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for

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

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KEY TO ABBREVIATIONS USED TO DESIGNATE FAMILY CONNECTION

(D) Dufford (S) Swackhamer (B) Dufford and Swackhamer (F) Friend  
These symbols will not be used where the connection is obvious or if there is uncertainty of connection.-Ed.

ANNUAL REUNION

DATE Saturday, July 29, 1972 - 12 Noon

PLACE Zion Lutheran Church, Long Valley, N. J.

PACK A LUNCH AND JOIN IN THE GENERATION GAP

MESSAGE FROM OUR PRESIDENT

BY MAN'S MEASURE OF TIME WE ARE STARTING ANOTHER YEAR. TO EACH OF US WHO PASS THROUGH THIS PASSAGE OF TIME, THERE WILL BE NEW EXPERIENCES, PAST EXPERIENCES REPEATED, AND TIME WILL CONTINUE TO PASS OUR DOORSTEPS. LIVE EACH DAY AND MAKE IT WORTH LIVING.

STANLEY C. DUFFORD, President

CHANGES OF ADDRESS

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(Bulletin was formerly sent to him c/o Ohio State University Dental Dept.)

BULLETINS RETURNED

Mrs. W. J. Appleman & Family, 1717 Butler St., Easton, Pa.  
Mr. & Mrs. Dennis N. Baldwin, 1807 Water St., Fort Townsend, Wash.  
Mrs. F. E. Barnes, Jr., 232 E. Genesee St., Auburn, N.Y.  
Mrs. Norman W. Dufford, 100 W. 97th St., New York, N.Y.  
Mr. Ray Hartley, 5 Ogden St., Binghamton, N.Y.  
Mr. & Mrs. Frank D. Henry, 807 Cobb Blvd., Kankakee, Ill.  
Mr. & Mrs. Richard S. Johnson, 949 W. 8th St., Plainfield, N.J.  
Mrs. Kathleen Larson, Rte. 46, Dover, N.J. 07801  
Mr. & Mrs. L. D. Watters, 29 Center Ave., Morristown, N.J.  
The Rev. Charles L. Ziegler, Jr., c/o Lutheran Church, Long Valley, N.J.  
Capt. Courtney Prisk, c/o 4434 Olympus Dr., Bremerton, Wash.

Mrs. William D. Kelly (S) Letter of January 17, 1972 - Savannah, Ga.

"As of July 1st, the Elmira (N.Y.) Kellys moved to Savannah, Georgia, seeking a milder climate. It is all that we expected, and then, more, because of the friendly people and charming city steeped in tradition.

Bill is pathologist and director of the laboratory for St. Joseph's hospital, a new complex of 300 beds which is soon to add another 150 beds.

Kathleen, 19, is enrolled at Purdue University this year and particularly likes the mid-west. We can't make a southern belle of her yet! - Although she does delight in the change and warmer temperatures over vacation periods.

The four boys, Stephan, 15; Kevin, 13; Mark, 11; David, 7; do keep us busy and make for a very active family. Their personalities and interests are so very different that we cannot be accused of a "hum-drum" household.

As always, the recent "Bulletin" is informative and of great interest to us. The Swackhamer-Dufford nucleus must be congratulated for their consistent efforts in bringing this fine publication to our attention twice yearly.

Sincerely, LaQuita J. Kelly"

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Letter from Mr. and Mrs. Joe Dufford of Findlay, Ohio, dated Feb. 4, 1972

"Received the issue of the Swackhamer-Dufford Bulletin. We look forward to receiving it - a great job well done.

We are sorry to hear of the death of Payson Dufford. It was through him that we heard of the Genealogical Society. Our son, Terry, attended Wittenburg University in yr. 1958 and on Alumni record was the name of Payson Dufford -which we wrote to and received a most interesting letter relating to your Society. Through correspondence we became friends and we regret we never had the chance to meet him. We have wanted to attend the reunion which is held the last of July but so far failed to find the right time for us to attend.

For the record and to keep up to date - we are sending more grandchildren's names to be added to the family tree.

These are the descendants of Norman William Dufford, 633 E. Lincoln Street, Findlay, Ohio.

Son - Joseph C. Dufford and Helen M. Dufford

G/S - Terry Dufford and wife Susan B. Dufford

G-G/sons

Allan Scott B. 4/14/1960

Joseph Paul B. 5/2/1961

Eric James B. 1/7/1963

G-G/daughter - Catherine Marie B. 8/18/1967

I think the first two are on record, but in case they are not, to set the record straight we put all in writing.

