

Gladney Gram



Fall 1996

On Behalf of The Gladneys In America

From Dr. James Gladney

Many, Many Thanks to . . .

- * Allene Springer, our 1996 Reunion Hostess, for the superb planning, coordination and execution of this year's reunion;
- * Bellye Bond, GIA Vice President, for all her many industrious activities on behalf of our organization;
- * Dr. William W. Gladney, for sharing his extraordinary travels through his oideo presentation of his trips to Ireland and Scotland In Search of Our Emigrant Gladneys.
- * Julia Glenn for production of the Gladney Grams.
- * Clifton Gladney, GIA Treasurer, for handling the business of the organization throughout the year;
- * Tim Johnson, GTA Database Manager for the job he has undertaken, and the tremendous amount of work he has already done. We also thank his family for their participation in this task, and their patience with the many visitors.

who filled their hotel room to view Tim's work.

- * Rev. Henning Andrews for reminding us of our Christian heritage:
- * Charlotte Springer Cox for her beautiful message in song;
- * Mayor Jesse Greer for being honest;
- * "Elois" for letting my wife know she is loved by more than one;
- * Cathy, Edie and Charlotte for doing so much work, even though they admitted that "Mama made us do it!";
- * Mrs. Maudine Mitchell Carney for all the good cooking; and
- * Coeryone who attended this year's reunion, especially those new members and those who attended for the first time. Hope to see you all in South Carolina in 1997.

Newly Created Gladney Database Needs Your Data

lways a topic of discussion at the past reunions has been, the need to update Mrs. Arnold's book on the history of the Gladney family. The problems were (1) how to do it, and (2) whom.

The problem of "how to" has basically only one solution, a computer. The real problem was to find someone willing to take such a big job.

Fate (or a higher power) intervened and sent us **Tim & Jill Johnson.** Not only are they willing, but before accepting the position of Database Manager, Tim and Jill had already entered all the data from Mrs. Arnold's book into a genealogy database.

Tim and Jill have done the hard part. Now its time for us to do our part.

Please take the time to fill in the blanks of the Family Record sheets found elsewhere in this newsletter. If you prefer, you may use your own form, or write letter style.

You may type or write, but please make it legible. Fill one out for your immediate family. If they are deceased or unable to do it, complete one for your grandparents, great grandparents. If you have brothers and/or sisters who do not receive the Gladney Gram, make a copy for them, or fill it out for them. Send copies to your cousins, aunts and uncles, nieces and nephews.

Mail completed forms to Tim Johnson, 199 Kings Ct, Greenville, TX 75401.

More Data! More Data! More Data!



The Vice President's Page

hat a great time we Gladneys had in Starkville. Thanks again to Allene Springer for a wonderful reunion. Thanks to all of you who took the time to drive the distance and be together again.

Gene and I went from Mississippi to Livingston, Texas. Gene's mother lives in this small town, as does Velva Gladney, and her son, Clifton Gladney who is also our GIA Treasurer. Gene and I had a fun time visiting with Clifton and Velva and relating the events of the reunion. We also had pictures to share which were taken at the reunion.

Velva had fallen and fractured a lumbar shortly before the reunion which prevented her from attending. Bed rest for about three months were doctor's orders and I'm sure she will follow them (at least for

a while) as she was in quite a bit of pain. We wish her well and feel sure she will have good care with Clifton there. Clifton has retired and left



Washington DC to return to the clean, green woods of East Texas.

Velva - No More Standing On Chairs!

Fairfield Motel tells me they have only four rooms downstairs and two up that are non-smoking. They have nine kingsize bedrooms. So if anyone feels the need for these, perhaps you better reserve one now! But you can't have No. 50. That one's already mine.

To those of you who took pictures while in Starkville, I would like to borrow the negatives to reproduce some for our picture album. I also have some to share.

While searching through the Gladney file in Winnsboro (Gen. room, Fairfield Museum), I came



across this hand written piece of paper. I have no further knowledge of this as nothing was attached or anything else written. Does anyone have information???

Samuel Gladney, s/o James Gladney

b. 1663, Scotland

d. 1742, SC, USA

Margaret Gladney

b. 1667, England

d. 1733, England

Somewhere I found this quote: Families are like quilts, lives pieces together, stitched with smiles and tears.

colored with memories,

but always bound by LOVE.

