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SWACKHAMER DUFFORD BULLETIN

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The descendents of Samuel Schwackhamer (Swackhamer) who, in 1730 settled in the New Jersey, in the Long Valley - and of Philip DuFord (Dufford) who settled there in 1738.

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MESSAGE FROM OUR PRESIDENT

To the members and friends of the Dufford-Swackhamer families:

It's the time for another family Bulletin and the first item of news is that our Editor since 1957 has felt it necessary to resign. Eliza Harriman has been the person around which this organization has pivoted the last years. All of us are in debt to her. She will be Historian of the group and see that all important items are filed with proper sources and places for future reference. If you have information send it to her, that is information that should be kept for future generations to read. Mrs. Harriman is the daughter of the late George Dufford who organized these families into this Association. He was a distinguished and accomplished man of the Long Valley section and Eliza has carried his name and work with distinction. The Harrimans will spend the winter in Florida. In the summer they are in Westport, Conn. near their son. It is a joy to have them near and to have an occasional visit.

We are fortunate in having Miss Eleanor Romaine of Chatham, N.J. to take the post of Editor of the Bulletin. Miss Romaine traces her family directly to Samuel Swackhamer of 1730, the first settler in Long Valley. She is on the staff of Drew University in Madison, N.J. She has a keen interest in genealogy, local history and her Family.

Perhaps for all of us we should review why this Bulletin and the Family Association is maintained. The Dufford-Swackhamer families were early in the history of New Jersey and this country. Their descendents have gone to every State in the Union.

The purpose is to:

- 1. Gather genealogical information of your family lines and get it on the record in the historical archives.
- 2. In helping those interested in tracing their lines.
- 3. To gather news, information, and history of the families.
- 4. To gather the news so that though separated by miles we still have a sense of family.

You can help by:

- 1. By sending your family record and history. If you have not done so please do it now. If you have additional information since your last report, send it. Please.
- 2. If you have relatives and interested friends who do not receive this Bulletin send in their names and addresses.
- 3. As this is a very simple and non-profit operation the costs are very low. We need one dollar from you to sustain the Bulletin and maintain the family plot in the cemetery where the original Swackhamer is buried with his wives.

We very well understand that some people are just plain not interested in such activities, and don't want to be bothered. Some think it is a good idea but have never been interested enough to do anything about it.

But someday some one in your family may be interested and wish that you had done something about it. And then there are those of us who are interested

and would be delighted and helped if you would do something about it.

These two families are important in the life of these United States. We represent the great pioneer group of people who paid a heavy price to make a new start in this country and in turn have made their contribution as citizens and good community people. We are fortunate in having gathered much genealogical information.

A large amount of American History could be interpreted through the work, movement and record of these people. Our life in the States is changing very rapidly, the older generations are gone, and we need to do this record gathering now. All that we ask is a response of interest, information and help in making the records complete.

Also we would like the news of the moves, honors, deaths and births of the Families.

The Annual Reunion was held at the Lutheran Church in Long Valley the fourth Saturday in July as it is each year. We had a fine time, and Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Moren were there to help make us comfortable and well fed. It is good to go to Long Valley; there is a lingering feeling of the days that are gone as New York creeps into Morris County.

Send your items for the Bulletin to Miss Eleanor Romaine, 18 Hedges Avenue, Chatham, N.J. Send your money to Mr. Wesley Moren, 2268 Redwood Road, Scotch Plains, N.J., and any information that should be stored in the family archives

to Mrs. C. L. Harriman, 18 Hillandale Road, Westport, Conn.

This year we have added a number of new names to our mailing list. Miss Romaine got the names from the telephone directories particularly in New Jersey and Ohio, so if you receive this for the first time you will know how we got your name, and if you are further interested we would be delighted to hear from you.

Thomas Cecil Swackhamer

BULLETINS RETURNED - Can you supply a new mailing address?

Mrs. Emma D. Ennefer, 1004 W. Stevens Street, Carlsbad, New Mexico Mrs. J. L. Brasher c/o Rutherford Methodist Church, Rutherford, N.J.

Mrs. William Terry, 404 Washington Avenue, Dunellen, N.J.

Mrs. John R. Dufford, Jr., Carolyn Gardens, Roselle, N.J.

