

# THE WESTCOTT FAMILY QUARTERLY

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"Keep Our Society Active, find another Cousin,  
Every 'Westcott' Descendant is eligible."

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NATIONAL SOCIETY NEWS---On September 26, 1959 a group of loyal cousins met at Westfield, New Jersey Cemetery at the tomb of our founder, Roscoe L. Whitman. The occasion was the dedication of the Westcott Plaque. William C. Driver, our chaplain read the following memorial which he and his wife, Frances Driver had written for the dedication:

"We are here today to honor the memory of our good friend Roscoe L. Whitman, founder of the Society of Stukely Westcott Descendants in America. He was truly a Christian gentleman, a scholar and a patriot who loved his family, his heritage and his country--this country which has been first in the hearts of all Westcotts, since Stukely's day. I know that Roscoe would want to join us in prayer for America.

"Lord, while for all mankind we pray  
Of every clime and coast  
O, hear us for our native land  
The land we love the most.

O, guard our shores from every foe  
With peace our borders bless  
Our cities with prosperity  
Our fields with plenteousness.

Lord of the nations, thus to thee  
Our country we commend  
Be Thou her refuge and her trust  
Her everlasting friend.

Dear Lord, we further commend to Thee, our Founder, Roscoe Whitman whose life was an example and a challenge. This memorial plaque, placed lovingly for all to see, expresses outwardly the affection we bear him."

NATIONAL SOCIETY NEWS---(Continued)

"When sets at last the sun  
And the long day is done  
And starry orbs their solemn vigils keep  
When done with toil and care  
We breathe our evening prayer  
God gently giveth His beloved sleep.

To sleep. It is to wake  
When the fresh day shall break  
When the new sun climbs up the eastern steep  
To wake with newborn powers  
Out from these darkened hours  
For so He giveth His beloved sleep.

To die. It is to rise  
To fairer, brighter skies  
Where Death no more shall his dread harvest reap  
To soar on angel wings  
Where life immortal springs  
For so He giveth His beloved sleep.

So sleep, dear Roscoe, We pray Thee God, that his sleep be blessed."  
Amen.

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GREATER NEW YORK CHAPTER No. 3---On Saturday evening, the 28th of November, the Westcott cousins met at the Knickerbocker Country Club, in Tenafly, New Jersey, for their annual dinner and evening of pleasure together.

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VERMONT CHAPTER No. 5---from Lydia Springer, North Clarendon, Vermont, September 9, 1959.

"Dear Cousin, A line to let everyone know what happened at our 24th Annual Vermont Chapter Reunion, this August. It was held on the green at the church, in East Poultney, Vermont. Dinner was shared by 74 cousins and 3 guests. The oldest member present was Merrit Hewitt, from North Bennington and the youngest was Vicky Lynn Pincheon, of Fort Ann, New York, who was the great granddaughter of Mr. & Mrs. Frank Jay, of East Poultney, Vermont.

The business meeting came to order with President Edward Jay presiding. Mrs. Frances Reed gave a scripture reading.

New Officers elected were:

Mrs. Lucy Jay, President  
Mrs. Frances Reed, Vice-President  
Miss Gloria Campney, Corresponding Secretary  
Mrs. Lydia Springer, Recording Secretary  
Mrs. Alice Eastman, Treasurer  
Mrs. Rachel Baker, Historian and Registrar

VERMONT CHAPTER NO. 5---(Continued)

The time and place of the 1960 meeting is to be decided.  
Entertainment was furnished by Franklin Reed, Jerry Jay,  
Douglas Springer, Rita Saunders, The Eastman twins and the Camp-  
ney girls.

Affectionately,  
Lydia Springer."

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NEW MEMBERS---Happy Times in Our Society!

- #509 - Mr. Ethan L. Arnold  
216 W. Lexington Avenue, Elkhart, Indiana
- #510 - Mrs. Merle De Vose Cain  
2625 O'Harte Road, San Pablo 12, California
- #511 - Mr. & Mrs. Frank I. Wescott, Jr.  
9 Evergreen Avenue, Haskell, New Jersey
- #512 - Miss Mildred I. Noxon  
70 Remsen Street, Brooklyn 1, New York
- #513 - Mr. & Mrs. George L. Wright  
3969 Los Angeles Hiway, Las Vegas, Nevada
- #514 - Miss Frances Pailthorp  
804 East Lake Street, Petoskey, Michigan
- #515 - Mr. Edwin G. Pailthorp  
Meumaqua Beach, Petoskey, Michigan
- #516 - Mr. Ormand Pailthorp  
6707 Varna Street, Van Nuys, California

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BIRTH---Congratulations!