What love I felt at Starkville as each of our lives became intertwined with the other. From our visit to Scotland/Ireland with Dr. Gladney, to Waverly Mansion, to service on Sunday, the entanglement of our ancestors was ever tugging at our heart strings. We owe a lot to these ancestors of ours, if we could reach back and claim our heritage from them, it would surely be one of strength, courage and belief of self through God's help and guidance.

Gladney Love, Bettye Bond, Vice President, GIA

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Robert G. Lomax, Jr. 911 - 1996

The following obituary was taken from the Longview News Journal, 26 May 1996.

Robert G. Lomax Jr. died after a lengthy illness on Friday, May 24 at his home in Elderville. He was 84 years old. Mr, Lomax was born in Gallman, Miss., on Oct. 14. 1911. At age 7, his family relocated to Longview and lived at 1308 Alpine St.

He worked for Kelly Plow Co. for 37'/2 years and instituted the companys first incentive wage system in 1945. He began as a common laborer and advanced to company president, the position he held when Keliy Plow closed in 1970. In 1972, he accepted a position with the Elderville Water Supply Corp., where he served as manager for 19 years. He retired in 1991 at age 80.

For several years he secved as Democratic Party chairman of the Elderville precinct and was active in the Boy Scouts. He was a member of the First Christian Church and the Civitan Club, where he worked diligently to raise money for Longview's first YMCA.

"Mr. Bob," as he was affectionately called by colleagues . friends, will be remembered for his devotion to his family, his humility and his dedication to hard work, both for Kelly Plow and the Elderville Water Supply Corp.

In gratitude and respect for his years or outstanding service, the Elderville Water Supply Corp. named its new office building the "Lomax Building" in 1994. The facility also bears a plaque in his honor.

Other groups have honored him in recent years, including the New York-based American History Project, Television crews from New York City taped Mr, Lomax relating his experiences of "riding the rails" in pursuit of work during the Great Depression. His interviews will become a permanent part of the Projects National Archives.

He is survived by his wife, Delores Meadows Lomax; four daughters, Del Sabean of Greenville, S.C., Ginger Specian of Shreveport, La., Sondra Lohman and Lucretia Foust of Austin, a sister, June McBee of Dallas; five grandchildren; and one great-grandson.

At his request, no memorial service will be held. In lieu of flowers, the family asks that donations be made in his ne to Centre Presbyterian Church, Route 3, Box 52, agview, TX 75603.

Gathering Gladneys

o you have a Gladney relative who would like to be added to our mail list? It is easy to do. Just ask Thomas R. McCann. He sent us a list of eight Gladney names and addresses to be added to our mail list.

You may have cousins or other relatives who would have attended the reunion in Starkville if they had known about it. You, or your cousin (or sister, brother, aunt, uncle, etc.), can send a note with name and address of persons to be added to the mail list to:

Julia Glenn, Secretary P O Box 912 Groves, TX 77619.

If you know the page number in the <u>Gladneys In America</u> book where you or your family line can be found, please put that in your note.

A Most Extraordinary Young Man

R obert C. Gladney iis 17 years old and a student at Freeport High School in Freeport. Texas. When he finishes his day at school, he goes to his father's grocery and hardware store to work for a few hours.

Just your normal hardworking teenager.

But Robert has a sideline. Somehow in his busy life he found time to discover computers. Robert has his own business servicing and upgrading computers, specializing in Apple & IBMs. He even has his own web page, that he designed and implemented himself.

His company name is **RCG Multicorp**, Freeport, TX, Ph. 409 233-3398.

His website address is http://www.sat.net/~BIGMAC. Robert can be reached by email at TXbigmac@aol.com, and bigmac@sat.net.

Interesting. But the most extraordinary thing about this young man is that he's been in business for eight years.

Reunion '96

You'd have thought everyone

in the room were old friends.

dominated by "first timers."

Not so! This reunion was

iggest! Best! Most Fun Ever!

