



SWOPE NEWS



2005 Reunion Information In the December Issue

A.E. Swope
1870-1955

Kate Swope
1870-1939



Mayme
1890-1953



Ralph
1892-1948



Elnora
1894-1997



Laura
1900-1991



Kathryn
1903-1981



Alice
1905-1985



Isabel
1908-

Year 2004

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McKeeby
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I realize it will soon be time for another Family Reunion and another Swope Newsletter. I hope you have a successful reunion with many people attending. Tell everyone hello for me.

I want to thank everyone who sent me cards or letters for my birthday. I appreciate every one! I did have a lovely birthday – so many remembrances - and my family treated me royally!

Anne (Isabel) McKeeby

VOUNTEER HONORED FOR WORK WITH MUSEUM AT PROPHETSTOWN

Hugh Henry, 89, who was recognized in the Journal and Courier's Power of Caring section on Sunday for his efforts with the West Lafayette Tree Fund, has also been recognized by the Museum at Prophetstown for his years of volunteering.

On Sunday, the museum presented Henry with a framed photograph of him driving a team of Belgian horses.

Henry who grew up on a farm near Evansville during the era depicted at the farm at Prophetstown, said he does whatever "turns up" during the at least one day per week he's at the living history facility.



"I do everything," said Henry, who drives the horse-drawn trolley while conducting guided tours. "Plow, disk, plant corn."

Henry said his volunteer activities are just a way to get outside his home at Westminster Village.

"He's just an outdoor man, a farmer, all of his life," said Henry's wife, Marge, about a man who also had careers with the USDA and Purdue University.

In 2002, Henry was named "Outstanding Volunteer in the state of Indiana" by the Indiana Association of Housing and Services for the Aging. From news article June 28 2004.

SOSBE

Hi, this is Laura Martin, daughter of Kathryn Sosbe, I thought maybe this little bit of info could go into the next email

I graduate from Colorado State University May 15, 2004. I'll have a degree in Liberal Arts with a concentration in social sciences, and minors in Media Studies and African American studies. Over the summer I'm going to work in the office of black student services, then possibly starting August 1st I'll start work with the local newspaper, cross your fingers! This summer I'll also travel to South Carolina to visit family, and I'm going to visit my sister Sarah Sosbe in New York and my mother Kathryn Sosbe in Philadelphia.

I'm so excited to graduate and start a new chapter in my life and start making some real money! My address PO Box 271293 Fort Collins, CO 80527
Laura

PAUL SWOPE

Well I have been working on the Swope News Letter the last few days. I wonder sometimes if it's worth it but then a few people tell me that they enjoy it and keep it up. That makes it all worth while.

I have been keeping busy otherwise too.

The Coast Guard Auxiliary always seems to have something going on. I write a news letter once a month for our unit here in Evansville. The last two years I have won the "best flotilla news letter" award for the District. Have two web sites for the Coast Guard to keep up, one for the Evansville unit and one for the Division. The summer also brings boat inspections which I try and stay involved in. And of course the winter brings the boating schools which means I have to get Instructors lined up.

Since I moved back to the McCutchanville area has brought on more involvement with the church. Am presently on the construction committee for the new sanctuary and also on the committee trying to bring the old 1880s building up to snuff. There should be a 125 year celebration for the old building next year. And there is always a work party.

I don't know how I ever had time to work. Seems like these days there is always something to do.

And of course there is dating. Evelyn and I are still seeing each other and there seems always somewhere to go. I look forward to it.

I've rambled enough.
Paul

MONTANA NEWS

The Kramers are doing well. We are experiencing some smoke here in the valley, but it is from fires in Oregon and Washington. So far, even though it is dry here again this year, we have no major fires burning. Jack and I are out camping most weekends, and doing some fishing at some of the local lakes. We really enjoy the peace and beauty on our outtings. During the week, I of course, am at work, and during the evenings I still have the craft shop and quilting, so I am always busy. I enjoy it though and love it when the

grandchildren come out and we do projects together.

The huckleberries are scare this year, so there have been a lot of bear contact around, so we are careful when we go out. I believe that it is because of all of the frost so late in the spring this year. While we have been out, there have been so few to pick, so we will look forward to next year.

