

MAYBEE

## SOCIETY

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#### CINDY BRYANT

There aren't many people who have done more for the Maybee Society than Cindy Bryant, Member #49. So it was a real shock to learn from Liz Pearce, who is a friend of Cindy's, that Cindy was ill with a debilitating condition called ADEM, a form of Multiple Sclerosis.

I wrote Liz and asked her if she could write a story about Cindy for the Communicator. She wrote her memories and asked others for theirs.

## Liz Pearce:

"Cindy is a lady with a love of the present and a passion for her roots. Cindy is a real sleuth digging for information, not only hers, but for others she comes in contact with. Cindy never stops searching - birth and death records anywhere she might find information and then proceeds full bore until it is proven. She has data on her ancestry that far surpasses most of our dreams.

Cindy entered my world through the Internet, she a pro and I a very green novice. I contacted her through ICQ and she authorized me with, "What do you want?" Wow! Where do I go from here? Explaining myself, the gates opened. The fax machine whirred,

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Canada Post had to put on extra runs and if she didn't hear from me on the net, she phoned to see what was wrong. I went with her to sites new and old. I learned a great deal about Michigan and genealogy through Cindy. She found contacts for me and expanded our tree a lot. I am the compiler for Ted Briggs (#196) who wrote the story below. My husband and Ted are cousins, sharing the same great grandmother, Harriet Sophia Mabie. Harriet Sophia was witness to her sister Mary (Mabie) Jason's wedding in 1860. Cindy had Harriet on the 1850 and 1860 Census', and then Harriet disappeared until 1996.

Cindy is a mother of six children. She would include me in her daily life as well as past. One story she wrote is "Re-did my dining room chairs today. Should have started them earlier, just finished. Look better though'. The old naugahyde is cracked and the kids put duct tape on it. Ever sit on duct tape and get it stuck to your rear? That had to go!"

One summer she, Tom and twins were going to northern Michigan on vacation. Since both of us were searching in that area, I jokingly asked if she was going to search while up there. She replied, "maybe". She had her shaving cream; squeegee and rags packed just in case. What are the rags for? To clean off the stone afterward? No. For Cindy. I found out later that the shaving cream method does make a mess of one's body, but the smell is nice.

Her vehicle kept her captive for a certain period of time, much to her disapproval. The seat belt lock system jammed and wouldn't release. To hold Cindy in one spot for any period of time is unforgivable, she had places to go, things to do all the time. She would drive for miles to accommodate any one of her children and be back on the Internet before I anticipated, with "Hi there, I made it." Describing their house when they bought it, Tom's car, called the 'skateboard', her son joining the army and more. Her experience with the new reader at the library. "The local library got a new reader/printer, but it went wacky. Took me (and the staff) 10 tries to get a page. Kept trying to make postage stamps out of it. A little piece at a time. Hopefully the service man will get there to fix the glitch."

Cindy's library is in her computer, organized to a T. When I had mislaid or messed up a file and needed it retrieved, I would just ask Cindy and presto it was unearthed. Everything is on that computer. She typed in all the obits and other documents into her Family Origins Program in 1998. Her old DOS program would not allow that much information. in notes, so just kept them in notebooks. "Never had a need to have them on the computer as no one wanted them. "I have been working on these Mabie's on and off for 20+ years and only recently have things been easier to obtain. 20 years ago, people didn't care who their family is, at least most didn't. Now people are more interested."

Cindy organized a Mabie reunion and told me about it, what she brought for examination, copies of pictures and documents people would like to have and about planning the day. She had maps of homesteads, cemeteries, places of interest that Mabie descendants could tour. The guests enjoyed themselves and Cindy was pleased at the way things turned out.

"The reunion of "Jeremiah Mabie" descendants was held in Sheridan, Michigan on Saturday, July 23, 1994. There was an excellent turn out. I believe there were approximately 30 cousins in attendance from as far distance as Florida and South Carolina. We became acquainted and participated in a fine potluck lunch at the VFW Post. We then socialized, shared photographs (Cindy made copies), followed by a visit to the Mabie (Sunny Hill) Cemetery, Palo Cemetery, Sylvester Mabie, Joel Mabie and Fancett Homes." I know Cindy put a lot of effort preparing it.

