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From Our Friends in the United Kingdom

The United Kingdom Cory Society Is Disbanding

By Luke Davidson, Editor



June 22, 2004 joint meeting of the UK Cory Society and the Cory Family Society in Harpole, Northampton. Pictured in the Indian Chief narrowboat riverboat cruise on the Gran Union Canal from the Boat House Inn in Stoke Bruene, Northampton.

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The Cory Society, a sister society of our own that formed in the United Kingdom (UK) in 1992, is now disbanding. After 24 years as a genealogical society, the British Corys will no longer function in that capacity. They still plan to remain a group through email communication and annual meetings, though they will no longer produce or help with genealogical research.

A letter to our United States society's treasurer, James Corey, from Colin Cory of the UK society, explaining that they are donating the remaining funds in their DNA research account, may be found on page 2 of this newsletter. James Corey was able to convert the pounds to American dollars, and the total that has been donated is equal to six hundred three dollars and seven cents (\$603.07).

A note from Marilyn Cory of the UK society may be found on page 3. She mentions future meetings that the Cory Society, now known as the Friends of the Cory Society or the Cory Family Friends, with the first annual meeting being held in Harpole, England in June 2017. For more information, see the Cory Family Friends Application following Marilyn's note.

The United States Cory Family Society would like to thank the UK Cory Society for their years of genealogical service and care for the Cory surname, as well as their final donation to our society. We hope to stay in contact and remain friends for years to come.

THE CORY SOCIETY

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Mr James Corey
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15 August 2016

Dear James,

As you may be aware, it has been decided to disband The Cory Society. There is a lack of willingness from members to join the management committee and the existing committee, most of which have been in situ for two decades or more, feel they can no longer carry the workload required.

The Cory Family Society, over the years has been very supportive of our DNA project and has contributed some considerable sums towards our research.

The funds remaining in our 'DNA account' amount to £477.38 and the committee have decided that it is right for the money to be returned to you. We therefore enclose our cheque for the above amount and send our very grateful thanks to The Cory Family Society for all the valuable support and encouragement given to us over the years. Would you kindly email to our Treasurer, Paul Holloway, at hollowaypaul@yahoo.co.uk to acknowledge safe receipt.

Whist The Cory Society will shortly cease to exist, we have formed a group that we call 'The Friends of The Cory Society' for the purpose of having annual/biennial/triennial meetings, purely on a social basis. There are no joining fees nor annual dues, simply a short form for completion and return, should any of our American cousins wish to be kept informed of venues and itineraries. I will send a template of the form to Earl with a request that he circulate it to your members.

Once again, may we express our thanks and gratitude for the unfailing support and encouragement shown to us over the years.

Sincerely,



Colin Cory
For and on behalf of The Cory Society.

The Cory Family Friends

By Marilyn Cory, UK Cory Society

The UK Cory Society, not to be confused with the US Cory Family Society, has decided to dissolve their society. Following that decision, it was decided to form a new and informal group of Cory Family Friends in the UK. The raison d'être for the Friends is purely as a social meeting of past members of the Cory Society, who have so much enjoyed the companionship of previous gatherings and wish to continue this camaraderie. All former members and our American/Canadian friends are welcome to join.

There will be no formal structure and no membership fees will be payable. This is not a research society nor will there be a committee. It is not intended to field requests for Cory Family information, there will be no newsletter, nor will there be any Cory books for sale. All communication will be by email to those who have expressed an interest in, and consented to, receiving information. The aim of the group is to hold an annual social meeting at various locations, to be decided upon each year by the following year's organizer, to meet up, for a day or a weekend, either to continue meeting in June, or maybe September if it is more suitable to the group. I am arranging the 2017 gathering and Barbara and Steve Sowden have already offered to arrange something for 2018.

Jean Hayes thought it a nice idea that the first gathering of the Cory Family Friends should be in June 2017 in Harpole, Northamptonshire, where the first Cory Society meeting was held in 1992, and where the society got off the ground all those years ago. A form is enclosed for anyone interested in attending this or future events, and should be returned to this year's organizer, Marilyn Cory, whose address and email are on the form.



