



# Mershon News Bulletin

THE ASSOCIATION OF THE DESCENDANTS OF HENRY MERSHON  
ORGANIZED AT TRENTON, NEW JERSEY, SEPTEMBER 8th, 1923

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March 2016

## Report of the 2015 Annual Meeting and Reunion

by Clare Mershon, Portland, Oregon



***Kneeling in front, L to R:*** Tim Stotler, Ken & Susan Arnold, Clare Mershon, David Beun and Dan Mershon.

***Middle Row (sitting), L to R:*** Roy & Della Garrabrant, Joan Swearer, Jeanne Stotler, Beverly & Richard Smith, Joanne Beun holding baby Gwyneth Beun and Nathaniel Beun.

***Back Row (standing), L to R:*** Diana Ricigliano-Crannage, Elaine & Tom Tredinnick, Connie Hensley, Doris Harris, Doug Smith, Lori Mershon, Pam Caffrey and Sharon Mershon.

The 2015 annual meeting of the Association of the Descendants of Henry Mershon was called to order at 10:20 am in the Community Meeting Room of the Lawrence Headquarters Branch of the Mercer County Library, Lawrenceville, NJ. Following an invocation and pledge of allegiance, each family group introduced themselves. There were 24 persons attending.

**SAVE THE DATE!**  
**Saturday, August 6, 2016**  
**Mershon Association Annual Meeting & Reunion**  
**Lawrenceville, NJ**

## **Business Meeting:**

Our 2014 meeting minutes were approved as printed.

*Treasurer Report:* Joan Swearer  
Checking Account: \$3,477.86  
Certificate of Deposit: \$7,196.04

*Genealogy Report:* Our Mershon Genealogist position is still open.

*Southern Chapter Report:* Connie Hensley informed us that the chapter met on June 5 & 6, 2015 in Nashville, TN. Connie and her mother, Doris Harris, were the meeting sponsors. The meeting included a special guest appearance by “Elvis Presley.” The 2016 Southern Chapter meeting will be on May 20 & 21 in Pigeon Forge, TN. Anne Roberts will sponsor the 2016 meeting. *(See Southern Chapter meeting announcement on page 5.)*

*Executive Board Report:* Clare Mershon and Elaine Tredinnick reported on the Executive Board meeting, held on Friday evening, July 24th.

Connie Hensley and Doris Harris, co-editors of our Mershon Family Cookbook, reported that 163 cookbooks have been sold to date. We have 31 books remaining for sale.

We reviewed proposed changes to our Mershon Genealogist/Historian job description. We are concerned about protecting the privacy of living persons in our genealogy database. Some follow-up work is needed on this.

Mershon Archivist Noel Barton, is in the final stages of his work organizing and digitizing our Mershon archives. Many of our records and publications are now posted on the family-search.org website. *(See related article on page 10).*

Elaine Tredinnick suggested the Mershon Association sponsor an essay contest for young people on the subject, “What is your favorite Mershon family story?”

Another idea was to publicize that Mershon descendants are eligible for membership in many American lineage organizations, including the Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR), Sons of the American Revolution (SAR), Colonial Dames, Sons of the Revolution (SR), Flagon and Trencher (descendants of colonial tavern keepers) and New Jersey Founders.

We discussed moving our 2016 annual meeting date from late July to August 6 to avoid competing with the 2016 Democratic National Convention in Philadelphia during the last week of July.

Harrison Hunt is pursuing the necessary documentation to qualify our Association for IRS 501(c)(3) tax exempt status.

We considered a proposed slate of 2016 Mershon Association officers (see page 4).