It is a shame that she has been limited in what I know is a project that is very important to her. \_She has been a wealth of information for many of us, a real sleuth digging and proving data. Our prayers go out Cindy, Tom and family and hope she will be on the net with us again soon."

## Sylvester Mabie # 110

"Her computer died due to what she described as a blackout. Those who knew what happened were afraid her data was all gone. Not so, she was able to retrieve all of it and she marched on to another victory –

William Oakley Maybee's grave registration in the National Graves Registry to ensure proper recognition and honor for his service. Cindy and I were reconstructing the

William O. Mabie contribution to the family. William O. served with the 27<sup>th</sup> MI Infantry CO B. which is assigned to the 9<sup>th</sup> Corps, commanded by General Ambrose Burnside. His service took him through some of the bloodiest battles of the war, participating in the battles of Wilderness, Spotsylvania Courthouse (the Bloody Angle), Cold Harbor, Bethesda Church. At Petersburg he was wounded at the Battle of the Crater on July 30, 1864. A Minnie ball entered his right thigh, passed through and entered his left leg, exiting just above his left knee. This ended his army service,. He was discharged on Mar 24, 1865. I am a member of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, W.O. Mabie's gravesite has been registered in the graves registry."

## Ted Briggs: #196 (Researching Flanagan)

"For several years I looked curiously at a piece of paper from the Ontario government showing my great-grandmother

Harriett Sophia (Maybee) Flanagan's death in Newmarket, Ontario, Canada in 1921. It showed her place of birth as Michigan, USA. Where in Michigan, I wondered?

October 1996 I finally made a call to a village in Michigan called Maybee, located a few miles west of Monroe. I contacted the village clerk to see if there was any way I could find out if my great-grandmother could have been born or married from there. The clerk instructed me to write the county records in Monroe where the birth, death and marriage records were on file. I was unable to find anything in these records, but was instructed to contact Jean Seibarth in Monroe. Apparently Jean had some working knowledge of the background of many people from Maybee. Jean told me that there was a Maybee Family Society based in Everett, Washington and I should call Belva Perry who was the editor of the Bulletin.

I called Belva and was told the most wanted person in a place called Benton Harbor, Michigan and her name is Cindy Bryant. I called Cindy and told her of my path to her in my search for my great-grandmother. When I finished explaining who I was and who I was trying to find, Cindy's first question is, "Where have you been for the last 25 years!?" Harriet was born in 1844, one of 11 children, born to Jeremiah Mabie and Lois Evans. That is all Cindy had on her. She had information on the others.

We arranged to meet in Saginaw, Michigan in December. We exchanged information and photographs. Cindy has supplied me with a great deal of background information on the Maybee family. I must admit she has supplied a lot more than I have given her and I am very grateful to her for her assistance in putting together a bit more of my family tree puzzle.

It is unfortunate that Cindy has had a health problem the last year, but I am certain she will bounce back and regain a lot of her former vitality and zest for searching the Maybee family tree and all its branches."

**Gail Churchill** wrote: "When I contacted Cindy, she sent me information, pictures, any information she had. I was excited when I could scan pictures and documents for her. She was always on the Internet. I miss talking to her. My computer was hit by lightning late last summer. When I got my new one up and running, Cindy was not on ICQ. That was unusual so I called Tom. He told me the terrible news that Cindy had developed ADEM a form of multiple sclerosis and had been in the hospital in Chicago. Her recovery will be slow, her short term memory has been affected as well as her limbs. She is fighting and winning. This is going to be the hardest thing that she will ever have to prove, but Cindy will do it. She isn't a quitter.

## NEW MAYBEE SOCIETY DATABASE AND GEDCOM FILES

The Maybee Society has upgraded its database from Personal Ancestor File to run under The Master Genealogist program (TMG). TMG gives us better control of documenting sources and putting in additional events other than the birth, death, marriage and burial entries of PAF, and still gives us the ability to output Temple Ready files for the LDS Church.

