



**SUMMER**

**1997**

Annual Reunion  
July 26, 1997

SWACKHAMMER-DUFFORD GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY BULLETIN  
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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.

OFFICERS OF THE COMBINED SOCIETIES:

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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 incor-  
rectly labeled.

ANNUAL REUNION - Saturday, July 26, 1997, at the Zion Lutheran  
Church, Long Valley, New Jersey.

The church is reserved for us from 11:00am - 3:00pm, so bring  
your lunch with you and any "family" data you would like to  
share.

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Our fifty-first Family Reunion is scheduled for July 26, 1997 at the Zion Lutheran Church in Long Valley. We hope for a nice turnout, and pray that the weather will be comfortable. We will meet at 11:00am and finish 3:00pm. Do not forget to bring lunch!

If planning to "stay over" in the area, a list of a few local motels is included in this bulletin, or you may call me at 201-822-2541 for suggestions.

I hope you have all had a very healthy year and will continue to finish off this year well! I have had a few surprises since we met last, but praise God, all has turned out well. When adversity hits you it really sinks in your head and you realize just what is, and is not important. Life is too short to dwell on the unimportant.

That is about all for now, Drive Safely, and I hope to see you all on July 26th.

Audrey T. McCaffrey

Places To Stay For S. & D. Reunion:

In response to requests from society members and friends who are unfamiliar with this area, Dorothy Swackhamer has gathered a list:

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| - The Publick House & Restaurant<br>111 West Main Street<br>Chester, N.J. 07930<br>(908) 879-6878 Price: \$60. to \$90.00<br>( 15 minutes to Long Valley ) | 2 - Days Inn Ledgewood<br>U.S. Highway #46<br>Ledgewood, N.J. 07852<br>(201)347-5100 Price: [call]<br>( 25 minutes to Long Valley ) |
| 3 - Sheraton - Mt. Arlington Hotel<br>15 Howard Blvd.<br>Mt. Arlington, N.J. 07856<br>(201)770-2000 Price: [call]<br>( Just off Route #80 - Exit #30 )     |   |

Thanks from Treasurer Dorothy Swackhamer for the many donations she has received. Though "no dues: are required, all donations are appreciated and personally acknowledged.  
(See '96's meeting notes in this issue for financial expenditures).

EDITORS NOTE:

Please continue to advise me of address changes so all bulletins can reach their destination. Each year we are having fewer "returns".

HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE 50TH MEETING:

Audrey McCaffrey opened the meeting with a moment of silence for deceased members and friends.

Audrey announced that it was our 50th anniversary! She had ordered a special cake to celebrate the event.

Minutes of last meeting were approved. Dorothy Schwackhamer reported a balance of \$ 386.34 in our treasury. Following donations were approved:

Zion Lutheran Church	-----	\$ 40.00
Washington Twp. Museum	----	30.00
Middle Valley Cemetery	----	100.00

Also payment to Ruth Hartman for newsletter cost ( 430 copies - printing \$ 184.10, Stamps \$ 141.16 which equals = \$ 325. 26 ) Jim Schwackerhamer provided the mailing labels.

Silver dollars were awarded to: Ben White, oldest member present. Erin Corritori, youngest, and Marcie Hale (FL.), traveled farthest.

Frank Dufford introduced our guest speaker, Steven Firtko, author of "History of Middle Valley". Advanced "Flyers" were mailed with 1996 Bulletin. Steve discussed researching his book and displayed numerous photographs he had used.

Also attending was Jim Richards representing the Washington Twp., Land Trust. He displayed a poster showing the Dufford farm. Proceeds from the poster sales will be used for local park development.

Steve Jones, great-grandson of our founder, George S. Dufford, brought several items from his collection of the authors works. He also entertained us with his guitar and an original Irish ballad, "Kil Kelly Ireland".

After the meeting was adjourned, we feasted on anniversary cake and iced tea. Some of us visited the museum which was opened for our convenience, and some set out to explore the old town site

Respectfully submitted,  
Carol Martyniuk

Editors Note:

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I must confess to a "Big Goof!" Last year, 1996, was the 50th Anniversary of our society! Audrey McCaffrey surprized us all when she brought a big festive cake to the reunion. (Sorry I didn't catch it in the last bulletin!) It was indeed worthy of being acknowledged. Thanks, Audrey!

