## Goodrich Gospel



















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#### **Membership Update**

Our membership now numbers 60. Those of you who are paid members should have received your membership packets and membership cards. If you have not, please contact Kay Waterloo at kmw328@aol.com. If you would like to become a member, please see the last page of this newsletter for the membership application and more information.

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#### **Back to (Genealogy) School**

~Kay Waterloo, Editor

The school bell rings, the kids rush into their new classrooms, teachers hurry to get everyone into their places to begin not only a new day, but a new school year. Remember the anxiety, the apprehension, the insecurity? Believe me, researching your family history, although a sometimes daunting learning experience, is nothing like that first day of a new school year. After all, we are adults. It can't be that difficult. Right?

Whether we are beginners or not to genealogy, family history, or whatever you want to call it, we can always learn something new. Perhaps you started off on the wrong foot with your research from the very beginning. Have you ever picked up a family history, copied a few pages of information about your family and forgotten to cite your source? Then 10 years later, one of your relatives asks, "Where did you ever find THAT information?" Could you answer? Could you ever find that source again if you had to?

Scattered throughout this newsletter you will find suggestions as to where you can learn – or relearn – the research process. Remember, genealogical research is more than simply filling out a few pedigree charts with your ancestors' names and birth dates. First and foremost, it is a commitment – a commitment to accuracy, to details, to the true HISTORY of your family. Do you really want to end up with the "Cliff's Notes" version of your Goodrich Family History? I doubt it. Don't you want to put "meat" on those "bones?"

So let's get started. Sign up for a class, perhaps at a college or even online. Subscribe to one or more genealogical publications. Attend a genealogical conference either locally or nationally. Join your local genealogical society. Interview an elderly relative. Ask a seasoned genealogist for help. Or if you ARE that seasoned genealogist, offer to teach your skills to a beginner. Or teach them to your children or grandchildren. However you do it, just get to it!

To begin, here is the story of a Goodrich teacher.

### Frances Louisa Goodrich, North Carolina Teacher and Cottage Industry Pioneer ~ Delores Goodrick Beggs

Frances Louisa Goodrich, a descendant of prominent Goodrich men, didn't rest on her laurels. She created a memorable name of her own, and a satisfying niche for herself when she moved to Riceville, NC in 1890 as a volunteer teacher in the Presbyterian Mission located near Asheville.<sup>2</sup> On the roadside of highway NC 208 at Allanstand, a Historical Marker commemorates her. The inscription reads:

Frances Goodrich 1856-1944
Missionary and Teacher
Her Allanstand Cottage Industries promoted the revival of Appalachian handicrafts.

Lived here.<sup>6</sup>

"Asheville – Louisa Frances Goodrich, d. 1944, Teacher..." is included in a listing of North Carolina Historic sites featuring women.<sup>6</sup>

Frances (#3536, page 320, *The Goodrich Family in America*) was born 15 Sept. 1856 <sup>1</sup> and died in 1944. <sup>8</sup> She was the third of five children of William Henry Goodrich (#2601 page 319-320<sup>1</sup>), born in New Haven, CT on 19 Jan. 1823, and his wife Mary Prichard, daughter of Gilman Prichard of Boston, MA, and Mary Briggs.

Frances L. Goodrich arrived in North Carolina in 1890 as an educational volunteer and helped teach sewing, history, reading and arithmetic at rural Home Industrial Schools operated by the Board of Missions of the Presbyterian Church.<sup>2,9</sup> Her interests soon turned to weaving and fiber art when she received from a neighbor woman the gift of a woven coverlet and also the pattern's draft, the abbreviated notation a weaver follows to reproduce a pattern.<sup>2,7</sup>

The weaving craft was dying out in the area. The gift of coverlet and draft inspired Frances to explore the sales potential of woven items, and the possibilities of providing the poor area women with income for their families. Frances studied how one family created a woven item in their home, from start to finish, using traditional homespun methods. Then she formulated a new production plan. She assigned the carding, spinning, dyeing and weaving production stages to different families in order to quickly create a selection of woven products ready to sell while spreading the income, and at the same time encourage more women in the learning and preservation of new skills by reviving the craft.<sup>2</sup>

Frances marketed the woven and fiber art goods such as woven corn shuck hats and purses<sup>7</sup> both regionally and nationally. 1897 found Frances moved to Allanstand, NC where she built a log cabin in order to also sell crafts locally to tourists. She named her growing organization Allanstand Cottage Industries. The area's increasingly popular home-craft economy provided the needy community with independent means.

In 1931, a fledgling Southern Highland Handicraft Guild wanted to buy Allanstand from her. Instead, Frances Goodrich gifted them with her assets, helping to sustain the new organization. In 1935 she also gifted the group with a collection of regional crafts that form the core of their permanent collection. <sup>2</sup>

Like her father, grandfather, and great-grandfather, Frances Goodrich attended Yale, 1879 – 1882<sup>2</sup>, but did not receive a degree. The School of Fine Arts was Yale's first coeducational school from its inception in 1869, but it did not confer Bachelor of Fine Arts degrees on women until 1891.<sup>4</sup> Nevertheless, Frances went forth after college and left her own mark on her world.

