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The Bennion Family Goes Online!!

The Bennion Family Executive Committee is pleased to announce the creation of the Bennion Family Association website, www.bennion.org. The website is designed to inform and provide interaction among descendants of John Bennion (1786-1846) and Elizabeth Roberts (1790-1830) of Hawarden, Flintshire, Wales. Their four children who had posterity are:

- Mary Bennion Williams (1817-1842)
- Samuel Bennion (1818-1889)
- John Bennion (1820-1877)
- Elizabeth Bennion Davies (1822-1890)

John and Samuel and their young families immigrated to the USA in the 1840's, while Mary and her husband raised their family in the British Isles. Elizabeth and her family immigrated to the midwestern USA in the 1850's and changed their family name to Davis. We estimate that more than 40,000 individuals are descended from John Bennion and Elizabeth Roberts. ☞

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Final Edition of The Bennion Family Recorder

Due to the ever increasing size and geographical spread of the extended Bennion family, unfavorable economics of paper-based mailing, and the advent of the Bennion Family website, this is most likely your last mailing from the Bennion Family Association. If you're the sentimental type, save this page carefully! Otherwise, log on to www.bennion.org, register your email address, and link up electronically with your cousins! ☞

Web Highlights

We expect our website to evolve and improve over time as more family members add their creativity. Below is a summary of "Release 1.0":

- Bennion Family Association Overview
- Genealogical files (pedigree charts, family group sheets)
 - Ancestors & two generations of descendants of John Bennion & Elizabeth Roberts
- Available publications
- Photo Gallery
- Other (smaller) Bennion Family organizations
- How to contribute to the family website
- Bulletin board (contribute news about Bennion relatives, living or otherwise! Postings will remain for six months)
- Contact us (email)
- Bennion e-mail address book

If you register your e-mail address with us on the website, we will automatically notify you whenever new information is posted on the site.

Your suggestions are encouraged and appreciated!! ☞

Update to Bennion Family of Utah vol. 2 is Delayed Indefinitely

Despite the best efforts of those involved, we have been unable to complete the project to update the *Bennion Family of Utah, vol. 2*, which was published in 1963 and attempted to contain a giant family tree of all descendants of Samuel and John Bennion. As you can imagine, this has become a massive project, and the challenge is in reaching a sufficient quality level with volunteer labor. The project is ongoing, but no definitive publication date can be given.

A number of family members made deposits with the Bennion Family Association to pre-purchase copies of the update. These "pre-purchasers" can choose between two options:

1. Request a refund; or
2. Convert the payment into a general donation to the Bennion Family Association, a non-profit organization (tax deductible donation). The funds will be used to meet the Bennion Family Association goals – maintain family connections via the website; sponsor genealogical research; fund selected family history projects approved by the Executive Committee.

To make your request, please contact David R. Sharp, Bennion Family Association Treasurer, via email (dave@bennion.org) or regular mail at:

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The Bennion Family Executive Committee

The Bennion Family Executive Committee is composed of interested family members who are willing to donate their time to supervise activities of the Bennion Family Association, including managing the website, overseeing Association projects, and providing financial oversight. Please contact us if you would like to help. Current members are:

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| - John E. Bennion, President | - Robert G. Bennion, member |
| - David R. Sharp, Treasurer | - Jerry H. Bennion, member |
| - Eileen B. McKean, Secretary | - Alan G. Sharp, member |
| - Steve E. Bennion, Computer Coordinator | - Richard R. Sharp, member |
| - Helen S. Madsen, Genealogical Coordinator | - Your name here!!! |

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