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FOR THE DESCENDENTS OF SAMUEL SCHWACHAMMER (SWACKHAMER) WHO
IN 1730 SETTLED IN LONG VALLEY, NEW JERSEY AND PHILIP DUFFORD
(DUFOURD) WHO SETTLED THERE IN 1738.

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A MESSAGE FROM OUR PRESIDENT

Well another year has rolled around with floods last summer
in the Midwest, a bad earthquake in California, and a terrible
winter here in the northeast. The world is still not at peace as
nations have not learned to live as brothers.

I hope you are all well and will be able to join us at our
48th Annual Reunion - July 30, 1994. I would like to thank Ruth
Hartman for the great job she does on our bulletin, and also
Russell Dufford for all the historical research. Thanks to all of
you who serve.

My husband and I are looking forward to taking a 2 week tour
of the Pacific Northwest in early July, but will look forward to
seeing as many of you at the reunion.

Have a healthy and safe summer.

Audrey McCaffrey

Annual Reunion - July 30, 1994 - at Zion Lutheran Church, Long
Valley, New Jersey. "Brown Bag" lunch at 12:00pm, meeting
to follow. Allow time to visit before and after. Bring
any family data: pictures, charts, letters, etc.

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EXCERPTS FROM OUR 47TH MEETING - JULY 31, 1993

Meeting at Zion Lutheran Church, Long Valley, New Jersey, 24 attended. Oldest - Ben White; Youngest - Corey Logan; Bill Canfield traveled the farthest from Titusville, Florida.

Disbursements from Treasury:

Zion Lutheran Church \$ 30.00,
Middle Valley Cemetery.... 50.00,
Ruth Hartman/Newsletter... 338.64 (\$ 121.00 postage &
\$ 217.64 printing).

Current slate of officers was re-elected. Meeting followed by social time, getting acquainted and exchanging family research and memorabilia.

BITS and PIECES

Major Keith McCaffrey is assigned to the UN forces in Macedonia for 6 months, wife Jeanette and baby are in Germany.

Herb and Audrey McCaffrey cruised to Martha's Vineyard and Nantucket on their 40 foot mainship last summer.

Stephen R. Cornick, 1286 Royal Crest Drive, San Jose CA 95131-2912, is seeking information about Catherine M. Swackhamer, born March 6, 1848.

We recently sang a hymn in Old First Church, Middletown, New Jersey, written by Robert J. Dufford J.S. Copyright 1975, North American Liturgy Resources, 2110 W. Plaris Avenue, Phoenix AZ 85029 (Ruth Hartman).

The Society extends its sincere condolences to the families and friends of:

Jeanette Dufford-Pierson
Leon J. Swackhamer, Jr.

Irene English-Shoemaker
Fred Swackhamer

From Jim Swackhamer

While I am researching my ancestors primarily, I would be willing to try to catalog all *Swackhamer (and related spellings) descendants*. To do this I would require Pedigree Charts completed as far back as possible. The chart should indicate the name and address of the person sending in the chart as well as name and address of the compiler if different. If a computer program is used that supports the "GEDCOM" format, I would like an IBM formatted diskette with the GEDCOM file, in addition to the paper charts. In this way I can be more helpful to others seeking information.

There is a change in each mailing label which Jim provides. At the right of your last name is a character surrounded by "()". The letters are an abbreviation for your "family code" as follows:

- (D) You are related to the Dufford surname.
- (S) You are related to the Swackhamer surname.
- (B) You are related to both.
- (F) You are an interested friend.
- (O) An interested organization.
- (?) You are unsure of your relationship.

Please advise Jim Swackhamer or Ruth Hartman if you are incorrectly labeled.

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This year 450 bulletins will be mailed. Your contributions help defray the cost. Checks may be sent to our treasurer, Dorothy Swackhamer, payable to: Swackhammer-Dufford, Genealogical Society.

Please advise Ruth if duplicate copies are received and which label to delete, also advise if you move. With a yearly mailing like ours, there are "returns" because the Post Office will forward mail for only 6 months. Thanks !!