Because of the work of Steve Mabie (#257) we have added many more people and connections in our file. The new file has 19,662 individuals in it, which are divided into 54 family groups. The largest group is the descendants of Pieter Casparszen van Naarden and Aechie Jan Van Norden. There are 12,755 people in this group and 172 Maybee Society members trace their lines in this file. The next largest family group is the Van Orden line, which, thanks to Maile Ho #40, traces its lineage from French Royalty. There are 4,200 people in the main Van Orden line, and 22 people in the line of Frank Fatio Gibson III (#252), which starts with David Van Orden (1813-1875) and his wife, Rachel.

We have nine groups of English Mabeys consisting of 327 people in nine family groups. The next largest group is the descendants of Jeremiah Mabie (1808-1877) who married Lois Evans (-1856). There are 172 people in this group representing members, Thomas Lee Bryant # 49, Merry Helen Mabie #109, Sylvester Maxon Mabie #110, Miriam Ione Hoy #153, Edward Arthur Briggs #196, and Jeannine Mabie #198. The only other group of more than a hundred people is the 132 descendants of John Maybee (1800-1866) This family is recorded by Anna Marie Stroda Jarboe, #71and Ardene Maybee Galutia, #167

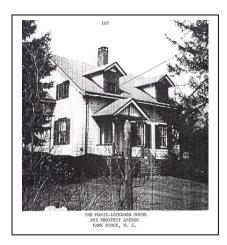
The new downloadable GedCom on the Maybee Society website contains all the new work of Steve Mabie (#257), John MayBee (#8), and the South Valley File of our President, John A. Maybee. It consists of 13,043 individuals [there are no living people listed, and details on others are omitted at the request of the submitter]

#### <u>MABIE HOUSES IN KAKIAK</u> <u>PATENT IN BERGEN CO. NEW JERSEY</u>

Susan Godlewski #253 and

Loyola Thielbar Vuolo#148 sent information on 3 of the Mabie houses in the Kakiak Patent.

Susan's information is from "*The Kakiat Patent in Bergen County, New Jersey with genealogical Accounts of some of its Early Settlers*" by Howard I. Durie. Apparently the author, Mr. Durie, passed away several years ago. He was kind enough to review an article that Creta Ensley, one of our members, wrote on the '76 House. Susan sent the following pictures:

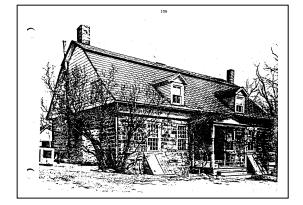


## THE MABIE-LOCKWOOD HOUSE 285 PROSPECT AVENUE PARK RIDGE, NEW JERSEY

"This frame house stands on the tract of 20.60 acres of land conveyed Peter P. Mabie to his son, Myndert P. Mabie (#14), in inlay 1791. The front and oldest part of the present building, although remodeled and modernized, stands on the site of - and incorporates an early house built in the 1790's.Myndert P. Mabie was a blacksmith and had his shop near the road. His brother, Abraham P. Mabie, also followed this trade and had previously owned a small part of the land by 1776. He was an active loyalist during the Revolutionary War and it is assumed that his share was deeded back to the father.

On June 7, 1813, Myndert P. Mabie sold land and buildings to Lawrence Lockwood for the sum of \$1,575. He was also a blacksmith and carried on his trade in the former Mabie shop, where he made foundry items. At his death in 1868 his widow remained in possession until she died in 1875, John S. Lockwood, their son, then received the homestead in a division with his brother. During his ownership an addition is built at the rear and embellishments of a Victorian nature made to the old part. The original basement or "Winter" kitchen, with its fireplace, remains at the southeast corner of the old house where the foundation is of sandstone.

The homestead is still owned and occupied by the family and where Mrs. Rolla Lockwood presently lives at the age of 101."

