

SWACKHAMER-DUFFORD GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY



FOR THE DESCENDANTS OF SAMUEL SWACKHAMER (SCHWACHHAMMER) WHO IN 1732 SETTLED IN LONG VALLEY, NEW JERSEY AND PHILLIP DUFFORD (DUFORD) WHO SETTLED THERE IN 1738.

SUMMER 2011 BULLETIN

Dear Members and Friends:

Communication and social interaction in the age of Twitter and Facebook is intriguing to me. I must admit to being old-fashioned since I am not a participant of either and sometimes wonder what I am missing by not having 300 or more friends. I just heard from a grandson that he had been "defriended" by his upcoming prom date, which I suspect is not a favorable development, so technology can cut both ways. I also found that there are more Swackhamers on Facebook than we have on the Swackhamer-Dufford Genealogical Society membership roll! I suspect that the same might be true for the Duffords, too. I know that there are a few Facebook/S-D Society overlaps, but by and large the Facebook membership is considerably younger and only mildly interested in family history. The role of technology will be important to our Society, but we haven't yet figured out the best use of technology for the S-D Society. Maybe we need a Facebook Division? We need your suggestions and ideas. We now have a good website that will help with communication and family history research. I encourage all of you to use it.

The Saturday July 30 Annual Reunion in Long Valley is an ideal time to return to our American roots for the sharing of family lore and facts. Both families are now so widely dispersed that most members can only make a reunion every few years. Your officers try hard to make the day informative, productive with "take home value" and giving you a warm feeling that you made the effort to attend. This year there will be a report on the annual Palatine to America convention, a view of Altlussheim, Germany from both a resident and his American spouse, updates on the "Continuing Dufford Family History" project, photos of the 2010 group tour to Europe, a visit to the Washington Township Museum and lots of good fellowship. Please use the enclosed registration form to make your reservation.

This Bulletin will be posted to our website. It can be emailed to members and guests upon request and we will continue to mail a hard copy to those who desire to have a tangible Bulletin. Whichever distribution method you prefer, let us know. Use the enclosed envelope to tell us your family news and update addresses. Also, your financial support is greatly appreciated. It is needed for the Bulletin, annual meeting resources, postage, historic graveyard association donations and Historical Society donations.

Congratulations to the Washington Township Historical Society on its 50th anniversary, 1961-2011. The Society has been very helpful to us along with Zion Lutheran Church and has become our Long Valley home and repository for family heirlooms. Most especially, we are grateful for Shelley Heretyk's willingness to be our volunteer Bulletin Editor in addition to her many Historical Society Museum tasks.

In an age of connectedness, it seems only natural that more Swackhamer-Dufford descendants will become interested in their family history. My advice is to not wait for that day in the future, when time magically becomes more available. That does not happen. Keep a family record book. Write about your most interesting relative. Have children or grandchildren do a Scout, 4-H or Youth Club family history photo project. Label your photos: who, what, when, where because someday, another family member will say, "Does anyone know who these people are?" With silence, out they go.

Sincerely,

Gene L. Swackhamer, President

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Swackhamer - Dufford Genealogical Society Website

www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~njswdugs/

Check the web site and put your comments or questions in the "Guest Book." The site is monitored and you will get a response. Throughout this issue (D) represents a Dufford connection, (S) for Swackhamer, (S & D) both families and (F) for friend of the Society.

Communication with Members and Friends

Virginia Allen (F), was so happy to read about **Janet Neighbour** in the Winter 2010 Bulletin. Virginia, whose parent's summer home was across the road from the Neighbour House, knew Janet's parents, **Peg and Fred**. As a young girl, Virginia's job was to walk down the hill with a pail to the Neighbour's barn to get milk. They also used to get eggs from there. Janet Neighbour introduced herself to Virginia at one of the Swackhamer-Dufford Reunions.