Frances Louisa Goodrich's father, Rev. William Henry Goodrich, graduated from Yale in 1843 and received his Doctor of Divinity from Western Reserve College in 1864.<sup>5</sup> His first parish was the First Congregational Church in Bristol, CT; next the Presbyterian Church in Binghamton, NY; lastly he became pastor of the First Presbyterian Church in Cleveland, Ohio, a position he held until his death in Lausanne, Switzerland 11 July 1874.<sup>1</sup> Her grandfather was distinguished Yale professor Rev. Chauncey Allen Goodrich, D. D., (# 1444, page 219<sup>1</sup>), who married Julia Frances Webster, a daughter of Noah Webster, and edited the first abridgement of Webster's *Dictionary*.<sup>5</sup> Frances Louisa Goodrich's great-grandfather, Hon. Elizur Goodrich (#654, page 127<sup>1</sup>) graduated from Yale in 1779. He was a Representative of Congress and served twenty years as Mayor of New Haven, CT.<sup>3,5</sup>

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#### **Bevond Case's Book**

~ Delores Beggs

We are seeing a lot of interest in Goodrich generations not included in *The Goodrich Family in America* edited by Lafayette W. Case. Carl Hoffstedt's article below is an example of filling in blanks – the only information in the book about Nehemiah's son, George, is his name and birth date. Readers with information about generations not included in the book are encouraged to send us the information at <a href="mailto:gfagenealogy@yahoo.com">gfagenealogy@yahoo.com</a>. As always, please include your sources. Thank you.

#### Anoka, Minnesota Goodriches

~ Carl Hoffstedt

As a Goodrich descendent, have you wondered how you might be related or connected to Goodriches living in your community, area or state? This was the case for me with Goodriches in Anoka, Minnesota. After spending the past three years working on my mother's Thorne, Goodrich and Cochrane ancestries, I finally found time to research the Anoka Goodriches.

The <u>History of Anoka County</u> by Albert M. Goodrich, published in 1905 and again in 1976, had several Goodriches listed in the Index including George Herbert Goodrich who owned a drug store in the City of Anoka. I checked the Minnesota Historical Society's website for a possible death certificate for George and I found one. While at the Minnesota History Center, I viewed the death certificate, which listed George's father as Nehemiah Goodrich. I also checked for Nehemiah's death certificate and he, too, died in Minnesota. My cousin, Evonne Wallin, then found obituaries for George at the Anoka County History Center, and I found one for Nehemiah, also at the Minnesota History Center. The <u>Goodrich Family in America</u> edited by Lafayette Wallace Case listed Nehemiah (#1039) on pages 101 and 175, and the information matched the death certificates and obituaries.

Nehemiah Goodrich (Abner, Abner, Ephraim, Ephraim, William "The Elder") was born January 24, 1819 in New York State and married Eliza Miner on June 15, 1847. Eliza died August 22, 1852 and Nehemiah then married Delia S. Culver on March 18, 1854 at Hazel Green, Grant County, Wisconsin. Nehemiah had one child, Ellen, with his first wife and five children, Edith, Arthur, George Herbert, Nettie and Orville, with his second wife. Nehemiah resided in Platteville, Grant County, Wisconsin, and is noted on page 695 in History of Grant County, Wisconsin by C.W. Butterfield. Nehemiah is also found in the History of Grant County, Wisconsin by Castello N. Holford, the Teller print, 1900. Nehemiah is noted as N. Goodrich on pages 467, 472 and 499. He is also noted as Nehemiah on page 472.

Page 499 of the Holford book has the following: "Platteville Cemetery Association – The first cemetery of Platteville, Wisconsin was laid out on land donated by Roundtree & Virgin, south of Virgin's mill. Here the dead were buried until about 1850, when the space became all occupied with graves and a new cemetery became necessary. The old one was deeded to the village on condition that the village should forever care for it. A cemetery association was formed September 15, 1855, with the following officers – John Lewis, president; I.S. Clark, secretary; V.P. Eastman, treasurer; N. Goodrich; J.L. Pickard; H.C. Lane; H. Perry; John Lewis and William Butler, trustees. Ten acres of land in Section 16 west to the city, was purchased and laid out and handsomely adorned."

Nehemiah came to live with his son, George, in Anoka and died at George's home on January 26, 1904. Nehemiah was buried at Platteville, Wisconsin.

From his obituary: George Herbert Goodrich was born July 8, 1860 in Platteville, Wisconsin where he received his education. He taught school there for some time before moving to Winterset, Madison County, Iowa where he obtained his first experience in the druggist business. From there, George arrived in Minnesota in 1884 and was employed in a drug store on Nicollet Avenue in Minnesota. He went to Anoka in 1886 and became a member of the Goodrich and Jennings firm. The firm manufactured the famous Hoff's German Liniment, which

was made in large quantities at Anoka and shipped to nearly every state in the union. George bought out the Jennings' interests in the store in 1914 and continued the business under the name Goodrich Drug Co.

George married Mary A. Funk on August 22, 1888 and they had five children: Herbert F., Edith, Edgar J., Helen, and Alice. George's wife and four of his children survived George at his death – Prof. Herbert of Ann Arbor, Michigan, Edgar of Charleston, West Virginia, Helen of North Hampton, Massachusetts, and Alice of Cambridge, Massachusetts.