The activities officially began with the opening of the reception room Friday afternoon, July 26. The arriving guests stopped at the entrance to register, meet our hostess, Allene Springer, and receive gifts. Allene collected mementos from the various businesses in the area, which (with help of family) she assembled into gift bags decorated

with cutout of State of Mississippi. Then into the room, one side of which was lined with tables of food, coffee and soft drinks. While officially called "snacks", the tables offered a multitude of "picture pretty" hors d'oeuvres.

A joyous gathering! Lots of introduc-

tions, conversation, laughter and general good times. You'd have thought everyone in the room were old friends. Not so! This reunion was dominated by "first timers." We began to suspect that we had underestimated the expected number of attendees.

A continental breakfast was offered from 7.00-9.00 Saturday morning, with everyone meeting at 9:00 to see Dr. William W. Gladney, Jr.'s presentation of a film he had made of his travels to Ireland and Scotland in search of our Gladney ancestors. There was standing room only! Dr. Gladney provided handouts of maps and gave a brief history of the time in which our Gladney ancestors lived in Scotland and Ireland. This was not your typical vacation video. Picture, if you can, Columbo. No - Wrong persona! Picture ... Sherlock Holmes, knocking on doors, asking questions, watching, seeing, uncovering facts, uncovering the past! We were there with him and his family. We felt joy when he discovered the village in Scotland from whence the Gladneys came, and triumph when he and Gaye found the Gladney headstone in the Old Presbyterian Cemetery in Ireland. Beautifully done!

About 10:00, we assembled in the parking lot of the Holiday Inn and boarded air conditioned buses that would take us on our excursions to Evans Memorial Library in Aberdeen, lunch at the Shelaine Restaurant, and finally to Waverly Mansion in West Point.

At the library, we viewed the Richard Strong Gladney exhibit which was narrated by librarian, Mrs. Bailey, in which she told something of the lives of Richard and his wife, Jane McMillan Gladney and their contributions to the community. We also learned about a recent acquisition and restoration project, called the *McKnight Glass Negative Collection*. This project involves cataloging, sorting, identifying (as many as possible) and printing more than 2,000 negatives in the collection. These studio negatives cover a period of about 1890s to 1920s, and were mostly of people from Aberdeen and surrounding

areas. The collection will be made available to the public when completed. You may find a relative there!

After a buffet lunch at the Shelaine Restaurant, we journeyed on to Waverly Mansion. This is a magnificent and stately pre-Civil War mansion

and stately pre-Civil War mansion and is beautifully restored with authentic furniture of the period. A&E network was there on the same day filming a segment of an upcoming program to be broadcast in the near future.

We returned to hotel at about 4:00 and had free time until dinner which many spent in Tim Johnson's room, watching him demonstrate the computer database program and giving him updates.

Dinner from about 7:00 to 8:00, then we began the evening program. Lots of introductions and acknowledgments, then business meeting. Just as the meeting was ending, Elvis appeared. He looked like Elvis, goodlooking, white sequin jumpsuit, and he certainly sounded like Elvis. He sang, entertained, and generally cajoled the audience, then disappeared again. His real name is Tim Johnson (no relation to our database manager).

Just when you thought the fun was over, Allene started giving door prizes. One of the most coveted gifts was an autographed hardback copy of <u>The Rainmaker</u> by John Grisham, taken home by Frank D. Easley of Pearland, TX. All of the gifts were representative of Mississippi. Lots of magnolias.

A wonderful evening!

Sunday morning, many of the group met for a devotional given at the First Baptist Church by Rev. Henning Andrews, one of our GIA members, whose prayer to see us all safely home officially ended our `97 Gladney Reunion.

We won't soon forget the friendly southern hospitality of Mississippi, and particularly Starkville.

