

WEBB DNA Project Newsletter -- Special Announcements

End of the year special deals -- Gift of DNA

Family Tree DNA: GOOD UNTIL 12/31/2005

Family Tree is making two \$30 gift Certificates for Y-DNA and one \$15 gift certificate for mtDNA available to the Project. The following terms apply:

- a) Not valid in conjunction with any other promotion or offer
-) Each \$30 gift certificate is to be used with one test kit - either a Y-DNA25 or a Y-DNA37 [Makes Y-DNA25 price \$141 and the Y-DNA37 \$191; the mtDNA lo res \$101 and the hi res \$161]
- c) Each \$15 gift certificate is to be used with one mtDNA test kit.
- d) **Kits must be ordered and paid for by December 31st, 2005**
- e) Not valid for test upgrades, add-ons or Y-DNA12.

How to use the Gift Certificate:

1) If you order the test under the "Invoice" method, please contact Julie@familytreedna.com with the kit number and have her apply the Gift Certificate to the kit.

2) If you order the test under the "Credit Card" method, please contact Julie@familytreedna.com with the kit number and have her refund the value of the Gift Certificate to the credit card used in the purchase.

A copy of those terms can be found at your GAP/General Fund. The General Fund will contain those 3 Certificates, and as they are used we will remove them from the General Fund. **Contact Anne W. Nelson if you wish to take advantage of this offer. FIRST COME, FIRST SERVE.**

Printable Versions to be returned with the kit at

<http://www.familytreedna.com/giftcertydna.html>

<http://www.familytreedna.com/GiftCertYDNA.htm>

DNA-FINGERPRINT

Current working batch is rapidly approaching 50% off. This is an ideal time to get your Isolation done (for about \$38). **THIS IS ALSO A GREAT WAY FOR FOLKS ON A LIMITED BUDGET TO GET THEIR DNA DONE!** I would like to see the following people get tests from DNA-Fingerprint:

R1b -- 464x test (about \$45, including Isolation & swab kit)

DNAH customers -- DYS570/DYS576/DYS607/DYS724 (CDYa/b)

J2- DYS413

INITIAL Orders need be only ONE marker or test. Once the Isolation is done, you can order markers one at a time.

NOTE: At 50% off their 55 markers are about \$164. This includes all the FTDNA markers and most of the 11 markers RG/DNAH offer and some of their own unique markers.

STATUS:

FTDNA: 112 kits sent out; 99 returned 3 MTDNA ONLY, 96 Y-DNA
13 kits not returned: 5 not to be returned, 2 status
uncertain, 6 expected to be returned

LINEAGE Updates: These are still not posted for two reasons. First, I have cut back the amount of time I am devoting to this project from 40+ hours a week to about 14 hours a week. Second, I have been ill in the last couple of months. I had the flu just before Thanksgiving, and my rheumatologist is adjusting my lupus medications. The adjustment is not going well, and I have spent a great deal of time sleeping.

However, they are almost finished and I hope to have them posted before the end of the year and be back on track.

Website: The website will have the information we had on the old website about kits not in, kits at the lab, etc.

FAMILY OF INTEREST: Elijah Elder Webb of DeKalb Co, GA

We have someone willing to subsidize a kit for a male from this line, if we can find one.

Elijah Elder Webb (11/14/1817, Raleigh, NC - 11/04/1895 De Kalb Co, GA) m Hannah Louisa

Eliza Baker (-) 1835/41
Sarah E Webb (c 1840, GA -)
James (or Jane?) M. Webb (c. 1842, GA -)
Louisa E. Webb (c. 1844, GA -)
Caroline P Webb (c 1847, GA -) M ____ CLAY

2 daughters

Joseph E. Webb (Jun 1848, GA -) m Elizabeth Lieu "Lizzie" "Dizzie" Clay (c.1853,

GA -) 07/05/1866, DeKalb Co, GA

Emma J. Webb (09/1867, DeKalb Co, GA -)

Mary E. Webb (12/1869, DeKalb Co, GA -)

Elijah Webb (1873, DeKalb Co, GA -) I think he is in Jackson Co, GA in

1910,

married to Leila, but I'm not sure. 2 sons,
4 daughters

Margaret Webb (1875, DeKalb Co, GA -)
Franklin Webb (1878, DeKalb Co, GA -)
John T. Webb (Jun 1886 -)

William Doster. Webb (05/30/1854, DeKalb Co, GA - 06/03/1911, De Kalb Co, GA) m

Harriet Eliza Williams (c. 1855, GA -)
Ida Webb (1874, DeKalb Co, GA -)
Willie Webb (1875, DeKalb Co, GA -)
Jessie May Webb (1877, DeKalb, GA -)
Charles D. Webb (1879, DeKalb Co, GA -)

