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## Administrivia

**Submitting items for the newsletter:** To help us keep track of the material, please include your name, address and date on each piece of paper you submit, including photos. For newspaper articles, including obituaries, please include the name of the paper it came from to include the date, city, state and page number. If you have the capability to send in your item electronically, as an attachment to your e-mail, that's great. But we'll accept it in any format, **so send it in!**

**Share the Newsletter:** We're not copyrighted, so you can share this newsletter with your local Genealogical Library, Historical Society or family and friends.

**2012 Dues:** We are accepting 2012 dues, same prices. We will be away from our home in January and February, so if you want to mail it in March, that's fine. We'll be sending an e-mail for our electronic subscribers giving them their paid thru date. For those receiving the written version, your paid thru date is on your label.

## Correspondence

From: JackPDean@aol.com [<mailto:Jack> Pearce Dean]

Sent: Monday, July 04, 2011 5:41 PM

To: charlie@bunnellfamily.com

Subject: New guestbook entry

Jack Pearce Dean

My great grandmother was Orray Ticknor Bonnell, wife of William Joseph Pearce and daughter of Archibald Bonnell. They migrated from Alabama to Bienville Parish, LA and then to Shelby County, Texas where they all died. Has anyone submitted DNA on this line?

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Greetings Jack,

I'm sorry to say that no one of that line has participated in the DNA program. Actually we know very little about that line and have no knowledge of any living male Bonnell descendant of Archibald. I wish I could help more.

Go to [www.williamsbunnellfamily.org](http://www.williamsbunnellfamily.org), then click on "By Member Number." In the box that comes up enter 005192. Archibald's page will come up. All blue entries are links to that person's page. This database was built by Claude Bunnell and has about 33,000 names in it. It is not the absolute answer, but is a constantly updated database, open to new data..

Enjoy.

Charlie

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Thanks, Charlie. Archibald E. Bonnell, Jr. never married, so the only possible male descendants would have to come from earlier marriages. Unfortunately, I don't know those lines very well.

I'll keep the link to the site.

Jack

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**From:** Joy [<mailto:jlr123@zoomtown.com>]

**Sent:** Thursday, August 11, 2011 10:48 PM

**To:** [Charlie@bunnellfamily.com](mailto:Charlie@bunnellfamily.com)

**Subject:** BONNELL/ BUNNELL

Hello Charlie,

Was wondering how to get or subscribe to this newsletter?

What does it cost ? I am interested.

I descend from JOSEPH BONNELL b: abt 1783 Va (ggg-grdfather)

His son was Francis Marion Bonnell b:1838 Missouri.

His daughter was Elizabeth (Lizzie) BONNELL SWIGERT b: 9/2/1867 Ky.

Her son was Charles Elmore SWIGERT b: 2/25/1884 Lex,Ky

His daughter was Mary Louise SWIGERT RILEY b: 9/2/1917 Lex,ky.

Thank You,

Joy Ramsey

[jlr123@zoomtown.com](mailto:jlr123@zoomtown.com)

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I responded to her explaining the options and costs of the newsletter and asked her for a bit more info, but received no response. If anyone is researching her line or a connecting line, feel free to contact her.

## New Members

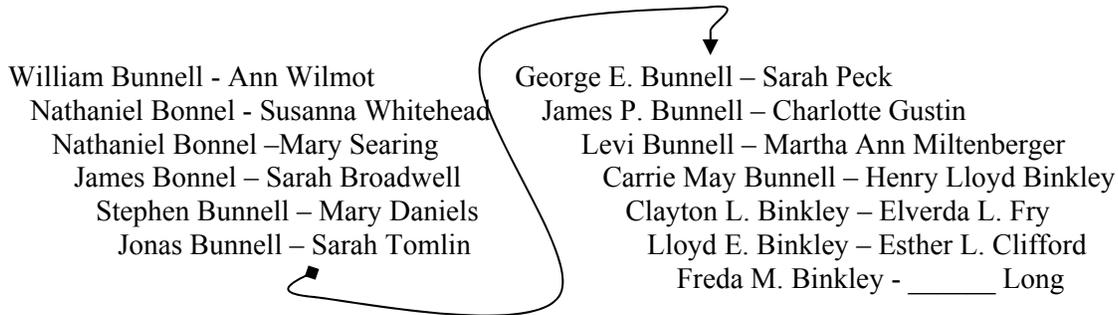
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| Freda M. Long   | No E-mail            |  |
| Charles Bonnell | bonnellc@comcast.net |  |

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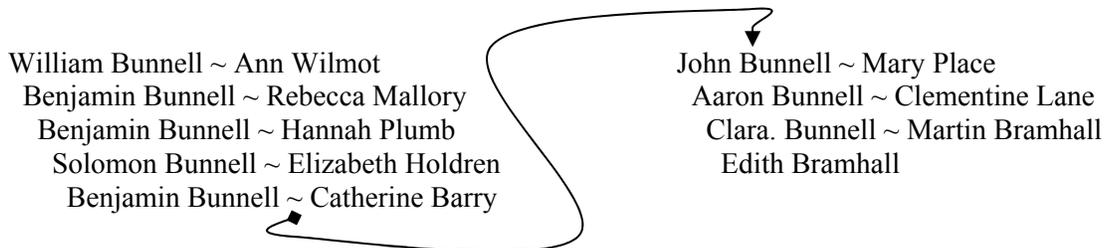
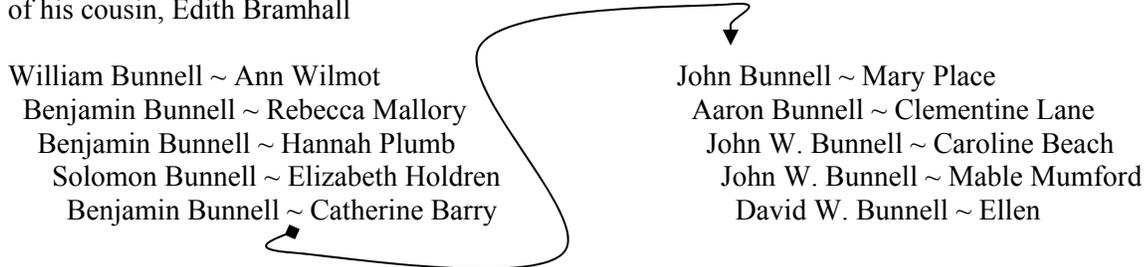
In a change to past practices, we are providing the e-mail and snail mail addresses for all subscribers at the end of this issue of the newsletter. We will provide changes to that data in the first 3 issues each year.

## Direct Lines

Freda (Binkley) Long, 82 Elm St, Germantown, OH 45327, provided her lineage back several generations and I was able to fill in the rest using Claude's database.