<http://www.corysociety.org.uk/>

Posted by CORYSOCIETY on JULY 18, 2016

The new look website is online. Rather than a window of what the Cory Society is, it is now a Cory Archive of what we were and have achieved. Hopefully, the website will be a place to go for anything you wanted to remember or know about the Corys.

There's a lot to look through so you will not do it all in one sitting! You can view it on your mobile, I-pad, lap top so you can browse wherever you are.

Don't forget to share the news with your friends and relatives. Just so that they know what they have been missing all these years!



Cory Friends Application Form

I/We would like to be kept informed of the future gatherings of the Cory Family Friends. I/we agree that any attendance at future gatherings will be entirely at my/our own risk and I/we will not hold the organizer responsible for any accident or loss that may befall me/us.

Name/s:

Address:

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Telephone: Mobile/Cell:

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Signed: Dated:

Please return this form to:-

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Reports from Our Board

2017 Cory Family Society Meeting

By Earl Cory, VP, Webmaster and Meeting Coordinator



Mark your calendars. The 2017 Cory Family Society Meeting is being planned for August 24-28, 2017 and will be held in Kalamazoo, Michigan. The meeting will be hosted by Jan Corey Arnett, a noted author, journalist, and longtime Cory Family Society member. If you have any ideas on where you want to go or what you want to do during this meeting, we would be happy to take your suggestions (see our email addresses at the end of this newsletter).

You may find nearby the Henry Ford Museum, Battle Creek, and Ann Arbor, which some of you may wish to consider visiting while in the state. This area is close to Calhoun, Cass, Kalamazoo, Ottawa, and Wayne Counties. It is also about an hour and a half drive north east of Notre Dame University in South Bend, Indiana. This Michigan meeting should be of special interest to the William of Portsmouth and John of Southold branches, as well as any car buffs. It is also close to the Gilmore Car Museum, which is North America's largest car museum.

Below, I have listed several families that were early immigrants to this part of the Midwest. All three of the Cory branches have migrated into and through Michigan, Minnesota, and Wisconsin. If

anyone needs further information about any of the families or their descendants, contact me and I will be happy to provide what I have.

Corys of Michigan

By Earl Cory, VP, Webmaster and Meeting Coordinator

Many Cory families settled in Michigan. Pre-statehood settlers of Michigan generally came from New York, Ohio, the New England states, and Ontario. Many immigrants from Germany and the Netherlands arrived by 1850. They migrated west both before and after the Civil War to the rich farmlands of the mid-west. Their paths were from the North-East through Canada to Wisconsin, Minnesota and Michigan. Others moved east through Pennsylvania and Ohio to land in Michigan.

Corey, Michigan, is an unincorporated community on M-60 near the eastern boundary with Fabius Township in St. Joseph County. Corey was platted by Amanda Weatherwax in 1872. It was named for Corey Lake approximately 1.5 miles (2.4 km) to the northeast in St. Joseph County. Corey Lake was named for Joshua B. Corey who settled there before 1836. A post office opened May 20, 1872, with Hazen W. Brown as its first postmaster. The post office closed on November 15, 1930. A station on the Michigan Central Railroad called "Corey's Station" opened in 1871.



Joshua B. Corey was born 1 Feb 1804 in New Hampshire or Vermont. In the 1880 census, his parents are listed as being from Vermont.

Joshua Corey entered his land in Newberg Township, Michigan Territory settled on Section 24, April 21, 1836. His father-in-law, Hiram Harwood, a native of Vermont, entered his land in Newberg Township on the same section, January, 1837. He erected his log cabin on the banks of what is now known as Corey Lake, and he was the only neighbor residing within three miles. Three Rivers was the nearest trading-point.

Joshua married Melissa Harwood, born May 17, 1816 in Bennington Vermont, on May 18, 1834 at Corey's Lake. The *A Genealogical History of the Concord Harwoods: Descendants of Nathaniel ...* states that they had 6 children, but the 1850 census only lists 5. It is possible that two were born and died before 1850. Melissa died in 1852 at the age of 36. Several of her Harwood relatives also died that year, a year of a nationwide Yellow Fever epidemic.

