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Marianne Montgomery's Memo

Hello Cousins,

Hope you all had a wonderful Christmas and New Year!

Gena Lee Theiss wants to thank those who sent cards and condolences by phone. We all know how difficult and sad the days are when we've just lost a loved one, still one needs to actually go through the loss to really know what follows. I asked myself a hundred times, when I lost Monty, WHY DIDN'T SOMEONE TELL ME WHAT IT'S REALLY LIKE? Loss is something so personal and different people suffer in different ways, so it is something we all have varied ideas on what to say and do next.

Gena wants me to tell you all that she has about 30 books of the WEEDMAN Genealogy left (Revision #2) and she is offering a sale price of \$45.00 each post-age paid. Gena's address is: 8417 Burlingame Rd., Louisville, KY 40219 or E-mail; trees4gena@aol.com.

I haven't heard from those of you I contacted earlier, and hope that you are well and just plain too busy at that time. Any of you reading this; please feel free to write me and send me a biographical sketch about you and your immediate family. I will be putting two such sketches in this Newsletter and yours can be either short or longer. ALL BRANCHES please send me something you can share with all of our cousins.

I got a message from **Jeannie** and **Blair Weedman**. They were hosts for the 1988 Reunion. Blair says that he'd like to know where the next Reunion will take place and when. **Sara**, their oldest daughter, graduated from Middle Tennessee State University with a BS in Political Science, with a paralegal minor. This is wonderful!! Congratulations, **Sara!** **Krista**, their middle daughter, is a senior in High School and looking forward to graduating in May. She has plans to go to Community College for the first two years. Smart girl, Krista! **Julie**, the youngest daughter, is a sophomore in high school, and is very active, being on the Annual staff, and in the Beta Club, AND a manager for the soccer team!!! Way to Go, Julie! Blair is still practicing physical therapy at Bethany Healthcare, working with the geriatric population there. Blair says that they are looking forward to a cousin's reunion on Memorial Day Weekend this coming May. Blair & Jeanie's e-mail address is: blairljeanie10@comcast.net.

Their mailing address is: 147 Devonshire Trail, Henderson, TN 37075.

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Sample Biographical Sketch Paul and Marianne Montgomery

Paul Montgomery, my late hubby, and a descendant of Christian Weedman, was born in 1908 in Moweaqua, Illinois. The family moved to Iowa just after his birth, and the family lived in several areas in Iowa, till, in 1926 he graduated from High School and joined the Marines.

After basic training, he was sent to China where there was an uprising of the communist party against the "in" party, and of course the USA sent in the Marines to quell it. He helped out in the Four Square Gospel mission there in Shanghai, China, and attended the wedding of **Chiang Kai-shek** and his bride, **Soong Mei-ling**. **Soong Mei-ling** worked at that same Mission and that's how he got invited.

His duty ended in China in 1930, and he came home to work on his parents' farm. He married first; **Alta Pearl Stainbrook**

and they were parents of two boys and two girls. When WW II came along, he was unemployed and needed a job, He and Alta decided that he should go into the service again, and so he did, after Pearl Harbor was hit. He joined the Navy, because the Marines recruiter was out to lunch, and the Navy recruiter grabbed him. While he was in the Pacific area, he and Alta divorced. His term of duty ended in 1945, and to make a long story short, he joined the Army Air Corps, which in 1950 became the Air Force. He didn't care for the single life. He met and married yours truly, **Marianne Shaw**. We had 40 years of a wonderful marriage before he passed on in 1988. He loved our Lord, and served him in many ways during his lifetime. We had one child: **Andrea Teresa Montgomery** now **Kershner**.

Well folks, see how easy it is to write a wee biography? I'm looking forward to receiving what you each want to share with our wonderful extended family...the

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Marianne would like to collect as many biographical sketches of family members as possible. Her address is on this page.

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Weedmans.

Each branch of the Weedman family; GEORGE, CHRISTIAN, JOHN, WILLIAM DANIEL, STEPHEN, JACOB and ELIZABETH, & MARY all have descendants in every area of the USA. We hope to find the earliest branch of the WIDMAN/WEEDMAN family --- the European forefathers of Christian Weedman Sr, who may have spelled the name WIDMANN or Wiedman, etc, and perhaps **William Weedman** (North Carolina) will be going back there on business or pleasure and he may find the answer to WHERE in Germany, our roots sprang.

Subscription Renewals Due

The *Weedman Newsletter* is entering its 38th year of publication with the only editor, **Marianne Montgomery**, still churning out four issues per year. We are indebted to her for her loyalty and tenacity in this endeavor. In order to sustain the effort, we ask for contributions of \$5.00 per year to help defray the cost of printing and postage. If you are due for renewal in 2005, there will be a yellow insert in the envelope with this issue. Please do renew and send your check to: **Weedman Newsletter, (Nick Weedman), 130 Berry Creek Drive, Flat Rock, NC 28731.** Or, if you want your name removed from the mailing list, let us know that as well. An e-mail to nick@weedman.org is all you need and simply state you want to be removed. Thanks for your contributions to keep the *Weedman Newsletter* in publication.

Family Research Projects Status and Direction

There are several Weedman family genealogical projects currently being pur-

sued and we thought an update would be in order.

Ship Anderson Passenger List – This is the ship on which Christian Weedman, Sr. arrived in the Port of Philadelphia in August 1750. We think the ship brought passengers from the Palentine region of Germany to a new life in the United States. Christian was only about 15 years old on the voyage but not traveling with any apparent family members. Working on the theory that people from the same geographic area generally immigrated together, we hope to find if there is a pattern of where the passengers originated. In doing so, we may be able to pinpoint an area in which the family of **Christian Weedman, Sr.** lived. Marianne Montgomery is actively working on this and has identified a number of passengers and where they lived in Germany. However, at this point we cannot see a particular pattern of origination.

Craddock - this is supposedly the surname of Elizabeth, wife of Christian Weedman, Sr. Again, Marianne is working to see if we can find early Craddock families to determine if, indeed, she was from one of these.

Early Years of Christian and Elizabeth Weedman - from a Revolutionary War pension application, we know that the oldest known child of the couple, **Mary Weedman Myers**, was born 1 January 1762 in Hampshire Co., WV (was Virginia at that time). We also know that the family was in Fayette Co., PA by the middle of 1765. So, work is under way to determine where they were prior to 1765 and how early they had arrived in Virginia. Did they marry there? Did they travel with others such as the Walters, Myers, or other families? Could there be a clue here that we need to know?

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Several projects are underway to further our knowledge of the early Weedman and related families.

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Interested in helping? There is plenty to do and if you have time and resources (i. e., the internet, a good genealogical library, etc.) let us know and we will brief you on where we are and where to drill down for information.

Weedman Civil War Pensions In the National Archives

We recently spent a day in the National Archives in Washington, D.C. to review Civil War pensions on file there. It seems the ones on file there are for veterans or families of those that served on the Union side although this may not be correct.

There appear to be 14 soldiers or families of soldiers who served in the Civil War including: **John B. Weedman** (IL and OH), **John T. Weedman** (IN), **John W. Weedman** (IL – died at Andersonville), **Norman A. Weedman** (IL), **Richard Calvin Weedman** (IN), **Thomas St. Clair Weedman** (IL), **Zadoc C. Weedman** (IL), **Claude H. Weedman** (Nebraska), **George Thomas Weedman** (IL & KS), **George Weedman** (IN), **Isaiah Weedman** (IL), **Jacob F. Weedman** (IL & CO), **Jacob I. Weedman** (IN – records also show him as **Jacob H. Weedman**), and **Jacob Willis Weedman** (IN & KS).

