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*This issue starts the 43rd year of publication of the Weedman Newsletter! It seems there are fewer print publications these days but this one has survived.*

## **With this issue, the *Weedman Newsletter* will enter its 43<sup>rd</sup> year of publication!**

This all started in 1967 when **Paul** and **Marianne Montgomery** innocently started a publication aimed at sharing family and genealogical information on the Weedman family. After Paul died, Marianne continued with to put out the quarterly publication until she retired in 2005. **Chantal Weedman** and her dad, **William Weedman**, took the reins for a short time. In 2006, Nick Weedman became the editor.

Although our print version doesn't reach as many subscribers as it once did, we believe we have far more readers of the on-line version. In this issue, we will highlight comments received recently from those who found us on our web site, [www.weedman.org](http://www.weedman.org).

And so, the journey continues.....

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## **Subscription Renewals Due**

In the first edition of each year, we remind subscribers to send a donation of \$5.00 per year to continue to receive the Newsletter. We are doing the same this year.

For those who are computer savvy, we are going to offer an alternate way of getting the Newsletter. The on line version will be offered at no cost to those inclined to get the publication in that manner.

Here is how we will handle on-line subscribers. We ask that you send an e-mail to Editor Nick Weedman ([nick@weedman.org](mailto:nick@weedman.org)) and ask to receive notification that a new issue of the Weedman Newsletter has been posted to the web site. We will compile a mailing list for those subscribers and once a new issue is posted, an e-mail will be sent advising it is ready for viewing.

Again, this will be offered at no cost but we will restrict participants to those with a true interest in sharing family information or in pursuing the family genealogy.

Many will prefer to receive the standard paper copy and the cost of this will remain, as it has for 42 years at \$5.00. We will encourage new subscribers to use the on-line version but will still offer the standard hard copy to those who prefer.

So, if you want to receive an e-mail when the Newsletter is uploaded to the web site, a simple e-mail to Nick Weedman will trigger such an action.

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### Chelsea Weedman in San Diego County Swim Meet

RANCHO PENASQUITOS CA — Anyone wanting a sneak peek of what the CIF San Diego Section swim meet will look like later this year had their chance Saturday at the Sundevil Invitational at Mt. Carmel High.

There were 18 schools and more than 500 competitors at the annual event, which is considered the region's top regular-season invitational in boys and girls swimming.

"This invitational really gives you a chance to see how you're going to respond to top competition," said Mt. Carmel coach and event organizer Dan Peck. "I think this is indicative of what you're going to see at CIF."

It figures then that county powerhouses

like Carlsbad, which has won seven consecutive CIF Division I titles in boys swimming, and Cathedral Catholic, which has two straight CIF Division II titles in girls competition, were there soaking up the sun and early-season success the event offers.

Carlsbad coach Jim Barton said he was "pleased" with his team's swimmers, especially standout Colin Smith. Smith, who led the Lancers' water polo squad to the Division I title last year and broke the school's record for goals in a season with 146, flourished in the 100-yard butterfly and 200 freestyle events. The senior placed sixth and seventh, respectively, in those races at last year's CIF Championship and is hoping to make great strides this season.

"For me, I just like to see my times getting better," Smith said. "Winning right now isn't necessarily the goal."

For a standout like Cathedral's **Chelsea**

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*Chelsea Weedman continues to excel in competitive swimming in California. She is headed to Penn State University in the Fall.*

## About the Weedman Newsletter

The *Weedman Newsletter* is a quarterly family publication with emphasis on the genealogy of the Weedman and allied families. It is distributed to interested family members, selected genealogical societies and libraries. Circulation is 120.

The *Newsletter* is edited, published and distributed by **Nick Weedman**. All address changes, new subscriptions, etc. should be sent to him.

Articles for publication in the Newsletter are highly welcomed. They must have some relevance to the family and those with a genealogical flavor are of particular interest.

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Queries regarding the Weedman family or allied lines are welcomed. Attention will be given to each and for those which cannot be answered by family genealogists, publication in the *Newsletter* will be made.

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**Weedman**, winning just comes naturally. The senior has won three straight CIF titles in the 100 breaststroke and two straight in the 200 individual medley. "Chelsea's work ethic and attitude are what set her apart," said Dons coach Jeff Owen. "She's always happy and always working hard. She's also probably the most competitive person I've ever met."

