

COLE FAMILY NEWSLETTER – October 2011

Hi Cole Family,

Time for the report on the 77th Cole Family Reunion. Since most of you weren't there this year, you'll all have to read what the few of us that were, did on your behalf!

The weather was fantastic this year – finally. It had been so, so hot the past few years and up until the day of the reunion it had been up in the 90s. Reunion day was a beautiful 83 degrees!

Our secretary, Kim Dickerson makes a very good report of the whole meeting with her minutes, so you will certainly want to read about that; the treasurer's report, also by Kim (she is Secretary/Treasurer) is very important. We do need YOUR HELP!

And then, what I know a lot of you have been waiting for – **Maude Miller, our family genealogist has the new book ready to order** and she will tell you how to do that.

Also of interest are the new officers. I (Pat Todd) have been president since 2003, well, I was elected at the 2003 reunion and my first reunion was the huge one of 2004 – the dedication of the Hannah Cole statue in downtown Boonville. What an introduction to the president's job!

Marianne Fues is the new president. She has been vice-president for several years. Jason Roe is the new vice-president. Kim Dickerson stays on as secretary/treasurer.

Other than that I really don't have much news for you this time. So let's get on with the minutes.

Cole Family Association Minutes – 8/14/2011

Boonville mayor, Julie Thatcher welcomed the 28 members of the Cole family, who gathered for the 77th annual family reunion. It was a beautiful day in the low 80s on 8/14/2011 at Harley Park in Boonville.

Ms. Thatcher announced that she had signed a proclamation making this Hannah Cole weekend. The historical sites in town had Cole memorabilia on display and they adjusted hours to accommodate Cole visitors over the weekend.

The 2010 minutes and the treasurer's report were approved. Then discussion moved to cemetery mowing: Kim Dickerson, Secretary Treasurer pointed out the declining balance in the Cemetery Fund, stating that Mr. Huckabay charges a very reasonable \$45 fee per mowing event

averaging about 10-12 times per year for an annual expense of about \$500. Collections and interest earnings have fallen short, with the fund losing about \$100-150 per year.

Jason Roe estimated the \$2,800 fund to last about 6 more years, and suggested buying equipment. Jason made a motion to authorize an expenditure of \$1,000 for managing the cemetery in 2012. Dan Painter seconded the motion and it carried.

Other cemetery discussion continued, with a suggestion to contact the county about possible mowing help, and also to contact the State Park system. It was pointed out that the Cole Family Association owns the cemetery and the gap between the cemetery and the highway is growing up.

Ms. Thatcher has a similar responsibility within her own family and offered to provide the name of an organization that had helped to manage their family cemetery. Pat Todd proposed that Jason investigate possible solutions.

Carolyn Eichelberger reported on her meeting with historian, Maryellen McVicker about the placing of the tombstones when the grave location is unknown. In such cases, the stone is located within the cemetery, but is called a cenotaph, since it is not marking the actual grave.

Pat discussed the Scholarship, noting that the committee will replace Sandy Painter. She has resigned from the committee. The investment is earning very little interest at current rates and with the short 12-month term CDs. Charles Cole mentioned some longer term investments that are earning more interest, and Jason Roe suggested that the treasurer explore other investing options, including longer terms. A scholarship will be awarded in 2012 only if enough interest is earned and/or someone posts the difference to bring the award total to the \$250 award amount.

The book of Cole Family Genealogy is complete. It is a 2 volume, 932 page book, hard bound. Maude Miller, family genealogist has invested 7 years, 7,000 hours in the development of the book. It includes 16 generations, and 17,954 people, beginning with Edmond Cole in 1579. Order forms are posted on the website and will be included with the newsletter.

Spread the word! It will take 100 orders to get the hard bound printing. The book will cost \$100, plus \$20 shipping. Please send orders to Maude, but no money at this time. CDs also may be available for \$50 + \$10 shipping.

Carolyn announced that her mother, Dora Margaret Cole is turning 100 years old on 11/05/2011. A celebration will be held at the Katy Manor in Pilot Grove. It will be an open house held on Sunday, November 6, 2011 beginning at 1:30 pm. All the family is invited to come.

Election of Officers:

Pat announced retirement from the president's role. Ken Fortney nominated Marianne Fues and Bob Todd seconded. The motion passed, with Marianne being elected as the president.

Bob Todd nominated Jason Cole, with a second from Nan Painter. A clarification was made, with an amended motion of Jason Roe, rather than J. Cole. The motion passed, with one dissenting vote, Jason Roe. (Jason Roe did agree to serve as vice president.)

Carolyn Eichelberger nominated Kim Dickerson for the position of secretary treasurer. Jason Roe seconded. The motion carried, with Kim continuing to serve as secretary treasurer.

