



WHITESIDE FAMILY ASSOCIATION

LEXINGTON HERE WE COME!

SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

- > **ANNUAL MEETING
PLANS**
- > **A NEW WAY TO
RESEARCH**



Lexington, Virginia will be site of our 2014 annual clan gathering and meeting. The dates are September 13 & 14, 2014. This beautiful town in the Virginia mountains is the home of the famous "Wagon Road" which many

of our Whiteside ancestors followed as they moved to their homes in the more southern parts of the US. Our excursions and program this weekend will center on this fascinating piece of our history. We have been invited to join our Whiteside "cousins" in this part of Virginia for their annual reunion on Sunday afternoon September 14th. This will be a unique opportunity to rub elbows with our "kissin" cousins" and enjoy their Southern hospitality.

The following accommodations are available for our group:
Days Inn at 2800 North Lee Highway, Lexington, VA.
 Telephone: 540-463-9134.

A block of rooms has been reserved in the name of "**Whiteside Family Association.**" with a nightly rate of \$89 plus tax. Please call the hotel to make your personal reservations. The Saturday morning meeting will be held in the Rockbridge County Library in downtown Lexington. A smorgasbord of activities and excursions is planned for Saturday afternoon. Saturday evening will find the Whitesides family gathering in a local restaurant for the evening meal.

What a chance to get to know your family! Make your plans to join us!



A special greeting is offered to Margaret Kristaly who recently became a life member of the WFA. Margaret lives in St Clair, New South Wales, Australia. Whiteside cousins really do live all over the world!

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BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

The WFA Board of Directors will meet in Hagerstown, Maryland on April 16, 2014. This meeting will be held at the Hampton Inn I-81, 18300 Peak Circle, Hagerstown. As always, these meetings are open to any WFA member who would like to attend.

Website Wanderings

Have you searched the Whiteside Ancestry Website? The WHOLE website? Probably not, but here's a suggestion.....

- In the top right corner there is a box titled **SEARCH**. Beneath it is "Site & Docs" and below that is KEYWORD.
- Type your search word in the **KEYWORD SPACE**, hit the enter key and wait for the results. As a Member it will take you through all our documents. Try a maiden surname, the more uncommon, the better. Try a combination of first and second names. I have an uncle Samuel Marmaduke and he gets great results.
- You can even try specific dates such as 18 June 1822. Results will depend on how the site donor entered their dates.
- You can request "All Words" or "Any Words" or "Exact Phrases."

Try some of these ideas, you might be pleasantly surprised.

Robert Whiteside, Webmaster

NOTABLE WHITESIDE ACCOMPLISHMENTS THROUGH THE YEARS

- Retired FBI Special Agent **John Whiteside** has recently published his book entitled "**Fool's Mate**" on Amazon.com. It's a true story of espionage at the National Security Agency.
- **James Whiteside** was named **Lord Chief Justice** of Ireland in 1866. He was regarded as one of the great orators of the century being identified as the "wittiest and most humorous man currently on the Irish Bar."
- Though born in Toronto, Canada, **Samuel Whiteside** became a much-respected **officer in the United States Cavalry** between 1858 and 1902. Though suffering from a variety of physical ailments and a severe injury incurred at the Battle of Culpeper Court House during the Civil War, he continued to serve at over twenty posts, never staying more than ten months. He was a dedicated soldier!



WHAT DO I DO WITH ALL MY STUFF??

You have boxes of papers, letters, file folders, 3 ring binders, discs, and photos. You may have digitized family trees and gedcoms. These represent lots of dedicated research time on your part. You have a responsibility to future generations to preserve your research. If you have not already made plans, you must think about what is going to happen to all your family history stuff. It's hard to think about, but inevitably a decision will have to be made.

One of our WFA members has given us a good example to follow. He has designated one of his children as beneficiary of some of his family history. This data is specifically and clearly indicated in a letter and will be a codicil to his Will. This part of his research includes his Whiteside family as well as various maternal & marriage lines. Some of his Whiteside info, which includes research in progress, will come to the WFA for preservation and publication. Future researchers will benefit from his data base.