*Source: North County Times, San Diego County, CA  
March 21, 2010*

*Names in the News*

## Hannah Weedman Named Illinois All State Class 1A Basketball Player

February 23, 2010. The news **Hannah Weedman** had been waiting for arrived Tuesday.

The Knoxville High School center was named Associated Press first-team all-state in Class 1A after averaging 14.7 points, 8.1 rebounds and 6.7 blocks this season for the sixth-rated Blue Bullets.

"I made honorable mention last year so it's quite a big jump," said the 6-foot-4 Evansville recruit, who helped guide Knoxville to a 24-7 season. "Yeah, I'm surprised because there's a lot of talented girls in the state of Illinois."

Monmouth-Roseville senior Rebecca Gillen was named second team in Class 2A while Ridgewood junior Ella Teel was honorable mention in Class 1A.

Gillen averaged 15.1 points, seven rebounds and three steals for the Titans. "She's a four-year starter for us so she basically knew what we wanted to do on the floor," Monmouth-Roseville coach Jim Cole said. "With her athletic ability, she had to go up against a lot of girls bigger than her and she was still able to score 15 points a game."

A guard, Teel leads third-ranked Ridgewood (31-2) in scoring at 11.2 points and has been a driving force for a Spartans team that will play in the state semifinals this weekend at Redbird Arena in Normal.

Knoxville coach Matt Gibson said **Weedman** is the first Knoxville girls basketball player to earn first-team all-state honors. Haley Jones earned honorable mention all-state in 2008. "Teams played us 95 percent of the time zone and that had everything to do with Hannah," Gibson said. "Everybody's No. 1 goal was to stop her and see if the rest of our players could score."

A four-year starter, Weedman was joined on the first team by Brimfield's Paige Spietz, Annawan's Kelly Buresh, Hinckley-Big Rock's Jenna Thorp and Savannah Piety of Fisher.

"I was just trying to do the best I could this season, just knowing that it was my last," Weedman said. "Making a state team should be every girl's goal."

*Source: Galesburg (IL) Register-Mail February 23, 2010  
By Zack Creglow*

*Obituary*

## Adrian Weedman



**Adrian "Doc" Weedman** Aged 89 years, passed peacefully in Marysville, CA, on February 10, 2010. He was the last surviving sibling of a family of seven children. Doc is survived by his wife, **Nancy** of Marysville, his daughter from Texas, **Tracy "Toddy" Lynn**, granddaughter, **Lisa**,

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*Hannah Weedman was awarded an athletic scholarship to the University of Evansville (IN) University where she will enroll this fall.*

We are pleased to publicize the upcoming Reunion for descendants of Henry Linas and Cynthia (Reed) Weedman coming up on July 17th.

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and a great-grandchild. There are numerous cousins, nieces, and nephews in San Diego. He is also survived by Nancy's daughters, **Lynda** and **Sherri**. He was a proud WWII Navy vet, an avid bingo player, and a carpenter by trade. Services were on February 22, 2010 in Marysville.

*Adrian Weedman's lineage: Adrian Weedman<sup>6</sup>, Andrew Garfield Weedman<sup>5</sup>, Jesse Hamilton Stewart Weedman<sup>4</sup>, David Weedman<sup>3</sup>, Jacob Weedman<sup>2</sup>, and Christian Weedman, Sr.<sup>1</sup>*

*Obituary*

### **William Weedman**

**William Weedman**, 77, of Carmi, passed away Monday, March 1, 2010, at the Jefferson Barracks VA Hospital in St. Louis, Missouri.

He was born Sept. 19, 1932 in Maunie, the son of **Samuel George** and **Jessie Mae (Erwin) Weedman**. William was a member of both the American Legion and VFW. He was a member of the Eastside Pentecostal Church. William was an avid Cardinal fan.

He is survived by four sisters, **Gertie Rhein** of Carmi, **Genevieve Raley** of Henderson, Ky., and **Clara Weedman** and **Linda Brock**, both of Chicago. He is preceded in death by his parents and two brothers, **Lloyd George** and **Bobby Eugene**.

Funeral services were on March 4, 2010 in Carmi. Burial was in Kuykendall Cemetery near Carmi.

