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1994 BIENNIAL MEETING

Ohio Chapter # 15 cordially invites all cousins to Zanesville, Ohio for the 1994 Biennial Meeting on July 29, 30, 31. Please mark your calendar now.

REPRINT of HISTORY and GENEALOGY of STUKELY WESTCOTT by Roscoe Whitman

With the help of Betty Acker and the Iowa Chapter, the Higginson Book Company is reprinting the two volume History and Genealogy of Stukely Westcott for sale directly through their catalog. They are offering a special price to SSWDA members for all of 1993 because of our help to them.

The prices including their \$10.00 deluxe hardcover binding:

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| Volume I | \$51.00 |
| Volume II | \$51.00 |
| Shipping charges on one book | \$ 4.50 |
| Shipping charges on two books | \$ 6.50 |

Write to them for these books and for a catalog:

Higginson Book Company
14 Derby Square
P O Box 778
Salem, MA 01970

"For our help in making vol.II available to them we are obtaining a copy of vol. II free for our new society library and I am purchasing vol.I and donating it for the complete set. These will be available at our national gatherings."

Betty Acker, SSWDA Historian

Ancestry Charts

47 sets of the Ancestry Charts of Stukely Westcott in England have been sent out so far and we need to make one correction. On page 4, #2 Nicholas Stucley the dates b.1529 and d.1589 should be marked out. No dates for him. To order one of these charts write to

Betty Acker, 2145 Richvale Rd., Nashport, OH 43830

From the Registrar

" I have had some success in promoting the Stukely Westcott Society by sending recruiting letters to the sixteen Westcotts-Wescotts listed in the Northern Virginia telephone book. We now invite all of our members to help gain new members and access more Westcott history. Please take a few minutes to review your telephone books, draw the names and addresses of the Westcotts-Wescotts-Westcoats-Wescoats and mail the lists to me. Many of you who travel may find it interesting to gather names in areas where you visit."

Marcella Westcott, Registrar
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Falls Church, VA 22042

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Chapter News

Ohio Chapter # 15 will have their state reunion June 27,1993. More information will be coming from your state officers. Since this chapter is hosting the 1994 National Reunion this will be an important planning meeting.

Meet Your New National Officers

President Edmund Whitman Morris is a grandson of SSWDA founder Roscoe L. Whitman. Ned and wife, Fran, have three daughters and five grandsons. They recently moved to Westminster - Canterbury, a life - care community in Charlottesville, Virginia. They celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary last August.

Throughout Ned's business career years in advertising and marketing in New York, he was active in numerous professional and community associations serving as an officer and board member. In retirement he has continued to serve as a vestryman of his parish church, and on the boards of Hospice of the Piedmont, the MS Society of Charlottesville, the Thomas Jefferson Chapter of S.A.R., Westminster - Canterbury of the Blue Ridge and Virginia Diocesan Homes.

Recording secretary Joan-Harvey Morris Bentson is the daughter of Ned and Fran Morris and great granddaughter of Roscoe Whitman. She currently resides in Manassas, Virginia with her husband, Tom, and sons, Edmund (Pete),15 and Thomas,12. Joan is a graduate of Hood College, Frederick, Maryland.

Treasurer Evelyn Hitchcock " I have been a member of the Society for at least 40 years. My father, Dr. George Pickens, was president in the '50s. He passed away in 1957 and I attended my first reunion with my mother the following year. My enthusiasm has been passed on to my family members, and we now have 17 present members from my father's family. We lost 5 along the way - 2 by death.

I have a son, Dana, and a daughter, Linda, both are SSWDA members. My four grandchildren are also members.

I owned a retail jewelry business for 40 years and retired 3 years ago. I am a Life member of the Order of Eastern Star, a past state president of Veterans of Foreign Wars Auxiliary and belong to the Daughters of the American Revolution and St. Luke's Episcopal church. How do I spend my time? I like most all sports and am a baseball fan of the NY Mets and football fan of the Buffalo Bills - so I watch TV. I enjoy visiting historical mansions and I love to " cruise ".

I enjoy being your treasurer and always hope for a note tucked inside your dues envelope.

Thanks to everyone for the prompt payment of your dues and for the gifts which I have received for our society."

Board Member Stewart E. Westcott was born in Oxford, New York on July 2, 1924. He grew up on a series of farms in upstate New York, graduated from Cazenovia High School in 1942 and soon thereafter joined the U.S. Navy. In the Navy he rose to the rank of Aviation Machinists Mate, 1st Class and saw service in the Caribbean, Atlantic and Pacific Theaters as a Mechanic - gunner and Flight Engineer.

