

The Cousin Catcher

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Greetings, cousins.

We are back with another issue of the Cousin Catcher. There are several items of interest in this issue.

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Dwight and Marietta Armstrong Jordan

Dwight Jordan, husband of Cousin Marietta Jordan of Spring Creek Road, Bridgewater, departed into glory on the evening of January 4, 2006. He was 82. Born in Spring Creek, Va, on April 24, 1923, he was the son of Elmer A. and Faye Anna Huffman Jordan and Nannie Miller Jordan.

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On May 9, 1948, Dwight married Marietta Armstrong, and they lived in their home near Spring Creek all of their lives. In addition to his wife, Dwight is survived by a daughter, Susan Fowler and a son Jeffrey. Six grandchildren are Esther King, Lesley McCall, Meredith Baugher, Mary Jordan, Joshua Dean and step grandson, Jeff Fowler. There are four great grandchildren. Also surviving are two sisters, Ruth J. Shirkey of Bridgewater and Evelyn Jordan of Butledge, PA.

A memorial service was held on Jan. 7 at the Bridgewater Church of the Brethren with burial previously in Eastlawn Memorial Gardens Mausoleum.

Retired Teachers

Since I have a retired teachers' meeting this week, I was interested in seeing a picture of Cousin Mary Hille McCoy of Monterey, VA, who is serving as the secretary of the Bath/Highland Retired Education Association. It was copied from a Dec., 2005 issue of The Recorder.



Members of the Bath/Highland Retired Educators Association met at Mountain Hideaway for its fall luncheon. Pictured are the officers: Mary Hille McCoy, treasurer; Joan Mackey, vicepresident; Susan Webb, secretary; and Percy Nowlin, president. 4/12 2 P.M. 2005

John and Carol Wilson to Be Missionaries

Cousin John Frank and Carol Wilson of Hampton, VA, are going to be missionaries to Africa.

They are planning a mission trip to Ethiopia from July 26 – August 9, this year.

According to the brochure announcing their trip, John and Carol state that, “It is our desire to share our understanding of the life of Christ with the people of Ethiopia, build relationships showing that others do care about them, and teach them how to improve their living standard. We hope to leave them with skills, which they can pass on to others.”

Their destination is to Goba and Ginnir, Ethiopia. Goba is located about 280 miles southeast of Addis Ababa, the capital.

Jones/Wilson Reunion

The annual Jones/Wilson reunion will be held on Saturday, July 29, 2006, at the Highland Center in Monterey, VA. We invite all relatives and friends to attend. Again this year we plan to have the event catered. Please send your editor suggestions to make this a memorable event. GOW The Cousin Catcher

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New Baby in the Family

Missy Tacy Berry and Jared Murphy of Staunton, VA, announce the birth of their son on December 30, 2005, at Augusta Medical Center in Fishersville, VA. The baby is named Austin Ryan Murphy. He was welcomed home by his big brother, Colby Berry.

Maternal grandparents are Mary and Gail Tacy of Huttonsville, WV. Paternal grandparents are Tim and Vicki Murphy of Hutto, TX.

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Wedding Planned

John Frank and Carol Wilson of Hampton, VA, announce the engagement of their son, John Michael Wilson, to Heather Joy Garvin. Both

Michael and Heather reside in Atlanta. The wedding is scheduled for May 6, 2006, in Atlanta.

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Tom and Nancy Kenney

Correction Your Cousin Catcher editor is a long ways from perfect. After attending a reunion, it is sometimes hard to remember which cousin is which. The following is a correction for a mistake made in the September, 2005, Cousin Catcher. I think I have the correct names of the cousins in this photo.

Visit Us at This Web Site

You can see the Cousin Catchers at the Smith reunion website, established by David Smith. The site is www.smithreunion.org. Pictures are in color!

The Wilsons



Meet George and Harriet Wilson's Family

This picture was taken last summer at our home in Bridgewater.

From left to right are Nathan Wilson, Vikki Wilson, Kyle Wilson, Kayleigh Wilson, Matthew Wilson, Harriet Wilson holding Maggie Efird, Lori Efird, George Wilson holding Ashleigh Wilson, and Bob Efird holding Alexander Efird.

Kayleigh Madison Jones

The June, 2005, Cousin Catcher reported the arrival of Kayleigh Madison Jones on April 21, 2005, to Thomas Christopher Jones and Suzanne Carol Wilson Jones. Here is the latest picture we have of her.



Kayleigh is the only grandchild of John Frank and Carol Wilson of Hampton, VA.

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The Millers Have Moved

Gil and Sarah Miller have moved. They are still at Sunnyside Retirement Village near Harrisonburg, but their new address is as follows:
Sarah and Gil Miller
3935 Sunnyside Drive
Suite B
Harrisonburg, VA 22801

I visited them this week, and both seem to be doing well considering they are pushing pretty close to 90.



Sarah and Gil Miller

Here is the picture of Master Austin Ryan Murphy.



Master Austin Ryan Murphy

Annual Smith Reunion

The annual reunion for the Smith family of Brush Run, Braxton County, WV, which is near Cedarville, WV, is scheduled to be held July 8, 2006.

Family members and friends are asked to gather at the usual reunion grounds. Lunch will be about 12:00. We hope to see you there.

For more information and directions go to:

www.smithreunion.org/

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Peggy Jones Dies on February 13, 2006

Margaret Elizabeth "Peggy" Lunsford Jones departed from this life on Monday, February 13, 2006, in Greensboro, NC.

Peggy was born on 30 Aug 1914 at Monterey, VA, the daughter of Charles Morgan Lunsford and Abbie Fleischer Lunsford.

On 26 Oct 1946 at Newport News, VA, she married Cousin R. Turner Jones, who preceded her in death on 24 Feb 1992. One son, Edwin Turner "Ned" Jones of Greensboro, NC, survives. She also leaves two grandsons, Christopher Turner "Chris" Jones and Brian Lee Jones, both of Greensboro, NC.

A graveside service is scheduled for 11:00 a.m. at the Monterey Cemetery, Monterey, VA, on Feb 18.

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Please send us news of your family such as births, weddings, deaths, reunions, etc. that we can include in the Cousin Catcher. Since we have a new scanner, we will try to do a better job with pictures. GOW