"The History of Middle Valley" by Steve Firtko may be ordered from:  
Middle Valley Community Center  
359 West Mill Road  
Long Valley, NJ 07853-3628

Dorothy Schwackhamer has been corresponding with John Reeves, Stittsville, Ontario, and received from him the following information to pass on:

Samuel's grandson, Christopher, his wife, Kate Terryberry, and young family, migrated to what was then called Upper Canada in about 1805, mainly because the Governor of the time was offering free land. They settled on 100 acres on the south shore of Lake Ontario, and Niagara.

His oldest son, Jacob, with second wife, Mary Maria Thompson, and his first three daughters settled on their own 100 acre grant in 1820, near the present town of Acton, about 35 miles west of downtown Toronto. It was an untamed wilderness.

About the same time as Jacob, his brothers John, William and David, and sisters Catherine and Susan, with spouses, all settled on grants of land in the same area. Six Swackhamer families, all in cluster, all carving new homes and new lives in the wilderness.

CONDOLENCES, to the family and friends of:

Paul Fleming and Rev. Paul L. Dufford.

BIRTH: Colin McCaffrey was born to parents Jean and Herb, Jr.  
----- A total of 9 grandchildren for Audrey and Herb, Sr.

PLANNING TO ATTEND REUNION: Gene L. Swackhamer and family from Sparks, MD.

RECEIVED FROM: J.W.(Bill) Roberts, Moody, AL, a beautifully presented booklet on the "History of the Dufford Family" tracing his descendants, including a family group sheet for deceased Rev. Paul Dufford.

There is nothing worse than a picky genealogist, but I noticed at the top of p.2 that Samuel settled in Long Valley in 1730. According to my research (Jim Swachammer has copies) he arrived on the "Love & Unity" at Martha's Vineyard in Dec 1731 after a disastrous voyage. They where suppose to have gone to Philadelphia. Samuel, his remaining family and others where detained in Mass. till Oct 1732 because of Court proceedings. When and how he arrived in Long Valley is a mystery. He and his wife Catherine where recorded as taking communion at St. Michael's (& Zion) Lutheran Church in Philadelphia, in the year 1735. This information was also from Annette Bergart! It's difficult to say if they were living there or just visiting from NJ.

Sincerely,

*Wesley E. Schamus*

Editors reflections:  
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Getting this bulletin together for the past ten years has been a learning experience and a challenge. Each May I begin fussing, "Will anybody be sending items for the new issue?" This year it's especially late for one reason or another.

With the hope that next year will be different: (a dream) I'll get with it earlier next time; wonderful suggestions for research items are flowing in, a timely response to the letters I receive, ideas abound for programs and speakers for each Annual Reunion till we fill our meeting room. Why not? Come on board for another year and see what happens.

Ruth Hartman

P.S. Cut off date for mailed in information is May 1st of each year!

**J.W. (Bill) Roberts**  
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5 July 1996

**Swackhamer-Dufford Genealogical Society**  
**Carol Martyniuk, Secretary**  
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Dear Carol,

I don't know to whom this letter should be sent but I do want to correct my address. The news letter was sent to Ohio instead of Alabama. Please correct this for me. I do not plan to come to the reunion this month although I would love to be there. I was in NJ in early May and I did see Frank Dufford. I also met with my Dufford relatives in Ticonderoga, NY and Omoseen, VT to complete my immediate Dufford-family genealogy.

One of our brethern, Rev. Paul L. Dufford, Sr. passed away last October. Enclosed is a family group sheet on him. His father and my mother were brother and sister. You may want to report this at the up-coming meeting.

I have been working on my family genealogy which includes many ancestors. Names such as Pickle, Crater, Apgar, Thurston, Roberts, Dufford, Rarick, Frace, Lance, Wintermute, Terhune, and Bair are all included. I am enclosing the section on the Duffords here, mainly the descendants of Gilbert Dufford and Mary Frace of which I am one. All of the above family names interweave with one another including the Dufford families. I hope you will find it interesting.

I would love to be there with you. I will make it a point to be there next year.