DUFFORD GENEALOGY

Current Update

July 1993

We are most indebted to the following who have contributed so much to the documentation of our family history. Rev. Theodore Chambers for his 1895 publication Early Germans of New Jersey; Kenn Stryker-Rodda, former president of the American Society of Genealogist, for his foreward to the 1969 reprint of Early Germans; George S. Dufford-the founder of the Dufford family reunion- forerunner of our present genealogical society, and our first historian; Harold Gunter, for his 1970 updated family genealogy; Bob Brown, for his extensive research in the line of Adam Dufford; Annette Hart, for her many contributions to the family history; and to all those individuals and groups who have contributed to and perpetuated the on going family history.

Perhaps the Early Germans of New Jersey has always been the initial resource of our family heistory, but as Stryker-Rodda, who also is the past president of th Genealogical Society of New Jersey, pointed out in his 1969 preface to the reprint of Early Germans, Chambers, as great as his work was, also was was a victim to the same practices and limitations as other authors and researchers of his time. Namely, not using all the church records available, relying to much on parlor albums, personal papers, family Bibles, and heresay.

From Early Germans of New Jersey, page 342-344, we find that Phillip Dufford arrived at Philadelphia, September II, 1738, on board the ship Robert and Oliver, with his wife Catrina, sons Jacob, Phillip Jr., George, Adam, and daughter Mry Magdalena. A number of years ago, Stryker-Rodda spoke to the meeting of our genealogical society and informed that the name of the ship was the Robert and Alice, not the Robert and Oliver, and that a Phillip Jr. did not exist. His explanation was that evidently Chambers had copied from Rupp, Thirty thousand Names of Immigrants in Penn. 1727-76. Rupp, a professor at the University of Penn. had been commissioned by the state to do this work for state arvhives, due to shortage of time and funds, had used incompetent help, and thus mistakes ocured. This publication was dated 1876. As Stryker-Rodda informed, the later work of Strassburger and Hinke became the official record for the archives. There work is recorded in their Pennsylvania German Pioneers. This shows the ship to be the Robert and Alice, Walter Goodman, Master, from Rotterdam, and the two Duffords listed as Phillp and Jacob Tofort, on the arrival list, the loading list, and the oath list. No Phillip Jr.. Only those of age were listed, thus indicating that the other children were under age at the time. I have copies of these publications and documentations.

Likewise from Early Germans we find that the original Jacob had three sons: Matthias born 1738, died 1818; George Stephen born 1741, died 1817; and Jacob born 1745, died 1822. Matthias had children as did George Stephen, the son Jacob had none. We further see that Phillips son George married and had one child, a daughter. For son Adam, Early Germans only states that his name occurs 1758, on the Tewksbury Township Book. Early Germans further states the original Jacob, son of the emigrant Phiilp, was not mentioned in his fathers will, but that his son George Stephen is. George S. Dufford, in his Dufford family history, composed in 1935, closely parallels Early Germans, but he implies that the reason that son Jacob was not included in his fathers will was that Phillip disinherited him for marrying a Delaware Indian. This information

was evidently verified by several settlers in the region and has been passed down through the generations as factual. On the other hand Jacob could have preceeded Phillip in death and thus not included in the will. Nevertheless indications are that Chambers was aware of this marriage but at the request of some family members, fearing the marriage may have not been considered legal, deleted this from his book. In his family history, George S. Dufford states that a Phillip Jr. was on board ship-the same as Early Germans- but also implies that this Phillip Jr. had a son George Stephen also aboard. He further implies that both of these disappeared from any further records at this point. Next to Matthias, and by all standards of logic and reasoning, we have to conclude that Matthias, the first son of Jacob was not born to the Indian wife. Born in 1738, and the family having arrived Sept. 1738, Matthias was either born before departure, aboard ship, or in late 1738. It is reasonable to conclude, as will be later on authoritative source, that it is quite likely that the mother of Matthias died in child birth in one of the afore mentioned cases. Most certainly, Jacobs marriage to the Delaware took place after the birth of Matthias, and this marriage produced George Stephen, born 1741, who had children and the second Jacob, born 1745, who married but no record of children. In conclusion, it is the descendents of George Stephen only, born 1741, and his Indian wife who have the Delaware blood.

