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*Fly Your Flag - Join the Hawkins Worldwide DNA Project!*

We added twelve 100° or plus days in July to the four in June to make 16 so far this year. Sharon has completed four chemotherapy sessions and is scheduled for surgery on 4 August. It has been very busy in this house of late and this newsletter is a bit shorter than usual. It is also late.

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I have recently been transcribing a number of old (16-18<sup>th</sup> century) wills. In one, 1671, Richard, an inn holder, gives the inherited land to the first named son, the second named son gets 20 £, and then the third named son is left with quite a bit of land including the mills thereon [no indication as to who is the eldest, other than as named]. I would really appreciate from one of you that is steeped in the knowledge of 16<sup>th</sup> century inheritance in England, an explanation as to what would be customary.

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Do you have Hawkins family ancestors in Wiltshire, England? In a new Hawkins/Wiltshire site at <http://freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~hawkinsdnaproject/wilts.html> we are attempting to gather all the information possible on individuals with the Hawkins surname into one site. If you have research that you would like to share please contact me

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Genealogy Gems: News from the Fort Wayne Library, No. 65, July 31, 2009

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To Publish is to Preserve by Curt B. Witcher

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I believe many frequently forget that one of the best ways of preserving information is to disseminate that data. In so many ways, to publish is to preserve. If you publish data about your family and the research you have done, and further, if you include references to your sources--and maybe even digital copies of the evidence upon which you based your research conclusions--you are preserving that data for future users.



**“You don’t look anything like the long haired, skinny kid I married 25 years ago. I need a DNA sample to make sure it’s still you.”**

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and accessed by many. Just keeping the electronic work to yourself orphans it if/when something happens to you. A family or community website more completely ensures the file(s) will be available longer than we will. An even better place to deposit your electronic family files is on [www.WeRelate.org](http://www.WeRelate.org). Give it a look--it could be the answer to your electronic preservation needs.

And, don't forget our *Hawkins DNA Newsletter*. This is an excellent publication for reaching a large number of people.

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Input from our Hawkins Family Groups.

The family pages are found at

[http://freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~hawkinsdnaproject/tree\\_g-1.html](http://freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~hawkinsdnaproject/tree_g-1.html).

If your line is one of our coordinated groups (01, 03, 04, 05, 06, 07, 08, 10, or 12) please forward anything that you think would be of interest for our readers to your Group Leader, marking it *For the Newsletter*. If you fall into one of the groups that we still need a Group Leader for, then mail your print and pictures directly to me. This is your newsletter and we need your input. Try to keep it to a page, or a little more, each month (less is OK). If it is longer, consider breaking it into parts to run over two newsletters.

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**Hawkins Family Group-03** (Group Leader is David Travillion Bunton, [travillion@hotmail.com](mailto:travillion@hotmail.com)).

[http://freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~hawkinsdnaproject/tree\\_g-1.html#Group-03](http://freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~hawkinsdnaproject/tree_g-1.html#Group-03)

Carol Thompson Phillips, passed away 7-13-2009. May her soul rest in the Peace of the Lord.

I am saddened to report the loss of Carol Phillips, aged 63, on July 13, 2009 in Chester, IL after a lengthy illness. Carol and I had researched together for many years, and she was a dedicated and thorough genealogist who felt a special connection to her Hawkins ancestors. Carol was a direct descendant of Dennis Hawkins and his second wife Mary McDonald Causey. Carol's diligence in tracing her ancestor led her to court houses, libraries, and to multiple trips to Blount County, Alabama where she eventually found her ancestors grave in the Chitwood Cemetery: Dennis Hawkins born August 10, 1794 died May 18, 1884. Carol was always generous in sharing documentation on her line, and was also always willing to try to help others in finding their link to the family and many appreciated her helpfulness as Group Leader for Hawkins Family Group 3. Carol was not only my genealogy cousin but also a kind friend. Carol is survived by five children: Kenneth Phillips, Lori Morgan, Michael Phillips, Jeremy Phillips, Terri McKay, and 13 grandchildren, and one sister, Linda Bates.

