

HELP WANTED!

The CALKINS FAMILY ASSOCIATION NEEDS YOU!

Your Membership Committee needs your help in recruiting new members.

You may be asked, why join the Calkins Family Association (CFA)? You are our best salesman and are in the best position to answer that question.

I joined because during my research on my Calkins roots, I came across CFA's website. I was so excited to see that my great and my great-great grandfathers were listed. I contacted CFA (Ken Calkins and Judie Schiel). I can't tell you how encouraged and energized I was when Ken and Judie both got back to me with detailed information (all documented) that traced my roots back to Hugh and Ann Calkins and beyond that to the Mayflower. Talk about hitting a homerun!!

The resources of CFA helped me at a time when I was so disheartened, thinking that I would never get anywhere. I was so encouraged that I attended the Colorado Springs, Colorado, reunion. I had such a great time with my Calkins cousins, that I co-chaired the reunion in 2009 that was held in Syracuse, New York. The next reunion will be in 2012 in California (read about it in this issue).

Members are always eager to share a story, show a picture or swap records. And, probably the best part of being a CFA member is the great fellowship and a chance to connect with other Calkins cousins in your family tree.

Membership is a bargain -- only \$10 per year or \$100 for a life-time membership. Where else can you have access to researchers, library materials and find those family ties to expand your family tree for only \$10?

Talk to your family members and tell them of the benefits of joining CFA. You can contact me at dmitc5741@aol.com; telephone 410-757-7289. If you provide me with the names and addresses, I will send out an invitation to join with information on CFA. As a Calkins cousin, please let your family members know about our organization and about our 2012 reunion.

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Chair, Membership Committee

Librarian