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Descendants of James Parks of New York, LK=KK

by Fred Saar PS#1407

Introduction: an update for James Parks of Ewhurst, England

by Fr. Michael Parks, Historian

Some, but certainly not a vast number, of the lineages the Society tracks have a Lineage Leader to head up continuing research on those lines. Their task is manifold, but in general one can say that they are the detail people for the generalist Historian. The key is to keep an open communication between what they have and what is in the official records of the Society at the Historian's Milwaukee Office.

In this case, our base information on this James Parks of Ewhurst, England, was derived from an entry in the Frank Sylvester Parks's 1906 book,

Genealogy of the Parke Families of Connecticut, pp 274-276. In 1906, genealogical standards as we know them today were still yet to be conceived and to be put into practice. Hence, the section on this line is without attribution or source reference. Over the years, we've searched to no avail for Mr. Parks's original materials and manuscripts; we are left with an incomplete record containing many errors. As members in this lineage have joined the Society, new information has been added but until now there has been no concerted effort to review and analyze thoroughly the earliest generations of this line. Lineage Leader Frederick Saar, PS#1407, has done an admirable job of cleaning up the information that we had in our records, and filling in many gaps. He was inspired in the current effort by the publication of the Lineage Catalogue, Part 6 (Vol. 47, No. 1, pp 13-14).

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by Fred R. Saar, PS #1407

The following is a result of research using the resources of the LDS Family History Center, many different libraries and genealogical Societies, information from fellow researchers and walks through many cemeteries. All of the cemetery research has been posted to www.findagrave.com.

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1. John Parks, father of James, was born abt. 1740 in Sussex County, England. He had four, possibly five children.
 1. James Parks 1KK1 (1771-1842), born 10 Nov 1771, Sussex, immigrated to America with his wife Mary Henbrey Parks (1775-1840) about 1829. They were married 30 March 1793, in Ewhurst parish, Sussex, England. Her signature on the marriage banns of the parish records clearly shows her name as Henbrey, not Hanbury. Some of the children of James and Mary arrived in America on the passenger ship "Robert Edward" on 2 November 1827 along with David (1KK3), brother of James, and his family. James and Mary and their remaining children, with the exception of Sarah, arrived here about the spring of 1829. Soon after their arrival in America, James and Mary settled in the Albany area and then in Ballston Spa, Saratoga County, NY where he was a farmer. They are buried in the Hubbell Cemetery, along with daughter-in-law Matilda (Daniel) Parks and her son John B. Parks.
 1. Mary 2KK1 (1794-1839), born 21 February 1794, England, baptized Ewhurst 30 March 1794, died 12 April 1839.
 2. Martha 2KK2 (1795-1852), born 6 October 1795 England, baptized Ewhurst 29 November 1775. She married Stephen Furner (1790-1868) in Ewhurst 29 May 1819. Stephen and Martha and their three children: James, Stephen and Judith, arrived in America on 2 November 1827 and lived in Brooklyn. In November, 1828 they were living about 200 miles west of Albany, NY. They had four more children in America: Josiah, Mary, another Judith and Thomas. Martha is buried in Manchester Village Cemetery in Ontario County, NY.
 3. Miriam 2KK3 (1798-1834), born 24 September 1798, England, baptized Ewhurst 21 October 1798. She married Thomas Avann (1791-1869) in Ewhurst on 29 Sept 1818. Settled in Albany, NY and lived at 24 Van Zandt (the address of the Methodist Church where Miriam's brother James was Sexton). They had four children together: Hepzibah, James, Thomas and Sarah. Thomas had another child Mary from a previous marriage. Thomas and Miriam are buried next to each other in the Albany Rural Cemetery although Miriam does not have a tombstone.
 4. Ann 2KK4 (1800-1848) born 22 June 1800, England, baptized Ewhurst 20 Aug 1800. She married Joseph Soden (1795-1865) in Phelps, Ontario County, NY September 1834. Joseph, a farmer, lived in Geneva, NY. They moved to Canandaigua, Ontario County, NY, where they reared a family of four children: James H., Joseph, John, and Stephen. Joseph had two children, Henry and Jabez from a previous marriage. They both died at Canandaigua. They were members of the Methodist Episcopal Church.
 5. Sarah 2KK5 (1802-bef 1872) born 29 May 1802, England, baptized in Ewhurst 25 July 1802. She married Charles Parks (1798-) in Ewhurst 12 Oct 1821. His parents and any relationship are unknown at this time. They had at least eight children born in England: Sarah, Benjamin, Charles, George, Thomas, Mary, Hannah and Lois. In 1841 they were living in Ewhurst parish and in 1851 in Mountfield parish, Sussex, England. Their son Benjamin (1824-1872) came to America before 1850 and settled in Utica, Oneida Co, NY. He is buried in Grandview Cemetery in Whitesboro, Oneida County.