A new board member was needed, so Dan Painter nominated Jim Painter, with a second by Patti Painter. The motion carried, with Jim being a Cole Family Association Board member, along with Carolyn Eichelberger, Charles Cole, and Pat Todd (Past President).

Items of interest at this reunion: Dora Margaret Cole was the oldest, at 99. Alexis Jenkins was the youngest at 8 years old. Max and Donna Cole travelled the furthest, from Oklahoma, to attend the reunion. The quote of the day came from Charles. His father used to say something like this, "When the going gets tough, it's just right for a Cole".

The Cole Family will gather again on the second Sunday in August, 2012, that will be Aug. 12, in Harley Park, Boonville for a picnic lunch, visiting and reminiscing.

Kim Dickerson, Secretary/Treasurer

Of course the treasury balances are always up for discussion. Seems our finances are not in terrible shape, but the interest drawn on our CD's sure is!

[Here is the treasurer's report from Kim:](#)

The association operates from a checking/savings account, with the remaining assets invested in 2 12-month CDs, maturing mid and end of year. However, the monies support three funds as follows: The General Fund is for general expenses, such as the newsletter. The Cemetery Fund is perpetual and is designed to support the upkeep and maintenance of the Briscoe Cemetery, and in 2007 a scholarship fund was established with monies beginning to accumulate. The 2011-12

Activity for each fund is listed below. A balance sheet, detailing the transactions for the accounts also is available .

Date	Transaction Description	Amount Deposit	Balance Expense
<i>General Fund</i>			
	2011 Cole Reunion Starting Balance		\$1,084.90
3/14/11	2011 Collection	\$82.00	\$1,166.90
<i>Cemetery Fund</i>			
	2011 Cole Reunion Starting Balance		\$2,862.53
3/14/11	2011 Collection	\$123.00	\$2,985.53
3/10/11	Huckabay Lawn Service		\$90.00 \$2,895.53
<i>Scholarship Fund</i>			
	Established at 2007 Cole Reunion		\$325.00
	2011 Cole Reunion Starting Balance		\$5,527.44
3/14/11	2011 Donations	\$59.00	\$5,586.44
3/14/11	Donation (Leedy)	\$400.00	\$5,986.44
<i>Bank Balances -</i>			
	12-Month CD (End of Year Maturity)	12/18/11	1.30% \$3,300.00
	12-Month CD (Mid-Year Maturity)	7/18/12	0.90% \$5,000.00
	Checking Acct	9/15/11	\$392.64
	Savings Acct	9/15/11	\$1,356.23
<i>Bank Total</i>	-----		\$10,048.87
<i>Funds Total</i>	-----		\$10,048.87

MEMORIAL DONATIONS:

The Scholarship Fund was the recipient of a \$400 donation from Mark Leedy. We thank Mark and encourage any other donations in memory of, or in honor of someone you love. Send the donations to Kim (her contact information is on the bottom of the newsletter) or any of the officers or board members – contact info also at the bottom.

The list of memorial/honor donations will be posted on our *coleassociation.com* website.

HANNAH COLE STAMPS:

Several years ago Charles Cole, who lives down in southwest Missouri and was a former postmaster for many years, had the idea of getting the Postal Service to come out with a "Pioneer Mother" Hannah Cole postage stamp.

Charles worked with all kinds of people – the post office, Congress people, and I just don't know who all else. No luck on any front.

So Don Fues, Marianne's husband began research on the internet and found where we could just do our own stamps and by-pass the post office. That would be *zazzle.com*. Don took pictures of the statue and did all the set-up with *zazzle.com* so now YOU can go to *zazzle.com* and purchase as many "Hannah Cole" stamps as you like.

They are more expensive than if you just buy the regular ones at the post office, but if you want something special, I guess you get what you pay for. They really are very nice, and again, we thank Don Fues for solving – at least partially – the problem of getting our "Pioneer Mother" Hannah Cole stamp.

FACEBOOK: We had a message recently from Deb Darnall. She is asking about starting a Cole Family Facebook page. We have not made any commitment to sponsor a page, but if you are interested in Facebook and visiting with another Cole Family member, contact Deb on her FB page "Debbie Darnall". Her email is: *deborah.darnall@yahoo.com*.

THE BOOK – The New Cole Family Genealogy:

When Maude announced the book was finished and she was ready to take orders, I sent out an email message to those who get their newsletters by email. But those of you who get your newsletter via the Post Office are just now getting the full message from Maude and the order form.

Follow Maude's instructions in her message and either copy or cut out this order form and get it to her right away. This is really going to be a special book!!

To all Genealogy Enthusiasts:

I am sorry that it has taken so long but the data entry of the book is done, except for proofing, which should not delay the printing of the book. So I guess you could say it is completed; now I undertake the task of conquering the publishing world. First I will tell you about the book and the changes that you will see in the book.