David W. Bunnell, [dave@cemlife.com](mailto:dave@cemlife.com) or 79 Boylston St., Bradford, PA 16701, sent a copy of a family history completed in 1961 by his father's cousin, Edith Bramhall, which also included an update by his father, John W. Bunnell. From that and the database I was able to construct Dave's lineage as well as that of his cousin, Edith Bramhall



## Life Changes

### Obituaries:

The following obituary was from *The Daily & Sunday Jeffersonian*, Cambridge, OH and posted on the Rootsweb Bonnell Message Board:



### RUDOLPH 'RUDY' BONNELL 1933-2011

Rudolph Samuel "Rudy" **Bonnell**, 78, of Lore City, passed away Tuesday (Aug. 9, 2011) at his home. He was born July 25, 1933, in Guernsey County, son of the late Alva A. and Myrtle (**Brown**) **Bonnell**.

Rudy was a retired heavy equipment operator and he loved his home in the country, his children and his cat "Peanut". He was a Marine Corps veteran.

In addition to his parents he was preceded in death by his wife, Laurretta Angeline (**Skonce**) **Bonnell**, whom he married Jan. 16, 1959, and passed away May 1, 2007; and a daughter, Helen Harriet Bonnell.

He is survived by six children, Samuel N. (Sarah) **Bonnell** of Clarksville, Tenn., Daniel R. (Diana) **Bonnell** of Marietta, Rhoda Frabel of Port. St. Joe, Fla., Rachel L. (Barry) **Warden** of Cambridge, Asenath G. (Rick) **Garber** of Evansville, Ind., and Simeon (Morgan) **Bonnell** of Old Washington; one brother, Ellis (Janet) **Bonnell** of Old Washington; one sister, May **Schneemilch** of Columbus; six grandchildren, Roman, Reanna, Ethan, Alec, Lily and Nora.

Calling hours will be from 5 to 7 p.m. Thursday at Thorn-Black Funeral Home, Cambridge, where services will be 1 p.m. Friday. Graveside services will follow in Old Washington Cemetery, with Guernsey County Veterans Council in charge of the military service.

Memorial donations may be made to Guernsey County Senior Citizens Center General Fund, 1022 Carlisle Ave., Cambridge, OH 43725.

Personal condolences may be sent to the family at [www.thorn-blackfuneralhomes.com](http://www.thorn-blackfuneralhomes.com)

[Ed. Note: Rudolph was 342291 in Claude's database. This obit adds children of Rudolph and the maiden name of his wife to the database. Rudolph's lineage is: William<sup>1</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>2</sup>, Isaac<sup>3</sup>, Abraham<sup>4</sup>, Isaac<sup>5</sup>, John<sup>6</sup>, Samuel<sup>7</sup>, Alva<sup>8</sup>, Rudolph<sup>9</sup>.]



Julia Dale, [jmardale@peoplestelecom.net](mailto:jmardale@peoplestelecom.net) or 721 Hillside St., La Cygne, KS 66040-6033, provided this obituary from the *Wichita Eagle Newspaper*, Nov. 8, 2011. Janet Bonnell is the wife of Tim Bonnell, Sr, one of our subscribers and contributors. We extend our condolences to Tim and all of the family.

### Janet Lea (Doss) Bonnell



**Bonnell**, Janet Lea (**Doss**), 56, transitioned from this earth on November 6, 2011 after a year-long battle with ovarian cancer. She was born on June 13, 1955 near Carrolton, MO. She graduated from Wichita Heights High School in 1973 and attended WSU. Janet was involved for many years with the West Wichita Christian Women's Club, was an avid bowler, a licensed insurance agent, and member of Central Community Church. Her favorite and most important jobs were being a mother and a Nana. She is survived by her beloved husband of 37 years, Timothy K. **Bonnell** Sr., son Timothy K. **Bonnell** Jr. (Morgan), daughter

Stephanie **Voth** (Todd), both of Wichita, daughter Brooke (Grant) **Robbins** of Memphis, TN, 5 grandchildren: Trip, Mimi, Olivia, Jackson and Bryce, Parents, Bob **Doss** (Kay) of Bosworth, MO, and Eva J. **Southern** of Jefferson City, MO, Sister, Linda **Harris** of Bosworth, MO, Brother, Larry **Doss** of Denver, CO, Brother, Steve **Doss** of Jefferson City, MO, Half-Siblings Joe and Penny **Southern** of Jefferson City, MO, and many treasured friends. Visitation with family present Thursday 6:30 to 8:30 pm at Resthaven Mortuary. Services will be held at Central Community Church on Friday November 11, 2011 at 10:00am with Internment to follow at Resthaven

Cemetery. Memorials have been established with: Central Community Church Choir, Harry Hynes Memorial Hospice, and Stonecroft Ministries. Condolences may be offered at [www.resthavenmortuary-cemetery.com](http://www.resthavenmortuary-cemetery.com).

[Ed. Note: Tim Bonnell, Sr is 362091 in the database. His lineage is: William<sup>1</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>2</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>3</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>4</sup>, John<sup>5</sup>, Sylvanus<sup>6</sup>, James<sup>7</sup>, Edwin<sup>8</sup>, Archibald<sup>9</sup>, Charles<sup>10</sup>, Timothy<sup>11</sup>.]

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Steve Glazer, [w2sg@aol.com](mailto:w2sg@aol.com) and Cranford, NJ, ran across this obituary in *The Daily Star*, Oneonta, Otsego Co., NY, Nov. 5, 2011:

### Stephen M. Bonnell

Schuyler Lake – Stephen M. **Bonnell**, 55, of Schuyler Lake, passed away suddenly at home on Saturday, Oct. 29, 2011.



Born Dec. 2, 1955, he was the son of the late Hugh and Elloise (**Robertson**) **Bonnell** of Sunny Meade, Calif. Stephen married Linda J. **Melchionne** on Nov. 28, 1981 in Las Vegas. He worked as a soil scientist for the USDA and as an environmental scientist for the NYSDEC. He was studying for his master's degree and working as a professor at SUNY Oneonta at the time of his death.

He was a moderator of the First Baptist Church of Oneonta, a member of the ADK Hiking Club, the Audubon Society (DOAS), the Mid York Mycological Society and a Friend of the Glimmerglass Opera.

He was a beloved husband, father, brother and uncle, who was very proud of his three children. He was privileged to have his daughter, Jenny working as an artist at the Main view Gallery. He traveled to Mexico from December to January 2011 to visit his daughter, Mary, and he was so proud to present his son, Seth, in marriage to Laura **Kallenborn** on Aug. 7, 2010.

He is survived by his loving wife of 30 years, Linda J. **Melchionne**; his children, Jennifer, Mary and Seth; his brothers, Chris, Monroe and Mark; and his sister, Cherina **Guzmann**.

A celebration of Steve's life will be at 3 p.m. Saturday at the First Baptist Church, 71 Chestnut St., Oneonta, with the Rev. Randolph **Palada**, pastor of the church, officiating. Family will receive friends at the church until the service time at 3 p.m. Saturday.