Guests Take Home Door Prizes

Following is a list of the lucky people who took home one of the fine Mississippi mementos:



- 1. Magnolia Print Leannah Gladney Potter
- 2. Stationary Edie Springer Gray
- 3. Autographed copy of John Grisham's book, Rainmaker- Frank Easley
- 4. McCarty Pottery Dr. Will Gladney
- 5. CD, MS artist Faith Hill Alice Davis
- 6. Magnolia Plate Debbie Cohen
- 7. Magnolia Mug Pam Gladney
- 8. Cotton Boll Polly Gladney
- 9. Catfish Cookbook Betty Gladney
- 10. Tote Bag Davidson M. Steele
- 11. Cap Lynda Galloway
- 12. Basket Frankie Gladney
- 13. Candle Cynthia Gladney Steele
- 14. Hushpuppy Mix Jean Gladney Gates
- 15. Hot Pad Jan Ramsey
- 16. Bird Feeder Elizabeth Carenna
- 7. Mississippi Cookbook W. J. Thomasson
- 18. Ceramic Mug William C. Gladney
- 19. Magnolia Magnet Virginia Ivens
- 20. Strong Notecards George Gladney
- 21. Vicksburg Applebutter Thomas McCann
- 22. Decorative Container Tim Johnson family

- 23. Candle Delores Lomax
- 24. Mississippi Guidebook Buel Gladney
- 25 Jalepeno Relish Dillon Swearengin
- 26. Ceramic Breadwarmer Kathy Kemp
- 27. Decorative Box Dr. James Gladney
- 28. Tote Bag Gaye Gladney
- 29. Mississippi Prayer Mug Delores Lomax
- 30. Small Framed Print Cynthia Gladney Steele
- 31. Notepad Ella Mae Andrews
- 32. Notepad Imogene Mitchell
- 33. Scented Soap Clare Leeper
- 34. Candle Dudley Meadows
- 35. Mug Maudine Carney
- 36. Decorative Box Patrick Gladney
- 37. Pot Pourri Paul Gladney
- 38. Notecards Catherine & Dick Henderson
- 39. Magnolia Napkins Bettye Bond
- 40. Mississippi Rice Ben Gladney
- 41. Sketch Patrick Gladney
- 42. Candle Wally Gladney
- 43 Hot Pad Marcia Christian
- 44. Magnolia Basket Toni Strack

Reunion Comments

by George Lyon

e wish to thank you folks, especially Mrs. Springer, for all her efforts in generating this get-together. I'm sure it must have been a monumental task for her, and from all appearances, a labor of love. She is to be commended.

It was a pleasure to visit with so many Gladneys and non-Gladneys. I doubt one could find a more friendly group than this, but that has always seemed to be the nature of the Gladneys that I have met and with whom been associated

A New Book

Red River Women by Sherrie McLemore

Reportetdly, a well-researched book. This book features a chapter about Edna Gladney.

CHECK IT OUT!

A&E Network to feature Historic Waverly Mansion

The following is an Associted Press article that was printed in the Clarion Ledger in Jackson, MS, dated 29 July 1996,

COLUMBUS -- In 1852, George Hampton Young proudly completed the home of his dreams. Waverley Mansion. Built on a knoll above the Tombigbee River, the location was ideal for his textile trade. Little did he realize that the legacy of his dream would survive a century marked by war and become an important part of Confederate history.

Arts and Entertainment Television will be featuring Waverley Mansion in an upcoming special American Castles: Castles of the Confederacy. Filming began last week on the estate now owned by the Robert Snow family.

"This will be the best looking house on the show," said director Scott Ribble who began filming in the entrance way. "Waverley is by far, the most magnificent of the houses we've filmed for this special."

Todd Childs, tour director for Waverley mansion, provided much of the archival information needed by A&E for the production, including authentic photographs and biographical information.

The unconventional structure of the home immediately commands attention from tourists and architects alike. "Waverley's architecture is what is called Italian Palladio influence," Childs said. That means the living area of the house is in an 'H' shape. "But it also incorporates classic Greek revival features such as ionic columns."

An octagonal rotunda sits atop the home like a crown and gives it an appealing and unique look, he said.

Waverley prides itself on authenticity. Despite 49 years of abandonment after the last descendent of Young died in 1913, the house has been restored with authentic pieces of furniture. Even the paint was matched exactly to the color of the original walls, said Childs.

"The fact that they kept this house completely authentic makes this original," said Jude Prest, producer for this documentary. "Most houses use artistic interpretation

"This will be the best looking house on the show."

— Scott Ribble, director

and can mismatch antiques or period pieces."

Prest, also known for his work on Ancient Mysteries said, "This is really a monument in its time."

