and cost. Getting the sign ok'd would be easier through the AHA. We

would place the marker on County Rd 42, near the entrance to the state land where the Hamman farm was located. We have obtained permission to place the marker on the land of Porky Holder, a farmer in that area. Having the marker on his land would make vandalism less likely. The local citizens of the area would like to see the marker put back up.

The AHA marker would allow for wording on both sides. The cost would be between \$2300 and \$2900 for the marker. The markers allow for text on both sides. We would like those interested to offer suggestions for the wording on the marker. The following is the suggested wording:

Initial suggestion:

Side 1:

PHILLIP HAMMAN

“SAVIOR OF GREENBRIER”

Phillip Hamman (1750—1831) American frontier hero who defended Ft. Donnally, Greenbrier Co., WV from a Shawnee Indian attack in 1778. Nine years an Indian spy and scout. Colonial soldier, Revolutionary War hero and patriot.

Phillip and his wife Christina Cook (1763-1842) were pioneer settlers of Jackson County in the early 1820s, farming a large tract of land 1 mile north of here. . In 1827, Hamman helped organize the Friendship Church at Fackler, and Phillip was ordained its first [pastor](#)

Phillip and Christina were initially buried in a double grave on the family farm. In 1972, their remains were removed and reinterred at Valley Head, Alabama.

A NOBLE MAN, A GRACIOUS LADY

Side 2:

In 1778, while serving at Fort Randolph, W. Virginia, Phillip Hamman and John Pryor volunteered to go to Ft. Donnally in Greenbrier Co. W. Virginia to warn the people of an impending Indian attack by several hundred warriors.

Made up to look like Indians by Nonhelema, friend to the soldiers but sister of Chief Cornstalk, the two traveled over 160 miles in 48 hours through the wilderness to overtake the Indians before they reached the settlement.

After warning the settlers, Hamman stayed and fought to repel the attacking Indians. His timely warning helped save many lives in Greenbrier. For his bravery, Phillip Hamman was called “the Savior of Greenbrier”.

If you would like to suggest changes or rewrite the whole marker message, feel free to let us know what you would like.

We are uncertain how long it will take to go through the process of arranging the new marker. However, we will be accepting donations to help pay for this. Any donations should be sent to our Hamman family secretary/treasurer, Connie Thompson, 4491 Dugan Chapel Rd., Bells, TX 75414. Please label them as contributions for the Hamman historical marker.

Ancestral Quest and Family Search

Jim Rose reminded us that our family Hamman information is stored on a file on Ancestral Quest. If you have downloaded the AQ program (either the free version or the purchased version for \$29) you can get access to our Hamman file, HammDoris2018. (Since Doris Rose has been one of our major genealogy contributors). If you get the program, go to the "*collaborate*" tab and sign up. Then send an e-mail Jim Rose at jimandnancyrose@gmail.com with your user name. You will then be given permission to view or edit the Hamman genealogy. There are over 30,000 names in this database. If you would like to get your family information entered, either send your names and dates to Doris Rose ROSE0303@att.net or Jim Rose jimandnancyrose@gmail.com. Or else purchase the Ancestral Quest program, check it out on Collaborate, and enter the information directly into our Hamman data base. (<https://www.ancquest.com/index.htm>)

By restricting access, we are able to prevent anyone from corrupting our files, as well as allow access for family members to still view and edit it. We also have information about living individuals in the file, and this limits outsiders from abusing this data also.

Social Media

We continue to have active participation on our Hamman facebook page “Hamman/Hammons/Hammond & relatives”

Our Phillip Hamman website “PhillipHammanfamily.org” is also a source for Hamman family information.

ECHO mailing list

If you are getting your ECHO via email, please keep us updated as to any changes in your email address. If you are getting the ECHO in the mail and would consider changing your delivery method to email, please contact Connie Thompson at tconnie83@gmail.com to get on the email list. (This also helps reduce the expenses to the family organization by reducing our postage costs).

If you have other family members who would appreciate receiving the ECHO, let us know and we will add them to our mailing list!

