

# **SUMMER**

1999

Annual Reunion July 31, 1999

# SWACKHAMMER-DUFFORD GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY BULLETIN SUMMER, 1998

FOR THE DESCENDANTS 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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Please send all newsletter submissions by 6/1/00 in ready to print format. Thanks!

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) You are an interested organization.
- (?) You are unsure of your relationship.

Please advise Jim Swackhamer or Matt Martyniuk if you are incorrectly labeled.

ANNUAL REUNION - Saturday, July 31, 1999 at the Zion Lutheran Church, Long Valley, New Jersey.

GUEST SPEAKER: Karen Newman of the Morris County Parks Commission.

## MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Our fifty-third Family Reunion is scheduled for July 31, 1999 at the Zion Lutheran Church in Long Valley. Since this is the last reunion of this century we are hoping for a nice turnout, and also pray that the weather will be comfortable. I always remember my Dad, Alden Wert saying that the Reunion was always the hottest day of the year.

We will meet at 11 a.m. and finish at 3 p.m. Do not forget to bring lunch and some refreshing drinks.

If you plan to "stay over" in the area, a list of a few local motels is included below, or you may call me at 973 822 2541 for suggestions.

I hope you have had a good year and are in relatively good health. We look forward to seeing you on Saturday, July 31, 1999 at Zion Lutheran Church. Drive carefully.

Audrey T. McCaffrey President

The Publick House and Restaurant 111 West Main Street Chester, NJ 07930 (908) 879 6878 Price \$65 to \$90 (15 minutes to Long Valley)

2 Days Inn Ledgewood U.S. Highway 46 Ledgewood, NJ 07852 (908) 347 5100 Price (Call)

## (25 minutes to Long Valley)

Sheraton - Mt. Arlington Hotel 15 Howard Blvd. Mt. Arlington, N.J. 07856 (973) 770 2000 Price (Call) Just off Route 80 -Exit t #30

# NOTE FROM THE PRESIDENT:

I would like to introduce you to our new Editor of this Swackhamer - Dufford Bulletin. He is our grandson, Matthew Martyniuk, who is the oldest son of our daughter Carol Ann Martyniuk. Matt, as we all call him, is 17 years old and just recently attained the rank of Eagle Scout from his troop in Vernon, NJ. His service project was to supervise and coordinate the building of a bridge on the Wood Duck Trail in the Wallkill River National Wildlife Refuge. Matt planned the design of the bridge, gathered materials and tools and coordinated volunteers to build the bridge.

Matt is a homeschooled student and recently has been selected to attend a summer program at Stevens Institute of Technology in New Jersey for two weeks. He is one of 64 young people chosen. We are very proud of our oldest grandson.

Audrey and Herb McCaffrey

#### BIRTHS:

Neil Patrick McCaffrey, b. July 20<sup>th</sup>, 1998 (Parents Ken and Noreen McCaffrey)

### **CONDOLENCES TO** The families and friends of:

Ruth L. Dufford Janet Neighbour Paterson Ben White

Please send all announcements of births, weddings, deaths, to your newsletter editor.

# **EXCERPTS FROM July 1998 Meeting**

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

The minutes from the last meeting were read and approved.

Treasurer reported balance of \$235.96 after donations made to:

Zion Lutheran Church Washington Township Museum Middle Valley Cemetery Speaker - '98 meeting

Ruth Hartman reimbursed for '98 newsletter:

#### New Business:

Silver dollars to: youngest member (age 43), eldest member Ben White (age 87) Traveled the furthest- Gail Keefer (Vero Beach, FLA) John Dufford again volunteered to get a speaker for the '99 meeting Jane Saums- publicity chairperson

John Dufford, our Vice President and Program Chairman arranged a special program for the '98 reunion. It was entitled "They Walk This Land"- about the Leni Lenape Indians. The speaker's name was Chuck Paul Vicari. This was an excellent presentation, enjoyed by all! Mr. Vicari displayed his vast collection of artifacts.

# SPECIAL SPEAKER FOR '99 REUNION:

This year, John Dufford has arranged to have Karen Newman from the Morris County Parks Commission speak to us. She will give an overview of all that is available in the Morris County Parks. There will also be an excellent slide show on this topic to accompany her presentation. This is scheduled for 1:30-2:15. This is a meeting not to be missed!

## **GENEALOGY ON THE INTERNET:**

For those members with access to the Internet, here are some useful addresses to genealogical sites:

http://www.ancestry.com

http://www.warren.cc.nj.us/~millerwe/gene/index.html

## Genealogy

#### By Sherry Orrock

Smith names, Fry names, Dead and gone and dry names!

Old names, bold names, Hard to spell and cold names!

This is what I used to think:
Those silly people eat and
drink,
Who study family histories,
Places, dates, and mysteries,

Loves and heartaches; Wheel on Grandma's cart breaks, Babies teething, People – living, breathing.

Now I know what joys are
found
In searching volumes leather
bound
And finding that a wholesome
life

Was lived by Great-greatgrandpa's wife

These are sigh names, Make-me-laugh or cry names.