Using the various census reports, we can trace his movement. He lived in Brighton, Middlesex, Massachusetts, 1830, in Newburg Township, Cass, Michigan in 1840. The 1840

census says that he has 3 male children under 5, 1 male 20 to 30, 1 male 30 to 40, 1 female 20 to 30. Joshua lived in Newburg Township, Cass, Michigan in 1850. At least one of the young male children died before the 1850 census. The male from 20 to 30 is unknown.

In the 1870 census, we find him living with his daughter, Susan and her new husband John Smith in Burlington, Black Hawk, Iowa (24 Jun 1870.) His father-in-law, Nathan Harwood, also moved to Black Hawk, Iowa, dying there in 1858 after his wife's death in 1852 at Corey's Lake.

His daughter, Catherine Helen Corey was born Sep 22, 1843 in Cass, Michigan. In 1880 he was living with his single daughter Helen C Cory, a music teacher, in Denver, Colorado. Her age is listed as 26, which makes her birth about 1854. But her mother died supposedly in 1852. Her tomb stone gives her birth date as 22 Sep 1843, death 17 July 1890.

Joshua died 20 Oct 1888 at the age of 84 in Denver and is buried with his daughter Helen at the Riverside Cemetery in Denver.

Other Michigan Cory/Corey Families

● William Cory of Portsmouth, RI Line

Barry... Susannah (Harrington) Corey was born in 1788 in Vermont. She was the widow of William Corey, who was born in 1779 in Rhode Island, and died in 1843 in Danby, Vermont. She moved to Barry County, Michigan, where she died at age 103. She along with 4 of her 10 children arrived here circa 1855 from Grafton, New York.

1) William Corey, Jr. was born in 1816 in Vermont and married Emegene Casey who was born in 1847 in New York. They were married in January 1862 in Barry County, Michigan where they had 5 daughters and 1 son. Their son was Thomas J. Corey, born in 1866 in Barry, Michigan, and died in Mancelona, Antrim, Michigan.

2) Andrew Corey was born in 1826 in Vermont. He married Mary Ann Cross who was born in 1849. They were married circa 1865 in Barry County, Michigan and had a son. His name was Andrew E. Corey and he was born on July 8, 1877 in Barry, Michigan.

3) Sylvina S. Corey was born in 1831 in Vermont. She married Theodore R Mattison who was born in 1832 in New York. They lived in Barry County, Michigan and had 3 sons and 1 daughter.

4) Mary Jane Corey was born in 1834 in Vermont. She married John L. Hodges who was

born in 1833 in New York. They were married circa 1855, and resided in Barry County, Michigan.

Calhoun... William E. Corey, born 1827 in Antwerp, New York, and Mary L. Barker, born 1823 in Plattsburg, New York, moved around 1850 to Leroy Township.

Cass... Samuel Cory, born 1783 in Salisbury, Connecticut, and Rachel Mallory, born 1792 in Well, Vermont, moved to Cass county before 1812. Their children lived there and Kalamazoo.

Houghton... Andrew Jackson Corey, born 1845 in Woonsocket, RI, married Mary Elizabeth Pittman, born 1849 in Romulus Michigan. They were married during the year 1869 in Ontonagon, Michigan. They and their family lived in the Hancock area.

Kalamazoo... Philip Cory, born 1805 in Westport Point, Massachusetts, and Louisa Jane Miller, born 1808 in Vermont, moved to Kalamazoo, between 1830 and 1832. They later moved on to Missouri. Most of their family remained in the Kalamazoo, Eaton, and Calhoun counties.

Galesburg... Joseph Cory, brother of Philip Cory, and Gratia Whitney from Westport Point, Bristol, Massachusetts about 1842. Philip Cory, uncle to both Joseph and Philip Cory appears to have come along.

Livingston... Franklin H. Corey, born 1842 in New York, and Sarah E. Cromwell, born 1855 in Canada, moved to Tyrone Township before 1870. Their family lived around Livingston and Shiawassee Counties.