The children are all doing well and the grandchildren too. John, Jack's son is in Iraq right now and we stay in touch, we will be glad when he returns home. The grandchildren are off and running doing numerous and a wide variety of things and activities. They are growing like weeds.

Our sincerest wishes of good health and happiness to the rest of the family.
Mary Helen (Sosbe) Kramer

CHARLES FOX / Inquirer



Ted Glackman, 50, seen through tree roots, takes a rest while hiking at Haverford College. Glackman has walked all but 18 of Pennsylvania's 230 Appalachian Trail miles.

Hiking the Appalachian Trail as a voyage of rediscovery

By Art Carey

INQUIRER COLUMNIST

As a psychologist, Ted Glackman listens to other people's problems. As head of the Joseph J. Peters Institute, which deals with sexual-abuse issues, he wrestles with organizational problems.

To unwind, he plays basketball once a week. When his spirit needs a full recharge, he takes a hike.

In spring and fall, he and a couple of pals spend a long weekend hiking and camping, often on the Appalachian Trail, the storied 2,160-mile highway for hikers that runs from Georgia to Maine. It's a ritual he began with his son, Jake, about 13 years ago.

We who live in or around Philadelphia are blessed; the trail arcs around us like the three-point line on a basketball court. We can access the trail at

numerous points from west of Harrisburg to north of Easton in a couple of hours.

Glackman, 50, of Ardmore, has walked all but 18 of Pennsylvania's 230 Appalachian Trail miles. Some sections he has hiked several times. He knows the most spectacular vistas.

The other day, I joined Glackman; his son Jake, 25, a cook; and hiking chum Tom Talone, 57, of Roxborough, as they set out on a three-day hiking/camping trip over an 18-mile section of the trail from Caledonia State Park south to Pen Mar, Pa. We met the trail where it crosses Route 30, about a half-hour west of Gettysburg (by car).

It began to ascend immediately. Jake Glackman, lean and rangy, with fresh shock absorbers, scampered over the roots and rocks like a jackrabbit. The old men, plodding gamely, breathing heavily, followed in Darwinian sequence. Talone, a vector-control worker for the city Health Department who is built more like a bear than a deer, was soon lathered. But the climb merely stoked the twinkle in his eyes.

"When I go backpacking, I'm in the moment," he said. "I don't think about the rest of my life - just what's ahead of me."

The reserved Ted Glackman has noticed that hiking can bring out "the other" in a man. The talkative become contemplative; the contemplative become talkative. For certain men, it's the ideal recreation. Moving over rough land fosters bonding, or the illusion of such. In the woods, men can freely indulge their natural silence.

Hiking stretches distances, slows time, reacquaints the soles, and the soul, with the feel of the planet.

"You can spend your entire day walking on concrete and other artificial material without your feet ever touching the earth," Glackman said. "It's important to go off the path and walk on nature's real estate."

As we neared the ridge of South Mountain, the terrain became nastier, a geologic crime scene rife with evidence of ancient turmoil, both glacial and volcanic. Huge boulders were stacked in wobbly piles, like cairns constructed by a tipsy giant. Here God had spilled his lithic Legos and forgotten to pick them up. It was like hopscotching across a jetty. Felsenmeer is the scientific term - "sea of rocks." Ted Glackman, enthralled, stopped to admire a rock adorned by a vein of pure white quartz. "Look at this!" he exclaimed. His reserve overcome, he sounded like a little boy who had stumbled on a piece of glowing Kryptonite.

Philadelphia Inquirer Posted on Sat May. 29, 2004

FROM JO

I have had a humbling experience the last couple of weeks. I was packed, ready to go, Indiana here I come. I know that Paul would have appreciated me at least showing up once since I have not been there in so long. I had my things ready, had the TV ready for Jared Mykael with all his favorite movies, extra cash for emergencies, maps, etc. Everything was going and ready until my youngest son the computer programmer informed me that corp. had send down changes and they had to be done before he could leave. He was still trying to go but as time kept going by I told Mykll (Christopher Michael) we call him Mykll, that it was cutting it all too close. It wasn't going to be a trip to just Indiana it was going to be a much needed vacation for me period. Time kept creeping up and finally out of sheer frustration I canceled the trip, unpacked the car and sat feeling sorry for myself for a couple days. All this time I had not been feeling tip top, nothing to put my finger on just ackey body, headaches once in a while. To make a long story short, I ended up a sick puppy a couple of days later. For over five days I kept running a fever of over 100 degrees. The day I went to the doctor I had a temp of 103.6. The long and short of this story is thank God I wasn't on the road and thank God for all my friends, especially from church. Food, friendship, cards, prayers started flying. I wasn't even aware of how much so the first 5-7 days. If I wasn't burning up I was freezing to death. (with it being over 100 degrees down here it was weird). It all boiled down that I had caught some viral thing going around and was battle fatigued anyway so it really brought me down.

