

**ASSOCIATION OF DESCENDANTS OF PIONEER ANDREAS KILLIAN
76th ANNUAL KILLIAN REUNION**

11th SEPTEMBER 2010

MT ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH, 4420 COUNTY HOME RD, CONOVER, NC

65 (*Last year 81*) people attended dinner on Friday.

52 (*Last year 100*) people attended Business Meeting and workshop on Saturday.

57 (*Last year 88*) people attended lunch and fellowship on Sunday.

Invocation:

Eric Killian, President, called the business meeting to order and Major Max Sipe, Chaplain, led with prayer.

Recognition:

1. Remembrances of cousins who have passed: Mary Catherine Killian Honeycutte

Leatherman died January 9, 2010. She is survived by her daughter, Kim Sipe, and sons, Keith, Tim and Scott. She had 5 grandchildren and 3 great grandchildren. **Velma Killion Montgomery** died February 28, 2010. She was the sister to Esther Killion Wagner and Roy Killion; Aunt to Wanda Ridenhour and Mother To Robert Montgomery.

2. Additions to the Killian Clan: Wayne and Catherine Milam announced the births of 2 Great Grandchildren: Layla Amina Chafik born August 5, 2010 and Winterlynn Nevaeh Worley born January 28, 2010. Rose Polete announced the addition of twins to her family. Ruth Killian White has 5 great grandchildren.

3. Traveled the greatest distance: Ruth and Carlton Darnell traveled 1900 miles from their home in Albuquerque, New Mexico. (last yr: 4500 miles - the McCreight Family)

4. Oldest Attendee: Beulah Killian of Conover, NC Age 90 Years 6 Months

5. Youngest Attendee: Madison Killian of Hickory, NC, Age 9

6. Family Represented at Business Meeting:

Leonard:	7 (Last yr. 3)	Samuel C.:	22 (42)
Jean:	0 (0)	Elisabeth:	0 (0)
George:	0 (0)	John:	13 (24)
Christiana:	0 (0)	Andrew:	5 (5)
Margaret:	2 (1)	Daniel:	4 (2)
Crate:	0 (0)		

7. States Represented: NC, SC, VA, GA, AL, NM, IL, MO, TX, AR

Old Business:

1. The 2009 Minutes to Business Meeting were reviewed and approved.

2. The Treasury Report: The 2009 report was reviewed and the names of those who donated by check were announced. Excerpts from notes included in the donations were announced. Copy of Treasury Report is attached. Budget for the upcoming year was discussed, copy attached.

3. Newsletter Editor's Report A full report is attached.

4. Webmaster's Report

a. New Website: The old website did not lend itself to adding many more pages on the vertical navigation bar and was designed for a screen width of 800px. The new standard is now 1024 px or larger. The new design gives more data on screen without the need to scroll as much. The new navigation bar also allows for more pages. Our new organization structure as a nonprofit also needed a new image on the website.

b. Overall operation: The Website has been a big success. The online registration form was very helpful for planning this year's reunion. Feedback is very positive.

c. Number of hits: We are getting about 300 unique addresses each month.

d. Correspondence: Using our email address list, we were able to notify reunion attendees of the change in venue on Friday night. The list also allows us to notify people of the release of the newsletter and any significant information.

e. Email-List 297 names (last year 209).

f. Both the Website domain and hosting costs have gone up. The Domain name expires 9/16/2012. Single year renewal cost is now \$11.47. We normally pay a 5 year renewal for approximately \$50. The Hosting at godaddy.com expires 11/3/2010. One year renewal is \$55, which we having been paying. It is recommended that we move to a 3 year contract to lower the annual cost to \$40 for a total of \$120.

5. Historian's Report: Gene Killian, who passed away this year, has donated several books to the Association. Those books will be deposited at the Lincoln County Public Library Genealogy Room. Currently we are copying originals and then passing the originals to Linda Hoyle, Genealogist, at the Lincoln County Public Library for safekeeping.

6. Book Editor's Report: A full report is attached.

7. DNA Report: A full report is attached.

8. NonProfit Status Report: The Board met and reviewed the necessary information regarding our nonprofit status. We have established all reporting requirements and are putting the proper procedures in place. A full report is attached.