Walt Sharp of Dallas, Texas, and formerly of Dover, N.J., recently learned of the S-D Society and is combing through bulletins to learn more about what members have found. Walt is a 5th great-grandson of **Johannes Peter Sharpentine** of German Valley and a 6th great-grandson of **Samuel Swackhamer**. His Swackhamer line of descent is: Samuel Swackhamer (1701-1782), Catherine Swackhamer (1733-1815), Mary Kern (1752-1787), Matthias Trimmer (1785-1851) Catherine Caroline Trimmer (1825-1887), Matthias Trimmer (1852-1826), Morris Welch Sharp (1878-1965), Walter F. Sharp (1913-2003), Walt Sharp (1944-). He has many Duffords among collateral ancestors and is also a direct descendant of the Neighbor, Trimmer, Hager, Bodine, Kern, Dean and Weise families of German Valley/Long Valley. Walt spent more than 20 years as a newspaper reporter and editor and is currently in the public relations business. His email is sharpwalt@sbcglobal.net.

An inquiry was received from **Ms. Christina Krätzig (F)** of Freie TV Autorim in Ahrensburg, Germany, regarding our 2010 tour to Altlusheim and Langensoultzberg, France. She does TV documentaries and is doing one about **Dr. Wolfgang Gram's (F)** company, Routes to the Roots, Inc. He suggested the story of **Samuel Schwechheimer's** emigration to America aboard the *Love and Unity* would make a good documentary. Christina agreed and we sent her **Nancy Schane's** book and other literature. Perhaps we will see a family documentary like "George Washington!"

George N. Apgar, Jr. sends news on some Palatine family reunions in NJ scheduled in 2011. Swackhamer/Dufford in Long Valley on July 30, Pickell/Reinbold – see below, Philhower/Wolhauer in Cokesbury on Sept 10, and Apgar/Hagg/Schaefer in Stanton in Sept. For details phone George on 732-297-6686 or visit ApgarFamily.org.

Jim Pickell, who attended the S-D Reunion in 2010, sends a special invitation to attend the Pickell Family Reunion on July 10 at Pickell Park, Whitehouse Station, NJ. For further information, please call Jim Pickell, 732-821-6196.

Joyce MacRae (S) of Canada and daughter of **Harold C. Swackhamer** and granddaughter of **Arthur C. Swackhamer** emailed a note providing an address correction for her first cousin, **Mrs. June Dalgity (S)** mentioned in "Missing Members" Summer 2010. June also is a granddaughter of **Arthur C. Swackhamer**.

Necrology

Elizabeth "Betty" H. Ely, 95, died in Boonton, NJ on Jan 29, 2007. Born in Wilmerding, PA, Mrs. Ely lived for 70 years in West Orange, NJ. She graduated magna cum laude and Phi Beta Kappa from William and Mary College in VA. She was a secretary in numerous schools, and retired from the Carteret Savings Bank at the age of 88. She was predeceased by her husband, John L. Ely and is survived by children Mary Louisa Parr, Frederick Lancelot Ely, and Robert Hugo.

Necrology (continued)

Clyde E. Swackhamer died unexpectedly at his home in Fortville, IN, at the age of 83 on November 27, 2010. Clyde was born June 12, 1927 in Frankfort, IN. Clyde was a masonry contractor for over 50 years in the Pendleton area northeast of Indianapolis, IN. Clyde grew up in Clinton County Indiana and graduated from Jackson High School, where he was a basketball star. He served in the Marine Corp in WWII and received an Associate Degree from Ball State University following the war. Clyde was active in numerous American Legion Posts during his lifetime. He is survived by two sons, Jeff and wife Beverly of Bowling Green, KY and Doug and wife Wilma of Pendleton, IN. Also surviving are brother Richard Swackhamer of Frankfort, IN and sister Audra Joan Kingery of Tucson, AZ; and, four grandchildren: Dawn Karres, Sam Beaver, Amber Davis, and Alexandra Swackhamer and five great grandchildren: Alia and Alissa Davis, Noelle Robb, Mason Robb and Jenna Karres. He was preceded in death by his parents Lee and Dorcas (Reagan) Swackhamer, brother Morris Swackhamer and sister Alma Dean Humburg. Burial was in Anderson Memorial Park Cemetery.

CONTINUOUS DUFFORD RESEARCH PROJECT by William Cramer

Hello descendants of Philip Dufford. This ongoing project is an attempt to update and inform the descendants of the Dufford/Du Ford/Tufford family tree. We have 3 excellent contributors: Bonnie Wilson, Carole Trimmer, and Ann Cook. **#1) Bonnie Wilson** continues the "Dufford Family History" from the Winter 2010 Bulletin – see bulletin for info.

