Jackson Family History for Daniel Clair Hyde, October 15, 2007

Dan was born and lived all his childhood in LeRoy, NY. His parents Harold Lawrence Hyde and Mary Ellen Hall were married in 1938 and lived in Ulysses, Potter Co., PA. Since the area lacked employment opportunities, Harold and Mary moved to LeRoy a year after they were married. Harold, two brothers, a sister and their families moved to LeRoy where the brothers all worked for the Lapp Insulator Company. After a few years at Lapp, Harold worked as a machinist for the LeRoy Machine Company where he rose to Foreman then to Night Superintendent.

In 1964, Dan went off to college to obtain a BS in Electrical Engineering at Northeastern University in Boston, then a Ph.D. in Computer Science at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. At the U of I, Dan met his future wife Mary Jane Gleason. In 1991, Mary Jane and Dan adopted from Honduras a seven-month old infant they named Scott Daniel. Dan's wife Mary Jane has a twin sister Jan. Many people have trouble telling them apart. When their son Scott was little, he solved this problem by calling Mary Jane "Mom" and his Aunt "Not Mom." Scott is now 17 and recently obtained his driver's license. Scott is interested in attending film school and making movies. Mary Jane teaches creative drama to grade school children while Dan teaches computer science at Bucknell University in Lewisburg, PA. Dan's hobbies include photography, movie making, oil painting as well as genealogy.

Mary Hall was born 1920 in Peakes Turnout just outside of Richmond, VA. When she was 13 she moved with her family from VA to near Ulysses, PA and was surprised to learn that the school systems taught different versions of the Civil War. In PA, the North had won the War! Mary's parents Charles Rowland Hall and Margaret Thornton Morrison met and married in 1916 and they lived on the family farm in Peakes Turnout. Charles worked for the Chesapeake and Ohio Railroad twenty years before moving to PA. About 1945, Charles and Margaret moved to Tioga, PA where they ran a very successful greenhouse business.

Charles Hall was born 1885 in Poplar Flat, Lewis County, KY. When Charles was seven, his mother Florence Ann (Rowland) Wilson Hall died and Charles's father John Elijah Hall moved his family back to his father Joseph Hall's farm in Roanoke, Lewis County, WV to take care of his mother Mary Elizabeth Arnold Hall. Around 1900, Charles' sisters without a mother convinced their Dad, that Roanoke, WV had little prospects and they wanted "to get out of the West Virginia hills." John saw an advertisement in a farm paper for a fruit farm near Richmond, VA. John bought the 120 acres and moved to Peakes Turnout, Hanover Co., VA. He sent the furniture by mule over the mountains while the family went by train. John was born in 1846 and fought on the Confederate side during the Civil War. At the end of the war, he was given a blanket and told to walk home.

John Hall's parents were Joseph Hall, son of Jonathan and Elizabeth Reger Hall, and Mary Elizabeth Arnold, eldest daughter of Elijah Arnold and Prudence Jackson Arnold. Elizabeth was born in Fauquier Co., VA in 1819 and married Joseph Hall in about 1844. They lived on a farm in Bushes Mills, Lewis Co. WV on land that her mother Prudence gave Elizabeth.

Elizabeth's father Elijah Arnold was born in 1772 in Fauquier Co., VA and was a planter and merchant who had inherited a great fortune from his father Isaac Arnold and mother Mary Porter. Elizabeth's mother Prudence was the daughter of Col. George Jackson and Elizabeth Brake. Elijah Arnold married Prudence in Zanesville, OH with great fanfare in 1814. George gave his daughter one square mile, or 640 acres, of his wild lands in Collins Settlement, Lewis Co., WV where she founded the town of Jacksonville.

George, the oldest child of John and Elizabeth Cummins Jackson, was a famous Indian Scout during the Revolutionary War and served two terms in U.S. Congress while living in Clarksburg, WV. He moved to Zanesville, OH in 1807 and became a major landowner in the area.

3. Trace lineage back to John and Elizabeth Cummins Jackson. List ancestor and kinship for each. Mary Ellen Hall (mother), Charles Rowland Hall (Grandfather), John Elijah Hall (g-grandfather), Mary Elizabeth Arnold (gg-grandmother), Prudence Jackson (ggg-grandmother), George Jackson (gggg-grandfather), John Jackson (ggggg-grandfather).