The WFA has a responsibility to make all Whiteside family history available to all members. This includes individual family histories you may want to share. The WFA has preserved all Dr. Don Whiteside materials. It is physically housed in a repository but is also available digitally on the WFA website. Many other family histories are available in the section of website called Family Genealogies.

If you have not yet contributed, you may want to consider it. If you would like to discuss options, do not hesitate to contact me or any WFA Director.

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NEW & INTERESTING RESEARCH LINKS

1. The National Archives (TNA) in the UK is putting a lot of material relevant to the First World War online including unit diaries.

<http://www.nationalarchives.gov.uk/first-world-war/>

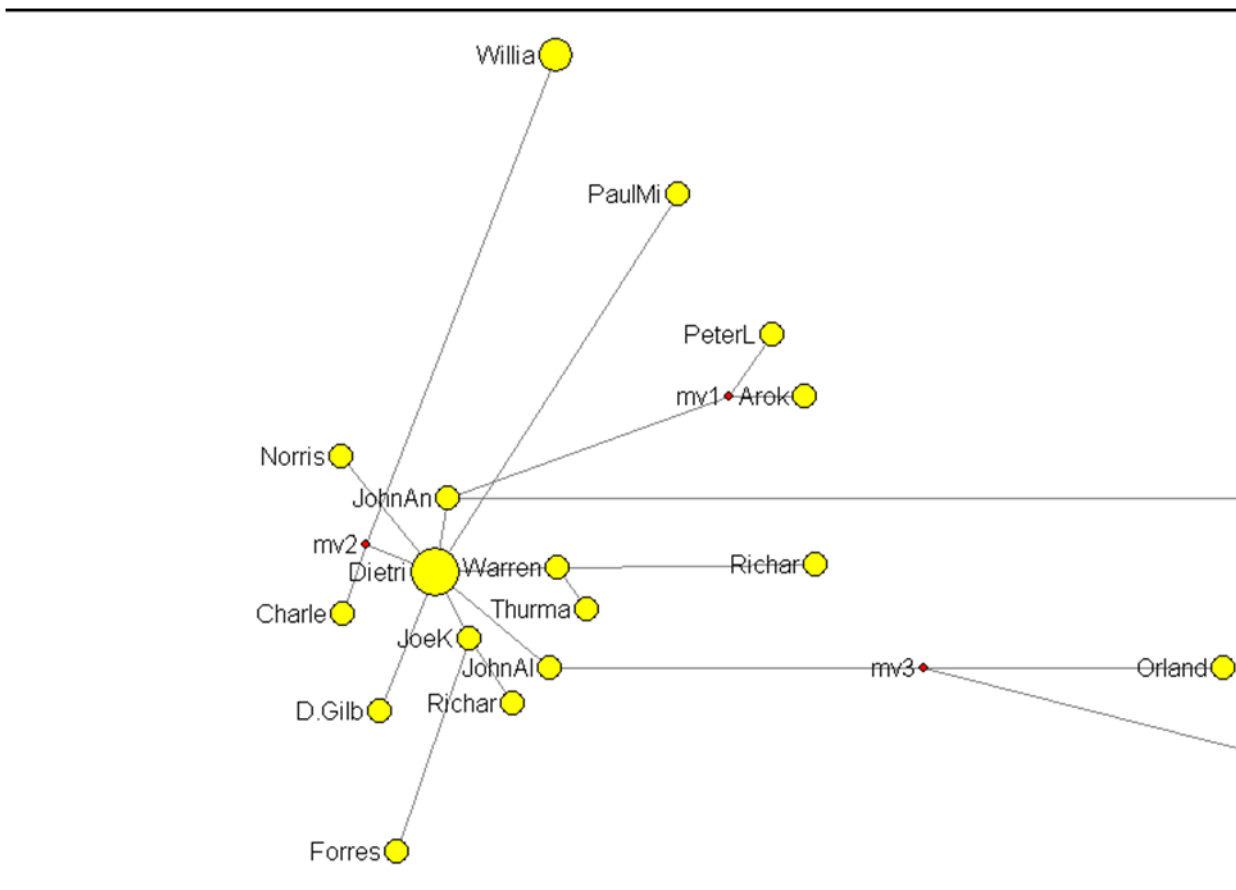
2. Ancestry now has PCC wills! The dataset on Ancestry is called "England and Wales, Prerogative Court of Canterbury wills, 1384-1858."

