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### Cory Family Society Meeting October 19-21, 2006 by Art Corey

The 2006 general meeting of the Cory Family Society will be held at the Hilton Arlington, October 19-21. Our original plan was to arrive at our hotel on Wednesday October 18<sup>th</sup>, but for some reason Wednesday is the most expensive day to arrive. The difference in charge arriving on Thursday rather than Wednesday is \$40.00 per day. So we will arrive on Thursday.

Washington, DC is among the most expensive places in the USA to obtain accommodations. However, it has the advantage that many sites of interest to our group are within easy and inexpensive public transport on the Metro. The Metro will take us to all the sites in the district we may want to visit, quickly and comfortably. The Hilton will provide us with rooms for \$129.00 per day, and there will be no need for us to reserve buses. Our Society will take care of any necessary deposits so that we will not have to collect money from our members in advance of the meeting. Members will have to make their own arrangements for hotel accommodations and transport to the meeting site as usual.

Other than the dinner before our business meeting, members will arrange for their own meals. The Hilton has its own dining place, but it is also connected by a skywalk to a mall

where there are other places to eat. The Hilton Arlington is also connected to the Ballston Metro, and we will be able to reach our transportation by taking an elevator from our rooms down to the Metro. The hotel is easily reached from the Reagan National Airport, because the Metro passes through that airport as well as the Hotel-Arlington. Visitors who arrive at Reagan National Airport will need no bus or taxi --- just board the Metro at the airport and get off at the Hotel Arlington. This will require only a few minutes.

Because the District has so many attractions, we have decided to experiment with a somewhat less structured and shorter official program than usual in an attempt to accommodate the diverse interest of our members. Most members likely will want to take a public tour bus that shows visitors the main sites of interest in the District. The tour (that has been recommended by our members who live in the area) can be boarded on the mall where the Metro also stops. We, tentatively, will reserve Friday morning for this. On Friday evening we plan to show a video in a room at the hotel. The video is a movie based on a play by Arthur Miller that depicts events leading to the execution of Giles and Martha Corey during the witch trials in Salem, MA. 1693.

We hope to arrange a boat trip on the Potomac River to Mt. Vernon, colonial home of George Washington, on Saturday. Mt. Vernon is about 10 miles downstream from docks in Alexandria, near our hotel, where we can board a glass-enclosed tour boat. We will have a luncheon at noon on Sunday after most of us will have vacated our rooms. Our general meeting will follow the luncheon, and we will say our good byes.

Although our official meeting will be shorter by one day than is our usual custom, some if not most of our members will want to remain in the District area longer to take in a variety of attractions. Some may want to conduct

research at the National Archives or the famous DAR library. Others, especially those with children will want to visit the National museums and the Zoological Gardens. Our president, Fred Corey, will have tickets available for those who would like to visit congress in session at the Capital building or tour the White House. Others will be interested in the recently completed museum that presents the history and culture of numerous Native American tribes. Our secretary, Carolyn Corey, has just returned from a visit to the District and tells me that the Indian museum should be a "must see" for those of us interested in Native American history and culture.

We will present more details about our meeting plans in our next newsletter. In the meantime, please indicate to me your intention to attend at the earliest date possible. My phone number, postal address, and e-mail address are as shown on the first page of this newsletter. It is very important that we get a reasonably accurate estimate of the number of members reserving rooms at the hotel, because our Society will be liable for the cost of 80% of the rooms our Society contracts to reserve.

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## The Cory Family Society and the Internet

By Earl S. Cory

I ran across a very interesting article a few weeks back. "10 Things I Could Not Live Without in Genealogy" by Kory L. Meyerink, AG. I am not going to copy the article here, but I will give you the link, [http://www.genealogy.com/71\\_kory.html](http://www.genealogy.com/71_kory.html).

