



# SWOPE NEWS



## 2006 Reunion – No Date Set Yet

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 2005

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### JO SCHLOTTMANN

We have been busy putting in a new sound system at our church, nothing gets the Lord's attention as well as good Christian music. We think we are high rollers now. (we replaced an old tube type receiver, that is how old is was). During all this time we are working at the church getting ready for the Riesel Fair. It was the same week-end as the reunion. It is the big fun raiser of the year. All the lady's bake and bake and for two days we sell pies, cakes, cookies, and cantaloupe with ice cream and make good money. We also hand our free "Living Water" at the parade for anyone watching. (We have hot weather going on and lots of elderly so we try to take care of them). I was able to help out with most of it just not working as long as I used to.

I had a pleasant surprise when I was presented with a trophy and a plaque which said "Celebrating Ten Years "Off the Streets and On The Creeks" June 2005 Thanks Jo from 20,000 Tadpoles and the Risinger family(doctor who donates all the land for this event.) This was my day since I have taken such pride in this. I have the whole police dept in Bellmead working with Tadpole and the Army, Marines, and Navy volunteering. Anyone interested can look it up by going to [www.fishcountry.net](http://www.fishcountry.net) and that will tell them all about it. Hope everyone had a good time at the reunion and wish I could have been there. I need to update the pictures on the web site and

hopefully will get to that before the summer is over.

I am sending a pic of Jared Mykael Macias and his two friends from school. We have been doing the field trips this year. All small ones here in town but the kids love them. Jared is the boy on the right with the dark skin and hair. He is loving preschool and enjoying learning how to make wonderful things like "Tigers Blood" snowcones (just because it is red) and S'mores. I have the only child in TX that doesn't like chocolate, doesn't like beef that well. In Texas that is almost sacrilegious.

Love Jo

New's flash: It rained here last night, we weren't sure of what it was, thought our facet outside busted. Lab excited and playing in it, sun shining today - WE ARE HAVING A GOOD TIME IN TEXAS!!!

### FROM CLIPPINGER ROAD

I'm still working on a few things that keep me busy. At least the McCutchanville Church construction is complete now. I still get called in to help repair things. We basically have four buildings to keep up. Those built in 1880, 1950, 1965 and 2005. If you haven't watched the refurbishing of the 1880's building you should go to the web site [mccutchanvillecc.org](http://mccutchanvillecc.org) and take a look.

Am doing the Coast Guard Auxiliary news letter every month and this one three times a year yet. There are still the web sites to keep up; all of this tends to keep me out of trouble. Remember to look at the swopes.org web site once in a while, I add and change things now and then. I try and keep the reunion page up to date. Hope to have more pictures from 2005 on the site soon.

My dog Angel, that I got in February, likes to tear up her toys. It is good that she hasn't got to chewing on shoes though. She will be two years old in October and I hope that chewing slows down a little then. Evelyn gave me a barrel planter last fall and Angel likes to dig in that, what a mess.

Evelyn just doesn't understand why I don't like to get out and work in the yard. She thinks I should have flower beds in every part of the yard. They just require too much working and weeding and such. And it's hot out there!!!

I went with Evelyn to St Louis in June to the Marine reunion. It is the reunion of the Marines that Jim went into Iwo Jima with. Evelyn made a lot of friends of the wives and likes to go visit with them. There are a lot of good men that still attend, look at pictures and remember those that have passed since that day almost sixty years ago.

Till next time.

Paul



**Merion teacher takes PA to the "final frontier"**

Merion teacher Penny Glackman recently recieved a Special Award for Excellence from the National Space Society in recognition of her pioneering efforts to support space exploration. Apollo 11 Astronaut Buzz Aldrin (pictured) congratulated Glackman on her award during a May 19 ceremony in Washington, held in

conjunction with the International Space Development Conference.

In August 2005, Glackman answered the call of NSS to assist in lobbying the state of PA to pass a resolution in support of space exploration. NSS officials believe that if every state passes such resolutions, the collective movement will impact upon the legislators in Washington, D.C. Glackman contacted elected officials in Harrisburg, including local representative Daylin Leach,(149th district) and State Senator Connie Williams (District 17), who provided enthusiastic support in introducing a new resolution for Pennsylvania.

Glackman, who has a long history of and commitment to educating youth about space science and exploration, helped craft the language used in Resolution #842, introduced by Rep. Leach and passed by the PA House of Representatives on October 4, 2004 (the 47th anniversary of Sputnik, the first man-made satellite to orbit the Earth). On November 15, 2004, the PA Senate passed resolution #314.