From <u>History of Anoka County</u>: George was elected Mayor of Anoka for two terms and was a member of the Library Board. He was a State Board of Pharmacy member from 1895 to 1904 and served as President for four years.

From his obituaries: George was Kiwanis Club President, and Anoka Masonic Lodge No. 30 A.F. member and A.M. of the Scottish Rite and the Shrine. George died July 9, 1925 in Anoka, Anoka County, Minnesota.

From the Anoka County Historical Society: The land on which the Anoka High School Athletic Field stands was named for George Herbert Goodrich in 1925 as a Memorial Park owned by the City of Anoka. In the winter its surrounding hills were filled with the rollicking sounds of families sliding, skiing and tobogganing.

George Herbert Goodrich is a fourth cousin, three times removed, to me (Cora, John A., Eli, Levi, Ashbel, James, Thomas, Ephraim, William "The Elder"). Albert M. Goodrich, who wrote the <u>History of Anoka County</u>, was the son of Moses Goodrich who was the Anoka County Superintendent of Schools in the 1870s until his death in 1880. I have been unable to find Moses' father to make any connection. He is not listed in <u>The Goodrich Family in America</u> book. Moses was also listed as Reverend. If anyone knows more about Moses Goodrich, I would appreciate the information.

My English teacher in Grade 11 was Stuart Goodrich (Fred Lee, Charles S., St. John, Elnathan, Michael, Elnathan, William, William "The Elder"). I often wondered if we were related. Yes, we are 8<sup>th</sup> generation cousins as it turns out. A similar process was used to find this connection. Fred Lee Goodrich can be found on page 330 in <u>The Goodrich Family in America</u> book.

Finding these types of connections and how they relate to history is what makes genealogy so interesting to me.

George Herbert Goodrich's obituaries appeared in the July 8, 1925 <u>Anoka County Union</u> edition and the July 7, 1925 edition of The <u>Anoka Herald and Free Press</u>. Nehemiah's obituary was in the January 27, 1904 edition of the <u>Anoka County Union</u>.



#### **Success Stories**

If you have a Goodrich Genealogy Research Success Story you would like to share, please contact Kay Waterloo, Goodrich Family Association Newsletter Editor at <a href="mailto:kmw328@aol.com">kmw328@aol.com</a>.

#### Still Hill Cemetery, So. Glastonbury, CT Transcriptions Available

We thank Edward Olin Goodrich, Jr. for his recent contribution of Still Hill Cemetery, South Glastonbury, CT Goodrich gravestone transcriptions and GPS to our Goodrich Family Association Research Resources. We are currently working with this new collection of information to correlate gravestones with identification numbers and page numbers in *The Goodrich Family in America*, edited by Lafayette W. Case, 1889.

A sampling of the Goodrich names includes Bathsheba, wife of Mr. Jehiel Goodrich (adjacent to Jehiel), Elisha (Revolutionary War), Luther, Jared, Watson, Frank, and Jabez.

Edward and his family visited the cemetery on July 2, 2007. He was looking for the gravestones of three of his ancestors, Jehiel Goodrich, born 16 September 1741, Jehiel's son, Edward Goodrich, born 23 April 1784, and Edward's son, Edward Goodrich, who married Martha A. Hull 9 February 1852 in Clinton, CT. Edward decided to transcribe all of the Goodrich gravestones, and his family recorded the GPS. He reports that unfortunately many of the stones, particularly the red ones are badly flaked and illegible, but the cemetery seemed very well cared for.



#### The Goodrich Family in Oregon

~Delores Goodrick Beggs

We are grateful to Vivian Zimmerlee, Librarian, Crook County Genealogical Society, for providing us with a photocopy of the Goodrich Family Bible page listing of the Carmi(y) Goodrich family as copied by his daughter, Miss Sarah Ann Goodrich, in June 1936. The Bible listing includes Carmi's two wives, Rachael Talbert and Peggy Thompson Steele and Carmi's 14 children by the two wives.

In addition to the Bible page translation, Ms. Zimmerlee provided us with a photocopy of *Goodrich Family in Oregon, Ancestors and Descendants of Carmi Goodrich who Crossed the Plains by Covered Wagon to Oregon Territory in 1845 with Short Records of Allied Families*, compiled by Minnie D. Van Valin, having 123 pages.

Carmi Goodrich, 1792-1860 was the son of Joel<sup>5</sup>, Elnathan<sup>4</sup>, Willian<sup>3</sup>, Lt. William<sup>2</sup>, Ens. William<sup>1</sup>. He was a Revolutionary soldier. He was born at Sharon, CT, and removed at an early age with his parents to New York State. From there, the family went to Ripley County, IN. Carmi married first Rachel Talbert. In 1845, Carmi and second wife, Peggy Steele Goodrich, began the long journey across the plains to Oregon.

The book contains 4 index pages of Goodrich names for look-ups. It has been added to our newsletter "look-ups" listing. *The Goodrich Family in Oregon*... contains a wealth of hard-to-find information on Oregon Goodriches and their descendants. We previously had little available information on Carmi, and had searched before for information about William Owens, the first husband of Carmi's daughter, Rachael.