The article starts out:

*Contemplating such a title, most family historians would first think of key sources, and that was my first*

*inclination. But then, I thought further. You know, each family being so different, there are very few sources that we need for every research project. My professional research extends into every U.S. state and Canadian province, not to mention most European countries. The census, essential in U.S. and British research, is virtually useless for German research. Vital records, another staple, have little use for many colonial problems.*

*No, I got to thinking, what are the "things" I use in virtually every research project, personal or professional? Once I really started thinking creatively, the number of items was well past ten, with no stopping in sight. Then came the hard part, narrowing the list down to only ten. Well, here they are, with a brief commentary, and not necessarily in priority order.*

The article lists the ten things, with a bonus item. The article explains each of the items. In brief, they are:

1. Family History Library Collection
2. GEDCOM Database Computer Program
3. Internet
4. Government Records
5. Printed Sources
6. Photocopy Machines
7. Filing Cabinets
8. Genealogical Societies
9. Indexes
10. A Loving Supporting Spouse
11. My ancestors

### Genealogy Software

In my on-going attempt to keep you up with what is happening in the Genealogy Software field, I have prepared a brief overview of the programs that are available and what people think about them. There are probably about 100 full-fledged programs written for the Computer Genealogist. Many of them are

shareware and can be tried, and every one of them has their own unique style and set of extra features. Take a look at <http://www.lkessler.com/gplinks.shtml#jg2> for an overview of most of them. There are also a growing number of programs for Pocket PCs and PDAs. I will not go into these or the various tools and utilities available this month.

A genealogical program is composed of two distinct components. The first can be defined as the basic requirements and is composed of those features related to the planning, recording, source documentation, and analysis. The second are those features associated with the data sharing aspects of the program and any other features the developer has seen fit to add to the program as a result of user requests or as a sales feature.

If you are looking for the best, the following are recommended:

- (1) **The Master Genealogist (the most powerful)** (new version available, see below)  
A comprehensive program with many features that include a powerful report writer and excellent source referencing. For Windows or DOS.
- (2) **RootsMagic (very easy to use and best liked)** (new version available, see below)  
A new program, from the makers of the very popular Family Origins. Complete and easy to use with extensive reports.
- (3) **Reunion (if you use a Mac)**  
Reunion is one of the easiest-to-use programs with superb charting capabilities and many many features. Only available for the Macintosh.
- (4) **Lifelines (if you use Unix).**  
Made for the Unix environment, this may be the most powerful program available, with a programming language that allows custom reports and complete extendibility. It is free,

and has become Open Source - meaning that programmers all over the world are working together to enhance it.

If you are looking for the most popular genealogy (note, not the best) programs, with wide distribution, these programs are very popular and are very deserving of your consideration. They each have large support groups and you should be able to find other users in your area using them. Included are:

- (1) Family Tree Maker (new version available, see below)

A quality product available on more store shelves than any other program. Produces a wide variety of reports and charts. Every version of this program has been getting better, and it is now has most of the features you would expect in a top program.

- (2) Brother's Keeper,

The most respected and successful shareware genealogical program. Has been around a long time and has many dedicated users. Both Windows and DOS versions available.

- (3) Personal Ancestral File (PAF)

PAF is a very popular genealogy program that has been available for many years. It has been updated and has many fine features. PAF is now free. It is also available for the Macintosh.

Many companies that sell genealogy software have web sites. A lot of Free, Shareware, or Demo Genealogy software is available on the internet.

- The PSU Genealogy ftp site, <ftp.cac.psu.edu>.
- The Genealogy Online FTP archives - <ftp.genealogy.org>.
- Lifelines is a free genealogy program for Linux, Unix and DOS.
- JavaTree is a portable system to dynamically create and maintain web pages based on genealogy databases.

- FamilyTree a tree builder and browser for the web
- Familia converts Family Tree Maker Descendant Trees to web pages

National Genealogical Society

(<https://www.ngsgenealogy.org/>)

GENTECH, a division of the National Genealogical Society, facilitates communication among persons interested in genealogy and technology. Through presenting national conferences, sponsoring programs with other societies, and publishing white papers based on analyses of problems of common interest to genealogists and technologists, they seek to maximize the movement of knowledge among the members of our constituencies.

The Macintosh Genealogy Software FAQ

(<http://www.rootsweb.com/~mac/faq.html>)

gives descriptions of most Macintosh Genealogy programs.

### PAF

Personal Ancestral File 4.0 is available for free download from the LDS Family Search site.