A DU FORD FAMILY HISTORY – Part 2 of 4

WRITTEN BY: **GEORGE S. DU FORD (DUFFORD)**, PLAINFIELD, NEW JERSEY, JANUARY 30, 1935

TRANSCRIBED BY **BONNIE WILSON**, JUNE 2010

Rev. T. F. Chambers in his Early Germans of New Jersey, evidently quoting from Baird's Huguenots Vol.1., says; during the Palatine Emigration, the Du Fours, DeVoors, Tofforts, Dufforts, Duffords, originally belonged to, and came from Mons in the province of Hainault, and fled that province in 1650, leaving La Rochelle, France directly for England.

In 1918 I became acquainted with a native born Frenchman named Georges Voisson, who was born near LeMans in the province of Orne, France, who, when hearing my name pronounced Dufford said: Your name is not Dufford, it is Du Ford; there were lots of the same name in my home province, farmers and artisans. He told the same story of emigration of earlier generations of the Du Fords to Germany, Holland and England because of religious persecution, and explained the different pronunciations of the name, by saying these came from their adopted homes. The pronunciation Toffort being German; Tuffert being Holland Dutch, and the name Tefort, subscribed to the old lease for the land on which they established their first home in this country, dated May 20th 1747, was the English for the same name.

In 1919, hearing of a man living in Bound Brook, N.J. who bore the same name, I called on, and had a long talk with David Du Ford, also a native born Frenchman from the same town of Le Mans in the Province of Orne, France, was their original home, and undoubtedly, this David Du Ford was a cousin far removed.

Chambers' reference to the Du Fords as coming from Mons in the province of Hainault, is evidently a geographical or typographical error; as the only province in France with a similar name, is Herault, in the south of France, on the Mediterranean coast, containing no town of even a similar name. Old ships records on file in Philadelphia, Pa. record the ship Robert and Oliver as having sailed from Amsterdam Holland and not from England, as Chambers, quoting from Barid's Huguenots would imply, and the fact, that Philip Sr. and Philip Jr. both took the oath of allegiance to the English King on Dis-embarking, further convinces me, that, if they had been living anywhere in England prior to sailing, this oath would have been unnecessary, as they would already have been English subjects. Anyone who has compared old histories by different historians, as to any given subject, is at once confronted by the differences in dates and other facts relative to the subject matter; therefore I am firmly convinced, the stories told me by these two native born Frenchmen, strangers to each other, neither having any motive for imparting wrong information on the subject, are entirely true and fix beyond doubt, the source of our family origin and correct name. If we pause for a moment to consider the illiteracy extent in those early days, when only the preachers and priests could read and write we need not wonder at the mis-spelled proper names we find through any old document we may choose to read. Old documents and inscriptions on old moss covered tomb-stones, reveal the name spelled Tefort, Tofert, Tuffert, Tufford, Duford and Dufford; all meaning that the name was spelled, simply as each writer thought was right. The old adage, (our friends we choose, our relatives and progenitors are thrust upon us), holds no inducement for delving into our records of our French ancestors; and I am perfectly willing to leave them, just a part of the dim and misty past, where undoubtedly, they possessed many faults and many splendid traits of character, similar to ours of today. And I shall quote the following from the pen of John G Saxe, as the main reason for thus leaving them; Quote.

Depend upon it my snobbish friend,
Your family line you can't ascend,
Without good reason to apprehend.
You may find it waxed at the farther end
By some plebeian vocation.
Or worse than that; your boasted line
May end in a loop of stronger twine,
That plagued some former relation.

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News, Stories, and Photos Needed for the Winter 2011 Bulletin

Please provide items for the next Bulletin by October 15th. Email sheretyk@comcast.net or phone 908-876-3983 for mailing address.