New Business:

1. Election of Officers

	<u>Current</u>		<u>Elected</u>
President:	Eric Killian	(1 yr served)	
Vice President:	Eddie Killian	(1 yr served)	
Program/Project Dir.:	Dan Sipe	(1 yr served)	
Secretary:	Doris Pope/Kim Sipe	(1 yr served)	
Treasurer:	Sandy Phillips	(4 yrs served)	Pete Whitener
Webmaster:	Wayne Setzer	(8 yrs served)	
Newsletter:	Charles Killian	(5 yrs served)	
Historian:	Wayne Milam	(5 yrs served)	
Chaplain:	Major Max Sipe	(2 yr served)	
At Large Members:			
Lee Killian (3 yrs served)			Linda Killian
Steve Killian (1 yr served)			
James Green (1 yr served)			

Motion to add a new position to coordinate the Cemetery Improvement Project. Motion approved.
New Position, Old Saint Paul's Project Leader: Steve Killian

2. **77th Reunion Planning:** The next 3 day annual reunion meeting will be held on the Second Sunday in September 9, 10, 11, 2011. The decision was made to keep the location at Mt. Zion Church.

Chaplain gave thanks/prayer for a successful family gathering and bid everyone a safe and healthy year.

Meeting Adjourned,

Respectively reported by Secretary (original signed)

**Andreas Killian Descendants Historical Association
Treasurer's Report
Fiscal Year Ending September 30, 2009**

Balance a/o September 12, 2008 \$ 388.67

Receipts

Donations:

*From Annual Reunion Meeting, Sept. 2008	\$ 1,158.00
*By Mail	\$ 3,012.00
*From Annual Reunion Meeting, Sept. 2009	\$ 6,652.76
*Return of Petty Cash drawn from Treasury	\$ 300.00
*\$635 collected for Sunday's Catered Meal -paid at Reunion/not shown deposited in treasury	\$ 635.00

TOTAL RECEIPTS \$11,757.76

Disbursements

*Publication Expenses for Book(250qty)	\$ 3,069.33
*Postage and Copy expenses related to February 2009 Newsletter	\$ 589.45
*Postage and Copy expenses related to August 2009 Newsletter	\$ 545.97
*T Shirts (246 qty ave. cost \$3.85)	\$ 884.33
*T Shirts (60 kids ave. cost \$2.73)	\$ 164.00
*Postage and Printing expenses for marketing the Annual Reunion Meeting, Sept. 2008	\$ 77.00
*Postage and Printing expenses for marketing the Annual Reunion Meeting, Sept. 2009	\$ 100.00
*Flowers for Cemetery Markers Sept. 2009	\$ 64.32
*Reunion Meeting Facility Expense	\$ 200.00
*Boxcar Grille Caterer Fri 9/11/09	\$ 1,046.12
*(Jennifer's Catering Sun 9/13/09 Paid at Reunion/ not shown paid from treasury)	\$ 635.00
*Drawn from Treasury for Petty Cash	\$ 300.00
*Website Maintenance	<u>\$ 50.00</u>

TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS \$7,725.52

Balance a/o Septmber 30, 2009 \$ 4,420.91

Books:

Total: 250

100 Books given away

72 Sold at reunion @ \$20: \$1,440

72 Sold after reunion @ \$30: \$2,160 ** a few were hand delivered and not charged postage

6 left to sell: \$180

T Shirts:

Total Adult Sizes: 216

Total Children Sizes: 60

110 Sold Adult Sizes @\$10: \$1,100

24 Sold Children Sizes @ \$5: \$120

106 Adults left to sell: \$1060

36 Kids sizes left to sell: \$180

Those who donated this year (2009) by check or cash with note:

Delcyne Grant, Tahlequah, OK (has made monthly payments of \$25 for the last 2 years)

Joan and Dan Sipe, York, SC

Betty Whitesides, Clover, SC

Raymond S. Kelley, Elliston, VA

Bobby & Linda Abernethy, Clover, SC

Charles & Cheryl Killian, Ellenwood, GA

Wayne & Catherine Milam, Southside, AL

Lucy Jane Killian Eckard, Cincinnati, OH

Eugene & Kathleen Killion, Paris, IL

Margaret Heshner, Salt Point, NY

James & Maxine Killian, Meridian, ID

Denise DiGuseppi, Yorba Linda, CA

Dorothea Bennett, Yorba Linda, CA

Daphne Ruby, Yorba Linda, CA

Joe and Dolly Killian, York, SC

Andreas Killian Descendants Historical Association
PROJECTED Treasury Budget
Fiscal Years
10/01/2010 - 12/31/2010
And
01/01/2011 - 12/31/2011

