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#### **Gravestones?**

In October, right around Halloween, I received an email from **Richard C. Herrick** (HFA#132), that suggested we ask for folks to send forth some old, and possibly interesting, Herrick gravestone pictures. To start this off, Richard has asked if we know what one is the oldest in the United States. Richard sent:



John Herrick, HGR3, Vol. I, page 113, ID #274 Died Oct. 30, 1847 In his 80 year



Then, at Abbots Cemetery in Beverly, Mass. we find the graves of **Lydia**, wife

**of Joshua Herrick**, who died Augt.19, 1736 in her 27year. The memory of ye just is Blessed.



For Joshua, who had 2 wives:

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In memory of Mr. **Joshua Herrick** who departed this life Decr 7<sup>th</sup> 1782 in his 84 year of his age

In memory of Mrs. **Abigail Herrick**, wife of Mr. **Joshua Herrick** who departed this life April 26<sup>th</sup>

1784 Aged 75 years

Joshua, born 22 Feb 1699 in Beverly Mass, was the son of **Joseph and Mary Dodge Herrick**, He was married on 30 Jun 1726 to Lydia Cushing, daughter of Theophilus and Mary Thaxter Cushing. According to *Find a Grave*, there are also the names of 3 children- Mary, Joshua and Deborah. Joshua married second- Abigail Jacobs.





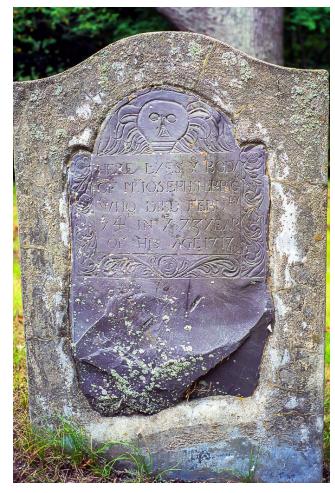
Here lyeth the body of **Joanna Herrick Wife of Capt. Henry Herrick** 

And, from **Ken Herrick**, HFA#7, **Joseph Herrick** (1745-1717), son of **Henry Herrick**, is **one of the oldest Herrick tombstones** in North America. It's at

the Old North Beverly Churchyard.

HERE LYES Ye BODY OF Mr IOSEPH HERRICK WHO DIED FEBR ye 4<sup>th</sup> IN Ye 73 YEAR OF HIS AGE 1717

Constable of Salem during the Salem witch hysteria, he was initially taken in by the complainants but was later among the first to call for an end to the proceedings. Joseph was born 6 Aug 1645.



For further info on these folks, please check the HGR3. For a **CD of the HGR3**, please send a check for \$20 for members and \$25 for non- members to *Ken Herrick*-17934 SE 41<sup>st</sup> Loop, Vancouver, WA 98683-8277.

#### On Another note!

The compilation of the Herrick Genealogical Register 3<sup>rd</sup> Edition took many years and was prepared by our **Richard L. Herrick**, HFA #001, and our president. As you can imagine, it has some missing pieces and as we go along, if we can provide info on those missing pieces we will have them in the newsletter. One such piece recently came from **Richard C. Herrick**, HFA #132. In the HGR3, Vol. I, part 1, page 496, it has:

4945. Frank Rufus<sup>9</sup> Herrick (Gamaliel Ephraim<sub>8</sub>, Ephraim<sup>7</sup>, Francis<sup>6</sup>, Ezekiel<sup>5</sup>, Ezekiel<sup>4</sup>, Samuel<sup>3</sup>, Ephraim<sup>2</sup>, Henerie<sup>1</sup> Hericke) was born 26 April 1865 (he was a junior at Yale College) [85HGR 74a]; he married Josephine Pomeroy 19 October 1891; she was born 19 July 1864 [N064, N086].

Children of Frank Herrick and Josephine Pomeroy are:

- + 6856 i. Dr. Theodore Pomeroy<sup>10</sup> Herrick, born 01 April 1893 in Cleveland, Ohio [N064, N086].
- + 6857 ii. Sherlock Andrews Herrick, Sr., born 04 May 1896 in Cleveland, Cuyahoga Co., OH [N064]. 6858 iii. Josephine Ursula Herrick, born 1897 [N064].

We now know more about her...Josephine Ursula Herrick (August 1, 1897 – March 27, 1972) was an American photographer, humanitarian, entrepreneur and teacher. During World War II she pioneered the *teaching of photography to wounded war veterans for the purpose of helping them heal their physical and emotional wounds and re-engage with the world.* Building on that work, she founded and led an arts-based charity that still teaches photography to veterans, the disabled and other underserved populations. The charity that she founded endures to this day, based in New York

City and aptly named the Josephine Herrick Project. Herrick also served during World War II as a photographer on the United States' Manhattan Project which developed the atomic bomb. Professionally, Herrick was a successful commercial photographer, studio owner and photography instructor. As a fine art photographer, she won a number of awards and her work was exhibited in various publications and venues. She died in New York in 1972 at the age of 74.