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6. James 2KK6 (1804-1891), born 10 September 1804, England, baptized Ewhurst on 14 October 1804. He married Harriot Crouch (1805-1894) in Sedlescombe, Sussex, England on 25 Dec 1824. They arrived in America on the 2 November 1827 with children James and Auburn. From NY they traveled by boat to Albany and stayed with Stephen and Elizabeth Watson. On 13 of November 1827 they were present at the wedding of Mary Jane, daughter of Stephen and Elizabeth Watson, to Thomas Coulson, which was held at the 1st Methodist Church in Albany, NY. Sometime before the 27 December 1827, James and Harriot moved across the Hudson River to Greenbush (Rensselaer). He was a Sexton for the 1st Methodist Church in Albany. By 1850, James was a Methodist Minister and moved to Sand Lake and then Brunswick, both in Rensselaer Co. From there he went to Malta in Saratoga Co and by 1880 was in the Town of Ballston, Saratoga Co, NY. They had eight more children: Thomas, Joseph, Charles, Harriet, Sarah, Garrett, James G. and Minnie. James, his wife Harriot, and son Tomas are buried in the First Reformed Dutch Churchyard in West Glenville, Schenectady County, NY.
7. John 2KK7 (1806-between 1862-1864), born 18 September 1806, England, baptized Ewhurst 19 October 1806. He married Hester Milham (1805-<1880) 30 October 1824 in Ewhurst. They arrived in America on 2 November 1827, losing a daughter Hester on the voyage. John was a carpenter in the town of Brookhaven, Suffolk Co, NY from 1830 to the 1840's. In 1850 John, a merchant, lived in the Town of Southampton, Suffolk County. There is a discrepancy as whether he died in Jamestown, Chautauqua Co, NY in 1864 or while visiting his daughter Louisa and son-in-law Dorastus Brown in Wells Corner (Millsburg), Orange Co, NY. John and Hester had five children: Hester, Louisa, John Wesley, James and Hester.
8. Josiah 2KK8 (1808-1867) born 18 September 1808, England, baptized Ewhurst 19 February 1809. He arrived in America on 2 November 1827 and started work as a hostler and then at lime-burning in the NY City area. He moved to Albany where he married Caroline Westfall (1808-1846) and had five children: Mary Ann, Martha, John, Sarah and James. They moved to the Westmoreland, Oneida Co, NY area where he became a blacksmith and also managed boats which traveled the Chenango Canal, his wife and children accompanying him on these trips. He brought the first boat load of coal from Pennsylvania to Utica. After Caroline's death, Josiah married Louisa E. House (1819-), a widow with whom he fathered five more children: George, Charles, Gary, Lafayette and Clarabel. Josiah is buried in Westmoreland Union Cemetery, Oneida Co, NY in the same plot with his daughter and son-in-law Oscar Watts and Sarah Reese. Caroline is buried in the Miller-Dutchtown Cemetery in Schuyler, Herkimer County. Currently no stone marks her grave although one is recorded.
9. Joseph 2KK13 (1810-1865) born 18 January 1810, England, baptized Wesleyan Methodist Church, Rye, Sussex, England 6 May 1810. He arrived in America on 2 November 1827 and then moved to Albany, NY. He was a farmer and married Nancy Ann (Coon) (1806-1903) of Elmira, Wayne Co, NY on 4 September 1832. They moved to Lambertville, Bedford Twp, Monroe Co, MI about 1836. Joseph and Nancy raised nine children:

- Henry-adopted, William, Nancy, Tamar, Catherine, Alzada, Alice, Adaline and Emeline. Joseph and Nancy are buried in the Lambertville M.E. Cemetery, Monroe, MI.
10. Henry 2KK9 (1811-1865), born 1 August 1811, England, baptized Wesleyan Methodist Church, Rye, Sussex, England 29 September 1811. He arrived in America on 2 November 1827 and settled in Patchogue in the Town of Brookhaven, Suffolk County, NY. He was a hatter but later became a boss mason. He married Maria (Hicks) (1813-1897) 8 September 1836. They had nine children: Daniel, Mary, Richard, Sarah, Emily, John, Alma, Henbra and Francis. Henry and his wife are buried in the Cedar Grove Cemetery, Patchogue, Suffolk Co, NY along with several family members.
 11. Philip 2KK9a (1813-) born 12 June 1813, England, baptized Wesleyan Methodist Church, Rye, Sussex, England 19 September 1813. He arrived in America on 2 November 1827 and in 1827/28 he was an apprentice to a tin worker in NY City.
 12. Daniel 2KK10 (1814-1895), born 4 June 1814, England, baptized Wesleyan Methodist Church, Rye, Sussex, England 10 July 1814. He was a blacksmith and later settled in South Glens Falls, Town of Moreau, Saratoga Co, NY. Daniel had three wives, Matilda (1813-1842), Jane Ann (1816-1849) and Orpha Ann (Kenyon) (1827-1903). With Matilda he had five children: Marianna, Luther, John B., John F., and James. With Jane he had two children: Daniel and Rhoda. With Orpha he had five children: William, Clara, Jonathan, Anna and one that died young. Daniel and his second and third wives are buried in the South Glens Falls (Rice) Cemetery in South Glens Falls, Saratoga Co, NY.
 13. Stephen 2KK11 (1817-1905), born 27 January 1817, England, baptized in Wesleyan Church, Sandhurst (Staplecross), Kent, England 12 March 1817. He became a Methodist minister and from about 1840 to 1857 spent time in several churches in upstate NY and Pittsfield MA. After a brief retirement, he became a successful businessman in Lansingburgh, Rensselaer Co, NY and in later years started Parks and Parks, a manufacturing business, with his son Charles White Parks. He married Mary Emily Hoffman (1822-1895) of the Albany area on 20 May 1841. They had nine children: Henry R., Sarah, Henry H., Stephen, Charles, Sarah, William, Charles and Frances. Stephen and his wife are buried in the Oakwood Cemetery in Troy, Rensselaer Co, NY with other family members.
 14. Rhoda 2KK12 (1820-1852) born 12 January 1820, England, baptized in Wesleyan Church, Sandhurst (Staplecross), Kent, England 12 March 1820. She married George Clark, abt. 1843 and died 28 Feb 1852 in Mohawk, Montgomery Co, NY. They had two children: Henry and Rhoda. She is buried in the Wemple Cemetery, Fonda, NY. George moved to Saratoga County and married Harriet Parks, Rhoda's niece, daughter of James and Harriet Parks.
 2. Stephen 1KK2 (1796-1860), born Ewhurst 1796. Records indicate that he remained in England and is on the census of 1841 and 1851. He married Mary Boots on 28 Apr 1824, in Ewhurst, and they had three children: Mary, born 1826, baptized 20 Dec 1826; Ann, born 20 Sep 1828, baptized 12 Oct 1828; Sabrina, born 23 Mar 1831, baptized 21 May 1831, all in Wesleyan Church, Sandhurst (Staplecross), Kent, England.