Food and flowers may be sent to the First Baptist Church or in lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the First Baptist church, 71 Chestnut St., Oneonta, NY 13820, to be used for the camp scholarship at the Baptist Camp Pathfinder on Otsego Lake.

To send an online condolence please visit [www.bookhoutfuneralhome.com](http://www.bookhoutfuneralhome.com). Arrangements are being handled by Bookhout Funeral Home, Oneonta.

[Ed. Note: Stephen Bonnell is 037332 in the database. His lineage is known only two generations back, to his grandfather, James Anderson Bonnell. His lineage is: James<sup>1</sup>, Hugh<sup>2</sup>, Stephen<sup>3</sup>.]

## Submissions

Comments from John Grady, [grady.john1@gmail.com](mailto:grady.john1@gmail.com) or 4218 Oxhill Rd., Spring, TX 77388-5752. John is one of the avid researchers of the Kentucky Bu/Bonnells.

Re: *Bunnell/Bonnell Newsletter*, V25, No.3, August 2011 – pg.45

### Chenault/Bunnell

Coleman Chenault

b. ca1816, Ky – d. unknown

son of Thomas Chenault & unknown (to me) wife

md. 4 July 1830, Hardin Co., Ky. By Colmore Lovelace. Mge. Bk. "A"

Martha Bunnell

b. ca1815, Hardin Co., KY – d. unknown  
 dau of William Bunnell (1778-1862) & wife Mary (“Polly”) Allen (1777-1861)  
 issue: five children (per 1860 Census, Hardin Co., Ky., pg. 16. #139/137)

### **Howey/Bunnell**

James Squire Howey

b. 21 Mch 1811, Washington Co., Ky – d. 6 June 1874, Hardin Co., KY  
 son of Aaron Howey & wife Priscilla McIntire  
 md. 6 Feb 1834, Hardin Co., Ky. By Colmore Lovelace. Mge. Bk. “A” #509  
 Sarah Bunnell

b. 24 Mch 1814, Hardin Co., KY

d. 9 Feb 1855, Hardin Co., KY

dau of William Bunnell & wife Mary (“Polly”) Allen

issue: six (6) children - from family Bible.

### **Forbis/Bunnell**

John H. Forbis

b. 1814, Barren Co., KY – d. 1856, Barren Co., KY

son of John Forbis/Forbes & his wife Mary --?—

m/1 13 Feb 1834, Green Co., Ky by Thos Skaggs

Elizabeth Bunnell

b. 1 Mch 1818, Green Co., KY – d. 4 Aug 1855, Barren Co., KY

dau (4<sup>th</sup> child) of Peter Bunnell & wife Susannah Erwin

issue:

1. Lavina T. Forbis. b. 1835

m/1 William Marion Hiser

m/2 Richard Slinker

2. Ann Louisa Forbis. b. 30 Sep 1836, Barren Co., KY – d. 8 Sep 1867

md. John D. Smith

3. Sarah Jane Elizabeth Forbis. b. 15 Dec 1840, Barren Co., Ky – d. 12 Jan 1916

md. Thomas H. Garvin, M.D.

4. Martha Louise Forbis. b. 12 Jul 1844, Barren Co., Ky. –d. 8 Jun 1910, Barren Co

md. Joel Erwin/Irvin (1822-1878)

5. Clarissa Margaret Forbis. b. 1846, Barren Co., Ky – d. unknown

md/1. --?-- Murray

md/2. James H. Bishop

6. Dorinda Green Forbis. b. c1848 – d aft1860

7. Charles Gillum Taylor Forbis. b 1849 – d. unknown probably in Hart Co. KY

8. Adaville Forbis. b. 1850 – d. unknown

John H. Forbis

m/2 25 Nov 1855, Barren Co., KY at home of John A. Jewell

Nancy Ellen Jewell

b. 3 Mch 1826 Barren Co., KY – d. 15 Jun 1868, Barren Co., KY

no issue from this second mge.

### **Pg. 46. Bunnell-Hardin-Walton**

As you see this is some of my early work.

Samuel Washington Bunnell and first wife, Sarah Allen Walton had no children. They married 15 Feb 1849, and she died the following year – 17 May 1850.

Sam then marry's Frances P. Walton, sister of his first wife. Together they have four (4) children all of whom died in infancy. All of them are buried in the Walton burying ground in North Barren County. The family had lived near Blue Spring Grove, Barren Co., KY. Sam was a merchant. He died from T.B.

### **Hardin/Bunnell**

This is the large (and prolific) family of Jeremiah Bunnell (1780-1832). He received a 200a land grant in May 1800, from State of Kentucky. The land was located in Barren County. As the query shows, he and Rebecca Hardin were married in Mercer Co., KY in 1804, and they moved to Barren County settling near to settlement which became Monroe, Hart Co., KY. They were the parents of seven (7) children.



Susan Safford, [ssafford@zoominternet.net](mailto:ssafford@zoominternet.net) or P. O. Box 143, Lincoln University, PA 19352, sent in a copy of the obituary for her 3Xgreat grandmother, Catherine (Bunnell) Crawford. Susan is connected to the Bunnell lineage in two ways and her line was in the last issue, page 36.

#### IN MEMORIAM

A giant chestnut tree measuring thirty feet in circumference looms heavenward daily to my view here in Buck's county. It's cleft trunk – so Tradition says – was caused by Great Grandfather Rice breaking a riding whip from its main stem for a Sunday afternoon horseback ride in the year of 1777, or thereabouts. For five generations, this historical land mark has witnessed to the youthful interloper's ruthless marring, and borne the cutting blasts of winter over a century unmoved, while modern hands have attempted its destruction; yet, when the grand old patriach [sic] finally is laid low, a loneliness will fill the heart that the last relic of great grandsire's generation has fallen to rise no more.

Thus it is, when the last of a family's generation has departed to the spirit world, our affections feel a vacancy which none can fill. Catharine Crawford was born March 13, 1798, and died Feb. 25, 1893, aged nearly ninety-five years. The last one of a large family, and of her generation, it beloves [sic] a loving heart, however tardy, to indite [sic] a tribute in memory of one who cared for us for over one-half a century with deep solicitude, and finally departed this life without a farewell "Good-Bye!"

"Aunt Kary," as we always called her, was the youngest sister of our venerated grandfather, John Bunnell, of Tunkhannock, now deceased. Married twice, first to Dr. Elijah Carney, of Wyoming county, by whom she had one son, Benjemin [sic] Carney; and second to Benjamin Crawford, June 22, 1832, with whom she reared one daughter and three sons, and fully understood the joys and sorrows of motherhood. With her death, a history was terminated of wonderous [sic] magnitude, which was filled with thrilling experiences, deliverances and epochs of interest sufficient to have furnished an able historian with a life work in recording. And a new generation must rise up to properly appreciate and call her memory blessed. A member of the Baptist church from her youth, she was steadfast to its teachings, and never swerved from what she understood to be the right. In childhood, I recollect vividly when "Aunt Katy" would visit my mother in our little pioneer home, having her Hymnbook in its morocco binding and gilded edged leaves in her hands. In this, she had a large number of choice hymns marked with bright-lined \_\_\_\_\_ she read to those who in \_\_\_\_\_.