*William Weedman's lineage: William Weedman<sup>7</sup>, Samuel George Weedman<sup>6</sup>, William T. Weedman<sup>5</sup>, George Glasscock Weedman<sup>4</sup>, Daniel Weedman<sup>3</sup>, Christian Weedman, Jr.<sup>2</sup> and Christian Weedman, Sr.<sup>1</sup>*

## **Reunion Planned for Henry Linas Weedman Descendants**

There will be no **Weedman National Family Gathering** in 2010 since a sponsor could not be found at the 2008 Reunion held in Fayette County, Pennsylvania. But there will be other events that everyone needs to know about even if you are not eligible to participate.

The descendants of **Henry Linas** and **Cynthia (Reed) Weedman** will have a Reunion on July 17, 2010 on the home place of **Larry Picht** in Holloway, Minnesota. If you are a descendant of this family and can participate, contact one of the organizers shown below.

**Henry Linas Weedman** was born 8 November 1850 in DeWitt Co., IL and was the sixth of ten children of **Asa** and **Delilah (Hand) Weedman**. Following the death of Asa, the family moved to the Webster City (Hamilton County), Iowa area. Delilah remarried and the family found their way to Miami County, Kansas where Henry married **Cynthia Reed**. The family seemed to go back and forth between Iowa and Kansas. Today, descendants are found in Kansas, Minnesota, Iowa and on the West Coast.

**Henry** and **Cynthia Weedman** had a large family – fourteen children – and as a result there are a large number of descendants today.

A Reunion was held in 1997 for which **Carol Rohloff** prepared an outstanding book that gave details of all of the descendants including many excellent photographs. We have displayed this book at every Reunion we have attended since 1996.

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The Reunion will be held on July 17, 2010 at the **Larry Picht** residence, 1430 60<sup>th</sup> Street N.W., Holloway, MN. Motels are available in Appleton, Morris or Benson, MN each of which is about 15 miles or so from Holloway. Organizers of the event are: **Lola Phelps**, Box 214 Willard St., Good Thunder, MN. 65037 ([Imp@hickorytech.net](mailto:Imp@hickorytech.net)) or **Richard Weedman**, PO Box 55, Lambertton MN. 56152 ([weedman@rcnet.org](mailto:weedman@rcnet.org)).

### **Elizabeth Weedman Murphy Daughter of Christian, Sr. and Elizabeth Weedman**

Mentioned in the will of **Christian Weedman, Sr.** that was made and probated in 1811 in Fairfield County, Ohio was a daughter, **Elizabeth Murphy**. A number of researchers have attempted over the years to determine who she married and what happened to her.

In making preparations for the 2008 Weedman National Family gathering in Uniontown, Pennsylvania, we reviewed the records of Jacobs Lutheran Church near Masontown, PA.

We found a **Joseph** and **Elizabeth Murphy** who had two children christened in that church in the time frame the family lived in the area. The two children were **Johannes** born 21 September 1795, christened 29 October 1795 with **Michael** and **Barbara Riffle** serving as sponsors. The second child was **Christian** born 12 October 1796 and christened 20 November 1796 with **Philp** and **Magdalena Maurer** serving as sponsors.

The names of the children are interesting and while not any proof of relationship with **Christian** and **Elizabeth Weedman**, it is probably a strong hint at the least. The traditional German method of naming children was that the first born

son is named in honor of the paternal grandfather while the second son is named in honor of the maternal grandfather.

In the 1790 Fayette County, PA census, a **Joseph Murphy** is found living in Springhill Township which is just south of what was then German Township. He is the sole individual in the household and is a male aged 16 years or more. There were 10 different Murphy listings in the 1790 Fayette County, PA census but only two, **William** living in German Township, and **Joseph** in Springhill Township were in close proximity to the Weedman family. **William** appears to be too elderly to have married **Elizabeth** who we believe to have been born between 1767 and 1770.

In the 1800 census, we find the **Joseph Murphy** family living in German Township. There is one male between 26 and 44 years old with two males under 10 as well as one female between 26 and 44 years old.

There is no listing that can be found for **Joseph** in the 1810 Pennsylvania census.

