

SWACKHAMMER-DUFFORD GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY BULLETIN SUMMER, 2000

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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OFFICERS OF THE COMBINED SOCIETIES:

Please send all newsletter submissions by 6/10/01 in ready to print format. Thanks!

ANNUAL REUNION - Saturday, July 29, 2000 at the Zion Lutheran Church, Long Valley, New Jersey. 11AM to 3 PM

GUEST SPEAKER: MaryAnn Paterniti, professional storyteller and teacher.

MESSAGE FROM OUR PRESIDENT

Well another year has rolled around, and here we are in the new millenium, 2000. I just celebrated my 70th birthday on June 1st, and still 1930 (the year I was born) does not seem that distant to me. Of course my grandchildren probably think that 1930 was in the Dark Ages. When we consider all the things that have been invented since 1930 and the new world of communication, I guess it was the Dark Ages!

I hope that you are all well and will be able to join us at our 54th Annual Reunion on July 29, 2000. I would like to take this opportunity to thank Matt Martyniuk for the great job he has done on our bulletin. Matt has just graduated from high school and is off to The University of Scranton in August. Thanks to all who serve the Swackhamer – Dufford Reunion plans.

The reunion will be held at the Zion Lutheran Church, Long Valley, NJ on July 29th starting at 11 AM. Bring a picnic lunch and drink. A special millenium dessert will be provided. Allow time to visit before and after the meeting is over at about 2:30 or 3:00 PM. Bring any family pictures, charts, letters, etc.

Have a healthy and safe summer!

Audrey T. McCaffrey President

Below is a repeated list of local accommodations for anyone who might need it.

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

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

The Swackhamer-Dufford Genealogical Society Web Page is born!

Your editor is now in the process of setting up our own web page. The address to access this page is: <u>http://www.geocities.com/swackduff</u>

It should be available by the time you receive this. Soon you will also be able to download a file containing the Swackhamer-Dufford family tree. We also hope to provide links to related web sites. We are planning to bring a laptop to the reunion on 7/29 so that attendees can view the site and family tree.

--Matt Martyniuk Editor

<u>Our sincere condolences to the family of John M. Saums</u> 4/23/1920 - 12/20/1999. He is survived by his wife Jane Saums (S) (our publicity chairperson for the past few years), and a daughter Lorre Saums.

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

EXCERPTS FROM July 1999 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's report was given. Donations were made to: Zion Lutheran Church Washington Township Museum Middle Valley Cemetery Speaker - '99 meeting

Matt Martyniuk was reimbursed for '99 newsletter.

New Business:

Silver dollars were given to the youngest and eldest members present. Silver dollars were also given to the member who traveled the furthest. John Dufford again volunteered to get a speaker for the '00 meeting. Jane Saums- publicity chairperson.

John Dufford, our Vice President and Program Chairman arranged a special program for the '99 reunion. Karen Newman from the Morris County Parks Commission gave a very interesting presentation. She gave an overview of all that is available in the Morris County Parks, with an excellent slide show. This was enjoyed by all!

SPECIAL SPEAKER FOR '00 REUNION:

This year, John Dufford has arranged to have MaryAnn Paterniti give a presentation after our business meeting. She is a professional storyteller who has also been a teacher for 25 years. She has a large repertoire of fascinating stories to share with us! Please mark your calendars and plan to be with us for this great presentation.

<u>Thanks from Treasurer</u> Dorothy Swackhamer for the many donations she has received. Though "no dues are required, all donations are appreciated and personally acknowledged."

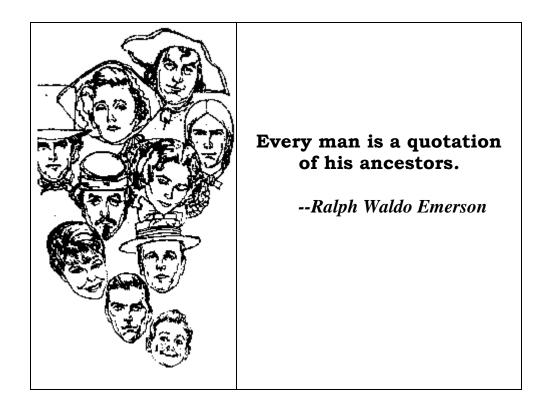
GENEALOGY ON THE INTERNET:

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

http://www.ancestry.com

http://jimi.warren.cc.nj.us/~millerwe/gene/index.html (updated address)

Beginner's Guide to Family History Research- http://biz.ipa.net/arkresearch/guide.html



I received some helpful and interesting information from Donald W. Dufford (Sullivan, IL). "The descendants of William Levering Dufford and Grace M. Wright will hold their biennial reunion starting Sat., 7/15/00 through Sunday, 7/23/00, at the Hodson Home in San Clemente, CA." Donald enclosed an update of this "twig" of the Jacob limb of the Philip Dufford tree. He has over 1700 individuals on the computer software Family Tree Maker. All are either related to Philip Dufford or to Donald on his mother's side. Some are only names without dates, many from this bulletin. He is willing to share, swap etc. with other relatives of Philip Dufford. He can be contacted either by email (mdufford@cu-online.com) or by mail (1216 W. Edwards St., Sullivan, IL 61951).

"William Levering Dufford moved with his sister Henrietta and parents William L. Dufford and Delia Hiller Dufford from Long Valley, NJ to Minneola, KS in 1909. The children of William Levering Dufford still own the family farm near Minneola. Descendants live in central and northern IL; Topeka KS; Denver CO; Garland TX; Bismarck ND; Scottsdale AZ; and the SW California area."

Thank you very much Donald for this great information! This is the kind of correspondence that will keep our bulletin going strong. Please keep this kind of information coming!

I also received a nice family update from Martha Degenhardt (D), about her children's latest activities. This and other correspondence will be located on our new web page, and will be shared with everyone at the reunion. Thank you Marty!

Note from the editor- if anyone has an email address, please forward it to <u>dinoguy2@yahoo.com</u> for possible future use in the SD newsletter, or for SD members and friends to share genealogical information.

Saturday July 29, 2000 Annual Reunion – Hope to see you there!!