In the forties Rev. Elijah Sturdevant, of Black Walnut, came to preach every four weeks in our neighborhood, and the strongest recollection of those services are of "Aunt Katy" always standing at the time of prayer, in a devotional attitude, attired in her spotless array of Leghorn bonnet, trimmed with white satin, a bombazine habit, black mitts, with wrists reaching to the elbows, and a snowy handkerchief folded four times and hung smoothly over the left arm.

Her husband, Benjamin Crawford, came to the "Beach woods" among the first settlers of the southern part of Auburn township, Susquehanna county, in 1835, probably two or three years earlier, and located a farm in the district, now known as Shannon Hill. His first house was built in one day, of logs, and "Uncle Benny" took the boards from his wooden sled to make the door.

It was a pleasant joke for grandfather Bunnell to say to his sister "Katy" – "Well, you had better marry Crawford, for he can build a house in a day, and chink it with moss, so you will always be sure of a home!" And so she did. In that small log house – and a second one some larger, built later, beside a noted spring boiling in the sanded bottom with marvelous clearness, and of never-failing wealth, which served Aunt Katy's proverbial cleanliness for over one-half a century. She lived and reared her family, and grew aged gracefully.

Their golden wedding was celebrated when they had been married fifty-four years, if I mistake not. Uncle was not, for God took him in 1886, and soon after, aunt left the homestead, and boarded or stayed with her children.

Mrs. Edmund Bunnell, of Skinner's Eddy, informed me that the four months Aunt Katy was with her, when ninety-three years old, she read the Testament and Psalms twice, Baxter's Saints' Rest twice, the Baptist Hymn-book once, and the Protestant Hymn-book twice. She also said that aunt always, unless too feeble, kneeled beside her bed on retiring and engaged in a prayer of devotional love to Him who "leadeth His own in a way they have not known."

Her last days of suffering and loneliness were spent with a favorite grandson, Nathan Crawford. He and his amiable wife, Netty, faithfully paved the way for this neat, sweet, aged saint down to the grave, for which, God will bless them evermore. The last of her generation! Many, many of her joyous songs of hope were lost in sorrow's moan, and her spirit's yearning for sweet companionship with kindred minds, too often failed to be satisfied! Her last prayer was:

"Shall they be satisfied? The soul's vague longing,  
The aching void, which nothing earthly fills –  
Oh! What desires upon my soul are thronging  
As I look upward to the heavenly hills.

"Thither my weak and weary steps are tending;  
Saviour and Lord! With thy frail child abide."

[For the inquiring minds, bombazine, according to Wikipedia, is a fabric originally made of silk or silk and wool, and now also made of cotton and wool or of wool alone. Quality bombazine is made with a silk warp and a worsted weft. It is twilled or corded and used for dress-material.]

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Michelle Pendleton, [michelle@bonnellfamily.com](mailto:michelle@bonnellfamily.com) or 770 Thenius Rd., Sparland IL 61565, sent a photo saying "I am also including one of the only pictures we have in our possession of Effie May Bonnell Starmer. It was taken just a year before she died. The photo depicts my father as a baby surrounded by his six, yes SIX!, grandmothers. Taken in 1944. From left to right: Effie May Bonnell Starmer [Dad's great grandma], Vina Alice Clarkson Butler, [another great grandma of dad's] Ella Butler Starmer holding my father Larry Lynn Allensworth [his grandma], Naoma "Naomi" Nelson Allensworth [his grandma], Anna Nebraska Janney Nelson [his great grandma] and Lottie May Shouse Allensworth [his great grandma]." In the last newsletter, on page 37 we had the lineage for Effie May Bonnell.



Steve Bonnell, [slbnl@kbsb.com](mailto:slbnl@kbsb.com) or 1523 Good Shepherd Road, Montoursville, PA 17754 sent a link from the Austin, TX Statesman on-line newspaper. You may recall that in the August 2008 Newsletter Steve offered a reward for anyone who could prove that Mount Bonnell was actually named for George W. Bonnell, as is usually advertised. Here's the article from the Statesman.

[www.statesman.com/news/local/society-sues-state-historical-commission-over-mount-bonnell-1877779.html](http://www.statesman.com/news/local/society-sues-state-historical-commission-over-mount-bonnell-1877779.html)

Society sues state Historical Commission over Mount Bonnell marker

By **Andrew Weber**

AMERICAN-STATESMAN STAFF

Published: 8:52 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 24, 2011



West Point Society member Seldon Graham, at Mount Bonnell's historical marker with a replica of a marker from Joseph Bonnell's grave, says his group wants only to 'correct a falsehood' regarding the site's history.

Don't let anybody tell you history is set in stone.

In 1969, the Texas Historical Commission's historical marker on Austin's Mount Bonnell dedicated the landmark to George W. Bonnell, a former Texas revolutionary. But members of the West Point Society, a group of U.S. Military Academy graduates, said the commission got the wrong Bonnell — and that George Bonnell hadn't even arrived in the Lone Star State until after the war.

Stanley Bacon of the West Point Society filed suit last week against the state historical commission in Travis County District Court, claiming that the commission unjustly denied his August application for a correction. The commission admitted Bacon's research was extensive but dismissed it, saying it didn't merit a correction.

Bacon claimed the mount was named for Capt. Joseph Bonnell, a member of the Texas and U.S. armies who served under Sam Houston.

Seldon Graham, Bacon's attorney and a member of the society, said the application was contested by the Texas Historical Commission and dismissed without a proper review.

"We've had plenty of applications turned down, and this was the straw that broke the camel's back," Graham said.

According to the society's research, George Bonnell wasn't a Texan when the war for independence ended. The society found documents that show Bonnell applied for a Republic of Texas grant upon moving to Texas and wrote his date of arrival as August 1836 — four months after the Texas Revolution ended at the Battle of San Jacinto.

George Bonnell later established the Texas Sentinel and became a well-known Austin newspaper publisher. He later embarked on expeditions throughout the Southwest and died in 1842.

Graham said the historical commission relied on hearsay, not history, when the marker was erected in 1969.

The truth, Graham said, is that between 1839 and 1842, Texas' secretary of war, Albert Sidney Johnston, named the mount after Joseph Bonnell, a fellow West Point alumnus.

Debbi Head, a representative for the historical commission, said the West Point Society's research impressed the agency but that the facts weren't irrefutable.