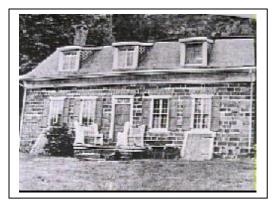


MABIE-HOLDRUM HOUSE 606 PROSPECT AVENUE RIVER VALE, N.J.

This is the site of the home built by

Johannes Mabie. Durie says that the original house was a small one-story building of sandstone, with beehive oven, which later comprised the kitchen wing when the existing house was attached to the west. The old part to the east was demolished some years prior to 1900. Evidence of where the two sections joined can be seen from the photo on page 371 of the book on *Pre-Revolutionary Dutch Houses by Rosalie F. Bailey*, which shows the replaced stone laid up in uneven courses."

#### JEREMIAS MABIE HOUSE (MICHAEL SALYER HOUSE)



## "<u>HISTORICAL GROUP TURNS FOCUS</u> <u>TO PRESERVATION</u>"

From "*The Journal News*", Orangetown, Rockland Co., New York. Jan. 21, 2001

"Close to nine years ago, the Orangetown Historical Museum and Archives found a permanent home at the Michael Salyer House, and 18<sup>th</sup> century pre-Revolutionary sandstone structure on Blue Hill Road.

The first floor provided an ideal atmosphere for showcasing artifacts from Orangetown's past and present, while the second floor became a research center for Orangetown history."

"Cardenas said the Salyer House was a gem to save. It has a two-slope Dutch gambrel roof, which was typical of Dutch colonial homes of the Hudson Valley, and Dutch doors front and back with original wrought-iron hardware. The interior features hand-hewn beams and plaster walls. The dining and living rooms, each with a fireplace, were divided by a wide hallway. Instead of a beehive oven, the stone arch in the basement was built to support the fireplace above it. In colonial times, the family lived downstairs, reserving the unfinished second floor to store corn and grain.

According to Rosalie Fellows Bailey's 1925 book, "*Pre-Revolutionary Dutch Houses and Families in Southeastern New York and Northern New Jersey*", the house was built by early settler Jeremias Mabie in 1752. Museum officials assume it and 40 acres were given as a wedding present to Michael Salyer when he married Elizabeth Mabie in 1773."

## THE OTHER MABIE FAMILIES:

Steve Mabie, Member # 257

Many of us have the impression that all of the Mabie/Mabee/Maybee families in North America are descended from

Pieter Casparszen and Aechtje Jans. However, there are numerous records which cast doubt on this premise.

Perhaps the most intriguing set of records is found in the annuls of the First Congregational Church of Ipswich, Massachusetts. The records of interest begin with the marriage of one Thomas Mayby to Sarah Kindden on January 4, 1717 in Ipswich, Essex County, Massachusetts. Following this marriage are the baptisms of six children of Thomas and Sarah Maybee:

- 1) Anne Maybee on 11 Jun 1721
- 2) Sarah Maybee on 11 Jun 1721
- 3) Thomas Maybee on 12 Jul 1724
- 4) Elizabeth Maybee on 25 Sep 1726
- 5) Anne Maybee on 3 Mar 1727
- 6) John Maybee on 18 Jul 1731

Additional marriages for this family follow:

Thomas Maybe, Jr., and Mary Varrell, int. June 21, 1746.

Thomas Maybe and Ester Nichollson, int. May 28, 1748

Elizabeth Maybee and William Perkins int. 25 May 1749

Sarah Maybe and Philo Lovell "so called", int. Dec. 16, 1749.

Anne Maybe and Ezekiel Hodgkins, Jr., int. Apr. 21, 1750

Anne Maybee and George Harper int. 13 Jan 1752

John Maybe and Mrs Margaret Robins int. Mar. 22, 1755.

John Maybee and Deborah Austin int. 19 Apr 1760

Finally, one additional baptism record, for James Maybe, son of John and Deborah, baptized May 15, 1763.

Also recorded are the following deaths:

Maybe, Thomas, drowned, June 8, 1767.

Maybe, \_\_\_\_\_, wife of Thomas, Aug. 6, 1747.

