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00. ABOUT THE *CHASTAIN CHATTER* .PDF VERSION

As you can see the Index (or Menu, in computer terms) is brightly colored so as to be pleasing to the eye. Or nauseating as the case may be. Each Index item is actually a link to the section named. Just click on the name of the article and you can read the article without having to scroll for half an hour. To quickly get back to the top, just press the Home key. [Links to web pages or email addresses are this color and](#)

[are not underlined](#). Clicking on a web link will open your default web browser and display the web page. Clicking on an email address will open your default email program (or “app” for you new to computing folks). You can download this file and save it to your computer so you can read it to calm your nerves during a tornado when the Internet is out, provided you have a laptop or battery backup.

01. DEAR CHASTAIN COUSINS

Dear Chastain Cousins,

One issue that occurs when we research our family history is the credibility of the information we find.

Is word of mouth proof? No. It may be accurate, but word of mouth information is based partly on memory and partly on the information being accurate in the first place.

Is information found in books accurate?

No, not always. For example, when I did most of my family research on Chastains in the late 1970's, I found a lot of information in a book on Chastains written by James Garvin Chastain. I included that information in the family history that I published in a book called *Our Family History – Chastain – Harrell*.

Well, later on, I found out that some of James Garvin Chastain's research had been discredited, so the information I had gotten and included in my book was not valid.

In order to assure more accurate standards for genealogy, genealogists have developed the Genealogical Proof Standard (GPS) that should be used in any serious genealogical research.

This issue includes a copy of the five steps that form the Genealogical Proof Standard in Section 4.

In this issue of *Chastain Chatter*, you will find information about our 2017 PCFA family reunion, and you'll also find an interesting article about Sandra Anglin Chastain, a well-known romance author.

A Chastain cousin who recently signed up for the Chastain Chatter indicated that she had Chastain relatives in the Sugar Creek Baptist Church Cemetery in Blue Ridge, Georgia, so I found a little bit of information about the Chastains in that cemetery and I have included their names and dates in Section 8.

This issue also includes a bit of sad news in the obituary section, Section 9. Bob Morton, a long-time member of the Pierre Chastain Family Association, has passed away. (Bob's been the group photographer at some of the PCFA reunions.)

Don't forget that the Appendix in section 10 is where you will find a registration form for the Pierre Chastain Family Association Reunion. It includes all of the information you need to register to attend. We hope you'll join us.

Please send in questions, comments, suggestions, information, stories, news reports, genealogical tips, obituaries, announcements, or anything else that may be of interest to our Chastain cousins to karylcb@gmail.com and karylcb@cs.com .

Love and peace,
Karyl
(Karyl Chastain Beal, Columbia, Tennessee)

02. ANNOUNCEMENTS

a) PIERRE CHASTAIN FAMILY ASSOCIATION 2017 REUNION ANNOUNCEMENTS

a) The Pierre Chastain Family Association annual reunion is scheduled for Friday and Saturday, October 6th and 7th, 2017 in Louisville, Kentucky. Sandy Chastain Brough is the coordinator of the reunion.

The reunion will be at the Hampton Inn in downtown Louisville. You can find the reunion registration information in the Appendix below, Section 10. (You can also find the hotel contact link and phone number there.)

There is an unusually high incidence of Alzheimers in the Chastain family. Dr. Thomas Wingo from Emory University Alzheimers Research Center will give a presentation on Saturday at the PCFA reunion in Louisville. If you are a Chastain descendant, you will be given an opportunity to donate blood to be used in the research. (More information about this presentation will be in upcoming issues of Chastain Chatter.)

We hope you will join us for a unique reunion that focuses on Chastain family history.

03 2017 PCFA REUNION

We will have several presentations at the reunion. One of our presenters is Anne Stokes Moore. Anne is going to do two presentations for us, one on Friday and one on Saturday. One of Anne's presentations is titled "Navigating the Sea of Lost Virginia Records" or something like that - how to prove your bloodline with lost records without the Chastain book or Finding your collateral lines to Chastain in the sea of lost Virginia records.

Her other presentation is "Jamestowne and Manakintown: Mix and Match." It's about the early interaction between the Manakin colonists and the Jamestowne colonists.

