

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 2012 BULLETIN

Dear Members and Friends:

At last year's reunion I tried to get a representative of the Dufford side of our Society to take the reins as President. There were several reasons for desiring to rotate leadership—to bring in fresh ideas, to maintain balance in representation between our families, to position the organization for 2013 recognition of the 175th anniversary of Phillip Dufford's 1738 arrival in America, and to give myself more time for Swackhamer genealogy research. It didn't happen although we have capable candidates. I do not intend to leave the Swackhamer Dufford Genealogical Society and I will help a successor, so I will be trying again for all the same reasons. Maybe this year will be different. If you would like to support a Dufford relative as President, let them know of your support before our July 28, 2012 meeting.

Last fall I was to meet with Dr. Wolfgang Grams in Baltimore during a one-day stop of the Hanseatic Lines East Coast tour. Dr. Grams is President of Routes to the Roots, Inc., a family history tour company in Oldenburg, Germany, where he is also a history professor at Oldenburg University. On the planned day of the visit, I was overwhelmed with activity at the Maryland Agricultural Center and could not get away to meet with him, but I know that he would be interested in doing a Dufford Family History trip to the Swiss, French and German ancestral regions of the Duffords. He could do a trip with almost any number of tourists, but 5-9 travelers' works really well for flexibility and language translation. If there is interest please let me know at GGSwack@cs.com.

This year's annual reunion will again be in the new educational wing of Zion Lutheran Church in Long Valley, NJ on Saturday, July 28, 2012. Each year we get one or two families attending for the first time, which is great. Long Valley is a destination that requires a special effort to reach. I know the travel challenge from having lived in Indiana, Kansas and Virginia. In that 20 year period with young children, I was only able to attend one reunion! Your officers feel a special obligation to ensure that you find the day interesting and productive. For those traveling a long distance we want you to leave with the feeling that the experience was worth the travel effort. In the past decade, I think we are batting 1000 percent in attendee satisfaction. To register, just clip or copy the form in this issue of the Bulletin and follow the directions.

Do you have some family information to share? It is always welcome and I am amazed how frequently one family's information is helpful to another family. We too often forget that cousins, sometimes several removed, also have the same roots. Your g.g. grandfather is also related to many others that you may no longer know. Even career information such as George was a carpenter or Sally was a nurse or that Henry was in the Civil War sometimes is the clue needed to narrow a genealogy search. Also, don't forget to send to the Society old family memorabilia no longer wanted. These items define us as a clan.

Next to gardening, family history is the second largest hobby of Americans. We all came from somewhere.

Sincerely,

Gene L. Swackhamer, President

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Swackhamer - Dufford Genealogical Society Website

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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

Dawn Dufford sent email on the recommendation of **Bonnie Wilson**. Dawn is part of a western bunch of Duffords who have been in the Utah, Colorado, Idaho and Washington area for over 80 years. It is part of the legend that **Samuel Dufford** came west from Iowa in the late 1800s, allegedly lured by the promise of wonderful peach growing country. He did settle in Green River, Utah, and there raised a family which included **Philip G. Dufford** and **Edwin A. Dufford**. Two daughters, **Marjorie** and **Meryl** were also born in Utah.

Dawn has a very fine copy of the family tree, dealing with Duffords up until the mid-1800s, but has no idea of them after that. She is curious as to how they got to Iowa and what impelled them to leave and would appreciate titles of recommended books. Dawn hopes to go to Salt Lake to do further investigation, and plans to come to the annual picnic one day with her brother, **Philip W. Dufford** (nick name of Wick). Please send information and/or greetings to dawndufford@comcast.net.

George N. Apgar, Jr. wrote that this year he will not have a family beach vacation conflict and he is looking forward to participating in the Swackhamer-Dufford family reunion on Saturday, July 28. He said that getting the Pennsylvania Chapter of Palatine to America back in operation has been a challenge, but they are working as a board to make it happen.