Great-grandfather, Norman Dufford, will celebrate his 88th birthday Feb. 24th. Looking forward to someday attending the reunion and will always be looking for the Bulletin.

Yours truly, Helen and Joe Dufford"

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Letters received from other "beautiful" people are sincerely appreciated and your editor wishes there were room for all.

RECORDS RECORDS RECORDS RECORDS

Dear Cousins:

You have been the source of most of the material used in the Bulletins and it is necessary that you continue to do so. Please clip and forward anything you see in the newspaper which pertains to the families. Often we do not associate a

name which is familiar to you - the clippings with a note is a great help.

Copies of Bible records, old letters, deeds and the like could be the important link which will help us bring in a line. Send them in NOW. Your editor.

#### RECEIVES HONOR ROLL CITATION

Mrs. Lawrence V. Trimmer of Chester, N.J. has been placed on the honor roll of the New Jersey State Federation of Women's Clubs in recognition of her 58 years of service as a charter member and past president of the Long Valley Woman's Club. She was president of the local club in the year of federation. The award was accepted for Mrs. Trimmer at the state convention held in Atlantic City by Mrs. Joseph Townsend, vice-president of the Long Valley Club who conveyed the framed certificate to Mrs. Trimmer at the club meeting in May in the Washington Township Municipal Building. Congratulations are extended by the Swackhamer-Dufford Family Association.

#### ATTENDS COLLEGE REUNION

Miss Gladys Swackhamer of Santa Barbara, California planned a trip east about the 15th of May to visit relatives and old friends as well as attend her 55th college reunion in Massachusetts. She is an alumnus of Smith.

#### OVERSEAS DUTY

MSGT. M. Robert Romaine U.S.A.F. (S) is serving a year's tour of duty in Thailand. His "waiting family" are in Goldsboro, N.C.

#### SOUGHT NOMINATION

Mrs. Virginia M. Swackhamer sought nomination in the June 6th Democratic Primary to run in the general election in November for Readington Township (N.J.) Committee. She is the first woman ever to run for the post.

Her husband, James A. Swackhamer, was serving his 14th year as chairman of the Readington Township Planning Board at the time of his death last August.

A resident of Whitehouse Station for the past 21 years, Mrs. Swackhamer has been active in community and youth organizations for two decades.

A native of Middletown (N.J.), she attended Mary Washington College of the University of Virginia.

Mrs. Swackhamer is the mother of three children. Michael is a graduate student in biochemistry at the University of California, Meredith is a junior at Central College in Iowa, and Deborah is a senior at Hunterdon Central High School.

#### INVOLVED

Mr. Douglas H. Romaine (S) of Dover, N.J. will journey to Miami, Florida in July to attend the Democratic National Convention as an Alternate Delegate.

#### "NOSTALGIA, A SMILE AND VALUE"

The above caption heads the article written by June Blum which appeared in The New York Times, Sunday, April 2, 1972.

The writer presents a capsule sketch of the historical background of the Washington area of New Jersey then, takes the reader on a tour of the town today.

Among others, the article mentions the Ford Furniture store at 37 East Washington Ave. (the owners are Duffords.-ed.)

In part, the store is described as "not unusual. It's attractive in the fashion of all good furniture stores; 40,000 square feet of floor space filled, but not crammed, with names like Kroehler, Hickory and Bigelow.

The walls are bright with graphics and oils for sale; the gift shop is interesting and complete.

There is a nice touch, however, in the way the hostess greets you at the door and asks if you want to buy or browse. Say 'buy' and you get a smile and a salesman; say 'browse' and you still get a smile."

KNOW THIS FELLOW?

Phil Korienick, Western Artists Researcher, 4735 Don Ricardo Drive, Los Angeles Calif. 90008, is trying to learn the whereabouts of or contact anyone with knowledge of an artist, George W. Wert. This George W. Wert illustrated western action pictures from the mid 1920s up to 1940. Mr. Korienick wishes to write a biography of this artist and will appreciate your help.

Note - this is not the same George Wert living in Carlisle, Penn., nor the one living in New Milford, N.J.

