

HAWKINS WORLDWIDE DNA Project

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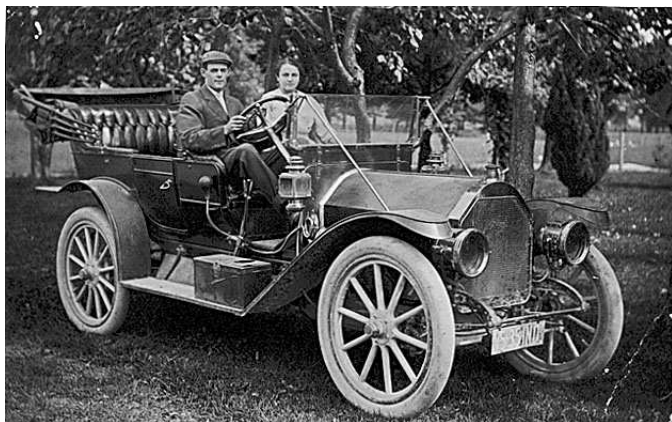


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Project site: <http://freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.com/~hawkinsdnaproject/>.

Family pages: http://freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.com/~hawkinsdnaproject/tree_g-1.html

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Picture left is Lilly Belle (Jarrett) and James Mont Hawkins, circa 1915 in Tipton County, Indiana. I believe the auto is an Auburn.

If you have a Hawkins picture that you think others would be interested in seeing, especially if it has a story to go with it, please email me a copy.

A few days late this month. We had been in Indiana to visit with family and to Michigan for a wedding. Warm and dry there. Forecast of 86 for the remainder of the week in Indiana - crazy. We try to

get off the beaten path by taking courthouse pictures. We completed all the Indiana counties with a picture of the Allen County Courthouse in Fort Wayne on this trip.

While we were there, we took some time to stop at the new Allen County Public Library. As many of you know, their collection of family history material is very extensive. The new building is very large and very up-to-date with three levels. The entire 2nd floor is the GENEALOGY CENTER, devoted to research material used in genealogy and family history.

Last month I reported that Family Tree DNA has passed the 100,000 kits marker. I note that they now list 107,341 Y-DNA records in their database, plus 55,024 mtDNA records. Our Hawkins Project accepts participants from any of the testing agencies.

Helpful Information

Your first cousins are the people in your family who have the same grand- parents as you. Your second cousins are the people in your family who have the same great-grandparents as you, but not the same grandparents. Your third cousins have the same great-great-grandparents as you, and so on.

A new sitemap at FTDNA, <http://www.familytreedna.com/sitemap.html>, will help you find the DNA information that you are looking for.

Free offer. I shall entertain paying for the Y-DNA-12 testing of a male Hawkins descendent of the following sons of James and Martha (Hollowell) Hawkins - Isaac (m. Margaret), Jonathon, and Amos (m. Ann Comer).

In my Hawkins Family Group-04, http://freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.com/~hawkinsdnaproject/tree_g-1.html#Group-04, we need to establish the DYS 439 value for our common ancestor James (above). Current participants, descended from James's sons John, Benjamin, and Nathan all match 11/12, each differing at the 9th marker, DYS 439.

If you are a male Hawkins descendent of Isaac, Jonathon, or Amos, **please** contact me.

From the FTDNA newsletter of Sep 5th.

Since Y DNA degrades quickly upon death, we don't recommend even considering exhuming a direct line male. On occasion, you can have success with a hair bulb, licked stamp or envelop, or like items from a deceased male, though this process is more expensive.

If you are considering pursuing a match with another surname, we recommend 67 markers before making the decision.

If you have a lot of matches, even with your own surname, upgrading is very beneficial, to 37 or 67 markers. The fast moving markers in the 37-marker upgrade often contain mutations, which are beneficial for identifying major branches of the tree. The 67-marker panel, with some slower markers, is very beneficial to evaluate genetic distance and time frame to the common ancestor.

Recruiting participants is an ongoing process for the Group Administrator. Setting aside some time periodically for recruiting tasks will ensure a steady flow of participants for the project. [That's me!]

Participants can also help. First, you can find a distant male in your tree to participate to validate your family tree. Then, through your activities, you may encounter others with the surname(s) of interest. This could be at work, social activities, or during genealogy activities. Telling these contacts about DNA testing for genealogy provides them with an opportunity to make discoveries about their origins. [That's you!]

Another source for old books of genealogical interest is Google Book Search (books.google.com). Drawing on ongoing digitization projects involving millions of different books, the familiar Google search interface lets you search in books you didn't even suspect existed. You can view a large proportion of the digitized volumes in their entirety--chiefly out-of-copyright volumes, though some copyright holders have also granted Google permission to share the full content of other books. If you find a viewable book you don't want to read immediately on screen, you can save it as a PDF file or print it out. If you're searching for names, remember to search for all variations, including inversions (both "John Fury" and "Fury John"). If there are too many hits, filter them by adding a location or occupation.