George Apgar, alias "**Poor Palatine Georg**," also wants everyone to know that in October of 2013 there will be a big celebration of the 300th anniversary of Palatines to New Jersey. Watch for information about this event.

The **Apgar Family** gathering will be Saturday, September 15 in Stanton, NJ and Sunday, September 16, 11:00 am at Lebanon Reformed Church, Lebanon, NJ. For additional information contact **Debbie Apgar** at 416 Runyon Avenue, Middlesex, NJ 08846.

For those in the mid-west there is a great opportunity to learn about family genealogy and history from members of the **Palatines to America** national association at its annual conference on June 14-16, 2012, Marriott East Hotel, Indianapolis, IN. This annual event is programed to all levels of experience and interest. Sharon and I will be attending this event and sharing information with you at our reunion on July 28. The timing of this event and your receipt of this newsletter will be tight, but for any Swackhamer-Dufford Society member who attends this event, we will gladly host you for dinner in Indianapolis!

Necrology

Funeral services for **Susan Barbara Rogers** of Charleston, South Carolina were held on May 3, 2011 in Epworth United Methodist Church. Ms. Rogers was born October 12, 1943 in Ridgewood, NJ, the daughter of **Walter Walker** and **Barbara Dunning Walker Reid**. She was a graduate of Green Mountain College in Vermont. Susan's interests included training and developing a synchronized swim team of 30-40 children, ages 6 to 16, in her High Crest Lake, West Milford, NJ neighborhood where she also had served as President of this 300 home lakefront community. She was a retired Sales Representative of typesetting equipment. With a desire for more frequent interaction with her grandchildren, Susan moved to Charleston. Here she also found a rewarding and peaceful fellowship in her relationship with Epworth United Methodist Church.

She is survived by three sons: **Thomas Rogers** of Charleston, **David Rogers** of Los Angeles, CA and **Stephen Rogers** of Charleston; one brother: **Walter Walker** of Cape Coral, FL; and seven grandchildren: Brianna, Tommy, Kayla, Erik, Tara, Stella and Sammy. Memorial contributions can be made to James Island Coaches Athletic Program, Attn Robin Cooper, James Island Recreation Complex, 1088 Quail Drive, Charleston, SC, 29412.

Orleta Swackhamer Demuth, age 93, of West Jefferson, NC, died Tuesday, November 22, 2011 in Winston-Salem, North Carolina. She was the wife of the late **Herbert McCreery Demuth**, and was also preceded in death by two brothers, **James Douglas** and **Rodney Deaver Swackhamer**, and a daughter-in-law, **Dianne L. Demuth**.

Orleta was born on April 15, 1918 in Crooksville, Ohio to **Homer Edward** and **Juliette Miller Swackhamer**. She grew up in Columbus, Ohio where she was valedictorian of her Bexley High School class, and graduated summa cum laude from Capital University. She and Herbert were married August 24, 1940. For 38 years she lived in Mediana, Ohio and raised three children, was active in civic endeavors, and taught American History in the local school system.

When Orleta retired in 1980, she and Herbert relocated to Ashe County, NC in the Blue Ridge Mountains where Orleta continued to be active in church and as a community volunteer in many causes. Active and involved until the very end, Orleta is remembered for her cheerfulness, energy and willingness to serve. Surviving her are two sons **Stephen (Ilene)** of Virginia, and **Robert (Janice)** of Indiana, and a daughter **Phyllis (Jim)** of Alaska, three grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

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.

