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## NATIONAL NEWS

### National Reunion 2000

The National Reunion of the Society of Stukely Westcott Descendants of America will be held in Colorado Springs, Colorado on August 4,5,6, 2000.

NOW is the time to set those dates on your calendar and plan to come and enjoy the Centennial State.

The headquarters for all activities will be the Satellite Hotel. This hotel is a short distance from the airport and very well located to reach all the special attractions of Colorado Springs.

There will be a registration form and more information in the January issue of the Westcott family Quarterly.

Sincerely, Cousin Barlow

For more information, contact Barlow M. Westcott,  
411 Lakewood Circle B1116, Colorado Springs, CO 80910;  
Tel. (719) 570-4567; E-mail: W7966 (AOL).

### Notice All SSWDA Officers

From the National President, Sharon Coltey  
We want to keep in closer touch with our officers, especially during times of illness. Please notify me when you are having health problems as we would like to send our wishes for a speedy recovery.

Nancy Westcott, Secretary SSWDA  
8121 Beverly Drive  
Prairie Village, KS 66208  
913-642-4190, Fax: 913-648-4894

### Chapter News

The Westcott's of New Hampshire, Chapter # 12 will meet, Sunday, July 11, 1999 at the Danbury Christian Church at 11:00 am.

After the services, we'll meet at the Danbury Grange Hall for a pot luck lunch and 'Silent Auction.'

Hope to see you there, Arlene M. Dole, sec.

Vermont Chapter #5 will hold their annual picnic lunch at the State Park, Lake St. Catherine, Poultney, Vermont at 12 noon, on Sunday, August 8, 1999.

We will join the United Baptist Church of Poultney on the Green in East Poultney for 10am service.

Bring your children, your food, and your games ready for a good time with family. And don't forget your guitar, harmonica, or fiddle to join in the music making.

### Florida Correction

The Florida state reunion meeting has been changed to Oct. 29 & 30, 1999 in St. Petersburg, Florida.

Betty Westcott has made arrangements with the Holiday Inn, Sunspree Resort, Marina Cove Conference Center for a block of rooms. It is located at 6800 Sunshine Skyway Lane, off Interstate 275 at exit 3.

For reservations mention special Westcott rate when you call 1-800-227-8045, Fax 727-864-449. E-mail at [www.Holiday-Inn.com/marinacove-ss](http://www.Holiday-Inn.com/marinacove-ss)

For more information write to Nancy Sieck, 6208 Windover Way, Titusville, FL 32780.

## Gravestone Emblems

A new die of the Westcott Coat of Arms has been cast as a 7" medallion type marker, similar to the DAR or SAR bronze piece. Thank you to Betty Westcott of Florida for her generous gift covering the cost of this die.

Bruce Trismen of New Jersey has been working with the U.S. Bronze Sign Company of New York, New York, and now has the markers ready to ship. Cost for the marker is \$150 each plus \$10.00 packaging and shipping, send **directly to Bruce**.

To order this new grave marker, contact Bruce Trismen at 201-599-0877, or write to him at 436 Demarest Ave., Oradell, NJ 07649.

## Westcott Wrench

The Jan./April Quarterly featured a page from the 1969 Keystone tool catalog about the Keystone-Westcott adjustable "S" wrenches. At that time our historian, Betty Acker, had no more information about these wrenches.

Bob Fulton of Campbell, California wrote to say that the Westcott wrench was designed and patented by his grandmother's brother, Bey Westcott. Bey was the child of Varnum Westcott & Helen Robinson who had 3 children Mary Perfect Belle Westcott, Bey Westcott & Jay Westcott.

## Westcott Caps

White "Westcott - 1998 Vermont Reunion" baseball type caps were made for the 1998 Vermont National SSWDA reunion. Sales were not as brisk as the committee in charge anticipated, so 100 caps were left over. Even after advertising in the Quarterly, 99 caps were still in the box they came in. So, the entire box of 99 caps was sent to Joy Kaufman, a Peace Corp worker in Dakar, Senegal, Africa for the children of the village. One can tell how excited they were by the smiles on their faces in this thank-you picture of the group, all decked out in Westcott hats.



## Inquiry

Liz Weislogel of Illinois is looking for the **father** of **Charles Wilkin Westcott** b. 1850 Goshen, Orange Co., New York.

Charles moved to New York City at some point, and married Rose **Nichols**. They had one child, **Sarah Nichols Westcott**. It is possible that **Reeve Westcott** was brother of Charles.

If you could be of any help, please, contact Liz Hutton Weislogel, 22 Williamsburg Terrace, Evanston, Illinois 60203. Or LizHW22@aol.com

## From the Letter Box

From Pauline W. Dennis Schumann of Massachusetts

On Jan. 17, 1999 I became Mrs. Charles William Schumann. We were married in Old Parish Church here in Sheffield, Massachusetts. Carl is retired from J.P. Stevens Woolens of New York. Our home will be here in Sheffield. My phone number and address remain the same, so continue to send your family news to P.O. Box 954, Sheffield, MA 01257.