A&E will feature biographical information about the house and its colorful history as well as re-enactments of historically relevant events that will be portrayed by the Possum Town Re-enactors.

The house itself was never attacked or invaded by fighters during the war. The Battle of West Point, between Confederate Gen. Nathan Bedford Forrest and Union Gen. William Sooey" Smith, took place only nine miles west of the home, but that was the closest brush with actual fighting that Waverley ever came.

It was quite by coincidence that Gen. Forrest even appeared at the battle. Being a good friend of Col. Young, he had been staying at Waverley to recuperate from an illness. He responded and engaged in battle because he was already there, not because he was sent to stop the Union forces.

Instead, Waverley played a different role during the Civil War. "Waverley was a safe house for refugee girls." Childs said. If fighting got too close to residential areas, women and children could stay in a guest house at Waverley. In the case of the Battle of West Point, women were gathered inside the mansion itself for safety.

The most famous female who took refuge at Waverley was Belle Edmondson. Accused of being a spy and courier, she fled Memphis in July 1863. She resided at Waverley from 1863-64. Her long lost memoirs were published in the early 1990s and accounts her life at Waverley.

A&E will film a re-enactment of a grand ball that was held in honor of Edmondson in December 1864.

Gladney Reunion in Georgia

Cecil and Polly Gladney host a Gladney Reunion the third Sunday in September every year at their home in Carrollton, GA. The reunion is usually attended by Gladneys in the area but Cecil and Polly have often said "Everyone is always welcome." So if you are within travelling distance of Carrollton, GA, stop by and say hello, and be prepared for some southern hospitality.

ettye Bond, GIA VP, has reserved a block of rooms for the '97 reunion at the Fair-field Motel in Winnsboro, SC. You may think this is a bit early, with some

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... only six are non-smoking.

of us barely recovered from the recent '96 reunion, but the motel in Winnsboro has only 60 rooms. Due to their size, they would allow her to set aside 1ly 40 of those rooms for the Gladney reunion.

Of those 60 rooms in the motel, 12 are singles, 39 are doubles and only 9 are kingsize. And only 6 of the 60 rooms are non-smoking.

The motel will hold those rooms with a deposit until May 1, 1997. Call now if you even think you might attend. You can always cancel the reservation if something prevents you from going.

The phone number is 803 635-4681. The dates are July 25 & 26, 1997. That is a Friday and Saturday night. Very Important.

The Gladney Center's Family Creations

he Gladney Center has assembled a cookbook with recipes submitted by families who, through adoption, have become part of the Gladney Center family. The cookbook is called Family Creations, Recipes Shared in Celebration of Families.

The book is described as fun, well-done, very attractive, hardback, and more than 350 recipes. It reflects diversity of recipes ranging from Tex-Mex, New York style meals, Cajun dishes, and California casseroles. When the book was first offered, the price was \$15.95, plus postage. However, their costs have been recovered by the sales of the book, and they have reduced the price to \$10.00. This price includes postage.

The book was created to raise money for the Center, but as a second objective, the book required that it be family orientated. It is a high quality book at a very good price.

You may order a copy of this book by sending a check for \$10.00, to The Gladney Fund, 2300 Hemphill St., Fort Worth, TX 76110.

Deborah Cohen, who with her husband, Charles. attended the '96 reunion, mentioned that her sister. Rebecca Lyman, visited the Gladney Center in Fort Worth last year, was given a tour of the campus. Rebecca said that she felt she and her family were treated like royalty. It was on this visit that Rebecca saw the cookbook and bought one for Debbie. She said it was a high quality book and thought other Gladneys might be interested in purchasing one.

The Gladney Center is a favorite charity of some of the Gladneys, and we would all like to offer our support to the Center when possible. Informing you of the sale of these books gives those who want to help an opportunity of which they might not otherwise be aware.

Thank you Debbie.

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A Veterans D-Day Pilgrimage

The following is from Thomas R. McCann

n June 1994, my daughter and her husband, Mary Linda and James W. Huggins, and my wife, Rita, and I went to the Fiftieth Anniversary of the D-Day Landing at Omaha Beach in France, June 6, 1944. I landed on June 6 with the I & R Platoon, Headquarters Company, 18th Infantry, First Infantry Division.