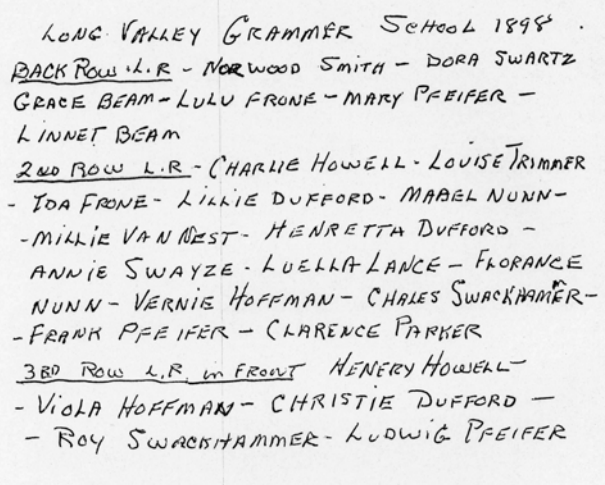
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German Valley School – Photograph on Page 5

On the back of the photograph on page 5 are the names of the students, shown right. It is difficult to follow the list and there are missing names. If anyone can identify a student or has more information, please contact Shelley Heretyk, sheretyk@comcast.net, 908-876-3983.

This school (pictured on page 10) in German Valley (German Valley was not renamed to Long Valley until 1918) was built in 1886 to replace a stone school that became overcrowded with 80 students. Both buildings still exist. The stone school is located on 6 Fairview Avenue and is the Washington Township Historical Society Museum. The new school is located on 43 Schooley's Mountain Road and is the Washington Township Municipal Building.



LONG VALLEY GRAMMAR SCHOOL 1898
BACK ROW L.R. - NORWOOD SMITH - DORA SWARTZ
GRACE BEAM - LULU FRONE - MARY PFEIFER -
LINNET BEAM
2ND ROW L.R. - CHARLIE HOWELL - LOUISE TRIMMER
- IDA FRONE - LILLIE DUFFORD - MABEL NUNN -
- MILLIE VAN NEST - HENRETTA DUFFORD -
ANNIE SWAYZE - LUELLE LANCE - FLORANCE
NUNN - VERNIE HOFFMAN - CHARLES SWACKHAMER -
- FRANK PFEIFER - CLARENCE PARKER
3RD ROW L.R. in front HENERY HOWELL
- VIOLA HOFFMAN - CHRISTIE DUFFORD -
- ROY SWACKHAMER - LUDWIG PFEIFER

**70th Wedding Anniversary of the Rev. Julius and Lois Watters Brasher
December 27, 2011**



On December 27, retired elder the **Rev. Julius L. Brasher** and his wife, **Lois Watters Brasher**, celebrated 70 years of married life together. They are both 97 and in good health, living in the home they built in Alabama, when they retired in 1976 from the Northern New Jersey United Methodist Conference. They were married in 1941 at Saint Peter's Episcopal Church in Morristown. At the time, Julius was pastor of the Chester Congregational Church, and Lois was the organist at the Morristown Methodist Church. Julius graduated from Drew Theological Seminary, and Lois studied organ at Union Theological School of Sacred Music (now Yale School of Sacred Music). Together they served the following Methodist churches: Blairstown/Walnut Valley (1942-1946), Denville (1946-1955), Rutherford (1955-1962), Westwood (1962-1967), Plainfield (1972-1976). From 1967-1972, Julius was district superintendent of the Northern District of the NNJ Conference. In retirement in Alabama, Julius has served as pastor of two churches and taught an adult church school class through his 94th year. They would be delighted to hear from you.

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The following donors have made contributions since the 2011 Winter Bulletin report. Every effort is made not to miss anyone, but errors can occur. If we missed recognizing you, please let us know and forgive us. We truly appreciate every dollar received; your voluntary gifts have sustained the Society since 1951.

- Ruth E. Almond (NY), donation for *Bulletin* in memory of her father, Elmer Swackhamer.
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German Valley School 1898 (see page 3 for names)



Courtesy of the Washington Township Historical Society

News, Stories, and Photos Needed for the Winter 2012 Bulletin

Please send items for the next Bulletin to Shelley Heretyk, Bulletin Editor, by October 15th.
See page 2 for contact information.

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/Duffort/Tufford family tree. In this bulletin we have two excellent contributors – **Bonnie Wilson** and **Ann Cook**.