Photographs from the Album of Dorris Dufford Hargreaves
by Bonnie Wilson



Above photo #1 - From left to right, Philip Dufford, Delia Moran, Wes Moran, Aunt Betty (don't know last name) Hattie Dufford, Dorris Dufford Hargreaves (mother of Bonnie Wilson), George S. Dufford, John Hargreaves, (father of Bonnie Wilson), Francis Dufford. Photo taken August 1937 in front of Dufford House, Middle Valley, NJ (most likely.)



Top right photo #2 - Dorris Dufford (also in photo #1) and Elijah Dufford, the father of Dorris. Elijah was the son of Francis and Philip Dufford (in photo #1 and #4). Photo taken in 1920.



Bottom right photo #3: Philip Dufford in around 1880 (same Philip in photo #1 and #4). Philip was the father of Elijah Dufford (photo #2 and #5). George S. Dufford (in photo #1 and #6) and Philip Dufford were brothers.

Photographs continued on pages 8 and 10. Meet Bonnie Wilson on page 5.

Help Locate Missing Members!

We ask your help in providing current contact information for those members of the Society for whom newsletters have been recently undeliverable. If you have any information regarding the current location or email address for any of the following members, please email our membership coordinator, Carol T. Stout, at carolstout2003@aol.com, or mail to Carol T. Stout, 14 Fox Hill Road, Middletown, NJ 07748.

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Mrs Niki McQueary, Ruby Valley, NV
Mrs Sandra Palace, Glen Ellyn, IL
Mrs Theodore Priesler, Binghamton, NY
Mrs A Frederick Romaynoli, Beamsville, Ontario Canada

Mr Charles E Spehl, Jr., Columbia, SC
Mr & Mrs Charles Stevens, Sayre, PA
Mr R L Swackhamer, Fort Worth, TX
Mr Ralph Swackhamer, Cleveland, MS
Mr Robert A Swackhamer, Saginaw, MI
Robert Trimmer, Germantown, MD

Bulletin Archives – All Bulletins on Web and German Translation

Matthew Martyniuk (D) finished putting ALL the Swackhamer-Dufford Genealogical Society Bulletins on the Swackhamer-Dufford Genealogical Society website: www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~njswdugs/ . From the home page go into "Bulletin Archives". As reported in the Winter 2010 Bulletin, **Marie Bonnar** scanned them - approximately 700 pages. There is a wealth of information and already **Bill Cramer** has found some answers in old Bulletins.

Steffen Drees (S) translated the Winter 2010 Bulletin to German and that is also in Bulletin Archives. Plans are in place to continue to provide Bulletins in German.

The S-D Society is really moving forward. Many thanks to all!



Lois Brasher (S), pictured with her husband Julius, celebrated her 97th birthday on March 22, 2011 in Brasher Springs, Etowah County, Alabama. One of Lois' prized houseplants is a large Boston fern given to her mother, Bessie Swackhamer Clark in Morristown, NJ about 1905. When her mother married Lawrence Dalrymple Watters, the fern was taken by horse and wagon from Morristown to their new home in Newark, NJ. For 106 years this fern has been cared for by Lois and her mother. See the Summer 2009 Bulletin for genealogy and more history.



Virginia Allen (F) celebrated her 95th birthday on Jan 14, 2011 in Long Valley, NJ. A friend of the Swackhamer-Dufford Genealogical Society for decades, Virginia is the author of "A History of Washington Township 1800-1890" and an Honorary Member of the Washington Township Historical Society.



The **Washington Township Historical Society** celebrated its 50th Anniversary with an Open House on March 5th and 6th at their Museum in Long Valley, NJ. The first meeting on record was August 6, 1960 and WTHS was incorporated on April 29, 1961. The Museum has a good (and growing) collection of Swackhamer and Dufford family history – for more information visit www.wthsnj.org or phone 908-876-9696.



Traudel and Friedhelm Schwechheimer send greetings from Geinsheim, Germany. We enjoyed their wonderful hospitality during the 2010 S-D Heritage Tour. Meeting everyone was the highlight. Geinsheim is a short distance away from Altlusheim, the ancestral home of Samuel.



Meet **Bonnie and Dick Wilson** - Bulletin Reporters and Outreach. Bonnie Hargreaves (her mother was Dorris Dufford Hargreaves) and Dick Wilson both grew up during the 1940s/50s in the Caldwell/Roseland area of NJ. They married when Dick was in college at Seton Hall University and left NJ in 1960 when Dick entered the Army. Bonnie and Dick both fully enjoyed Army life and after 26 years they retired to Florida.

