



# The Kelsey Family News Bulletin

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## Hear Ye, Hear Ye,

Our President Howard Bowman calls all members to the 79<sup>th</sup> annual Kelsey Reunion and Business meeting.

Clinton Connecticut will be the site of this year's reunion. It will be September 7<sup>th</sup> through the 9<sup>th</sup> 2007. Our headquarters for the reunion will be the Clinton Town Hall. A list of Hotels and campgrounds will be listed at the end of the article.

### Friday September 7<sup>th</sup>

**6:30 pm** - Check in at the Clinton Town Hall for some hospitality time.

**7:30 pm** - Annual business meeting will be held. After the meeting we will have a show and tell time as well as time to enjoy each other, or to view the reunion photos and scrap books. Genealogical volumes will be available for research, sale and order. Other items for sale will be T-shirts, Golf shirts, Coat of Arms appliques, decals, mugs, etc.

### Saturday September 8<sup>th</sup>

Breakfast is on your own.

**9:45 am** - Meet at the town Hall parking lot for a bus trip to Mystic Seaport, Mystic Aquarium and the Nautilus, the first atomic submarine ever built.

The bus will drop those interested in the Nautilus first and then travel on to Mystic. Those taking the bus are on their own to visit the Nautilus (which is free), the Seaport, and or the Aquarium or visit the shops. Visit the websites for these attractions for pricing. The bus will have designated stops where members can be picked up and dropped off. We will be returning to the Clinton Town Hall at 5:00 pm. The charge will be \$10.00 per person for the bus.

**6:00 pm** - Meet back at the Town Hall for Happy hour and pictures.

**7:00 pm** - We will have a traditional Lobster/Clam bake or Barbeque chicken dinner. The entrée will also include clam chowder, potato salad, coleslaw and tossed salad. The meal is served buffet style

except for the entrée. The Lobster/clambake dinner is \$35.00 Kids meals are available for \$6.00. If you are not interested in the meal choices feel free to arrange for your own food on Saturday night. For dessert we will be eating the entries from the Third Annual Kelsey Kindred Baking Contest. A panel of judges will choose the winners from different categories. The categories will be: cookies and bars, pies, cakes, and desserts made by juniors. We also will award a grand prize for the overall winner! I hope that we will have participants from near and far! Following dinner we will have some entertainment and play our trivia game.

### Sunday September 10<sup>th</sup>

**10:00 am** - A church service will be held at the Congregational church located across the street from the Town Hall. All are welcome to attend.

**12:00 pm** - The annual picnic will be held at the Clinton Town Beach. A gazebo, nature trail and games will be available. Hot dogs and hamburgers, salads and desserts will be served. A donation of \$5.00 is suggested.

The following is a list of Hotels and Campgrounds in the area: If you have any questions please contact Alice Flanagan or Bill Belcher (phone numbers are listed in officers section).

Clinton Hotel .....East Main Street, Clinton  
(860) 669 - 8850

Comfort Inn .....off I95 in Saybrook  
(860) 395 - 1414

Comfort Inn ..... Guilford  
(203) 453-5600

Madison Beach Hotel.....Wharf Rd. Madison  
(right on the water)  
(203) 245-1404

Super 8 Hotel ..... Old Saybrook  
(860) 399-6273

### Camping Sites

Riverdale Campground River Road Clinton  
(860) 669-5388

**I HOPE THAT WE WILL SEE YOU THERE!**

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**Annual Kelsey Remembrance Quilt**

Lori Carter & Krista Carter Shaffer will be the designers and quilters of our annual fund raiser. It is hoped that we will receive quilt donations from members and non-members via information obtained from our web page [www.thekelseykindred.org](http://www.thekelseykindred.org) our annual membership drive, and our reunions. The winner does NOT have to be present when the quilt is awarded. A donation of \$10.00 gets you a 1-name/1-ticket chance and a donation of \$20.00 gets you a 3-name/3-ticket chance -- you do the math! Paula  
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**Schedule of Fees**