Due to time constraints, we were able to view only three records including those for **Jacob F. Weedman**, **Jacob Isom Weedman**, and **George Thomas Weedman**. These are generally interesting records and are revealing with a fair amount of genealogical information in each. However, in order to justify a pension, the applicant apparently needed to show a need for such and as a result, almost all of the applications show desperate needs (which may not have been totally true!). Here is a summary of the records for these three soldiers.

Jacob F. Weedman's lineage was **Christian, Sr.**¹, **George**², **John Jesse**³, and **George**⁴. He filed for a pension and following his death, his widow filed, and both were recipients of the grant. His application shows he married **Almeda M. Slick** on 24 January 1867 in Farmer City, IL by Minister George Wolf. It shows a single child, **Thornton Weedman**, born 3 Jan 1870. His service record was summarized in Company I, of the 39th Regiment of the Illinois Infantry volunteers and states he was wounded in action at Darby Town Road in Richmond, VA. Sometime in the 1870s, he moved to Colorado (along with a brother) and settled in Denver. In her application, she states that **Jacob** died on 16 May 1901. She was successful in obtaining a widows pension, which was \$8.00 per month. **Almeda Slick Weedman** died 18 January 1902 in Denver. *(The couple had property in Denver on the corners of Jewell and Benton streets – this is in downtown Denver today!).*

George Thomas Weedman's lineage was **Christian, Sr.**¹, **George**², **John Jesse**³, and **Asa**⁴. George served in Company G, 107th Regiment of the Illinois Infantry. When he filed for a pension 31 May 1898, he was living in Webster City, Iowa. It stated he was married three times and had two children! Some of this was new information! He married Mary E. Carrew in DeWitt Co., IL on 29 March 1860 and from whom he was divorced in 1875 in DeKalb Co., IL. He then married Mary Adalaine Hollenbach who died in Hillsdale, KS in February 1880. He then married Malinda Darner at Paola, Kansas on 15 April 1882. He states he had two living children, Phil Sheridan Weedman, born 17 October 1867 and Mertie May Weedman born 19 September 1883. *(We have located a Philip S. Weedman living in Shelby Co.,*

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Civil War pension records contain some excellent genealogical information. These records are only available at the national Archives.

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MO in 1906). **George T. Weedman** died 9 February 1906 in Paola, KS. A copy of the divorce decree was included in the file and it appears George had a drinking problem that led to the divorce.

Jacob Isom Weedman's lineage was Christian, Sr.¹, Jacob², and David³. Here again, we found information not known to us previously. Jacob was apparently the eldest child of **David** and **Rebecca (Creelius) Weedman**. Jacob enlisted in Company H, 23 Regiment, Indiana Infantry on 16 July 1861 and died of typhoid fever at Vicksburg, MS on 5 September 1863. We learned from the application by his mother for a mother's pension that David died 11 April 1862 at Leavenworth, IN. Rebecca apparently had no support after David died and one person stated she moved from family to family with her children seeking support. She married **Stephen G. Morgan** on 22 October 1865 and later married **Benjamin Carel**. Her pension was \$12 per month that she received from May 1895 until her death on 24 August 1904. *(Note that Jacob I. Weedman also appears as Jacob H. Weedman in several records).*

The Civil War pension records are not available on the Internet. Information in these records is highly informative and we intend to do further research during our next trip to Washington.

Weedman Family Web Site

If you haven't checked out the family web site lately or maybe never been, you might want to go to www.weedman.org to see what is on offer there. We update it periodically and now have all of the *Weedman Newsletters* published from 2000 on for review and downloading. A Civil War page lists all of the family members we have been able to find shown as well as a thumbnail sketch for

their service. A few obituaries are on the site. Check it out and if you have suggestions, please let us know.

We are finding that the number of people visiting the site continues to grow. A couple of years ago, 5-6 visits per day were average. Now the number is 20 or so. And, more people are using the site to ask questions about their particular line.

Here is a list of people who have made inquiries presumably being directed to us from the web site:

Dennis Weedman, our first Canadian cousin, wrote to see if we could help trace his line. For years we have known of Canadian Weedmans but until now had never had any contact. His father was **George Alexander Weedman**, born in 1889 and married **Ida Craddock**. We are working now to see what we can find on the family. We presumed the family has English roots but are not certain of that.

Terry Weedman is Rhodesian (Zimbabwe) by birth, moved to South Africa and now resides in England. His father, **William Weedman**, is English and went to Rhodesia about 1946 and still lives there.

Blair Weedman, hosted one of our Reunions and has asked where the next Reunion will be held and when. Blair lives in Nashville, TN and gave Marianne an update on his family.

Linda Robinson, is from the **Daniel Weedman** line through his daughter, **Martha**, who married **Levi Jackson**. Marianne is helping her on her line.

Ruth Greenstein, wrote that her great-aunt married a Weedman and wondered about the family. **Norman Benedict**

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The Weedman Family web site has provided us with contacts of new family members. Visit the site today if you haven't done so.

Vicki Kimerlin shares with us her grandfather's WWI discharge papers.

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Weedman married **Sarah Malstrom** and it is from this line that is the **Daniel Weedman** line through his son, **Elisha Spurrier** and **Letitia (Jarboe) Weedman** that Ruth has her interests. Perhaps **Kenneth Weedman** can help Ruth in her genealogical pursuits.

Brian Travis, made contact regarding his **Weedman** roots. **Willis Weedman** was the youngest son of **Christian, Jr. and Mary (Marshall) Weedman** and migrated to Cooke Co., TX where he married. Willis had two daughters and a son, **William Simpson Weedman**. **William Simpson Weedman** moved to Arizona and raised his family there. One of his daughters, **Jewel**, was Brian's grandmother. We are working with Brian on this line.

Don Weedman wants information on his family. His father, Robert Raphael Gorde Weedman, and all of his uncles have passed away. Don is interested in the family for a number of reasons. His line is also through **Elisha Spurrier Weedman** and we are attempting to help in his pursuits.

So, you can see that the web site has been active of late (although not all of these contacts were necessarily made through that medium). Why not pay a visit today?

Davison Family Newsletter

David and **Freida Marie Davison** of Spartanburg, SC have undertaken a new publication, **Davison Family Newsletter**. The Newsletter is designed to be of interest to descendents of **David** and **Miranda (Springer) Davison**. **Mary Etta Weedman**, a daughter of **Green Berry and Susan (Cart) Weedman** married **Joseph Philman Davison** in

Perry County, IN where they raised their family.

If you have a possible interest in this Newsletter, contact **David** or **Frieda Marie Davison** by e-mail at dddmd@msn.com. The Newsletter is currently published irregularly.

Gus Weedman WWI Discharge Papers

Vicki Kimberlin, granddaughter of Gus Clinton Weedman, has furnished a copy of his World War I Army discharge papers and we will furnish an excerpt here. Gus has family left in Ohio and Alaska some of whom subscribe to the **Weedman Newsletter**.

Honorable Discharge from the Army of the United States. To whom it may concern, this certifies that Gus Weedman, 1172346, Pvt 1st Class, Battery B, 126 Field Artillery, as a testimonial of honest and honorable service is hereby honorably discharged from the military service of the United States....

Said Gus Weedman was born in Lewisburg in the State of Kansas. When enlisted he was 18 years of age and by occupation a machinist. He had blue eyes, brown hair, fair complexion and was 5 feet, 5 1/2 inches in height.

Given under my hand at Camp Dodge, IA this 20th day of January 1919. Signed by J.E. Brandt, Colonel, 126 Field Artillery.