Martha Webb (c. 1857, DeKalb Co, GA -)
Margaret Webb (c. 1857, DeKalb Co, GA -)
George Thomas E. F?. Webb (1859, DeKalb Co, GA -)
Ophelia Webb (1861, DeKalb Co, GA)

RESEARCH NOTES

Kentucky

Inventory of the Kentucky Circuit Court (Greenup County) Court Records, 1780-1840
Collection number: 97M04

- **Kentucky History Center**
- **Kentucky Historical Society**
- **100 W. Broadway**
- **Frankfort, Kentucky**
- **40601-1931 USA**
- **Phone: (502) 564-1792, ext.4470**
- **Fax: (502) 564-4701**
- **URL: <http://history.ky.gov/>**

Order by sheriff John Hockaday of Mason County for Lucy Byram, George Byram appear before judges of Greenup County to answer for murder of William Webb. Dated 1810.

MASSACHUSETTS

carol f. karlsen's *_the devil in the shape of a woman: witchcraft in colonial new england_* (w. w. norton, 1987), p. 80, discusses the greater "deniability" available to married women accused of witchcraft in seventeenth-century new england:

"without a husband to act on behalf of the accused, wealth alone

rarely provided women with protection against prosecution. boston's ann hibbens, new haven's elizabeth godman, and wethersfield's katherine harrison, all women alone, were tried as witches despite sizeable estates. in contrast, the accusations against women like hannah griswold of saybrook, connecticut, elizabeth blackleach of hartford, and margaret gifford of salem [_sic_; _recte_ lynn], all wives of prosperous men when they were accused, were simply not taken seriously by the courts. the most notable exception to this pattern is the obliviousness of the salem judges to repeated accusations against margaret thatcher, widow of the one of richest merchants in boston and principal heir to her father's considerable fortune. her unusual wealth and social status may have kept her out of jail in 1692, but more likely it was her position as mother-in-law to jonathan corwin, one of the salem magistrates, that accounts for her particular immunity."

the widow margaret thatcher was margaret (webb) (sheafe) thacher, widow of jacob sheafe and rev. thomas thacher, and daughter of mr. john gifford's arch-enemy, the wealthy mr. **henry webb** of boston (d. 1660). see the biographical sketch of **henry webb** in savage's

genealogical dictionary ...

<http://www.usgennet.org/usa/topic/newengland/savage/bk4/way-webster.htm>

mary beth norton has noted that "mistress thacher was ... accused of witchcraft in 1692, for reasons no historian has ever been able to explain" (_in the devil's snare: the salem witchcraft crisis of 1692_ [knopf, 2002], 177). the accusations against margaret thacher may have had something to do with her (perhaps) notorious legal wrangling with mr. john gifford.

mrs. thacher's father, **henry webb**, had written a letter (circa 1653) to the london undertakers of the ironworks, blasting gifford's character and stating that gifford's shenanigans in massachusetts bay had cost him almost 11,000. gifford subsequently got a judgement in the new england courts against mr. webb in the amount of 1500. gifford also confiscated, with the aid of an attachment out of one of the sheriff's courts of london, a hogshead of beaverskins worth 1300 belonging to webb (see my posting of 11 feb. 2003). gifford had also pursued webb's daughter, then mrs. sheafe, in the english courts; she had gotten a counter-judgement against him in the massachusetts courts.

in the late 1670s, mr. gifford initiated legal proceedings in the new england courts against the corwins of salem, one of whose members had just married margaret webb's daughter elizabeth, the widow of robert gibbs of boston.

the various gives-and-takes of the legal actions between the parties over a protracted period of time (from the early 1650s to the late 1670s, at least) would have made the rivalry a well-known _cause celebre_ in the massachusetts bay. the fact that it involved two wealthy women called margaret, not a name in wide use in puritan new england at the time, may have made it more memorable.

mistress margaret gifford was accused of witchcraft by dr. philip reade in 1680; she wisely ignored her court summons, and the matter was dropped (see my postings of 18 nov. 2001 and 25 july 2002). (mr. gifford later sued dr. reade for slandering his wife.)

when the 1692 accusers were casting about for women to blame, they may have remembered the 1680 accusation involving one of the two margarets in the gifford-webb controversy, and perhaps settled upon the wrong margaret.

in any case, neither of the ladies can have been regarded by the authorities as a likely witch. karlsen has noted "the obliviousness of the salem judges to repeated accusations against margaret thatcher"; and g.e. mccracken pointed out the unusual situation which resulted when "dr. reade also accused gifford's wife, margaret, of witchcraft and she was summoned to appear before the essex court, but she did not appear, and was then not sent for or tried!" (nehgr, 112:124).

www.trulyunmatchable.com/elizabeth/courts/bend/oregon/

- Thank you all for your participation, support, and efforts on behalf of the Project. It couldn't BE without you! Anne W. Nelson