Anne, by the way, is President of the Kentucky Branch of the Huguenot society Founders of Manakin in the Colony of Virginia and National Historian of the Jamestowne Society. She's also been a volunteer at the Sons of the American Revolution Library that we can visit during our reunion in Louisville.

04. GENEALOGICAL TIP: WHAT IS THE GENEALOGICAL PROOF STANDARD?

(Source familysearch.org)

The purpose of the Genealogical Proof Standard is to show what the minimums are that a genealogist must do for his or her work to be credible.

There are five elements to the Genealogical Proof Standard:

1. Reasonably exhaustive research has been conducted.
2. Each statement of fact has a complete and accurate source citation.
3. The evidence is reliable and has been skillfully correlated and interpreted.
4. Any contradictory evidence has been resolved.
5. The conclusion has been soundly reasoned and coherently written.

Any proof statement is subject to re-evaluation when new evidence arises.

05. SANDRA ANGLIN CHASTAIN: ROMANCE WRITER

Thanks to Tim Chastain at [Chastain Central](#) for the following information.

Sandra Chastain was born in 1936 in Wadley, Georgia, 100 miles northwest of Savannah. As a little girl, she created fantasy lives for her paper dolls, and then she discovered Nancy Drew. Sandra wrote her first novel with a friend when she was 10 years old, *The Mystery of the Green Necklace*. Some four decades later, when her three daughters had gone off on their own, she returned to writing and was soon busy with writing, in addition to working with her husband in their veterinary practice in Smyrna, Georgia. Before long she was writing full time.

Sandra says, "As Southern as moonlight and magnolias, I am a native Georgian, who has lived in metropolitan Atlanta since 1954 when I attended Georgia State University. Like most women of my generation I put aside my career to marry and raise a family. Twenty years later I went back to my writing, and Bantam published my first romance in 1988."

She writes historical novels for Bantam, short contemporary romances for Harlequin, and southern women's fiction for Bellebooks. To date, she has produced 53 works, including her first fairy tale, *The Tiniest Fairy In the Kingdom*, published by Bellebooks. She writes under pennames Jenna Darcy and Allie Jordan as well as in her own name.

Sandra has won many honors and recognitions from her industry:

- Awarded prestigious Maggie Award for writing excellence from Georgia Romance Writers
- Received Rising Star Award
- Nominated for Georgia Author of the Year
- Best Historical of the Year, 1995 for *The Redhead and the Preacher* by *Affaire de Coeur Magazine*
- Favorite Book, 1995, for *The Redhead and the Preacher* by Romance Writers of America
- Selected twice as a finalist for Favorite Book of the Year by Romance Writers of America
- Best Historical—Love and Laughter Award, 1994 for *Rebel in Silk* by *Romantic Times Magazine*
- Nominated for Best Historical—Love and Laughter Award, 1997 for *Raven and the Cowboy* by *Romantic Times Magazine*
- Selected twice as one of ten favorite authors (Silver Pen Reader's Choice Award) by *Affaire de Coeur Magazine*
- Nominated for Career Achievement Awards, 1996, 1997 by *Romantic Times Magazine*
- Books chosen as featured selections many times by Doubleday Book Club

Sandra's husband, Pepper, is a descendant of Pierre Chastain, the French Huguenot who arrived in Virginia Colony in 1700, but Sandra considers herself a true Chastain, since she has been a Chastain longer than she was an Anglin!

06. QUESTION

Who can prove that Judith is daughter of Pierre Jr? John is my man but I can't get to PJr as I can not find proof that Judith is daughter of PJr.--

Douglas Burnett

(If you know the answer to Douglas's question, please send it in so I can include it in a future issue of Chastain Chatter in case there are others who also would like to know the answer.)

07. CHASTAINS IN THE NEWS

a) Neva Chastain to celebrate 90 years

From Ellsworth County Independent Reporter, June 28, 2017

Neva (Peck) Chastain and Nina (Peck) Poplinger will celebrate their 90th birthdays July 6. They were born July 6, 1927 near Greensburg, Kan., to Ellis and Nettie (Shuck) Peck.

Neva lives in Ellsworth, Kan. and Nina lives in Texas.