The business meeting was tabled to begin our **Morning Program:**

*Lawrence Township Archives* - Laura Nawrocik of the Mercer County Library Staff described how the Mershon Association archives are being incorporated into the Lawrence Township Archives, located in a locked room at the library. The archives are available for research by appointment with Laura Nawrocik at (609) 882-9246. Laura passed out the text for a future display about the historic Princessville Inn on the Princeton Pike. This inn was operated by William Webster Mershon and his daughter Susan (Mershon) Pierson, from 1837 to 1918 (see "Houghton Mershon and His Descendants," pages 19 - 21). Laura distributed a four page Lawrence Historical Society essay titled "Lewisville Road and African American History." Lewisville Road was the home of the earliest African American community in Lawrence Township. The essay mentions "... By the 1840s the founding of a Methodist Church at Princessville, located just across from Lewisville Road on Princeton Pike, by Mershon's tavern, provided another opportunity for worship." This "Mershon's tavern" refers to the Princessville Inn. The church building was moved to Baker's Basin in the 1870s and the Princessville Inn was destroyed by a 1982 fire. Only the former church cemetery remains to mark this location now.

Following box lunches, we commenced our **Afternoon Program:**

*The Common Soldier of the Revolutionary War* – Richard Patterson, Executive Director of the Old Barracks Museum in Trenton, presented an entertaining program showing us examples of Revolutionary War firearms, uniforms and related equipment. In demonstrating how to load and fire a flintlock musket firearm, Richard explained that expressions such as "don't go off half cocked" and "flash in the pan" were terms that related to misfires of muskets.

*You can learn about the Old Barracks Museum and their programs at this link:*  
<http://www.barracks.org>



*Above: Mershon Association Vice President David Beun addressing the annual meeting.*



*Below: Richard Patterson explaining the workings of a Revolutionary War-style musket.*



Following the program, we resumed the **Business Meeting**:

The following **Mershon Association officers** for 2016 were elected –

**President:** Clare Mershon  
**Vice-President:** David Beun  
**Treasurer:** Joan Swearer

**Recording Secretary:** Elaine Tredinnick  
**Board of Trustees:** Dr. Jim Mershon and Noel Barton  
**News Bulletin Editor:** Harrison Hunt

**Executive Board:**

Dr. Jim Mershon  
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Noel Barton

Doris Harris  
Harrison Hunt  
Linda Hunt  
Elaine Tredinnick

Clare Mershon  
David Beun  
Connie Hensley  
Barbara Trott

**Planning Committee:**

Clare Mershon (chairperson)  
Noel Barton  
Jeanne Stotler

Elaine Tredinnick  
Beverly Goldstein  
Sara Jane Mahan

We voted to hold our 2016 Annual Meeting in Lawrenceville on Saturday, August 6<sup>th</sup>.

We thank Christina Chamberlin, Connie Hensley and Doris Harris for donating their craft items to a silent auction at our meeting benefiting our Mershon Association. Doris donated her beautiful hand-painted “Andrew Mershon Tavern” gourd birdhouse to Elmer and Ann Smith on behalf of our Mershon Association in appreciation of their hospitality over the many years of opening their historic Andrew Mershon Tavern home to our family.

We adjourned our formal meeting at about 3:20 PM to travel to the former Andrew Mershon Tavern near Titusville. Elmer and Ann Smith were called away on the day of our tour, but left their key under their door mat to allow us to tour their home. We appreciate their trust!

We gathered at 6:30 PM for a group dinner at the Princetonian Diner on U.S. Route 1 in Lawrenceville. This event concluded our meeting.



*Above Left: Mershon Association Members visiting the Andrew Mershon Tavern.*

*Above Right: Connie Hensley and Doris Harris hosting the book table at the annual meeting.*

# **Mershon Southern Chapter to Meet in Pigeon Forge, TN, on May 20 & 21, 2016**

by Wally Riviere of Keystone Heights, Florida

The 2016 Mershon Southern Chapter Reunion will be held in Pigeon Forge, TN, on Friday & Saturday, May 20 & 21. As usual, Ann Roberts has done an outstanding job planning for our reunion.