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3. David 1KK3. Born about 1778, arrived in America on 2 November 1827 along with the first group of the Parks family and his wife Rebecca and children. According to a letter from Martha to her father James, David (James's brother) was in NY in January of 1828.
4. Hannah 1KK4
5. Charles 1KK5 (possible child of John).☞

Query: Cpt. Virgil A. S. Parks

Gregory C. White, author of *A History of the 31st Georgia Volunteer Infantry* (Butternut and Blue, Baltimore, 1997) wishes to post the following inquiry:

I am editing for publication the Civil War correspondence of Captain Virgil A.S. Parks of Georgia. Captain Parks (b. ca. 1835) was a regular contributor to the Savannah Republican newspaper from 1861 until his death in battle at Gettysburg, July 2, 1863.

While his war career is well-documented, Virgil's parentage is unknown to me in spite of numerous genealogical searches. Entries on Ancestry.com are from highly questionable and undocumented sources.

When Virgil was quite young, his family left "Middle Georgia" for Texas, where both parents died. Abandoned by his stepmother among strangers in Arkansas, Virgil made his way back to Georgia and graduated from the University of Georgia law school in January 1861. He then moved to Decatur Co. GA where he enlisted with Co. D, 17th Georgia Infantry.

If any member of the Parke Society has information regarding Cpt. Virgil A. S. Parks, please contact Mr. White by mail at Gregory C. White, 3101 Mills Ridge Drive, Canton, GA, 30114 or by email to gcw31ga@mindspring.com.☞

Society News and Notes

by (Fr.) Michael (Tad) Parks+, PS #425H

Renewal Dues Notices:

Back in November we mailed out the annual dues renewal notices. The response this year has been a little slower than in past years, so we'd like to remind our members to review their dues status, to be sure that they're up to date. Take a look at the mailing label of this issue. You can find your status on the right hand end of the top line of the label. If it says 2011 or earlier, you are not current in your annual dues; this could be the last issue you receive. Please check your status, and if not renewed, please take care of that today. If you've lost the dues envelope, you can mail your check for \$25, (payable to the Parke Society, Inc.) to Mrs. Joanne G. Rodgers, 108 Crestview Dr., Duncansville, PA 16635-6938. Be sure to include your PS Membership number.

Advance Announcement: 49th Annual Meeting of the Parke Society, Inc.

Arrangements have now been made for the 49th (2012) Annual Meeting of the Parke Society, Inc. The date and time is Saturday, September 22, 2012, at 11 AM, and the place is the Country Inn and Suites Hotel, 1025 Pfeiffers Lane, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, in Meeting Room A. The hotel is conveniently located just off I-83 (exit 48, Union Deposit Road) just a few miles east of downtown Harrisburg. The Trustees will be gathering the previous evening for their usual State of the Society session.

Since this is a business session only, we do not plan on bringing any portion of the Circulating Library, or the genealogical materials. However, if you wish to discuss with the officers your lineage, we will be happy to have on hand the necessary information, by you letting us know in advance via the Proxy Ballot to be found in the next issue.

A small block of rooms have been designated for the Society, with the Standard Room (2 queen or 1 king bed) going for \$102, and the Suite (2 queen or 1 king bed) going for \$120, all plus an 11% room tax.

The Country Inn and Suites offers complimentary breakfast, free high-speed internet access, refrigerators and coffee-makers in each room, as well as

other amenities, including a fitness center and heated indoor pool.

Even if you're only vaguely interested in seeing the Society in action, and meeting with the principals, mark the date on your calendar. Further information will be provided in the next issue of the newsletter along with the necessary Proxy Ballot.

Proposed Amendment to the By-Laws.

As an organization matures, it needs from time to time to change the way business is conducted. Three years ago, faced with declining attendance and the abandonment of the convocation protocols, a number of changes were made to the By-Laws to allow the general membership of the Society to participate in the election and governance process without physical attendance. Those changes were accepted by the Society, and have proven to be effective.

At the 2011 Annual Meeting of the Trustees (see Vol. 48 #1, p. 6) the Trustees discussed the size of the Board of Trustees. The present size had more to do with the regions then in use than with functionality. Because of travel costs, only a few of the Trustees make a regular appearance at the annual meetings. Keeping absent trustees in the loop was tedious and not always successful. The Trustees agreed to put an amendment to the By-Laws to the general membership that the size of the board be reduced from nine (9) members to six (6), all elected at large.

Below you'll find the proposed amendments to the Parke Society By-Laws (Edition of 2010). This counts as the first reading of these amendments. The second reading will be in Vol. 48 #3 of the newsletter, along with the Adoption Ballot for use by the general membership to adopt or reject these changes.

The mechanism for the reduction in the number of trustees will be detailed in the Society's standing rules. No current trustees will have their terms limited by this change. The changes will occur as terms come up for re-election.

The following is a *draft* of the changes to be made to the Edition of 2010 of our By-Laws, showing text being deleted (by its ~~crossing-out~~) or text being inserted (by its underlining).

ARTICLE V: BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Section 1. The Board of Trustees shall be in full charge of managing the affairs of The Society. It shall consist of ~~nine~~ six elected members, in addition to whom all Officers shall be members ex officio if not already members of the Board, with voice and vote. Other Appointees of The Society shall be ex officio members without vote.

Section 2. The ~~nine~~ six members shall be elected at large from The Society Membership, provided that a majority of the Board at any time shall be Regular Members. ~~The Seats on the Board shall be designated by the Region numbers now in use, but only for reference and identification purposes of each seat.~~ Trustees must be members in good standing, and must maintain that status throughout their term of office.

Section 3. The term of each of the ~~nine~~ six members shall be three (3) years. with one third (1/3) of the seats coming up for re-election each year. The mechanism for reduction of the board from nine (9) to six (6) members shall be enumerated within The Society's Standing Rules, and that Rule shall become mute once the reduction has been achieved.