- Mike St. Clair publishes PAF Review, an electronic newsletter for users of PAF or GEDCOM.
- Most PAF utilities are available at the PSU genealogy FTP site.
- There are many PAF user groups around the U.S. and the world. Some of these groups with useful hints and information about PAF are the Silicon Valley PAF Users Group, the Southern Oregon PAF Users Group and PAF-Ways, a Genealogy/Computer Interest Group in North Central Iowa.

### GEDCOM information

GEDCOM is a file format that is primarily used for exchanging data between different genealogy databases and programs. There

are many utilities which can create or operate on GEDCOM files.

Some genealogy programs even use the GEDCOM format as their internal database format. Lifelines is a good example of such software.

Res Privata is program that will filter private details out of GEDCOM files so they can be shared or published.

Programmers and GEDCOM users can download the "GEDCOM Standard release 5.5" in various formats or read an unofficial HTML version. The Family History Research project at Brigham Young University has some information on various GEDCOM related projects.

uFTi is a Windows GEDCOM to HTML converter

### Other software

- Web Family Tree (v1.1) is free software to dynamically generate web pages of ancestors and descendants with pictures.
- Calendar Conversions is an on-line program to convert dates between the Gregorian, Julian, French republican and Jewish calendars.
- WWW genealogy databases lists a few examples of genealogy research presented on the web using various software packages.
- Bygonex is a genealogical notekeeping system for laptops
- "Hypertext Indented Narrative" pedigree format

### RootsMagic

Roots Magic has introduced Version 3. Although RootsMagic is the easiest to use genealogy software available, it is also one of the most powerful. The software includes

several new features and a much improved user interface.

They offer a UK version. The main difference is the spelling dictionary.

One of the features that I really like is the ability to spell check material at almost any stage of entry.

Following is a list of new features:

- View 5 or 6 generations at once on the pedigree view
- View 2 through 7 generations at once on the descendant view
- Back up directly to CD
- Resize edit and search dialogs to see as much information as you want
- Select toolbar button style
- Video tutorial included on CD
- Automatically link dragged people into the other database
- See a person's age at every event on their edit page
- Add private events that you can suppress from printing or exporting
- Add private notes that you can suppress from printing or exporting
- Display relationships to root person on status bar
- Make shareable CDs to give to others, with custom menu and a read-only version of RootsMagic
- Select the size of pictures in narrative reports (books)
- Include pictures in narrative reports printed to rich text (RTF) files
- Ancestor and descendant box charts
- Print color coding in pedigree charts, group sheets, box charts, narrative reports, wall charts, ahnentafel, descendant list, and timelines
- Easily merge duplicate sources from the master source list
- Add a source to multiple people at once
- Easily make a copy of a source

- GenSmarts integration to get research suggestions from inside RootsMagic
- Add GenSmarts suggestions to your RootsMagic to-do list with one click
- Direct PAF import (versions 2.x and later)
- Direct Family Origins import (versions 4 and later)
- Direct Family Origins backup import (versions 5 and later)

These are just the new features, for a complete list, visit

<http://www.rootsmagic.com/features.htm>.

One of the things listed above is the ability to create a CD of a database/portion of a database with a read only/autostart version of the program and send it off to friends, family, or members of the Cory Family Society that would like to see what information we have catalogued.

The price remains the same, \$29.95 for the software, \$19.95 for an upgrade from any version of RootsMagic or Family Origins Version 4 or later

#### The Master Genealogist

The Master Genealogist is known by experts as "the one that does it all." Whether you are a weekend hobbyist or a professional researcher, TMG comes with everything you need to manage volumes of research data, organize a research trip, or publish a book.

Master Genealogist has just released Version 6. It has too many new features to list here, visit

<http://www.whollygenes.com/tmgnew6.htm> for further information.

Their pricing structure is rather complicated. The upgrade prices depend upon the version you are upgrading from. They vary from \$24.95 to \$49.00.

The full product costs \$59.00 (download only) or \$79.95 for the CD (The CD also includes a free copy of "The Universal British Directory of Great Britain 1791" from Archive CD Books, a \$65.00 value. This bonus database is not available as a download.)

There is also the Silver edition with fewer features at a lower cost, \$34 download, and \$39.95 for the CD.

They also have an UK edition at the same prices.