The Country Cascades Hotel, 204 Sharon Drive, Pigeon Forge, TN 37863, will again be our headquarters for the event. We last met at Country Cascades in 2014. Rooms will be available from Tuesday May 17<sup>th</sup> till Sunday May 22<sup>nd</sup>, for the same rate as 2014: \$79.00 + tax per night (two queen size beds in each room). The room rate includes breakfast. The breakfast room has moved to the 1<sup>st</sup> floor conference room for more space and they will try to get the "Omelet Lady" to perform for us. They will also provide a meeting room for our use.

Please call **1-800-523-3919** (reservations center), after March 1<sup>st</sup> to secure your own individual reservation. **Be sure to tell them you are with the MERSHON FAMILY REUNION to get our special group rate.** All reservations must be made by April 14<sup>th</sup> in order to receive the group rate.



*Country Cascades Hotel*

Friday evening, we have reservations at 5:00 o'clock seating at the "Hatfield & McCoy's" dinner theater.

The Southern Chapter meeting will start at 9 AM on Saturday morning in the hotel.

Saturday evening we have reservations for 8:00 o'clock for the "Smoky Mountain Opera" show. Both nights together will cost \$55.00 per person. Money will be collected Friday at the hotel by Barbara Trott. Smoky Mountain Resorts will provide show tickets. **Please make reservations for the evening shows with Barbara Trott (see below) by no later than May 13<sup>th</sup>. We must have at least 20 people to get this rate.**

Ann has done a remarkable job to line up these activities for us and outstanding to get our hotel rooms at the 2014 price. Thank you Ann!

Please bring your family pictures with you and we will make a Mershon Family scrapbook during the reunion.

**Please call or email us if you have questions:**

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## Mershon Family News



Congratulations to **Dr. Carol<sup>10</sup> Mershon**, Ph.D. (Yale University), Professor in the Department of Politics at the University of Virginia in Charlottesville. Carol has been elected to the Hugh S. and Winifred B. Cumming Memorial Chair in International Affairs at the University for a three-year term beginning Spring 2016. Carol has authored or co-authored four scholarly books and has received three National Science Foundation awards, among other grants, for her research. Carol is an Andrew<sup>3</sup> Mershon descendant.

**Sean McGuire** was awarded his Doctorate in Mechanical and Aeronautical Engineering from Princeton University on August 7th, 2015, after successfully defending his thesis. Sean was awarded a full scholarship plus stipend to the doctoral program at Princeton University upon graduating in 2010 from Whitworth University in Spokane, WA with a double major in Math and Physics. While at Princeton, Sean was the recipient of the Wu Prize for excellence, awarded to engineering graduate students who have performed at the highest level as scholars, teachers and researchers.

Sean has accepted a postdoctoral position at Ecole Centrale in Paris, France, where he now resides. He is studying the interaction of high speed and high temperature flow on space capsule heat shields. The objective is to develop a more efficient heat shield. Sean is the son of Doug and Elise<sup>10</sup> (Mershon) McGuire of Gresham, Oregon. He is an Andrew<sup>3</sup> Mershon descendant. While living in Princeton, Sean attended Mershon Reunions in Lawrenceville and visited several family history sites.



*If you have news to share with our Mershon family, please contact News Bulletin editor Harrison Hunt by email at [Mershonnews@mhccable.com](mailto:Mershonnews@mhccable.com), by phone at (516) 965-1590, or by mail at 113 North Street, Catskill, NY 12414.*