3. Irish Genealogical Research Society has launched a new online index to abstracts of Irish wills. This important new resource joins a fast growing collection of records—many of them unique—now being made available on the Society's website.

www.IrishAncestors.ie

A New Way to Research Those of Whiteside

The WFA mission is about searching for family connections and determining family origins. We have recently obtained a “**cladogram**” analysis tool to help advance our research. The word **clade** is a scientific word that is synonymous with the word **group** so this could be called a **groupogram**. A **cladogram** is a family tree of Whiteside families. As such it shows the relationship of one Whiteside family to another. **Cladograms** are easier to interpret than the charts of yDNA marker values because it shows a picture of the relationships. To be clear however the cladogram is just another way of presenting the data we already have. The data that is put into this program are the FTDNA Whiteside Project yDNA values. This can be done at the 25,37,67 and 111 level. A basic principle of this analysis is that the greater the number markers analyzed the greater the validity of the results. The 67 chart is probably a truer picture of the Whiteside family relationships than the 37 marker analysis, both have interesting stories. Below is an example of the 67 marker table



Another principle of the program is that the farther away one yellow circle is from another, the more distant the relatedness

In the larger circle are Dietrich (1000), Greg (1000), Elliott (9000) and Dustin Eli (7500) They match each other with no mismatches. Running out from this group are families that have 1 mutation John Anthony (10002), Warren (2500), John Alexander (4700) Joe K (0054),

D Gilbert (9000) and Norris (9000). Next level with 2 mutations are Thurman (1014) Richard Soard (10006), Forrest H (1000/2200) and possibly Charles Whitsett (0957) I'm not sure about the median vector mv2.

Interpretation:

It is most probable that these families are very closely related

It is most probable that these families immigrated to North America from Ireland. Joe K, Charles Whitsett and the families 1000 & 9000 all claim ancestry in Ireland, therefore 4700, 7500, 1014, 2500, may also be from Ireland

Joe K, Forrest and Richard seem to be a family group that in themselves are closely related. Similarly Warren, Thurman and Richard seem to be a group.

You will notice the direct line from Charles to William, this is me. I do not know my ancestry beyond Lancaster Co. PA in the first half of the 1700. This cladogram strongly suggests that my family came from Ireland because Charles Whitsett has documented that his ancestry in Londonderry. These families may have been part of the "Plantation", this gives me a place to look and the historical reasons for migration.

From the cladogram above we can also estimate **Time to Most Recent Common Ancestor** among the participants in this analysis

<u>TMRCA (Years)</u>	<u>0 Mutation</u>	<u>1 Mutation</u>	<u>2 Mutations</u>
0 Mutations	150	250	300
1 Mutation	250	300	375
2 Mutations	300	375	425

<u>TMCRA Date (from 2014)</u>			
0 Mutations	1864	1764	1714
1 Mutation	1764	1714	1639
2 Mutations	1714	1639	1589

Below is the 111 marker analysis showing 13 results. Please note that the computer analysis is based on 95 of the 111 markers. The program has trouble going beyond this level at present. It is a very different picture from above because there are only 13 participants but also because there are more markers. What strikes me first is the mv1-mv8. I think this indicates that we have many family links that need to be filled in to get in order to have a more holistic picture of the family connections. Notice how Greg and Dietrich are now separated from Elliott. On the other hand Elliott, Warren and Joe K remain grouped. John Alexander and Malcolm seem to be grouped with mv6

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Time to Most Recent Common Ancestor (Years) Time to Most Recent Common Ancestor (Years)