Summary Record

Name: Gus Weedman, Grade: Private First Class, enlisted February 19, 1917 at Jefferson Barracks, MO....no prior ser-

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vice...served the A.E.F. from September 25, 1918 to January 5, 1919, machinist by occupation, no wounds received in service, good physical condition when discharged, was unmarried with excellent character and no AWOLS, etc.

Marriage

Sedoris – Collins

Sam Sedoris of Louisville, KY married **Kara Joyce Collins** on 19 June 2004 at the Highland Baptist Church in Louisville. Sam is the great, great grandson of **Lula Weedman Sedoris** who was a daughter of **Addison Merriwether Weedman** (Stephen Weedman line). Sam is a Weedman Newsletter subscriber and has made numerous contributions to the publication. We congratulate Sam and Kara on their marriage.

Birth

Andrew Marlon Weidman

Andrew Marlon Weidman was born on March 20, 2005 in Fayetteville, AR. He is the son of Scott Andrew and Renee (Webb) Weidman and the grandson of **Jim** and **Marybeth Weidman** of Paragould, AR. His lineage is: Christian Weedman, Sr.¹, Christian Weedman, Jr.², William Weedman³, Green Berry Weedman⁴, Charles Green Weedman⁵, Charles Floyd Weidman⁵, Robert Simmons Weidman⁶, James Robert Weidman⁷, Scott Andrew Weidman⁸, and Andrew Marlon Weidman⁹. Andrew has a sister, Ashlynn Renee Weidman. Congratulations on the new arrival.

Obituary

Edith Weedman

Edith Weedman, wife of **Herbert Weedman** of Farmer City, IL died on January 2, 2005 in Urbana, IL. She was born January 17, 1925. A private service

was held presided over by her son, the **Rev. Jim Weedman**. She is survived by her husband, **Herbert**; sons, **Mark H., James Amos**, and **Thomas Joel**.

Obituary

Minnie Mae Raeuchle Bryant

Minnie Mae Raeuchle Bryant 89, of Louisville, passed away February 14, 2005 Monday at Caritas Medical Center in Louisville, KY. She was a retired surgical technician at the old Methodist Hospital and a member of Arcade Avenue Baptist Church. Her sons, **Robert, Ronald, Charles** and **William Bruce Weedman**; sisters, **Edna Osborne, Thelma Hess** and **Gertrude Reichle**; nine grandchildren; eight great-grandchildren; and one great-great-grandchild survive her. Burial was in Cave Hill Cemetery in Louisville. (Her first husband was **Robert Weedman**).

Obituary

Flora Highland 'Tootsie' Weedman

Flora Highland "Tootsie" Weedman, 76, of Cloverport died Monday, Feb. 7, 2005, at Breckinridge Memorial Hospital. She was born July 7, 1928, in Breckinridge County. She was an ordained minister and had a ministry radio program on WTCJ Radio, "The Pilgrim Sunshine Program," for 15 years. She was a former employee of American Olean Tile Co. Her father, Beco Weedman, preceded her in death.

She is survived by her mother, **Nell Elizabeth Atwell Stilwell** of Hardinsburg; her sister in Christ, **Inous Stillwell** of Cloverport; her adopted son, **Thomas Stillwell** and wife, **Bonnie**, both of Evansville; her grandchildren, **Shannon**

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Marriages, births, and deaths of family members are on this and the following page of the Newsletter.

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Housman, Jennifer Mills, Alana Stillwell, and Thomas William Stillwell, all of Evansville, and **Leigh Ann Pruitt** of Indianapolis; and eight great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were on February 10 in Cloverport with burial in Cloverport Cemetery.

Obituary

Clara Weedman Davis

Clara Elizabeth Davis, 83, of Gleason, TN died Feb. 16, 2004, at McKenzie, TN Health Care Center.

Mrs. Davis was born April 1, 1920, in Finley, TN the daughter of the late **Norman** and **Bethel Rizley Weedman**. She was a retired nurses aide from Hillview Nursing Home. She was a member of Eastwood Baptist Church in McKenzie.

Survivors include three sons, **Hubert Davis** of Newman, Ga., **Robert Paul Davis** and **James W. Davis**, both of Gleason; a daughter, **Linda Davis** of Gleason; a brother, **David Weedman** of Mount Vernon, Ill.; a sister, **Ruby Pride** of Finley; five grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren.

In addition to her parents, her husband, Roba Davis; a son, Aubrey Guy Davis; and a brother, John Robert Weedman, preceded her in death. *(Hubert Davis is a Weedman Newsletter subscriber).*

Obituary

Ruby Weedman Pride

RUBY WEEDMAN PRIDE, 82, retired from Sylvania, died Wednesday, February 16, 2005 at Dyersburg (TN) Regional Medical Center. Services were on February 19th. She attended Finley Pentecostal Church. She leaves a daughter, **Gloria Wilson** of Finley, a brother **David Weedman** of Mount Vernon, Illinois, and a grandchild. *(Gloria Wilson is a Weedman Newsletter subscriber).*

Social Security Death Index 2004

The Social Security Administration periodically publishes a list of those who passed away within the year and we have captured their Weedman entries for 2004.

<i>Name</i>	<i>Birth Date</i>	<i>Death Date</i>	<i>Last residence</i>
Weedman, Cleo P.	4 Apr 1913	25 Mar 2004	St. Augustine, St. Johns Co., FL
Weedman, Violet M.	16 Oct 1912	26 Apr 2004	Riverton, Sangamon Co., IL
Weedman, Bobby G.	12 Dec 1934	5 May 2004	Carmi, White Co., IL
Weedman, Rosemary	21 Dec 1938	1 Nov 2004	Harrison, Clare Co., MI
Weedman, Edwin M.	11 Jan 1927	6 Sep 2004	Blytheville, Mississippi Co., AR
Weedman, Ruth M.	21 Dec 1918	9 Jul 2004	Clarksville, Butler Co., IA
Weedman, Olive A.	23 Apr 1914	19 Oct 2004	Naples, Collier Co., FL
Weedman, John E.	17 Mar 1952	30 Mar 2004	not listed
Weedman, Marc E.	25 Jun 1963	22 Sept 2004	not listed

Obituaries were published in the 2004 Newsletter for some of these and for others, we simply did not have information to use. **Cleo P. (Stokes) Weedman** was the wife of **John Marion Weedman** of St. Augustine, FL (Daniel Weedman line). **Rosemary (Osga) Weedman** was the wife of **John Robert Weedman** of Michigan (John Weedman line). **John Earl Weedman** was from the Stephen Weedman line. We cannot identify **Bobby G. Weedman** or **Marc E. Weedman** but if any of you know who they were, please let us know.

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Hello Cousins,

We want to start with an assessment of the future of the *Newsletter*.

The Future of The Weedman Newsletter

Consideration is being given to ceasing the publication of *The Weedman Newsletter* at the end of 2005.

Marianne Montgomery has edited the *Newsletter* since its inception some 38 years ago. She has for a number of years sought a replacement without success.

Interest in the *Newsletter*, while still reasonably high seems to be declining. It has become increasingly difficult to obtain the annual subscription rate of \$5.00 which is the only rate that has ever been charged.

So, unless things change, this will likely be the final year for the publication.

What could change? First, a replacement for Marianne must be identified and either take over directly or work with her for a short period of time with the intent of becoming the new editor. Second, we will reduce the subscriber list significantly from the current level of 160 to include only those who continue to support the publication financially.