#1) Bonnie Wilson shares with us a very special document: The “Dufford Family History”, written by her Uncle George in 1935. Uncle George was a historian, a reporter and a great family man. Our Newsletter is presenting this document, in its entirety, over 4 issues. **A Very large THANK YOU** to Bonnie Wilson for reissuing this important piece of family history on the 75th anniversary of its creation.

Part 1 included Bonnie’s introduction; the beginning of the “History”, the establishment of New Jersey, the division of west jersey, the trip Samuel Swackhamer and Philip Dufford on the “Robert and Oliver”; and how Philip Dufford arrived at “The Valley”. (Published in Winter 2010 Bulletin)

Part 2 included Uncle George’s in-depth analysis of the Dufford’s European roots including a discussion on Huguenot origins; migration through Germany and Holland and eventually to America; and a discussion of the possible town in France the Dufford’s came from. (Published in Summer 2011 Bulletin)

Part 3 included Philip Dufford and his family settling in “The Valley” in 1738 and the beautiful story of the marriage of Jacob Dufford to the Lenni-Lenape Indian maiden, (whose Christian name is) Elizabeth. He shares aspects of the wedding ceremony and, via an eyewitness account, the family’s reaction to the marriage. (Published in Winter 2011 Bulletin)

Part 4 is the descendant information and genealogical lines of Jacob and Elizabeth’s three sons, Matthias, born in 1738; George Stephen, born in 1741; and Jacob, born in 1746. (Published below)

A DU FORD FAMILY HISTORY – Part 4 of 4

WRITTEN BY: **GEORGE S. DU FORD (DUFFORD)**, PLAINFIELD, NEW JERSEY, JANUARY 30, 1935
TRANSCRIBED BY BONNIE WILSON, JUNE 2010

Now we come to our direct ancestor, Jacob and the children born of his marriage to his Indian wife; three of whom, appear in the incomplete records.

The first child was Matthias, born 1738, died May 27th 1818. Married Judith Trimmer, born 1746, who died Oct 18th 1798; Matthias’ children follow 1st, John; no record of his birth, but we find on Dec. 25th 1791 he married Ann Trimmer, daughter of Leonard. She was born Dec. 22nd 1770 and died Dec. 4th 1806. He next married Marguretta Swackhamer, daughter of John 1st, but no date of the marriage can be found. They had 8 children as follows; Mary, James, Stephen, Theodore, John, Annie, Jacob and Matthias. Matthias’ second child was Jacob; no date of his birth but on Jan. 10th 1792 he married Elizabeth Hager born 1778, the daughter of David Hager. Jacob’s children follow. First Mary, born Dec. 16th. 1795, and on Jan. 21st, married John Terraberry or Derenburger, son of the first Philip; no record of their deaths or of any children.

Matthias’ next child was John, born 1797. He married first, Sophia, the daughter of Jacob Du Ford, who was a son of George Stephen and therefore, his cousin. We find no record of her death, but find he next married Elizabeth Hoffman, and after her death, married her sister Julia Hoffman, both daughters of Henry H. Hoffman. John’s children follow. Philip, married Mary Trimmer, no date; Jacob, first married Emmaline Trimmer; after her death, he married Mary Taylor, daughter of Thomas Taylor; no record of her death or of any children. John’s next child was Morris, who married first Elizabeth Skinner, and after her death, married Mary Gulick; no record of their deaths or of any children. Elizabeth, John’s next child, married Joseph Rice. Maria, married Nelson Trimmer, Sarah died young, Sallie unmarried, and only child by his second wife. Now we come to the third child of Jacob, David; who married Mary Derose, and their children follow. Augustas, married Margaret Thomas. Caroline, married D.H. Wolfe. Sophia, married George Young. James married Mary Hann, daughter of Charles Hann. George, unmarried, Clara, unmarried. Jennie, unmarried. David’s fourth child was William; who married Harriet Woodruff; they lived in Newark N.J.. Their children follow. Theodore, married Jane Meeker. Mary, married Thomas Harrison. Clara, married John Kessam. David’s fifth child was Matthias, who married Maria Wise, daughter of Jacob. Wise 2nd; their child was Mary Elizabeth, who married Philip Seneca Wise. * On page 343 of Chambers’ Early Germans of N.J. I find a disconnected entry, after the record of David’s children, that is one of the many puzzles this history of the family afforded, one perhaps some of the family group can solve. It reads as follows: 3. Ann, married Philip Kern, son of Christopher, 4. Maria, married Daniel Weyer of Weyertown, Morris County. 5. Elizabeth, married Samuel Schampanore. They evidently belong to one of the many branches of our family, and I leave the puzzle’s solution to each group, to find their proper place in the line of descent. ***[historians note – the answer to our authors question is found in the fact that the 2nd child of Matthais was not John as he says but Jacob, m.1972, Jan 10, to Elizabeth Hager (dau of David), b 1778. It was Jacob and Elizabeth (Hager) who had children: Mary b. 1795, Jacob, b.1797 who the author is talking about above, Ann, Marie and Elizabeth]**