Names aren't dry names When I find they're my names.



Our historian, Russell Dufford has been busy researching family genealogy.

Recently while attending a class reunion, one of his former students mentioned the subject of genealogy and he, of course, pursued it. This student searched on the Internet and provided the following information:

A record of-

Robert d'Ufford- 1st Earl of Suffolk, England

Had a daughter- Katherine d'Ufford

Est. Born 1241-1303, married 1265

Est. Born 1273

Robert D'Ufford Sr.

Married- Cecily Deurloines
Son- Robert D'Ufford

Est. Born 1247-1276, Est. Died 1301-1361 Est. Born 1256, Est. Died 1301

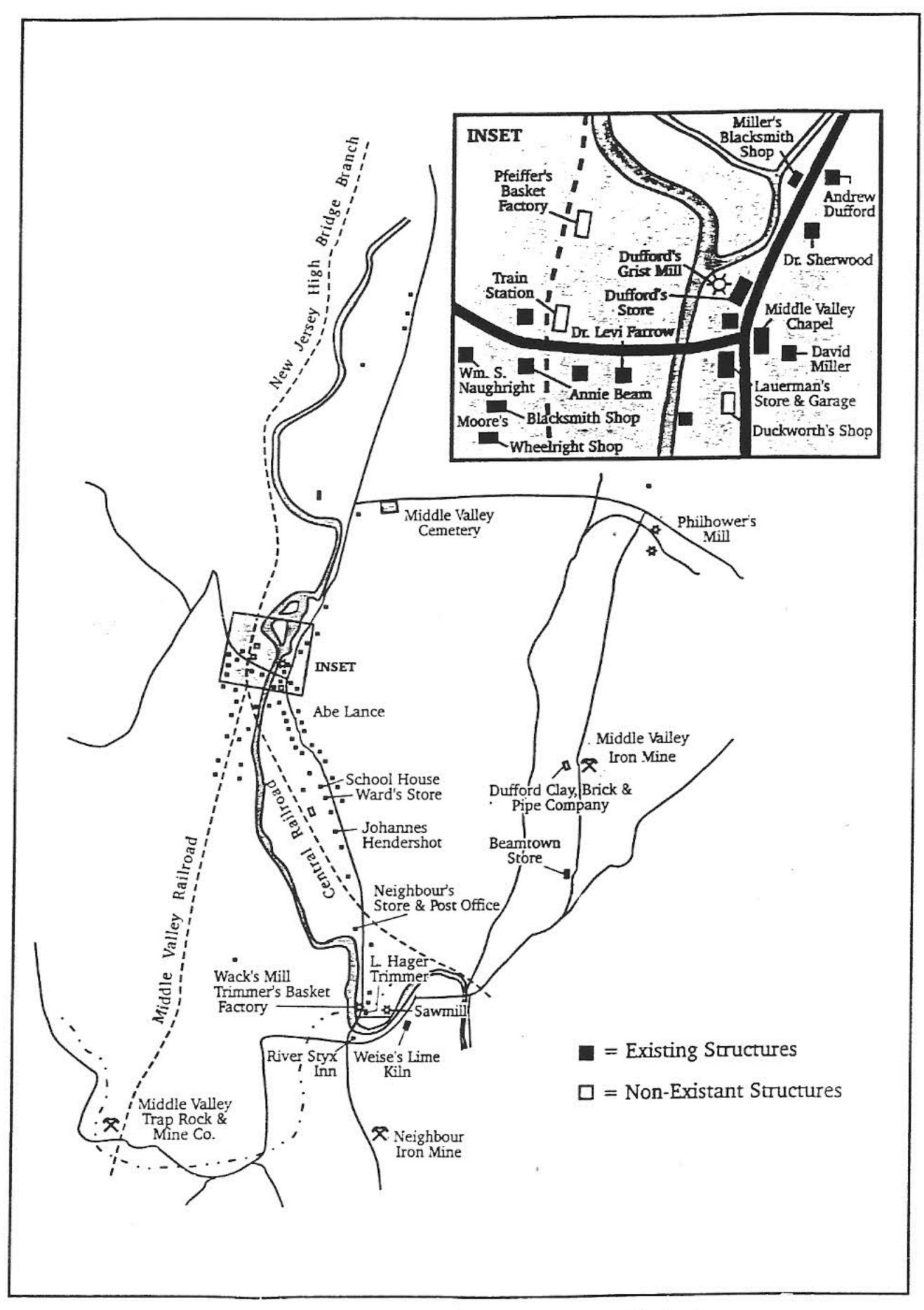
Born August 10, 1298, Est. Died 1333-1389

Robert D'Ufford married Margret DeNorwich

Born 1302, Est. Died 1333-1389

All of the above are from England- note variations in Dufford spelling.

Note from the editor- if anyone has an email address, please forward it to maverick\_matt@geocities.com for possible future use in the SD newsletter, or for SD members and friends to share genealogical information.



Map of Historic Middle Valley. (Courtesy of Steven Firtko.)