GRAPHIC LETTERHEAD

The letterhead of Swackhamer's Hardware (E.O. Swackhamer & Sons), Battle Mountain, Nevada is most unusual. It has the word SWACK and below that a drawing of the tool - a hammer.

RECALLS HOME BEAUTY TREATMENT

Mr. George Chaney, Jr. of Desert Hot Springs, Calif. (a Dufford) recalled a trip "back east" with his mother about fifty years ago. He was a small lad at the time but remembers a little girl getting her hair ironed by her mother, on an ironing board. He thought it a barbarous custom at the time, but nowadays thinks it might be quite the accepted thing.

NEWS FROM WESTPORT, CONN. DUFFORDS

Mrs. Chester L. Harriman (Eliza) stayed the winter at home in Westport, Conn. This is the first time in many years that she has not vacationed in St. Petersburg, Fla.

Mr. and Mrs. Cyrus D. Harriman (Cy & Bee) returned from a trip to Europe on April 16, 1972. Their sons are in California and their daughter, Wendy, is on Martha's Vineyard, Mass. having returned from the completion of her college semester in San Diego, Calif.

SHORT STAY AT HOME

Mr. and Mrs. Philip Jones (B) returned from Taiwan in April and were hardly settled in their home in Bethesda, Maryland when Phil was called to Saigon. On the way home from Taiwan they had stopped in Paris where Peter is in college.

STATE ASSEMBLYMAN TO RETIRE

Joyce Swackhamer, wife of William Duhaney Swackhamer of Battle Mountain, Nev. wrote that her husband is state assemblyman for his district for 25 consecutive years. This election, she trusts, will see his retirement as he will have or would have 4 large counties in which to run. Too much!

William Duhaney is a brother of E. Bruce Swackhamer of the Swackhamer hardware store mentioned earlier in this issue.

These folks are first cousins to Rev. T. Cecil Swackhamer of Stamford, Conn. We regret this line has never been established although most certainly a branch stemming from Samuel 1st of Long Valley, N.J.

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 PENNSYLVANIA SWACKHAMER REUNION
 

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The descendants of Rebecca Schoonover and Daniel Swackhamer will hold their annual reunion on Sunday, August 13, 1972 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Shultz, Towanda, Penn. A covered dish dinner will be served at 12:30 P.M.

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ENGAGEMENT ANNOUNCED

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LONGELL-SWACKHAMER

In December 1971, Mr. and Mrs. Clifford W. Longell of 620 Mountain Avenue, Berkeley Heights, N.J. announced the engagement of their daughter, Miss Linda Lee Longell, to Doyle L. Swackhamer of 44 Sanford Avenue, North Plainfield, N.J.

Her fiance is the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. Howard Swackhamer of Lancaster, Ohio.

The bride-elect was graduated from Governor Livingston Regional High School and is a secretary for Johnstone & O'Dwyer of Westfield, N.J. employed by Fabric Land, North Plainfield, N.J.

CRADLE ROLL

IT WAS A BOY - born to George and Carolyn Fleming Ellis October 18, 1971. He was named Hudson and is the great grandson of Mrs. Howard Fleming (S), Wyalusing, Pa.

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A SON - born to Virginia and Jack Hughes (D) of Garwood, N.J. on September 11, 1971. He was named Sean Mickael. Proud grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. James Wert of Neneveh, N.J. James Wert is the Vice-President of our family association. Virginia Wert Hughes is the great-granddaughter of Martha Ann Dufford thus, Sean is the great-great grandson.

ILLNESSES REPORTED

Sending warm and friendly thoughts and good wishes for your recovery

Dorothy Dufford Gunther (Mrs. Harold L.) of Sparta, N.J. was confined in Barnert Hospital, Paterson, N.J. on May 3, 1972. No details as to the nature of her illness were reported.

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Marjorie Logan (Mrs. L.M.) (B) of Whitehouse, N.J. returned from a winter cruise to the West Indies with flu which later developed into pneumonia.

I N M E M O R I A N

Trust in God's eternal care

SWACKHAMER, EDWARD - at his residence, 327 Lodor Street, Ancaster, Ontario, Can. on Friday, November 26, 1971, in his 79th year. Edward Swackhamer, beloved husband of Helen Belfield, father of James William, Hillsburg, Ont. and Joseph Edward, Ancaster; brother of Mrs. Clara Wright, Hamilton; Mrs. Wilfred Braven (Hilda), Weslaco, Texas; and Lyman, Hamilton. Also survived by 2 grandchildren.