Annual Dues (10-1 to 9-30)	\$10.00
Applications for Membership	\$ 5.00
New Membership fee	\$15.00
(Application fee plus annual dues)	
Life Membership	\$200.00
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Volumes of the ***Kelsey Genealogy*** are on **SALE**  
 until further notice:  
**Volume I now \$19.00 Volume II now \$20.00**  
**Volumes V, VI, & VII now \$29.00**  
 Send your orders to: Paula Carter, 16 Orchard Dr, Corning,  
 NY 14830 (NY residents must add appropriate NY Sales Tax)

**Donations**

Thank you to Tom Hoffman and Darlene Corson for their donations to our Media fund. Please make your tax deductible donations to any of our funds. The media fund, the scholarship fund or the endowment/memorial fund. **Thank you!!**  
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**Bulletin Editor Notes**

We again are asking anyone who is willing to receive their newsletter via e-mail to write to me at [kknnewsletter@yahoo.com](mailto:kknnewsletter@yahoo.com). It is quick and easy.  
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**NEW MEMBERS –**

Line of		
Judy Star D. Lewis	Stephen	St. George
UT		
Donald Joseph Minick	Stephen	Staten
Island, NY		
Anne Marie Mitchell	Stephen	
Gardiner, MT		

Cady Ann Mittlestadt      Stephen  
 Bismarck, ND  
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 Crockett, TX

*We currently have 641 active members.*

**Welcome to all of you!!**

continue to support us in the future but will be able  
 to spend a little more time with his family.

Thanks again Ken!!

If you would like to be considered for the position  
 please be prepared to "throw your hat into the ring"  
 at the annual meeting in September.

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**OBITUARIES**

**STEVENSON, Elsie Kelsey #12488 – Vol. IV** Elsie was 86 years old and passed away Sunday, January 7, 2007 at Saybrook Health Care. She was born in Westbrook, CT in 1920, the daughter of the late William and Ruth (Pendleton) Kelsey. Elsie was a devoted mother and grandmother and a friend to all who knew her. She was the beloved wife of the late Frank Stevenson. She is survived by two sons; George Stevenson (and his wife Deborah), and Thomas Stevenson, both of Old Saybrook, CT; a brother, William Kelsey (and his wife Barbara) of Westbrook, CT; three sisters; Susan Gualazzi of Ivoryton, CT, Ruth Savage of Rhode Island, and Elizabeth Farrell of Westbrook, CT. She is also survived by four grandchildren in Arizona and Tennessee; and many nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by her son, Edward Stevenson.

**KELSEY, Mary A. (Blacker), #09S51075 - Vol. V**, of Manchester, NH died April 30, 2007 at Catholic Medical Center after a long illness. Born in Waterbury, CT on March 7, 1932, she was the daughter of Harold and Mary (Moran) Blacker. She lived in Clinton, CT many years and in Litchfield briefly before moving to Manchester in 1995. Mrs. Kelsey worked as a nurse's aide for many years. She was a devoted mother, grandmother and friend and will be remembered for her understanding and sense of humor. She was predeceased by her husband, Jarman J. Kelsey, son of Joseph J. Kelsey, a Kelsey Kindred founder. She is survived by five children, Mary "Cindy" (and Joseph) Czeciuk and Joyce J. (and John) Barley both of Manchester, NH, Rosalind M. (and Joseph) Briody of Crestview, FL, Kris N. (and Richard) Bennett of Manchester and Jarman "Jay" (and Nicole) Kelsey of Salem, NH; 18 grandchildren; a sister, Joyce Dalzell of Litchfield, CT and cousins, nieces and nephews.

**HEYL, Alice Cooke # 10G10875 Vol. IV** of Avon, CT died Tuesday April 17, 2007. Born 1917 in Minnesota she was the daughter of Alice Reeve Kelsey and Russell Cooke. She was the widow of Hamilton Heyl, the love of her life and best friend. She is survived by three sons, Robert E. Heyl (and his wife Stella) of New Britain, Russell Heyl of Vermont, Andrew Heyl (and his wife Margaret) of Colchester; three grandsons, Kelsey C.