As previously mentioned, George, son of the emigrant Phillip, married and had only one child, a daughter, Catherine, born 1752, confirmed 1772, Early Germans. This brings us to the other known son of Phillip, Adam. As stated previously, his name appears Early Germans, page 344, and again is included on the list who sign the call of Rev. John Albert Weygand, 1749, to pastor the Lutheran Churches in the area. We can be most grateful to the late Harold Gunter who most aptly furthered the line of Jacobs two sons, Matthias and George Stephen, in his 1970 Dufford Family Genealogy Chart. Although much less is known of Adams line, it is in this line that we have problems connecting to the original Phillip, we are most grateful likewise to the late Bob Brown who gave us the first documented evidence of Adam and his offsprings. From court and church records from Northampton County, Pa., and the adjoining city of Easton, Pa., both bordering the Delaware River, Mr. Brown found that Adam had the following children: Jacob, Eve, Maria, John, George Henry, Phillip, Susannah Catherine, and Frederick. His wife, perhaps his second wife was also Susannah. I have a copy of Adams will from the Easton Court House which documents this information. From the publication, First Settlers of The Forks of The Delaware, by Rev. Henry Kieffer, early day pastor of the First Reformed Church of Easton, we find the birth record of George Henry, Jan. 13, 1768, baptismal Feb. 28, 1768. Also, the birth date of Phillip April 4, 1776, baptismal Aug. 25, 1776. We also find the marriage record of Susannah to a Mr. Mutchler, and the marriage record of daughter Eve to Valentine Sandel. Mr. Browns records also show that George Henry married Elizabeth Hanshie (Handsuh), and Frederick married Salome Hanshie (Handsuh). I do not know where he found these last two records. Mr. Brown, whose notes are on file in the Genealogy Library at Rutgers University, also listed the approximate birth dates of the other children, nor do I know where he found these. Thank to the efforts of Mrs. Robert (Sally) Dufford of Sharpville, Pa., her husbands ancestor George Dufford, Born 1811, was found to be the son of Frederick Dufford and wife Salome Handsuh, records found in St. Marks Lutheran Church, Butler, Pa.. It is extremely likely that this Frederick was the son of Adam. If so, this implies that many of the Duffords of western Pa. area are related to the original Phillip of New Jersey. It also implies that all of the South Carolina Duffords could be related to the original Phillip as their ancestor

Rev. Ephraim Dufford was born in Butler County, Pa., the son of a Frederick Dufford whose birth 1795 could have made him the son of Adams Frederick. Ephraim went to South Carolina at an early age to study for the Lutheran ministry and the great majority of South Carolina Duffords are descended from him. Likewise, many of the Duffords who migrated from western Pa. to the mid western states have implied that they believe they are descendent from the original Phillip who came to New Jersey ubt in many cases are one generation short of connecting. They could well be in the line of Adam. Therefore, for those who are interested in the family genealogy and who have been unable to connect to the original Duffords who came in 1738, perhaps the information concerning Adam and his children will be most helpful.

George Duffords history implies that Phillips daughter Mary Magdalena married Andrew Wack, son of Casper. We will address this subject later in this report.

Throughout the years my research efforts have led me only to one other Dufford, other than Phillip and his family who came in 1738, that being another Jacob Dufford who arrived on the ship Hero, from Rotterdam, at Philadelphia, October 1764. This is documented in Pennsylvania German Pioneers, by Strassburger & Hinke, and is a part of the Pa. archives. In the spring of 1988, I had a call from Nell Teafort (Dufford) Wood of Ashland, Ky., saying that she had learned that I had connections with the Swackhamer-Dufford Genealogy Society, that she was coming to the Valley of Virginia to attend the Teafort family reunion and that she would like to come by and talk with me. She arrived with all of her family history documented. She was descended from the Jacob Dufford who arrived October, 1764. All records of him were void from time of arrival until he and his family appeared in the records, both church and court, in Augusta County, Virginia, some ten years later, 1774. Somehow the name of his youngest son was recorded as Teafort and thus the son and his offsprings were known as Teafort thereafter. The possibility exist that the two Dufford emigrant families could have been related in Europe. Nell has had little success in finding the origin of her ancestor in Europe.