This 2011 book is the most complete book that I believe has ever been put together for the Cole Family, it includes not only the Cole Family but the Allison Family as well as the Bounds family

although the research that I have done on both the Allison and Bounds families are not as extensive as the Cole Family.

In this book there are 932 pages, 16 Generations, 17,954 people with an average lifespan of 59.9 years, 6,156 marriages, 3,616 surnames, 2,319 places, the youngest person in the book is Ziyah Monet Moralez, born 24 May 2011 and the oldest person in this book is Edmond Cole born in 1579.

I started thinking about this and I have been working on this book for approximately 7 years, between the research, fact checking and data entry. It has taken quite a bit of time and I can honestly say that I am so glad it is done. I am proud of the finished work and I hope that I have made my Uncle Don proud.

Ok so now down to the printing of this monster, I know what you have been used to for the printing of previous books but this one is different. I have talked to many publishers and think I have come up with fair prices for both the Digital Copy as well as the printed version. The details of the printed book is as follows, the book will be a two volume, hard cover book with the 932 pages of the original book split into two 466 page books, in the first volume will be the Table of Contents and the second volume will have the Index, the cover will be in color and the pages of the book will be printed in black and white.

The printed book, both volumes together will cost \$100.00 plus a shipping and handling fee of \$20.00; the digital book will also be in two volumes all on one CD and will cost \$50.00 plus a shipping and handling charge of \$10.00.

In addition because the book is copyrighted, the book will not be able to be printed from the CD. If you want a printed copy of the book you have to go through me to have it printed. The reason for the increase in prices is:

1. cost of printing the book because of the size
2. the special programs that I had to purchase for research and formatting the book
3. all of the subscriptions (i.e. Ancestry.com)

In order to keep the price where it is I have to have a minimum of 100 orders for books, to not have to increase the price. The timeline for delivery of both digital books as well as printed books can change, but as of right now I have delivery of digital books at 4-6 weeks and printed books at 8 -12 weeks depending on when I get 100 orders.

I ask that everyone fill out an order form and let me know if you wish to purchase a book but please **DON'T** send payment at this time. Once I have 100 orders for books I will let everyone know and ask for payment. If you are ordering a CD please fill out the order form letting me know how many CDs you wish to purchase and send a check payable to Maude Miller. Once payment has been received I will process the order and get the CD to you as soon as possible.

Thank you for your patience.

Maude Painter-Miller

You do not have to print this out you can send me an e-mail with all of the info listed below

Cole Family History and Genealogy 2011 Book Order Form

Date: August 19, 2011

Maude Miller Ship Name _____
94-788 Nolupe St To _____
Waipahu, HI 96797 Address _____
808-342-3386 Phone # _____
maude@hawaii.rr.com

Shipping Method	Shipping Terms	Delivery Date
Flat Rate Priority		

Quantity	Description	Shipping and Handling Price/Unit	Unit Price/Unit	Line Total
	Cole Family History Printed Book (2 Volumes)	\$20.00	\$100.00	
	Cole Family History Digital Copy	\$10.00	\$50.00	
	Total			

1. Make all checks payable to Maude Miller
2. Once I have received payment it will take 4 - 6 weeks for delivery of your Digital Copy of the book.
3. Once I have received payment will take 8 - 12 weeks for delivery of your Printed Book
4. Send all correspondence to:

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Ordered by *Date*

The order form will also be posted on our *coleassociation.com* website. Maude welcomes email orders as well. So now it is up to us to get our orders sent in since the sooner we get 100 orders sent in the sooner we will get our books. The CD's don't take as long, so if you want the CD go on and get that order and your check sent in right away.

We owe Maude a big thank you for all of her hours and hours of work getting this all put together!

NEW OFFICERS:

Marianne Cole Fues is our new Cole Family Association president. She has been Vice President for several years and has done a terrific job, along with her husband, Don's help in handling her job responsibilities of seeing to all of the details of the carry in dinner.

We have agreed that my husband, Bob and I will continue to write and put together the newsletters, email them up to Marianne and Don and they will fold, address, stamp and mail them.

So, anything you would like to see in the newsletter, you must tell either Marianne or me. We can't read your minds, so if you don't notify us of happenings in your family, we don't know to tell the others.

In the next newsletter – don't have room in this one – we will tell you about the officers and board members, who they are, what they do and why they are important to the Family Association. Our newsletters are not on a regular basis, so whenever we have things to tell you and have time to get it all put together, is when you will get the next Cole Family Newsletter.

If you have pictures, please, please, send them along to John Sage, our webmaster. He has a "Photo Album" page set up on our website and it is really fun to go through those that are already on there.

Send your donations to Kim! And keep in touch, we love to hear from you about whatever!

Pat Todd, Newsletter Editor

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