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Hadley Reunion: July 31-Aug 1, 2015 - Salem, Oregon



Watercolor by Mona Podgurski

Please see the special **WEBSITE** developed by **Brad Hadley** and with input by **Sandy (Hadley) Sumner** <http://www.hadleyfamily.us/2015/>. This is your connection to the reunion and it will likely answer many of the questions you may have about the reunion. Here you will also find the reunion **REGISTRATION FORM** that we ask you to complete. Also, we have been given a **SPECIAL ROOM RATE** at the Comfort Inn, Salem, Oregon. If room registration is completed before June 29, a special price of \$100/room, including breakfast has been offered to us. Room reservations made after June 29 will not be eligible for this discounted rate. *(please see the web page given above for room registration).*

Want to see more of Oregon, but don't want to rent a car?

Hadley cousin, **Mary Lyon**, and her husband, **Lance**, would like to host a couple during the Hadley Reunion. They live between Portland and Salem and have a guest room. Mary can pick you up at the airport on July 30 and take you to the Comfort Inn in Salem. The Lyons can host you at their cabin in Depoe Bay, take you on a wine tour around the Dundee Hills, or take you on a loop trip to Mount Hood, Hood River, and the Columbia River Gorge. You choose. Contact Mary at lyon.mary@gmail.com.

Southern Hadleys:

In the early developmental years of North America while being under the influence of Europe, strong sentiments existed to retain a connection with the European monarchs while equally strong sentiments existed to be totally independent. The colonists who were considered "Loyalists" argued that the European monarchs had a right to levy taxes on them. Large amounts of money and resources were being expended by England to keep the colonists safe. In contrast, about 150 years after the Pilgrims settled in Plymouth, MA, many of the colonists wanted to be totally independent and not respond to the British monarchs – thus creating a perfect setting for a major conflict between the two factions.

Joseph Hadley (1653-1694) who was one of the sons of our patriarch **George** (c 1612-1686), moved from the Salem area of Massachusetts to Yonkers, New York. Records indicate that Joseph and his immediate family were loyalists. Some of his descendants moved to the southern region in North America, while others stayed around New York. We have records where a major disagreement within the family of **Sargent Joseph Hadley Sr.** (c 1757-1832) developed around 1775. He and at least one of his sons took up arms against the British while another son, William (c 1786 – c 1861, left for Canada with his new wife, **Hannah Orser** (1796 – 1833). Hannah was a daughter of **Solomon Orser** (c 1761- c1833) who was a strong loyalist. The political differences between the in-laws were major. Solomon and Joseph both took up arms to defend their position and we find sons of Joseph in political battles with each other.

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Rev. Moses Laurence Hadley (c 1756- 1818) was a brother to the previously mentioned **Sargent Joseph Hadley**. **Moses** died in Mississippi serving “his flock.” There are a number of **Hadleys** related to **Moses** still living in the south.

Indian Joe (ca 1860-1885): A Presentation at our Hadley Reunion

We invite you to come to the Hadley Reunion, July 31-Aug 1 and hear the story of Indian Joe, a Native American Indian who was adopted into a Hadley Family who were living in the Pacific Northwest.

Gravestone at right: “**Indian Joe**” **Bowers (Hadley)**, 1860-1895, at the Paisley I.O.O.F. Cemetery, Paisley, Lake Co., Oregon.



Hadley Genealogy: A Presentation at our Hadley Reunion

This summer at the Hadley Reunion in Salem Oregon, July 31-Aug 1, will see a number of presentations about the Hadley family. One presentation will feature an overview of our Hadley roots beginning with the European pressures that undoubtedly influenced our patriarch, **George Hadley** (ca. 1612-1686) and his probable reasons for coming to North America.



This presentation will discuss our two Ancestry Witches who were both hanged in 1692, progressing through the often overlooked French & Indians Wars, and continuing through the American Revolution. It will present some of the problems we encountered when Hadley families, with different views, supported the revolution and others supported the English Crown.

The presentation will also present an overview of the migration of various branches of our Hadley family throughout North America.

Another focus of the presentation will try to explain who we are, why we are the way we are, and the conditions which influenced us. It will also look on changing attitudes that have seen a shift from 1620 when we saw the collective rights of the community, coupled with the individual’s responsibilities, to where we are today with a focus on individual rights and with a collective responsibility to none.

Amelia Hadley: A presentation at our Hadley Reunion

It's 1851. Your first husband and young son have died and you're alone in Illinois. A man with a dream and promise of adventure proposes. You take him up on it. A few days later, you've joined 100 or so people with similar dreams. Your honeymoon - the Oregon Trail where you spend six months jostling in a wagon. Your accordion music fills the night; your favorite brother-in-law is shot; you arrive in Oregon and find some beautiful land along a river in the southern part of the region, because it's not a State yet. You start your family. But wait! The adventure's not over yet! Moves, new places, nine children, no indoor plumbing or convenience stores. **Amelia Hadley** was an amazing, incredible, strong woman. Hear her story which ends when she is only 57 years old.

“Am I not destroying my enemies when I make friends of them?” ~ Abraham Lincoln

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