<b>Kelsey Kindred</b>		
<b>Operating Statement 2006</b>		
<b>Cash on Hand</b>	<b>1-1-2006</b>	<b>\$7,756.57</b>
<b>RECEIPTS</b>		
Book sales		\$534.00
COA & Decals		\$29.00
Dues		\$3710.00
Mugs, caps, T-shirts		\$119.00
Donations		\$185.00
Dinners and Reunion		\$1308.15
Interest Income		\$19.99
Maid in the Mist		\$441.85
Memberships		\$90.00
<b>TOTAL RECEIPTS</b>		<b>\$6436.99</b>
<b>TOTAL AVAILABLE FUNDS</b>		<b>\$14193.56</b>
	<b>1-1- 2006</b>	
<b>DISBURSEMENTS</b>		
Interest Expense		\$1000.00
Robert Gaber Scholarship		\$500.00
Winter newsletter/postage		\$650.65
President Expenses		\$147.65
Spring newsletter/postage		\$619.88
Vice President Expenses		\$131.75
Business insurance		\$327.03
Dues bills		\$173.17
Secty & Genealogist Expense		\$1037.98
Service charge & Fees		\$80.01
Reunion Maid in the Mist		\$510.55
2006 Reunion dinners		\$1752.82
Clinton Historical Society		\$100.00
Genealogy membership		\$112.00
Memorial book		\$52.50
Misc.		\$49.97
<b>TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS</b>		<b>\$7245.96</b>
<b>Cash on Hand</b>	<b>1-1-2007</b>	<b>\$6947.60</b>

**Nominating Committee Note**

Kenneth Carter will be stepping down as Vice President this year. We would like to take a moment to thank him for all that he has done. I'm sure he will

Heyl, Erick Heyl, and Anthony Heyl, and three grandchildren, Savanna, Trail and Kayla Heyl.

**HOFFMAN, Jean Spencer (Kelsey) #5996 -Vol. IV Pg. 357.** Passed away peacefully at The Connecticut Hospice in Branford, CT on December 12, 2006 at the age of 83. Jean was born in Mount Vernon, NY and raised in the City Point area of New Haven, CT. She is survived by her husband, Harry F. Hoffman of Hamden, CT, her son, Frederick S. Hoffman of Rome, NY, and four grandchildren. She was predeceased by her daughter Nancy Jean Argo. Jean is the daughter of Harold J. and Mabel Kelsey. Harold (#3804) served as secretary of the Kelsey Kindred for several years.

**LEBERT, John Edward #09S50109** died at home on Saturday Feb 17, 2007. He was 91 years old. He was the son of J. Eliza Kelsey Engstrom. A life long resident of Clinton, he retired from Chesebrough-Ponds after 42 years of service as a material handling supervisor. He was a member of the Clinton Volunteer Fire Dept. for 31 years. After his retirement he drove Medical Outpatient Transportation for 17 years. He was predeceased by his wife Elinor (Nebbie) Evarts Lebert and a sister, Marion Morris. He is survived by two sons; John Edward Lebert Jr. (Jack) and his wife Betty and Mark Lebert and friend Kathy Haddon both of Clinton, CT; two daughters; Susan (and David) Osmolski of Weddington, NC and Jane (and Michael) Ryan of Bradenton, FL, many grandchildren and great grandchildren.

**HANSEN, Susan Kelsey # 10G51273 - Vol. III** beloved wife for 65 years of Eric R. Hansen passed away January 14, 2007 after a brief illness. She was born in East Orange, NJ in 1921. She was a daughter of the late Stephen T. and Ann Louise Silver Kelsey. She was a graduate of Miss Porter's School of Farmington, CT. She and her husband resided in Darien, CT for 50 years and were active members of St Lukes' Episcopal Church, and the Noroton Yacht Club, before they moved to Cheshire, CT in 2004. In addition to her husband, she is survived by a son, Eric R. Hansen Jr. (and his wife Jennye) of New Haven, CT, 2 grandchildren, and two great grandchildren. She was preceded in death by a sister, Margaret Van Tuyl and a brother, Stephen T. Kelsey.