It is not unreasonable to assume the family left Pennsylvania for Ohio with the rest of the family. If this is the case, we find a **Joseph Murphy** living in Madison Township, Licking County, Ohio in the 1820 through the 1850 census records. In addition, we find that a **Joseph Murphy** married a woman named **Praise** (surname not shown) on 19 December 1813. Tracing this family through 1850, we find **Joseph Murphy** at age 75, born in Maryland, living with his apparent son, **Charles Murphy**. This **Joseph Murphy** born about 1775 is probably too young to be the husband of **Elizabeth Weedman** but such a marriage is not impossible.

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*The mystery of the fate of Elizabeth, daughter of Christian and Elizabeth Weedman takes a new turn. Is it solved or not?*

*Elizabeth was the third of six daughters of Christian Weedman and was born between 1767 and 1770.*

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It would appear that **Elizabeth** must have died between the 1811 drawing of the will of her father, **Christian Weedman, Sr.** and 1837. There is no mention of **Elizabeth** or her children in the 1837 lawsuit (**Nicholas Weedman** versus **Jacob Keefover** regarding the estate of the late John Weedman).

We have attempted to trace **Christian Murphy** and **Johannes** or **John Murphy** with no success. It is reasonable to assume they died as well. Recently we heard from **Belinda Marcum** who is tracing **Joseph Murphy** also known as **Joseph Faverty**. **Faverty** was born in Paris, France on September 25, 1753, immigrated to the U. S., and was in the Revolutionary War. After the War, he settled in Springhill Township, Fayette County, PA. Springhill is immediately south of what was then German Township where **Christian Weedman** lived. Somehow **Joseph Faverty** got a nickname of **Joseph Murphy** and he went by that in the Revolutionary War and afterwards. In his pension application, he stated he didn't know how he got the **Murphy** nickname.

**Joseph Murphy** (aka **Joseph Faverty**) married a woman named **Elizabeth Wedman** about 1793 in Fayette County. There were six children born to this couple including: **Joseph, Jr.** (1794), **Mary** (1796 and died in infancy), **Christopher** (1798 – died in infancy), **Joshua** (1800 – died in infancy), **John** (born 1802 in Scioto Co., OH) and **Elizabeth** (1804 in OH). We are unsure of the source of the birthdates of these children. A genealogical work on **Joseph Faverty** was compiled in the 1980s by **Arnold Faverty** and he is likely the one who determined these dates.

Note that the dates are in conflict with

the baptismal records of the two children of **Joseph** and **Elizabeth Murphy** from the Jacobs Lutheran Church records. However, until the source of the birth information above can be confirmed, we should not dismiss this information out of hand. We have found information that states that **Joseph Faverty, Jr.** was born in 1800 making one question the accuracy of the dates.

We have searched the 1790 and 1800 census records for Fayette County, PA and cannot find any family living in Fayette County that has a surname even close to that of **Elizabeth Wedman** except for our **Elizabeth Weedman**.

According to **Mrs. Marcum**, in 1801 **Joseph Murphy** bought land in Scioto Co., Ohio and in 1802 floated down the Ohio River to Portsmouth, Ohio where the family settled. In 1834, **Joseph** filed for a Revolutionary War pension but his plea was denied. Unfortunately, nothing in this pension application reveals family connections.

Is this our **Elizabeth Weedman** or not? The information at hand seems to suggest it is but there are three factors questioning this conclusion. First, the dates for the birth of the children from records of the Jacobs Lutheran Church in German Township, Fayette County and those in the work apparently from **Arnold Faverty** conflict. Second, the failure of **Elizabeth** or her children to be revealed in the 1837 lawsuit in which all of the other known siblings of the then late John Weedman are named is troubling. Finally, we know two children were christened in the Lutheran Church but we are told that **Joseph Faverty** was a Catholic and raised his children in that faith which again presents conflicting information.

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How will we ever sort this out? A deeper search of County records in both Fayette County, PA and Scioto County, Ohio might be helpful but it is likely that **Arnold Faverty** already accomplished this. One other tool would be DNA testing. However, this is complex because you would have to test direct female lines from the **Elizabeth Weedman Faverty** descendants and compare those to direct female lines going back to Elizabeth Weedman, the mother of Elizabeth who married **Joseph Murphy**. This is complicated by the fact that our records tend to be heavily skewed toward the male lines since it is easier to trace the Weedman surname than it is the daughters and their daughters and theirs, etc.