ARTICLE IV: MEETINGS OF THE CORPORATION

Section 5. Only matters that are of concern to the general membership, as appointed by these By-Laws shall be eligible to be placed on the ballots going to members for Annual Meetings of The Society. These matters are:

a) Election of ~~three~~ two (3 2) Trustees for three (3) year terms;

ARTICLE VI: MEETINGS OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Section 4. All votes of the Board of Trustees shall be by simple majority of the elected Trustees present, as defined in Article III, Section 6, at the meeting. As for all other Trustees and ex officio members of The Board who will be unable to physically attend the Trustee's meetings, it is their responsibility as a duty of their office to diligently file their Trustee's Proxy Ballot.☺

Joel Parks of Barton, Folk Artist Jean Churchill, Missing Links Editor

Several years ago, I walked through the old section of the Barton Church Cemetery, Barton, Tioga County, New York looking for Park/e/s names, and came across the following stones. These markers were not in good shape, had fallen over, and were covered with dirt. We managed to clean them up enough so we could read them; however, they do not appear on any of the later listings for this cemetery. Mary, wife of Joel Parks, died July 29, 1853 age 32 yr 11 mo 5 days. Their children's markers were: Jerome; Mary A.; Lewis W.; and Frances A.

I often wondered whatever happened to Joel Parks but since I could not find him in our Society data base, I put this information aside. Then in April 2009, The Tioga County Historical Society received portraits of Samuel and Charlotte Mills of Barton, painted in 1841 by J. Parks. Samuel Mills was born in Barton, NY and was a prominent figure there until 1872 when he moved to Nichols, NY after the death of his wife. These portraits had been in the family for over 150 years and were given by Mr. and Mrs. John Coryell Hilke. They are now a treasured addition to the Museum's folk art collection.

There is certainly no doubt that Joel Parks was a successful portrait artist of his time. In 1987, his portrait of a child in a red dress sold for \$9,900. On January 20, 2002, a pair of portraits of William and Lucinda Mabie Cook, attributed to Joel Parks, were sold at auction for \$31,800. There appears to be a question as to the provenance of some of the paintings that were signed simply J. Parks. It is known Joseph (07T288) Parks of Litchfield, Bradford, Pennsylvania was also a painter. His beautiful portrait of his wife was donated by Sumner Park and is on view at the Tioga County Museum along with the two painted by Joel Parks. The museum has two other Park paintings in its collection. There is an oil portrait of Capt. Daniel Park, son of Capt. Thomas Park, probably the work of his nephew Gilbert Forsyth, a portrait painter who was a friend of Thomas LeClere, donated by William Forsyth prior to 1966 and there is also a portrait of Thomas Park.

More and more information is being found on Joel Parks and his family. He was born May 13, 1810 and married twice. His first marriage was to Mary Wheeler on June 2, 1841. Mary was a sister to Eliza Ann Wheeler who married Joel's brother Enos Tamalage Parks. Mary died July 29, 1853 at Barton, New York at the age of 33. She was followed by her infant daughter, Mary Adeline, age 3 mo. 27 days, on August 10, 1853. According to her obituary, Sister Parks converted to God at age eighteen, joining the Methodist Episcopal Church in the town of Danby where she was born. She continued to be a devout Christian throughout her long illness of pulmonary consumption.

In 1860, Joel is living in Sheshequin, Bradford, PA and is married to Melissa Harford. His child, Francis Parks along with Melissa's two sons, Emmit Harford, age 11 and Albert Harford, age 10 are also in the household. The family evidently did not live in Pennsylvania very long because on the 1865 New York State Census, Joel states that he was born in Chenango County, NY but has been in Tioga County 21 years.

It was originally thought that Joel died about 1888/1889, but census data seems to agree with the age given in his obituary which would put his death sometime during 1892. This undated obituary states that Joel Parks died at his residence on Monday evening in the 82nd year of his age. It noted that he was a painter by trade and in his younger years was skilled in the art of portrait painting. He was a well known and highly esteemed member of the community. Funeral services were held at his late residence on Wednesday afternoon after which his remains were laid to rest in the cemetery. This is probably the Barton Methodist Episcopal Church cemetery since he had been a member for many years. However, there is no marker for either him or his second wife. In November 1892, Mrs. Joel Parks of Barton was assessed \$2.50 for road tax and in 1900, she, widowed, was living alone in Barton in the house which was free of mortgage which provides further proof of the Barton residence. Joel's obituary stated that he was survived by a wife and one son, Albert E. Parks of Waverly, New York.

Recently more source material has become available on this lineage. Earlier researchers have passed their information on to interested descendants who are continuing the research. We now know that Joel is one of twelve children born to Nathaniel Parks, Jr. and his wife, Maria Greene who came to Bainbridge, Chenango Co, New York from Banghall, Dutchess County, NY before 1810. Later articles will have more information on the ancestors and descendants of Nathaniel and Maria (Greene) Parks, Jr.

Joel Parks (b.13 May 1810 NY-d.abt.1888) mar. (1) Mary Wheeler (abt.1822 NY- 29 July 1853 Barton,Tioga,NY) on 2 June 1841. There were four children of this marriage none surviving to adulthood.

Joel mar. (2) Melissa Harford (b.Mar.1828 NY). Melissa had two children: Emmit and Albert Eugene. Emmit retained his father's name of Harford and was living in Chenango Co, NY in 1902. Albert Eugene took the "Parks" surname so he and his descendants are considered to be of this Parks lineage.

Albert Eugene Parks (b.abt.1851 NY) mar. Arminda S. Unknown (abt.1856-bef.1910). They were parents of six children:

1. Fannie G. Parks (1873) m. Fred Bixby. Lived in Marion, IN; then Union, NJ. Parents of five children – surname Bixby. Albert moved to New Jersey and was living with them in 1910. Their oldest son, Earl Everett Bixby (1900-1920) served in the US Navy on the ship USS Alden during WWI and was lost at sea. His name appears on the Tablet of The Missing At Suresnes American Cemetery, Suresnes, France. Fannie and Fred Bixby had four other children.
2. Flora M. Parks (abt.1875) no further information
3. Oscar Joel Parks (b. 29 Oct. 1877 NY) m. Clara A. Unknown. Living in Elizabeth, NJ with his wife when he registered for WWI draft.