Look-ups are available from this information by email to gfagenealogy@yahoo.com

# Believe it? Or not!

You may or may not believe in ghosts, but here is a story about one of our very own – a Goodrich ghost, Lucy Goodrich Clapp, of Pittsfield, Massachusetts. It seems Lucy's ghost, as well as that of others, appears regularly at the beautiful and historic Thaddeus Clapp House Bed and Breakfast, as it is now known. The following article from the Berkshires Week (<a href="www.berkshiresweek.com">www.berkshiresweek.com</a>) is reprinted with the newspaper's permission, and describes one of the first appearances of Lucy in 2002. Seeing as Halloween will be here before you know it, we thought you might enjoy reading a more personal, Goodrich-type ghost story. Don't worry, though, it isn't all that scary.



#### **Sleeping With Ghosts**

~J. Peter Bergman, reprinted in part with permission, New England Newspapers, Inc.

The Thaddeus Clapp House Bed and Breakfast, 74 Wendell Ave., in Pittsfield, built in 1871 by Thaddeus and Lucy Goodrich Clapp...now houses eight elegant suites and is owned and managed by Rebecca Smith, a woman, still relatively new in town, who knows more Pittsfield history and local lore than most natives.

While the house was being renovated, Smith commissioned me to write and direct a play to be performed in the house during its first winter open to the public, as a way to reintroduce the home to locals. The play was written so as to take its audience through seven of the suites and the three public areas on the first floor. It was during the rehearsals for this play that the Clapp House ghost first appeared.

The month was December. Sally Filkins and Charlie Wright, playing Mr. and Mrs. Clapp, were rehearsing in the music room, now the breakfast room at the B&B. This room had been built with a stage that the Clapps and their friends used for informal performances of the local theater troupe, The Williams Street Varieties. Smith had announced that she was going out and that the actors and I had the house all to themselves. There were no guests, no day help in the building.

About 20 minutes later we heard someone on the stairs and before we could investigate we saw a dark-haired woman in a long red coat pass through the foyer and exit the building. We assumed that this was Smith going out and thought little about it. Not 10 minutes after that we heard the front door open again and, turning, saw the same red coat, collar up, coming into the foyer. We called out to Smith and got no reply. So all three of us moved to the doorway of the music room to see if she was all right or needed help. There was no one in the foyer. A moment later we heard a door slam on an upper floor. We returned to work and within minutes the door to Smith's private quarters opened and she appeared.

I turned to Becky Smith and asked her how she had managed to go upstairs and then appear so quickly downstairs. She seemed confused by the question. We all told her about seeing a woman go out and come back. She informed us that she had gone out the back door of the house and had just come back in, the same way. And she didn't own a red coat. And her hair is blonde. We went on a search of the upstairs suites, but there was no one in the house and nothing at all in that particular, bright shade of red.

That one incident was all there was to the haunting in 2002. Then came December 2003. Classical singer Amy Goldstein and her husband, composer Jonathan Faiman, were guests at the Clapp House. From the minute they entered the premises Goldstein, who is also a professional Tarot card reader, felt something happening.

"I've stayed in upward of 50 B&Bs over the past 12 to 15 years," Goldstein told me recently in a telephone interview, "and I've never had an experience like this one at the Clapp House. In old houses that have become museums, yes, but this house. I walked into the house, saw the large round table in the foyer and immediately saw a ton of people walking around me, going up and coming down the stairs. They were dressed in green, sort of a forest or dark pea green coats and red coats. After I was told about the Clapp family, I realized they were all family. They seemed so happy, walking with a light gait. I said to Jonathan, 'We're not the only people here. I see all these people walking around. It's freaking me out. It's not a bad feeling but no one has left this house.'

Goldstein's psychic senses were put to the test in the Clapp House and her conclusions were that this particular season, a time when the large and extended Clapp family would have been in residence or constantly visiting, was a time that no one in that family wanted to see come to an end.

"I felt the liveliness of the house," she said. "I felt strongly that the time we were there was a favorite time for that family, through the bustle in the foyer and on the stairs. One spot where I felt it considerably strong was near the back door and the corridor from the foyer. I felt a lot of action there. When I went near that door, it was cold, very different from the rest of house. When you know there's a person, a spirit, there, you realize that they have brought the season with them into that part of the house. That was the cold I felt. It wasn't bad, it was just the memory of a terribly cold winter."

Goldstein and Faiman remained guests in the house for almost a week. During that time, little changed. "I didn't see people in the foyer so much," Goldstein laughed, "but I passed them on the stairs all the time. I kept saying 'Hello' to people Jonathan couldn't see. I'm used to paranormal experience. It was very benevolent, nothing malicious. There was one man; I knew it was the father. Becky finally described Thaddeus Clapp to me and it was him. There was a lovely looking woman, in red, who had a very casual manner. I think it was Mrs. Clapp. In my room, the Theodore Pomeroy Suite, I felt the buzz of people having been there, which is something I have never felt in another B&B. It was simply alive with tremendous family joy."