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ID	Thurman	Warren	Richard Soard	Joe K	Jim	Greg	Forrest	Elliott	John A	Byron J	E Wallace	Dietrich	Malcolm
Thurman	95	250	450	350	1500	350	550	300	550	550	1750	350	650
Warren	250	95	350	250	1425	300	550	250	500	500	1750	300	600
Richard Soard	450	350	95	250	1425	400	550	300	500	500	1700	400	600
Joe K	350	250	250	95	1425	300	450	250	500	400	1625	300	600
Jim	1500	1425	1425	1425	95	1500	1675	1375	1550	1750	2850	1500	1750
Greg	350	300	400	300	1500	95	500	250	500	500	1625	300	600
Forrest	550	550	550	450	1675	500	95	500	550	650	1450	450	875
Elliott	300	250	300	250	1375	250	500	95	450	450	1700	250	550
John A	550	500	500	500	1550	500	550	450	95	725	1575	400	650
Byron J	550	500	500	400	1750	500	650	450	725	95	1750	500	775
E Wallace	1750	1750	1700	1625	2850	1625	1450	1700	1575	1750	94	1625	1825
Dietrich	350	300	400	300	1500	300	450	250	400	500	1625	95	550
Malcolm	650	600	600	600	1750	600	875	550	650	775	1825	550	95
0-225 Years		250-475 Years		500-725 Years		750-975 Years							
- Infinite allele mutation model is used													
- Average mutation rate varies: 0.0036 to 0.0036, from FTDNA derived rates													
- Values on the diagonal indicate number of markers tested													
- Probability is 95% that the TMRCA is no longer than indicated													
- Average generation: 25 years													

This analysis tool is new for us and it will take more time to come to more definitive conclusions. Please feel free to contact me with questions or enquiries. I must add that we are indebted to Dan Boucher who was able to get the software organized and working.

WFA HEROES



This organization we know as the WFA is alive and well today because of some very giving and industrious men and women. Among them are Elliott Whitesides and Warren Whiteside who are very responsible for us having the possession of Don Whiteside's research. Many may not know that Dr. Don Whiteside in his rather short lifespan was able to accumulate and document an astounding quantity of information about Whiteside/Whitesides families all around the world. Don is the originator of our family numbering system. He died rather suddenly in 1991 leaving behind this tremendous quantity of information. (Remember this was before the computer was popular!)

Don's research came to be owned by Alan Whiteside of Port St Lucy, Florida following his death. Elliott was very familiar with Don's research as they had collaborated on his family genealogy. Elliott and Warren were very interested in having possession of Don's research for the newly formed WFA. While in Florida in 2006 Elliott contacted Alan who agreed for him to come and get Don's materials. So on October 28, 2006 Elliott picked up Don's materials from Alan's storage facility.

Only recently has the WFA received the information that Alan died on July 26, 2007 in Florida. The WFA owes a huge vote of thanks to both Alan for keeping the materials and Elliott and Warren for getting them to us. Many, many thanks to all of you!

INTERNET LINKS

These are some good links for finding books about your ancestors on the internet:

Google - www.google.com -

Internet Archive - www.archive.org

Google Books - www.books.google.com

ebooks - <https://play.google.com/store/books>

Google Play www.openlibrary.org

Purchase books - Amazon.com

* Family Search books

https://books.familysearch.org/primo_library/libweb/action/search.do?vid=FHD_PUBLIC

Www.whitesideancestry.org

ODDS AND ENDS FROM THE WFA

1. Remember to make your plans to come to Lexington, Virginia for the September 2014 Clan Gathering and Meeting. The next newsletter will include a list of other things to see and do in Lexington.
2. If you have a DNA Sample that is included in our Whiteside DNA Project, make sure that there is a valid email for your sample. Because of privacy issues, this is something that **ONLY YOU** can do. Project administrators can make no changes in this area. PLEASE make sure that there is an alternate email available for your sample profile.
3. **WFA needs your help!!** There is a constant need for volunteers who will work with all of our projects. If you would be willing to do ANYTHING, please contact one of the directors. They will connect you with your area of interest. Particular needs at the present are new directors and a webmaster. HELP!!

NEW & INTERESTING FINDINGS

The genome of a boy who died 24,000 years ago in south-central Siberia has helped shed light on a complicated and divisive question: what are the origins of native Americans? DNA extracted from the bones of this stone age boy shows that he shares genetic traits with Western Europeans and native Americans but none with East Asians, a discovery that shocked even the scientist leading the research.

Check out our website

www.whitesideancestry.org