4. Fred Bert Parks (7 Sep.1879 NY-12 Jun.1944 PA) m. Bertha Jennie Kimble. Lived in Athens, PA. 3 children: Maurice (b.1904), Eleanor (b.c.1919) and Jean E. (b.c.1925)
5. Lewis Albert Parks (21 Jul.1885 NY) m. Elizabeth H. Unknown. Lived in Union, NJ. One daughter, Ruth (b.c.1909 NY)
6. Nora E. Parks (abt.1894). Living in the household of her brother, Lewis Parks in 1910.

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Why waste your money looking up your family tree? Just go into politics and your opponents will do it for you.

—Mark Twain

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Lola Parks Spohn Nielsen Award: 2011 Winners

Richard Neil Parks, PS#1468 and Jeannie Patee announced the 2011 winners of the Lola Parks Spohn Nielsen Award given for research in genealogy and volunteer services in organizations concerned with preserving family history. They are:

Sandra A Beckum, PS#1311 of Macon, GA, a descendant of James Parks (1780-1860) and Elizabeth Davis, LK=TZ, of Belmont Co., Ohio.

Lethene Dennis Parks, PS#1113, and her daughter Cathleen Parks Sato, PS#1512, of Vancouver, WA and Powell, OH respectively, descendants of John Parks (1793-1861) and Sarah Louise Ogden, LK=CC, of New York City, NY.

Also honored was Lois Ann Park Newell, Society File Reference number 9978, of Chloe, WV, a long time researcher on the Roger of New Jersey line, LK=K.

Other honorees were Marilyn Miller, a long time researcher on the Robert and Laban Parks line; and Cemetery Seekers, a 20-year old organization dedicated to researching cemeteries and providing additional information on families and the historical facts surrounding the areas in which they lived.

All honorees receive a beautiful plaque suitable for mounting on the wall, and mention in our Newsletter as well as in the Newsletter of the Robert and Laban Parks Group of Ohio.

For work well done, we extend to all recipients hearty congratulations and wishes for continued good luck in their future endeavors.☺

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David Livingstone Parke, Sr., PS#13, Rejuvenator, RIP

by Fr. Michael Parks+, SSC

It is with deep regret and great sadness that we must report the death of David Livingstone Parke, Sr., PS#13, on November 8, 2011 at the age of 89. He is survived by his widow, Cecilia K. Parke, a son David Livingstone (Caroline) Parke, Jr., and a daughter, Elisabeth Cushman Hayes, grandchildren Nathalie Jeanne Parke, Thomas Allerton Parke, Shelly Lynn Hayes, Gwyneth Erin Hayes, and twins, Robert Louis Hayes, Jr., and Roy Benavidez Hayes. He is also survived by a brother, Rev. John Holbrook (Andy) Parke.

David will be buried next to his first wife, Susan Green at the Wildwood Cemetery in Amherst, MA, in spring, 2012.

His life and work

David was born on May 31, 1922, the son of Rev. Hervey Coke Parke, Jr., and Ethel Margaret Cushman, at Amherst, MA, where his father was the Rector of Grace Episcopal Church. After attending Kent School, Kent, CT, a private boarding school founded and run by the Order of the Holy Cross, and graduation from Kenyon College (Class of '45) in Gambier, Ohio, he was commissioned in the United States Navy in 1944 and served in the Atlantic and Pacific. He also took part in the atomic bomb test at Bikini Atoll. He saw service on the USS Adamant, and USS Security, with his last duty station aboard the

USS Barbican. He was a member of the Phi Kappa Sigma fraternity.

In 1949, David married Susan Warren Green, daughter of Professor Warren Kimball Green and Ethel Mae Sawyer. David and Susan had two children, David Livingstone, Jr., and Elizabeth Cushman Parke. For many years they resided in New Bedford, MA until they moved to the Reading, PA area in the 1970s, where David took a new position. Susan passed away in 1980, at Lincoln Park, PA after a long illness. In 1981, David married Julia "Jill" Parks (Bowden) Bowers, a cousin. They resided in the Reading area until Jill sudden death in 1997. Then, in 1998, David married Cecilia Bertha (Parks) Kaskerg. David and Cecilia subsequently moved to Spring Hill, Florida for the remainder of his life.

David was always in management positions. On the USS Barbican (ACM-5) he was the Gunnery and also Damage Control Officer. Much beloved by the crew, he was the sole commissioned officer repeatedly asked to come to the crew's annual reunions.

He was a principal at Cushman and Denison Mfg., Co., becoming the Managing Director after it was acquired by Esterbrook Pen Company of Great Britain. He then worked for many years as a stockbroker for Waddle and Reed in Massachusetts.

He had a keen eye to spot talent, and was unafraid to do a little arm twisting to get people to commit to tasks that they might not otherwise take.

His involvement in the Society

Genealogy was David's favorite pastime and it came easily to him as both his family and Susan's had very deep roots back to the earliest days of the colonies through not only the Parke line, but also the Green, Cushman, and about six other early colonial connections. And for the sake of the Society, it was certainly helpful that his Park/e/s interest was utterly non-parochial. Any Park/e/s line hailing from the British Isles was game enough for him to research and write up.

It is no exaggeration to say, that had David Parke not been part of the Parke Society in its earliest days, it

would without a doubt not be in existence today. David's first contact with the Society was in 1965 when a cousin talked him into coming to a Parke Family Reunion in New London, CT. It was at this meeting that he found himself being elected the President of this new society. Unfortunately, a difference in opinion concerning the scope and mission of the Society between him and the Founder, Ruby Rilla Anderson, convinced him to walk away from the organization.

He stayed away until 1976, when the Board of Trustees asked him to come back as the Historian and Newsletter Editor. The task he inherited was formidable. There were no membership records, and none of the already collected genealogical materials were made available to him. In many ways he almost had to start from scratch to rebuild the organization.

And rebuild he did. If nothing else, David was a hands-on guy. In the first year of his return, he established membership lists and files, and collected information about any members that he had located. He put into place a system for the collection of the dues, and started to rebuild the genealogical record base, in the process designing a unique Family Group Sheet still in use today.