In all my efforts to find the origin of our ancestors Phillip and Jacob in Europe I found only one whose dates and time period could have possibly matched ours. In 1978, The Central Bureau For Genealogy, The Hague, Netherlands, provided me with the birth and baptismal record of a Phillippe Dufort, born May, 1711, at Maastricht, Holland, baptized in the Wallon Church. Son of Lt. Col. Jean Dufort of the Prussian Army, a native of the Cevennes Mt. region of southern France, and Susannah Elizabeth Boomhouer, native of Maastricht. This information was high lighted in the winter issue of the Bulletin, 1978. I have always had strong reservations of this Phillip being our ancestor. Foremost, for the reason that both Phillip and Jacob made a mark by theri name on the ship list thus indicating they could not write, even their own name. Most reliable sources imply that the son of a Lt. Col. in the Prussian Army would have been able to write his name.

According to most family historians, Samuel Swackhamer, who came in 1731 and eventually settled in the Valley area, sent word back to his freinds and relatives in Germany to come join him. From last summers Bulletin, 1992, we learned that Samuel came from the ancient village of Altlubheim, on the Rhine River, some twenty miles south of Heidelberg.

In June of this year, 1993, some six weeks ago, I had a surprise call from Nell Teafort Wood to my amazement telling me that she had found the records of our ancestor Phillip Dufford and family in Europe. Nell had recently attended the annual meeting of the National Society-Palatines To America in Columbus, Ohio. Present was Annette K. Burgert, author, with her latest book, 18th Century Emigrants From Northern Alsace, published 1992. Mrs. Burgert has a distinguished reputation as an author and most of her works deal with emigrants from Germany, particularly the German Palatinate and from the neighboring Alsace region of France. Mrs. Wood immediately sent me copies relating to our family, likewise, I immediately ordered the book. Records are as follows:

Langensoulzbach Lutheran KB

Langensoulzbach -  
67360 Woerth

Hans Philipps Dufforth of Sultzbach and wife Eva nee Anthoni had children

1. (Probable) Jacob, bp, not located at Sultzbach
2. Anna Clara, bp, not located; m. Jan. 1736  
Joh. Stephen Durrenberger (q.v.)
3. Johann Georg bp. 28 Oct. 1728
4. Johann Philipp bp. 9 July 1721
5. Johann Georg bp. 2 Feb. 1724
6. Johann Adam bp. -- Nov. 1726
7. Anna Catharina bp. 19 Feb. 1729

Eva nee Anthoni Duffort died 24 July 1732, age 40 y. 2 mo.  
Philip Duffort, widower, m. (2) 16 June 1733 in Sultzbach Anna Maria, daughter of Christian Martini, citizen at Bettweiler, Lutzelsteinschen jurisdiction. They had:

8. Zacharias bp. 22 July 1734
9. Maria Catharina bp. 28 Nov. 1736

American records included, much the same as in Early Germans but more-copy of abstracts of Wills from New Jersey Archives-naming executors, witnesses, etc.. I wrote to Mrs. Burgert, asking for explanation or opinion as to differences in family records compared to Early Germans. She replied pointing out that the year 1738 was a disastrous year for the emigrants. An epidemic swept through the unusually large number awaiting passage in Rotterdam. Ships were over loaded and the epidemic continued to spread, killing as many as 2,000. Mrs. Burgert surmises that Catrina could well have been the third wife of Phillip, the way the will is worded indicates this possibility. Also, that daughter Mary Magdalena was the only child of Phillips born in America. The author further points out that the first Johann Georg should read 28 Oct. 1718, this was a undected typing error. Thus, in summary, a number of the family members so listed could have died in Europe before departure or aboard ship at sea. The publication also shows the record of our shipmates, the Durrenberger(Terryberry) family, indicating they came to the region from Switzerland. The only other Valley family in my review of the book to date is the family of John Phillip Weise.