A DU FORD FAMILY HISTORY – Part 4 of 4 (continued)

We now come to Jacob and his Indian wife's second child, George Stephen. Mentioned in his Grandfather's (Philip's) will. George Stephen was born in 1741 and died Jan. 23rd 1817. He married Ann Mary Trimmer, daughter of Matthias Trimmer 1st. She was born in 1743 and died Jan 23rd, 1826. They had nine children as follows; George Stephen's first child was Jacob 1st, who in Jan. 1793, married Maria Wise, and their children follow. John married Elizabeth Best, lived near Flanders N.J. and their children follow:

James, married a Miss Drake. Stephen married a daughter of Jacob Miller. Alford, wife unknown. Mary married Herbert Conover. Ann, unmarried. George Stephen's second child was Philip; who married Clarissa Dickerson; their children follow: Elizabeth, married a Henry. Mary, unmarried. Ellen, married Philip Karn. James O killed in the Civil War, unmarried. Theodore went West and married, name of his wife unknown. George, married Mary Cool, daughter of John Cool. Henry went West, his record unknown. One child died in infancy.

George Stephen's third child was William; he married Marilda Wise, daughter of Andrew Wise, their children follow; Eliphalet W, married a Vorhees and went to Iowa. William, married Delia Hiller and is now living in Kansas. Elizabeth, married L. Hager Trimmer, and Eliza, married Samuel Klotz.

George Stephen's fourth child was Jacob 2nd, who married Catherine Vande Vort and their children follow; Ella, married a Patterson, William and Benjamin, records unknown.

George Stephen's fifth child was George, born 1794, married Elizabeth Neighbor born 1800; their children follow; Leonard N. born 1819, married Jane Lance; had one child Gilbert Stephen, born 1822, died 1843 unmarried. William G. born 1824, married first Caroline Welsh; married second, Mary Ann Hoffman; had one child Elizabeth by first wife, and George Stephen, Marguriet Fritts (died young). Caroline, Henrietta, Mary, Jemima Ann, Sarah Alice and Minnie Louise. Lawrence, born 1826, married Catherine Swackhamer; two children died young, Mary Elizabeth still living. Elijah born 1828, married Susan Swackhamer, their children follow; three children died young; Philip S. and George S. still living, Mary Elizabeth, born 1834, married Philip L. Welsh and died without children. Henry P. born 1840; married first, Sarah E. Wise, second, Laura Linnell. Had children, Lewis, Charles, Lydia and Frank by first wife, Miriam and H. Payson second wife. James, born 1832, died young.

George S. Du Ford (Dufford) Plainfield, N.J. Jan. 30th 1935

#2) Ann Cook is the 6th generation great granddaughter of Philip Dufford (she connects through Magdalene Dufford, who married Andrew Wack). Ann is the daughter of John Heed Shaw. As an avid genealogist and researcher, she shares with us an excellent article she wrote concerning some of our Dufford/Swackhamer/Trimmer ancestors and their "cousin" Richard M. Nixon, the 37th President of the United States. **Thank you, Ann**, for your excellent, interesting and thought-provoking contribution.