Over the years, David served in many positions: as Trustee, Historian, Editor, Registrar, and Chief-Arm-Twister. In later years he was often referred to as the Lord High Everything of the Society. His influence in how the organization was structured and how it operated has been the guiding force since 1976 to the present day. His presence will be sorely missed. For those of you who never had a chance to meet David, you have missed a real treat and a real gentleman.☺

Memories of David

by Jean Churchill PS#934

Norm and I met Jill Parke at church soon after we moved to the Reading, Pennsylvania area in the 1980s. When Norm mentioned that I have Park ancestry, Jill said I needed to meet her husband. David soon telephoned and encouraged me to join the Society. When Dana Parks, Jr. left the Society so many books, David asked me to become the librar-

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ian. I was very active in our local volunteer library, so he was sure I could take on this task. It was quite a learning experience, but one that I grew to enjoy.

It was David who finally succeeded in interesting me in genealogy and taught me the basic steps. He especially stressed the importance of reliable source material. I feel very blessed to have known David. He was so patient with me through my learning process. I had had no idea how many known Park/e/s lineages there are besides all the fragment lines.

Jill said that when they were on trips, if David saw the surname Park (any spelling), they had to stop and check it out. On his return, he would write an article for the Society newsletter – “The Strawberry King,” “Parkersburg, PA,” and “Parks College” are just a few examples. My idea for a “Missing Links” column came from my experience with David and was due to catching his broad interest, not only of the surname and how it fits into our country’s history.

David was a very ethical person with a wonderful sense of humor, who almost always saw the best in everyone. When I was over at his basement office working on the Library, his ping pong table would be covered with either materials for the next newsletter or some major church project. If he agreed to do something, you could be sure that it would be done well and finished on time.

His enthusiasm for the Parke Society was matched by his dedication.☺

Reflections: remembering David.

By Fr. Michael Parks+, SSC

I do remember well my first contact with David Parke. It was a phone call from Connecticut, where the annual meeting of the Parke Society was going on. The purpose of the call was to so gently twist my arm to take over the Historian role for the Society. It was not as easy a position as he had laid out in that phone call, but he had faith that I could do the job well—probably more than some of the board had at that time, never having laid eyes on me.

Later that summer, I drove out to Reading, Pennsylvania, and spent a week with David, enjoying his company, getting his take on the style of the society, and finding my way around the Society’s records. I returned to Milwaukee with the Society membership files and Lineage Binders, as they then existed, in my back seat and trunk. He had no concerns about me taking the records, and he unfailingly supported my efforts.

We were a good match. As he helped me with his extensive knowledge of Park/e/s from everywhere I assisted him administratively. I helped him move from hand-typed membership lists and labels to computerized versions, and I taught him how to use a word processor instead of a typewriter. We would sit either side of the President and guide him or her through the proceedings. The one thing that probably drove David nuts with me was my difficulty meeting article deadlines for the Newsletter, but we survived through it all.

The two best qualities I remember David for was his non-parochial interest in any and all Park/e/s that came to this side of the Pond from the British Isles; not just in his own Parke line, and his ability to parcel out tasks to others in the Society. The first trait is what has made us the Park/e/s information clearing house. The second trait is probably the more important one, as it has enabled us to survive not only the passing of our founder, but also the passing of most of our charter members. All too often, founders keep things all too close to the breast, and when they pass on, so does the organization. David had a unique knack of identifying needed skills and talents among members, and then gently twisting their arms to take on those tasks that were suitable for them.

David knew that as he aged, he needed to move out of the spotlight, and to transfer functions to other individuals. That proved most providential when on the eve of the Editorship transfer, he suffered a major stroke in November, 1995. Had he not already made the arrangements, the Society would have been in grave trouble.

David seemed timeless, as if he’d always be here. Though I had experienced the usual number of

deaths of friends and relatives, sometimes you just don't expect it to happen to some people. Then the person passes and that little piece of fiction vanishes.

As the years went on, I could see David starting to slip. I got into the habit of calling him in the morning hours since that seemed to be the time he was most alert, and his speech the most intelligible. But after each phone call, I had to tell myself that, yes, David was getting older, and that one day he would no longer be with us.

David was a lifelong Episcopalian and came from a clerical family (father, brother, brother-in-law, and nephew), which gave us another commonality. Our churchmanship was a bit different (he would complain that he needed an extra handkerchief to deal with the nose bleeds of my high church parishes, and I would comment that I wasn't exactly thrilled by going to Morning Prayer and Sermon in his low church parishes), but then that was the environment that he grew up in. His father was a product of the Diocese of Massachusetts, not exactly an area known for its Anglo-Catholic churchmanship. Even so, he had no second thoughts about being one of my Presentors at my Priesting in 2003. It was a great honor to have David here and speaking for me before the Bishop

When I was in Florida this past September, I made it a point to drive from Sarasota up to Spring Hill to see David and Cecilia. I'm very glad I made the effort. In a way, I figured that was probably going to be the last time that I saw David among the living. I gave thanks to him for all he had done for and with the Society over the years, and I assured him that I was being faithful to the style, scope and mission of the organization as he had once explained it to me thirty-one years ago.

When I received the phone call on November 8, I was much saddened. I had lost a good friend, a com-patriot, a confident and a faithful backer.

*Well done, good and faithful servant,
Inherit the reward that is set aside for you.
May David's soul, and all the souls of the Faithful
Departed, Rest in Peace. Amen.
And may light perpetual shine on them. Amen. ☚*

In Memoriam

We note with regrets and sympathy to the surviving families the following members who have passed away.



We recently learned that **Alene Gail Blacken, PS#909**, of Santa, Idaho died June 28, 2009, at the age of 75, in St. Maries, ID after a long battle with cancer.

Born January 9, 1934 at Jim Creek in Oso, WA, to Glen and Mildred Elva (Rowton) Hiett, she married Raymond Blacken in 1952 and they raised their family in Lakewood and Oso.

