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NATIONAL SOCIETY NEWS

From Pauline Clark, President

The Westcott Coat-of-Arms prints have been shipped to Paul Lewis, Treasurer. Those of you who have ordered should be getting them soon. I appreciate your patience. Bruce said it was the most difficult printing job he has ever done in his 15 years in the screen printing business.

Ruth Barnhardt has agreed to mail the next three quarterlies (Jan., April, July). I am thankful for such generous people in our organization. If any of you members have a talent you think the Society can use, please let our nominating committee know. Do we have anyone who would like to do a skit or musical interlude for us at the 50th Anniversary Reunion reception on Friday evening, August 17th?

I am looking forward to a large turnout in Warwick, R.I., on August 17-19, 1984, for our 50th Anniversary as a Society. Mr. Oscar M. Place, Dr. Howard Westcott's cousin, will reserve rooms for us at the Howard Johnson Motor Lodge, 20 Jefferson Blvd., Warwick, R.I. 02888. The cost of rooms is: 1-2 persons \$55.00, 3-4 persons \$62.00. There is a hospitality room, swimming pool, and dinners are priced from \$5.95 to \$13.50. Everything can be under one roof, and they can handle 300 people for banquets. The Methodist Church is nearby and Baptist Central is only 15 minutes away. Please let Mr. Place know how many people will be there. His address is: Mr. O. M. Place, 291 Chatham Circle, Warwick, R.I. 02886.

Due to increasing costs, the Society's treasury is in the red. We are spending over \$700 a year for publishing and mailing the Quarterlies, and have just spent over \$300 for new application blanks. We also have \$500 to be paid out for our Westcott crests, so please pay your dues on time. Any extra would be appreciated to help us get out of the red, and also, please remember our Scholarship Fund. We are still short of the 50 applications we had hoped for by August, 1984, so keep them coming in.

Best wishes for a speedy recovery to Dean Gray who has a broken Achilles tendon and will be in a cast until March. His mother-in-law, Eulalia Westcott, also is not very well. Their address is: Box 64, Rumney, N.H. 03266, for anyone who would like to write or send a card.

From Paul Lewis, Treasurer

Please remember to report changes of address and deaths of members so that genealogical charts and membership lists can be corrected.

Coat-of-Arms — large 9½" x 8¼" are \$3.00 each / small 4¾" x 4¼" are \$1.00 each. Each new membership gets ones of the small ones. Present members buying large size also get one small one free. These are made with a peel-off backing so they can be mounted for framing.

New Members

A hearty welcome to the following:

- #720 Mr. & Mrs. Floyd C. Wescott, Deerfield Beach, Florida
- #721 Mr. & Mrs. Carmin F. Cavo, Titusville, Florida
- #722 Mr. & Mrs. Gerald Norman Wescott, Lakeport, New Hampshire
- #723 Mrs. Edward Janes Barry (Viola Ruth O.), Danville, Pennsylvania
- #724 Mr. & Mrs. Eldon Richard Vosseller, Washington, N.J. and Tauares, Florida
- #725 Mrs. Arthur L. Randall (Florence V.), Tauares, Florida
- #726 Mr. & Mrs. Donald E. Westcott (Doris P.), Whittier, California
- #727 Mr. & Mrs. Leroy Dean Westcott, Webster City, Iowa
- #728 Mrs. Maurice J. Maxwell, Council Bluffs, Iowa
- #729 Miss Mary Ann Sanders, Whiting, Vermont

Every "Westcott" Descendant is eligible

CHAPTER NEWS

Notices of Deaths:

Mrs. Elizabeth (Allport) Swigert (SSWD #404) died on November 17, 1983, at age 101. She was the widow of William E. Swigert and William H. Allport and a member of St. Stephen's Episcopal Church. She is survived by a daughter-in-law Mrs. Dorothy D. Allport of Bethlehem, Pa., 2 grandchildren, Mrs. Susan Schneider of Kriedersville, Pa., Lt. Col. George H. Allport II of San Antonio, Tex., and 4 great-grandchildren. A son, George H. Allport, Sr., preceded her in death in 1977.

THE LETTER BOX

From Edmund Morris - Crozet, Virginia

An accidental fall from a ladder resulted in a broken heel, cracked vertebra, slight whiplash injury and an unplanned weekend in the hospital. Ned will be on crutches for 10-12 weeks, so they will be spending a quieter than planned holiday season, but he is grateful that the injuries were not any more serious. His mother is currently in an "improved condition."

From Frank M. Schruis - Ashville, N.Y.

Stanley Kent, a Westcott descendant and grandson of Ernestine Todd Patton of Bloomington, Ind., was the subject of an Oct. 21, 1983, newspaper article entitled **Former City Man Making A Rare Mountain Climb**. "A team of mountain climbers including former Bloomington resident Stan Kent may have become the first American team to reach the summit of Ganesh Himal IV Peak north of Katmandu, Nepal. Kent, 38, is a Vietnam veteran who received his bachelor and law degrees from Indiana University in Bloomington. He currently practices law in Colorado Springs, Col." A later article on Oct. 31, 1983, reported, "Kent and 3 other Colorado Springs residents had intended to be the first Americans to scale the demanding peak, but bad weather forced the team to abandon their efforts after getting within several thousand feet of the summit." Stanley's line of descent is as follows: Stanley Kent, Patricia Patton Kent, Ernestine Todd Patton, Ernest Todd, Olive Westcott Todd, George Westcott and from there the same as Mr. Schruis.

Reprint from the first Westcott Family Quarterly, May, 1934, Vol. I:

"An ancestral line of 300 years in America is a heritage not to be lightly regarded. You have such a heritage. Among the earliest colonizers and patriots the name Westcott stands prominent on the records. Down through the three centuries that have elapsed since Stukely Westcott landed on these shores, his posterity has spread out, ever pushing the frontiers westward, and is now to be found throughout the United States and Canada. This posterity, through marriage, has countless lateral ancestral lines going back to other emigrant ancestors who were also pioneers in setting up the country we so greatly enjoy.

"This Society was inspired on the part of some of the descendants who deemed it both fitting and a duty of love, to form an organization which would perpetuate the memory of Stukely Westcott and those of our sires who were his contemporaries in the early struggling days. This realization of love crystallized January 13th, 1934, in forming the Society of Stukely Westcott Descendants of America. Since then, local Chapters have been organized. The charter membership embraces a representative group of citizens of the Westcott blood, 110 in number.

"Your membership is desired to help the Society link the past with the present and to leave for future descendants, a truer understanding and appreciation of the rich heritage that will be theirs. The "Articles of Organization" (copy herewith), enumerates the aims of the Society. All worthy descendants of Stukely Westcott and their consorts are eligible to membership. The necessary application papers will be forwarded to you upon request to the Secretary, Florence Earll Clarke, 603 West 139th Street, New York City, or to any officer of the Society.

"The family event anticipated at present with the keenest interest and enthusiasm is the celebration to begin Monday, June 24, 1935, at Salem, Mass., and continue several days in and about Providence, R.I., commemorating the 300th anniversary of the arrival in New England of Stukely Westcott with his wife and their six children. It will provide not only the opportunity to know your kindred better and enjoy their companionship, but to visit under the most auspicious circumstances, the scenes of the early families — their old farm homesteads and their graves — and at the same time, look in upon Lexington, Bunker Hill, Concord, Cambridge, Boston, Plymouth, Newport, Cape Cod and other points of historic interest on the New England coast. It is hoped that the Governors of Massachusetts and Rhode Island will deliver addresses."

Deadline for the next quarterly is March 15, 1984.

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