Today they split the year between two homes. Bonnie and Dick live in Deltona, Florida from around October to March and for the remaining months in their house on the border of the Tioga State Forest in Pennsylvania (northwest of Scranton). They make the journey to Long Valley each July to attend the annual S-D Reunion.

It seems that as a young man of twenty-two Sonora's father, John Tims, went west to California to seek his fortune. John travelled west with a number of young men as eager for adventure and lured by the thought of "striking it rich" as he. They travelled west overland from New Jersey until they reached the gold fields of California. Once there, John managed to find a rather sizeable strike near Sonora, California. His traveling companions also were able to find gold. Soon John had amassed enough gold to return home. In his eyes he was now a successful young man!

In planning his trip back east to New Jersey, John recalled the perils of crossing the great expanse of the western wilderness. He recalled seeing and meeting those of less than reputable status that might try to take what he and his companions had worked so hard to accumulate. After giving this some great thought John decided that if he split his fortune in two parts, leaving one portion in the Bank of Sonora and taking the remaining portion back east with him and several of his traveling companions, that the worst that could happen was that he would lose one half. Plans were then laid for the return trip. To ensure that their trip home would be as safe as possible, John and his companions decided to arm themselves with guns and rifles. As they had need to carry supplies with them as well as their riches, they purchased a wagon and several animals with which to pull it. In addition, the men purchased a number of horses and enough saddles for each rider. It is my understanding that all the men in the party took turns riding the horses in front of, behind and to the sides of the wagon. It is believed the reason this was done was so the traveling companions could surround their own wagon and they could ensure that if unfortunate circumstances were to occur they would have the best possible chance of keeping their lives and new found wealth.

Their precautions made their return trip home uneventful and when John returned to New Jersey, he returned with the one half of his fortune that he had taken with him from California. Now, with a portion of his money safe with him in New Jersey, John sent for the money that he felt would be safe and secure in the bank in Sonora, California. Much to his surprise, his request that the money be sent to him went unfulfilled. The portion that he felt that would be so safe in the bank was no longer there! Sometime after John had left to travel back east to New Jersey the Bank of Sonora, California had failed, leaving him with only the portion that he felt would be stolen on the way home. It was as a result of those memorable events that occurred in Sonora, California that Sonora was given her name.

Once I had documented my family tree through Elizabeth McLean Tim's parents (Nicholas McLean and Elizabeth Wack) I was able to locate an original 1895 edition of the Early Germans of New Jersey by Theodore F. Chamber. It was through this book that I found my connection to the Dufford family. This family connection was again confirmed by Bill Cramer, Dufford Family Historian.

While most of the Dufford family tree is well documented the portion of the family tree pertaining to the descendents of Magdalena Dufford (daughter of George Stephen Dufford and Ann or Anna Mary Trimmer) and her husband, Andrew Wack, (son of Rev. Casper Wack and Barbara Leidy; and father of Elizabeth Wack McLean) appears incomplete. While I am not an authority on that complete line, I do have information regarding all of my direct ancestors, including limited information on their siblings. All of the information in my possession regarding each generation has been verified by at least two sources including, but not limited to, direct knowledge as well as census data, obituaries, newspaper and magazine articles, marriage records, tombstones, family burial plot information, burial records, Surrogate records and information obtained from various historical and genealogical books.

Now, I had located information on ancestors that had been in the Americas when it was a British colony. The information that my grandmother had given me when I was a young child now made sense. Armed with this information I started to wonder - since the Dufford family had settled in German Valley prior to the Revolutionary War had the Dufford's assisted in our country's struggle for independence? I knew that there were veiled references that the McLean's had family members involved in the Revolutionary War. (With research I was able to ascertain at least one of William McLean brothers had enlisted in the Revolutionary War and William's father had signed the Patriotic Oath denouncing the King of England.) I had also found considerable information regarding Rev. Casper Wack's and Jacob Leidy's involvement in the Revolutionary War.