Balance a/o July 31, 2010 **\$ 5,196**

Receipts

Donations ave . 88/month (14 months)	\$1,232		
Donations ave. @ Reunion (9/10 & 9/11)	\$1,000 x 2		
Books 30 left in inventory @\$30	\$900		
Books 75 new books @ \$30	\$2,250		
Tshirts 102 Adult left in inventory @\$10	\$1,020		
33 Child left in inventory @ \$5	<u>\$165</u>		
TOTAL ESTIMATED RECEIPTS		<u>\$7,567</u>	<u>\$7,567</u>

Fixed costs

Website Maintenance (Nov)	(<u>\$55</u>) x 2	(\$110)	
<i>Newsletter:</i>			
Postage and Copy expenses related to February 2011 Newsletter	(\$700)		
Postage and Copy expenses related to July 2011 Newsletter	<u>(\$700)</u>	(\$1,400)	
<i>Annual "Reunion" Meeting (Sept. 2010 & Sept.2011)</i>			
Church Donation for Use of Fellowship Hall	(\$100) x 2		
Postage and Copy expenses for marketing	(\$100) x 2		
Cemetery Flower Memorials	(\$90)		
Guest Lecturers	(\$200) x 2		
Handouts	(\$100) x 2		
Misc. expense	<u>(\$40) x 2</u>	<u>(\$1,170)</u>	(\$2,680)

NEW Fixed Costs

Charitable Solicitation License	(\$50)		
Sales and Use Tax	(\$180)		
Administrative expenses	<u>(\$250) x 2</u>	<u>(\$730)</u>	(\$730)

Variable Costs or Purchases

Books @ \$12 cost/book + sales tax qty 75	(\$900)		
T Shirts @\$4 cost/T shirt qty__	<u> 0</u>	<u>(\$900)</u>	(\$900)
2 Scholarship @ \$1000 each	(\$2000)		
Historical Cemetery Repair/ Replace (Germany/Margaret/OSP)	(\$2000)		
DNA Research	(\$500)		<u>(\$2,500)</u>

TOTAL ESTIMATED DISBURSEMENTS **(\$6,810)**

Projected Balance a/o December 31, 2011 **\$5,953**

Handwritten notes from our Cousins (Year Ending 9/30/10)

Shirley Killian, NY: “Received the Killian Newsletter the other day and many thanks for sending it to me; very nicely done. My husband, George, who passed away last May, was very involved in genealogy all his life and especially his Killian line. We attended several reunions over the years. I would like to make this donation for him, as I know he would have liked to do. I have corresponded and talked to Dan Sipe these past few months. Give him my regards if you see or talk to him. Thank you again for all your hard work in this endeavor.

Ted Killian, AZ: Thank you for all your great work on behalf of the Killians.

Roberta Killian Hipp, VA: “ ...I know A LOT of hard work and effort have gone into the research and publication of this new edition. Thank you very much [to] all that have been involved...My father, Robert Killian of Charlotte, NC...could not say enough good things about the book.....”

Kathryn Killian Lee, Charlotte, NC : “... Thank you for all you have done...my prayers are with you.”

Frances Killian Schwartman, WA: “Congratulations on you new organization! Received your Feb. Newsletter; so will not delay acknowledging it and thanking you. Over the year I have wished I could make the trip to NC for the reunion. It never happened. Now it’s too late. At age 90 I have not the confidence I could make the trip, though I am in reasonably good health, still as a widow since 2002 in my own home. God is good!!...”

Thelma Worthley, CA: “Thank you for the wonderful work the Association is doing, and for finding our ancestors, Joseph and Louisa Killian. Now with Woody’s DNA test we can finally trace our roots to Andreas. Hopefully in the future we will be able to find Joseph’s father and mother also and our “missing link”.My mother Esther Biggs Combs, worked many years on the Killian family history but she was unable to find any more information about Joseph. Supposedly his first wife and 2 children were killed by Indians. No further information has ever been found to prove or disprove this story. Thank you again to you and the Association.”

Maxine Killian, Meridian, ID: “Keep up the good work. We do appreciate the Association and all that you do to help the organization. We read the newsletter from cover to cover and like to keep up on the news of the descendants of Andreas Killian and learn more about the research and discovering the history of the Killians. Jim’s health has deteriorated so we will not be traveling to the reunion as we did last year (our first reunion). We did enjoy meeting everyone and participating in the activities as much as we could. We would have liked to return....”