You can find more on Josephine and her rehab project at: <a href="http://jhproject.org/about/josephine-herrick/">http://jhproject.org/about/josephine-herrick/</a>



## Lost Records – Found- 12-6-16 A.B. Reynolds, HFA #003

I got a call this morning from a manager at the Litchfield (Illinois) Bank & Trust. Bank employees had being going through the vault and found an old box of records. The manager had seen the box before over the years but only peeked inside and never really had time to investigate further. But this time, he decided to check it out.

In the box were the following documents for one person, **Matthew Aaron Reasoner**. Included were high school, college-1896, and medical school diplomas-1899, U.S. Army commissions - 1906 1909, 1916, certificates of merit and appreciation for his service and contributions as an Army medical doctor and researcher.

So, Bruce (Manager) decided to track the family down – curious why these records were in the vault and what they had to do with the Litchfield Bank. Through an internet on **Matthew A. Reasoner**, he found a biography and information about living family members. He tracked one down, found the phone number and called my brother, **Bob Herrick**, who excited about the records and suggested Bruce call me.

What is so terrific about this is that The U.S. Records Office in St. Louis had a fire in the 1960s and all records regarding **Matthew A. Reasoner** were destroyed. We had very few official documents. For us, this is a treasure trove.

On top of the documents, we found Bruce – a person very interested in the records, the family and the connection to the Litchfield Bank and town. **Matthew A. Reasoner** was the husband of **Mabel Sparks Milnor**, my grandmother. She was born in Litchfield in 1867 and lived there 40 years. Her father, **Frank Richmond Milnor**, was the originally a druggist in town and owned the Milnor Drug Store, offering in some banking services to people in town. Later he was the second president of Litchfield Bank and Trust and

served in that role for 26 years...the longest in the Bank's history. According to Bruce, the Milnor family raised a woman named **Harriet McManus** and it was her box that held the records.

What is so neat is that one call accomplished so much – key records are found, a neat connection is made, family stories are expanded, and curiosity is sparked.

We had never thought about checking with banks, historical societies, libraries, phone companies for records for recent family members. Had Bruce been less curious or just busier, we would have never known.

#### What's hiding in your local bank?

Army Personnel at North Island Aviation Field about March 1913. Reasoner is seated, first on the left and was the first flight surgeon.





Captain Matthew A. Reasoner, Medical Corp Surgeon 1913

#### **CALLING ALL MEMBERS!**

**This is really important**- In order for our association to survive we need to bring in some younger members- let's face it- most of us are not getting younger! Please try to talk your adult children in becoming members and we- the elders can hand down the info, meetings etc. to the next generation. If we don't do this soon, our membership will decline to the point that we the association will cease to exist!

Most of our goals have been met- but we need to keep going with our meetings. I am willing to help arrange the next meeting- but not to do alone. If you can help, please let me know ASAP. **Dale** 

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**As some of might remember**- we have gathered pictures and placed them in a slide show about our Herrick family. Below are some of the items in that slide show.

#### A SILVER TANKARD

MARK OF JOHN BURT, BOSTON, CIRCA 1747

Tapering cylindrical, with ring molding, domed cover, turned finial and scroll thumb-piece, the handle with oval disc terminal, engraved. "The half of this vessel was given to the first Church of Christ in Beverly by Capt. I. Herrick and his two Sons and the other half by Deacon I. Wood and his two sons".

7½ in. high; 14 oz.





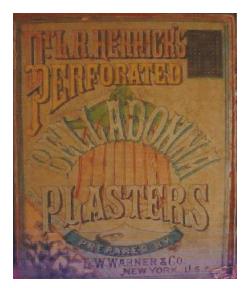








Here are several views of a Herrick Seal discovered in 2010 by a family in England, whose aunt had passed away. At the time they wanted several thousand dollars (US) for them. It is apparently the seal of **William Herrick** of Beaumanor.