#### Family Tree Maker

Family Tree Maker has introduced FTM 2006. Family Tree Maker is the #1 selling software product for building, customizing, searching and sharing your family history. The new addition has several new features:

- Pedigree View (finally!)
- Family View
- Family Facts and Research Tips
- Web Search
- Web Merge
- Charting Companion for Family Tree Maker (\$24.95 Value)
- Internet Backup
- Easier Data Entry and Larger Notes
- MORE ORGANIZED — Source Management

For a complete list of features, visit

<http://shops.ancestry.com/product.asp?productid=1026447>

The price is \$29.95, \$19.95 for an upgrade, but only from FTM 2005. If you have an older version, then it's the full \$29.95. The UK version is £24.25 for the full versions and £18.75 for the upgrade (a bit of a rip-off for our UK friends).

## DNA PROJECT

*There are no updates at this time, but please keep in mind this very important project. If you are interested in participating please contact: Art Corey, the DNA Project Coordinator. See October 2005 issue for complete article details.*

“The male donor should indicate that he would like to submit a DNA sample as a participant in the “Cory Family DNA Project”. The laboratory will then send the donor a sample kit with instructions for its use. The kit will contain swabs for removing DNA material from the inside of the Donor’s mouth.

Relative Genetics  
2495 South West Temple  
Salt Lake City, Utah 84115

Samples are placed in an envelope, as instructions in the kit explain, and mailed to the address shown above along with a check to cover the cost of the analysis. Currently, the charge for a standard analysis involving measurements at 23 sites on the Y-chromosome is \$155.00.”

*DNA Project Coordinator: Art Corey:  
[artcorey@lamar.colostate.edu](mailto:artcorey@lamar.colostate.edu).*

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## NEWSLETTER UPDATE:

by Kathleen Reed, Editor

Please note my change of email address as of this newsletter: [shamrock713@adelphia.net](mailto:shamrock713@adelphia.net). When emailing items for publication please note in the Subject Line: CORY FAMILY SOCIETY.

Next Newsletter will be in June, please submit articles by May 26<sup>th</sup>.

## QUERY SECTION

Please send queries regarding your brick walls in genealogical research, ancestors Lost & Found, notorious ancestors stories, genealogical research tips, etc.....

The Query Section is for the benefit of all Cory cousins who are interested in the CORY Surname. Please consider helping those who are requesting assistance, and then send a copy of your response to the query to the editor so that we can update the Cory Database. Let’s help each other to solve research problems. There is no charge to list a query in the newsletter.

### QUERY #2 , CORY, JOHN

Looking for parents of John Cory, born abt. 1770, NJ? died abt. 1820 Indiana. John Cory married Susannah Lyon, Stony Hill, Essex Co., NJ. Were: John Cory V (1730-1783) and Phebe Miller (1732-1781) the parents of John Cory? Need primary source records or direction for further research.

LYON, SUSANNAH, Father: Peter Lyon (1722-1784), mother: Joanna Clark (1726-1815) Children of Peter and Joanna Lyon: Susannah , b. 22 Mar 1766, Stony Hill, Essex Co., NJ, m. 15 Apr 1790, Stony Hill, Essex Co., NJ; Martha Sue, b. 16 Jan 1791, Newark, NJ, m. Aaron Ward, Martha died 20 Jul 1844, Canton, Fulton Co., IL; Phebe; Parks; Anne Miller; Mary; David; and Joseph. Respond to: Jeannette Maxey, 8391 North 26<sup>t</sup> St., Kalamazoo, MI 49004, or email: [jsmaxey@direcway.com](mailto:jsmaxey@direcway.com)

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### Missing Members – Help Needed

If anyone knows the current address of the following past members are, please let the editor know:

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Wilfred J. Keats II, Arlington, VA

## **2006 MEMBERSHIP FORM**

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Tel. No.: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Do you want your address published ? \_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_ No

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Receive Newsletter by Email ? \_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_ No

Enclosed: **2006 Dues: \$12.00** Dues 2006-2008: **\$36 .00 (3 yrs)**

Donations appreciated to: "CORY" Surname Genealogical and DNA Research Project \$ \_\_\_\_\_ (optional)

Have you renewed your 2006 membership?

Dues are \$12.00 per family. Make check payable to:

**CORY FAMILY SOCIETY.**

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