Lorena Eaker, TN: Thanks so much to the Killian’s gift of the new Killian Book and your comments about my GSP book. I’m glad it was of help to everyone in getting the Killian book out. That was its intent and purpose as a research tool. I cherish the honor of being an ‘adopted Killian’.....Thanks too for the invitation to continue to attend the Killian Reunion. I always enjoy it (she had other commitments and could not come)...Ann and Robert Dellinger...told me later they had attended...and what an impressive attendance you had. The committees have done an impressive job of getting the word out. In contrast to the meeting I first attended, it does take a lot of effort on everyone’s part. I wish you all much continued success...”

Ann White, NH: “I really enjoy the Killian Family Newsletter and am really looking forward to the February letter being a descendant of Jonas Conrad Killian to Andreas.”

Peggy Killion, UT: “Thank you for sending me the Killian Newsletter, it is such a joy reading all the articles. Here is my yearly donation, I hope it helps the association to keep up the great work.”

**Killian Newsletter Report:
Saturday, September 11, 2010**

Two newsletters were published this year 2010;

358 newsletters were mailed in February.

356 newsletters were mailed in August.

The Killian Newsletter mailing list is always being updated. Four (4) of the February newsletters were returned as undeliverable, these four (4) were deleted. The newsletters, which were returned in August, had forwarding addresses. The database was updated and their newsletter was mailed to the new address.

An ongoing problem is when someone stops their mail temporarily. These newsletters are returned as undeliverable. If placed in an envelope the Post Office undoubtedly holds that mail. The question is do we delete a name when a newsletter is returned as Temporarily Away?

Better Letter Mailing Services in Stockbridge GA prints a 16 page newsletters for \$1.00 each. The United States Postal service requires a \$35 update service to be performed by Better Letter. The mailing set up is \$150 and the postage for mailing bulk rate is 27 cents each. Total cost per copy is about \$1.82. This makes the expense for the newsletter \$1365.28 for 2010. This is for the 714 copies mailed this year. We are happy with Better Letter and believe they are the most economical choice for us to use.

If anyone has signed up for the online newsletter and do not wish to receive the hard copy, you may send me your address so we can delete you from the current Killian Newsletter mailing list.

Wayne Setzer will be sending a mass email inquiring of those that would like to be deleted from receiving the hard copy to reply and we will co-ordinate the removal of names from the Killian Newsletter mailing list I keep. Each name removed from the mailing list I keep would save about \$3.65 per name each year.

We can always use more articles for the newsletter. By email, disk or CD is best.

Respectfully submitted,

Charles David Killian

Killian Book Report
2010 Second Sunday in September

The first 150 copies of The Family of North Carolina Pioneer Andrea Killian were sold between September 12, 2009 and April 27, 2010. 72 books were sold at the 2009 SSS reunion.

100 books were allotted to be given to historical associations, libraries, support groups and contributors of the book. Only 99 of books were given away and the one remaining free book was added to the inventory of books to be sold.

50 additional copies were ordered in May. Apex Book manufacturing Company gave the association one additional copy. This 2010 reprint has minor corrections to format and 3 corrections to text. I have been instructed not to do any other corrections to future book printings.

27 copies of the book were sold between May 2010 and September 3, 2010. This left 25 copies for the 2010 reunion. Not to disappoint anyone at the reunion 50 additional copies were ordered.

There are 75 copies of The Family of North Carolina Pioneer Andrea Killian available for sell at the 2010 reunion.

Respectfully submitted,

Cheryl Mann Killian
2009 Killian Book editor

DNA Project report 2010

Last year there was a call for descendants of Leonard Killian son of Andreas to join the Killian/Killion DNA project. The project now has 4 known descendants of Leonard in the project, yet we still have not gained the knowledge of the lineage of Daniel (1777), Daniel (1790), William Riley Killian or Jonas Conrad Killian.

I have asked John Harrison Killian another descendant of Daniel (1790) to join the project to compare of current Daniel (1790) descendant Gaddis Killian. The 37 marker test would be required. John Harrison Killian descends from Daniel (1790)'s son Daniel. Gaddis descends from Daniel (1790)'s son Elisa. John and Gaddis are 3rd cousins once removed. John is considering my request.