To view the PA resolutions and other states' resolutions supporting a "new vision for space exploration," visit [www.nss.org/lgac.html](http://www.nss.org/lgac.html).



Ted Glackman chatting with Apollo 11 Astronaut Buzz Aldrin

**FROM MONTANA**

Well the Kramer's have had an exciting year. I flew to PA and met my wonderful sister Kathy and Victor and my niece Laura. We took a train to New York. I have not been to New York before. We were met by my other niece Sarah. Sarah and Laura took care of me the whole time, making sure their mother didn't pull any tricks on me, which was a full time job! They took me to so many places each and every day. I loved the visit to Sarah's class; her students were angels

and are just wonderful! Ground Zero was emotional and shocking. New York was friendly, kind and very full and busy. We took a ferry to Ellis Island and we visited China Town, Little Italy, downtown, uptown, between town, the subway, the bus, and to Fordham University where Sarah received her degree of Master of Science in Teaching. I am so very proud of my nieces accomplishments. It was an experience that I will never forget and I have some wonderful memories of my time with my family, whom I adore. It was the grandest time.

Another trip in July for 4 days, through the state of Montana.....We traveled across the middle of the state and wound up in Forsyth for the Professional Bull Riding. We saw some big name riders in this small farming community and they put on a fantastic show. The temperatures for the two days that we were there was a 100 degrees. We certainly was glad for the air conditioner on the camper. Then up over the top of the state through the wheat and grain fields, where there is little else, the "Old West" trail and "Lewis and Clark" trail and home.

The end of July brought another wonderful time, with Uncle Neil and Aunt Judy stopping on their way home after working in Yellowstone Park for the summer. We got to spend time with them and they got to see K.C., Shannone, Jackson and Tanner. We are so fortunate that they came and wish they could have stayed longer! I got to talk to my Aunt Dotsie too, which was a real surprise and pleasure for me. Thank you Uncle Neil and Aunt Judy for staying in touch and doing so much to make sure the family stays in touch with one another!

Now we are getting ready for the Kramer reunion that will be held here on August 20th. It is shaping up to be another large one. There are campers and tents coming and family from other states. We hold it outdoors and usually starts on Friday nights and ends on Sunday afternoons, weather permitting and always have a great time. There is music, dancing, food, more food, and then some more food. Everyone pitches in and there are games for the kids too. We are always very tired after it is done, but we do it again the next year!

We have heard from our grandson Justin, who will be home from overseas soon. Our Granddaughter Michelle and her husband Eric have notified us that we will be Great

Grandparents in February for the first time. They live in Maine and have just moved into their log home that they have taken over two years to build. We are very excited. Our granddaughters Petra and Dorie and grandson Chad have all graduated from high school and all will be attend college. The others are healthy, growing and fill us with love and awe. We are very fortunate parents indeed! Hope this newsletter finds the rest of the family healthy and fine.

Our best to you all, The Kramers.

### **THE HARLAN SWOPE'S**

Nothing new here, same ole thing. Trying to keep cool, for a while there. I thought I was going to melt. Harlan didn't get to get our victory garden out this year. Thank goodness My Sis brought us some good ole ripe tomatoes; I ate one of them like candy. I love fresh tomatoes. Sure better than those tasteless organic ones they have started to sell so much. We Quit getting them,,,,,

We had a chance to get another set of beautiful Lab dogs, but we turned them down, the 2 ignorant neighbors that Join My property on the east of me, may poison them again like they did My other 3 we had out there in 2001. Police said to sue, but we didn't. We have such a lovely BIG pen for a couple, size about 40 by 50-big enough really for about 4. That's what so sad, they were in their own chain linked fence, never got out, and was not Barkers, they knew everyone in this area. And loved to get table scraps, (no Bones) from the nice people around. That turned to their downfall. Rat poison in their scraps.

But than, now that God called our Amanda home, we don't need dogs to be tied down to, I guess. So I guess it all works out in the long run. I think of them though, every time I see one like them, and every time I see their empty pen.

Later – Kitty

### **FROM GYANNE GERMANO SMITH:**

Charlie and I enjoyed a wonderful trip to British Columbia and Alberta, Canada in early June. The scenery was so spectacular! If you've not been, GO! We flew in to Vancouver, went by coach inland to Banff, Lake Louise, Jasper, then took Skeena train back to the coast but north to Prince Rupert where we took a cruise ship back to Victoria and Vancouver. We loved Canada!!