After leaving the Navy he attended Kansas City Junior College, the University of Oregon (where he obtained two Bachelors of Science degrees) and the University of Southern California where he did graduate work in education and public administration. In 1955 he entered the U.S. Air Force Reserve as a Technical Sergeant and retired in 1984 as a Lt. Colonel at age 60.

His last employment before retiring for the last time was as a flightline airplane inspector for the Boeing Co. in Renton, Washington. He has extensive experience in organization development and management.

He and Merle, his bride since 1948, have lived in the Seattle area since 1971. They have three married children and seven grandchildren.

He still likes to fly his 1953 Beech Bonanza and is building a Glasair high performance single engined, two place airplane.

FROM THE LETTER BOX

From Edna and Paul Lewis of Connecticut

" I send greetings to all Westcott cousins and thanks for all the messages received during holiday season. We are busy with our projects. " Edna and Paul just celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary with family and friends in Vermont.

From G. Philip Whitman of NH and Florida

" I thank you for making me an honorary life member of the Westcott Society. Just had my 3rd great grandson and another on the way. God willing, I'll see you at '94 reunion."

From Lelia Browning of Pennsylvania

" Thank you for the honor you have bestowed on me. I am happy and proud to be an honorary Life Member of the Society of Stukely Westcott. Is Stukely Westcott a descendant of King Louis XIV ? Somehow I feel this is true. "

From Daphne Brownell of Florida

" Now that I'm retired a second time I'll have more time to correct some errors in our families back to the first editions. Especially the spellings of married names. "
(Editors note : Members who research - send the corrected material to : Edna J. Lewis, Box 267, Riverton, Ct 06065)

DEATH OF SYLVIA M. UTKE - RAMSING

UTKE-RAMSING, SYLVIA M.



On Sunday, February 21, 1993, in Florida, SYLVIA M. UTKE-RAMSING of Alexandria, VA, wife of Verner Uike-Ramsing, CMDR USN (Ret.); mother of Eric Ramsing of Alexandria, VA, Mark Wilde-Ramsing of Wilmington, NC and Sarah Herron of Salt Lake City, UT. She is also survived by four grandchildren, Joseph and Kee Wilde-Ramsing and Scott and Jay Herron. Friends may call at THE EVERLY-WHEATLEY FUNERAL HOME, 1500 W. Braddock Rd., Alexandria, VA, on Wednesday, February 24 from 7 to 9 p.m. Funeral services will be held on Thursday, February 25, 11 a.m. at the Post Chapel of Ft. Myer Chapel. Interment Arlington National Cemetery.

MARRIAGE OF DARRYLL VAN DETTA

*The honour of your presence
is requested at the Country Marriage of
Ms. Elizabeth Ann Uley*

to

*Mr. Darryll Michael VanDetta
on Saturday, the third of April
Nineteen hundred and ninety-three
at eleven o'clock in the morning
9620 Rose Street
Bellflower, California
Hodown to follow*

Darryll and Liz

From Malcolm R. Dixon of Texas

" I saw the notice about your organization in the March/April issue of the Genealogical Helper. I am a descendant of Stukely Westcott, and would like to join.

From Frances Doutt Smith of Missouri

" I found your name in the Genealogical Helper. I have traced my Wescott line back to John Wescott b. 1797 in RI, m. Hannah Tate in Nova Scotia, and died in Marshall Co, Iowa. The birth date and birthplace of John Wescott is not documented, nor is there marriage place. I find them first in the census in Michigan in 1850.

From Barbara and Dan Wescott of California

We found your ad in the Genealogical Helper. We know that William B. Wescott was born in New York state 1824 m. to Mary June Wilson. At least one son - should there be more ? Daniel Young b. 21 May 1849 moved to AR in Apr. 1879. Where he and his wife, also born in NY, Mary Jane, had two sons and one daughter. We are very interested in other Westcott's who we can write and share info with. "

(To exchange information about family write the editor for addresses)

The publication referred to is : Everton's Genealogical Helper published by The Everton Publishers Inc., % Family Periodical Publications, PO Box 368, Logan, Utah 84321. In their annual family edition they print a list of family and surname periodicals published around the country. The periodicals sent to them are accessible to library patrons. The Westcott Quarterly is sent to this library.