In conclusion, we believe that **Elizabeth Weedman** who married **Joseph Murphy** is probably the same of the **Elizabeth Weedman** who married **Joseph Murphy** or **Joseph Faverty**. If someone wanted to work on proving this probably through DNA testing, it would be both helpful and interesting.

*Births*

### **William James (Will) Weedman**

**Bill** and **Pat Weedman** announce with great pleasure that we have a new addition to the Weedman family! **William James (Will) Weedman** was born Monday, February 15 at 11:30 AM in Austin, TX. Proud parents are **William L. Weedman, Jr.** and **Melanie V. Weedman**. Extremely proud grandparents are **William L. Weedman, Sr.** and **Patricia S. Weedman** of Wilson, NC.

Will arrived weighing in @ 6 lbs 14 ozs. All is well, Mom and baby are both fine. Will was expected to arrive the first week of March but he decided to come a little early. Congratulations to all!

*Soon to Be!*

### **Anticipated Birth**

In early January we heard from Portland (OR) architect and interior designer, **Travis Weedman**, he and his wife, **Airelle Glade**, are expecting their first child at the end of May and learned it will be a boy. Travis advises this is the first grandson for **George Weedman** of Wisconsin (the Jacob Weedman line through **Allen Fleming Weedman**). **Travis** and **Airelle** operate their business, Compressed Pattern, in Portland, OR.

*From the Web Site*

### **Huhn Connection**

We recently received the following e-mail from a lady researching the Huhn line. In a subsequent e-mail, we learned her husband descends from **Henry Huhn** who was a son of **Catherine Weedman Huhn**. "...My name is **Cheryl Ramsey**. My husband's parents passed away a couple of years ago and in their passing brought up questions about where they came from. So I started trying to research his family. My mother-in-law was a Huhn. In tracing her ancestry it led me back to **Catherine Weedman** who married **John Huhn, Jr.** I was overjoyed to find your website and all of the history you and other family members have uncovered. You saved me a lot of work. We live in Ohio but my mother-in-law is from McClellandtown, PA. I am going to print off all of your newsletters and am looking forward to reading them...."

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*There are quite a few hits on our web site that result in people trying to understand their origins. Frequently we supply information that most find very helpful.*

## Myrtle Mae Weedman

**Randy McCoach** of Albuquerque, N.M. wrote looking for family information on **Melinda Darner** who was the second wife of **George T. Weedman**. George was a son of **Asa Weedman (Asa, John Huhn Weedman, Sr., George and Christian Weedman, Sr. line)** who was born in 1838 in DeWitt Co., IL. **George** was in the Civil War and married **Mary Carem** with who he had two children. After her death, he married **Malinda** or **Melinda Darner** in Miami Co., KS. One child, a daughter, was born to the couple and she was **Myrtle Mae Weedman** (Sept. 1882 – 1920). **Myrtle Mae Weedman** married **Luther Roberts** in 1906 in Miami County, KS and they had a large family. In 1920 **Myrtle Mae Weedman Roberts** died in childbirth and is buried in Miami County. Her photograph appears here courtesy of Randy. We were able to trace to Darner family back to Ohio and learned Malinda was the daughter of **Jacob and Elizabeth (Hull) Darner**. Randy McCoach has much more information on the family of **Luther and Myrtle Mae (Weedman) Roberts** and is willing to share upon request.



## Four Generations – Romine and Weedman

**Shirley Flanagan** of Denver Colorado wrote to advise she had found pictures on eBay, if I recall correctly that had a number of family members shown. She supplied several of these and we will post on our web site.

One in particular caught our eye and that is the one shown here. The photograph was taken in 1908 and is annotated on the back as follows: “Four Generations – **Lucinda Muir Romine**, 70 years old; **Matilda Jane Romine**, 40 years old; **Minnie Fern Church**, 20 years old; and **Hila Bernadine Church**, 9 months old.”

**Zadock Sinclair Weedman** married **Matilda Jane Romine** in Farmer City, IL and they moved to Kansas where he farmed. Their daughter, **Minnie Fern**, married **Max Church** and one of their daughter’s was **Hila Bernadine Church**.

The **Zadock Sinclair Weedman** family was featured on page 20 of the Spring 2008 issue. We are highly appreciative of Shirley’s generosity in sharing these photographs.

