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EDITOR'S DESK

The leading news this month is UAFA's New American Upchurch Index Tree on Ancestry. Tree Master Coordinator, Linda Upchurch Sparks brings us up to date on this phenomenal accomplishment.

WANTED:

UAFA is in need of a Volunteer Photo Editor, familiar with Photoshop or a similar program. If you would be interested in editing an occasional picture for publication, please let us hear from you! Thanks!



UAFA is proud to announce that **Michael Avery Upchurch** appeared on the TV show Jeopardy on March 3rd and won! — Mike descends from the Jubal Upchurch (1776-1836) Clan 6, of Franklin Co., N.C. Congratulations Mike!

A final note to our office manager Jay Buck — I want to know — are the Buck's in the story *Unknown Pictures of Fentress Co., TN* any of your kin?

Cindy Hale

The New American Upchurch Index Tree



Linda Upchurch Sparks
*Tree Master Coordinator for
Upchurch and Allied Families*



It gives me great pleasure to introduce the UAFA American Upchurch Index (2020) also fondly known as ***The Big Beautiful Tree!***

This tree is a compilation of all 19 UAFA Upchurch clan trees and includes 75,020 Upchurch ancestors, 3,043 photos, 110 stories and 32,615 records. It also follows Ancestry.com privacy standards, so we can allow anyone to view the tree who has an Ancestry.com account. Because of privacy standards, living people cannot be viewed by the public so searches should begin with older generations. Information about living people is being added daily by UAFA Tree Masters but only becomes visible to the general public after the person is



deceased (the same reason that census records are sealed for 72 years and referred to as the Right to Privacy Act).

Each January we plan to replace the

previous year's Index tree with a new one that will capture all the improvements/additions/corrections to the Clan trees from the previous year. The Index will then remain static until it is replaced by the next year's tree.

There are a couple of interesting and useful UAFA-specific features in the tree: First, most individuals can be traced back to an Upchurch clan head who lived in the colonial era of America. After the clan head is identified, the user can opt to switch to the Clan tree to see the latest available information or just continue to use the big tree. A good example of the purpose

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The New American Upchurch Index Tree... continued

and use of this function can be seen in my grandfather, David Joshua "Davy" Upchurch's line. His father is descended from William U. IV and his mother from William U. IV and Charles U. On his pedigree view all three lines are visible. He can be traced back to Clan Heads William U. IV and Charles U. in this single tree. Check it out by [clicking here](#). (Note: An Ancestry.com account is necessary for this link to work).

The other unique feature sprinkled throughout the Index and Clan trees is smiley face emojis in some of the names. At first glance they may look a little funky, but they are important as the emojis signify a marriage to an extended family member—we like to call them "kissing cousins". If the marriage crosses clans, there will be links in the individual trees directing the reader to both clans for pedigree and descendant information.

UAFA Upchurch Trees in Ancestry.com can be accessed two ways. In both cases, you will be prompted to sign in to your Ancestry.com account or set one up if you haven't done so already (a free 2-week trial is available). The first approach is to [click here](#). After the page opens, select "View all" in the right upper

corner and all the UAFA trees will be displayed. The second approach requires a few more clicks but works from anywhere there is an Internet connection: Sign into www.ancestry.com; Select "Search" at the top of the page; Choose "Member Search" from the drop box; type in "Phil Upchurch"; Choose the top option; when the page opens, select "View all" in the top right of the screen.

We hope this new feature will boost the pleasure and success for those interested in the pursuit of family genealogy and history.



Linda Upchurch Sparks from Jackson, TN is the UAFA Tree Master Coordinator.

Linda created the Index Tree, integrated information from Trees developed by multiple cooperators and helped finish the transfer of UAFA Trees to Ancestry. She coordinates the work of over 30 Tree Masters who continue to add resource information, new ancestors and items of interest to the UAFA trees.



Unknown Pictures of Fentress County, Tennessee

Looking on the internet, the name **Upchurch** caught my eye. Pictures of *unknown* UPCHURCHES and allied families? Can we as a group help identify the individuals in these photographs?

Debbie Brannun appealed to Fentress Co. Rootsweb. “These came out of my great grandmothers trunk. My great grandparents were James Andrew **UPCHURCH** and Delilah Pierce **UPCHURCH**. James was the son of James Calvin **UPCHURCH** and Jane Una **FROGGE**, and Delilah was the daughter of Ann **PIERCE**.”



The Upchurch family in this story descend from Clan 5, George Upchurch.

Michael U. I/ 1624-1681- Richard U. I/ 1658-1700- James U. I/ 1685-1765- Michael U. III/ 1728-1795- /George U. Clan 5 /1757-1830- Joseph A Upchurch/ 1800-1865- James Calvin U./ 1824-1893- James Andrew U./ 1876-1964-



Left: Debbie Brannun says “thought to be Ann **PIERCE** and her family (but not sure).”

Below left, people’s heads appear as they did in original photo.





Unknown Pictures of Fentress... cont.

One lady was able to identify the two photographs depicted on this page, which also came from Debbie Brennum's grandmothers trunk. Joan Buck de Korte posted the following:

Mary BUCK married Jim UPCHURCH, and Sarah BUCK married Jim REED. They were sisters.

Mary born, 16 July 1885, died 14 May 1908. Sarah was born 1889 and died 1918. The children of John L. and Malvina BEATY.

John L. was the son of Squire BUCK, the son of John HICKMAN and Mary ANGLE.

John HICKMAN was the ninth child of Thomas and Mary RANGE BUCK. Thomas was the elder brother of my grandfather Jonathan BUCK.

John HICKMAN 1825 - 1860, was killed during the Civil War at Olympus, Tennessee.

Mary ANGLE was the daughter of Squire and Mary ANGLE.

Mary and Sarah's sister, Martha BUCK, born 17 Aug. 1891. She married Rosier REED, 24 Jan. 1909.

This couples' daughter Grace REED married Ernest BUCK, who live in Pall Mall and are my dearest cousins. Ernest is the son of my grandfather BUCK's brother David BUCK.



Left: On the back of the picture is written: J. S. REED, Sarah BUCK REED, and baby.



Links:

[Debbie Brennum](#)

[Joan Buck de Korte](#)

If you have ancestors in Fentress Co., TN—there are many more unidentified photographs: [Do You Know Who They Are?](#)

[Rootsweb](#) is part of [Ancestry.com](#).

For ***much*** more on lost photographs and accompanying web sites, visit Cyndi's List. [Click here!](#)

Every year before Easter my mother collected the outer skins of onions to use to dye the most beautiful Easter eggs. This was a tradition she learned from her mother. Using both the red and brown outer onion skins produced a rich color that was only enhanced by an embossed gold sticker cross from the stationery store. Click the link, if you would like to try it. [Old Fashioned Easter Egg Dye Recipe](#).

Grandparents—William Brady NORMAN UPCHURCH m. Dora Malinda Jane CHURCH/Mother—Virginia Dare UPCHURCH HALE/Me—H. Cynthia Hale. We descend from **Upchurch Clan 14/John III**
C. Hale



 **Happy Easter**  