

## CORY FAMILY SOCIETY ANNUAL MEETING

Sunday July 25, 2010

Marriot Hotel, Bristol, England

Attendees from the US Cory Family Society: Fred and Bernice Corey, Earl and Chris Cory, Patricia Heighton (Canada), Carolyn Corey and Marj Corey Fenili. Attendees from the UK Cory Society: Margaret Goffin, Colin and Marilyn Cory, Brenda Cory, Ida Birch and Jean Hayes.

President Fred Corey called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM at the Marriot Hotel in Bristol UK. Bernice Corey read the minutes from the last annual Cory Family Society meeting at Beaver Falls PA on August 2, 2009. She also read the description of the itinerary from this meeting. Minutes were approved.

Fred read the notes from the treasurer's report. There is a total of \$9,065 as of July 25, 2010 <I missed the accounting of expenses XX?> Motion was made and seconded for approval of the treasurer's report.

There was standing approval for more DNA testing between the UK/US Cory Society groups. Marg Goffin from the UK group requested money to be paid via check. Fred stated that although James is the treasurer he would not act without Fred's approval. Fred suggested that \$400 be given towards this DNA account from the treasurer. Motion was made and seconded for approval to donate this money to the UK/DNA project.

Earl Cory gave a website report. He said that the entire look is new with easier navigation. He stated that he hadn't downloaded names in 6 years. No links to William of Portsmouth are currently available but Earl is working on the problem to continue to update this and the other databases as well. A William Corey PDF and/or GEDCOM is currently available from Earl until he fixes the problem. Earl also gave out free handouts of John of Bristol line. The information regarding Bramerton Hall will be revised to help debunk the myths and improve the accuracy of this history. There was open discussion between UK and US members about the problem of misinformation on this subject and which sources might be most accurate. Marg Goffin expressed concern that there was no DNA substantiation for the present description and asked that just the simple proven facts be stated. Ida Birch and Jean Hayes each made suggestions about using the Norfolk Cory book to assist with Earl's changes. Neither Fred nor Earl had copies of this book which they agreed to purchase. Earl agreed to take this information into account when re-writing the website description.

Margaret Goffin gave a UK/DNA update concerning genealogies of English Corys from Bramerton, Norfolk and Durham area and emphasized the importance of future DNA testing. She stated that most American Corys (Coreys) are R1b Haplogroup

whereas most English Corys are group G. Margaret said there are no known descendents of Wm of Bristol at this time. She brought up the question again if Ancestry dot com should be retained for DNA listings or changed to another company. Thomas Corey, American Cory Society genealogist, favors Family Tree Maker but general consensus is that this company is virtually the same as Ancestry dot com.

Margaret said that the English Cory Society has been short of funds and had to limit the number of DNA tests but now will be able, as a result of the American Cory Society contribution, to have more English members tested. There was open discussion of the issue of lack of participants. Fred Corey suggested that a request be posted in the newsletter for people to come forth to be tested.

There was open discussion about the 2011 annual American Cory Family Society meeting to be held in Southold, Long Island with a potential trip to New York City and visit to "Ground Zero". Mark Hestor, long-time Cory Society member who now lives on Long Island and Fred Corey will be the co-hosts for this meeting. No date has been established yet. Open discussion on the date leans towards Sept to take advantage of cheaper travel rates.

Margaret Goffin stated that she and Marge Chilson had exchanged information through the mail after last year's annual Cory Society meeting in PA.

Fred said that he has a goal of devoting more time to the newsletter in the future.

Fred Corey introduced discussion about an article he located which described a John Corey in the Barbados c. 1657. The question is, was he deported or did he take an apprenticeship there? Margaret Goffin suggested that he could have been in military service. More research is necessary to determine the answer. He stated there are still unanswered questions concerning Agnes Waulker (William's grandmother) whose 2<sup>nd</sup> marriage was to John Roome; and their subsequent immigration to America in 1638 after William's baptism in 1634 at St James Parish in Bristol.

There was open discussion of the Irish Corys, the various surname spellings, etc. and questions about their connection to the UK Corys. Fred stated that he will be going to Ireland soon to do research on this subject.

Fred Corey expressed thanks for the UK hospitality and there was hearty applause for the success of their planning efforts. The event booklets that were given to all attendees were developed by Marilyn Cory who said she thought it would be nice for us all to have a souvenir of this trip.

Earl moved for adjournment and motion passed at 7:45 PM.

Minutes submitted by Carolyn Corey, acting secretary.