Karen Lynn Barnhardt, born on August 13, 1959, daughter of  
Luther and Ruth (Westcott) Barnhardt, of Durham, North Carolina.  
Karen is the grandchild of our members, Dr. and Mrs. F. Howard  
Westcott, of 19 Woodhill Road, Tenafly, New Jersey.

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MARRIAGES---Happy Years Together!

Marion Ruth Forti, daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Marion S. Forti, of North Evans, New York, was married to Jack Neal Hazard, also of North Evans, on September 19th, 1959. Jack is the son of Mr. & Mrs. Richard Hazard and grandson of our members, Mr. & Mrs. Leland A. Hazard. Jack and his bride will reside in Rochester, New York.

Bonnie I. Wescott, daughter of Mr. & Mrs. LeRoy Wescott, of Johnson City, New York, was married on September 5th, 1959 to Max D. Rolston, at the First Baptist Church, Johnson City. The bridegroom is the son of Mrs. Bertha Rolston and the late Stanley Rolston, of Park Terrace Heights, New York.

Beverly Andrew Westcott, daughter of Mr. & Mrs. William Beverly Westcott, of River Edge, New Jersey, was married on September 26, 1959, to Marvin Fuqua at Fort Collins, Colorado. Beverly is a descendant of the southern branch of our Westcott family. The newlyweds will live at Rand, Colorado.

Gail Lorraine Greene, daughter of our members, Mr. & Mrs. Merritt Greene, granddaughter of our member, Mrs. Violet Greene, was married at the Methodist Church, Langhorne, Pennsylvania on September 12th, 1959, to Robert Donald Armstrong, of the U. S. Air Force.

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DEATHS---Our Deepest Sympathy.

Jennie Clara <sup>HANOVER</sup> Hanover Noxon, of 70 Remsen Street, Brooklyn 1, New York, at the age of 89 years, our dear member, died on August 16th, 1959. Her daughter, Mildred writes, "Mother loved belonging to the Westcott Society and receiving the Quarterly. Also, from the time she joined, she journeyed to New York to attend the dinners held at the Fifth Avenue Hotel and enjoyed them thoroughly.

I should be glad to take on a membership in my mother's place as I know she would wish me to do."

Mildred I. Noxon.

Frederic M. Wescott, our member, of 102 Wright Road, Vestal, New York, died at Albany Hospital, at 54 years of age, after a short illness. Survived by his wife, Bessie D. Wescott; two sons Frederic M. Wescott, Jr. of Washington, D. C. and Donald R. Wescott, of Vestal, New York; a granddaughter, Rebecca Lynn Wescott, of Vestal; a sister, Mrs. Harriet Ricks, of New Hyde Park, New York. He was a member of the Vestal Park Memorial Baptist Church; treasurer of Vestal Central School District; member of Vestal Lodge 1144 F. & AM; member of the Empire State Association of Public Accountants, Southern Tier Chapter, member of National Society of Public Accountants; and a former member of the Kiwanis Club of Vestal. He was a first cousin of our National President of Stukely Westcott Society, Mrs. Samuel Dorfler, and our Society Treasurer, Alice Wescott Marroquin and a nephew of our member, Mr. Charles H. Wescott.

Note - The above item was sent by Cousin, Sarah Martin, of Binghamton, New York.

DEATHS---(Continued)

Susan Selthonsen (Kline) Whitman, wife of our founder, Roscoe L. Whitman, died on November 21, 1959, at her home in Westfield, New Jersey, after a short illness, at the age of 86.

Her cheerfulness will be missed by so many of our cousins who attended the Westcott gatherings over the years. Many of us who saw her on September 26th, of this year, for the dedication of the Westcott Plaque at Roscoe's grave in Westfield, will be thankful that she lived to see the dedication.

Susan was born January 13, 1873, in Amsterdam, New York the daughter of Perry and Ann Maria (Young) Kline and married Roscoe, on July 18, 1894. Susan was descended from a family of early settlers in the Mohawk Valley. Her ancestor William Kline, was born in Holland in 1736, but came to America from Wittenburg, Germany in 1758 and settled on a grant of land near what came to be known as Fort Johnson, two miles west of Amsterdam, New York.