Maybee, Anne, daughter of Thomas and Sarah, July 11, 1721.

Interestingly, a record from an entirely different source reinforces the Ipswich records. From the November 8, 1753 edition of the Pennsylvania Gazette, published in Philadelphia by Benjamin Franklin: "Thomas Maybee of Ipswich, fisherman, is found guilty of stabbing a Negro."

Then we have, albeit from a secondary source (*Genealogical Dictionary of The First Settlers of New England*,

showing Three Generations of Those Who Came Before May 1692, on the Basis of Farmer's Register by James Savage) the following rather cryptic entry:

"MAYBEE, HENRY, Newtown, L.I. 1656. Thompson. NICHOLAS, Windsor, is

bur. 1 Mar. 1667, with very small est. and neither w. nor ch."

Following up on this, I found the following record in *A Digest of the Early Connecticut Probate Records.* 1663 to 1677.

Page 49 Name: Nicholas Maybee Location: Windsor

Buried 1 March, 1666-7 .-- (W. R.) Invt. œ4-

12-08. Taken by Bendict Alverd, Wm. Phelps. Court Record, Page 70--8 October, 1667: Adms. to James Enno.

Then, from A *Documentary History of the Dutch Congregation of Oyster Bay* by Henry A. Stoutenburgh, the following:

"In a deed recorded in Ja (L. B1. F. 118, Jan. 3, 1687/8), it recites that Henry Maybe from the Island of Nevis, West Indias, bought upland of John Hunt in Foster's Meadow."

Further south and somewhat later in time, I found two records which appear to be related. Again, from *Franklin's Pennsylvania Gazette* (November 28, 1754): "Edward Maybe, English servant, age c. 22, runaway from Jacob Hugg, living in Gloucester Twp., Gloucester Co. (NJ)." This is followed by the May 28, 1758 marriage (from the records of St. Michaelis and Zion Congregation of Philadelphia) of Edward Maybe and Mary Lehman (witnesses: Johann Lehmann, wife Maria Magdalene Francis Andrews and

wife Maria Magdalene, Francis Andrews and Reinhardt Uhle).

Searching for more evidence of this couple, I found instead repeated references to another Maybee family. From History of Lancaster County, Pennsylvania, with Biographical Sketches of Many of its Pioneers and Prominent Men, Chapter IV.

# Pioneer Settlements--Erection of the County--Establishment of the County-Seat

(By Samuel Evans, Esq.): "In 1720 the township of West Conestoga is erected, embracing all the territory west of Peques Creek. In 1722 this name is changed to Donegal in deference to the Scotch-Irish settlers, who then composed nearly the entire population of that township." The list of names which follows includes that of William Maybee. Also, from the same source, Chapter XLVII: "The following list embraces the names of the pioneer settlers in East Donegal prior to and at the time of the organization of the county. The list is not complete, but it is as full as can be made from detached records, there being no assessment-roll between the years 1726 and 1751 in existence." The

ensuing list, compiled from tax records, includes the entry William Maybee and son, 1722.

Finally, there is Maryland. First I found two interesting marriage records, both from Frederick County: on May 20, 1826,

Jane Maybee married Elijah Lilly in Frederick County; and on January 8, 1834,

Jonathan Maybee married Mary Tupe. This led me to check census records where I found the following entry in 1820:

Head of Household: Jonathan Maybee, with 2 males age 20 - 30, 1 male age 15 - 20, 1 male age 10 - 15, 1 female age 15 - 20, with 3 "foreigners not naturalized".

Then, 30 years later, in the 1850 census, a fascinating household on page 87, Frederick County:

Jonathan Maybee, age 54, male, laborer, born in England

Aimy Lilly, age 45, F, born in Maryland

## NAME CORRECTION

Donald Stanford wrote to let us know that we had the wrong name listed for him in the newsletter and website His name is **Don**, not Dan.