The publication of the Newsletter could

continue as at present and we could put increased emphasis on the web site.

So, if you have interest in becoming the Editor of the *Weedman Newsletter*, drop Marianne a note. Her e-mail and snail mail addresses appear on page 10 of this edition.

Letters from Readers

We do have a lot of news to report, some of which is good and some not so good.

Hope you're enjoying your summer days, and all the joys that summer can bring. Here in Washington State we have had a rainy spring and summer is just now bringing forth the vegetables and fruits from local sources.

Blackberries are ripe now and this is one crop that is native to Washington state among other states, of course. You'll see people picking at roadside or in any park or picnic area. No matter how people cut back the berry branches you'd never know it the next year. Seems the berries come up as many as ever!

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Ed Shillingburg has been doing family research in the Hampshire Co., WV area and his interest is detailed here.

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We received a most interesting e-mail from **Edward** and **Pat Shillingburg** who happened to find the Weedman web page. He was tracing his **Shillingburg** roots and with others in the family made the trip to West Virginia. The 16 page detailed description of their trip was very interesting. They happened to be researching in the same area that we have been searching for Christian, Sr., and some of the members of that first family group of ours. The article was very interesting, and Ed Shillingburg surely is an excellent writer, describing the areas they visited and one could almost picture the area even though not having been there.

He found the Weedman web site and noticed that we are interested in the same part of Virginia (now W. Virginia) that we have been researching in. His mother was Arlene Weedman, but he didn't know about the Weedmans in that area until he found the Weedman Family web site (www.weedman.org). He and Nick are corresponding and hopefully we may

find some clues about FORT TOWN, Virginia where a settlement in that area may be where our **Christian Sr.** and **Elizabeth Weedman** lived while having sojourned for several years (we think) .

Arlene Weedman was a daughter of **Ona Harrison** and **Lelia (Evans) Weedman** of Farmer City, IL. They are of GEORGE's line (Illinois Weedman branch). They can be found on p. 328 in the red 1989 edition of the Weedman Family history book.

You all have read about my search for the "**Mr. Murphy**" who married **Elizabeth Weedman**, a daughter of **Christian Sr.** I have always felt that she married one of the Murphy's in Hampshire Co. WVA or one of the adjoining counties. I see a **Hugh Murphy** mentioned in Ed Shillingburg's write-up. This search is like reading a mystery novel. You never know what's coming next!

A letter from **Muriel Ann Scheid**

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Laughlin wrote about her research for the family background of her maternal grandmother, **Helen (Nellie) Weedman Marshall** descendant of DANIEL Weedman's line. She now has the information she needs as this line of Daniel's is in the last two editions of the Weedman Family book, "**Christian Weedman and His Descendants**". If any of you need more of this book to give to relatives, contact Gena Lee Theiss, the author, at 8417 Burlingame Rd., Louisville, KY 40219, KY

Bill and Thea Weedman (STEPHEN's line) went to New York City in April which is the best time to go. They surely did their "homework" on what to see and do in the City because they didn't waste a minute in finding the places they planned to see. They own a timeshare there, and were able to relax and 'dine' in their own space. They had a wonderful time.

Jan Bruner, of Evansville, IN. has really been busy this year. She went to two reunions, ABBOTT and BRUNER, It was great to hear from her. She's from STEPHEN's line.

Speaking of reunions, I must repeat, for the benefit of new subscribers, the famous peach cobbler recipe ...from the kitchen of **Jannelle Forcum** is repeated:

- 5-6 fresh peaches peeled and sliced.
- Put in a buttered cake pan.
- Mix together 1 stick butter, melted, 1 cup sugar, 2 TBS. flour, 1 beaten egg. Set aside
- Take 5-6 slices of white bread and remove crust. Cut each into three strips and lay over the peaches.
- Pour batter mixture over bread.
- Bake at 350 oven for 35-45 minutes.

The secret optional ingredient is BBQ

sauce added with each serving sparingly. With or without the BBQ sauce, this cobbler is a winner.

Bill Weedman (I call him "Carolina Bill") of Wilson, NC sure has a sense of humor. He and wife **Pat** have sold their insurance business and he's now joined the "Honey Dew" (spelled DO) club. Bill says "don't expect me to live very long, as Pat is working me harder than when we were in business." Well retirement does have some drawbacks, but those drawbacks keep us in shape...think about it. Using our muscles, legs, arms to do those things around the premises that need to be done may be painful at first... and I do mean **painful**, but after our muscles get used to all that strenuous push and pull, lift and bend, we look at what has been accomplished and say "WHEW...but it was worth all that work, much of it odds and ends; jobs that Honey herself found for her ever lovin' hubby to DO. They sold out in April, so by now Bill can brag about his ever-growing muscles.

Roy and Sylvia Weedman of Charlotte, NC.....I call them "Carolina Roy and Sylvia" making two wonderful Weedman families distinguished by their Carolina homes.....as we have the **Roy Weedman** from Oregon and another **Roy Weedman** from Tennessee.....Are there any more out there???

Roy (Carolina) pointed out an error in the last Newsletter. Thanks, Roy. He reports that on page 4, under the Weedman Civil War pension list, that **Claude H. Weedman**, (Nebraska) Roy's grandfather was listed. **Claude H. Weedman** served in the Spanish American War, not the Civil War. He wouldn't have been of an age to serve in the Civil War. We appreciate Roy's pointing this out, and we encourage anyone finding an error in the

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A number of readers have provided Marianne with family updates. We appreciate your keeping all informed.

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Newsletter, to inform either Nick or myself so that we may set the record straight.

50th Anniversary and Birth of Twin Grand Children

Roy and Sylvia Ann (McDaniel) Weedman celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on June 16. Congratulations to you both. Then Roy goes on to say that daughter, **Lisa** and hubby **Michael Scott Newell**, are the proud parents of twins!! They were born on July 8th, 2005. The twins are named **Lucy Renee Weedman Newell** and **Andrew Gregory Weedman Newell**. Lucy weighed in at 6 lbs. 3 oz and 19 1/2 " long while Andrew weighed in at 6 lbs. 1 oz. and was 19" long. That's good size for twins. We congratulate Lisa for bringing forth twinsand the weight for them is perfect for being that weight, they wouldn't have to remain in the hospital till they gained enough weight to be released from an incubator. We're all happy for you Lisa and Mike!

When Lisa and Mike were wed, Lisa kept her maiden name, Weedman. A year and a half ago she added Newell as her official last name. They added Weedman as a second middle name to each of the twins. What an honor to the Weedman name. May these darling twins enjoy life as a wonderful sojourn and may they know the history of their second middle name. OK...so yes...we're proud of the name Weedman. And that reminds me, **Roy Weedman** (Tennessee Roy,) wrote a poem about the name Weedman. As long as he was able to attend the Weedman reunions, Roy would read it at the banquets. We hope to see Lucy and Andrew at some future Weedman reunion. Roy's line goes back to **George**, son of **Christian Weedman Sr.**

In September, Roy (Carolina Roy) will be attending the 50th anniversary of his Air Force pilot class. Whew...you'll have a great summer, Roy.

Princeton Graduate Takes New Position

More news. In May, 2005, **Jonathan Ryan Kershner**, (**Marianne & Paul Montgomery's** grandson) graduated from Princeton Theological Seminary at Princeton, NJ with the degree of Doctor of Divinity. He has already received a pulpit...guess where -- in Tacoma WA. He and his wife, **Jessica**, are happy to be back in the Northwest. They enjoyed their 4+ years at Princeton, and the history of the area was thrilling to both of them. **Jessica** has a position as an English teacher beginning in September of a school in Seattle, which is a short distance from Tacoma.