Sincerely, your cousin,

*Bill Roberts*

Bill Roberts

**GENEALOGICAL RESOURCES AT THE SUSSEX COUNTY LIBRARY**  
**A Selected List**

**GENERAL FINDING TOOLS**

1. Biography and Genealogy Master Index. 2d ed. Detroit: Gale, 1980. 8v.; 1984 Suppl. 1v. (R920.073 BIO)
2. Guide to Genealogical Research in the National Archives. Washington, D.C.: 1982. (RH929.1 UNI)
3. Kaminkow, M. J., ed. Compliment to Genealogies in the Library of Congress. Baltimore: 1981. (RH929.1 COM)
4. Genealogical and Local History Books in Print. 4th ed. Springfield, Va.: 1985. (RH016.929) 2ND supplement to the 4th ed. 1992 (RH016.929)
5. Kaminkow, M. J., ed. Genealogies in the Library of Congress. Baltimore: 1972. 2v. Suppl. 1976-1986. 1v. (RH929.1 GEN)
6. World Conference on Records: Preserving Our Heritage. August 12-15, 1980. Salt Lake City: 1980. 13v. (RH929.1 WOR)

Also available are genealogical research guides and books on heraldry.

**SUSSEX COUNTY**

1. Alleman, H. P. Warren County, New Jersey. Abstracts of Divisions and Partitions Filed at the Courthouse, Belvidere, N.J. from 1825-1946. Washington, N.J.: 1978. (RH347.65 WAR)
2. Appleman, Jane R., comp. Birth Records, Newton, New Jersey, 1848 Through 1878. (RH974.976 BIR)
3. Appleman, Jane R., comp. Record of Deaths, 1851 -1878, Town of Newton, New Jersey. 1985 (RH974.976 REC)
4. Brown, V. A., ed. Abstracts of Divisions of Warren and Sussex County Estates Filed at Sussex County Courthouse, Newton, N.J. from 1789-1918. Washington, N.J.: 1978. (RH347.65 ABS)
5. Brown, V. A., ed. Maps of Divisions of Warren and Sussex County Estates Filed at Newton, N.J. Between 1789-1918. 1978. (RH341.65 MAP)
6. Case, Howard. An Index to Marriage Book "B", Sussex County, New Jersey, (1834 - 1878). Genealogical Society of Sussex County. Sussex, NJ 1991 (RH929.3 IND)
7. Decker, A. S. That Ancient Trail. Trenton, N.J.: 1942. Reprinted Washington, N.J.: 1952. (H974.9 DEC)
8. Marriages and Deaths - Sussex Register 1814 - 1818. (RH929.3 SUS)
9. Muti, Jeffrey S. Sussex County Residents Who Have Died during Wartime. 1973
10. Newton city directories. (Scattered eds.) (H974.9 NEW)
11. Snell, J. P. History of Sussex and Warren Counties, New Jersey. Philadelphia: 1881. With index. (H974.97 SNE)
12. Squire Stickney's 1885 History of Sussex, New Jersey. Baltimore: Reprinted 1977. (RH974.976 SQU)



13. Stickney, Charles E. Old Sussex County Families of the Minisink Region. V. A. Brown Associates Reprinted 1988. (H929.2 STI)
14. Sussex County Marriages 1795-1853. (H929.3 SUS)
15. Sussex County Sesqui-Centennial. September 2, 1903. Including Centennial Address of Benjamin B. Edsall. Newton, N.J. (H974.9 SUS)
16. Swayze, F. J. Historical Address. Newton, N.J., 1903. (H974.9 SWA)

#### NORTHERN NEW JERSEY

1. Armstrong, W. C. Pioneer Families of Northwestern New Jersey. Lambertville, N.J.: 1979. (RH929.2 ARM)
2. Biographical and Genealogical History of Morris and Sussex Counties, New Jersey. N.Y.: 1899. 2v. (H974.97 BIO)
4. Honeyman, A. V. D. Northwestern New Jersey, a History... New York: 1927. 4v. (H974.9 HON)

#### ADJACENT AREAS

1. Commemorative Biographical Record of Northeastern Pennsylvania, incl. the Counties of Susquehanna, Wayne, Pike & Monroe... J. H. Beers & Co. Chicago: 1900 (RH974.83 Com)
2. Eager, S.W. An Outline History of Orange County [N. Y.]... Newburgh, N. Y.: 1846-7, reprinted Middletown, N. Y.: 1969. (H974.7 EAG)
3. Gumaer, P. A History of Deerpark in Orange Co., N. Y. Port Jervis, N. Y.: 1890. (H974.73 GUM)
4. Hoes, R. R. Baptismal and Marriage Registers of the Old Dutch Church of Kingston, Ulster County, New York, 1660-1809. N. Y.: 1891, reprinted Baltimore, 1980. (RH929.3 HOE)
5. Ruttenber, E. M. and Clark, L. H. History of Orange County, New York... Philadelphia: 1881, reprinted Interlaken, N. Y.: 1980. With index. (H974.7)
6. Snell, J. P. A History of Hunterdon and Somerset Counties, New Jersey. Everts & Peck Philadelphia: 1881 reprint 1992 (RH976.9 SNE). Index
7. Stickney, C. E. A History of the Minisink Region. Middletown, N. Y.: 1867. (H974.73 STI)