Bacon "compiled an impressive biography of Joseph Bonnell. He and the West Point Society have done a lot to revive the memory, and we commend them for that," Head said. "However, from the research, we can't concur with the ties between the mount and Joseph Bonnell. We don't have any compelling evidence."

Texas Historical Commission standards require a primary document — a letter, deed or some similar official documentation that says the peak was named after Joseph Bonnell, which the society's research did not provide, Head said.

"Their conclusion that it isn't named for George still doesn't allow us to conclude that it is named for Joseph," Head said.

The commission suggested Bacon apply for another historical marker in the Caddo Mounds area of East Texas, near Nacogdoches.

"The documentation that we've reviewed qualifies Joseph Bonnell for an official Texas historical marker highlighting his biographical details and contributions to the Texas Revolution, specifically in East Texas because of his interaction with the Caddo tribe there," Head said.

According to West Point Society research, Joseph Bonnell ventured into Caddo lands in 1836 to quell an uprising at the behest of his superior, a U.S. Army general. Bonnell went alone, met with the Caddo chief and persuaded him to hold off an attack on the fledgling Texas army led by Sam Houston. Houston's forces later won the Battle of San Jacinto, the decisive battle in the war for independence, Graham said.

The society wanted to give a forgotten Texan hero the credit he deserves, Graham said.

"We simply, for ethical reasons, want to correct a falsehood," Graham said. "I hope that justice prevails and the society is able to get something honest on the historical marker."

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David W. Bunnell, [dave@cemlife.com](mailto:dave@cemlife.com) or 79 Boylston St., Bradford, PA 16701, sent a copy of a family history completed in 1961 by his father's cousin, Edith Bramhall. While I found errors in some of the Bunnell lineage that was cited, she had included stories about some of the Bunnell family members. Edith Bramhall was the daughter of Martin and Clara (Bunnell) Bramhall. She was providing the history to John W. Bunnell, father of David. David's and Clara's lineages are included in Direct Lines.

The John Bunnell who is first mentioned below is 310241 in the database; his lineage is William<sup>1</sup>, Benjamin<sup>2</sup>, Benjamin<sup>3</sup>, Solomon<sup>4</sup>, Benjamin<sup>5</sup>, John<sup>6</sup>.

"...Benjamin was the father of John Bunnell, born in 1790. He [John] became a "bond boy" that he was bound by contract to work for the person named in the bond for his "keep" until he became of age.

Our mother, your Aunt Clara Bunnell Bramhall, knew her grandfather, this John Bunnell very well, and he told her many stories of his life, some of which I am about to tell you. For instance, when he was a boy plowing in a field, one day a voice, that seemed to come from the sky itself, called him by name, in awe he fell on his knees and there and then, made a vow, saying "Lord, as for me and mine, we will serve thee all the days of my life." He certainly seems to have tried to do this. After he married Mary Place and set up house keeping of his own, he had family prayers every morning, not only for his family but including the hired help and even in the busy harvest time. He seems to have gone to farming first in Southeastern Pa. But, not wanting to bring up his children in that community, he piled all his worldly goods into an oxcart and, walking most of the way, often bare-footed, he and his wife migrated up the Susquehanna River Valley to near the [New] York State Line and went to farming on what subsequently became known as Bunnell Hill. Before many years they sold that farm and bought in the rich bottom flats along the river that I have already referred to as "The Neck". The Post Office here came to be known as Vosberg. Here he built a big house, big because his family was growing fast in numbers. Here he lived the rest of his life and brought up twelve children, giving each on maturity, or marriage, a farm, with a house and barn, equipped with utensils and stock. ...

... He was a devout Methodist of lively faith. One time he was about to harvest a large field of wheat when he saw a black rain storm brewing down the valley, headed straight for his farm. In

alarm he fell on his knees begging the Lord to spare his crop. As a matter of fact, the storm did split and did go right around his farm, never touching the wheat.

He was a hard worker as well as pious and thrifty. When his harvest was in he made it a practice for years to get a “gang of helpers” together; go up into New York State where there was a good supply of lime; build a raft (big); load it with lime; float the load down the Susquehanna, toward Harrisburg; sell the lime where fertilizer was badly needed; then buy up horses on which to ride home and sell the horses to neighbors for draft animals. Our great Aunt, Amanda, his youngest daughter, was the source of this information. She sometimes went along on these trips to cook for the men. She also told us how when the men went swimming in the river they would sometimes find a film of oil.

Now as to Aaron, the fourth son of our grandfather, John. He went to a country school, was a large, tall fellow given as were his brothers to wrestling and boxing. He married Clementine Lane, she at 18 and he at 19. They settled after marriage on a farm at Auburn, which his father had given them. The place was in a particularly pleasant neighborhood as mother described it to us but, they traded it after some years for another with better soil, and contour for farming. There was a country school on its lands down in a hollow about a quarter mile away, to the left of the house that faced the south, while about the same distance away to the right was a Methodist church. A Post Office, known as Russell Hill, lies to the North a mile away, or nearer if one cuts across the fields to it. Then too Aaron’s father lived only about five miles away down on the Susquehanna River. Within about ten miles was the county seat of Wyoming Co., Tutchanneck [Tunkhannock]. And about six miles in the opposite direction lay Meshoppen, while four or five miles west was Mehoopany, on the west side of the river, reached by a ferry until the last few years a bridge was built. The point I want to make that it was not an isolated homestead on which father was brought up and lived until he went to join his brother, James, when he settled in Wilkesbarre [Wilkes-Barre] (or Scranton) for his first law practice after he was admitted to the bar.

Aaron Bunnell and his brothers belonged to the “Know Nothing Political Party” which was formed in the “fifties” to oppose the Irish Catholics, flooding into this country, poverty stricken peasants who sometimes came as a whole village from the “Old Country” headed by their priest. They settled on the unclaimed lands of the hills and eked out a living on little plots of poor land they settled on as “squatters” and supplemented what they could raise by hiring out to the farmers in the lowlands. There were frequent fights between the two gangs of husky young men, Americans against the emigrants.

When the Civil War broke out and Lincoln called for companies of volunteers, our grandfather organized a company in which he served first as lieutenant, and before long became captain. I have one of the epaulettes of his uniform. He was wounded in one of the first engagements in Va. and was hidden by a Negro “mammy” in the loft of her cabin until he was well enough to make his way through the enemy line back to his company. Later he had a lung fever; was given an honorable discharge and sent home to serve as recruiting officer for his district. Mother told us of the make-shifts of those war days; of coffee concocted of roasted cereals, of homespun clothes, of the difficulty of getting slaves, of the scarcity of doctors, etc. Fortunately for the family, its head was mustered out early and he was then able to earn, and before long take charge of the farm. He could drive about the country to buy cattle and sheep to sell, but was not able to do heavy farm labor again. He usually kept a racing horse in his stables along with his draft horses for the great sport of the farmers. Of those days after the war, some years ago a popular novel was published, entitled, “David Harum”. The main character was a retired farmer given to horse racing. This character was in many ways like our grandfather. A movie was made.