Mr. Swackhamer was an employee of Brennan Paving Co. for 20 years retiring in 1961, member and Past Master of Seymour Masonic Lodge No. 272, G.R.C. A.F. & A.M. Past Grand Steward of Grand Lodge.

Services were held at The Ancaster Chapel. Interment St. John's Churchyard Cemetery.

HINE, CHARLES A. (S) - 94, formerly of Binghamton, N.Y. died in Adams Manor Convalescent Home, Scranton, Pa. on January 21, 1972. He is survived by two nieces, Mrs. M.C. (Esther) Yarbrough, and Mrs. John (Alleen) McEvoy, Darian, Ga.

He attended Trinity Memorial Episcopal Church. Mr. Hine was well known in musical circles as a blind concert pianist. He studied under the direction of Ethel Newcomb and for many years tuned pianos for Weeks and Dickinson.

HALL, MRS. LORENA M. - 71, of 257½ Chenango Street, Binghamton, N.Y. was dead on arrival at Binghamton General Hospital Friday evening, January 21, 1972.

She is survived by one son, DeLeon M. Hall, Brainbridge; seven daughters, Mrs. Maurice Robinson, Palm Harbour, Fla.; Mrs. Leon Swackhamer, Chula Vista, Calif.; Mrs. Charles Swackhamer, Montrose R.D.#1, Fenna.; Mrs. Walter Rhodes, Montrose, RD #1, Fenna.; Mrs. Roger Williams, Meshoppen; Mrs. Clayton Ramey, Binghamton, and Miss Lora Hall, at home; one sister, Mrs. Robert Allen, Montrose RD #1, Fenna.; her step-mother, Mrs. Grace Stone, Oregon, Ill.; 33 grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

TRIMMER, LAWRENCE D. (D) - 85, of 21 Hedges Road, Chester, N.J. died Sunday, September 5, 1972 in Morristown, N.J. Funeral services were held in Coughlin Funeral Home, Califon, N.J.

He was born in Middle Valley, N.J. son of Morris and Mary Dufford Trimmer. Mr. Trimmer was a retired farmer who had lived in Middle Valley most of his life.

He was a member of Fairmount Methodist Church and was on the official board of the Church, and was a member of the 100F of Trenton, and a former member of the Washington Township Board of Education.

Surviving are his widow, Mrs. Nellie Apgar Trimmer, a daughter, Mrs. Howard Robinson of Chester (see notice of her death following), one brother, Dr. Sharp Trimmer of Montclair, N.J. and a sister, Mrs. Lester Apgar of Califon, N.J.

The Rev. Paul Grosjean, pastor of Fairmount Methodist Church officiated at the services. Interment was in Lower Valley Union Cemetery, Califon, N.J.

ROBINSON, MRS. HOWARD (D) - Mrs. Marion Robinson, 57, of Route 206, Chester, N.J. died on Friday, November 26, 1971 at Morristown Memorial Hospital after a long illness.

Born in Middle Valley on April 15, 1914, she was the daughter of Mrs. Nellie Apgar Trimmer of Chester, N.J. and the late Lawrence D. Trimmer.

Mrs. Robinson was a commercial teacher at Morristown High School for 35 years and was associated with the cooperative education program there which places students in business and industry.

She was graduated from Rider Business College, Trenton, N.J. in 1936 and pursued graduate work at Montclair State College and Rutgers University.

Mrs. Robinson was a member of the Community Presbyterian Church, Chester, where she was clerk of session for 20 years.

She was welfare director of Chester and a member of the New Jersey Education Association and the Ladies' Home Union Society of Middle Valley.

Surviving are her mother and her husband, Howard.

Funeral services were held at the Community Presbyterian Church. The Rev. Robert Maseroni, pastor of the church, was assisted in the service by the Rev. Paul Grosjean of the Fairmount Methodist Church. Interment was in Lower Valley Union Cemetery, Califon, N.J.

#### PAST PRESIDENT OF THE FAMILY ASSOCIATION FOLLOWS WIFE IN DEATH

SWACKHAMER - Mrs. Meta M. Swackhamer and her husband, Robert B. Swackhamer of Dover, N.J. were parted for a very short time. Meta died on January 21, 1972 and Robert B. on February 7, 1972.