We were able to attend the official ceremony where all the heads of State participated. It was full of pageantry and speeches. Military units of the various nations took part.

In addition to France, we visited England where we were guests of the Mayor of Dorchester. We traveled on to Belgium where we stopped to see a barn where I spent the night in 1944. The same family still lives on that farm. We had a great time visiting with this family though neither could speak much of the other's language. Germany was the last country we visited. Tremendous change has taken place in the last fifty years.

This was my fifth visit to Omaha Beach since I landed there in 1944.

Note to Gladneys

Eleanor Richardson, one of the Directors of the Gladneys In America, was not able to attend the reunion this year, but sent a note in June to tell us all that she regrets not being able to attend and will have us in her thoughts. She will, however, attend the '97 reunion in Winnsboro and looks forward to seeing the Gladney clan there.

Eleanor, who lives in Conyers, GA, sent and item of interest of which many of you may not be aware. It was given her by her minister's wife, who is from St. Louis, MO.

Katherine Gladney Wells composed "Minor Reflections", recorded on
St. Louis Symphony's "The American Album."
She owns the town of Kimmswick, MO.
Her father founded the 7-Up Company.

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Please mail dues to:

Clifton Gladney, Treasurer Gladneys In America 5874 Indian Springs Livingston, TX 77351

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Additions to Mail List

avid & Belinda Bond, Box 777, Sanford, UC 27330. David is a Samuel descendant.

Jerry & June Gibson, 4401 Sycamore Ln, Parker, TX 75002. Jerry is a Samuel descendant.

Paul Gladney, 620 Belmont Rd., Manchester, TU 37355.

Rebecca & Kent Lyman, 511 W. College Ave., Hartsville, SC 29550. Rebecca is a Samuel descendant and she and Kent have four children, Katherine, Dallece, Jocelyn and James. They discovered our organization like many others of us, and that is by seeking the Gladney homeplace and cemetery in Winnsboro. Rebecca is the sister of Deborah Cohen, who with her husband Charles, attended this year's reunion in Starkville.

s. William J. Blanchard, Jr. (Ella Ruth AcCann). Ella is a Samuel descendant, whose genealogy record can be found on page 32 of Gladneys In America book. Her name was sent us by Thomas R. McCann.

Annie Catherine Howard, 2109 9th St., Pascagoula, MS 39567. Mrs. Howard is a Samuel descendant, whose genealogy record can be found on page 32 of GIA book. Her name was also sent us by Thomas R. McCann.

Carline Bryan Carrubba, 315 S. 34th Ave., Hattiesburg, MS 39402. Another of Thomas McCann's additions to our mail list, Mrs. Carrubba is also a Samuel descendant whose record is on page 35 of GIA.

Irma Lois Gladney Smith, P O Box 495, Pascagoula, MS 39567. A Samuel descendant whose record can be found on page 35 of GIA book and another of Thomas McCann's ditions. Marguerite Gladney Logan, (Mrs. J.E.), 114 Dunbrook, Starkville, MS 39773. A Samuel descendant, a Thomas McCann addition, and recorded on page 35 of GIA.

Annie Julia Boozer Sanders, 920 Meadowbrook, West Point, MS 39773. A Samuel descendant whose record is on page 35 of GIA, and whose name was sent to us by Thomas McCann.

Betty (Mrs. Tom W.) Didlake, 204 Arrow Dr., Starkville, MS 39759. Betty is a Samuel descendant and the daughter of Cloise C. Gladney who is listed on page 36 of GIA. Sent to us by Thomas McCann.

Mrs. Allen (Ella Ruth) Zielberg, 4607 Newman Ray, Mt. Washington, KY 40047. Ella Ruth is a Samuel descendant, the daughter of Edward McCann whose record is found on page 33 of GJA. Her name was sent to us by . .. (you guessed it) . . . Thomas McCann.

Terry Gladney Higginbotham, 6104 Lancaster Blvd., Ocean Springs, MS 39564. Terry is a descendant of both Richard and Thomas. Her father is Wayne Gladney, and grandfather is Edd B. Gladney, who is found on pg 83 of the Gladneys In America book. Terry and her family attended this year's reunion in Starkville.