Overseas Contacts

We are getting e-mails from several Weedman families or relatives, and one in particular who now lives in South Africa, but was originally from England. Having the Website makes it sort of like a "net" spread out to catch some Weedmans (fish) and hopefully if we all stay tuned, we'll eventually cover more territory and find the hometown of Christian Weedman, Sr.

Brian Travis was browsing on the Internet and found our site. He states that he found his great grandparents, **William Simpson and Inez (Hooper) Weedman!** Their daughter, **Jewel Weedman**, married **Oren Clifford Travis**, grandparents of Brian. Brian says he's going to go through information that may be found of interest to his Weedman connections. His great grandmother, Inez died when their

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We have been contacted by Weedmans from South Africa, Australia, England, and Canada.

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daughter, **Jewel Weedman**, was a young girl. And she and her sister, and possibly her brother, **Charles Shelby Weedman**, were placed in an orphan home because **William Simpson Weedman** couldn't be home caring for them and working, too. My own grand dad did the same thing, and for the same reason. It's sad when the mother dies when the children are young. This happened more often back years ago, than now, or so it seems. Life was tougher then. We hope to see Travis at a future reunion, too, and his family. There will be more about this family in the FALL Newsletter.

Got word from **Cathy Stone**. You'll remember her at the reunions we had at Evansville, IN. She is keeping busy renovating her apartment. This will go on for another couple of months, but we hope to hear more from Cathy when she has her apartment like she wants it.

Marriage

Crystal Dawn Weedman

Mr. and Mrs. **William E. Weedman** of Floyd Knob, IN announce the wedding of their daughter **Crystal Dawn** to **Joseph Yazvac III** son of **Dr. and Mrs. Joseph Yazvac, Jr.** took place on 6 August 2005 at the Colgate Baptist Church in Clarks-ville, IN.

We extend our congratulations to the bride and groom on this wonderful occasion.

William E. Weedman is the son of and **Hazel Weedman** and the late **James Edward Weedman** of Louisville, KY. Ed was a major contributor to the on going genealogical efforts of the Weedman family with particular emphasis on his line through **Stephen Weedman**, son of

Christian, Jr. and Mary (Marshall) Weedman.

In a note, he told us that **Crystal** had graduated from Purdue University with a degree in Computer Integrated Manufacturing Technology. **Joe**, his son, has begun to work on his PhD degree in psychology at Indiana State University at Terre Haute, IN.

Thanks for the update and great family news!

We are sorry to bring the news of several Weedman cousins most of you know and some you may not.

Obituaries

Elizabeth Weedman Snodgrass

Elizabeth Janet Weedman Snodgrass, 86, of New Palestine, Indiana, died on June 9, 2005. She was born February 4, 1919 in Mt Comfort, IN. Elizabeth was a homemaker and a member of Friendly Neighbors Home Economics Club; Oak-leaf Literary Club, and attended the New Palestine United Church. Her husband, **Noble Nathan Snodgrass**, and her brother, **Thomas H. Weedman**, preceded her in death. She is survived by her sons: **Bill (Pat) Snodgrass**, New Palestine, **Wayne Snodgrass**, Houston, TX; **Joe (Anita) Snodgrass**, New Palestine; daughter, **Kathy (Bob) Dearing**, Indianapolis, and brother **Sidney H. (Sharon) Weedman**. She also had many grandchildren, great grandchildren, nieces and nephews.

A service was held on June 13 at Hendryx Mortuary, New Palestine Chapel. The burial was at New Palestine cemetery. Elizabeth will be remembered for her faithful appearance at nearly every

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We have a large number of family deaths to report. The Internet provides some excellent information for us to use on reporting deaths in particular.

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Weedman reunion since its first in 1984. She will be sadly missed.

Her lineage: Elizabeth Weedman Snodgrass⁷, Ralph Weedman⁶, George Perry Weedman⁵, Green Berry Weedman⁴, William Weedman³, Christian Weedman, Jr.², and Christian Weedman, Sr.¹.

Donald Ray Weedman

DONALD R. WEEDMAN, 67, of Louisville, KY passed away Thursday, June 23, 2005. He was preceded in death by his wife, **Goldie**, his brother **Ernest**, and his parents. He is survived by three sisters: **Alma Terry**, **Wilma Nix** of Depauw, IN, and **Joy Blake** of Anderson, IN; a brother **Jerry Weedman** of Franklin NC, seven nephews, a niece and his many friends at Mt Holly Nursing Center. A memorial service was held on July 3, 2005.

His lineage: Donald Ray Weedman⁷, Louis Cornelius Weedman⁶, Samuel Elisha Weedman⁵, George Glasscock Weedman⁴, Daniel Spurrier Weedman³, Christian Weedman, Jr.², and Christian Weedman, Sr.¹.

Marilyn Weedman McGauhy

Marilyn Weedman McGauhy, 60, of Independence, LA died on 17 January 2005 in Hammond, LA. She was the daughter of **Marion DeCamp** and **Azalea (Whiddon) Weedman, Sr.** Survivors include her brother, **Marion DeCamp Weedman, Jr.**, and two daughters, **April McGauhy** and **Edna Russell** both of Independence and eight grandchildren. Services were on 20 January with burial in the Lighthouse Baptist Church Cemetery in Independence.

Her lineage: Marilyn Weedman⁸, Marion DeCamp Weedman⁷, Claude Henry Weedman⁶, William Martin Weedman⁵, Jeremiah Weedman⁴, Jacob Weedman³, George Weedman², and Christian Sr.¹.

Dorothy (Cash) Weedman

Dorothy (Cash) Weedman, 84, of Louisville, KY died on July 21, 2005 at the Caritas Medical Center in Louisville. She was the widow of **Curtis Louis Weedman, Sr.** She is survived by sons **Curtis L. Weedman, Jr.** and **Maury (John Maurice) Weedman** and by her daughter, **Donna Griffin**. She was buried in Louisville Memorial Gardens West in Louisville.

Mr. Weedman's lineage was Curtis Louis Weedman, Sr.¹, William Deward Weedman², Amos George Weedman³, Stephen Weedman⁴, Christian Weedman, Jr.⁵, and Christian Weedman, Sr.⁶. His mother was Belva Weedman whose lineage was Belva Weedman¹, John Cabel Breckenridge Weedman², Addison Merriwether Weedman³, Stephen Weedman⁴, Christian Weedman, Jr.⁵, and Christian Weedman, Sr.⁶.

Ethel Weedman Ozbirn

Ethel (Weedman) Ozbirn of San Diego, CA died on 4 April 2005. She was a daughter of **Andrew Garfield** and **Eva (Avery) Weedman**. She was born 20 August 1908 in Eckerty, Crawford Co., IN. She leaves a number of relatives in the San Diego area.

Her lineage: Ethel Weedman Ozbirn⁶, Andrew Garfield Weedman⁵, Jesse Hamilton Stewart Weedman⁴, David Weedman³, Jacob Weedman², and Christian Weedman, Sr.¹.

Opal F. Weedman

Opal F. Weedman, 81 of Groveland, FL passed away on Tuesday, May 3, 2005. She was the daughter of the late **Emmitt** and **Arizona (Sellars) Jackson**. **Opal** was a proprietor with her real estate holdings. She is predeceased by husband **Ralph D. Weedman**; brothers **Truby Jackson** and **Nobel Jackson**, and sister **Hazel Jackson**. Survived by her sons

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Ethel Weedman Ozbirn was recognized at the most recent Weedman National Family Gathering in San Diego. She had just celebrated a birthday.