Neva's family invites you to attend a birthday open house for her from 2-4 p.m. Sunday, July 9, in The Pines Apartments Common Room, 811 Elizabeth St., Ellsworth, Kan. 67439.

b) Chastain 6th at Daytona

From the Speedway Digest, by Steven B. Wilson, July 01, 2017

Ross Chastain drove his G&K Services Chevrolet to a sixth-place finish in Saturday's Coca-Cola Firecracker 250 Xfinity Series race at Daytona International Speedway.

NASCAR's original race report listed Chastain in 26th, but officials corrected the report after the race and moved the G&K Servicers Chevrolet into the sixth spot.

Chastain qualified 20th. He raced in the first wake of the lead pack much of the race, maintaining a consistent speed and setting up for the finish.

"I'm happy to see they put us where we finished," Chastain said. "We were up there with the front group, and had a spectacular night. It's been a great two weeks for this team."

The race was the second straight great run for Chastain, who finished fourth at Iowa Speedway last week.

c) Hang gliders converge on Meeker

By Doc Watson in the Herald Times, June 22, 2017

MEEKER: Hang gliders converged on Meeker last week during the Dinosaur Open 2017 competition in long distance flying, sponsored by the United States Hang Gliding and Paragliding Association and involving about 40 pilots not only from the US but several other countries.

Competitors included the world champion and national champions from Australia, Brazil, Italy and the US. . . . Today's pilots utilize altimeters, variometers, reserve parachutes and even on-deck flight computers.

About 10 pilots made it to Meeker on Sunday (June 18), but only a single pilot, Greg Chastain, landed at the Meeker airport on Wednesday before the day's event was stopped due to weather. His maximum altitude that day was 14,800 feet.

Chastain, 56, has been hang gliding since he was 20. He is from Dallas, Texas and is vice-president of the North Texas Hang/Para Gliding Association. He is also a small plane pilot and revenue management senior manager and advisor for Southwest Airlines. While not a professional hang glider pilot, his many years of experience has equipped him to hold his own in these kinds of events.

08. SUGAR CREEK BAPTIST CHURCH CEMETERY IN BLUE RIDGE, GEORGIA

The following information came from the Find A Grave website. (Note that a few of the names are listed twice.)

Chastain Graves

Chastain, Annie Mae
Find A Grave # 32636541
b. Dec. 15, 1924
d. Mar. 25, 1925
Sugar Creek Baptist Church Cemetery
Blue Ridge,
Fannin County,
Georgia, USA

Chastain, Pickney Polk
Find A Grave # 16710207
b. May 10, 1844
d. Jan. 16, 1927
Sugar Creek Baptist Church Cemetery
Blue Ridge,
Fannin County,
Georgia, USA

Chastain, Pickney Polk
Find A Grave # 102851016
b. May 10, 1844
d. Jan. 16, 1927
Sugar Creek Baptist Church Cemetery
Blue Ridge,
Fannin County,
Georgia, USA

Chastain, Sarah Narcisse Oliver
Find A Grave # 32637503
b. Nov. 20, 1846
d. Nov. 7, 1930
Sugar Creek Baptist Church Cemetery
Blue Ridge,
Fannin County,
Georgia, USA

Chastain, Mrs Sarah
Find A Grave # 102851043
b. Nov. 20, 1846
d. Nov. 7, 1930
Sugar Creek Baptist Church Cemetery
Blue Ridge,
Fannin County,
Georgia, USA

09. OBITUARIES

a) Lt. Col. Robert Morton Ret.
Gotha, Florida

Jul 16, 1944 - Mar 20, 2017 (Age 72)

Obituary – from Florida Today, March 27, 2017

Lieutenant Colonel Robert Morton, 72, passed away on Monday, March 20, 2017 in Melbourne, Florida. He was born on July 16, 1944 in Raleigh, North Carolina. Robert moved to Florida in 1966 as his first station with the United States Air Force. Robert spent his 24 year career with the Air Force doing research and development for projects such as the creation of the first software used on the F-16 fighter jet. He married his wife, Aneeta, of 49 years at McCoy Air Force Base in Florida on November 4, 1967. Robert was a member of Trinity Wellsprings Church in Satellite Beach.