Our grandfather, Aaron, lived to be sixty-two, dying in 1890. He was buried in the cemetery in Mishoppen. Our grandmother continued to live on the farm after her husband’s death. It was worked for a while by her elder son, James, and rented to a neighbor. Her daughter Frances, became a widow and come to live with her for a time, as did Eleanor later. Both brought their two children to live with them. So it was not too lonely. The house and all the old landmarks are gone now, except the country school house in the hollow, in the grove of trees. Your father and I used to

play in that grove. I remember that once we drove a cat-like animal into a hollow log and spent nearly an hour trying to poke it out. When we went to the house for dinner, we were very unpopular with the family – the animal was not a cat!

... Well, I should tell you a little of your father's immediate family. Your father's sister, Bessie, the second child, married Harry Jennings of Nehoopany [Mehoopany], whom she met while she was there in school. His family owned most of the enterprises there, the general store, flour mill, and ferry. She had three children: Joanna, Nellie, and Sterling. The latter is the only one that survives. He now lives in Tutchannock [Tunkhannock] and his hobby is collecting antique furniture. Frances married Silvara. Her husband died young, leaving her with two children: Eva and Harry to bring up. They are both married and had children but I have lost track of them. Minnie and Eleanor, the third and fourth daughters of Aaron Bunnell were practical nurses, and each in turn, served as companion nurses to wealthy Mrs. Grout of Fitchburg, Mass. who left each a generous gift of property at her death. Minnie married Francis Grout, her friend's nephew. She died eight years later leaving no descendants. Eleanor married William Gavitte, of Springville Pa., a graduate of the Univ. of Syracuse. ..."

The following was added about 1961 or 1962 by John W. Bunnell, grandson of Aaron and father of our correspondent, David W. Bunnell. John W. Bunnell died in 1966 and his brother Dale died in 1990.

"I would like to add this about my own family. I was a Jr., being named after my father. My father married Carrie Blanch Beech in Pittsburgh, in 1905. This was a double wedding, my uncle James Bunnell was married for the second time. As to my Uncle James, I only remember seeing him one or two times when I was about six years old – that was when we lived in Knoxville, Pa. Shortly after this we moved to a farm in Ashburnham, Mass. on a farm owned by my Aunt Minnie Grout. After about a year and a half we came back to Pittsburg and stayed with my mother's people until my Father arranged to buy a home (a farm) at Corry, Pa., I have one brother, Dale. There were no other children. My father died Nov. 15, 1928 after an illness of fourteen years (Sugar Diabetes). My Mother died six years ago at the age of 78. I married Mable Anna Mumford, of Corry, Pa. in 1936. We have three children, John, Helen, and David. ... My brother, Dale married twice and has no descendants. He lives at Columbus, Pa."

## Research Findings



The Valley View House on High Street was built by John Bunnell in 1868 and was operated by Mary L. Albertson in 1915. It could accommodate 25 guests at rates of \$1.50-\$2 daily, or \$7-\$10 per week. Open all year, it was typical of the tourist homes that made their living introducing city folks to the benefits of fresh air and country living.

You probably thought the last issue contained all the information you ever wanted about Blairstown, NJ and John F. Bunnell. Well, here's a bit more I've dug up.

From *Blairstown and Its Neighbors*, Kenneth Bertholf Jr. and Don Dorglinger, 2011, Arcadia Publishing, Charleston, SC; page 39:

In the last newsletter on page 43 I included the verbiage entered

under the photo at left. But at that time I did not have a copy of the photo.

I have also located an 1875 map of Blairstown Township (Last issue showed the map of Blairstown proper). While I won't reproduce it due to its size I will mention the following additional Bunnell sites:

1. Referring to last issue's map, just to the left of the Blair Academy and the Pearson & J. Walker homesite, there is an L. Bunnell.
2. North of Blairstown there are two houses marked J. Bunnell. Due to the many changes to the roads since the 1875 map it is difficult to locate about where they are today.

I believe that this is the nephew, CB330694, who is listed in the census as a farmer and that he owned two tracts of land.

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In the first issue of the Newsletter that Pat and I published, March 2003 (Vol. 17, No. 1), on pages 10 and 11 we had a short article on Miss Nell Bunnell who was an Unattached Branch. She was a soprano singer who toured with the Chautauqua shows. And from one short piece I had learned that she did marry and, ahead of her time, used a hyphenated last name: Nell Bunnell-Smith. Recently I decided to reopen the search for her ancestry believing that so much data had been added to the internet in the last 8 years that I should be able to learn more. And I was right. I found more than 40 pages from newspapers and magazines that have her name on them. And along the way I had some help from subscribers. Just to spark your memory and save you time from looking up that old article I've included a photo from that article.

Trying to track down Nell Bunnell to see where she lived and worked and when and whom she married was one of the first challenges. I was able to find the following printed sources through Ancestry.com and when read in the order they appeared, there begins to appear an outline of much of her life. In part, this exercise serves as a good example of how much information can be gleaned from sources other than court house records.

S1: *Hamilton Daily News*, Hamilton Ohio

S2: *Hamilton Journal & Hamilton Evening Journal*, Hamilton, Ohio

S3: *Palm Beach Post*, Palm Beach, FL

S4: *The Lyceumite & Talent*, published by *The Lyceum Magazine*, Chicago, IL

S5: *The Lyceum Magazine*, Chicago, IL

S6: Visitor's Guide and Municipal Band Program, Greater Palm Beach, #1469

S7: Florida Divorce Index, 1927-2001

S8: *The Palm Beach Post*, Palm Beach, FL.

S9: Florida Death Index

S10: Ohio Department of Health Death Index

1908 - "**Song and Story**. Miss Nell Bunnell of Middletown, and Miss Bertha Johns give an evening of sound and story tonight at West Elkton, this being the third number on the lecture course there." S2, 18 Dec 1908, pg. 6.

1910 - "The Redpath Concert Trio for 1910-1911 will include Nell Bunnell, Middletown, Ohio, soprano; ..." S4, Feb 1910, pg. 54

1910 - Soloist at the Georgia Chautauqua, Albany, GA, April 17-23, 1910. S4, Apr 1910, pg. 58

1911 - Recovering from throat trouble and "will head the 'Nell Bunnell Concert Company' ..." S4, Apr 1911, pg. 50

1911 - Appeared at a Chautauqua in Dothan, AL in early 1911. S4, Jul 1911, pg. 23

1911 - "Dr. W. L. Davidson corrects a statement in a recent issue to the effect that Miss Nell Bunnell of Hamilton, O., has been compelled to give up her platform work thru ill health. He says Miss Bunnell has finished her tour of his Chautauquas in splendid form and never did better work in her life." S4, Jul 1911, pg. 43

1911 - "The attractions appearing for the Alkahest assemblies are William Jennings Bryan, Evelyn Bargelt, Nell Bunnell, ..." S4, Sep 1911, pg. 24

1911 - On Sept. 18, 1911, the "Nell Bunnell Concert Co.," appeared at the Millionaire's Club, Copper Hill, TN. S4, Oct 1911, pg. 44

1911 - "Miss Nell Bunnell was taken sick at Micanopy, Florida, and compelled to return to her home in Middletown, Ohio. She is at the head of her own company." S4, Dec 1911, pg. 45

1912 - "Miss Nell Bunnell, who is at the head of her own company this season, and who suffered from a severe case of malaria fever contracted during her tour in Florida in the early fall, rejoined her company the first of December and is doing better work than ever. She lost several pounds of flesh during her illness, but none of her voice. ..." S4, Jan 1912, pg. 44.