Macomb... Archibald Jackson Corey, born 1796 in Pownal, Vermont, and Mary Granger, born 1800 in Sodus, New York, moved to Lennox Township between 1827 and 1834. They have many descendants in the Macomb area.

Wayne... Gideon Cory, born 1788 in Tiverton, Rhode Island, and Ruth, born 1787, moved to Marion, New York about 1818 and then moved on to Plymouth around 1840. All of their grandchildren were born in Plymouth.

Plymouth... Jonathan Cory and Polly Nininger, both born in 1779 in Narragansett, Rhode Island, moved to New York. Polly died in 1831. Jonathan remarried Lydia Madison in 1834, and she was born 1812 in Rhode Island. They moved to Romulus about 1839. He had several children from both marriages that remained in Wayne County.

● John Cory of Southold, Long Island, NY Line

Calhoun... Abner Cory, born 1805 in New Philadelphia, Ohio, and his second wife Ann Carson, moved to Duck Lake about 1845. He and his third wife, Mary Halsey, moved, following with some of his children into **Coreyville, Wisconsin**. Other children moved to **Menominee, Michigan** and **Minor, South Dakota** in the 1860's.

Ottawa... There are two Charles Cory families, one born 1808 in Derby Line, Vermont and the other born 1813 in New York, both living in Ottawa County. Each had children of similar names. More research is needed to straighten these two out. I do not know the ancestors of the Charles Cory from New York. Charles C. Cory, Jr., born in Derby Line, Vermont, whose wife died before 1880, lived in Georgetown Township. The census for the area also lists a Charles Cory, with children of similar names born in 1813 in New York.

● Thomas of Chelmsford, MA Line

Menominee... Hiram Isaac Corey, born 1833 in Rutland, Vermont, moved with his mother Laura to Hubbard, Dodge, Wisconsin before 1850. Their family lived in Hubbard and later moved to Stephenson, Menominee, Michigan. *(See the Genealogical Update below.)*

Genealogical Update - Thomas Cory of Chelmsford Line

By Earl Cory, VP, Webmaster and Meeting Coordinator

For many years, Art Corey, our past president, felt that he was a descendant of William Cory of Portsmouth, Rhode Island. The primary reason for this was that he was able to trace his ancestry back to Joseph Henry Corey, born August 23, 1856 in Voluntown, New London, Connecticut. Voluntown is just over the border from Rhode Island and descendants of William had settled the area.

In 2002, Art had his DNA tested along with several other members of the society. As a result, it was determined that he was genetically related to Thomas of Chelmsford. At this same time Colin Cory of Harpole, England and I were tested. It turned out that Art and Colin were exact matches. I am able to trace my ancestry to Thomas of Chelmsford and my DNA matched both Art and Colin. Thus we were able to connect Thomas' ancestors to Harpole, England.

Art became very involved in analyzing DNA results. This effort has been continued by our society genealogist, Thomas Corey.

In the past year I have done considerable research on two families that we know are genetically related to Thomas of Chelmsford, but have been unable to trace either to Thomas or some other immigrant from the Harpole area. These are the ancestors of Art Corey as well as Jan Corey Arnett, our 2017 Cory Family Meeting Coordinator.

Using primarily census data, I have been able to add two generations to Art's family. His most distant relative is Martin C. Corey, who was born in 1790, and died in 1847. He may have been married to Elizabeth "Betsy" Wilcox, who was born in 1785 in New York, and died in 1821 in Connecticut. They may of had eight children; 5 boys and 3 girls. One of their sons, Joseph Corey, was born circa 1820 in Rhode Island. Joseph married Sarah Ellen Watson on December 8, 1849 in Voluntown, New London, Connecticut. She was born about 1832 in Rhode Island. They were the parents of 9 children; 3 boys and 6 girls. There fourth child was Joseph Henry Corey.

There is some confusion online as to Martin Corey's identity. Job Corey, of the William line, also had a son Martin Corey, born in February 1776 in Scituate, Providence, Rhode Island. We know that these are not the same person because of the DNA evidence, marriages, family members, etc. But there is still some sorting of online resources that needs to be done. This leads to confusion as to he married and how many and who his children are. Stay tuned.