Robert was preceded in passing by his parents, Benjamin and Clea Morton. He is survived by his wife, Aneeta Morton; his sons, Gregory and Eric Morton; and his granddaughter, Devin Morton.

In lieu of flowers memorial contributions can be made in Robert's name to the Disabled American Veterans Chapter 32 on 2265 N. Harbor City Blvd. Melbourne, FL 32935.

b) Sandra Anglin Chastain
from Legacy.com Oct 9, 2016

CHASTAIN, Sandra Sandra Anglin Chastain, 79, of Smyrna, Georgia passed away peacefully in her sleep on Saturday, September 24, 2016. A Celebration of Life service will be held on October 15, 2 p.m., in the Columbarium at Southern Cremations and Funerals, 1861 Dallas Highway, Marietta, Georgia. Visitation will be held from 1 p.m. to 2 p.m. In lieu of flowers, please donate to The American Brain Foundation or to The Alzheimer's Association.

Sandra is predeceased by her husband, Linton M. (Pepper) Chastain and is survived by her daughters Lynn Ridgeway (Perry) and Karen Major (Charlie) and Kim Overman (Warren); grandchildren Charlie Ridgeway, Whitney Huffman, Joseph Huffman, Jenna Major, and Sophie Major. Sandra was born in Wadley, Georgia to parents Henry and Edna Anglin. As a child she made up fantasy lives for her paper dolls, put on amateur stage shows for the neighborhood children, avidly read Nancy Drew mysteries, wrote a one-act play, and participated in the Wadley High School musicals.

While attending Georgia State University and majoring in journalism, she met and married "Pepper" Chastain and spent the next 20 years raising 3 children and managing the office of her husband's veterinary practice. With her children married and raising families of their own, Sandra returned to her love of writing and sold her first romance novel to Bantam books in 1987. She went on to publish fifty-three contemporary, mainstream, and historical novels.

She was the recipient of many writing awards including a four time winner of the Maggie Award for Writing Excellence, the Nancy Knight Mentor Award, and was recognized by leading romance periodicals as "Favorite Author" and "Best Historical of the Year". Sandra was the subject of feature articles in The Atlanta Journal and Constitution, The Marietta Daily Journal, The Atlanta Business Chronicles, and Southern Living Magazine. Sandra also was a founding member of the Georgia Romance Writers Association (GRW) and BelleBooks Publishing.

She held several offices in each including president (twice), vice-president, and conference program chair. GRW created an award in her name, the Sandra Chastain Volunteer Service Award, which is presented each year during its annual Moonlight and Magnolias Conference. Sandra loved her family, loved to tell and write stories of love and commitment, loved to mentor up and coming writers, was as southern as moonlight and magnolias, and firmly believed in happy endings---she wouldn't have had it any other way.

Funeral Home: Southern Cremations & Funerals 1861 Dallas Highway, SW Marietta, GA 30064

c) Russell "Rusty" Lee Chastain
from the Chattanooga, July 12, 2017

Russell "Rusty" Lee Chastain, 56, of Rossville, passed away on Sunday, July 9, 2017.

He was a lifelong resident of North Georgia and was a former member of Fellowship Baptist Church. Rusty was preceded in death by his parents, Jose and Roberta Jones Chastain.

He is survived by his girlfriend and her children, April Miller, Christy Williams, Evie Lewis and Leanorah Williams; aunt, Essie Jones; and several cousins, nieces and nephews.

The funeral service will be held at 1 p.m. on Friday, July 14, in the funeral home chapel. Interment will follow in Lakewood Memorial Gardens-South. The family will receive friends from 5-9 p.m. on Wednesday, 10 a.m.-9 p.m. on Thursday, and prior to the service on Friday. Arrangements are by Wilson Funeral Home-J. Avery Bryan Chapel, Chickamauga.

d) Patricia Ann Chastain Shell
From The Chattanooga, July 13, 2017
Patricia Shell

Patricia Ann Shell, 76, a resident of Cleveland, Tennessee, passed away on Tuesday, July 11, 2017, at Life Care Center of Cleveland.

She was born on May 23rd, 1941 in McCaysville, GA a daughter of the later Harvey & Mattie Chastain.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, Harold L. Shell, siblings, Harvey C. Chastain, Parks Chastain, Geraldine Grubbs, Betty Johnson, Hildred Darnell and Charlotte Freeman.