1912 - Through the spring and early summer she appeared in Florala, AL; Bonliay, Lakeland, Orlando, and Gainesville, FL; Atlanta, GA. S4, multiple issues. S4 & S5, multiple issues.

1913 - She again covered the southern circuit, performing at Waycross, GA; Defuniak Springs, FL at a minimum. S4 & S5, multiple issues.

1913 - "Nell Bunnell, the lyceum singer, is to be married." S5, Jul 1913, pg. 38.

1920 - "**Administratrix named for H. H. Smith Estate.** Judge R. S. Woodruff in probate court Thursday appointed Nell B. Smith of Middletown, to be administratrix of the \$12,500 estate of Harvey H. Smith, late of Lemon township." S1, 3 Dec 1920, pg. 20 [That estate would equate to about \$135,000 today]

1923 - "**Entertain Vets.** ... Mrs. Nell Bunnell Smith and other prominent entertainers from Middletown also appeared on the program." S1, 10 Apr 1923, pg. 15.

1925 - "Nancy and Jacob Smith, children of Mrs. Nell Bunnell Smith are seriously ill with bronchial pneumonia at their residence on Coles road." S1, 24 Feb 1925, pg. 9.

1925 - "Mrs. Edward Bunnell of Coles Road, is very ill at her home. Her friends are wishing for her speedy recovery." S1, 4 Mar 1925, pg. 7. [This may be Nell's mother.]

1925 - "**Nell Bunnell-Smith Appointed Guardian.** Nell Bunnell-Smith made application and was appointed guardian of Nancy Jane Smith and Jacob E. Smith, minors, in probate court Thursday. The estate consists of \$900 in cash and real estate in Florida and Canada worth \$200. She gave \$2,500 bond with S. E. Bunnell and W. H. Johnson as sureties." S1, 23 Jul 1925, pg. 16. [S. E. Bunnell may be Nell's father.]

1925-1926 - Winter season, Nell Bunnell Roser performed vocal solos at the Municipal Band performance at West Palm Beach, on 28 Feb., 3 Mar., 4 Mar., and 6 Mar. S6, 1925-1926. [Nell has remarried]

1926 - "**Lad is Injured.** Jacob Smith, son of Mrs. Nell Bunnell Smith-Roser, Miami, Fla., visiting relatives in this city [Middletown] was injured when at play near his home today, and underwent an operation at Middletown hospital." S1, 16 Jun. 1926, pg. 7.

1926 - "Complimenting her sister, Mrs. Nell Bunnell Roser, of Miami, Fla., who is to return home Sunday after a two month visit here, Mrs. Arthur Harvey collected ..." S1, 4 Sep 1926, pg. 7. [Establishes that Nell had a sister]

1926 – “Word was received from Harold Yaw, Mrs. Nell Bunnell Roser and Mrs. Tom May, all former Middletown residents now in Miami, that all were safe. Yaw and Mrs. May suffered heavy financial losses due to damage to buildings.” S2, 22 Sep. 1926, pg. 16. [On 17 Sep. 1926 the Miami/Palm Beach area was struck by a tremendous hurricane with 130 mph winds. About 450 people were killed.]

1927 – “Ed Bunnell returned to Middletown Thursday after passing the winter with his daughter Nell Bunnell Roser, at Fort Worth, Fla. Mr. Bunnell will remain in this city for the summer with his daughter Mrs. Arthur Harvey and family.” S1, 14 May 1927, pg. 7. [Nell’s father is Ed, which may be his middle name.]

1927 – Divorce between Charles A. Roser and Nell Bunnell. S7

1930 – “**D.P. Council Marries Nell Bunnell Roser in Ceremony at Asheville.** Asheville, N. C., Sept. 6. Verification of the marriage of D. P. Council, well known Lake Worth, Fla., resident and Madame Nell Bunnell Roser, prominent Lake Worth singer, was given here Saturday. The marriage took place here in July, it was learned Saturday, but the couple made every effort to keep it secret until their return to lake Worth. ...” S8, 7 Sep 1930, pg. 8.

1931 – “Mrs. D. P. Council (Nell Bunnell Smith) and son Buddy of Lakeworth [sic] Fla., left Monday for their summer home near Danville, KY., where they will spend the summer months. They were accompanied by the former’s daughter, Miss Nancy Jane Smith and Miss Robin Vorhis.” S1, 16 Jun 1931, pg. 7.

1938 – Ohio Department of Health Index:

<u>Name of Deceased</u>	<u>County &amp; City</u>	<u>Vol. No.</u>	<u>Certificate</u>	<u>Date of Death</u>		
				<u>Mo</u>	<u>Day</u>	<u>Yr</u>
Council, Nell Bunnell	Middletown	8795	33008	6	08	38

The newspaper articles alone provide a wealth of information: her career, marriages, death of her first husband, her children, residences, possible parents, and a sister who married Arthur Harvey. They certainly point us in the directions we need to look for more detailed or official information and sources.

Enter Freda Long, 82 Elm St., Germantown, OH 45327, who found Nell’s gravestone in the Woodside Cemetery, Middletown, OH which provided us with her birth date (1882) and death date (1938). I later found her cemetery listing on the web which shows her name as Nell Bunnell-Council. Also buried in that cemetery are Dr. H. H. Smith (1872 -1920), Nell’s 1<sup>st</sup> husband, and Samuel E. and Martha A. Bunnell. Samuel could well be the S. E. Bunnell mentioned in the 1925 guardianship notice; however in the previous article a Mrs. Edward Bunnell is mentioned. The 1927 notice states that her father’s name is Ed which seems to confirm that Samuel goes by a middle name, such as Edward.

Adding to the confusion are two more newspaper articles and a death certificate index:

1933 – **S. D. Bunnell.** Samuel Daniel Bunnell, 72, suffered a stroke of paralysis a year ago since which time he had been making his home with his daughter, Mrs. D. T. Council in Lake Worth, Fla., where he died on Wednesday night. For many years Mr. Bunnell was connected with the American Tobacco company and was prominent in civic affairs in Middletown. He retired 10 years ago. The remains will be brought to Middletown and taken to the house of another daughter, Mrs. Arthur Harvey. Funeral arrangements will be made after the arrival of the remains here.” S2, 4 May 1933, pg. 15.