So, with equal fervor I started searching for more information on the Dufford family. It was as a direct result of those searches that I was able to obtain various documents regarding Jacob, George and Matthias Dufford's financial contributions during the Revolutionary War. In reviewing the New Jersey Tax Ratables for Morris County for the years 1778 through 1780 I was able to locate information regarding the Dufford's ownership of land and animals.

Below are selective excerpts from The Genealogical Magazine of New Jersey, Volume 46, Number 1, dated January, 1971 that shows the New Jersey Tax Ratables for Morris County for 1778 through 1780. On page 88 the following notations are made:

(Matthias Dufford 150; 4h, 5c, 4p)
Jacob Dufford 50; 3h, 6c, 2p (7c, 3p) |
(George Dufford 30) |

The tax information may be read by using the following information:

The following abbreviations have been used:

c=horned cattle

ex=exempt

h=horse(s)

h&l=house and small lot

hh=householder

p=hog(s)

rc=riding chair

s=slave

sm=single man who works for hire

sm&h=single man who keeps a horse

u=acres of unimproved land

£=amount out at interest

A number without a following letter or letters indicates the number of acres of improved land taxed.

An asterisk (*) indicates that the name was on the earlier list but not on the later one. Parentheses are placed around changes, and around the names and holdings of persons appearing on the second list but not the first. The same items were taxed in both years unless a change is indicated by parentheses. Thus, if Dirck Setven was taxed on 200 acres, 5 horses, 3 horned cattle, 2 hogs, 1 slave, and £180 at interest in 1778, and Richard Sutphin was taxed on 200 acres, 4 horses, 3 horned cattle, 2 slaves, £180 and a riding chair in 1780, the entry would appear:

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(Sutphine, Richard 4h, 0p; 2s; rc)

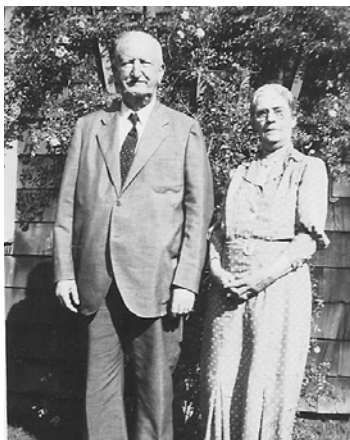
As the number of acres, the number of cattle, and the amount at interest remained unchanged, they were omitted from the summary within the parentheses.

Therefore, using the above information, Matthias Dufford owned 150 acres, four horses, five cows and four pigs in 1780 and George Stephen Dufford owned 30 acres of land in 1780 for which they both paid tax assessments.

Jacob Dufford owned 50 acres of land, three horses, six cows and two pigs in 1778 and in 1780 Jacob Dufford owned 50 acres of land, three horses, seven cows and three pigs for which he paid tax assessments.

As a direct result of Jacob, Matthias and George Dufford and others complying with the wishes of the Continental Congress and the New Jersey Colonial government for payment of monies in the form of taxes in 1778 and 1780 that were "...to be used for the protection of the armies of the United States to fund the Continental Army so far as the same can possibly be extended, consistent with the safety of the army and the general welfare, as that State lies open to attacks from so many quarters, and the struggles which have been made by the brave and virtuous inhabitants of that State, in defence of the common cause, cannot fail of exposing them to the particular resentment of a merciless enemy..." (Resolution of Continental Congress dated December, 1777 from Official Register of the Officers and Men of New Jersey in the Revolutionary War by William Stryker, published 1872 at pages 41-42) our fledgling country was victorious in our fight for independence. Without the patriotic acts of the Dufford's and others the New Jersey Colonial government and the Continental Congress would have been unable to raise the funds necessary to fight and ultimately defeat the British.

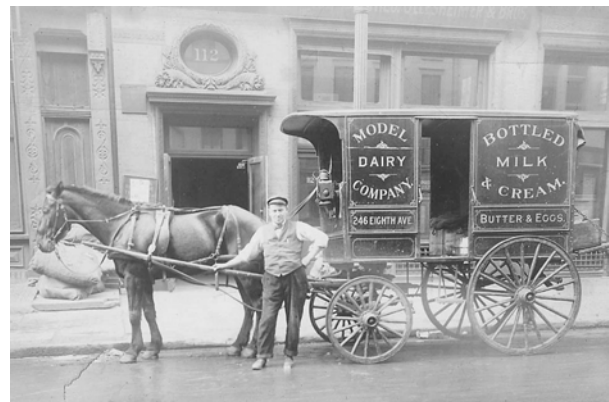
Dorris Dufford Hargreaves Photographs continued from page 4



Above is photo #4: Philip and Francis Dufford (husband and wife) in around 1940.

