

# HADLEY NEWSLETTER

(Hadley, Headley, Hadlee, Hadly, Hadleigh, etc and their related kin)

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## Report on the Hadley Reunion:

July 31-Aug 1 2015 saw about 68 Hadleys and their related kin participating in all or part of a family reunion in Salem, Oregon. These folks came from all over North America including such locations as Alaska, Vermont, Massachusetts, New York, South Dakota, California, Nebraska, Maryland, Virginia, Washington, New Jersey, Manitoba, Alberta, Ontario, Saskatchewan, and of course Oregon.



Our reunion time in Oregon was a great experience and the diversified program was well organized, educational, and fun. We were presented with the opportunity to meet many different members of our Hadley clan whom we had never previously met, plus reconnect with members from our own immediate family. Many folks contributed to make this reunion a resounding success – in fact too many to name for the fear of inadvertently omitting someone. However, we do owe a very special thanks to **Sandy Sumner** [sandys@molalla.net](mailto:sandys@molalla.net) and her team for coordinating and hosting this reunion. There were untold hours of work that had gone into organizing, planning and running the reunion, which started on Friday with area tours followed with an evening dinner. Saturday was the big reunion day that started with folks arriving before 8:00 am and with the last leaving well after 8:00 pm.

There was a general consensus the Hadleys should continue having family reunions and a suggestion was made to have the next international Hadley reunion in the summer of 2017. Several family members expressed an interest in a future Mississippi River Cruise as part of a future reunion.

We are seeking your suggestions for other possible reunion activities as well as locations. We also need several folks to step-up and identify themselves with a willingness to help coordinate and organize a future reunion. The reunion location need not be in your community – just your willingness to assist in its organization. If you would be able to be one of those individuals, please let **Jim Hadley** [Jags@hvc.rr.com](mailto:Jags@hvc.rr.com) know of your willingness to help. Watch this Newsletter for information pertaining to a future reunion.

## Looking to the Future . . .

There was \$125 surplus generated from the reunion and that money has been donated towards the ongoing development of a **Hadley Room** at the Narragansett Historical Society, c/o Ms. Debra Caisse, Treasurer, PO Box 354 Templeton, MA. We invite you to make your own tax deductible contribution towards the ongoing development of our room of Hadley records and memorabilia. For questions, please feel free to contact **Mary Hadley Grimes**, *Hadley Room coordinator*, (978) 652-5115 [maryegrimes@comcast.net](mailto:maryegrimes@comcast.net) or **Jim Hadley**, (845) 339-5363 [Jags@hvc.rr.com](mailto:Jags@hvc.rr.com)

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## Who was Jasper Hadley: (1873-1952)?

We are certain an interesting life is yet to be uncovered about Jasper. According to the 1930 US Census, he was a full-blooded Native American Indian born into the Pawnee Indian Tribe as were both his unnamed parents. He wife, Alice Echo Hawk, also a Pawnee Indian, was born into the Pawnee Indian Tribe in Indian Territory, Pawnee, Oklahoma. A question that needs researching is how it is that he had the sir name of "Hadley."

The name of Hadley was not totally unique to Jasper Hadley, a Pawnee Indian. We can find a record in the *South Carolina Estate Inventories and Bills of Sales 1732-1872 page 16* of an inventory of the estate belonging to Moses Hanks dated 26 July 1736, which lists the value sum of 50lbs. for "**One Indian Boy Names Hadley.**" In the eighteenth century, some with African roots, as well as some Native American Indians, especially in the southern part of what was to become the United States were considered chattels. Their personage were usually included in the inventory of all "*Goods Chattels and Credits*" as part of an estate.

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"If you wish to be brothers, drop your weapons". Pope John Paul II

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