



HAWKINS WORLDWIDE DNA Project
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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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98 sample kits have been returned to date.

Who will be number 100???



“This is a picture of my father on the left and his brother Ray on the mule(?). They are William K Hawkins (my father) and his brother Ray Hawkins on the Hawkins farm in Owen Co., IN. Picture taken about late 1920's.” Sincerely, Judy Hawkins Lewis.

Judy > Wm. K. > Geo. W. > Wm. Franklin > Wm. Benjamin, b.12 Jul 1824 in Daviess Co., IN. Judy believes that Wm. Benjamin is the son of John Hawkins, b. SC in 1774 and Mary Tirey (John's parents are Isaac & Margaret, and his grandparents James and Martha Hollowell (Hawkins Family Group-

04 at http://freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.com/~hawkinsdnaproject/tree_g-1.html#Group-04). Can any one help with proof that Wm. Benjamin is a son of John & Mary Tirey?

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.

Annotating today's pictures - tomorrow's heirlooms: Use a #2 artists pencil to write on your pictures. Do not use anything else: How about digital pictures? Yes they may be annotated - right click on the picture, select Properties, select the Summary tab, and write the who, when, where, by, and why (this is the way it works in Windows, and I assume in other operating software - if it is different with Apple, some one clue me in). Any information you enter in the summary will be copied as a part of the picture.

We have created a new Hawkins Family Group-14; see http://freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.com/~hawkinsdnaproject/tree_g-1.html#Group-14). It is made up of participants 10102 and 86406. Peter Hawkins, b. 1745 VA, d. 1801 SC, & Prudence Thomas is the eldest Hawkins in 10102's tree, and the eldest in 86406's is William Henry Hawkins, b. Oct 1813 in SC & Bethany (Cockrum). 10102, who returned his sample kit on 2 June 2003, had been in the “unmatched” dungeon longer than anyone else. He was our sixth participant to join the project.

Can any of you help with the point of connection for these two trees? Can any of you help by providing these two individuals with additional information? Please identify yourself to them if you are related to their Group-14 line.

Again - If your family group does not have a coordinator, please think about volunteering. The project is big enough, that I am finding it very difficult keeping up with all the identified groups. Your primary responsibility would be working with and assisting others that are interested in that particular line.

Trace Your Roots with DNA: Using Genetic Tests to Explore Your Family Tree, by Megan S. Smolenyak and Ann Turner is an easy to use guide for genealogists interested in how to use DNA in their family research. It is written for individuals without a background in genetics.

The book:

- discusses the fundamentals of both genealogy and genetics.
- explains the variety of DNA tests of interest to genealogists: Y-chromosome testing for the straight male line, mitochondrial DNA (mtDNA) for the straight female line, and autosomal DNA testing to determine your geographic origins. It is important for genealogists to understand what these different types of tests can, and cannot, do.
- provides examples of how DNA results can be disappointing, e.g., learning that you are not related to anyone else in your surname project (perhaps because of an unknown adoption or extramarital liaison in the past).
- explains that the genetic markers currently being used for testing are DNA that is not used by our bodies to encode proteins, so genealogical genetic testing does not provide information to you (or anyone else) about any genetic diseases or predispositions you may have.
- includes a glossary of terms and a complete index to assist the reader.

The authors predict that within 10-15 years, most genealogists will participate in some form of DNA testing to support, or sometimes to refute, material their research has turned up.

This book should be considered for the reading list of anyone interested in participating in a genealogical DNA test as an individual or as part of a surname or group project. I checked Amazon, and it available at <http://www.amazon.com/Trace-Your-Roots-DNA-Complete/dp/1594860068>. It is not an expensive book, and has been receiving enough publicity that it should be available in most large book stores.

To join our HAWKINS project go to http://www.familytreedna.com/surname_join.asp?code=Z47192 where you will receive the group discount price.

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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.

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

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 (and just maybe your paper records are not as solid as you assume).

This picture, c 1922, taken on the home farm in Tipton County, IN, include siblings Lloyd, Bob, Helen, Kathlene, Charles, my father Harold, and Rags. All are deceased.

Questions? Contact me at phil_hawkins@sbcglobal.net.

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<http://freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.com/~hawkinsdnaproject/#Newsletter>.