Smith also noted a Christmas peculiarity about the house. "We decorate, of course, and it gets very festive and Victorian in here," she said, gesturing towards the front parlor. "Then something else happens. The rooms start to take on a glow, a polished look that has nothing to do with how we clean it, or even the Christmas lights. It's like the front parlor, where Mr. Clapp died, changes somehow, as though the house really likes being decorated and somehow reacts to it. And when we take down the decorations the whole house feels sad, almost melancholy, for a while."

Other guests have commented to her about hot spots and cold spots, something she herself has never experienced in this house. Room six, with its private sun porch, had been Mrs. Clapp's room. Now it is the Theodore Pomeroy Suite. "People sometimes report extra heat in that room," Smith said. "Others find that room four is very comfy. It's nothing discernible but they just seem

to like being in there. That was Mr. Clapp's room and he hated to leave it." Now, that room is the Oliver Wendell Holmes Suite.

Smith has done a great deal of research on the house, the people and the period. Much of that has been translated into her choices for the house, which had been a boarding house and an apartment house for a while. "I think I know what it must have felt like for Lucy, living here, and having to leave it," Smith commented. "She died in a house on Henry Street. The December ghost, that your actors saw and Amy Goldstein saw, the woman in the red coat, I think is Lucy. I think she comes back here where Thaddeus died, to be with him at the holidays."

Whether the ghost in red is Mrs. Clapp or someone else, she seems to be a real presence, a non-threatening presence, in that house.

Talking to other B&B owners and innkeepers it becomes clear that this sort of spiritual link with the past is not uncommon in our community and in the Berkshires, it seems, a haunted house makes a comfortable home.

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#### *More about Lucy:*

Lucy Goodrich Clapp is #1577, page 139-140, in Case's The Goodrich Family in America, and was the 9th child of Levi (#738) and Wealthy (Whitney) Goodrich. Lucy was born 23 Aug. 1825 and married Thaddeus Clapp 1 May 1845.



#### **Conference Chat**

~Kay Waterloo

**Conference** – what image does that word conjure up in your mind? Well here is what it makes me think of:

- ✓ Attending a hands-on workshop to learn how to properly use the genealogy program I recently purchased.
- ✓ Seeing first-hand some computer tricks to make Word, Excel or other programs useful to my research.
- ✓ Learning how to preserve my fading photos and precious documents.
- ✓ Discovering how a DNA project can help in my research.
- ✓ Learning techniques to use when researching at the courthouse, my local library, a family history center, a church archives, a cemetery or funeral home, a county historical society, the National Archives, Family History Center.
- ✓ Networking with other genealogists.
- ✓ Listening to and learning from some of the most renowned researchers in the country.
- ✓ Meeting experts from around the world who explain record keeping in their countries Ireland, Germany, England, Canada, to name just a few.
- ✓ Learning tips on how to write my family's history finally!

If you had attended, for instance, the Federation of Genealogical Societies' 2007 Conference which was held in Fort Wayne, Indiana, as did Carole and I last month, you could have experienced all of the above, and so much more. The conference lasted 4 days and each day was jam-packed with classes from 8:00 a.m. through 5:30 p.m. There were more than 1400 attendees, 93 speakers, and 217 different gatherings/classes. There were sponsored luncheons and dinners where you could hear professional genealogists speak on a number of topics. And if that weren't enough, the exhibit hall was packed with 115 booths where you could purchase computer software, history books, how-to books, forms and charts, genealogy magazines, gadgets and gizmos; or talk with software developers, authors, librarians, archivists, or even representatives from numerous genealogical societies from around the world – all in one room!

If you would like to see for yourself what was available, please visit FGS website at <a href="www.fgs.org">www.fgs.org</a> to see what you missed. Well, you might have missed this one, but there are conferences going on all the time, all over the country – and believe it or not, even Hawaiian cruises dedicated to genealogy!

Not all conferences are held on such a grand scale as the FGS or NGS conferences. Frequently, your local or state genealogical and historical societies offer programs that can be just as useful as the larger ones. For instance, the Illinois State Genealogical Society is holding their annual fall conference in Elmhurst, Illinois on Saturday, October 20th. They are offering a daylong conference with ten interesting and informative classes presented by seven prominent speakers. Visit their website, <a href="http://www.rootsweb.com/~ilsgs/fallconf/2007falconf.html">http://www.rootsweb.com/~ilsgs/fallconf/2007falconf.html</a> for the details.

If you would like to learn when and where conferences will be held in your area, contact your favorite genealogical or historical society or go to one of the following websites for some suggestions:

http://www.cyndislist.com/events.htm - Cyndi's list

http://www.fgs.org/fgs-conference.htm - Federation of Genealogical Societies

http://www.whollygenes.com/forums201/index.php?showtopic=6937 - Wholly Genes cruise information

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And try to attend one or two – maybe even in October. Did you know that is Family History Month?

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www.fgs.org



#### Reunions

We have received reports of a few Goodrich family reunions that were held over the summer. Here are some of the details.

#### **New York Goodrich Reunion**

A Goodrich Family Reunion was held on July 15, 2007 at a private home in Berkshire, N. Y. Attendance was mostly Goodriches from the New York counties of Tompkins and Tioga.