Charlie and I went to Orlando July 23rd to Kelly's new home in Orlando where we met with both our girls and families for a mini-reunion. We had a good time visiting, playing Skip-Bo and eating! We brought Ben, age 12, back for a 2 week visit. We've been having a lot of fun going to pool, playing horseshoes, etc. and doing some of Grandma Gyanne's crafts.

Speaking of my art, I recently had a commission to paint a watercolor for the wrap-around cover for a book that will be out around December. The author is an old friend, William Bridges from Franklin, Indiana. Maybe some of you have heard of him. The book will be titled "Five Mountain Day".

My mother, Anne (Isabel) continues to enjoy her Skip-Bo and reading. She has been an inspiration, never complaining, always showing a positive attitude. At 97, I think that's amazing. God bless you all, Gyanne

### HELLO FAMILY

I've had a great summer. Dad came down with my sister (Karen) and her two kids (Megan and Will). Will spent the summer with me and I drove him to Evansville when I went up for the family reunion. I made a stop in Tulsa, OK to see the Palomino World Show and then on the way back stopped in Purcell, OK and was able to catch a Clinton Anderson clinic. I put a lot of dollars through my gas tank! Driving a Chevy 2500HD doesn't get very good gas mileage.

The family reunion was great!! We had such fun visiting! I even met some new family, it was great.

I was able to get away from some of the Texas heat and I actually got to see what rain was. We don't see much rain in the summer.

I'm still working horses and designing and maintaining web sites.

I hope your summer isn't as hot as ours!

Paula Sue Swope, Texas

### FROM KATHRYN SOSBE

(granddaughter of Laura Swope McCutchan)

Hello to all:

I hope everyone is making it through the heat. With the humidity, Philly spent a few days hovering around 100 degrees, melting everything in its path. Including my basil.

The past several months have been filled with wonderful highs and a few lows.

It was good seeing Laura, who surprised me with Sarah to show up at my surprise birthday party. I had been pouting around that I really had no plans for my birthday and missed my kids horribly. But who knew Victor and the kids were planning this surprise. I was surrounded by family and friends, and it felt good to have my girls in front of me. Laura spent the weekend with me, and then we picked up Aunt Mary at the airport, spent a day here then took a train to New York for Sarah's graduation week.

Sarah graduated from Fordham University with a master's degree in teaching. It was the largest graduation I've seen. So large, they had two ceremonies. The first is when all the students march out but only the bachelor's degrees were handed out under the 100-year-old plus shade



trees. It was beautiful.

Then, as the BAs went about their parties with friends and family, the master's and

phd candidates went to the various buildings for their own ceremonies where they received their diplomas. If they had not separated out the ceremonies, I think it would have taken 10 hours or more to complete the outdoor festivities.

Yes, I cried, as I do about most things. The achievements both my children have made continue to awe me. And their personalities and beauty are my inspiration. I wish I could be more like them when I grow up: smart, funny, independent, kind, sweet. . . I could go on.

After the ceremony, we had a delightful Italian lunch in Little Italy in the Bronx then collapsed from all the walking, talking and laughing. The week included a lot of sightseeing, which I hear Mary and Laura will tell you about. Not sure if Sarah will write because as I write this, she is in Williamsburg, VA, taking an early American History program for teachers. And loving it. Hopefully, she'll tell you more in a future newsletter.

However, I have attached two photographs I hope Paul can use. The first is of Sarah receiving her master's degree. I wish I could claim credit.

But a man taking photographs of someone else helped me capture this one because I had a few cameras in my hand. Of course, mine were pretty bad. His captured *the* moment!

The second photo, which I'm sure is going to contribute to my death, is of Mary after we completed a tour of Ellis Island. When we landed back in Battery Park, there was a performance artist who posed as the Statue of Liberty. You could pose with the guy, and we convinced Mary she should do it. What we didn't realize is that he made a comedy routine out of it, placing the crown on her head and having her hold the torch. It was a very funny moment. One I couldn't leave on my computer. I had to share it with family. (Sorry, sis. By the way, I've moved and have not left a forwarding address!!!!)

I continue working on my crafts and recently bought a kiln so I can make silver jewelry, which I'm finding exciting. Except on those very hot summer days when the temperature outside is 98-plus and the kiln reaches a max temp of 2000 degrees. Yes, that's a two followed by three zeroes. I'm hoping the winter will make me more productive.