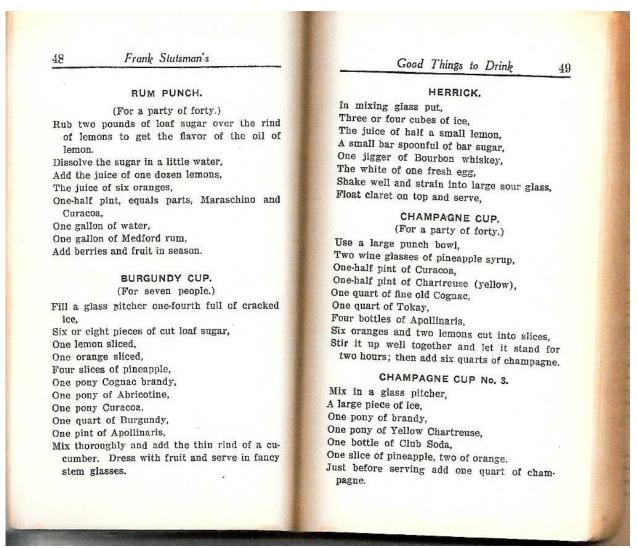
Found on EBAY:

Dr. L.R. Herrick's Perforated Belladonna Plasters

Found on eBay- Bottle- 6 5/8 inches tall- aqua, rectangular- Veterinary from 1880's

"HERRICK'S GERMAN HORSE LINIMENT L.W. Warner & Co."





And here's my favorite- although I have never tried it- a recipe for the Herrick Cocktail from Frank Stutsman's "Good Things to Drink", published in Minneapolis, MN in 1909.
Sounds yummy?????

### From Michael Herrick #118 we have an article about our Henry:

As descendants of **Henry Herrick** of Salem, we must wonder where we would be without **Francis Higginson**. **Francis Higginson** was a preacher in Leicestershire during the time that **Henry Herrick** lived in Leicester. Although it is not clear exactly how Henry and Francis met and became friends, but it is clear that our **Henry Herrick** was very much influenced by the preaching of Rev. Higginson.

**Francis Higginson**, also the son of minister, received his BA degree from Jesus College in Cambridge and about 1615 became minister at Claybrooke, one of the parishes of

Leicester. He soon became disenchanted with the Church of England and began to associate himself with Puritan congregations. Some of those congregations were those attended by **Henry Herrick**.

As Higginson gained great influence as a preacher in Leicestershire, he was increasingly persecuted by the Church of England for his dissenting views. These persecutions were for such offences as refusing to wear a surplice, which was a white linen vestment; or conform to the Book of Common Prayer. Then in 1619 Higginson was accused by the church of not using the sign of the cross when baptizing children, and again he was criticized for celebrating marriages without rings. All of these seemly petty offices were in strict violation of the Book of Common Prayer. In 1613, several of Higginson's parishioners were excommunicated by the Church of England for refusing to kneel for communion. Higginson continued to preach but refused well-paying jobs within the church due to his beliefs.

As his friendship with **Francis Higginson** deepened, **Henry Herrick's** thinking surely became more radical. About this time Henry met **Alice Mobbes**, whose father was a onetime mayor of Leicester. Then in 1622, Henry and Alice married at All Saints Church, an old Norman (Viking) church, by Henry's good friend and fellow Puritan, **Francis Higginson**.

Since Higginson served All Saints at the same time he served St. Nicholas, both churches were suspect by the Church of England. Alice and Henry started a family. Samuel was born one year after they were married in 1623 and was baptized by Rev. Higginson at St. Nicholas Church, the Herrick family church.

**Feedback from the "Fall 2016 Herrick Family Association Newsletter"** by **Curt Herrick**, HFA #100 and DNA Co-administrator Herrick DNA Surname Project

In the September HFA 2016 Newsletter on pages 7-9, "Seeking a DNA Link with our Viking History and Relatives", the Viking DNA relationship of two HFA members with **Mr. Tommi Borg** across perhaps 1,000 years was discussed. The article also mentioned the current peer review of several studies by the late **Dr. William E. Howard III**. His papers included an examination of the close Y-DNA67 marker relationships of the Herrick and Borg lines which have the key Viking I-L22 Single Nucleotide Polymorphism, SNP.

- A. Further status of the peer review of Dr. Howard's papers is to be updated in a meeting after the submission of this article.
- B. Tommi graciously responded to our HFA Newsletter Viking DNA relationship discussion with his Finnish view of his DNA situation. He has permitted me to send his information. I am learning from his presentation. You may use Google to further

translate some of the Finnish information. The maps greatly aid appreciating the current and historical geographic situations. For example, a center of the I-L22 SNP which a key common marker for our families, is believed to just south of Stockholm, Sweden.

Here is the email from Tommi: Subject: Vikings, Birkarls and Kalevala

Hi Curt,

Many thanks for your cordial words in the most recent Herrick Family Association publication, Vol.12. Issue 3. I am sharing it with my children: Carita (she was also in military army) has worked in Birmingham, Timo has worked around world for Wärtsilä huge Diesel power stations and Susanna educated in Scotland and one year in North Carolina. –Maybe we are real Vikings and now home base somewhere in inland in Finland.