Mr. George B. Kerr, 312 Broadmore, Oicksburg, MS 39180. Mr. Kerr is a descendant of both Richard and Thomas, the greatgrandson of Hancy Matilda Gladney and Charles Kerr, who are listed on page 82 of GIA book.

Lewis M. Gladney, P O Box 96, Natchitoches, LA 71458-0096.

A Gladney Family's Confederate War Story

The following story was sent to us by Maudine Carney in response to our previous request for names and information of Gladneys who served in the War Between the States.

Gladney enlisted in May 1861 in Co. I, 11th MS, along with all the boys in Aberdeen, MS who were old enough to shoulder a gun. Co. I, 11th Miss Regt followed General Stonewall Jackson, James Longstreet, and Robert E. Lee into

"Sir, I'd like to have a horse so I might get away from here." The Colonel Rutherford B. Hayes, smiled and promised to see what he could do.

some of the following battles: Bull Run, Williamsburg, Seven Pines, 2nd Manassas, Antietam, Fredericksburg, Chancellorsville, and Gettysburg.

At Gettysburg, James Beckett Gladney was badly wounded in three places; through the instep of the right foot, through the left leg below the knee, and through the main artery of the left arm. Fortunately, he grabbed from his pocket a handkerchief and got a soldier nearby to make a tourniquet which saved him from bleeding to death. Being in the vanguard with Gen. Longstreet and near the men with Gen. Pickett. the suffering soldier knew he had no choice but to lie there, hoping the victorious enemy could offer him, a prisoner, a little mercy. Soon a Federal officer came riding by, stopped on Beckett's smiling salute, and asked what he could do for him. The jesting reply was "Sir, I'd like to have a horse so I might get away from here." The Colonel, Rutherford B. Hayes, smiled and promised to see what he could do. Help soon came and removed him to a Federal hospital.

Here, he won favor with the doctors and nurses and was kindly treated. Before hostilities ceased, Pvt. Gladney had learned, with much effort, to walk again with the aid of crutches. One night, he and a fellow soldier, made their get-away and slipped back into their own lines.

After much searching, they found Beckett's older brother, William Hervey, who was not so badly wounded; a bullet had glazed his forehead beneath the skin. He obtained a furlough and helped his crippled brother make his way home. They found friends in Virginia and relatives in the Carolinas who helped them along.

The two other Gladney brothers who joined with James Beckett and William Hervey were John Sims Gladney and Richard Adair Gladney.

For Fifteen years after his injuries at Gettysburg, J. B. Gladney had to use crutches to get about his work, teaching school and practicing law.

This information was told to Zilda Gladney (GIA pg 67) by James Beckett Gladney, son of Richard Strong Gladney and Jane Amanda McMillen Glad-

FAMILY TREE MAKER

If you are using Family Tree Maker to record your genealogy records, you could make a copy on a floppy disk, rather than fill out attached family record sheet, and send to Tim Johnson, 199 Kings Ct, Greenville, TX 75401.

You do not have to edit out other family lines. Tim can use them all so that others can tie into our database.

Minutes of the Annual Meeting of Gladneys In America July 27, 1996 Starkville, Mississippi

The meeting was called to order by GIA President, Dr. James Gladney.

Minutes of the previous meeting of July 29, 1995 were ready by Julia Glenn, Secretary. C. Wallace Gladney moved to accept the minutes as read, second by Virginia Ivens, and as there were no corrections, they were approved as read by unanimous vote.

Dr. (Jas) Gladney gave thanks to Clare Leeper for serving on Board of Directors.

Bettye Bond reported that Gladneys In America are online and propose to use this service to update Mrs. Arnold's <u>Gladneys In America</u> book. She introduced Tim Johnson who has agreed to become our Gladneys In America Database Manager for the purpose of updating and maintaining Gladney lineage began in Mrs. Arnold's book.

Dr. (Jas) Gladney acknowledged William C. Gladney as Historian Emeritus of Gladneys In America

Wally Gladney gave report on <u>GIA</u> unbound books. There are more than 250 uncut, unbound books in Lexington, KY. Wally could arrange for binding. Motion made to proceed with binding by **Dick** Henderson, seconded by Larry Ivens.