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GENEALOGY DATA---From Mr. & Mrs. Glenn L. Packer, Portlandville, New York, their 4 children and 12 grandchildren, as of July 31, 1959.

1. Esther Louise Packer m. John Kosoc on September 26, 1939.  
John b. December 25, 1917.  
  
Issue, 2 children: 1. Venita Louise Kosoc, b. September 14, 1940.  
2. William Gary Kosoc, b. July 15, 1947.
  2. William Herman Packer m. Elizabeth Reynolds Christman on May 31, 1944. Elizabeth b. March 1, 1926.  
  
Issue, 6 children: 1. Sheila Elizabeth Packer, b. May 15, 1945.  
2. Christal Ann Packer, b. November 19, 1948.  
3. Michael Glenn Packer, b. June 6, 1950.  
4. Dennis Allan Packer, b. July 12, 1953.  
5. Lisa Jo Packer, b. May 1, 1955.  
6. Jeffrey William Packer, b. September 18, 1958.
  3. Barbara Hattie Packer m. John Benjamin Wright on December 4, 1949.  
John b. May 24, 1926.  
  
Issue, 2 children: 1. Glenn Lee Wright, b. July 17, 1950.  
2. John Corey Wright, b. February 24, 1958.
  4. Elizabeth Virginia Packer m. Richard Stanley Turp on July 17, 1954.  
Richard b. October 1, 1926.  
  
Issue, 2 children: 1. Gregory Richard Turp, b. March 5, 1957.  
2. Laurie Lynn Turp, b. November 23, 1958.
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BOAT SERVICE---Item from Etta Westcott Schumacher, of Ann Arbor, Michigan, about her family's Service to trade at Detroit, Michigan: *Expanded*

"This year marks the 85th, that a Westcott boat has been serving the vessels of the Great Lakes along the Detroit waterfront and it is the busiest. Ever since old Captain J. W. Westcott climbed down out of the pilot house of the Mineral Rock to start his service with a rowboat, Westcotts have been delivering supplies, messages, crew members and every other conceivable item to and from the big boats in midstream with nary a pause.

Of late years the powerful little J. W. Westcott II also has been handling mail for the Detroit River Station of the Post-Office. This makes the 44 foot craft a welcome sight to sailors.

Last year, the J. W. Westcott II made deliveries at a rate of 73 boats a day. One peak day, it serviced 145 boats.

The J. W. Westcott II and the company's standby boat, the J. W. Westcott, are powered by six-cylinder G. M. Diesels. Snugging them to the side of a giant freighter, is a real test of seamanship."

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UNPLACED WESCOTTS---Data wished.

1. Gus Wescott, an office manager, in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.
2. Mr. & Mrs. Allen Wescott, of Belle Haven, Virginia.

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WRIGHT'S MOTEL---A place to remember.

If any cousins are so lucky as to take a trip to Las Vegas, Nevada, remember to make your headquarters at Wright's Motel, at 3969 Los Angeles Hiway, opposite the Hacienda Hotel, in Las Vegas. Mr. & Mrs. George L. Wright, of Las Vegas, Nevada, have just joined our Society as new members.

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NEW ADDRESS---Note from Alice Baxter, of Rhode Island.

"This is to tell you there is a new address for the old Dr. Niles Westcott house. It is now 101 Mountain Laurel Drive, Cranston 10, Rhode Island, where I now live since Aunt Clara's death. Next door to Aunt Clara's garden is the new home of Senator John O. Pastore, of Rhode Island. So we have a Senator on the old Westcott land."

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JUNIOR WESTCOTT'S NEWS

Douglas Springer, son of Mr. & Mrs. Craig Springer, of North Clarendon, Vermont won the first prize of \$25.00 and a blue ribbon at the Contookook, New Hampshire Fair, on September 4, 1959. There were 8 different acts in the competition. Douglas plays a guitar and sings.

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Note- Kindly send news of Junior Westcott's to Secretary.

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NOTE---Westcott Genealogies.

We are getting requests for Westcott Genealogies. If any cousin wishes to sell her or his copy, please inform the Society Secretary and state your price.

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REMINDERS TO ALL MEMBERS

1. Always be on watch for more members. Send to Secretary for applications.
2. Kindly send family items to Secretary.
3. Remember your dues. Send your dues to Alice Marroquin, 47 Davis Avenue, Heckensack, N. J.
4. Send in orders, with check, for Westcott plaques.
5. Articles for Scrapbook and letters for the Quarterly.

MERRY CHRISTMAS and HAPPY NEW YEAR! !