Written by her cousin, David Travillion Bunton, 613 South Commerce Ave, Russellville, AR 72801, descendant of Nathaniel Hawkins, son of Edward Hawkins.

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**Hawkins Family Group-04** (My, your editor's, family group, [phil\\_hawkins@sbcglobal.net](mailto:phil_hawkins@sbcglobal.net)): Earliest known common ancestors are Jeffery and Dorothy (Mattock) Hawkins, emigrating from Wilts, England in 1682 to Bucks Co., PA.

[http://freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~hawkinsdnaproject/tree\\_g-1.html#Group-04](http://freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~hawkinsdnaproject/tree_g-1.html#Group-04)

You do not have to be a participant to send material for this family group. Old pictures, family stories, unanswered questions, brick walls, whatever would be of interest to our line, to your branch of the line, or information on a particular event that might have been an influencing factor in the history of an ancestor (s). If you send pictures please scan at 300 dpi, and furnish the who/when/where/why to the extent you can.

Right is a picture copy that I took from: Page 79

Jeffery Hawkins of Boreham in Warminster tells on 29 Nov. the story of his being attacked by three highway robbers at night who knocked him from his horse, and bound his legs with a "gyrse," and did "pinnell" his arms with a cord, which when they had departed he managed to unfasten with his teeth.

Historical Manuscripts Commission; Report on Manuscripts in Various Collection; Vol I; The Counties of Wilts And Worcester (see Google Books). It is the first of anything that I have seen that could be a reference to the son of Geoffrey the clothier of Norton Bavant, died 1603, buried Bishopstrow. This is not our immigrant Jeffery that would not yet have been born. Could it have been his father? Maybe, maybe not.

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See the will of Richard Hawkins, inn holder, died 1671, Warminster, Wiltshire, England at <http://freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~hawkinsdnaproject/wilts.html#Richard1671>

Concerning the Mount Mills willed by this Richard to his son James, it is the same mill leased by Geoffrey Hawkins in 1591 for 60 years.

From: 'Sutton Veny', *A History of the County of Wiltshire*. Volume 8: Warminster, Westbury and Whorwellsdown Hundreds (1965), pp. 61-74. "The mill which was divided between William son of Guy and Niel was presumably the one later called Mount Mill, which also stood on the Wylve, northeast of the village. Mount Mill derived its name from the family of Mount... .....in 1591 a 60-year lease was made to Geoffrey Hawkins, clothier, of Norton Bavant,..."

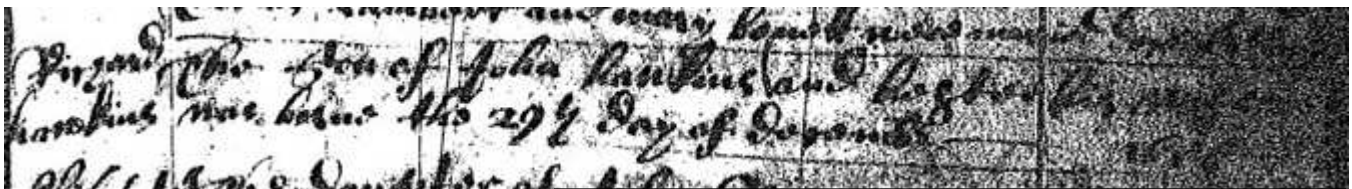
It would seem that this is a pretty strong indication that this Richard had a relationship with Geoffrey Hawkins of Bishopstrow, d. 1603

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Much of the research of the Jeffery Hawkins line in America is credited to Carl Hawkins, deceased, of Richmond Indiana. In his files he has a letter from The Revd. J. Rhys-Hughes, The Rectory, Sutton Veny, Warminster, Wilts, to Carl H. Hawkins of Richmond, Indiana, USA, dated 24 July 1974. All Saints, The Parish Church of Norton Bavant, near Warminster, Wilts. Extracts From The Registers Concerning The Hawkins Family. In that letter he provides Carl with the name of all the Hawkins he can find in the register. Two of five lines that relate to John & Rogtow follow.