Florida Death Index, 1933:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Place</u>	<u>Sex</u>	<u>Col.</u>	<u>Guide</u>		
				<u>Vol.</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Year</u>
Bunnell, Samuel Edgar	Palm Beach	M	W	583	8057	1933

Claude’s database shows Nell’s sister, Rose, as marrying Arthur Harvey. And he cites the Hampden co., MA Vital Records as stating that Rose’s parents were S. Edgar and Martha.

If the Samuel Bunnell in the Death Index is the same one whose remains were sent to Middletown, then the newspaper appears to have printed the wrong middle name.

To try and sort out these inconsistencies I have ordered the death certificates for Nell Bunnell and Samuel Edgar Bunnell. But even without them, the above information does provide some updates for the database:

1. CB008523 in the database is Nellie I. Bonnell. I believe Claude used the Bonnell spelling base on the 1900 census for Butler County, OH. Nellie, her father Edward, mother Martha and sister Ruth L. are listed as "Bonnell." However, based on the multiple sources cited above, the spelling is definitely "Bu" rather than "Bo." Apparently the census taker wrote down what he thought he heard. I'm confident this is our Nellie based on other family info in the data base.
  - a. Nellie's marriages can now be added to the web page.
  - b. Her singing career should be mentioned.
  - c. Her death date and burial location can now be shown.
2. CB040855 is Nell Bunnell who married Charles A. Roser. This entry should be eliminated as the information will be listed with CB008523.

Nell's first husband was Harry H. Smith, born 1872 and died November 1920. His type of practice was Allopath and he practiced in Jeffersonville, IN, 1907 and Middletown, OH, Oct 24, 1911. He was a graduate of Indiana Medical College, School of Medicine of Purdue University, Indianapolis, 1907. [Source: Directory of Deceased American Physicians, 1804-1929, Ancestry.com].

Next I wanted to try and determine Nell's lineage.

Parents:               probable: Samuel Edgar/Edward and Martha Bunnell  
                               possible Edward and Martha Bunnell.

Grandparents:

Warren County 1880 census shows Arch and Hannah Bunnell with a son Samuel E., b. about 1862 and a William and Mary A Bunnell with a son Eddie, b. abt1871.

Hamilton County 1880 census shows William & Roxyann Bunnell with a son Samuel, b. about 1862.

Butler County 1880 census shows Oliver and Mary A. Bunnell with a son Eddie, b. abt. 1868.

Seneca, Summit and Wyandot, Ohio each show an Edward Bunnell or Bonnel b. between 1868 and 1879 who would be considered if the death certificates show that Nell's father's name was Edward.

So, in the next issue we hope to complete Nell's lineage based on the results of the death certificates.

## Queries



Recently I was contacted by Mr. Michael Meade, [packman4@charter.net](mailto:packman4@charter.net) or 2524 Laundale Dr, Beloit, WI 53511. He was remodeling a house he had bought at 747 Moore St. in Beloit and found some water color paintings done by Barbara Bunnell about 1983. There are three of them and he was kind enough to send them to me. On the back they indicate that she lived at that address. Does anyone know who she is and where she can be contacted? Either she or some family member may be interested in them. I'm including a small scan of part of one of the drawings. They are too big to fit in my scanner.

## DNA and Genealogy

We received the following e-mail from Family Tree DNA, the company we have been doing business with. If you are (or know) a Bu/Bonnell male, please urge them to consider participating while the special rates are in effect. Just be sure he orders the test from the BNL page [http://www.familytreedna.com/group-join.aspx?Group=BNL\\_DNA](http://www.familytreedna.com/group-join.aspx?Group=BNL_DNA). That way his results will be part of our Bu/Bonnell DNA database.

**From:** info@familytreedna.com [mailto:noreply@familytreedna.com]

**Sent:** Tuesday, November 15, 2011 3:04 PM

**To:** charlie@bunnellfamily.com

**Subject:** Holiday Promotions

### Dear Project Administrator,

As we approach the holiday season, we feel having one BIG promotion for a sufficient amount of time best supports our volunteer Administrators, in their effort to recruit new members. Current members will also benefit by having simultaneously reduced prices for upgrades.

Effective immediately this promotion will end on December 31, 2011.

We hope that this will give a big boost to your projects!

<u>New Kits</u>	<u>Current Group Price</u>	<u>SALE PRICE</u>
Y-DNA 37	\$149	<b>\$119</b>
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Family Finder + mtPlus	\$438	<b>\$318</b>
Family Finder + FMS	\$559	<b>\$439</b>
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Comprehensive (FF + FMS + Y-67)	\$797	<b>\$627</b>
<u>Upgrades</u>		
12-25 Marker	\$49	<b>\$35</b>
12-37 Marker	\$99	<b>\$69</b>
12-67 Marker	\$189	<b>\$148</b>
25-37 Marker	\$49	<b>\$35</b>
25-67 Marker	\$148	<b>\$114</b>
37-67 Marker	\$99	<b>\$79</b>
Family Finder	\$289	<b>\$199</b>
mtHVR1toMega	\$269	<b>\$229</b>
mtHVR2toMega	\$239	<b>\$209</b>

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As always, we appreciate your continued support.

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## Post Script

The next issue, February 2012 will likely not be finished until mid-March. Pat and I will be in San Antonio from early January until early March. We'll be working on it while there, but we usually need some of our printed records here at home to finish up an issue.

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Monty Peden, [peden@hoosierlink.net](mailto:peden@hoosierlink.net) or 12662 State Rd. 110, Rochester, IN 46975-7010, offered to translate from French, portions of *The Publications of the Huguenot Society of London*. In all he provided 8 pages of translated material plus a family group summary based on the translated material. We are in the process of retyping it for the newsletter and will provide it in the next issue. Thanks Monty.

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Well, the newsletter has now completed 25 years of publication. I don't have exact numbers, but I'm sure that this is an exceptionally long time for a family newsletter. That's especially true when you consider the relatively small size of the Bu/Bonnell population. Certainly the Smiths and Jones far outnumber the Bu/Bonnells in this country and around the world. While we would like to claim some credit along with Carol and Terri Bonnell, and especially Bill Austin, the subscribers are who really make this successful. I could write forever, but if no one reads it, it is meaningless. And if no one submitted material, we would soon run dry. So this is a big thank you to all of our subscribers/researchers/submitters of information. You are what keep the newsletter going and you provide us the motivation to continue.

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We wish everyone a safe, happy and blessed holiday season. We hope you are surrounded by loved ones and a few small fry just to make the season complete. We plan on being in Ohio with our daughter and her family.



**Happy New Year**

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