Alene is survived by husband, her sons, Laurin (Vicki) Blacken, and Perry Blacken, daughters Lucinda (Steve) VanValkenburg, Karen (Brad) Cromwell, and Lynette Henak. She is also survived by her twelve grandchildren, two step-granddaughters, and three great-grandchildren. She was a foster parent for Jim Brown and had many nieces and nephews. Alene also leaves three sisters, Jean, Barbara, and Winona; and her brother, Roy. A brother, Lou, preceded her in death.

Alene was an 11th generation descendant from Robert Parke, through his son Thomas (O2T1) who married Alice Freeman, LK=T, Chart 6. The line from there is Thomas³, Thomas⁴, Josiah⁵, Thomas⁶, James Nesbit⁷, Orrin James⁸, Arthur Clinton⁹, Harold Elmer¹⁰, to member¹¹.



Gail Alice (Henninger) Howell, MD, PS#1245, of Dayton, OH, passed away at the age of 68 on July 5, 2011.

Gail was born in Cleveland, OH, February 12, 1943, the daughter of Leonard and Helen (Beeman) Henninger. She attended the University of Florida at Gainesboro, where she received a BS in Chemistry in 1965, and the University of Miami (Florida) School of Medicine where she received her MD in 1969. She also did additional research at the University of Freiburg, Germany in the summer of 1967. She married Rev. Roger Howell on August 29, 1970.

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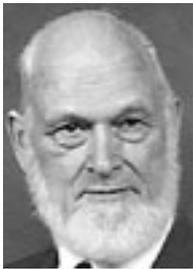
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She was an ardent genealogical researcher, always seeking out original records to prove her line.

She is survived by her husband of 41 years and her two sons. Dr. Howell practiced in many of the Dayton area Emergency rooms and then joined a group of physicians until retiring in 1999.

Gail was a 12th generation descendant from Robert Parke, who came to America on the Winthrop Fleet in 1630, through Robert's son, Thomas (02T1) Parke, LK=T, Chart 12. The line from there is Nathaniel³, Phebe⁴, who married Thomas Beeman, to Daniel⁵ Beeman, Timothy⁶ Beeman, Sylvanus Alfred⁷ Beeman, William⁸ Beeman, Edgar L.⁹ Beeman, William Edgar¹⁰ Beeman, Helen¹¹ Beeman who married Leonard Luther Henninger, to member¹².



Harold Frank Park, Cdr. USNR (Ret), PS#325, of Fannettsburg, PA, passed into his heavenly home on Friday morning, August 5, 2011, at age 99.

Harold, a long time genealogist among other things, was born March 3, 1912, in Paradise Twp, Lancaster Co, PA, the only child of Earle White Park and Mary Jane LeFevre. He attended the Drexel Institute of Art, Science and Industry, in Philadelphia, PA, pursuing a five year cooperative course in Electrical Engineering, graduating with a BS degree in 1934. He spent most of his career working with the Rural Electrification Administration (REA) with related organizations. In 1974, he moved to his present home in Fannettsburg, PA, and devoted most of his time to genealogical studies and a small printing plant which he operated as a hobby.

Harold is survived by his wife of 75 years, Miriam Irene (Martin) Park, 2 daughters, Marion Watt (William) Heiget, and Kathryn Verna Park. He is also survived by four grandchildren, five great grandchildren, and seven great great grandchildren.

Harold's line is currently considered a Fragment line, LK=JJ. DNA evidence links him to the Arthur Park, LK=A, though the specific connection to Arthur still eludes researchers. His line starts with a John Park born in Lancaster Co., PA, died 1750, John² who married Isabella McMullen circa 1772-1775, to John³, John Witherspoon⁴, David Duff⁵, Earle White⁶, to member⁷.



Robert Alan Park, PS#956, of North Bend, OR, passed away August 26, 2011 at the age of 80.

Born July 3, 1931, in Boston, MA, the son of Alan Bishop and Louise Elenor (Hickey) Park, Robert married first in 1956 Marian Jane Johnson, and had several children by that marriage. He subsequently married Pamela Edge in Oklahoma in 1983.

His one great love, besides genealogy, was motorcycle riding. At the age of 50 he and Pam went on an 18,000 mile motorcycle ride starting in Oklahoma, through Canada, down the eastern seaboard to Texas, down to Cancun, Mexico, finally returning home.

Robert is survived by his wife, Pam, four children, several grand children, and great grand children.

Robert was an 11th generation descendant from Robert Parke, who came to America on the Winthrop Fleet in 1630, through Robert's son, Thomas (02T1) Parke, LK=T, Chart 6. The line from there is Thomas³, Thomas⁴, Thomas⁵, Elijah⁶, Thomas⁷, Albert⁸, Rufus Charles⁹, Alan Bishop¹⁰, to member¹¹.



Notice was recently received that **William Harold Park, PS#1117**, of State College, PA, passed away September 9, 2011, at age 82.

Bill Park was born in Carlisle, PA, March 2, 1929, the son of Harold Elmer and Ruth (Green) Park.

After determining that he didn't want to repair radiators for the rest of his life, he attended Penn State, earning his BS in Mechanical Engineering in 1952. He eventually earned his Ph.D. from Cornell in 1966 while teaching at Penn State. He spent his entire academic career at Penn State, from which he retired as a Professor Emeritus in 1987.

He is survived by Ruth, his wife of 54 years, and children Steven Gregory (Jean) Park, James Allen Park, Mary Katheryn (Robert) Keppel, and Carol Ann Park, all of whom are members of the Society. He is also survived four grandchildren and three great grandchildren.

Bill was an 11th generation descendant from Robert Parke, through his son Thomas (02T1) who married Alice Freeman, LK=T, Chart 6. The line from there is Thomas³, Thomas⁴, Josiah⁵, Thomas⁶, James Nesbit⁷, Orrin James⁸, Arthur Clinton⁹, Harold Elmer¹⁰, to member¹¹.



Mary Bacon Parke (“Polly”) Ostheimer, PS#886, of St. Ignatius, MT, passed away peacefully in her sleep October 24, 2011, at the age of 76, from complications of Alzheimer’s disease.