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Johnny Michael Weedman and **Thomas Allen Weedman**, both of Groveland; stepson **George Perry Weedman** and his wife **Mary Weedman**; step-daughter **Judy Jenkins** and her husband **Ellis**, brother **Bill** and his wife, **Bobby Jackson**. Funeral services were held at Groveland Chapel on May 7th with burial at Mascotte Cemetery, in Mascotte, FL.

George Perry Weedman and his daughters have been active in many of our Reunions. Our condolences are extended to his family in their loss.

The lineage of her husband: Ralph D. Weedman⁷, Lloyd Weedman⁶, George Perry Weedman⁵, Green Berry Weedman⁴, William Weedman³, Christian Weedman, Jr.², and Christian Weedman, Sr.¹.

Alan G. Weedman

Alan G. Weedman of Daytona Beach, FL died on 6 March 2005. He was born on 20 April 1928 in Wolverhampton, England. His wife, **Helene**, and son, **Alan, Jr.** of San Francisco survive him as does a brother, **Fred Weedman**, of Overton, Wrexham, Wales, United Kingdom.

His Weedman lineage is not known at this time.

Ronald H. Boulier

Ronald H. Boulier, former Puyallup, WA resident for 28 yrs., left this world to be with the Lord on Saturday 25th of September 2004. He was a disabled Vietnam Veteran who served 20 years in the U.S. Army and retired in 1974 at Ft. Lewis. He was an accomplished Marksman and won many medals when he was on the 6th Army rifle Team at Fort Irwin, CA. He also was a member of the Tacoma Chiefs Motorcycle Club for many

years. He worked for the Puyallup, School Dist. as their Locksmith. In the 70's, he owned and operated the Center Locksmith Shop on Canyon Rd., in the Tacoma-Puyallup area for 8 years. He then worked for the state military dept. at Camp Murray, WA until he retired in 1997. In 1999 he moved to his RV and traveled around the country for a year and settled in Odessa, MO for almost another year; using it as a home base, to come back to from traveling. His disability brought him back to WA. In 2001, he bought a home at Lake Limerick, Shelton, WA. He was preceded in death by his parents, **Raleigh** and **Lorean**. Ronald was born in St. Paul, MN, April 30, 1937 and lived most of his youth in MN. He moved to Goodland, KS with his family in the 50's. He married **Jeanne Weedman** in Goodland, KS, September 25, 1960. To this union, they brought forth 2 children: Ronald H. Boulier Jr., of Anchorage, AK and Jacqueline Payton, of Tacoma, WA. He has 7 grandchildren and 1 great grandchild. He is also survived by 2 sisters and step-father **John H. Stewart**, of Goodland, KS. Committal was at Mt. Tahoma National Cemetery, Kent, WA with full Military Honors.

John Thomas Weedman

John Thomas Weedman died 23 May 2005 in Sennfeld, Germany. He was born 6 March 1968 and spent his school years in Durham, NC. He was a son of **Michael** and **Mary E. Weedman** of Northridge, CA.

Nancy Sue Weedman

Nancy Sue **Weedman**, 54, of Grain Valley, Missouri, passed away on Friday, April 1, 2005, at her home. Funeral services were held on April 4, 2005 at Royer Funeral Home, Grain Valley with

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We are unable to identify Alan G., Catherine, or John Thomas Weedman. Help from readers to identify these family members is appreciated.

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burial in Valley Memorial Gardens, Grain Valley.

Nancy was born February 9, 1951, in Appleton City, Mo, the daughter of **Lloyd D.** and **Carol A (Ash) Kelly**. She worked as a hairdresser at Design Team in Grain Valley. She was a Methodist. Nancy was a very loving wife, mother and grandmother. Nothing made her happier than spending time with her grandchildren.

Her survivors include: her husband **Richard Weedman** of the home; her daughter **Lisa** and her husband **Jeff Mattson**, of Blue Springs, MO; three grandchildren **Tucker, Abby** and **Libby Mattson**, of Blue Springs, Mo; her mother **Carol Kelly** of Oak Grove, MO, her sister, **Barbara Hedger** of Buckner, MO; her brother **Larry Kelly** of Appleton City and four nephews.

Our condolences go out to the survivors of these four Weedman cousins, and their many friends and acquaintances left to mourn their passing.

Weedman Deaths From Social Security Death Index

This is an update on Weedman family deaths as reported by the Social Security Administration.

<i>Name</i>	<i>Birth</i>	<i>Death</i>
Weedman, Alan G.	20 Apr 1928	6 Mar 2005
Weedman, Catherine	17 May 1943	10 Mar 2005
Weedman, Edith	17 Jan 1925	2 Jan 2005
Weedman, Flora H.	7 Jul 1928	7 Feb 2005
Weedman, Kenneth V.	25 Aug 1960	19 Jan 2005
Weedman, Nancy Sue	9 Feb 1951	1 Apr 2005
Weedman, Opal F.	4 Apr 1924	3 May 2005

Obituaries for most have appeared in the Weedman Newsletter. In this issue you will find **Alan G., Nancy Sue,** and **Opal F. Weedman** obituaries while in the Spring, 2005 issue articles for **Edith, Flora Highland,** and **Kenneth V. Weedman** are shown.

Old Tax Lists Facilitate Research

We have found that old tax lists can be very revealing relative to genealogical research. Marianne recently ran across tax lists for Nelson Co., KY and found that ap-

parently **Christian Weedman, Jr.** was there as early as 1785 prior to his being in Mercer Co., KY in 1787 when he married.

I had opportunity to do some research in the Kentucky Historical Society in Frankfort (a beautiful facility) and had hoped to find Christian Weedman, Jr. in Mercer Co. tax lists but the earliest available one was 1789 (indexed by first name!) with later ones being unreadable. No Christian there .

I also searched Meade Co., KY tax lists for Weedman from 1824 until 1842. Surprisingly, no Weedmans there even though we thought **Stephen Weedman** lived there at some point during that time frame.

A search was made in the Hancock Co., KY tax lists from 1829 through 1851. **William Weedman** is there from 1829 and his taxable holdings are listed (cattle, horses, land, etc.). He apparently had no land until 1838 when he had a town lot in Hawesville. Then, in 1840, he suddenly has 150 acres of land on Indian Creek in Hancock Co.

The tax list also tells the number of males over 21 and, in some, the number of children between 7 and 17. In 1840 he had 6 children in that age bracket while in 1842, there were 7. By 1844 only 4 children in that age bracket were in the family.

In 1846, he had no land so we assume he was preparing for his move to Perry Co., IN. In 1847, he is gone but in a following year, son **James Weedman**, appears.

By following the tax lists, we can learn almost as much as we can from the census records which are generally available on 10 year intervals from 1790—1930 (1890 burned and is not available). We can also learn more clearly where our ancestors lived and what possessions they had (meager as they may have been!).

We need to do more research on tax lists with emphasis on Jacob Weedman in Bullitt Co., KY and on the Breckinridge Co. lists.

We have researched tax lists in Fayette Co., PA and have reported on those in earlier *Newsletters*.

Reported by Nick Weedman

*Marianne Montgomery and
Nick Weedman*

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Marianne Montgomery's Memo

The Weedman Newsletter Will Continue!

The Weedman Newsletter will continue to be published!

As you will see in the following articles, **Chantal Weedman** and her father, **Bill Weedman**, will assume the editorship of the Newsletter in 2006.