**KELSEY, William James /# 7171a - Vol. IV** Son of Hartwell Eugene Kelsey and Alma Julia (Dieckmann) Kelsey. Born May 30, 1922 in Chicago IL; died January 1, 2006 in San Diego, CA. He was educated in Chicago, IL and graduated from Northern Illinois University De Kalb, Illinois with a B.S. of Education. He served in the United States Army Air Force during World War II. He started out as a physical education teacher in secondary schools of the Newport/Unified School

District he became interested in the physically handicapped P.E. He later became a physical therapist and worked at the V.A. Hospital in Long Beach, CA at Dr Joan Elser's Clinic, Long Beach, CA and as an instructor and advisor to Dr. John Thie and his Touch for Health Institute, based in Malibu, CA. He was also a professional athletic trainer. Some highlights of this career were; Being head trainer for the Archery Venue of the 1984 Olympiad with responsibility for all the athletes, both American and foreign. Training in the Ram Camp during summer workouts in Long Beach, CA c) Taking a championship girls' volleyball team for competition in Japan. Working with the U.S. Women's AA swim team. Being trainer for both boys' and girls' championship. He is survived by his wife, Beverley (Bloom) Kelsey, and children; Dale (Kelsey) Aldrich (11G8400) and Dean (Kelsey) Aldrich; Kellen Smith, Nicolas Smith and Whitney Pracht.

**KELSEY, George Budd Volume IV pages 131 and 370** passed away at 95 on December 30, 2006. He was the husband of Alice Harris Kelsey. George was born in Cumberland County on Dec. 12, 1911, a son of the late Harrison Morton and Lillian Budd Kelsey. He was a member of the Appomattox Courthouse Presbyterian Church, Farmville Masonic Lodge 41 AF &AM; Past Master Farmville Lodge 41; Past Patron of Appomattox Chapter 10 Order of the Eastern Star and Primary Member Robert Morris Chapter 150 OES. George was also very active in Scouting and in 1957, the National Council of the Boy Scouts of America awarded him the Silver beaver Award. He joined the U.S. Army Infantry in 1932 serving in Hawaii and was drafted into World War II. He served in the Army in the Pacific Theater from New Guinea to Japan. George retired from Kilkare Laundry in Farmville. In addition to his wife, he is survived by a son, Stanley Kelsey of Richmond; a daughter, Cheryl (and her husband C. Lewis) McDearmon Jr. of Appomattox, and a their children Mac, Ruth, Patrick, and Cecilia; a number of great grandchildren; two sisters; Margaret Goin and Janet Vaughn, both of Farmville; several nieces and nephews including a special niece, Carolyn Vaughn; two brothers in law and their wives Crawford (and Dorothy) Harris of Appomattox, Ray (and Kathy) Harris of Gladstone. He was preceded in death by a sister, Ella Kelsey Montgomery.

**DILL, Lucille Evelyn Kelsey** died Feb 19, 2006 in Cadillac, MI, she was 95. Born in 1910 to Frederick and Cora Sheppard Kelsey. She married Aden Dill in 1930 and he preceded her in death in 1960. She was a 25 year member of the Cherry Grove Grange and Clover Leaf Club and Home Extension Club. She was also a member of the Cherry Grove Church. She is survived by daughters: Deanna Suski of Cadillac, Joann Gunnerson

of Lake City, MI, Doris Bradsaw of AR and Irene (Mac) McKnight of AR, 10 grandchildren and many great grandchildren, nieces and nephews. Brothers, Harold Kelsey of TX and Howard Kelsey of ID, sister; Naoma Laux of NY, adopted daughter, Arlene Codden of Cadillac and adopted granddaughter, Elizabeth Grey She was preceded in death by sisters, Helen and Minerva and grandson Sam.