Jan Corey Arnett's sister, Sue Corey, was able to trace her family only as far as her great grandfather, Hiram Isaac Corey; born on September 20, 1833 in (most likely) Rutland, Vermont, although there is some indication that it may be Montpelier, Vermont. I have not been able to find any records in either place to support this. Sue had one of her uncles DNA-tested and he was identified as being related to Thomas of Chelmsford.

He traveled from Vermont to Wisconsin on foot circa 1855 and shows up in the 1860 census in Dodge County, Wisconsin with his wife, Charlotte, and his mother, Laura, who was born about 1812 in New Hampshire. To add to the confusion, in the 1860 census, John Corey, who was 16 years old at the time and was born in Ohio, is living with them. This might be a younger brother, indicating that the family migrated from Vermont through Ohio and then, after Isaac's death, moved on to Wisconsin.

Hiram married Charlotte Mace on September 17, 1856 in Hubbard, Dodge, Wisconsin. He served in the Civil War, and afterward moved to Stephenson, Menominee, Michigan in 1882, where he lived until his death on April 20, 1915.

On his death certificate, his father is identified as Isaac Corey. In the 1880 census, he states that his father is from Lower Canada and that he was born in New York. Isaac may therefore be the son or grandchild of a loyalist. Since only Laura shows up in the 1860 census, age 48, I assume that Isaac died before their migration to Wisconsin. Laura does not show up in the 1870 or 1880 census so it is quite possible that she remarried.



Michigan Welcome Sign near Niles, MI (taken in October 2016 by Luke Davidson).

MEMBER NOTES

- 1. Our society is growing! See the updated membership list included with this issue of the Cory Family Society newsletter (and don't forget to pay your **2017 membership dues**).**
- 2. The next newsletter, planned for March/April, will include:**
 - *details on our August 2017 Reunion Meeting in Kalamazoo, Michigan.**
- 3. Be sure to send us any suggestions, questions, or comments. We always like to hear from you.**

2016 Cory Family Society Financial Report

By James Corey, Treasurer

Treasurer's Report 2016		
Cash Balance (1 Jan 2016)		\$6,761
Plus Receipts		
<i>Dues and member donations</i>	\$1,643	
<i>Cory U.K. donation</i>	<u>\$603</u>	
TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$2,246	
Minus Expenses		
<i>Website</i>	-\$24	
<i>Postage</i>	<u>-\$20</u>	
TOTAL EXPENSES	-\$44	
Cash Balance (31 Dec 2016)		\$8,963

REMINDER

DON'T FORGET YOUR CORY FAMILY SOCIETY DUES FOR 2017!!

If you have any questions on dues, send them to James Corey at

treasurer@coryfamsoc.com.

Questions from Our Members


By Luke Davidson, Editor

Our board received a genealogical question on November 27, 2016, and we would like to pass it along to our members in case anyone has additional information that could be helpful. If you do have any helpful resources, please contact one of the board members and we will pass what you have along. Thank you!

I am searching for documentation for the death of Jenetje Stevens Van Voorhees Simpson who gave birth to a daughter, Sarah, on January 3, 1708. Apparently Jenetje died between childbirth and September 10, 1709 when her widowed husband married a widow, Martha Lee Rodgers. According to Cory and Swayze history, Sarah Married Elnathan Cory (in New Jersey), who was a third great grandson of John Cory I of Southold. I also need to document that Sarah Simpson who married Elnathan was indeed the daughter of Jenetje and Alex Simpson. Does anyone out there have ANY documentation to support this family history?

NanErle Foster Schuchs

The Cory Family Society

	<p>ABOUT THE SOCIETY Formed over 30 years ago, the Cory Family Society welcomes anyone interested in Cory, Corey, Corry, Corrie, etc. genealogy. Our goal is to celebrate our family ties, honor our ancestors, and leave knowledge for those who come after us. For more information, see our website: www.coryfamsoc.com</p>
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