Richard Nixon and the Swackhamer and Dufford Family Connections by Ann Cook

As any good family historian knows when researching a family tree you sometimes stumble upon unexpected family ties. Occasionally some of the information becomes extremely interesting. With that in mind I wish to share with you information I have obtained regarding the relationship of the two families to Richard Nixon as well as to other former Presidents.

One cannot go far in either the Swackhamer or Dufford family trees without finding a connection to the Trimmer family. Some of the marriages in the Swackhamer and Dufford families to Trimmer family members are listed below:

Marriage of Judith Trimmer to Matthias Dufford (son of Jacob)
Marriage of Nelson Trimmer to Maria Dufford (daughter of John)
Marriage of Emily Trimmer to Jacob Dufford (son of John)
Marriage of Mary Trimmer to Phillip Dufford
Marriage of Lawrence Hager Trimmer to Elisabeth Dufford
Marriage of Mary Trimmer to George Stephen Dufford (son of Jacob 1st)
Marriage of Annie Trimmer to John Dufford (son of Matthias)
Marriage of John Trimmer to Sophia Dufford (daughter of George)
Marriage of Frances Margareta Trimmer to George Swackhamer
Marriage of Selinda Trimmer to David Swackhamer (son of Frederick)
Marriage of Elisabeth Trimmer to P. Welsh Swackhamer
Marriage Jacob Trimmer to Susan Swackhamer (daughter of Jacob)
Marriage of Isaiah Trimmer to Mary Swackhamer (daughter of Jacob)
Marriage of Matthias Trimmer to Elisabeth Ann Swackhamer (daughter of Frederick)
Marriage of Emma Trimmer to William Swackhamer (son of John)

Richard Nixon and the Swackhamer and Dufford Family Connections (continued)

The patriarch of the Trimmer family in New Jersey was John Trimmer. He had a number of children including a son, Anthony(1), and it is Anthony's descendants who are the subject of this article.

Anthony(1) at the time of his death was married to Elizabeth. They had three young children, Anthony(2), Mary and Paul. It is believed that Elizabeth must have remarried after Anthony's(1) death as the three children had a half-brother, Isaiah Faircloe.

In approximately 1775 Anthony(2) and Paul Trimmer moved to Fermanagh Township, Juniata County, Pennsylvania where Paul married in approximately 1780. Paul served in the Cumberland County Militia 4th and 7th Battalions during the Revolutionary War between 1778 and 1780. In approximately 1785 Paul Trimmer moved to Decatur Township, Mifflin County (then Penn Township, Northumberland County), Pennsylvania where he lived until 1802 when he subsequently moved to Smith Township, Washington County, Pennsylvania.

Paul Trimmer's oldest son, Anthony(3), was born in approximately 1781 in Fermanagh Township. Anthony(3) Trimmer married in approximately 1798 in Decatur Township to Jane, daughter of Nathan Manning. In approximately 1802 Anthony(3) and his wife, Jane, moved to Smith Township where it is believed Jane died as Anthony(3) subsequently married Margaret(1) Hunt there in 1824. Anthony(3) and Margaret(1) had children, including a daughter, Margaret(2), born in Smith Township in 1826.

Margaret(2) Trimmer married George Nixon III on January 10, 1843. Their union produced the following children:

Martha L. Nixon born 1844, Pennsylvania

David Palmer Nixon born 1846, Pennsylvania

Samuel Brady Nixon born October 9, 1847, Smith Township, Washington County, Pennsylvania

Margaret Lawrence Nixon born 1850, Pennsylvania

Sarah Elizabeth Nixon born September 15, 1851, Pennsylvania

William F. Nixon born February 2, 1854, Vinton County, Ohio

Boston A. Nixon born April 6, 1856, Vinton County, Ohio

Hiram D. Nixon born March 15, 1858, Vinton County, Ohio

Elihu A. Nixon born August 22, 1860, Vinton County, Ohio

Samuel Brady Nixon married Sarah Ann Wadsworth, the daughter of Thomas Wiley Wadsworth and Mary Louise Moore. This union produced:

Francis Anthony Nixon born December 3, 1878 in Elk Township, Vinton County, Ohio

Ernest Leland Nixon born April 21, 1883 in Vinton County, Ohio

Francis Anthony Nixon married Hannah Milhous, daughter of Franklin Milhous and Almira Park Burdg. **This union produced:**

Richard Milhous Nixon born January 9, 1913 and the 37th President of the United States

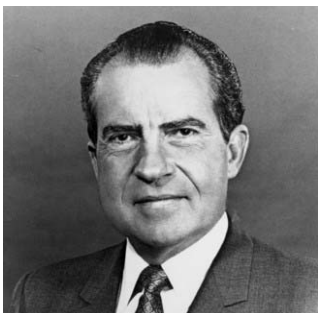
Harold Samuel Nixon born Jun 1, 1909

Francis Donald Nixon born November 23, 1914

Arthur Burdg Nixon born May 26, 1918

Edward Calvert Nixon

As a result of the relationship to former President Richard Nixon we are related to numerous other former Presidents. Richard Nixon and Jimmy Carter (39th President) were sixth cousins. Richard Nixon, James Garfield (20th President) and William Hardin Taft (27th President) were seventh cousins. Richard Nixon, Franklin D. Roosevelt (32nd President), Calvin Coolidge (30th President), Rutherford B. Hayes (19th President), George Washington (1st President), and Gerald Ford (38th President) were eighth cousins. Richard Nixon, George H.W. Bush (41st President), George W. Bush (43rd President), Millard Fillmore (13th President), and Warren G. Harding (29th President) were ninth cousins.



Richard M. Nixon

Information used in this article was partially obtained from the book The Washington County (Pennsylvania) Ancestors of Vice President Richard M. Nixon by Raymond Martin Bell of Washington and Jefferson College and Jessica C. Ferguson, Pennsylvania State Library; written 1953.

Swackhamer-Dufford Genealogical Society Annual Reunion
Zion Lutheran Church, 11 Schooley's Mountain Road, Long Valley, NJ 07853
Saturday, July 28, 2012, 9am to 3pm

Everyone is invited to attend the annual reunion of the S-D Society on Saturday, July 28 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 Altlussheim, Germany, George Apgar, "also known as Palatine Georg" and a member of our Society will have a panel discussion about the ancestral homeland of Samuel (Schwechheimer) Swackhamer, the waves of immigration to America and what does family history mean today. Steffen's grandmother was born a Schwechheimer. George, although a NJ resident, has been active in revitalizing the PA chapter of Palatines to America.

The program will begin informally at 9:00 am with visitation, coffee, tea, pastry and fruit juice.

The panel will be at 10:00 am followed by discussion about family history and modern technology.

By popular request ("the 2011 luncheon was the best we have ever had"), a luncheon of summer salads, sandwiches and desserts will be served by Sharon Swackhamer 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 \$5.00 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 line 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 for a full refund.

----- **Clip and Mail to Gene Swackhamer, 16429 Yeoho Road, Sparks, MD 21152** -----

Number Attending _____ at \$25.00 per adult for total amount of \$ _____

Children under 16 attending (free) _____

Additional donation for the S-D Genealogical Society \$ _____

Total amount of enclosed check payable to Swackhamer-Dufford Genealogical Society \$ _____

Please send a Long Valley Information Package. Check here _____

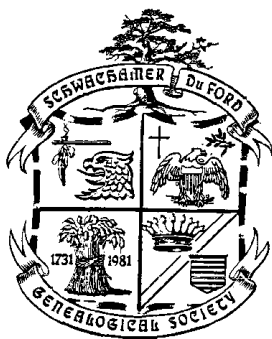
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