Don Stanford <dstanfo1@twcny.rr.com>

## **QUERIES:**

**Lynne Bell** writes: "I am looking for information about the family of

**Rayfield\_Mabie Edmund.** His mother is **Daisey\_May Jones**. All I know about his father is his surname, Mabie. Edmund was married in 1932 to **Alice Mae Cresswell** and he died in the 1950's in East Moline, IL. Edmund did have a brother named

Thomas O. Mabie. I don't have any info on him." Thank you, Lynne Bell: E-MAIL: B3725@aol.com

## Roma Dodds, Member #189 writes:

"I'm still after information regarding the **Clara Randolph/William Thomas Mabee** line" She says she has a note from Robert Mutrie that there was a William Mabee b. 1769 who had a son William b. 1808, St.

Stephen, New Brunswick and a daughter Frances (Fanny) b. 1797 same place. She would like to know if there could be a connection between them and William (1845) and his sister Frances (Fanny) 1847 born to Thomas & Matilda (Hood). Some of the local family say that their branch came from the Netherlands to New York and then to Saint John, New Brunswick. Can anyone help her? Her address is: Roma Dodds 24 Grandview Dr. Dartmouth, NS B2W 1X5 Canada

**Derek Souter.** From Napier, South Africa wrote: "I am researching the van Antwerpens in South Africa and Holland and wonder if your line is connected to mine. Do you have any van Antwerpens from Breda in Holland?? or what are your Dutch Roots?

Derek Souter, ("Derek & Linda Souter" souter@xsinet.co.za)

<u>Susan Godlewski</u> – Member #253 writes, Thanks to data from Steve Mabie,

Mary Friedlander and I have hooked a LIVE one! We now have circumstantial evidence that the father of our ancestress Mrs. Bathsheba Mabie Lockwood may be: Abraham4 Mabee (Jeremias3, Caspar Pieterszen2, Pieter Gaspard (or Caspar) Mabiel Van Naerden) born 1732. Baptism: 10/17/1732. Residence: Cortlandt Manor. He married Mercy \_\_\_\_.(First name of wife is based

He married Mercy \_\_\_\_.(First name of wife is based on 1949 letter found in Westchester Archives.)

The circumstantial evidence implies the children of Abraham and Mercy may be: i Charlotte Mabee b. ca 1777

ii. John Mabie b. 4/15/1778 iii. Abigail Mabee, b. ca 1779 iv. Barsheba/Bethsheba/Bathsheba Maibee/Mabee/Mabie b. ca 1782 married John Lockwood.

Do you have any data on him or the children? We are still trolling for documentation. Regards, Susan ("Jean Godlewski" jg245@worldnet.att.net)

#### EVENTS AT THE MABEE FARM

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#### SUBSCRIPTION UPDATE

Although the year is half over, we still have more than 90 members who have not paid dues, which leads me to wonder if there are those out there who are getting the newsletter, but do not want it any longer. Perhaps someone got the newsletter the first year as a gift, or it was ordered by a spouse who has now passed on. If this is your situation, please send me a post card or an e-mail and let me know. (Address below). However, if you do want the newsletter, but can't afford it, let me know also; we have a fund for this purpose.

#### NOW AVAILABLE:

1. List of Society Members with their lines of research is available by e-mail (free) or it is on CD, diskette or printed form (25 2-sided pages) for \$2.00.

2. New – Index of Newsletters from 1988 to 2000 (Issues #1 to #46) – 31 2-sided pages - \$3.00 (Printed or on CD or diskette).

## INFORMATION CURRENTLY ON WEBSITES:

Member website: Index to Communicator 1988-2000 Newsletters: Jan 1991, May, Sep. & Dec. 1992 Jan and Apr 1993 Data base website: (See Article on p.3.)

#### Steve Mabie's website:

http://freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.com/~smabie/ Chronology. of Records of First 3 Generations of Descendants of Peter Casparsen Mebie Chronology. Of Records of Desc. Of Jan Pieterese Mebie (Updated 5/25/2001) Chronology Of Records for Desc. Of Caspar Pieterse Mebie (Updated 5/26/2001) U. S. Federal Census Transcriptions

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