INTRO TO COMPUTER.GEN

Dr. Lyle D. Wescott, Jr. of Mississippi sent an article reviewing programs for storage of genealogical information from the *Compuserve Magazine*. Compuserve is an information service available through a modem, a computer and a membership. Because this article is written for Compuserve members it is partly in Compuserve language. But the information is basic to those who are not members.

Family Treeware for Storing Ancestry Electronically

More than 100 commercial, shareware and public-domain genealogy programs are on the market, and the vast majority are for MS-DOS-based computers. Figuring out which one is right for you is important to your research success, according to Dick Eastman, manager of the Genealogy Forum.

Select software that supports importing and exporting of GEDCOM (Genealogy Data Communications) files, a standardized format that allows dissimilar programs to exchange genealogical data. The MS-DOS programs listed here support GEDCOM.

Recommended for novice genealogists:

Brother's Keeper by John Steed (version 5.0)—An easy-to-use program that produces excellent printouts. Available as shareware in the Genealogy Forum, Library 3, "MS-DOS Software," BK5A.EXE, BK5B.EXE, BK5C.EXE. \$45.

Family Origins from Parsons Technology—Commercial program that can track 7.6 million individuals. \$49. For information, consult Parsons Technology in the PC Vendor C Forum (GO PCVENC). To order, contact the company at One Parsons Dr., P.O. Box 100, Hiawatha, IA 52233-0100; 319/395-9626.

Personal Ancestral File from The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints—Commercial program designed for those who are not computer experts.

\$35. To order: Salt Lake Distribution Center, 1999 W. 1700 South, Salt Lake City, UT 84104; 800/537-5950.

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Recommended for intermediate genealogists:

Family Edge by Carl York (version B.5a)—Available as shareware for \$19.95 and commercially for \$99. Shareware version is upwardly compatible to commercial edition. Download from Genealogy Forum, Library 3, TFEB5A.EXE, UTLB5A.EXE, DOCB5A.EXE.

Recommended for experienced genealogists:

Roots III by CommSoft—Fast, high-powered commercial program that stores data for thousands of entries. It's difficult to learn, but it's one of the best programs available. \$250 plus \$9 shipping. To order: CommSoft, 7795 Bell Rd., P.O. Box 310, Windsor, CA 95492-0310; 800/327-6687.

For a description of nearly 75 genealogy programs, consult file IBM16.ZIP in Library 3 of the Genealogy Forum.

Macintosh and Apple II users will find about 20 genealogy programs on the market. These are evaluated in the file APPLE.SFT in Library 4, "Apple Software." Two of the most popular programs are the Personal Ancestral File from the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints (\$35) and Family Roots from Quinsept (\$180). Ordering information is in the file APPLE.SFT.

Similar evaluations are also available in the forum's Library 5, "Other Software," for users of Atari (ATARI7.SFT), TRS-80 (TRS80A.SFT), Commodore Amiga (AMI-GA5.SFT), Commodore 64 and 128 (COM-OD4.SFT), Radio Shack Color Computer (COCO.SFT), CP/M (CPM5.SFT) and Unix systems (UNIX.SFT).

Dr. Wescott is using the software program, **FAMILY ORIGINS**, which runs on IBM and compatible computers. "I am just starting to use it and am also a neophyte at genealogy but find it quite simply to use."

Lawrence W. Johnson of California has worked with his Macintosh to build his own program following a slightly expanded version of the Roscoe Whitman format.

Bruce Westcott of Vermont is using **ROOTS MASTER**. He finds it easy to use, but does not have a master ID for each person. It stores data in a Dbase format.

Coulman Westcott, Jr. of NY is using the **ROOTS** program, finds it has short comings.

Betty Acker of Ohio, National SSWDA Historian is using **PAF Personal Ancestral File**. She has entered all of Glick's Richard Westcott book into the data base, and now is working on entry of the Stukely Westcott data from Whitman's book.

Pauline W. Dennis of Colorado, National SSWDA Quarterly Editor is using the **PAF** program and therefore can exchange data discs with Betty. Through the local PAF users club I find programs to enhance PAF's capabilities, including a PAF Utility program for Macintosh users.

World Wide Name Matching Program

To make it easier to multiply our efforts in family history research through the use of computer technology, the Silicon Valley PAF User Group has a service to assist all who have a need to locate other family members doing family history research in common pedigree lines. The **PAF Matching Program** automatically locates all other families that are working on your same lines by comparing your data base on a disc you send and helps you get in touch by providing names and addresses and phone numbers for the persons your database matches. The number of names in this program now stands at 800,000. Write to Mike Andrews, PO Box 11097, Salt Lake City, Utah 84147-1097.