

**Clarification of Information Found in the McKenzie-Boggs file at Delaware County Historical Association at Delhi, NY June 19, 2009 by Edward Craig & Jane Sullivan**

Found in McKenzie-Boggs file at Delaware County Historical Association at Delhi, NY May 2008 a single sheet of paper, very old, which could have been in a bible originally, but now is loose in the file. It is done in excellent handwriting, and there is nothing on the backside of the paper. A transcription of the loose single sheet of paper is as follows:

New York

William Boggs son of James and Magdalen Boggs was born in August the seventeenth 1767.

Eve Boggs daughter of James and Magdalen Boggs was born January 19th, 1769 [in another handwriting] is added "wife of Wm. Hill".

Magdalen Boggs daughter of James and Magdalen Boggs was born July 6 [faded, looks like 5], 1772 [in another handwriting] is added "wife of Jas. Allen".

James Boggs son of James and Magdalen Boggs was born Nov. 18, 1774 [no mention of Jane or Robert] We do not know the identity of the person who added the incorrect marriage notations. We can only speculate that it was either an older person who had this confused or it was someone of a later generation who had the wrong information.

The marriage information for Eve Catherine and Magdalen, given by the added handwriting above seems to have been picked up and used by Ardith Gunderman Boggs in an article entitled "The Journey of the James Boggs Descendants" in "Our Bridge to Yesterday, Recollections of South Kortright" page 58, published 1996.

As the following baptismal records show, Eve Catherine, and Magdalen are children of James Boggs and Magdalen Lasher, of New York City.

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Eve Catherine, born Jan. 19, 1768

Christening Feb. 12, 1768

Parents James Boggs and Magdalen Lasher

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Magdalen, born July 6, 1772

Christened Aug. 2, 1772

Parents James Boggs and Magdalen Lasher

The notations made on the paper in the file about these marriages can be corrected based on the following marriage and burial information.

ancestry.com New York City Marriages 1600s-1800s

Name: Magdalen B???

Spouse Name: William Hill

Marriage Date: 1798

Marriage Place: Good Will [Presbyterian Church, Montgomery], Orange Co. NY

Marriage ID: 2220278253

Source: Early Settlers of NY State, Their Ancestors and Descendants, Extracts from Vol. 3, No. 1 (July 1936)

Publisher: Thomas Foley Publication Place: Akron, NY

[Her brother James gets married in 1802 in Good Will]

“Burials in the Town of Stamford 1767-1990” pg 158 & 159

Old Grant Cemetery [now called Truesdale Cemetery] Town Brook Rd Hobart, NY

William R. Grant b. 12/01/1797 d. 10/05/1884 [can't read the 4]

Mary [L.] Hill wife of Wm. R. Grant b. 12/01/1798 d. 10/09/1884 [on side is "Father & Mother]

Marjory Grant dau of Wm/Mary d. 2/22/1852 age 29 yrs

Peter A. Grant b. 7/18/1796 d. 1/08/1891

Jane R. Hill 3rd wife of Peter A. Grant d. 10/26/1883 age 77 yrs

William R. Hill d. 5/08/1832 age 61 yrs

Madaline [stone says Magdalen] Hill wife of Wm R. Hill 12/21/1860 age 88 yrs 5 mos 16 dys

Rhoda Hill daughter of William & Magdalen Hill d. 10/26/1861 age 59 yrs

[On 5/29/2007 Ed Craig photographed these gravestones. The William Hill stone is very weathered and not much is readable except the name and 1832, 10 mo and 2 days.]

Clearly, Magdalen Boggs married William Hill, not Jas. [James] Allen.

The proof of the identity of Eve Boggs as the wife of Henry Allen is as follows.

[http://homepages.rootsweb.com/~rbillard/na\\_marriages\\_1639-1801.htm](http://homepages.rootsweb.com/~rbillard/na_marriages_1639-1801.htm)

New York Marriages, New Amsterdam DRC Marriages 1639-1801

Records of the Reformed Dutch Church in New Amsterdam and New York Samuel S. Purple 1792, 22 Jun: Henry Allen; Eve Boggs

Commercial Advertiser, New York City (Mortuary Notice) Aug. 11, 1817

Died: Yesterday morning, after a lingering illness, in the 49th year of her age, Mrs. Eve Allen, consort of the late Henry Allen. Funeral this afternoon at 5 o'clock, from No. 24 Maiden Lane.

[The 1816 NYC Directory lists Henry Allen at 24 Maiden Lane. SHE WAS NOT A WIDOW. HUSBAND HENRY DIED JUNE 7, 1850. WE BELIEVE THEY MIXED UP THIS HENRY ALLEN WITH HIS UNCLE HENRY ALLEN WHO DIED IN 1814.]

Clearly, Eve Catherine Boggs married Henry Allen, not William Hill.

Further research verified these marriages. In the McKenzie-Boggs file at Delaware County Historical Assoc. there is correspondence between Thomas Richardson Boggs and Archibald B. Canfield dated January 3, 1923. In this correspondence Mr. Boggs states that Eve Boggs was a child of James Boggs, and that she married Henry Allen. It is interesting to note that James Boggs and Elizabeth Dales have a son named Henry Allen Boggs. In our research we have noticed that the naming pattern of the early Boggs family includes naming children after the spouses of their siblings. For example, they also name a child William Hill Boggs.

The following baptismal records confirm that Magdalen's maiden name was Boggs. They have a child named James Boggs Hill, named for her father or brother.

Early Settlers of NY State, Their Ancestors and Descendants, Extracts from Vol. 3 No. 5  
November 1936 page 69 [Fenimore Library]

Baptisms at Good Will Presbyterian Church, Orange Co. NY  
June 5, 1800 William and Magdalen Hill - James Boggs [child]  
(NOTE: This child is named for Magdalen's father or brother.)

from dcnhistory.org

Baptismal Records

Gilchrist Memorial Presbyterian Church

Town of Kortright, Delaware Co.,

	Bapt Date	Dob	father	mother
Hill, John C.	Aug 18 1810	Jul 22	Hill, John	Boggs, Magdalen

(Father should be William Hill. This may be a transcription error.)

Baptisms for some of the children of Henry Allen and Eve Boggs are found in the records of the Old First Presbyterian Church in New York City. These records name her as Eve Boggs, wife of Henry Allen. Unfortunately, after extensive searches, we have been unable to locate a burial for Henry or Eve.

Old First Presbyterian Church Baptisms 1788-1809 [LDS film# 0017783 original records]

June 11, 1793 James, son of Henry Allen & Eve Boggs his wife, born April 23, 1793  
June 19, 1795 Rachel Hendricks, daughter of Henry Allen & Eve Boggs his wife, b. May 7, 1795  
March 23, 1797 Magdalen, daughter of Henry Allen & Eve Boggs his wife, born Feb. 24, 1797  
June 6, 1799 Jane, daughter of Henry Allen & Eve Boggs his wife, born April 25, 1799  
John Devine Allen, son of Henry Allen & Eve Boggs born Apr. 2, 1811, bapt. May 12, 1811.

NYS Hist Soc. Quarterly Bulliten Vol 2 No. 2 pg 61 July 1918 at Fenimore Library

Baptisms First Presbyterian Church NYC 1804-1809 [only one for Allens]

Sept. 1, 1805 Eve Catharine Lasher, Daughter of Henry Allen & Eve Boggs, his wife, born May 23, 1805

In conclusion, based upon the evidence found in various records, we are confident that we have proven the identity of the spouse of Magdalen Boggs to be William Hill and the spouse of Eve Catherine Boggs to be Henry Allen.

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