

# SWEETLAND/SWETLAND LORE #2

*(formerly Sweetland Lore)*

## REUNION NOTES

How much time did we have at the reunion to study what others had brought? Marjorie Sweetland Scott gave a paper on her work which bears repeating to show what she offered to all of us. I would guarantee that you had no time to talk with her at the reunion. We were busy all the time. Her notes are as follows:

"My line is from Isaac's son John, followed by William, John, Luke, Joseph, Lord Butler, Fred Manley and Sterling. Mary Bishop and Roger Sweetland are my direct relatives that are here today.

My mother, Dorothy Decker Sweetland, for many years sent me items on the Sweetland family. Thanks to her and my friend Anne Dimock who has a computer and has done all of my typing, I have completed the work done so far.

I have a collection at this time of eleven scrap books. The main one is the family book of all lines that I am still working on. Five books are of my grandchildren, a book of my husband and I covering our school days, his service during World war II and class reunions. I also have a notebook containing Sweetland Lore, reunions, letters and what I call "Odds and Ends."

I have brought with me the DAR papers of six relatives showing the family lines. They are Marella Sweetland Walter, Jennie Walter Young, Caroline H. Sponslor, Alice Sweetland Crawford and myself, all filed under Luke Sweetland. The other one is Nellie Amelia Morris Cressner, filed under William Gallup. They are here for anyone interested.

I have also brought information on "Creative Memories" which shows how to create your personal scrap books and materials."

Marjorie is well organized. She has accomplished more than many of us. Perhaps, the best thing she has done is to adopt a method and continue with it. It is not important to have the best system, only to have a system which works for you. All of us will benefit by doing the same with our papers, pictures, notes, photocopies and other data in our possession. William Dollarhide, a noted genealogist, has recommended that we use only 3-ring notebooks and that we use only 3½" x 11" paper for all entries in the notebooks. This does require that we commit the scraps to a full size page before we add them to our notebooks. If smaller, just paste them on a page. If larger, either fold them or use a reduced photocopy for the notebook.

At the 1995 reunion we talked about setting up a family archive. We can be sure that such an archive will not be useful to others unless the archive material is organized so that someone can learn what is there and where to find what they are seeking.

## **DONATIONS**

Since the July 1995 reunion, donations from 35 members have come in. The total is \$641.00, \$50.00 donated to the scholarship fund and \$591.00 donated to the general fund which includes funds received for the newsletters. Since newsletter costs exceed those donated for them, the balance comes from the general fund. If later newsletter donations exceed their costs, we will establish a separate fund for them.

The following have donated, in some cases more than once:

Joyce Ballard, Carolyn & Robert Butler, Lucille Carman, Eunice Colson, Peggy Gamma, Ardath Hankins, Henry C. Johnson, Alice Keighton, Anne Kirby, Emelie Kryder, Gerald P. McHale, Bill & Maxine Noyes, Mike & Maureen O'Connor, Patrick & Patti O'Connor, Don & Muriel Ogden, David Pike, John & Kathy Raymond, Margaret Smith, Marjorie Scott, Maurice & Agnes Steele, Jason & Clara Stevens, Marcia Stillwagon, Robert & Rose Sweetland, Edward & Lucille Sweetland, Robert & Vivian Sweetland, Arthur & Eleanor Sweetland, Bob & Marg Sweetland, David Wightman Sweetland, Frederick L. Sweetland, Jr., Lee & Margaret Sweetland, Lyle Sweetland, Nancy Sweetland, Priscilla Sweetland, Sandra Sweetland, Stuart & Ernestine Sweetland.

If your name is missing or spelled incorrectly, please write and tell me. We will make the necessary corrections in the next newsletter.

## **ANOTHER LOSS**

Jalane Griswold, daughter of Ardath Hankins, has let us know that her mother passed away November 17, 1996. Ardath came to at least two of the reunions, 1988 in Wilkes-Barre, PA and 1989 in Chicopee, MA. She has stayed in contact since then and also donated to the treasury. I will miss her letters. She was the daughter of Herbert and Letha May (Sweetland) Lunn and descended from William Sweetland's son Joseph. The last year or so she was confined to a wheel chair but she remained interested in genealogy.

## **RESEARCH**

Time has been well spent at the Family History Center of the LDS Church in Beaufort, SC. Excellent and knowledgeable people staff the center. Searching through their records showed that two microfilms seemed interesting since they both had the name Sweetland or Sweetland. They arrived in Beaufort and I have looked at both. The one mentioning Sweetland has the records of Leon H. Sweetland, sent to the LDS for microfilming by Esther Putnam who came to one of our reunions with Ruth Sweetland of Dryden, NY. It gives the name of his grandson who now has his records. I have the telephone number and will phone him to see how I can see part of them. The other mentioning Sweetland has the correspondence of Lena Stevens of Harrison Valley, PA. Lena corresponded with my grandfather in the 1920s and 1930s about his ancestors. She included everything she learned about Sweetlands, Stevens and Harrisons in her records. This microfilm says that it is only a partial part of her correspondence so it may be able to see the balance of it in the Pennsylvania State Archives in Harrisburg, PA. Now we know where they are.

## QUERIES

Several have asked if we could publish a list of inquiries so that others can help if possible. At an early reunion a list was published which produced interest but no answers. Ten years later we have more people who have searched more archives and sources of family data and history. It is time to publish an expanded list of queries. Where the information exists in both the early list and present list, the names and addresses of those who submitted the query are given below. Addresses are current except for Bruce Simonds, and Kathleen Bishop Webb.