This group has met annually since 1973, and maintains a "Blue Book" – one for the Elizur line genealogy sheets, and one for the Horace line. They try to keep the lines updated on the local births, marriages, and deaths. Brothers Horace Butler Goodrich and Elizur/Elijah Goodrich, both sons of Gurdon Goodrich, Jr., married sisters, Eleanor and Frances Scranton.

A good time and potluck food were enjoyed by all. Plans were made to hold the reunion again in 2008 on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in July at the same place.

#### Virginia Goodrich Family Reunion

~Jesse R. Goodrich

The Goodrich family reunion that took place beginning Friday, August 17, 2007 in Lawrenceville, Va., Brunswick County was called the Family Reunion because it included all related families. These families have been linked in one fashion or another throughout the centuries right in Brunswick County, and other surrounding counties.

On Friday night, there was registration and a family fellowship program at Zion Union Church with a buffet dinner. This year, the program centered around one of the other larger families known as the Carters whose heritage includes the Saponi Indians of the Jamestown River area in Virginia, and into North Carolina. The program also included a review by one of our family members who recently traveled to Ghana to a conference. Finally, I presented my DNA information obtained though National Geographic inclusive of literature from Ms. Delores Goodrick-Beggs on the Goodrich DNA Project. My presentation was very well received, and I expect that there will be others beyond myself of the Brunswick County Goodriches who will be contacting Ms. Beggs to participate in this Project.

Saturday was a barbecue cookout at the Brunswick County Recreational Center with lots of children's activities including swimming. The most favorite food beyond hot dogs and hamburgers was fried whiting fish. The fryers could not keep up with the continued request for more.

Our Family Reunion concluded on Sunday with services at Zion Union Church as it has been done each year of the reunion - in this place, Lawrenceville, Virginia, considered the homeland of our ancestors.

#### Minnesota Goodrich Reunion

~Audrey (Goodrich) Esser

Our annual Goodrich Reunion was held at Blue Earth, Minnesota, on August 4, 2007. There were 36 grandchildren descendants of Edwin Preston Goodrich and Angela Eva Lutz. Some attendees came from as far as 100 miles, from Southern Minnesota and Northern Iowa.

Thankfully, some brought their family albums with old original photographs. I am very fortunate that my cousin let me bring some of her family photos home to make my own digital copies.

Since retiring last year I have developed a hobby of restoring old family photos. I would be so happy to find more good photos of my family if there are any more out there! Please contact me at audreya@hickorytech.net.

If you have attended a Goodrich Family Reunion and would like to have it mentioned in the Goodrich Gospel, please contact our editor at <a href="mailto:kmw328@aol.com">kmw328@aol.com</a>.



#### **Quick Tips from Ancestry**

Deciphering Handwriting – When I recently received my great-great-grandfather's Civil War file from the National Archives, the handwriting was in the old-fashioned script. There were quite a few words I could not decipher. I asked my mother who is eighty-eight if she could make it out and she could read everything. If you cannot read an old document, ask an older person, as when they grew up, that's the style they used.

VA Cemetery Index – I have found numerous relatives and their family members by searching on the Department of Veterans' Affairs National Cemetery Administration website and using the Nationwide Gravesite Locator's simple and advanced searches.



#### **Goodrich Surname DNA Project is Growing**

~Delores Goodrick Beggs

Our Goodrich Surname DNA Project continues to grow, and now shows five distinct groupings among the 21 test participants. New this quarter is that a number of participants opted to test, or update test results to 67 markers. Formerly we were using Y-DNA25 marker tests, which is the minimum needed to sort into one of the groups. That was enough to distinguish among groupings, but with more participants, we now prefer new participants to order at least Y-DNA37 tests.

New this quarter is the addition, in most Goodrich cases, of more refined haplogroup identifications. For example, the largest group, formerly shown as E3b, is now mostly identified by FTDNA from test results as E3b1a. E3b1a is believed to have expanded out of the Balkans into Europe. An updated DNA chart has been posted, showing this information.

Where the haplo is shown in red it was determined from a participant's Y-DNA test results. Those shown in green were determined from specific tests to determine the haplo.

Where no expanded result is shown, FTDNA was unable to determine without additional SNP testing.

The updated DNA chart now posted includes a bit of rearrangement done at the suggestion of one group member. Please check for your G-number to see where your test results are. The new arrangement makes it easier for test participants to compare like lineage results with like.

A growing number of Goodrich DNA test participants have ordered 67 marker tests, or updated existing test results to 67 markers. Some of these are posted and we are awaiting additional test results. Please note, DNA group members should order additional tests from within their DNA personal pages in order to get the special low group pricing.

One of the interesting things the extended 67 marker test has shown so far is the 0\*\* result at DYS425 in the 38-67 marker portion of the test results, which is a known result for the Ensign William Goodrich line. Other special 38-67 results for that line include the unusual allele of 9 at DYS460, and the unusual allele 24 at DYS413b.

Yes, we are looking for more Goodrich Surname DNA Project Participants. Our goal is to have all of the 12 known Goodrich immigrants represented in the project. Participants must be a male Goodrich or surname variant. Females and sons of Goodrich daughters can get a male Goodrich relative to test for them.

