

HAWKINS WORLDWIDE DNA Project

Newsletter 2006-08

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Project site: <http://freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.com/~hawkinsdnaproject/>.

Family pages: http://freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.com/~hawkinsdnaproject/tree_g-1.html

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If you have a Hawkins picture that you think others would be interested in seeing, especially if it has a story to go with it, please email me a copy.



Everyone was involved during WW-II, 1941-1945. Dad was an artillery officer. My brother & I collected scrap iron, gathered milk weed pods for life jackets, and bought war savings stamps. Few younger men were around, and a number did not return when the war ended. Everyone had the star banner hanging in a front window. It was a difficult time when blue starred banners were replaced with a gold star or stars.

Sharon & I celebrated our 53 anniversary on the 8th.

I have updated a few of the allele charts on the Family Page site to show all 67 DYS results. This makes for a larger chart for those that have opted for the Y-67 test and they will have to tab to see the results for the additional 30. The first 37 and the earliest ancestor should still be visible on a single screen for every one else. We have 5 participants that have the results back from upgrading to 67 markers.

A bit further into this letter is an example of how DNA can not only match you with a family group, but also can point to the gate in your brick wall. I cover a solution that I am looking for that requires some cooperation from some known cousins. It should help your understanding of how the mutations can help in your study.

We added two new participant this month making 85 of us. Eleven (11) Family groups have been formed and are sharing knowledge. To date 37 distinct Hawkins lines have been identified. With so many distinct lines it is no wonder that so many of us run into those brick walls. Thank goodness that we now have the DNA tool to help find our way out of the maze and onto the correct path. Hopefully most of the new participants will be falling into one of our established family groups, or matching a previously unmatched participant to form a new family group.

Hawkins Reunion - 11 September

121st Reunion of the descendents of Robert & Ann (Preble) Hawkins.

Time: Sunday, 10 September 2006 at 1:00 PM.

Place: Firestone Park, Columbiana, Ohio, Duck Pond Pavilion #4.

Luncheon: Bring a covered dish. Lemonade will be provided."

[Hawkins Family Group-08, see at http://freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.com/~hawkinsdnaproject/tree_g-1.html#Group-08]

Hawkins Reunion - 16 September

Descendents of Thomas & Susan (Clagett) Hawkins.

Time: Saturday, September 16, 2006, 1:00 PM till about 4:00 PM.

Place: Kemptown Community Park, Shelter #2, Kemptown, Frederick County, Maryland.

- Kemptown is southeast of Frederick, almost to the Montgomery County line, on Route 80. Once in the town, turn south off Route 80 onto Kemptown Church Road and follow for about one half mile. Turn right into the elementary school drive and follow it around to the right of the school. There are signs to the Community Park, which is past the school.
- Rain location: Providence United Methodist Church, which is about one quarter mile off Route 80, before the park.

Luncheon: Pot luck, so bring food and drinks for your family and we'll serve it buffet-style. Plates, cups, and flatware will be provided. Bring lawn chairs if you like (picnic tables are under the shelter).

We welcome old family photos, documents, artifacts, genealogy info., etc. for display.

For further information, contact Steven G. Hawkins; e-mail is sgharcht@aol.com. Home phone is 412-521-7251, cell phone is 412-720-9249.

We are the descendents of Thomas (b. 13 Jan. 1817, d. 10 Mar. 1875) and Susan Clagett (b. 12 Feb. 1823, d. 4 Jan. 1905) Hawkins, of Montgomery County, Maryland. Eight of Thomas and Susan's nine children had children themselves, so there have been a lot of us.

Family Tree DNA surname projects total 3,460, and they have more than 74,700 Y-records now in their database. To join our HAWKINS project go to http://www.familytreedna.com/surname_join.asp?code=Z47192 where you will receive the group discount price.

Last month I mentioned that I had a 25/25 match with a new participant. Additional results came in early this month, and we now match 37/37 (exact match on all tested DNA values). Our earliest probable common ancestor was probably living in Union County, SC when my newly found cousin's ancestor, Elisha Hawkins was born about 1800. There is no Elisha Hawkins mentioned in my collected records, and though the new branch have some records pointing at my oldest known ancestors, Jeffery & Dorothy (Mattock) Hawkins, the connecting point to our line is a mystery to them. Can we somehow narrow the search?