Source: Rootsweb Review, Vol 10, #40.

You may make donations to the Hawkins DNA Project, a member of the General Fund, at <http://www.familytreeDNA.com/contribution.html>.

Often there are key males whose participation is needed, and they are not financially able to participate. Multiple small donations can quickly add up to subsidize or pay for a test. You may specify the contribution be used for a specific family group if you desire. Please advise me by email when you make a contribution.

To join our HAWKINS project, and receive the group discount price, go to https://www.familytreedna.com/surname_join.aspx?code=Z47192&special=False .

Google Docs is an application that lets you create and save text documents, spreadsheets, and presentations online - FREE. You can access them from anywhere that you can access the Internet (the library for example).

You may have read about Google Docs in some of the genealogical publications and might want to try it out. It can be a safe way to store your documents in an accessible place and you can choose to share your documents with others, allowing them to add comments or make corrections. It might be used as your off-site backup.

Go to www.google.com and select More and then Documents

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Gold Is Where You Find It!



Plenty pleased are these three boys, and well they might be, having just found approximately \$800 that had been cached under the Colorado Ave. viaduct. They are, left to right: Carlton Hawkins, 9; Donald Moore, 11, and Phillip Hawkins, 10.

++ 'VIADUCT LODGE' YIELDS NEARLY \$1,300 TO AWED 'PROSPECTORS'

Colorado Springs' gold strike of 1943 appeared to be over today, but it yielded nearly \$1,300 from one of the most unlikely spots imaginable—under the Colorado Ave. viaduct.

It began when Donald Moore, 11, walking under the viaduct Sunday afternoon with two companions, spied some "dirty green stuff" on the ground. He picked it up and had about \$700 in cash wrapped around \$100 in silver.

Donald said he and his friends, Phillip Hawkins, 10, and Carlton Hawkins, 9, shared the find equally. They even cut in another boy, who was to have been with them, for \$10 apiece.

The discovery was made at the spot where Ray Spann and William Stimpson, two Birdsall - Stockdale Motor company employees, found \$250 in bills last summer. When Spann and Stimpson heard Monday of the boys' luck, they bee-lined for the spot with a shovel and pitchfork and dug up another \$240.

Since a plastic sales tax token was found with the bills, Chief I. B. Bruce said he believed the money was placed there within the last year. It probably was buried in a shallow hole where it was uncovered by the elements, he said.

The Hawkins boys are the sons of Capt. and Mrs. Harold Hawkins, 36 N. Chestnut St. Young Moore is the son of Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Moore, 120 N. Chestnut St.

Where Did It Come From?

Bruce said there had been no record received of any such amount of money being missing in this region, and was at a loss to explain how it got there. Some observers advanced the opinion that some crook on a train had cached it there when the

trail of the law got too "hot." However, why such a person would not return to recover the loot could not be explained.

The two Hawkins brothers and the Moore boy declared Monday that they had split the find three ways, and the Hawkins boys will also divide with a younger sister. All plan to invest the money in United States war bonds and stamps.

A fourth boy, John Derby, 10, who was slated to go to the picture show with the other three, but who failed to keep his appointment, was a sad youngster Monday. However, as a token of good will, the three boys who found the money voted to each give \$10 to John—so even he will realize \$30 from the find.

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If you know someone that would like to be on the Hawkins project information mailing list, please send me their name and email and I'll add them. Anyone that desires not to be on the list should request removal.

If you maintain a web site with Hawkins information, please add a link to our Hawkins DNA Project.

Please advise us of any planned Hawkins reunions. We would like to list them indicating the patriarch, place, dates, and any other special information.

Consider collecting donations to have some of the cousins in your group tested. Maybe you have the perfect paper records, but the mutations that occur in the separate lines need to be identified now for succeeding generations (and just maybe your paper records are not as solid as you assume).

If you have tested with someone other than Family Tree DNA please contact me about also participating in our Hawkins Project.

Sometimes you get lucky. We did that day. To add to the article left, it was not Donald, but my brother Don who saw the first \$5 bill. He was peeing on it. It was really cold and windy that day. We were on the way to the movies downtown, and Colorado Ave. had a series of two bridges in tandem. The first one crossed the river (Cherry Creek I think??), and then a second across the railroad tracks at the station behind the Antlers Hotel. There was a metal stairs down to the ground between the two bridges. We decided to go down and cross the tracks to get out of the wind. We would then go up through the Hotel grounds to downtown. My brother Don (Carlton) went back under the bridge where it abutted the ground to relieve himself. We didn't get to the movie that day (a Sunday I am pretty sure, maybe a Saturday). The three of us filled all our pockets with money (small bills and a lot of silver change with tokens mixed in. We made three trips home dumping money on the kitchen table where Dad stacked and counted it while we went back for more. On the fourth return, with our pockets only half full Dad called the police.

Questions? Contact me at phil_hawkins@sbcglobal.net.

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