She leaves behind to cherish her memory, her brothers, Thomas E. Chastain (Margaret) of Lauerns, SC, Emmett Chastain (Wilma) of Knoxville, TN and Douglas Chastain (Cathy) of Cleveland, TN. She is also survived by several nieces, nephews and other extended family members and close friends. The family would like to thank the entire staff of Life Care Center of Cleveland for the excellent care provided to Patricia over the past several years.

A graveside celebration of her life is planned for Friday, July 14th, at 2 p.m. in the Chattanooga National Cemetery with the Reverend Johnny Hood officiating. The family will receive friends on Friday from 11 a.m. until 1 p.m. in the funeral home parlor.

In lieu of flowers, the family request that memorial donations be made in Patricia's memory to Life Care Center of Cleveland's Activities Fund.

You are encouraged to share a memory of Patricia and/or your personal condolences with her family by visiting her memorial web page and guestbook at www.companionfunerals.com.

10. APPENDIX

2017 REUNION REGISTRATION FORM

Mail the following information and payment to register for the reunion and for the Saturday night banquet to Carol Migdat at the address below.

Checks or money orders should be written to PCFA.

Your name _____

E-mail _____ Phone _____

Mailing address: _____

How many people are you registering? _____

List names of all people you are registering, including yourself.

(Also write CHILD beside names of any children ages 12 or younger.)

Saturday banquet: \$40 per person (or \$20 for children ages 12 and under.)

Total amount of payment enclosed: _____

Mail to:

Carol Migdat – PCFA

708 Bodega Bay Dr

Keller TX 76248

NOTE: After you have registered for the reunion, to reserve a hotel room at the Hampton Inn in downtown Louisville, Kentucky, go to this link to make sure you receive the reduced room rate of \$129 or \$164 plus tax per night.

<http://group.hamptoninn.com/PCFA-Annual-Meeting>

Or you may call 1-502-585-2200 to reserve a room.

ORDERING PCFA PUBLICATIONS

To order publications, complete the order form and send it with payment to Bonnie Wilkins at the address listed below. (Write the check or money order to PCFA.)

Also, please e-mail Bonnie to let her know that you've mailed an order so that she will be able to easily contact you when she receives your order to let you know when she puts the books in the mail. Her e-mail address is bonray717@yahoo.com

Bonnie Wilkins, PCFA Librarian
701 South 14th Street
Herrin, Illinois 62948

PUBLICATION LIST

1. Pierre Chastain and His Descendants, Vol I, First Five Generations - \$45.00 New Printing includes the Errata and Addenda (#2 below)
2. Errata and Addenda to Volume I - \$20.00
3. Pierre Chastain and His Descendants, Vol. II, Sixth Generation - \$45.00
4. Chastain Families of Manakin Towne and Pierre Chastain Revisited - \$6.00
5. The Chestnut Tree, individual back issues, please specify issues: - \$6.00
6. Little Otter to Lost River - Available on CD - \$20.00
7. Blue Book Bundle: Volumes I (including the Errata), Volume II, and 1 Year Membership - \$100.00

IMPORTANT: If you order the Blue Book Bundle, you also get a one year membership in the Pierre Chastain Family Association, so you will also need to complete the membership application listed below.

ORDER FORM

- a) Mail your order to: Name, mailing address, city, state, zip
- b) Your e-mail address and phone number (s)
- c) List of publications ordered and price for each
- d) Total price
- e) Number of check or money order enclosed

~ MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION NEEDED when you order the BLUE BOOK BUNDLE ~

Name (First, middle/maiden, last):

E-mail address:

Mailing address: (Street, city, state, zip)

Telephone(s):

Genealogical Information:

Your surname at birth:

Full name of husband or wife:

Your Chastain ancestors (lineage):

Comments:

11. CHASTAIN CHATTER PUBLISHING INFORMATION

The Chastain Chatter anchor site is www.chastain-chatter.com.

The official site of the Pierre Chastain Family Association is www.pierrechastain.com.

Another outstanding site with Chastain information is www.chastaincentral.com.

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