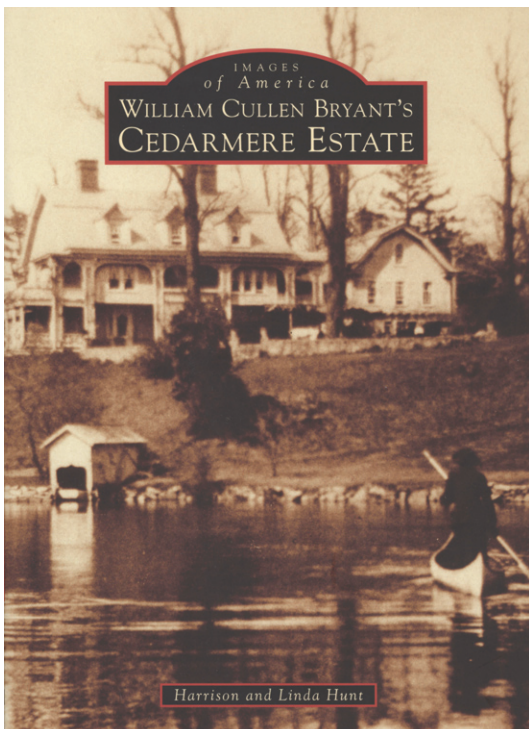


**Hollie E.<sup>11</sup> Mershon** of Malvern, PA, is now playing her third season of professional basketball in Europe. She is playing in Sweden for a Eurocup team, which is international throughout Europe. Hollie played her first two professional basketball seasons for teams in Lithuania and Portugal.

Hollie recently wrote, “...We played [teams] from Russia, Turkey, and Latvia. It's the second time I have visited those countries. Moscow was very interesting. It feels dark and gloomy there but the Red Square is absolutely beautiful. Very nice structured colorful buildings. We went to Ordu, Turkey and we were on the Black Sea. Riga, Latvia was beautiful. Very European looking town as far as the buildings and cobblestone streets. The people in all three countries were very nice as well. I also played against a few WNBA players in this league which is always a good experience competition-wise.

I am in love with Sweden. Nicest people in the world and everyone speaks English. I am living in Umea which is north Sweden so it's freezing and dark, but I am happy. My basketball team is good. We are top in the Swedish league and we are hoping to win the Swedish league championship in April.”

As you may recall from our May 2014 *Mershon News Bulletin*, page 10, Hollie was a standout college basketball player at Drexel University in Philadelphia, graduating in 2013. She is the daughter of John O.<sup>10</sup> and Janie S. Mershon of Malvern and is a Thomas<sup>3</sup> Mershon descendant.



Mershon Family Association Executive Committee members **Harrison and Linda Hunt** of Catskill, NY have authored their first book together. *William Cullen Bryant's Cedarmere Estate* is a pictorial history of the Roslyn, Long Island home of the poet and newspaper editor William Cullen Bryant. Before his retirement, Harrison was the Supervisor of Historic Sites for the Nassau County, NY, Parks Department. The assignment included the Cedarmere museum, where he met (and married) Linda. She was the lead staff member at the museum for several years before that and was an archival assistant in the local history room of the Bryant Library in Roslyn while studying for her M.L.S.

Harrison is a descendant of Andrew<sup>3</sup> Mershon.

# Our 2015 Trip to France

by Karen Basté of Vancouver, Washington

My husband Lou and I flew to Paris on Sept 28th, returning home on Oct 11. While I had been to Paris before, this was Lou's first experience in France. While in France, Lou wanted to see Normandy, which gave us a good reason to visit Caen, the birthplace of our common ancestor, Henry Mershon II (1672-1738).

Our travel agent put us in a downtown area of Paris, very nice. She always books places that provide a delicious, large breakfast buffet. The array of delicious food is excellent, and each hotel has its own specialty. You are able to sightsee all day and don't feel the need to eat at some expensive place for lunch. Most days we had a very light dinner or late lunch.

Something else we discovered was how to deal with the fact that we both know only a few French phrases. Traveling by train, as we did often, was a little confusing at first. As a retired teacher, I began raising and waving my hand calling, "English?" Each time, one or more would say "yes," then come right over and assist us. Everyone we encountered was extremely helpful and pleasant.

We traveled from Paris to Caen by train. A grand discovery for us was the Caen Castle, a ten-century-old fortress. Caen is built around the walled "Le Chateau," as it is called in brochures. The castle was built by William the Conqueror in 1060 and is one of the largest medieval fortified enclosures in Europe. Damaged by bombings following the June 6, 1944 D-Day invasion, it has been restored since. It is certainly well worth a visit. Some of our Le Marchand ancestors surely must have walked here.