On a very sad note, we had to say goodbye to our 8-year-old dog, Chapin. His death, from several internal problems, has left a huge hole in the house and in our hearts. He was a very sweet animal and was an amazing mixed breed that included Beagle, Bassett and Lab. He could be playful, like a lab, for about five minutes. Then the Bassett took over and he retreated to his pillow. The Beagle came out when we went anywhere. His nickname was "Sniffer." He was Victor's first pet, and the two had a special bond. We so miss him.

Love, Kath

### THE HENRY FAMILY



The Henry's were here in force this year. They came in from coast to coast to join us at the reunion.



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### FROM THE EDITOR

#### **REUNION**

The 2006 Swope reunion date has not been set as yet. It was discussed some at the 2005 reunion but no concrete date was set. July seems to be the month most liked, and no one seemed to have any objection to the middle of the month. So how about Saturday July 15, 2006? Let me know your thoughts and we will go from there. Also let me know your thoughts on the time to set and eat.

Also remember the shirt colors, those that observed the colors had a good time with them. See the web page at <http://www.swopes.org/reunion.htm>

#### **ADDRESS**

We have been trying to keep all the addresses up to date. The latest list I have is attached to this News Letter. Please try and keep the list up to date. If any of your family needs to be added let me know.

#### **EMAIL**

All of the family that is on the email list gets an up-to-date list by email. There are 51 on the list but some of the addresses are bad. If you have not been getting emails periodically make sure that I have your correct email address.

#### **ACCOUNTING**

There is a page showing the reunion account. Anyone wishing to audit the account is welcome.

#### **NEWS LETTER**

We are still on a three a year news letter cycle. They go out April, August and December. I always need articles of family interest to fill the space. Please get them to me in a timely fashion. We can have up to eight pages without additional postage required.