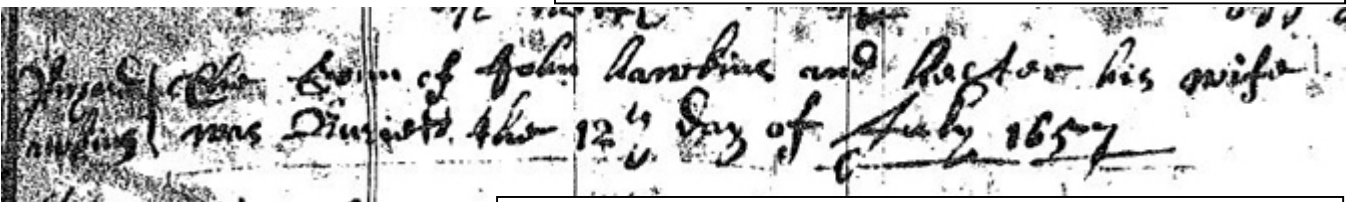
- "1656. Winyard, the son of John and Rogtow Hawkins was born the 29<sup>th</sup> December.
- "1657. Winyard Hawkins was buried the 12<sup>th</sup> July"

I have been looking at a copy of the register pages that the information was taken from. If you have done any reading in 17<sup>th</sup> century scripting, it is pretty obvious that Rogtow is not Rogtow, but Hester. Note that the first letter (Rogtow/Hester) is scripted in exactly the same manner as the H (h) in the preceding John hawkins. Also, small "e's" look a bit like "o's", but they have the e loop at the top, and "s" in the middle of a word generally looks a lot like our "f." The name is definitely Hester.



And Winyard does not look correct. I need to look into that (Vir[c]j[?]ar[n]d).

?Virjard? The son of John hawkins and Hester his wife Hawkins was borne the 29<sup>th</sup> Day of December --1656



?Virjard? The Sonne of John hawkins and Hester his wife Hawkins was ?buried? the 12<sup>th</sup> Day of July 1657

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**Hawkins Family Group-05** (Group Leader is Jeanne Bornefeld, [jeanne.bornefeld@yahoo.com](mailto:jeanne.bornefeld@yahoo.com).)  
[http://freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~hawkinsdnaproject/tree\\_g-1.html#Group-05](http://freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~hawkinsdnaproject/tree_g-1.html#Group-05)

My great plans of going to Fountain County, Indiana have been put on hold for a few weeks due to the death of my little brother, Paul Gebhardt of Evansville, Indiana. I am greatly sorrowed at his passing. He was 57 years of age.

I will talk about Joseph Hawkins, son of John Hawkins, mariner, of New England and Anne Arundel County, Maryland. Joseph was born ca 1664/65 in Baltimore County, Maryland. He died on the 13th of January 1726 at Baltimore County, Maryland. He married by 30 May 1699 Elizabeth, the widow of Christopher Rawles. She was the daughter of Benjamin and Elizabeth Ricaud. Their children were: John, b 23 Dec 1713 who m Mary Simkins; Augustine, b 13 April 1721 who lived in Burke Co NC and died Jackson Co TN. He m Elizabeth Henley in MD; Ruth, who m Josephus Murray; Sarah, who m Morgan Murray; Jemima and Elizabeth, as mentioned in his will.

Joseph was a planter and well acquainted with Cornelius Howard. The Howards reappear with this descended family in NC, KY, and later in IN. There were two Howard families in early Maryland - and Howards married Howards. Joseph was entrusted with the care and rearing of his brother, Matthew's, orphan, Rebecca. You will remember that it was Rebecca who was the mother of Nathan Hawkins, the only child of his mother and father, who left Baltimore County MD after 1768 and appeared in the VA Militia in the North of Holston Settlements in 1774 with his sons.

Joseph, son of John the Mariner, was a Quaker, as were his siblings. Nathan named one of his sons, Joseph. Joseph, son of Nathan, was born in the 1750's seven miles from Baltimore, Maryland. His estate settlement was in Greene County, TN where he lived and is buried.