So a lesson to all and especially to me, when you think you have it all together slow down and make sure and be thankful everyday of your surroundings and who you have in your life. My ex used to always tell me, "Put nothing in your life if it stresses you, surround yourself with people you love and who love you. Keep the bad out and circle the warmth that you have built. Bad brings bad, don't let it in."

I am so happy to be better, I am so happy to have Paul to keep me up on what is going on, and I am so glad to have my family down here when I need them. I hope to remember that better this year and appreciate it more. My son said we can still go on vacation, he just doesn't know when, of course, he is laughing the whole time he says that because

now we are talking a motorcycle trip since we didn't do Indiana, who knows, we'll see. Everyone take care and take care of what you have and appreciate it, I guess we all need an eye opener. Sorry couldn't make it to the reunion but appreciate Paul so much for keeping me up on it.

Love to all, Jo Sosbe Schlottmann

TEXAS SWOPE / RATLEY

Hello Family! Texas is living up to its reputation of being unpredictable. We've had lots of rain and cool weather, which is very unusual. We normally have several days of 100 degrees and that hasn't happened. We've had more rain and more cool weather (if you can call 99 cool), than previous summers and a cool front is on its way for this weekend. Almost unheard of for August.

Richard and I were able to make it for the family reunion this year, stayed one week and we had a grand time visiting. My nephew, John's son, came up from Florida with his wife for the reunion and we were able to meet her and visit with them. That was a wonderful treat.

I drove up to Evansville to pick up Will, Karen's son and we had him for almost 2 months. John brought Megan down and she stayed with us for 3 weeks before we brought them both back up when we came to the reunion. It was a lot of fun having the kids, but it was nice to get our house back.

Our Texas family is just fine. Ric, Richard's oldest, is still with the police department in a local town and Tim, Richard's youngest is still in the Army stationed in Virginia. Tim and Liz are expecting a baby any time, and that will make 4 grandbabies for us! Tim is expected to be stationed in Arlington, Texas this fall. We are looking forward to having them close!

All the horses are ok. While we were in Evansville, one of our yearlings got hurt and the vet had to come out, but he is doing ok. The dogs were glad to see us back and the people feeding for us were also very happy.

The reunion seemed small this year and I hope more people will come out next year. I'll be up sometime between now and New Years, so I hope to see some of you again soon.

Hugs, Paula Sue & Richard

FRANCE

It's Kerry France, Ray's son. In regards to Kevin & Lisa's email address, I believe that Kevin has not

yet reactivated his and Lisa has not checked hers and cleaned it up. So Lisa's is still good,, but just toooo full at this time to accept any more.

Just a little news from our clan, Tammy and Amy have arrived from New Jersey for a week and will attend the Jasper Strassenfest this weekend 5-8 Aug. David had a hernia operation 2wks ago and still a little sore. Kevin, Lisa, Kenny & Tommy may be in from Missouri on Thursday 5 Aug for Strassenfest.

That's all for now. Good luck with the emails
Cousin Kerry

THE DUNBAR FAMILY

We had fun at the family reunion this year. Wish more relatives had shown up though.

Megan showed Connie Engelbrecht's horses at the Vanderburgh 4H fair July 28th and 29th. Here are her placings:

Western Halter Class	2 nd
Western Showmanship at Halter	1 st
Hunter Under Saddle	3 rd
Hunt Seat Equitation	2 nd
Western Pleasure	1 st
Western Horsemanship	2 nd
Western Riding	2 nd

The following classes she rode 3 horses in each event:

Pole Bending	4 th
Barrel Racing	3 rd & 6 th
Flag Race	3 rd & 5 th
Keyhole Race	2 nd & 4 th



She also showed in an open show at Edinburgh Indiana on August 1st and won a 1st in Poles.