#### NEW JERSEY SOURCES

1. Jackson, R. V. et al. Index to Military Men of New Jersey 1775-1815. Bountiful, Utah: 1977. (RH929.3 IND)
2. Kitchel, W. H., comp. Society of Mayflower Descendants in the State of New Jersey: Lineages... August 15, 1900... to Feb. 3, 1973. Lakewood, N. J.: 1973. (RH929.3)
3. New Jersey. Adjutant-General's Office. Records of Officers and Men of New Jersey in Wars 1791-1815. Trenton: 1909, reprinted Baltimore: 1970. (RH929.3)
4. New Jersey Archives. First, second, and third series.

- (RH974.9 NEW)
5. Norton, J. S. New Jersey in 1793. Salt Lake City: 1973. (RH974.903 NOR)
  6. Stillwell, J. E. Historical and Genealogical Miscellany. N. Y.: 1903, reprinted Baltimore: 1970. 5v. (RH929.1)
  8. Stryker, W. S. Official Register of the Officers and Men of New Jersey in the Revolutionary War. Trenton: 1972. With index. (RH974.9 STR)

#### IMMIGRATION SOURCES

1. Morton Allan Directory of European Passenger Steamship Arrivals. N. Y.: 1931, reprinted Baltimore: 1980. (RH387.5)
2. Passenger and Immigration Lists Index. Detroit: 1981. 3v. Supplements 1982-1991. (RH929.373 PAS)
3. Rupp, I. D. Thirty Thousand Names of...Immigrants. Reprinted Baltimore. 1965. (R929.3 RUP)
4. Tepper, M., ed. Immigrants to the Middle Colonies. Reprinted Baltimore: 1978. (RH929.3 TEP)

#### CENSUS

1. Stryker-Rodda, K. Revolutionary Census of New Jersey... Lambertville, NJ: 1986 Rev. printing (RH974.903 STR)

#### STATE

2. New Jersey Census Bureau. Trenton, NJ. Compendium of Censuses, 1726 -1905. (RH929.3 NEW)
3. Sussex County 1885 - 1915 \*
4. Warren County 1885 - 1915 \*
5. Other counties: selected counties and years.

#### FEDERAL

##### New Jersey

5. Sussex County 1830 - 1920 \*
6. Warren County 1830 - 1920 \*
7. Other Counties: Selected years. Check card catalog drawer labeled "Census on Microfilm".

##### New York

8. New York Census 1790 (indexed) (RH317.3) and on microfilm
9. Orange County 1800 - 1910 \*
10. Other Counties: Selected years. Check card catalog drawer labeled "Census on Microfilm".

##### Pennsylvania

11. Pennsylvania Census 1790 (indexed) (RH317.3)

12. New Jersey Federal Census Indexes 1830 - 1860 (RH929.3 NEW)

\* Microfilm

#### LOCAL NEWSPAPERS

1. New Jersey Herald 1849 -
2. Stanhope Eagle 1885-1950.
3. Sussex Independent 1871-1952.
4. Sussex Register 1814-1943.
5. Wantage Recorder 1894 - 1937.

#### GENEALOGICAL PERIODICALS

1. Genealogical Helper 1981 -
2. Genealogical Magazine of New Jersey Vol. 1 -
3. Genealogical Society of New Jersey Newsletter Oct. 1976 -
4. The Magazine Sussex June 24, 1949 - June 1952. Inc. run
5. Morris Area Genealogy Society Newsletter March 1989 -
6. New Jersey Genesis Oct. 1966 - Apr. 1973
7. North Jersey Highlander 1967 -

#### UNIQUE SOURCES

The Francis Crown Collection: A large collection of private research papers on Sussex County families, donated by Mr. Francis Crown, a local genealogist.

Also available are family histories, municipal histories, church and cemetery records, and the 1860 map of Sussex County, published by Carlos Allen, which includes names of property owners.