Mrs. Don Korbe, 127 Stone Drive, Parsons, Kansas

EXTRA COPIES OF THE 1964 SUMMER ISSUE OF THE BULLETIN may be obtained by writing Mr. W. J. Moren, 2268 Redwood Road, Scotch Plains, N.J.

CHANGE OF ADDRESSES

Miss Inez D. Powelson, The Barclay, West Chester, Pa. Mr. and Mrs. Everette Swackhamer, 155 Franklin Avenue, Maplewood, N.J.

A GOLDEN WEDDING Congratulations and Best Wishes

November 18, 1964 The Raymond Roberts of 17 Spruce Street, Dover, N.J. celebrated their 50th Wedding Anniversary. Mrs. Roberts is the former Lillie Dufford. Mrs. Roberts has promised to send us a list of their children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Miss Shirley Ann Dufford, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred L. Dufford of 127 Mill Street, Newton, N.j. was married on June 13, 1964 to Allen F. Phillips, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Bell also of Newton, N.J. Richard Dufford, brother of the bride was one of the ushers. Mrs. Jackie Dufford was matron of honor for her sister-in-law.

A BELATED BIRTHDAY GREETING

Mrs. W. H. Reger of Whitehouse Station, N.J. has just passed her 90th Birthday.

IN THE ARMED FORCES May you serve proudly

Jerry W. Dufford of Sparta, N.J. is Seaman Apprentice U.S.N. and has just completed his basic training at The Great Lakes Recruit Training Center. He has now reported for duty aboard The U.S.S. Iwojima. Jerry is the son of the former Irene Ogden and the late Joseph M. Dufford of Sparta.

NEW PARENTS How nice you got together

Mr. and Mrs. John D. Logan of Watchung, N.J. announce the adoption of Timothy John Logan October 2, 1964.

FIVE GENERATIONS GATHER

A picture clipped from "The Tucson Daily Citizen" shows Mrs. Arthur Wall smiling proudly at her tiny great-great-granddaughter, Katherine Rene, nestled in the arms of her mother, Mrs. Terry Ellenberger. Mrs. Ellenberger and her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Leon Swackhamer, Jr. came from San Diego, California to visit with the Walls and Mr. and Mrs. Leon Swackhamer, Sr. The Walls went to Tuscon, Arizona in 1944 and established permanent residence there in 1947.

NEW MEMBER

Miss Inez D. Powelson attended the reunion for the first time. She is the granddaughter of Eliza Swackhamer Powelson (line: Samuel - Conrad, Sr. - Conrad, Jr. - Rulif - Eliza) After retiring from the Faculty of Berkeley High School, Berkeley, California Miss Powelson returned to her native State of New Jersey, settling for a time in East Orange. She has recently moved to The Barclay, West Chester, Pa. (A Retirement Home for Women). Miss Powelson is looking forward to receiving "The Bulletin" and plans to attend the reunion next year.

MISSED AT THE REUNION

Mrs. Howard Lewis of Passaic, N.J. regretted she was unable to attend this year. Son David left for camp that day.

IN MEMORIAN Our sincere sympathy is extended to the families of:

Mrs. Arthur Swackhamer (nee Ina Grace Denny) who passed away March 31, 1964. She was the loving wife of Arthur and mother of Harold, Leslie, Christopher, Ross and Isabel van Goozen.

This couple made their home at RR 2, Acton, Ontario, Canada. Mr. Swackhamer has been a regular reporter to the Bulletin on the Canadian Branch of the family. They, along with their son and daughter-in-law attended the reunion several years ago.

Mrs. Ella M. Dorn's services were held on July 18, 1964 at The Methodist Home in Chicago, Ill. as she had planned and arranged. She had been a resident of the Home. She was a member of the Dufford family and was a contributor of valuable and interesting items incorporated in The Bulletin.

Mrs. Leon Swackhamer of Tucson, Arizona wrote of the death of her sister-in-law, Mrs. Gladys Swackhamer Potter, on March 3, 1964. Mrs. Potter was the oldest sister of Leon Swackhamer, Past-President of The Society.

Mrs. May Pelts' death has been reported without details

ILLNESSES REPORTED May you enjoy better health soon

Mrs. Robert W. Davis of Plainfield, N.J. is back home from the hospital after five weeks, recovering from a broken hip. She is still under care of nurses but gaining slowly.