I added some topics in English not discussed before at the bottom of the www-page

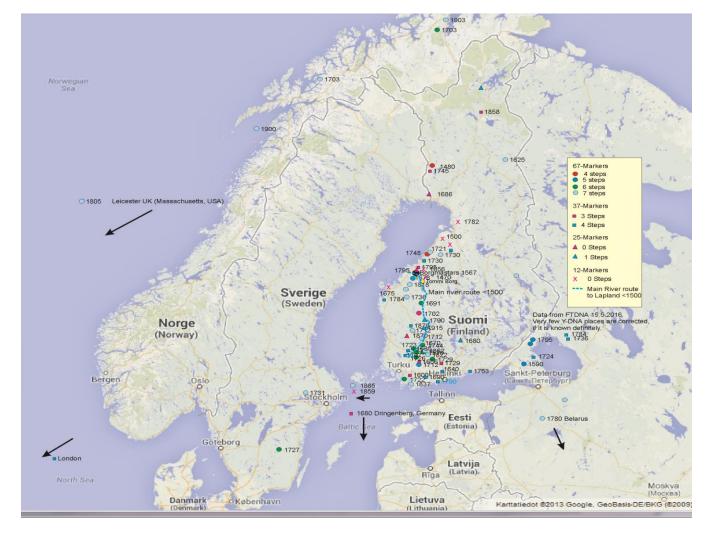
Best regards,

#### Tommi Borg

Note: <a href="http://www.tompansuku.net/Borg/index.php?Page=Birkarl">http://www.tompansuku.net/Borg/index.php?Page=Birkarl</a> (Curt suggests you touch the link above to see more information. Items include a greater area map, Borg family history in Finnish and further comments by Tommi Borg. You may see Tommi's name on the map in Finland near the coast on a line running roughly north east of Stockholm across the Gulf of Bothnia.



The map of SNP CTS6364+ is printed from Semargl.me database and shows concentration of population in Norway and less Homogeneity less distributed where they visited. See Tommi's tag is on the West-Finland close Vaasa.



Ancestor settlement by the river route used thousand years until 1500-century.

Also noted on Tommi's site is the following:

One of the oldest recorded epic poem and mythology story in the world literature is <u>the Finnish Kalevala</u>

This was recorded finally over a hundred years ago from the East Finland, but scientists think it tells actually mainly the life over 1000 years ago in the south-western part of Finland. Actually around the same Vesilahti area where my roots are coming. The Kalevala epic poem is maybe originally older as Vikings and Island saaga runes. Actually Kalevala gives a good brief understanding for Finnish culture before occupation by Swedish and Catholic Church about 1200 talent.

Every children in the Finnish schools read some sentences of Kalevala books and they know something about the whole story. The names of Kalevala are used even by areoplanes and important buildings. Famous Finnish composer Sibelius made Karelia and other symphonies about the topic. The Kalevala was historically important for Finnish

identify. No doubt we few in western part with Y-DNA Vikings roots are happy for this extra glamorous. One link for Kalevala in English is found here <u>The Finnish Kalevala poems</u>

But I'm warning, the translators have surely done their best, but the text is still complicated. That is why even writer <u>I. R. R. Tolkien</u> studied Finnish language and used this story as background for his classic works as "The Hobbit" or "The Lord of the Rings".

The Viking roots, Scandinavian origin and Birkarls are facts, but this Kalevala epic poem was a good source giving us identity and proudly during our past wars.

## A Request for Help -- 12-6-16

**Caitilin Herrick Embree** has asked for help researching her ancestor, **Edward Herrick**, without much luck. **Richard Herrick and Joann Nichols** tried to help, but the information just hadn't been uncovered. Maybe we have learned more now that might be of help. Searchers: **Caitilin Herrick Embree** and her brother, **Eric Herrick** 

Their parents: xxx

Their grandfather: Cheesman Abiah Herrick

Their great grandfather: **Albert Delos Herrick**, b. 23 April 1838 in Brownsville, Jefferson Cty, NY, d. 6 Dec 1914 Antwerp, Jefferson Co., NY, m. **Sophronia An Curtis** 

Their great, great grandfather: **Edward Herrick**, b. 5 June 1805, VT or MA, d, 16 October 1857, m. **Almira Thurston**. Siblings **Delos, Reuben, Angeline R., Hannah, Mary, Josephine, William, Emogene** 

Their great, great grandfathers: **Edward Herrick** – VT or MA?

If you think you can help-contact Caitilin at <a href="mailto:caitilin.embree@gmail.com">caitilin.embree@gmail.com</a>

As a final note- The Herrick Family Association wants to wish one and all the very Happiest of Holidays and Happy Hunting for those elusive ancestors in 2017.