This summer we enjoyed visiting my children, Lynda, Kathy and Don, in California and Oregon, then Carl's son in Washington and grandson in California. We continued our trip of 10,500 miles into the Canadian Rockies and the vast mountains and plains of northwest US.

From Alice Hoffman of Florida

We both are doing quite well. I'm doing fine since my hip operation in February 1995. My health is pretty good.

September 26<sup>th</sup> I will be 90 years old. I have a daughter that does everything for me - She only lives 1/2 mile away.

Warm regards, Alice M. Hoffman

From Patti Rochette of Missouri

Westcott Wilson Rochette has been admitted to the Andersen MBA Program of UCLA. His sister, Suzy Rochette owns Bassinets & Blueberries, a baby boutique, and Suzy' L's, a lady's fashion store in Costa Mesa, CA. Suzy and husband, Dan Lubeck had a son, Wilson Lubeck on 26 Aug 1998 in Newport Beach, CA. Dane Wilson, Wes' oldest half-brother, a graduate from the University of Oklahoma Law School, was inducted into the Oklahoma Bar in Apr. 1999. Dane's daughter, Anne Michelle Wilson is graduated from the Norman Oklahoma High School.

**Wanted - an apprentice, intern, assistant, to work with the editor and learn the trade of the SSWDA newsletter editor. Please write to Pauline W. D. Schumann  
P.O. Box 954, Sheffield, MA 01257**

NATIONAL WESTCOTT REUNION  
COLORADO SPRINGS, COLORADO  
AUGUST 4, 5, 6, 2000

**INFORMATION**

HOTEL: All activities will be at the Satellite Hotel, 411 Lakewood Circle, ( Academy Blvd. And Airport Road) Colorado Springs, CO 80910. The telephone number is 1 (800) 423-8409. The Satellite Hotel is holding 45 rooms for the Reunion and reservations **MUST** be made through the desk phone above. Be sure to tell the desk that you are with the Westcott Reunion. Continental breakfast is included.

The price for rooms is \$62.00 (1 bed) and \$68.00 (2 beds). **THE CUT OFF FOR RESERVATIONS AT THAT PRICE IS 4 JULY 2000.** If you wish to come early or stay after the Reunion price, you have to let the hotel know when you make your reservation. Reservations after 4 JULY 2000 will be on space available at the regular summer price.

TRANSPORTATION: If you are driving, Colorado Springs is on I-25 (North and South) and Highway 24 (East and West). Arriving on I-25 North or South, use Exit 139 East, turn left at first light, turn right at second light and just before the third light turn into Satellite entry street. Driving from the East on Highway 24 , turn left on Powers Blvd, then turn right at first light (Airport Road) to Academy Blvd and just across Academy Blvd turn left into Satellite entry street. Driving from the West on Highway 24 to I-25 South tuse Exit 139 East, turn left at first light, turn right at second light and just before the third light turn into Satellite entry street.

If you fly in to Colorado Springs, the Hotel has a van for pick up. **AFTER** you obtain your luggage, call the Satellite Hotel on its listing on the telephone bank in the Baggage area. Rental cars are also on the Baggage Area. For those renting cars, take the exit from the airport, turn right on Powers Blvd, drive north (several miles) to Airport Road, turn left and just through Academy Blvd turn left into Satellite entrance.

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NATIONAL WESTCOTT REUNION  
THE SATELLITE HOTEL  
COLORADO SPRINGS, COLORADO  
AUGUST 4, 5, 6, 2000

**REUNION REGISTRATION**

If you plan to attend the National Westcott Reunion at any time during the period from August 4 through August 6, please fill in applicable data and mail this form to the address shown below.

Your Name 1. \_\_\_\_\_ Please PRINT names as you wish to have them  
2. \_\_\_\_\_ Appear on your name tags.  
3. \_\_\_\_\_ 4. \_\_\_\_\_

Son or daughter of Stukely Westcott from whom you  
are descended \_\_\_\_\_

5. \_\_\_\_\_

Date of expected arrival \_\_\_\_\_

Your mailing address:

Street \_\_\_\_\_

Your telephone number

Apt. or Box \_\_\_\_\_

( ) \_\_\_\_\_  
Area code Telephone Number

City State, Zip \_\_\_\_\_

**REUNION ACTIVITIES:** For those who arrive on Thursday, the VIP room will be open from 1:00 PM until 5:00 PM for those wishing to register. There are no planned activities.

Friday, August 5<sup>th</sup>. The VIP room will again be open from 9 AM until 5 PM for registration and display. The Board meeting will be held from 10:00—12 Noon in the Brown Room on the lower level. The evening supper will be casual and also will be held in the Brown Room at 6:30 P.M. The evening will be informal with a surprise activity.