For further information, so you can order your test with the special group discount, please send a brief listing of your earliest known ancestor and spouse down to yourself to me at gfagenealogy@yahoo.com.



#### Civil War: William B. Goodrich at Antietam

~Delores Goodrick Beggs

The battle at Antietam on 17 September 1862 has been called the bloodiest combat day in American history. Thousands of troops were reported killed. Tactically the battle ended in a draw. Strategically it was a victory for the Union. It gave President Abraham Lincoln the narrow victory he needed to issue the Emancipation Proclamation, starting the process that led to the end of slavery. <sup>1</sup>

Col. William Bingham Goodrich was the only Union brigade commander to be killed or mortally wounded at Antietam,<sup>2</sup> as the Union called the battle, after the bordering Antietam Creek, or Sharpsburg, as the Confederates called it after the nearby town.

William Bingham Goodrich<sup>6</sup> was the oldest son of Hubbard Goodrich, M. D. and Sophia Bingham Goodrich,<sup>6</sup> and was born in Wilna, Jefferson County, N. Y. on 1 Dec. 1821.<sup>4</sup> He died at Antietam 17 September 1862. His father died when he was only 14.<sup>4</sup> He then had to support himself and the

large family of his mother. With long hours of work and great sacrifice he provided himself with an education. He graduated from the Wesleyan Seminary in Gouverneur, N. Y.<sup>3</sup>

After graduation, William B. Goodrich engaged in mercantile pursuits first in Wisconsin, and next in Missouri; he served in the war with Mexico.<sup>3, 4</sup> When peace was declared, he was drawn to California during the Gold Rush; after about a year he returned to New York to study Law.

In January, 1851, he married Lydia Elvira Hildreth, b. 8 February 1830, d. 9 June 1883, daughter of Thaddeus Hildreth, Esq., of Herkimer County, N. Y.<sup>7,4</sup> The couple had one daughter, Stella May Goodrich, b. 1 May 1854, d. 12 February 1901.<sup>7,4</sup> Stella married Charles Hazen Russell, King Co., N. Y. Senator.<sup>3</sup>

While the 60<sup>th</sup> Regiment of New York State Volunteers was at Camp Wheeler, the ladies of Ogdensburgh presented them with a superb blue silk flag, mounted on an elegant standard, surmounted with a golden Eagle.<sup>1</sup> Col. Goodrich, who had earned the reputation of an old-style orator, thanked the ladies, telling how the flag was a symbol of the principles he and his companions went forth to sustain.<sup>7</sup>

The 60<sup>th</sup> Regiment awoke on the morning of 17<sup>th</sup> September 1862, and was called to arms before breakfast. Col. Goodrich, on horseback, reported by one of his men to be calm and cool, led his men into action near the Miller Farm and the northern edge of the West Woods.<sup>2</sup> He was struck down by a bullet to the chest that severed an artery, and was dead two hours later.<sup>2</sup> He was survived by his wife, Elvira, and daughter, Stella, at home in Canton, N. Y.

The beautiful silk banner Company A, 60<sup>th</sup> Regiment carried so proudly was brought home to Canton, N. Y., tattered and torn from the campaigns it went through, a fitting reminder of William B. Goodrich's acceptance remarks, pledging to protect the banner with his last drop of blood.<sup>1</sup>

A roster of the 60<sup>th</sup> NY Regiment and Col. William B. Goodrich's Company A appears in History of St. Lawrence County, N. Y., With Illustrations, 1749-1878.<sup>5</sup>

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#### **Goodrich Links**

Everyone knows about searching on Google, but here are a few other search engines you might want to try:

www.lycos.comwww.livesearch.comwww.excite.comwww.wisenut.comwww.ask.comwww.dogpile.comwww.hotbot.comwww.yahoo.comwww.snap.comwww.yahoo.com

<u>www.goto.com</u> (good for translations)

The following websites compare Genealogy software programs:

<a href="http://www.mumford.ca/reportcard/">http://www.mumford.ca/reportcard/</a>
 Report card of 22 genealogy programs
 <a href="http://rwilson.us/comparison.htm">http://rwilson.us/comparison.htm</a>
 comparing Windows Genealogy programs
 <a href="http://genealogy-software-review.toptenreviews.com/">http://genealogy-software-review.toptenreviews.com/</a>
 Genealogy Software Review 2007

And finally, here are a few websites offering classes or courses on genealogical techniques:

http://www.acpl.lib.in.us/genealogy/getstart.html

http://www.genealogy.com/university/html

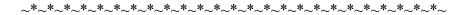
http://ce.byu.edu/is/site/courses/freecourses.cfm

http://www.ngsgenealogy.org/Courses/Course.cfm

http://blog.eogn.com/eastmens online genealogy/2005/01/byu offers free.html

http://familytreemaker.genealogy.com/university.html

Note – this list is not an endorsement of these courses; it is simply an example of the types of courses available online for learning more about how to proceed with your genealogical research. More courses can be located by going to Google.com or another search engine and typing "genealogy courses." When I did that, I got 1,850,000 hits.