Eunice R. Colson, 108 Hunter Drive, Baldwinsville, NY 13027-1113

Archelaus Spencer Sweatland, (Sweetland, Swetland, Snelland) married July 1, 1830 to Samantha Aurelia Pease, Archelaus died May 13, 1880. Who were his parents? Where and when was he born? He lived in Longmeadow, MA, Troy, NY and Somers, CT.

Bruce Simonds, 15 Deepwood Drive, Hamden, CT 06517

Lucina Swetland of Coventry CT, born July 5 1802 in Willington, CT Vital Records. Seeking other information on Lucina.

Ted W. Sweetland, 102 Crescent Drive, Hopewell, VA 23860

Larue Sweetland, was in Whitney Point, NY about 1915. Any data wanted.

Ina Hearn, 1561 Mason, Independence, IA 50644

Caroline Swetland, probably born in Coventry, CT, July 20, 1809, married Harvey Bradley, May 29, 1829 in Covington, NY, died Buchanan County, IA, October 1, 1894, buried in Madison Cemetery, Aurora, IA. Who were Caroline's parents?

Oliver Swetland who bought land with Harvey Bradley of Cyrus Kellog in Genesee County, NY, September 9, 1840. Who were his parents?

Mrs. Alan Babin, P. O. Box 236, Collierville, TN 38017-0236

Mary Jane Sweetland McLean, ae 29 1860 census, Algiers, LA, born in KY.

Kathleen Bishop Webb, 427 N. 3rd Ave E, Newton, IA 50208

Boen Sweetland Bishop, possibly son of Agabus Bishop, Jr. who married Betty Sweetland; February 22, 1790, Cumberland, RI.

Margaret Ables, 3503 North 2nd Street, LaGrande, OR 97850

Jo Ann Faubion, P. O. Box 125, Rathdrum, ID 83858

Charles Miner Swetland, born 1840 in PA, lived in NY, married Ellen L. before 1870. Ellen L. born 1845 in CT. divorced May 1885. Children were Charles Minor, born 1870, Harry Edward, born 1873, Walter E., born 1876, Mabel E., born 1877, Lola B., born 1880, Jake, all born either in Elko or Humboldt County, NV. Who are Charles Miner's parents?

Lynn Bradley, 2027 Kim Drive, Endicott, NY 13760

L. Lu Sweetland or Lorin Sweetland, father of Wallace Jay Sweetland, born October 19 1846, died January 4, 1912. Who is this man and who are his parents?

Carolyn Castle, 326 Cyprus Lane, Endicott, NY 13760

Sally Sweetland (1787-1850) who married Anthony Wright (1781-1854) She is buried in Squires/Wright Cemetery, in Lathrop, PA (near Hopbottom).

Sally Wright (1817-1857) who married Joseph Howley (1812-1888)  
Data on both of these ladies is needed.

Nancy Champlin, 212 Genesee Street, Olean, NY 14760

Ezra Swetland, born in Genesee County, NY, circa 1820, died Rushford County, NY 1888. Who were his ancestors?

James R. Hopkins, 204 N. Division Street, Mt. Vernon, OH 43050-2546

Hannah Tiffany, wife of Luke Swetland, What is her ancestry.

Evelyn Isherwood, 4922 N. Peck Road, El Monte, CA 91732

Tracing two Mary Hester Sweetlands. Evelyn is tracing these women, one born September 14, 1816 whose father was Eleazar Sweetland who married Sallie Hankins Van Meter, the other born June 30, 1847 whose father was Isaac Swetland who married Martha Russell.

Gerald P. McHale, 5467 E. Fairbrook Street, Long Beach, CA 90815-3020

Jonah (Johnathan) Sweetland, born September 30, 1746, died June 24, 1831 in Triangle, NY, married Mary Harris, who died January 29, 1819. He is trying to trace Jonah.

Mike O'Connor, 3176 Bluegrass Trail, Grovetown, GA 30813-9603

Artemus Swetland, son of Joseph and grandson of Luke Swetland

Joseph R. Swetland, son of Artemus

Very little data on both these men. More data is sought.

David Pike, 1203-B East 15th Street, Ada, OK 74820-6922

William Sweetland, born about 1753, buried 1824

Catherine Hart Sweetland, born about 1766, buried 1818

Both people resided in English Harbour, Trinity Bay, Newfoundland. Their children were Mary Beston Sweetland (1788), John Beston Sweetland (1790), Hannah Hart Sweetland (1792), William Sweetland, (1795), Martha Sweetland (1798) and James Sweetland (1804).

Clara Porter, 7007 Prestwick Ln., Port Orchard, WA 98367

Abner and Malina Sweetland, Cazenovia, NY, 1800s to 1850s. Who are their parents?

Lee I. Swetland, 5818 Morrill Ave. Lincoln, NE 68507-1140

Augustus Riley Swetland, born 1821-1822 in NY, married Charlotte Ann Adams, born October 12, 1826 in NY, married in Winnebago County, IL, moved to IL in 1843. Who are his parents?

**1997 REUNION** Note the 1997 reunion will be the weekend of July 19th 1997. Randy Bishop will be mailing the first notice within the next week. Be sure to respond quickly so we can judge how many will come and for what days. This helps us plan the agenda for the weekend.