In reference to daughter Mary Magdalena mentioned in George S. Duffords history as marrying Andrew Wack, son of Casper, and mentioned in Phillip Duffords will, I offer the following. The only record of a Mary Magdalena that I have found is Early Germans, page 554, showing that Andrew Wack, son of Casper, Andrew born 1781, died 1856, married Magdalena Dufford-daughter of George Stephen - Magdalena; born 1779, died 1865. Definitely not the daughter of the original Phillip.

Russell T. Dufford Jr.  
Historian  
Swackhamer-Dufford Genealogical Society  
July 1993



**110. DÜFFORT, PHILIP**  
**DÜFFORT, JACOB**  
*Robert and Alice, 1738*  
 S-H, I: 212, 214, 216

They did not sign list; appear on A list as Toffer; on B list as Tofort; on C list as Thiffort.

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## AMERICAN RECORDS

*Chambers, Early Germans of New Jersey: 152-153:*

Jacob Dufford leased 200 A in German Valley on 20 May 1747. Jacob Dufford was the son of Philip Tofort or Dufford, who arrived in Philadelphia 11 Sept. 1738. Philip Dufford died ca 1767, his son Jacob possibly predeceased him.

Philip Dufford also had sons Adam, George, and Philip, Jr. [See also Chambers p. 342-344].

*New Jersey Archives, First Series, Vol. XXXIII: 439:*

*Abstracts of Wills:*

Tufford, Philip, of Roxbury, Morris co. 15 Feb. 1767- 1 Feb. 1769.

To grandson, Jurrey Staffey Tufford, and to my 2 sons, George and Adam, each 5 shillings. Wife, Curena, rest of my estate, and, after her death, to go to my daughter, Mary Magdalen. Executors - my wife and Stuffey Derburger. Witnesses - Roelof Roelofson, Elizabeth Roelofson, Lawrence Roelofson. 1769, Jan. 18. Inventory. 167.7.6, made by Roelof Roelofson and John Tackerd.

Stuffey Derberger also called Stephen Terryberry [Stephan Dürrenberger, q.v.] was a son-in-law of Philip Duffort. He leased the tract adjacent to the Duffort s, a farm of 150 A, in 1747.

Philb. Duford signed the 1749 call to John Albert Weygand, a Lutheran pastor.

St. Michael's Lutheran KB, Germantown, Philadelphia co.:

Stevanus Dofferd m. 23 June 1767 Anna M. Trimmer.

(Chambers, *Early Germans of New Jersey*, p. 537: this is George Stephen Dufford, b. 1741, son of Jacob Dufford, named as grandson in Philip Duffort's will. His wife, Mary Trimmer, was b. 1743, daughter of Matthias Trimmer of German Valley.)

First Reformed KB, Easton, Northampton co.:

Adam Duffart and wife Susanna had a son:

Philip b. 4 Apr. 1776.

**111. DÜRRENBARGER, CHRISTOPF**

*Phoenix, 1750*

S-H, I: 440

Gundershoffen =

67110 Niederbronn-les-Bains

## EUROPEAN RECORDS

## Gundershoffen Lutheran KB:

Hanns Dürrenberger, son of the late Hanns Dürrenberger, former citizen at Reichersweyler in Canton Basel, Switzerland [?CH-4418 Reigoldswil, BL], m. \_\_\_ Nov. 1701 Anna, daughter of the late Jacob Eichkorn, former citizen at Ingelth. [possibly Ingenheim=67270 Hochfelden or Ingolsheim=67250 Sultz-sous-Forêts.] They had a son:

Christophorus b. 27 Sept. 1716

Christoph Dürrenberger, son of the late Joh. Dürrenberger, m. 20 Jan. 1739 Anna Maria, daughter of the late Christoph Jung, former citizen here. They had children:

1. Hans Peter b. 7 June 1742
2. Catharina Barbara b. 27 July 1744
3. Nicolaus bp. 3 Feb. 1746  
     [mother given as Anna Barbara in this one entry]
4. Nicolaus b. 1 Apr. 1748, bp 2 Apr. 1748 [mother Anna Maria]

**112. DÜRRENBARGER, GEORG**

*Phoenix, 1750*

S-H, I: 442

Volksberg =

67290 Wingen-sur-Moder

[appears on list as Hans Jerg Dierenberger].