Dr. Gladney gave a report on **Ed Stevenson**'s physical condition and report of upkeep of cemetery. Motion was made by **Virginia Ivens** to pay **Ed Stevenson** annual fee for cemetery maintenance, and more if needed, seconded by **Bettye Bond**.

Request for show of hands of people who may attend reunion in South Carolina next year.

Dr. (Jas) Gladney noted that Cecil and Polly Gladney have not missed a Gladneys In America reunion, this being 21st consecutive year.

Announcements:

- Bettye Bond has family crests for sale.
- Dr. Henning Andrews will conduct a devotional Sunday morning, 8:00 at First Baptist Chapel.
- Dues may be paid to Secretary at conclusion of meeting.

As there was no further business for discussion, **Charles Gladney** made a motion to adjourn, second by **Cecil Gladney**.

Additions to Mail List continued . . .

Jane Watson Edmonds, Rt 2, Box 6, Homer, Let 71040.

Buel Gladney, 13828 Reid Rd., Athens, AL 35611.

Mary Gay Gladney, 202 Trinity Ln., Mandeville, LA 70471-1888.

Cynthia Gladney & Daoidson Macdonald Steele, 7023 Freemont St., Dallas, TX 75231.

Robert C. Gladney, 310 Elm St., Freeport, TX 77541-9605, Ph. 409 233-3398. Robert is a descendant of Richard and his grandfather, Anderson Bean Gladney, is recorded on pg 76 of GJA book. He is a high school student and works for his father in their family-owned business, MIKE'S GROCERY & HARDWARE STORE in Oyster Creek, TX. In addition, Robert has his own business, called RCG MULTICORP doing Apple & JBM service and upgrades.

Phillip & Elizabeth Caranna, 42 47th St, Gulfport, MS 39507, Ph 601 864-6690. A Samuel descendant. Phillip and Elizabeth attended the reunion in Starkville this year.

John William Gladney, 306 Market St., Stamps, AR 71860, Ph. 533-4496. John is a Samuel descendant. According to the record found on pg 16 of GIA book, John is named on a bronze tablet in the Bell Tower at Valley Forge, PA, honoring descendants of Revolutionary soldiers who fought in WW II. John attended a reunion in SC a few years ago and is a very good source of Gladney family history.

Dorothy McGuire (Foster, 2015 Bristle Cone Pl., The Woodlands, TX 77380. Dorothy is a Richard descendant and the daughter of Margaret Gladney McGuire and the late (Noel McGuire. Dorothy has two children, Lori and Eric (Foster.

Gladney Center Needs Personal Items for Edna Gladney Display

he Gladney Center in Fort Worth, TX, has begun work on an archives project, going through old letters, business papers, and a multitude of other items relating to history of the Gladney Center from its beginning in 1887, to its current status as one of the country's leading adoption agencies. They envision a display case featuring Edna Gladney if they can gather the appropriate items.

"In a sense, the Center has refocused" said Ellen Wilson, Vice President of the Gladney Fund. The Center has updated their campus facilities and continue to take steps to remain service orientated. Ellen said they were aware that the history of the organization could be lost or fragmented if steps were not taken to protect it. So, the *Archives Project* was born. The work is slow and tedious, but ultimately they hope to have an exhibit, perhaps in the lobby or an established archives room, to display representative items.

You May Be Able To Help!

If any of our members have any items that once belonged to Edna Kahly Gladney, the Center would appreciate hearing from you. The item could be loaned or donated as a gift. Gifts would recognized, possibly within the display, or other means acknowledgment.

Ellen said they have some great photos of Edna Gladney, and in most she was wearing a hat, and often gloves. She must have had a great many hats. Perhaps someone has one of her hats, or a pair of her gloves.

If you have something to add to this display, you may phone Ellen Wilson at 817 922-6045, or you may write to her at The Gladney Center, 2300 Hemphill, Fort Worth, TX 76110.

Ellen also added that they would welcome us anytime at the Gladney Center. She offered the use of their new pavilion and grounds for meetings or touring if our group is ever in Fort Worth.