

HADLEY NEWSLETTER

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

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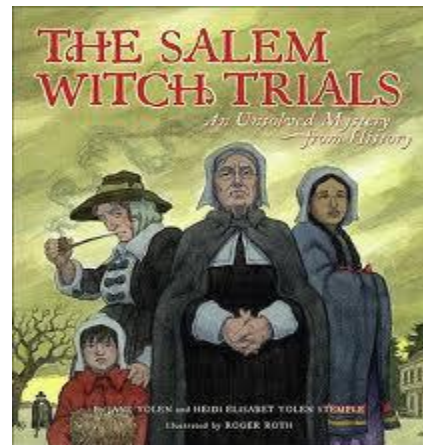
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Hadley News Around And About:

Our last Hadley Newsletter had an article on some of the societies that came into existence around the time of the American Revolution. **Liz Maize**, elizabethmaize@cogeco.ca Peterborough, Ontario has shared with us information about another society just for women. *Associated Daughters of Early American Witches* www.adeaw.us/

We have **Susanna(h) North Martin** as a “Witch” in our **Hadley** family. Susannah is the 7th – 10th great grandmother to most of us.

Susannah was hanged in Salem, MA on 19 July 1692. She was fully exonerated by the Massachusetts Legislature on 31 Oct 2001.



Archaic Words:

As you read through old family letters, wills, probate files, medical records or other such documents you may run across words with which you are unfamiliar or do not understand their meaning in light of today’s society. The following link will bring you to a great resource that explains those words plus many other words that may be totally unfamiliar to you:

http://freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~randyj222/2/gendict.html?o_iid=39209&o_lid=39209&o_sch=Web+Property



Continental Congress Presidents:

Many are unaware the US had fourteen different Presidents *before* **George Washington** and two of them served twice – from terms less than one month to twenty nine months. These men were elected from the delegates that were part of the Continental Congress.

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/President_of_the_Continental_Congress

None had the name of **Hadley** although it is rumored a **Hadley** was related to **Nathaniel Gorham** who served as President of the Continental Congress from 06 June 1786 to 03 Nov 1786. We do know, however, that

Etta Maria Hadley (1857-1928) was the mother-in-law to the son of **Eva S. Gorham** (1853-?) and that she may have been related to **Nathaniel Gorham**. That rumor needs to be researched and substantiated. Are there any volunteers willing to undertake that task?



Future Reunion:

To date, there has not been any individual(s) who has stepped forward to assume the role of planning and organizing the next Hadley family reunion. That Individual(s) would have a free reign to plan the program as well as its location. (We know there are some who are *thinking* about it). There are many who have been involved in previous reunions who have indicated they would be willing to help. We probably have a bit of seed money to assist with an initial outlay of any associated costs for the next reunion. If you are interested or wish to discuss the topic, please call **Jim Hadley** at (845-339-5363) or Jags@hvc.rr.com.

Preserving Family Treasures:



Many of us have felt the wrath and fury of Mother Nature these past several months. Some have lost valuable family photographs and other items of family history. The time to preserve and protect those items was yesterday. The following two website were recently provided by the *New England Historic and Genealogy Society* (NEHGS). These are free and accessible from the US Library of Congress. These sites may be of interest to those that are interested in taking the necessary steps to assure your family mementos will be around for future generations. “[Preserving Treasures after a Disaster](#) and “[Saving Family Treasures Guidelines](#)”

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