The good news is Adam Killion is now proven to be a descendant of Andreas. I did not know there was some concern he was the son of Margaret Killen Killian before she married Leonard, but DNA has shown this to be a myth.

There is a new FamilytreeDNA product available called Family Finder. I was in hopes that this test could identify our Killians with broken lineage back to Andreas Killian. There are 3 members of the Family Finder project who descend from Samuel son of Andreas. They are 3rd cousins and the Family Finder test shows a relationship. Charles David Killian a descendant of Samuel's full brother Daniel joined the project and no relationship was shown. This is a very expensive test over \$250 each. At this time I would like male line descendants of Andreas to step up to the plate and join Family Finder, but because of cost I will not press the matter. I will suggest someone who descends from Samuel and who is a 5th or 6th cousin to Robert Cherry Killian III, James Green III, Walter Furman Broom III or Harry Ellis Hodges Jr to join Family Finder -- maybe by finding sponsors to defer the cost. Finding a 5th or 6th cousin might tell us how far back in generations this test will work for those who descend from Andreas.

Also, joining the Killian DNA project is a descendant of Wiley Jefferson Killian (1861 AR – 1912 OK). He moved to TX about 1875 and to Indian Territory about 1886. Indian Territory became Oklahoma. This family has research for years—never proving who Wiley's father was. I was sorry to report to the family he did not descend from any of the known lines of Killians in the project. Wiley Jefferson Killian is in a group of his own.

I see other projects growing by leaps and bounds—and I feel stuck with the same problems that keep me involved.

Respectfully submitted,

Cheryl Mann Killian
Co-administrator of the Killian DNA project.

501(c)(3) Nonprofit Status Report

Federal Tax Exempt status under IRC section 501(c)(3) and IRC Section 170 was awarded December 15, 2009, retroactive to our incorporation date, June 16, 2009. A copy of the determination letter is on the Website and in each Officer's Records Manual. As of June 16, 2009, all contributions given to the Association became tax deductible. The rules state for pure donations in amounts less than \$75, the donor's check will suffice as evidence of the donation. Amounts over \$75 must receive a written receipt. For donations in which an item is received, a written receipt giving the fair market value of the item is required. The fair market value of the item is not deductible. In January, I provided the necessary receipts for all applicable donations made since June 16th, 2009. Samples of this receipt are in the Officer's Records Manual.

Federal financial filing of the Form 990 is required each year. For charities that receive less than \$25,000 in any given year, the 990 E Postcard is all that is required. I fulfilled that requirement. A copy is on the website and in the Officer's Records Manual. This form must be available to the public for inspection so it must be on the website and at the Reunion. Should we receive \$25,000 in gross receipts in any year, we will need to file the 990 EZ. A current blank copy of this form is in the Officer's Records Manual.

The next step was State compliance. I provided the necessary documentation for State exemption from Income and Franchise Tax. We received that approval June 17, 2010.

The State of North Carolina requires a Charitable Solicitation License to ask for donations, either directly or indirectly. I filed the necessary paperwork and received an exemption because of our gross receipt level. The exemption will expire on February 15, 2011. We will need to apply for a license each year. Once we qualify for a license, we will need to renew the license each year. There is a filing fee on a sliding scale. The minimum amount is \$50. An exemption has no fee. I do however submit the \$50 with the application and which is reimbursed to me once the exemption is awarded.

The North Carolina Department of Revenue requires that charities pay sales tax on all items sold in North Carolina. I have registered with the Secretary of State. We must pay sales tax on books sold last year at the reunion. We do not have to pay sales tax on books sold after the reunion from Georgia. We are considered a seasonal filer and will only need to file in September of each year.

We may qualify for tax refunds from purchases we make in North Carolina. Neither the Books nor the Newsletters qualify in North Carolina because taxes are paid in Georgia. None of the expenses that are presented for reimbursement qualify for tax refund. Only bills paid directly in North Carolina would qualify for possible tax refund.

It is important to be aware of Unrelated Business Income. We cannot sale cookbooks, for example, because it does not serve our mission - unless the cookbook is full of recipes from colonial America!

Certain disclosures are required when soliciting funds. Certain disclosures are required on printed materials and on our website. Some policies are not required but are "best practices" for a charity. I have tried to capture those and you will find them on receipts and on the website. As fundraising materials are created, disclosures will need to be incorporated into them as well.

Respectfully submitted by Sandra Phillips, Treasurer