Marianne Montgomery will be asked to take a role as Editor Emeritus of this publication. We are asking her to continue to submit articles for each issue and will have the freedom to "freelance" as she likes. We are hopeful that she will accept this role and continue to share her vast knowledge of the Weedman and related families as well as her knowledge of genealogy with us.

Nick Weedman will continue to publish and distribute the Newsletter.

This will be the final issue for 2005 as we regroup and make plans for next year. We are highly appreciative of all of the kind notes and words of encouragement received when we considered simply stopping! And now, from Marianne.

Marianne's Comments

Dear cousins,

Fall is surely here in Washington State. The show of colors is lovely this year

and it came early.

Dear ones, I have news of my own to tell you. I am, with this issue, transferring the editorship of the Newsletter to **Chantal Weedman**, daughter of **William L.** and **Pat Weedman** of Wilson, NC. Chantal has had experience in writing and is enthusiastic to become acquainted with her great big wonderful WEEDMAN family. I have turned the Newsletters from the beginning (March 1968) until 2000 when they appeared on the Weedman webpage as a regular feature. Still, however we each received our copies as usual.

I am getting close to eighty years old and have the aches and pains that come along with the advancing years. I wanted to turn my part of the Newsletter assembly over to a younger person who will enjoy many years of editing the Newsletter. I'll leave it to Chantal to tell you all about her experience, likes, and whatever else she wants to add. This will be my final edition, and Nick will be working with Chantal as long as they decide to work together on it. I have enjoyed and truly loved each one with whom I have come to know over the years, and I hope to still

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The new Editors of the Weedman Newsletter will be Chantal and Bill Weedman. Marianne will continue to be our Editor Emeritus!

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attend the Reunions as long as health allows.

My main complaint is polymyalgia (NOT fibromyalgia). Polymyalgia is the name for muscle inflammation. It occurs when the immune system mistakenly sends white corpuscles to the inflamed muscles, which attack them and cause the inflammation to increase to cause a great deal of pain. The only way to stop the inflammation of the muscles is PREDNISONE, which in itself causes bone loss and several other not-so-good things to occur in the body. After 13 years, however, my doctors decided that I'd had enough prednisone, and wouldn't renew my prescription. After the prednisone wore off, the muscle pain came back.

We have some Weedman happenings to report and they will follow a few words from Chantal.

Before I finish and say my farewell, I have some odds and ends pieces to give

you.

Nelson County Virginia became Nelson County Kentucky in 1785 and among the inhabitants of that new county, we find **Christian Weedman, Jr.** on a tax list of tithables of 1785. Nelson County consisted of a large land area of Kentucky. It eventually broke down into the following counties: Nelson, Washington, Marion, Larue, Harden, Breckinridge, Hancock, Daviess, Ohio, Grayson, Taylor, Henderson, McLean Butler, Edmondson, Hart, Green, Meade, Adair, Casey, Anderson Spencer and Bullitt. That's a large mass of land in 1785. **Christian Jr.** was married in Mercer County in 1789, to **Mary Marshall/Marshel**. In 1786, Mercer County was formed from Lincoln County, another large landmass that, like Nelson, broke off into other Kentucky counties. Christian's name was spelled **Weadman** on the tax list. The 1791 tax list spells **Christian Weedman's** name right, and it includes the **Mock** brothers (**Daniel and George**) and **James Mar-**

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This issue will complete 38 years of service by Marianne and her late husband, Paul Montgomery. We cannot adequately express our gratitude to them for their contributions to the Weedman family.

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shall...who may have been the father (or brother) of **Mary Marshall** who married **Christian, Jr. Weedman**. The Marshall's lived for a while in Mercer County.

That's all. My home address is:

Marianne Montgomery, 728 N. Orchard St., Apartment 208, Tacoma, WA 98406. I'd love to keep in touch with you and feel free to drop me a line now and then, but send your news items to **Chantal Weedman**, address further on in this Newsletter. Bye, bye.... Hope to see you all at the 2006 Reunion, which will be announced later.

Welcome Aboard, Chantal and Bill Weedman

Hello, Weedman Family!

As Marianne has explained, I will soon begin my duties as the new editor of *The Weedman Newsletter*. I'm excited about this endeavor, as it will give me the opportunity to continue the good work Marianne has done over the years. Luckily, I won't be taking on this project alone – my father, **Bill Weedman**, of Wilson, North Carolina will be my co-editor and research partner along the way. Part of the reason I choose to take on this job was that I want very much to work together with my Dad on a project that helps all of us re-connect with our family members. I think that The Weedman Newsletter will give me that opportunity and I hope it does the same for everyone who reads it.

When Dad and I agreed to take on the editorship, Marianne sent me a stack of newsletters that represented over 30 years of The Weedman Newsletter. As I browsed through, I started to become familiar with some of the names that are "regulars" on the pages of the newsletter

and I started getting a real sense of what an amazing job Marianne has done to keep our family newsletter going all these years. The newsletters Marianne sent me were arranged with the most recent editions on top, so the more I flipped through the stack, the older the newsletters were. As I came to the last newsletter in the pile, I realized it was written before I was born. With this realization, I feel a great sense of responsibility to take special care with the legacy of The Weedman Newsletter. I hope that when the time comes for Dad and me to pass the editor's reins on to the next Weedman (or Weedmans) someday, that we will have given as much and helped our family as much as Marianne Montgomery has these past 35 years.

In talking with Nick Weedman, who publishes *The Weedman Newsletter*, it became clear that we want to honor what Marianne has done to keep us all in touch across the years and across the miles. So with this issue, we would like to respectfully appoint Marianne as Editor Emeritus of The Weedman Newsletter. Marianne has graciously handed to Dad and me her duties, yet we know that she will always be helpful to us as we learn the ropes and her advice and council will be invaluable. As a reminder of all she's done and all the help we know she'll provide us, her name will continue to appear in our staff box on the second page of each newsletter, though she is now officially retiring from her editor duties.

So as we approach the final weeks of the year 2005, Dad and I will look forward to our new jobs as editors, to working closely with Nick to get the newsletter published, and most of all, we look forward to hearing from all of you as you share with us all the Weedman news that's fit to print.

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This will be the final Newsletter for 2005 and we will resume a four issue effort in 2006. Your suggestions are welcome.

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With all best Weedman wishes,
~Chantal

Recent Family Events

Obituaries

Dorothy Cash Weedman

Dorothy Ray (Cash) Weedman of Louisville, KY died on Thursday July 21, 2005. Survivors include her sons: **Maury Weedman** and **Curtis Weedman**; her daughter, **Donna Griffin**; her brothers, **David** and **Marion Cash**; five grandchildren and two great grandchildren. She was born 1 Mar 1921 in Louisville and was the wife of **Curtis Louis Weedman, Sr.** who died in 1974.

Her funeral service was at W.G. Hardy Shrively Chapel with internment in Louisville Memorial Gardens West. Our condolences go out to the family and friends who will miss Dorothy very much. She attended several Reunions, and was such a bubbly, friendly lady one not soon forgotten.

The lineage of Curtis Louis Weedman, Sr: Curtis Louis, Sr.⁶, William Deward Weedman⁵, Amos George Weedman⁴, Stephen Weedman³, Christian Weedman, Jr.² and Christian Weedman, Sr.¹.

Dorothy Weedman Barnes

Dorothy Weedman Barnes, aged 87, passed away Saturday, September 24, 2005 in Irving, Texas. She was born August 29, 1918 in Bisco, Prairie County, Arkansas, daughter of **Norman Benedict** and **Sarah Hilma (Malmstrom) Weedman**; and her husband **Ralph B. Barnes**.