New Arrivals—Births

Arlo Robbie Gonzales, born 19 July 2018 to Elena Delgado Braggins and Bobby Gonzales in Los Angeles, CA. Elena is the daughter of Dolores Jeane Grande and granddaughter to Doris Brown Rose. They are descendants of John Hamman and Margaret Evans through William Lumpkins and Mary Hammons.

Hamman relatives who will be missed

We are always saddened when a Hamman family member passes away. In the past we have mentioned those Hamman relatives who have passed on. We have missed quite a few in the last few years. We apologize. Here are some of those we would like to remember.

Vernon Wilbur Mason b. 1918, d.2 June 2015. Son of Wilbur Alvin Mason and Rosie Lorenz Mason, a descendant of John Hamman and Margaret Evans through William Lumpkins and Mary Hammons.

Charles Hrovat,, husband of Dolores Jeane Grande Delgado, died 26 Mar 2016 at Irving, TX. Dolores Jeane is the daughter of Doris Rose, a descendant of John Hamman and Margaret Evans through William Lumpkins and Mary Hammons.

Boyd RL Gilkey died 23 March 2016 at Phoenix, AZ at age 85. His wife Glenda Kelly Gillkey is a descendant of John Hamman and Margaret Evans through William Lumpkins and Mary Hammons.

Nancy Lovett Langston, wife of Leslie Vernon Langston, b. 28 Nov 1929 died at home in Roswell NM on 11 May 2016. She was a descendant of John Hamman and Margaret Evans through Andrew Hamman and Jane Prater.

Sara Jane “Janie” Hammond Love b. 30 July 1944 to Trevor Laura and Charles Robert Hammond, died 22 Apr 2016 at Kansas City, MO. Janie was wife of Edward A. Love, and was a descendant William Cook Hamman and Elinore Rowe through James Felix Hamman and Sarah Reed Hamman.

Velda Vivian Brown, b 8 Apr 1930, passed away at her home in Payette, ID on Friday 14 Oct 2016. Velda was the only sister of Doris Brown Rose and was a descendant of John Hamman and Margaret Evans through William Lumpkins and Mary Hammons.

Kenneth Lee Aubrey, b. 1930, died 12 Aug 2017. He was the son of Harry Kenneth Aubrey and Dorosie Lee Hammond. He was a descendant of James Hamman and Susan Evans through Silas and Louisa Hamman

Doris West, wife of Clyde West, died 7 July 2016, in Sun City, AZ at the age of 102 and 8 months . Clyde is a descendant of John Hamman and Margaret Evans through William Lumpkins and Mary Hammons.

Carolyn Hamman LaPrade passed away 27 Nov 2014 in Tyler, TX. She was born 15 Nov 1940 to Cloud and Oleta Hamman. Carolyn was a descendant of Phillip Hamman Jr and Mary Ann Lewallen through William Phillip Hamman and Mary Hudson.

Randall Bruce Jennings, b. 29 Feb 1948, died 11 Mar 2013 in Fontana, CA. Randall was the son of Velda Vivian Brown and nephew of Doris Brown Rose. Randall was a descendant of John Hamman and Margaret Evans through William Lumpkins and Mary Hammons

Ramona Aveline Mason Wilson b 19 Sept 1928, died 1 Oct 2014 in San Antonio, TX. She was the daughter of Jennings Bryan and Floy Ethel Bowles Mason. Ramona was a descendant of John and Margaret Evans Hamman through William Lumpkins and Mary Hammons.

William Joel Ragan, b. 22 Mar 1943 to Albert Paul Ragan and Gladys Mae McClintock Ragan, died 15 Aug 2015. William was a descendant of Phillip Hamman Jr and Mary Ann Lewallen Hamman through George W. and Minerva Stillman Hamman.

We are certain that other Hamman family members have passed away in the last few years. If you have informed us and the information has not been included in the ECHO, we apologize. Please send the information to us again.

If you know of other Hamman family members who have died, please send us the information so we can let other family members know.

If you have births or other information we could use in the ECHO, please let us know, and we will do our best to get the information in a future ECHO.

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