The new branch has good proof to Elisha and DNA proves that Elisha's descendent is a descendent of my Jeffery (I have paper proof of my descent from Jeffery). DNA can help us narrow the possible connections, but now we need some help from our other cousins.

Our most recent common ancestor (mrca) is James II, c1715-1793, and his wife Martha Hollowell. They were Quakers arriving SC from VA in about 1767. In our family group (04) the participants represent two of James II's eight sons. Participant 16539 is a descendent of Benjamin (m. Martha Hollingsworth), I am a descendent of John (m. Mary Moore), and my guess is that participant 65090 is a descendent of John's son Nathan. Nathan inherited SC land ("*I give and bequeth unto my son Nathan Hawkins a tract of two-hundred acres of Sand more or less in South Carolina on the branch of the Tyger River called Long-Rung*"). Nathan married, supposedly had five children, and stayed in SC, and that is all we know at this time. There is another brother, Jacob, but we are pretty sure that he died earlier.

Participant 16539 differs at Dys 439 with participants 49973, 65090, and me. He has 12 repeats (alleles), where the rest of us have 14 repeats. We three are the only participants in the whole Hawkins surname project with a 14 at DYS 439, and I would guess that our part of the line carries the mutation (I hope).

If the 14 is the mutation that means that Elisha was a son of one of John's sons or later. If the mutation was the 12 that shows up in Benjamin's line, then Elisha could be the son of any of John's brother or a descendent of one of John's four uncles (that we have no records on), or even one of Benjamin's sons before a mutation took place in Benjamin's line.

How do we go about taking some of the guesswork out of this? The answer is to determine which is the mutation, the 12 or the 14. How do we do that? We need participants from the descendents of the other brothers of John and Benjamin - **Isaac, Jonathon, Nathan, James, Amos, and William**. Descendents of the other brothers will have either the 12 or 14 value, and that value will establish the common value for DYS 439 in our Hawkins line.

If the common value is established as 12, then our answer to Elisha's father is limited to the line of John, 1744-1816, and Mary Moore. If it were to turn out that 14 is the common value, then our search is going to have to be much broader. If your family history suggests that you are a cousin, please communicate with me. It is very possible that you may unknowingly hold a key this puzzle. **PLEASE, OUR JEFFERY LINE NEEDS PARTICIPANTS FROM THE**

OTHER SONS OF JOHN & MARTHA HOLOWELL (sorry, I was shouting) - Isaac c1746-1796, Jonathon 1749-1790, Nathan 1753-1805, James 1756-1840, Amos 1757-1844, and William 1759-c1805.

Are there any cousins of our Family Group-04 in the near vicinity of Union County, SC?

All past newsletters with pictures have been added to our project web site at <http://freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.com/~hawkinsdnaproject/#Newsletter>.

Questions? Contact me at phil_hawkins@sbcglobal.net.

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Go to http://www.familytreedna.com/tutorial_A.html for a complete and understandable tutorial on the testing of Y-DNA and mtDNA, simple explanations of genes, markers or alleles, and duties normally performed by the administrator.

If you maintain a web site with Hawkins information, please add a link to our Hawkins DNA Project.

If you know someone that would like to be on the Hawkins project information mailing list, please send me their name and email and I'll add them. Anyone that desires not to be on the list should request removal.

Please advise us of any planned Hawkins reunions. We would like to list them indicating the patriarch, place, dates, and any other special information. Consider collecting donations to have some of the cousins in your group tested. Maybe you



have the perfect paper records, but the mutations that occur in the separate lines need to be identified now for succeeding generations.

The newsletter is available in Word.doc or Adobe.pdf. Feel free to copy this letter to anyone that you feel would have an interest.

I flew both of these Boeing 727-200s for

Braniff International, before their bankruptcy in 1983.

Phil Hawkins 31 August 2006 Administrator [No remuneration received]