Her son, **Ralph Barnes**, and daughter, **Elizabeth Engle**, survive Dorothy. Interment was at Pinecrest Memorial Park

in Alexander, Arkansas.

Her lineage: Dorothy Weedman Barnes⁶, Norman B. Weedman⁵, Elisha Spurrier Weedman⁴, Daniel Weedman³, Christian Weedman Jr.², Christian Weedman Sr.¹.

Richard G. Weedman

Richard Weedman, 22, son of **Jane Elizabeth** and **Greg White**, was killed in an auto accident in Pearl, Mississippi on August 19, 2005. Survivors include his parents, siblings, and his grandparents, **Jesse** and **Jerri Weedman** of Joshua Tree, CA. We have no other details for Richard.

His lineage: Richard G. Weedman⁸, Jane Elizabeth Weedman⁷, Jesse Earl Weedman⁶, James Monroe Weedman⁵, Jesse Hamilton Stewart Weedman⁴, David Weedman³, Jacob Weedman Sr.², and Christian Weedman, Sr.¹.

Yae Nakamoto Weedman

Yae Nakamoto Weedman of Lakewood CA died there on 31 August 2005. She was born 25 May 1925 and was the widow of **Emerald Rose Weedman**. Her daughter, **Betty Moore**, is a subscriber to the Newsletter.

The lineage of Mr. Weedman was: Emerald Rose Weedman⁶, Abraham Lincoln Weedman⁵, George Weedman⁴, John Jesse Weedman, Sr.³, George Weedman², and Christian Weedman, Sr.¹.

Mary A. Weedman

Mary A. Weedman of Sandusky, OH died there on 23 Sept 2005. She was born on 7 Aug 1942 and was formerly married to **Ronald Weedman** of Sandusky.

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As always, we welcome news of the Weedman family to share with our subscribers. Please continue to send your news.

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Mr. Weedman's lineage: Ronald Weedman⁷, Gus Clinton Weedman⁶, Harvey Shinn Weedman⁵, Asa Weedman⁴, John Jesse Weedman, Sr.³, George Weedman², and Christian Weedman, Sr.¹.

Greetings from our Alaskan Cousins

(The following is an e-mail received from Eleanor Roehl of Anchorage, Alaska. Eleanor is a daughter of Richard and Golina (Wassily) Weedman. Richard was a son of Gus Clinton Weedman (see the obituary for Mary A. Weedman that appears earlier in this issue for the lineage). In 2003, I had the pleasure of meeting Eleanor and her sister, Natalie Ezwiler, in Sandusky, OH thank to an invitation from Vicki Kimberlin. Richard was stationed at Elmendorf Air Force Base married there and had a family who remains in Alaska. They are delightful and we wanted to share this with our subscribers).

Camai (greetings),

This is your cousin Eleanor that you met from Alaska a couple of years ago in Ohio! I have so enjoyed reading about my new found relatives in the newsletters and want to thank you for your time, effort and love that you have put into publishing them for all of us. I am so sorry to hear that they might be ceasing. I want to let you know that since I had met you all I have felt such a sense of wholeness come to me as a person. I have only known by Eskimo side and have grown up in a village where the "other side" of me was mysterious and yet plaguing in a sense until I finally had the opportunity to have met you all. It brought a real peace within myself of all of who I am along with a sense of pride and a unity within myself took place. Maybe someone who is not half of one culture may not understand this, but I am trying to relay to you that I do want to finally meet some more

of my relatives one day. I also want to let you know as well as the rest of the family know (perhaps in the next newsletter) that I have DVDs and videos of my native Eskimo dancing for sale of \$20.00 each if anyone is interested. I have an opening statement of who I am with a little bit of my Eskimo language and in my Eskimo regalia in them, six different dances that I do at different places with a little explanation before each dance. You may give out my email to any of the relatives. I hope to see you again.

Love, Elenor

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Recent Contacts and Inquiries

We are fortunate to have family members find our family web site at www.weedman.org and who send notes asking for information on their lines.

Recent contacts were received from **Colby Weedman** who lives in Oregon and wanted to know about his line. His family lives on the farm which was started by his great grandparents, Guy **Philip** and **Edna (Potter) Weedman**. His line goes back to **Daniel Weedman** of Perry County, IN and **Christian Weedman, Jr.**

Jim Finley of Maryland sent an e-mail inquiring about **Barbara Weedman**, a daughter of **Christian, Sr.** and **Elizabeth Weedman**. Barbara married **Nicholas Riffle**, a Revolutionary War Veteran, and lived in Fayette Co., PA. After Nicholas died in 1808, she married **Michael Kerns** and moved to Morgantown, WV. **Michael Kerns** was one of the founders of Morgantown. Jim's great great grandfather was **William Wiedman Pratt** (we wonder if the spelling was actually Widman?) and he was a son of **Hannah Lauren Riffle** and grandson of **Nicholas** and

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We welcome back to our pages a note from our Alaskan cousins and hope they continue to stay in touch.

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Barbara (Weedman) Riffle. In this correspondence, we have learned the first time of the unit in which Nicholas served in the Revolutionary War.

Here is a note from someone seeking one descendent of **Daniel Weedman**. "Hi, I am am looking for info on a **Martha Weedman**. She was married to a **Levi Jackson**. They had a son **George W. Jackson** born 19 Jan 1857 in Perry, Indiana. Martha is the only Weedman I know of. I found your website by accident when I decided to "google" the name **Martha Weedman**. I hope you may have heard of her. That is not much to go on. Thank you for any help. **Becky Fisher**"

Linda Tatlinger of Fayette County, PA and a descendant of **Henry Huhn**, a son of **John, Jr.** and **Catherine (Weedman) Huhn** – Catherine was a daughter of Christian Weedman, Sr. – continues to work on the Huhn line and keeps us up to date on that line.

In addition, we have heard from Weedmans who are from South Africa and whose line goes back to England!

So, the web site continues to provide contacts with other family members!

New Family Members

Melissa Weedman Coots, daughter of **Kenneth** and **Sue Weedman**, announce the adoption of two daughters on June 7, 2005, in the next newsletter. They are **Erica Grace**, age 2, and **Emily Nicole**, age 6. Melissa and her husband, Keith, were their foster parents for almost two years before the adoption became final!

The note from Melissa states, "As you can imagine their grandparents and we are so very, very happy! Thanks, **Melissa**

Weedman Coots". Congratulations on the new family members!

Will there be a 2006 Weedman Family National Gathering?

Keep tuned because there are discussions about actually having a family reunion in 2006. A potential volunteer, who shall remain anonymous at this point, is considering hosting one in either Tell City, IN; Uniontown in Fayette Co., PA; or New Lexington, in Perry County, OH.

If you have an opinion or want to encourage a Reunion, let us know!

In the Next Issue

We have been able to get the entire listing for the World War I Draft Cards for the Weedman (with several Weidman) family members. We will publish the list and will be able to provide to subscribers who are paid up as of that issue with photocopies or an e-mail rendering of the card for their ancestor. The cards contain a little genealogical information but for those who find a lost ancestor, they could prove of great value.

In addition, in that issue or later, we will publish World War II Weedman enlistees and provide the same service of making copies for paid up subscribers.

With that, we close this issue. Welcome aboard to **Chantal** and **Bill Weedman** and our deep thanks to **Marianne Montgomery** for her tireless efforts for 38 years!

*Merry Christmas and a
Happy 2006 from*

*Marianne, Nick,
Chantal and Bill!*

Your thoughts on the possibility of a 2006 Weedman National Family Gathering will be appreciated. The potential volunteer has selected some great venues!