#### **Goodrich Family Association Research Resources**

In addition to the new files regularly being added to our website at <a href="https://www.GoodrichFamilyAssoc.org">www.GoodrichFamilyAssoc.org</a>, the following resources are available to assist Goodrich and variant spellings researchers:

A limited number of copies of the fine reprint of the 1889, <u>The Goodrich Family in</u> <u>America</u> edited by Lafayette Case, are still available at \$45.00 per book. This is a quality book with quality binding. To order your copy, send your check, made out to Dr. Joyce Goodrich, to her at:

Dr. Joyce Goodrich 315 East 68<sup>th</sup> Street New York, NY 10021 The Descendants of William Homer Goodrich of Wethersfield, Connecticut through his 6<sup>th</sup> Great Grandson William Homer Goodrich of Beerston, New York, compiled by Victor Burton Goodrich, complete with four appendices is available by request, paper copies only. Contact: gfagenealogy@yahoo.com

<u>Genealogy of Goodriches of Sharon, CT</u>, compiled by Lindy Allen from the Goodrich deeds and probate of Sharon, CT from the beginning of the records until about 1840. Available by request. Contact: <u>gfagenealogy@yahoo.com</u>. For more details, please see the article by Lindy Allen on page 29 of Volume 2, Issue 4, September 6, 2006 of the GFA Newsletter.

\*NEW! <u>Still Hill Cemetery, So. Glastonbury, CT</u> Goodrich gravestone transcriptions and GPS taken 02 July 2007.

Look-ups are available for the following:

George W. Farrell; indexed collection.

Victor B. Goodrich, Delaware County, NY; notes

**Descendants of William Isaac Goodrich;** manuscript of Carl Hoffstedt

Zebulon Goodrich, New York & Pennsylvania Records; records of V & J Goodrich The Descendants of William Goodridge who Settled in Watertown, MA in 1634, Traced Through His Son Jeremiah

- \*NEW! <u>Descendants of Thomas Goodrich born 1614 in York, England and died 1679 in</u>
  <u>Rappahanock, Virginia. His daughter Anne Goodrich married Colonel John Lightfoot</u>
  <u>of Culpeper Co., Virginia</u>
- \*NEW! <u>Isle of Wight County Virginia Deeds 1750-1782 by William Lindsay Hopkins, Iberian</u> Publishing Company, Athens, Georgia, 1995
- \*NEW! Goodrich Family in Oregon, Ancestors and Descendants of Carmi Goodrich Who

  Crossed the Plains by Covered Wagon to Oregon Territory in 1845 with Short Records

  of Allied Families, Van Valin, Minnie D., compiler, 123 pages.

One name only per request; must be accompanied by known facts about the ancestor. Send request to <a href="mailto:gfagenealogy@yahoo.com">gfagenealogy@yahoo.com</a>.



#### Allied Goodrich Family Book Available

The Descendants of James Stanclift of Middletown, Connecticut – and Allied Families, by Sherry Smith Stancliff and Robert C. Stancliff, published by SS Research, Cincinnati, OH, 1995, Website: <a href="https://www.freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.com/~rstancliff/index.htm">www.freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.com/~rstancliff/index.htm</a>

The Stancliff/Stancliffe/Stanclift line in the U. S. begins in CT in the late 1600's – they were stonecutters, and actually made many of the Goodrich gravestones. Hannah Stancliff married Giles Goodrich October 27, 1774. Hannah was a fourth generation, direct descendant of James Stancliff, the original settler. The family traces back to John de Stanclyf, 1274, (John of the stone cliff – of the Pennine Mountain Range in England). This book is extremely well researched with lots of historical detail. It is very well written. Information is generously made available on the Internet as well. I found it very interesting, both as a Goodrich and as a woman descended from a Stancliff.

Giles Goodrich's ancestry is provided as one of the allied families. Both our lines from Giles and from Hannah go back to the 1600's in America and are traced to England. The two books are very comfortable together on my bookshelf as well as individually in my lap.

I would love to hear from other Goodriches.

Margaret Goodrich Hodge mgh.arcvn@gmail.com



#### **Seeking information**

We continue to seek Goodrich ancestry information to add to our special Virginia database. Please include your sources. Thanks again to those who have previously contributed information to help replace that lost in the Civil War and courthouse fires. Send your information to Delores at <a href="mailto:gfagenealogy@yahoo.com">gfagenealogy@yahoo.com</a>

We are also seeking Goodrich ancestor information, complete with sources, that is not included, and/or carries the families to newer generations than the eight compiled in The Goodrich Family in America, edited by Lafayette Wallace Case, M. D., Chicago: Fergus Printing Company, 1889. Send to <a href="mailto:gfagenealogy@yahoo.com">gfagenealogy@yahoo.com</a>.



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It may be the love of noble deeds,
Perchance 'tis pride, but he who reads
Of these who did and dared and died –
Then be it love or be it pride,
There is a link that seems to hold
Us bound to ancestors of old
~Author unknown

#### The Goodrich Family Association Membership Application

Membership is open to all variant spellings of the Goodrich name and other interested persons for the purpose of furthering research of the Goodrich families and working together as a community to determine the national and worldwide connections therein.

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