*Left: the Chateau de Caen, or castle of Caen.*

*Below: the entrance to the castle.*



*Note: You can view an 8 minute video of the Chateau de Caen (Caen Castle) at the following online link - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GgJfK8H37Ns>*



Another very interesting historical site in Caen was the Abbey Church of Saint Etienne, also known as The Abbaye aux Hommes. Gothic in style, it houses the tomb of William the Conqueror, Duke of Normandy and King of England. This abbey was of particular interest to us because in the large courtyard are two marble plaques with the names of war dead from Caen, including Raymond Le Marchand from WWI and Claude Le Marchand from WWII.

We felt right at home in Caen. The size of the city is great for walking. Transportation is also convenient. From Caen, we took a guided tour in a van to the nearby D-Day landing beaches.

Paris was wonderful, much cleaner than when I was there 25 years ago. Lou and I will soon be married 36 years, and found Paris to still be very romantic.

We must add how very sad we are about the November 13th awful attack on the “City of Light.” Our thoughts and prayers go to the people of Paris.

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## **Pacific Northwest Mershon Picnic in Troutdale, Oregon August 16, 2015**



**Front Row, L to R:** Pat Lucas, Clare & Sharon Mershon, Colleen Mershon, Debaree Leu, Carol (Mershon) Quinn.

**Back Row, L to R:** Kara Tonn holding Caleb Tonn, Lou & Karen Basté, Audrey Tonn being held by Grandma Elise (Mershon) McGuire, Andrea & Michael Mershon, Al Brenaman, Sandra Mershon, Gilbert Torres being held by Catherine Brenaman, Sean Leu, Doug Quinn.

## **Pam Caffrey is our new Mershon Genealogist**



Please welcome Pamela (Mershon) Caffrey of Ramsey, NJ, as our new Mershon Association Genealogist. Pam is a Henry Mershon III descendant. She is a Vice President with The Nielsen Company, a market research firm in Parsippany, NJ.

Pam and her husband, Bill (photo, left), have two sons. Older son Joseph is a Sophomore at Harvard University. Younger son Robert is a sixth grader in middle school. Pam's oldest son Nicholas, from her first marriage, served in the Marine Corps.

Related to genealogy, Pam has set up a Mershon Association Genealogy Group on Facebook for descendants to make genealogy inquiries and share information.

For communicating directly with Pam, here is her contact information:

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## **Mershon Archive Materials Available on the Internet**

The Mershon genealogy books authored by longtime Mershon Association Genealogist Grace Lucile Olmstead Mershon between 1946 and 1957 are now available for viewing online from your home computer at the FamilySearch.org website. There are 28 Mershon surname related files indexed in the FamilySearch.org catalog at this link - <https://familysearch.org/search/catalog/results?count=20&query=%2Bsurname%3AMershon>

The Mershon genealogy books are indexed in the FamilySearch.org catalog as "Mershon Family Sketches." Placing our Mershon genealogy books online is part of the project approved in 2010 by our Mershon Executive Board to digitize our Mershon archives. Executive Board Member Noel Barton has been working part-time since 2010 to make this happen.

Other Mershon archive materials available online at FamilySearch.org are Early Descendant Charts, Individual Genealogic Records collected between 1926 and 1970, Documents from the Mershon Archives, News Bulletins and Annual Meeting Minutes (1923 to 2006).

Our Mershon Executive Committee gave permission to place these materials online in the belief that part of our mission is make our family history easily available to Mershon descendants. However, the Mershon genealogy books are still available in printed form (see page 13).



## IN MEMORIAM

*There are 58,272 names engraved on the black granite walls of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial in Washington D.C., among them those of Steven Victor Mershon and Daniel Lee Mershon. We commemorated Steven in our June 2015 issue. We commemorate Daniel here.*



Daniel Lee<sup>9</sup> “Danny” Mershon was born on Oct. 2, 1950, the third of four children born to Duane S.<sup>8</sup> and Carol M. Mershon of Denver, CO. Duane was a Coast Guard veteran of World War II.