She will be showing this weekend Aug. 6th and 7th at the Indiana State Fair. Guess I'll have to let you know how she places there in the next newsletter.

School is going to start on the 11th and we will have all five kids in school this year. We enrolled Andrew in Kindergarten this morning. Blake will be in 2nd, Eric will be in 4th, Will is in 7th and Megan is going to be a freshman at Central High School.

Megan and Will both went to Texas this summer to visit Paula and Richard. Will stayed longer than

Megan. Megan had to go to band camp and she went on a mission trip to Hurley, Virginia.

Eric, Blake and Andrew all went to visit their mom in Texas for the month of July.

Dave has gotten promoted to lead man at his work (Electronics Research Incorporated). He is enjoying the work there.

That's about all the news I can think of right now. Hope everyone had a great summer. And I hope more people will plan on making it to next year's family reunion.

Karen and Dave

FROM THE EDITOR

2004 reunion

The 2004 reunion was held at the McCutchanville Community Church 17 July. We need ideas for the 2005 reunion. Saturday didn't seem to go to well but on the other hand it may be the EXTRA about the Church construction scared some away. Please send me your ideas on a day and place. Some seem to like it at McCutchanville, the old haunts for most of us.

By next year the Church construction will be complete and it should be a better situation. There will be a gym that the young ones can play games in and the dining hall will not be doubling as a Sanctuary.

News letter

It makes it more rewarding when there is a lot of the families send items in for the news letter. I would like to see more families participate in the news letter.

Still figuring on three a year as was decided some time ago at one of the reunions. Still have enough money in reserve that we can have three a year.

Get your family news items to me at any time; I store them on the computer for use when I start putting the news letter together.

Check the mailing list and make sure the ones not on the mailing list get to see your news letter. If there are more that need to be on the mailing list please let me know. There is a mailing list as part of this news letter.

Email

All the family that is on the email list gets a copy of the family email addresses by email. At this time there are 53 addresses on this list. If you have

an email address and do not get the list by email, send me your address. My email address is at the top of the news letter.

I send out family interest items from time to time by email.

Accounting

There is the accounting for last year on a page in this news letter. This year there was \$172.00 collected at the reunion and there is \$923.40 in the checking account. The news letters will reduce the checking account before the next reunion.

Anyone wanting to look at the books is most welcome to do so.

Oakhill cemetery

If you haven't seen the new stones at Oakhill you should take a look. If you can't get there, pictures are on the web site.

<http://swopes.org/swopegraves.htm>

Swope Newsletter Mailing List

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**ACCOUNTING from 7 July 2003 SWOPE
REUNION**

(Physical year starts with the reunion. First of July to End of June)

Cash Brought Forward from 2002				\$144.96
Date	Item	Who Spent	Amount	
	Ice	Church Ice Mach		
	Roll Table Cover	Paul Check #7	(\$12.19)	
	Glue Pen, Name Badge, Tape	stock		
	Cups	stock		
	Streamers	stock		
	Napkins	stock		
	Plastic Forks & Knives	stock		
	Lemonade & Tea	Nancy	donated	
	Paper Plates & Bowls	stock		
	Decorations	Nancy	donated	
7/7/03	Church for Meeting Hall	Check #6	(\$50.00)	
Aug-03	50 printed checks	5/3 Bank	(\$9.20)	
Aug-03	60 News letters 9 pages Mailer and 57 stamps	Paul Check #7	(\$51.09)	
Dec-03	57 News letters 9 pages & mailer	Paul Check #501	(\$48.11)	
	53 stamps			
Apr-04	57 news letters 8 pages & mailer	Paul Check #502	(\$45.26)	
	53 stamps			
June-22-04	57 news letters 1 page (EXTRA)		(\$25.31)	
	53 stamps			
	News letter budget set on 9 pages @ 5c and a 37c stamp=82c each X 57 = \$46.74			
		TOTALS	(\$241.16)	(\$241.16)
		Donations from reunion 2003		\$165.00
		Donations Since reunion		\$40.00
		Forward from grave stone acc.		\$692.60
		Balance		\$801.40
		Cash Available For 2004		\$801.40

Reunion checking account stands at \$801.40