Philip and Francis Dufford (also in photos #1 and #3) were the grandparents of Dorris Dufford Hargreaves. Dorris was very close to them.

To the right is photo #5, Elijah Dufford. He was the father of Dorris and they are pictured together in photo #2.



Elijah Dufford was a dairyman. He was killed in 1921 at the age of 38 in a dairy farm accident in Far Hills, NJ. This photo was taken in Brooklyn, New York (most likely). Elijah lived and worked there for quite a while. Dorris Dufford was born at home in Brooklyn in 1916. This photograph was taken between 1913 and 1918.

Swackhamer-Dufford Genealogical Society Annual Reunion
Zion Lutheran Church, 11 Schooley's Mountain Road, Long Valley, NJ 07853
Saturday, July 30, 2011, 9am to 3pm

Everyone is invited to attend the annual reunion of the S-D Society on Saturday, July 30 in Long Valley. Members of the S-D Society have been gathering in Long Valley for over 60 years to share family information, to assist others with genealogy questions and to learn more about our respective family histories. At this meeting **Steffen Drees**, of Altlusheim, Germany, will talk about his home town and the ancestral home of **Samuel (Schwechheimer) Swackhamer**. Steffen's grandmother was born a Schwechheimer. Also assisting Steffen will be **Jill (Swackhamer) Kaplan**, who will speak about the people and customs of Altlusheim. On July 16, 2011, Jill and Steffen are scheduled to be married, so this will be their first presentation as **Mr. and Mrs. Drees**.

Dufford family descendants will begin planning for the 275th anniversary of the arrival of Jacob Dufford in Long Valley in 1738. We hope to make the 2013 annual reunion a very special commemoration of that historic event to which all the Duffords are indebted. Come share your ideas and suggestions on how to mark this date. **Bill Cramer** will also be presenting extensive updates to the Dufford Family History.

The program will begin at 9:00 am. Coffee, tea, pastry and fruit juice will be available for early arrivers. A catered luncheon of summer salads and desserts will be served at noon. The Washington Township Historical Society Museum will be open at the conclusion of our meeting for those interested in seeing many of the Dufford/Swackhamer artifacts. Samuel's homestead, now a portion of the basement of the Raritan Inn, will also be open for a visit.

Please use the registration form below and take advantage of the early registration discount. Day of the event registration will be \$30.00 per person with youth under 16 free. If you would like information on local hotels, inns, restaurants or local sightseeing, just check the box for "Long Valley Information Package," which will be mailed to you. If cancellation becomes necessary, please call or email Gene Swackhamer by July 23 at 410-771-4437 or GGSwack@cs.com

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	Number Attending	Amount	Long Valley Information Package. Check here _____ .
Program fee \$25.00 per person Children under 16 free		\$	Includes morning refreshments, lunch and facility fee
Optional donation in support of Society and <i>Bulletin</i> costs	—	\$	The S-D Society operates entirely on donations and with volunteers
TOTAL		\$	Make check payable to Swackhamer-Dufford Genealogical Society

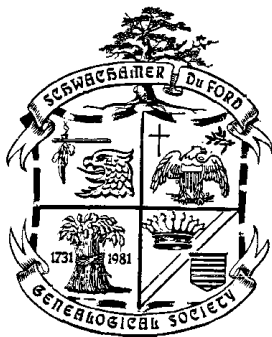
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Above is photo #6 from the album of Dorris Dufford Hargreaves. The man on the left is unidentified and George S. Dufford is on the right. This photograph was taken around 1935, most likely at the Dufford House in Middle Valley, New Jersey. George S. Dufford is also pictured in photo #1 on page 4 and is the author of "A Du Ford Family History" on page 3.