Danny enlisted in the Marine Corps soon after graduating from high school in 1968. Following training as an antitank assaultman, he arrived in Vietnam on May 20, 1969. Danny was assigned to the 2nd Combined Action Group, III Marine Amphibious Force. The Combined Action Program was a Marine Corps counter-insurgency strategy during the Vietnam War. Marine 13-man rifle squads, augmented by a Navy Hospital Corpsman, were based near rural Vietnamese villages to partner with the local Vietnamese Popular Forces militia, forming a village defense platoon.

Danny, age 18, was killed instantly on Aug. 4, 1969 in a hostile grenade explosion near Thanh Taxy village, Quang Nam Province, Vietnam.

Danny is interred in the Fort Logan National Cemetery, Denver, CO. His father Duane, who died on May 1, 1993, and his mother Carol, who died on March 12, 2010, are also interred at Fort Logan. Danny is survived by his older sister Coleen Johnston of Denver; older brother Michael Mershon of Colorado Springs; and younger sister Kelly Mershon of Westminster, CO, who supplied this information.

Danny was an Andrew<sup>3</sup> Mershon descendant.





# Former Andrew Mershon Tavern is Again For Sale



The former Andrew Mershon Tavern, home to Elmer and Ann Smith for the past 40 years, is again for sale. The 2015 sale contract with a Chinese buyer fell through after the recent devaluation of the Chinese currency. Read our previous story about the sale in our June 2015 *Mershon News Bulletin*, page 8, at this link - [http://www.mershonassoc.com/mershonassoc/LinkClick.aspx?fileticket=g7\\_YVLYTHBo%3d&tabid=68&mid=403](http://www.mershonassoc.com/mershonassoc/LinkClick.aspx?fileticket=g7_YVLYTHBo%3d&tabid=68&mid=403)

It would be wonderful for a Mershon descendant to own this beautiful and historic property. Here is a link to the real estate listing with photographs - <http://www.homes.com/property/1258-bear-tavern-rd-titusville-nj-08560/id-400030399501/>

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1. **Contributions Needed.** We are a non-profit association without dues. We appreciate your donations to help pay the costs of our twice-yearly *Mershon News Bulletin*, preserving our family records, annual meetings and for program presenters. Please make checks to the "Mershon Association" and mail to our Treasurer: Joan Swearer, 60 Maple Avenue, Rahway, NJ 07065. Thank you!
2. **Please send your mail and email address changes to Gayle Murphy, 464 Firetown Road, Simsbury, CT 06070 or email to Gayle at [gammurphy@comcast.net](mailto:gammurphy@comcast.net).** There are currently 1,022 mail and email addresses on our mailing list. We need your help to avoid losing contact with you when your address changes!
3. **If you can receive our *Mershon News Bulletin* by email, please send your email address to Gayle Murphy at [gammurphy@comcast.net](mailto:gammurphy@comcast.net).** The advantages are you will receive our bulletin with color photographs and our Association saves the cost of printing and postage. Our June 2015 bulletin cost \$610.45 to print and mail 395 copies at a cost of \$1.55 each.
4. For a summary of **Mershon Family Books and DVDs** available from the Association please visit [www.mershonassoc.com](http://www.mershonassoc.com)
5. Visit our **Mershon Association website:** [www.mershonassoc.com](http://www.mershonassoc.com).
6. **Other interesting websites:** [www.genforum.genealogy.com/mershon](http://www.genforum.genealogy.com/mershon) is a Mershon family genealogy forum. [www.thelhs.org](http://www.thelhs.org) is the Lawrence (Township) Historical Society of New Jersey. [www.nj.gov/state/archives/](http://www.nj.gov/state/archives/) is the New Jersey State Archives.

## Thank You! Thank You!

Our Mershon Association is a non-profit corporation without dues. Your generous donations pay the costs of printing and mailing our twice-yearly *Mershon News Bulletin*, hosting our annual meetings, honorariums for programs by outside presenters, preserving our family records, answering inquiries and maintaining our [mershonassoc.com](http://mershonassoc.com) website.