## NEWS LETTER MAILING LIST

No	Name	Address	CityStZip
	-----MAYME SWOPE	HENRY-----	
1.	Hank & Helen Henry	7610 Shore Acres Dr.	Olympia, WA 98506
2.	Hugh & Marjory Henry	2741 N. Salisbury #1203	W. Lafayette, IN 47906
3.	Jerilyn Dille	41 Critter Crossing	Port Angeles, WA 98303
4.	Don & Robyn Henry	1527 Arthur Ave	Lakewood, OH 44107
5.	Jana Maples	14429 Iraquois Ave	Largo, FL 33774
6.	Joetta Senour	5193 Burning Tree Rd	Kalamazoo, MI 49009
7.	Judith Rezendes	2119 Spring Lake Dr.	Martinez, CA 94553
8.	Warren & Lana Henry	6116 N. Cleveland Ave	Kansas City, MO 64119
	-----RALPH H.	SWOPE	
9.	Harlan & Kitty Swope	803 Cardinal Drive	Evansville, IN 47711
10.	Kathy Speicher	1303 Mary Street	Evansville, IN 47710
11.	Margaret Swope	2916 N. Bedford	Evansville, IN 47711
12.	Ted & Penny Glackman	517 E. Spring Ave.	Ardmore, PA 19003
13.	Nancy & Gene Glackman	10122 S.E. Browning Rd.	Evansville, IN 47725
14.	Paul G. Swope	9737 Clippinger Road	Evansville, IN 47725
15.	John Swope	P.O. Box 187	Mt Vernon, IN 47620
16.	J.P. & Aimee Swope	9422 Windam Way	Tallahassee, FL 32312
17.	Karen Ann Swope	3903 Vista Drive	Evansville, IN 47710
18.	Vicki & Ronnie Nobles	111 Bedford's Bend	Gun Barrel City, TX 75156
19.	Paula Sue Swope & Richard Ratley	11691 C.R. 1200.	Malakoff, TX 75148
20.	Grace Swope	2100 Jefferson Ave.	Evansville, IN 47714
21.	Meg Glackman	500 Rock Springs Rd. Apt. C1	Smyrna, TN 37167
	-----ELNORA SWOPE	FRANCE	
22.	Curtis & Ruth France	11235 Pocahontas Road	Marine, IL 62061
23.	Lawrence France	8918 Whetstone Road	Evansville, IN 47725
24.	Evelyn Evans	8640 E. CR 200 N	Otwell, IN 47564
25.	Evelyn France	8924 Whetstone Road	Evansville, IN 47725
26.	Lois France	2510 Glen Hill Drive	Indianapolis, IN 46240
27.	Tammy White	248 Davistown Road,	Blackwood, NJ 08012
28.	Ray & Audrey France	1592 N. County Rd. 900 E.	Otwell, IN 47564
29.	Janice Evans	1406 North Saint James Blvd	Evansville, IN 47711
30.	Mitchell & Denise France	17216 Cambridge Grove Drive	Huntersville, NC 28078
	-----LAURA SWOPE	McCUTCHAN	
31.	Doris Dauble	2285 State Rd. 580 Apt. 304	Clear Water, FL 33763
32.	Marcia M. McCutchan	P.O. Box 816	Mt. Vernon, IN 47620
33.	Jane McCutchan	5737 Tribby Lane	Evansville, IN 47710-4311
34.	Jack & Mary Kramer	21315 Mullan Road	Frenchtown, MT 59834
35.	Neil & Judy McCutchan	1740 Terry Cir. NE	Winter Haven, FL 33881
36.	Ross & Joyce McCutchan	3408 Turtle Dove Court	Evansville, IN 47715
37.	Jo Sosbe Schlottmann	2857 W. Moonlight Drive	Robinson, TX 76706
38.	Kathryn Gale Sosbe	610 N. Swarthmore Ave	Ridley Park, PA 19078
39.	Sarah Sosbe M.S. 391/Angelo Patri	2225 Webster Ave	Bronx, NY 10457
	-----KATHRYN SWOPE	RIGGS-----	
40.	Lois Riggs	13940 Petersburgh Road	Evansville, IN 47725
41.	Richard & Jeanine Riggs	13701 Petersburgh Road	Evansville, IN 47725
42.	Ross & Mae Riggs	642 N. 200W	Danville, IN 46122
	-----ALICE SWOPE	COOKSEY-----	
43.	Kendal Cooksey	560 Fair Hill Road	Libertyville, IL 60048
44.	Randyl Cooksey	914 N. Sheridan Road	Peoria, IL 61606
45.	Steven Cooksey	501 Loudon	Winchester, VA 22601
	-----ISABEL SWOPE	GERMANO McKEEBY-----	
46.	Isabel McKeiby	7290 Lester Rd. Apt. E49	Union City, GA 30291-2324
47.	Don & Sara Germano	435 Dix Lee Dr.	Fairburn, GA 30213-3613
48.	Cindy Bibliowicz	257 SW 159th Lane	Sunrise, FL 33326
49.	Kelly Meahl	1100 S. Delany Ave	Orlando, FL 32806
50.	Rev Brian & Patricia Germano	90 Mission Hills Drive	Cartersville, GA 30120
51.	William & Amy Tice	3004 Bransford Rd.	Augusta, GA 30909
52.	Gyanne & Charles Smith	5019 Brighton Dr.	Jacksonville, FL 32217-4816
	-----COUSINS-----	-----	
53.	Edith Young Bonner	610 Annavista	Anna, IL 62906
54.	Robert & Lovye Young	1300 Hathaway	Evansville, IN 47712
55.	John Schellhase	1925 E. Gum Street	Evansville, IN 47714
56.	Loretta Marie Heyen	2447 South 8 <sup>th</sup> Street	Terre Haute, IN
57.	Autumn Swope Taylor	6 Rollingwood Lane	Sandy, UT 84092-4803
58.	Nancy Swope Smith	R.D. 3 Box 234	Tyrone, PA 16686
59.	Debbie Webster	5689 Keymar Dr.	San Jose, CA 95123-3416
60.	Sandy Wahl Owen	5365 Mission Circle	Granbury, TX 76049

**ACCOUNTING from 16 July 2005 to July 2006 --- SWOPE REUNION**

(Physical year starts with the reunion, ends day before next reunion.)

Cash Brought Forward from 2004				\$848.67
Date	Item	Who Spent	Amount	
	Ice	Church Ice Mach		
	Roll Table Cover	stock		
	Glue Pen, Name Badge, Tape	stock		
	Cups	stock		
	Streamers	stock		
	Napkins	stock		
	Plastic Forks & Knives	stock		
	Bread	Paul		
	Lemonade & Tea	Nancy		
	Paper Plates & Bowls	stock		
	Decorations	Nancy & Evelyn		
	Church for Meeting Hall	check #508	(\$50.00)	
Aug-2005	News Letter	Budget	(\$49.20)	
Dec-2005	News Letter	Budget	(\$49.20)	
Apr-2006	News Letter	Budget	(\$49.20)	
	News letter budget			
	set on 9 pages @ 5c			
	and a 37c stamp=82c each			
	X 60 = \$49.20			
		TOTALS	(\$197.60)	(\$197.60)
		Donations from reunion 2005		\$347.00
		Balance		\$998.07
		Cash Available For 2006		\$998.07

Reunion checking account stands at \$1145.67