Saturday, August 6<sup>th</sup>. The VIP room will again be open from 9 AM to 5 PM. The General Meeting and Memorial Service will be held Saturday morning in the Brown Room from 10 AM to 12 Noon. Dinner will be at 6:30 P.M. with a program. Dancing will be from 9 PM to 11 PM. There will be a special Westcott service Sunday morning at 9:00 A.M. in the Brown Room.

**Area Attractions:** Pikes Peak Cog Railway (EARLY reservations advised) Call 1-(719) 685-5401. Takes you to the top of Pikes Peak (14,110 feet). You are advised to go up after you have been in the area a few days because of the altitude. // You may also drive the 19 miles on the Pikes Peak Highway, if you prefer. // Garden of the Gods Visitor Center and take either the sightseeing bus, drive or hike through Garden of the Gods. // Seven Falls in South Cheyenne Canyon. // Cheyenne Mountain Zoo // Pro-Rodeo Hall of Fame and Museum of the American Cowboy. // Van Briggie Art Pottery. // Colorado Pioneers Museum. // All of the above are in either Colorado Springs or adjoining Manitou Springs. // Great shopping in Manitou Springs and on West Colorado Blvd (2400—2800 area). // Other attractions nearby, just North of I-25 and Academy Blvd. is the Air Force Academy which is one of our spectacular attractions. // For young children the Northpole home of Santa's Workshop with amusement rides is at the base of Pikes Peak on Highway 24. // Royal Gorge Bridge and Park just west of Canon City, south of Colorado about one hours drive. // You will find brochures for these and many other attractions of the area in the Hotel.

FEEES Registration and meal fees should be enclosed with  
This form when you send it to the address below:

Registration	Number	Cost	Total
Adults	_____	\$7.00	_____
Children under 18	_____	no charge	_____
Friday night supper	_____	\$10.50	_____
Children under 10	_____	5.95	_____
Saturday night dinner And dance	_____	\$17.50	_____
Children under 10	_____	8.95	_____
Total check or money order (do not send cash)			\$ _____

Make checks payable to:

NATONAL WESTCOTT REUNION  
C/O BARLOW M. WESTCOTT  
411 LAKEWOOD CIRCLE B1116  
COLORADO SPRINGS, CO 80910

Telephone # (719) 570-4567

From Joanne Picard of Florida

George and Julie Picard had their first child, Philemon Ralph, on Nov. 28, 1998, in Athens, Greece. He is the first grandchild of Joanne Griffin Picard and the late Ralph Leland Picard, son of Virginia Wescott Sampson, deceased. I am enrolling this family as new SSWDA members.

God Bless, Joanne

From Edna J. Lewis of Connecticut

Work continues on the Westcott book. You will receive a postcard when it is ready.

We have a great grandson. Alexander Jefferson Van Tassel was born in Feb. 1999 in Tulsa, Oklahoma, child of Krysten and Scott Van Tassel.

Our son, Dan, with wife, Maren and daughter, Kathrin came from Germany to visit us in August.

From New Hampshire

**Deborah A. Beckwith**, daughter in-law of Thelma M. Beckwith of Nashua, New Hampshire, died Tuesday, March 30, 1999, at St. Joseph Hospital in Nashua following a battle with cancer.

Besides her husband, James W. Beckwith, Jr., survivors include three daughters Anne Beckwith, Susan Masson, Kristen Darisse; a son, James W. III and eight grandchildren.

### **Recent Books**

In Search of Your German Roots; A Complete Guide to Tracing Your Ancestors in the Germanic Areas of Europe, by Angus Baxter (Third Edition, 1994). Order from Genealogical Publishing Co., Inc., 1001 N. Calvert St., Baltimore, MD 21202-3897. Price \$11.95 plus \$3.00 p+h.

### **WESTCOTT PARK - MANTEO, N.C.**

In March of 1996, Barbara Burt sent me a picture of a sign pointing to "Westcott Park" in Manteo, N.C. It has taken me all this time to trace the park information.

It was named for the former mayor of Manteo, George T. Westcott, Jr. who was called "Rass". He died in 1940, but was a major benefactor of the park. He, along with the Manteo Lions Club, established the park as a youth recreational field.

While vacationing at the Outerbanks last summer, I researched the various Wescott/Westcott families of the area. I now have over 400 names in my computer, and most of them are connected into families. Ancestry is not established on these lines.

### **A WESCOTT STORY TITLED "HARD TIMES" MANTEO, N.C.**

"One of the worst times was after World War II. Things were so hard to get, 'Ab' Wescott, who was in the furniture business with his brothers, said that you couldn't get metal in any furniture right after the war. Also, if you wanted to build anything, you had to have a permit to get materials.

One time Ab promised a customer that he would get a metal bedstead for her. He always tried to accommodate his customers. A year later when he still didn't have the bedstead, he took down his wife Irlene's bed while she was gone and sold it to the customer.

Another time he took the regulator from the top of their gas tank and sold it. Irlene couldn't cook or have any hot water. She said that she was so mad that she didn't remember how mad!"

From the desk of your Historian, Betty W. Acker