Listed below with our appreciation are our identified contributors during 2015. However, unidentified cash contributions made while “passing the hat” our 2015 annual meeting are not included in this list. If other contributions were not recorded, we apologize and ask you to notify Treasurer Joan Swearer at 60 Maple Ave., Rahway, NJ 07065, or by email at [jtswearer@gmail.com](mailto:jtswearer@gmail.com).

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**Your donations are our principal source of income. Thank you!**

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## Mershon Family Store

The following Mershon genealogy books are available from Mershon Treasurer Joan Swearer, 60 Maple Avenue, Rahway, NJ 07065. Contact Joan by email at [jtswearer@gmail.com](mailto:jtswearer@gmail.com)

Mershon Genealogy Books by Grace Lucile Olmstead Mershon

1. *My Folks*, 1946, 60 pages, \$9.00
2. *Houghton Mershon and His Descendants*, 1949, 24 pages, \$9.00
3. *Peter Mershon and His Descendants*, 1952, 60 pages, \$9.00
4. *Henry Mershon III and His Descendants*, 1953, 49 pages, \$9.00
5. *Andrew Mershon and His Descendants*, 1955, 117 pages, \$9.00
6. *Thomas Mershon and His Descendants and Daughters of Henry II*, 1957, 66 pages, \$9.00
7. *Mershon Patriots*, Rev. 2009 by William & Barbara Trott, 20 pages, \$5.00

The above genealogy books describe the first six Mershon generations in America. Each of the above books may be purchased separately for the postpaid price shown above or \$45.00 postpaid for the set of seven. In addition, a 5" x 6.5" copy of the Mershon family coat of arms is included free with each set purchased. These books can be viewed online at [FamilySearch.org](http://FamilySearch.org) (see page 10).

*A complete list of Mershon Association merchandise will be in our June 2016 Mershon News Bulletin and can also be found at [www.mershonassoc.com](http://www.mershonassoc.com).*



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## **Upcoming Mershon Family Events**

May 20 & 21, 2016 (Friday & Saturday) – **Mershon Southern Chapter Reunion** in Pigeon Forge, TN. See meeting announcement on page 5.

August 6, 2016 (Saturday) – **Mershon Association Annual Meeting and Reunion** begins at 10 am in the Community Meeting Room of the Lawrence Headquarters Branch, Mercer County Library, 2751 Brunswick Pike (US 1-Business), Lawrenceville, NJ 08648. Program details and lodging information will be published in our June 2016 *Mershon News Bulletin*.

August 21, 2016 (Sunday) – **Pacific Northwest Mershon Potluck Picnic**, 12 noon to 4 pm at the Glen Otto Community Park, 1106 E. Historic Columbia River Highway, Troutdale, OR 97060. For more details, contact Clare Mershon at [ecmershon@aol.com](mailto:ecmershon@aol.com) or by phone at (503) 252-7139.

## **Mershon Family Store**

**Mershon Polo Shirt** – These grey color shirts have a red family crest. See the shirts in the group photograph on page 1. Available for \$16.00 each at our Annual Meeting on August 6, 2016, or by mail for \$19.50 each postpaid from David Beun, 226 Meadow Drive, Mt. Laurel, NJ 08054. Contact David by email at [1776nj@gmail.com](mailto:1776nj@gmail.com), or by telephone at (609) 417-3323.



**Mershon Family Cookbook, 2104, 180 pages** – This 6" x 9" book is coil-bound with over 150 delectable family recipes, family pictures and interesting anecdotes. There is an index for easy reference. Ten copies remain for sale. We do not anticipate a reprinting. The price is \$25.00 postpaid from Doris Harris, P.O. Box 793, Camden, TN 38320. Contact Doris by email at [drharr@att.net](mailto:drharr@att.net), or by telephone at (731) 584-9967.