Mr. Robert B. Swackhamer served the Swackhamer-Dufford Family Association as Vice President in 1956 until elected President in 1959.

Mrs. Meta M. Swackhamer was born in Stroudsburg, Pa. She lived in the Dover, N.J. area the past 25 years. A Dover school teacher, she was a graduate of Stroudsburg Normal School and Temple University, Philadelphia, Pa. Mrs. Swackhamer was a member of the First Memorial Presbyterian Church and its choir, the College Club of Dover and the New Jersey Education Association.

She is survived by a sister, Mrs. Charles Dilliplane of Yardley, Pa., two nieces and a nephew.

Funeral services were held at First Memorial Presbyterian Church, Dover and burial was in Stroudsburg Cemetery, Stroudsburg, Pa.

Robert B. Swackhamer was 87. He operated a plumbing business for many years and owned several rental properties in Dover, N.J.

Mr. Swackhamer was a life-long resident of Dover, N.J. He was a former elder of the First Memorial Presbyterian Church of Dover, a past superintendent of the Sunday school, the church treasurer for 37 years, and a member of the Acacia Lodge 20, F & AM.

He is survived by one brother, Alfred L. Swackhamer of Dover, N.J.

Services were from the O.B. Smith Funeral Home to the First Memorial Presbyterian Church for service. Burial was in Pleasant Hill Cemetery, Chester, N.J.

JENNINGS, A. GOULD - 74, of 108 East 91st Street, New York City and a summer home at Norston, Conn. died after a long illness on April 21, 1972.

Born in Brooklyn, N.Y. on November 15, 1897 he was the son of Susie B. Drimmin and Albert Gould Jennings. He was the eldest grandson of John D. Crimmins of Darien, Conn.

Mr. Jennings graduated from Princeton University in 1919 where he was a member of the Ivy Club.

In tradition of Military service which ran strongly in the Gould family, he became a Naval Aviator with International No. 323 in World War I and was stationed at Brest, Pauillac, Montchie and L'Abervrach, France.

Mr. Jennings descended from the Jennings and Gould families of Fairfield, Conn. (Since the 17th Century). He inherited a sword used by his great-great-grandfather, Colonel Abraham Gould who led a small group against a large battalion of British.

Mr. Jennings retired in 1958 as Vice President of The Hanover Bank and Assistant to the President, William S. Gray. Previously he had been a stock broker with Hayden Stone & Co. of N.Y.C.

He is survived by his wife, Grace Swackhamer and a sister, Janice Jennings.

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#### G E N E A L O G Y

Seeking family connection of the following line submitted by Mrs. Peggy Fulks, Box 1035, Notrees, Texas 79759 - March 16, 1972

"My great grandfather's name was Jacob H. Dufford. He was thought to have been a shoe cobbler and must have lived in or near Erie, Penna. in 1878 as my grandfather was born there. Jacob H. Dufford was born May 16, 1834. He married Mary A. (maiden name not known) who was born June 26, 1840.

Their children were:

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| 1 - William S. Dufford                                    | Born Sept. 3, 1860 |
| 2 - Emma L.   | " Aug. 22, 1862    |
| 3 - Amelia S.   | " May 6, 1864      |
| 4 - David M.  | " June 21, 1865    |
| 5 - Anna M.   | " Sept. 6, 1866    |
| (married on Sept. 6, 1899 William Thompson - no children) |                    |
| 6 - James E.  | Born Feb. 8, 1868  |
| (lived around Butler, Pa.)                                |                    |
| 7 - Charles A.  | Born Jan. 23, 1870 |
| (lived in Kentucky)                                       |                    |
| 8 - Minnie B.   | Born May 27, 1871  |
| 9 - Grace C.  | Born Jan. 24, 1873 |
| (married Charles Mowery - had one son they know of)       |                    |
| 10 - Edward Garfield                                      | Born April 1, 1878 |
|   | Died Jan. 1931     |

Married Olive May Cook and had four children

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| 1 - Ray Edward     | Born Aug. 26, 1900 | Died Nov. 11, 1969 |
| 2 - Ruth Alma      | " Feb. 19, 1904    |                    |
| 3 - Donald Floyd   | " Feb. 24, 1913    |                    |
| 4 - Virginia Madge | " May 2, 1916      |                    |

Ray Edward was the father of Mrs. Peggy Fulks