Born in West Chester, PA, October 4, 1935, the daughter of Thomas Parke, MD, and Caroline Lippincott Hoopes, Polly attended Colby-Sawyer College and worked in the medical records field for some years.

Polly married Anthony McIlvain Ostheimer, a Marine officer, at the Downingtown Friends (Quaker) Meeting on June 22, 1957. Moving back to Pennsylvania, they raised a family of four children. By 1974 the Ostheimer family had moved to Montana, where she took part in managing their various farms in and around St. Ignatius.

Polly loved her family, and enjoyed reading, gardening and genealogy.

Polly is survived by her husband and her children Caroline Parke Ostheimer and her husband Muthu-

muthu Sooriyakumar, Edward McIlvain (Shawn Alyssa) Ostheimer, Richard Knight (Nan) Ostheimer and William Bacon (Kelly Marie) Ostheimer, and by eight grandchildren and three great grandchildren. She is also survived by two sisters and one brother, all in Pennsylvania.

Polly had two separate Park/e/s lines. Her first and principle line is from Thomas Parke and Rebecca Hooper who came from Ireland, LK=F. Her line descends through his son Jonathan (02F9) Parke, to Abiah³, Thomas A.⁴, John Edge⁵, Thomas Edge⁶, to her father Thomas⁷ Parke, to member⁸.

In her second line, she was the 11th generation from Arthur (02A2) Parke, LK=A, to John³, Joseph⁴, Keziah⁵ Parke, who married Col. Joseph McClellan, to Ann⁶ McClellan, Elizabeth McClellan⁷ Hemphill, Malinda Marshall⁸ Worthington, Wilmer Worthington⁹ Hoopes, to her mother Caroline Lippincott¹⁰ Hoopes, to member¹¹.



Richard Raymond (“Dick”) Milligan, PS#389, of Albany, OR, tenth president of the Parke Society (1989-1992), passed away at the age of 91 on November 20, 2011, as the result of a fatal auto accident.

He was born February 21, 1920, on a farm in Custer Co., NE, the son of George Frederick Milligan, Sr., and Grace June Cleveland. Dick was a World War II Navy Veteran. After the war, he moved to Portland, OR and became active in the Real Estate business, and also worked as a manufacturing manager.

Dick was the curator for the Linn County Museum in Brownsville, OR, as well as the sometime President of the Linn Genealogical Society, in Albany, OR.

Dick is survived by his brother William Milligan, PS#796, and his three children Dillard Dee (Martha Dubay) Milligan, Dona Lee (Larry E.) Braman and Doras Ann (James) Lewis, and by several grandchildren and great grandchildren.

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Dick was a 12th generation descendant from Robert Parke, who came to America on the Winthrop Fleet in 1630, through Robert's son, William (02W1) Parke, LK=W, Chart 2. The line from there is Theoda³, Parke, who married Deacon Samuel Williams, thence to Abigail⁴ Williams, Theoda⁵ Porter, Abigail⁶ Wallbridge, Ezra⁷ Cleveland, Porter Wallbridge⁸ Cleveland, James Thomas⁹ Cleveland, Edward Yancey¹⁰, Cleveland, Grace June¹¹ Cleveland who married George Fredrick Milligan, to member¹².☞

Other Park/e/s Reunions

From time to time, the Parke Society is advised of various smaller Park/e/s family reunions around the country which focus on specific lineages or sub-lines. We're willing to publish such events provided we get notification in a timely manner. Our publication deadlines are generally 15 November, 15 February and 1 June with mailing date one month later. If you are having a gathering, and would like it announced in our Newsletter, please send full information to the Historian.

2012 Parks Family Reunion.

Descendants of William Stearns and Ellen Elizabeth (Wilcox) Parks.

To be held at the Drury Inn and Suites Frankenmuth, 260 S Main, Frankenmuth, MI, June 24-26, 2012.

For further information, visit <http://boards.ancestry.com/topics.reunion.us.mi/133/mb.ashx>, or contact Mrs. Donna Miller, PS#1582, at donnaxmiller@yahoo.com, or by phone at 269-815-4702.☞

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Every solution to a problem leads...
to two more problems.

WELCOME, NEW MEMBERS!

1580 Roberta Lee DuRee

Omaha, NE

Lineage is Robert (MA, 1630) through his son Thomas (02T2), LK=T, Chart 7. Line is Robert¹, Thomas², Thomas³, Eleazer⁴, Simeon⁵, Elijah⁶, Elijah⁷, Robert⁸, Florence⁹ Parke, who married Franklin Cook, to Robert Seth (or Sylvanus)¹⁰ Cook, to Sylvanus Beverly¹¹, Cook, to member¹².

1581 Sarah Elizabeth Perry

Mill Valley, CA

Lineage is Richard (MA, 1635) through his son Thomas (02R2), LK= R. Line is Richard¹, Thomas², John³, John⁴, John⁵, Jonathan⁶, Henry⁷, Otis H.⁸, Mary Elizabeth⁹ Parks, who married Alonzo Rudolf Freeman, to Winifred Viola¹⁰ Freeman, who married Henry Joseph Perry, to Freeman¹¹ Perry, to member¹².

1582 Donna Rey Miller

Berrien Springs, MI

The underlying line is what is currently known as the Fragment Line Jonathan Parks (1777, CT – 1865, WI) who married Lois Grant 1776, CT – 1834, NY), LK=TV. The line from Jonathan is to Amos², William Stearns³, Rodney Ernest⁴, Clara Evelyn⁵, Parks who married Stephen Barth, to member⁶.

She believes that her Jonathan (01TV1) connects to the Robert line (MA, 1630) through his son Thomas (02T2), LK=T, Chart 11. The Line to Jonathan would be Robert¹, Thomas², Robert³, Robert⁴, Robert⁵, Robert⁶, who is possibly the father of the above mentioned Jonathan (01TV1) Parks. We are seeking additional proof of this connection.☞