We would have much more information on this family if the court house in Sullivan County TN was not burned to the ground in the Civil War. Joseph and his wife, Esther, had six children: Elizabeth, who m Solomon Stonecypher; Rebecca, who m William Lovelace; Esther, who m Isaiah McNeese; Ruth, who m John Cotter; Nathan, who m Mary Howell?; Temperance, who m George Click. Everybody stayed in Upper East TN except the Clicks who went to Texas. It is said that carved on many trees in TN was the message "GTT" meaning "Gone To Texas".

Rachel Stonecypher m 1793 Aiden Humbert, d/o Henry Stonecypher and Catharine Call/Kahl. Rachel's brother, Absolom, was accidentally shot by Davy Crockett's uncle, Joseph Hawkins, son of Nathan, while Joseph was out hunting Red Deer. Absolom was wearing a red shirt and picking berries. Joseph saw movement and glints of red and fired, assuming he was a deer. They took Absolom to the nearest home, that of Samuel and Sarah (Painter) Humbert. Absolom married his nurse, Sarah Humbert. Absolom's sister, Rachel, married Sarah's brother, Aiden Painter Humbert. Rachel and Absolom's brother, Solomon, married Elizabeth Hawkins. Two of their kids were Nathan and Ruth Stonecypher.

Daniel and Michael Stonecypher were with Matthew and Aaron Hawkins (sons of Nathan) in NC in the 1780's and then in SC on the Pacolet River with Matthew in the 1790's before returning back up to Upper East TN in 1799/1800. It was in 1793 that Matthew's son, Aaron was born. He lived in Anderson Co TN. Anderson was taken out of Knox in 1801. Matthew was a first settler of Anderson Co TN. He left with Aaron, his son, in 1817/18 for the Yellow Banks (Owensborough KY) where Aaron stayed. Matthew went on the Fountain Co IN, but stopping on Honey Creek Prairie in Vigo Co IN, he died. Mary, his wife, continued on with the family to Fountain Co where she later died in a few years.



I hope to return to Fountain Co IN again this summer to search for the identity of Mary, wife of Matthew Hawkins, son of Nathan Hawkins.

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**Hawkins Participants that have not yet been matched.** (33 distinct future Hawkins Groups.)  
[http://freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~hawkinsdnaproject/tree\\_g-1.html#participants](http://freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~hawkinsdnaproject/tree_g-1.html#participants)

If you are a participant in this group and would like to submit a story, picture, or questions please do so.

?\_\_\_\_\_? **Can you fill in the blank???**

- ...John Hawkins b: Abt 1805
- ...+Ann Snowden m: 18 Sep 1826
- .....2 Thomas Hawkins b: 27 Dec 1835 Leeds, Yorkshire, England d: 07 Jul 1913 Leeds, Yorkshire, England
- ..... +Hannah Yates b: 03 Jan 1838 Tockwith, Yorkshire, England m: 28 May 1859 d:20 Jul 1924
- .....3 John Yates Hawkins b:15 Apr 1861 Leeds, Yorkshire, England d: 04 Jul 1937 Saskatchewan, Canada
- ..... +Matilda Sutcliffe b: 20 Aug 1861 Northawram, Yorkshire, England m: 04 Jul 1883 Halifax, Coy, England d: 17 Feb 1947 Saskatchewan, Canada
- .....4 Milton Hawkins b: 05 Jan 1884 Town Gate, Northowram, Y, England d: 21 May 1963 Victoria, British Columbia, Canada
- ..... +Beatrice \_\_\_\_\_ b. 27 Apr 1884 at Clayton, Bradford, Yorkshire, Eng., d. 31 Dec 1946 at Victoria, British Columbia, Canada.
- .....5 **Participant #43445**, born Canada (Haplogroup R1a1).



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If you maintain a web site with Hawkins information, please add a link to our Hawkins DNA Project. If you maintain a website that relates to any of our Hawkins DNA lines, please advise, and I'll list a link for it on our site.

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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.

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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).

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

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Sharon & Phil Hawkins 2009

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