Mr. Harriman twisted his ankle but they hope to get off for Florida soon after Thanksgiving. The address there is 309 Fourth Street, South, St. Petersburg, Florida. Need I say more? Eliza will miss not hearing from all of you.

Walter Suydam of Hopewell, N.J. underwent a serious operation early this summer. Later reports indicated he was doing well.

Mabel Swackhamer Lake of Lake Monroe, Florida (formerly of Easton, Pa.) reports triple-trouble. In January her husband underwent surgery and in March suffered a heart attack. In April she had an operation. Our thoughts are with you and hope you are both doing well now.

Mrs. Norman Dufford, 9 Wychwood Road, Livingston, N.J. was another to undergo surgery early this year. Hope all is corrected now and you are enjoying sunny days.

Mrs. L. R. Logan writes that her daughter, Gail (Mrs. Anthony P. Keefer) of Ft. Smith, Arkansas is home from the hospital following an operation made necessary from the loss of her baby.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilson and the children are back from Germany. They are not settled yet, for Richard's father died very suddenly and they have been staying at his home.

Jack Hargreaves is recovering from a broken collar bone and other injuries when he met with an accident with his motorcycle.

Mrs. Wilson is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Hargreaves of West Caldwell, New Jersey.

TRAVELERS

In September, Miss Gladys Swackhamer of Santa Barbara, California enjoyed a Mediterranean Cruise aboard the "S. S. Stella Polaris". Her card was mailed Sept. 16 after she had visited Crete, Delso and Malta. She wrote "These islands, like specks on a map, have a wonderful history.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Pierson visited the West Coast and later planned a trip to historic, Cooperstown, N.Y. with Mr. Pierson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Pierson (all from Morristown, N.J. and Duffords).

Mrs. R. B. Rittenhouse (Marjorie Dufford) of Clifton, N.J. toured Europe this summer. Like to hear more about it. Hope you had a wonderful time.

Dr. and Mrs. T. Cecil Swackhamer vacationed at Chautauqua, N.Y. and Ocean Grove, N.J.

Martha E. Sammond writes that she married a globe trotter. During the past thirteen years they have been to Europe twice. They visit both Jamaica and Puerto Rico twice. In November 1963 they were on a three week Mediterranean Cruise aboard "The Constitution". Plans for 1965 include a month's trip to Japan and the Orient.

Mrs. Robert W. Shoemaker, Sr. of Anderson, Indiana wrote they were leaving for an extended trip to the Orient on November 5th. Mr. Shoemaker is from the John Tufford and Ann Trimmer line.

Elsie (Mrs. R. W.) Cochran of Orlando, Florida (A Dufford) wrote in June that they had flown up to Charlotte, N.C. and stayed a few days with Richard and family. They then flew on to Philadelphia where they stayed a week with daughter, Marion and family. While there, Bob flew up so all four of their children were together. In July the R. W. Cochrans stayed at Jean's home in York, Pa. while Jean, Henry and the two younger children sailed on a Norweigian Line (which took nine days to make the crossing). They visited Norway, Switzerland, Rome, Paris, Denmark, London and Ireland returning home August 15th. Bryan attends Drexel Institute in Philadelphia so was unable to go along.

The Cochrans boast thirteen grandchildren (in July) and another may have arrived by now. The oldest is twenty. They are pleased that the Cochran name will be carried on -- justly so.

AN INTERESTING POSITION

Mrs. L. R. Logan tells us her daughter, Mrs. P. P. Jones (Jinny) of Chevy Chase, Md. is working as a statistical analyst with the American Psychiatric Assn. in Washington, D.C.

GENEALOGICAL INQUIRIES

SWACKHAMER-PARK Parents of Eve (Eva) Swackhamer, B. May 25, 1791 in New Jersey. D, Oct. 13, 1856 Bureau County, Ill. Married Robert Park (Parke, Parks) by about 1789 in New Jersey D. 1835 in Independence Twp. Warren County, N.J. Reward \$5.00 proof of parents of either one or both or \$10.00 for proof of parents of both. Address: Mabel M. Kaser, 523 Spruce Street, Aurora, Illinois

DUFFORD (Tufford), GARDNER Parents of William B. 1798 Morris County, N.J. Had Josiah. Both moved to Tuscarawas County, Ohio 1812. John and Jacob Tufford with families moved at the same time from Morris County, N.J. to Tuscarawas County, Ohio. Address: Mrs. Robert W. Shoemaker, Sr., 929 Winding Way, Edgewood, Anderson, Indiana.

GENEALOGY

Mr. Karl von Frank, Niederoesterreich, Austria, was contacted in regard to doing European Research on the Swackhamer family. Mr. von Frank said that his indexes point to the area between Braunschweig and Wolfsburg as the original district the family name SCHWACHHEIMER is found. All available information on Samuel and his children was forwarded. Mr. von Frank has asked that we try to send proof on Port of Entry and date. This has not been established conclusively. If anyone has any information other than the account in Dr. Chamber's Early Germans regarding the progenitor and children (first generation) please forward immediately to your Editor so that we may proceed.

In answer to an inquiry Mrs. Chester R. Swackhamer of Globe, Arizona tells us that she has worked the Swackhamer family as a whole and has accumulated a large amount of valuable information. From her letter one knows she is an accomplished and competent genealogist. She plans that her valuable work will eventually be deposited with The New Jersey Historical Society in Newark, N.J. to insure proper care and easy reference for those researching their lines. Many will be most appreciative and grateful for her untiring efforts. Mrs. Swackhamer urges that others forward their records to the same Library.

In her letter Mrs. Swackhamer recalled the pleasant visits she had with members of the family while visiting in New Jersey in 1949.

She recently had a bad fall and suffered painful injuries. We wish her a speedy recovery, so that she may continue to enjoy her very active life.

Mrs. Robert W. Shoemaker, Sr. of Anderson, Indiana has been working on her husband's family (Tufford) and promises to forward some interesting material when she returns from her trip. Mrs. Shoemaker is a member of a number of the Heritary, Genealogical and Historical Societies. She also is an accomplished genealogist.

For the record, Joe C. Dufford of Finlay, Ohio wrote his son, Terry is the father of two sons, Joseph Paul Dufford B. May 2, 1961 and Eric James Dufford, B. January 7, 1963. Joe Dufford's father is Norman W. Dufford (79 in 1963). This gives us a run down on four generations. SEE HOW EASY IT IS.

In checking the N. Y. City Telephone Directory Mr. Dufford was interested to find a listing of a Mrs. Norman W. Dufford. His mother has the same name.

GENERAL INTEREST

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1664-1964 PEOPLE PURPOSE PROGRESS

New Jersey closes a year of celebration of its 300 Year Anniversary. The New Jersey State's Tercentenary Commissions should be highly commended for a "job well done". Industry, Civic and Patriotic Groups combined their efforts to make the year the success it was. Individual citizens contributed funds and devoted many hours to the various projects undertaken. This resulted in the collection of valuable data, a goodly part of which has been published. Public interest was awakened ——let us now pledge to continue to build upon this foundation. Descendants of Samuel Swackhamer and Philip DuFord (Dufford) take pride in knowing that your families contributed to the growth of this fine State.

1714-1964

On August 2, 1964, The Zion Lutheran Church, Oldwick, N.J. celebrated the 250th anniversary of the founding of its congregation, oldest Lutheran congregation in the state. The first act of service of the first German Lutheran Pastor in New Jersey was on August 1, 1714 at the house of Ari De Guina (Harry from Guinea, a Christian Negro) on the Raritans.

This church was formerly known as New Germantown Lutheran Church and the names of Swackhamer and Dufford can be found in its earliest records.

The Rev. Henry Charlton Beck in his "Jerseyana" published in the Sunday Star-Ledger (Newark, N.J.) October 21, 1962 wrote that the old "Swake" or "Swack" Church was named for a German Lutheran pastor named Swackhamer. We have had some inquiry about this. Can anyone enlighten us? Is there a connection between the two family names of Swackhamer and Swack? Can you identify the Lutheran pastor named Swackhamer and tell us where he fits in the line. Let your Editor hear from you on this.

MERRY CHRISTMAS In 1965HAPPY NEW YEAR

Resolve to send copies of your lines, Bible records, Old Deeds, etc. Too often these valuable records are lost when passed down to uninterested persons.

Resolve to copy names and addresses listed in any telephone book to which you have access and send them to Dr. Swackhamer. Don't forget - look for Tufford - DuFour - Duford - Dufford - Swackhamer - Schwackhamer, etc.

RESOLVE TO ATTEND THE REUNION THIS YEAR.