

FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK

The Outhouse Family Historical Society has made great strides since its organization at Verona, Wisconsin, on May 25, 1986. We have published, and mailed to the membership, our first newsletter, prepared and mailed a Constitution and Bylaws, which have been approved by the membership, incorporated the society under the statutes of the State of Arizona, qualified it as a tax-exempt social organization under Section 501(c)(7) of the Internal Revenue Service tax code, all due largely to the diligent efforts of our secretary-treasurer, Edward B. Outhouse, of Scottsdale, Arizona. In addition, we have set the dates for our annual meeting, meeting of the Board of Directors, the Region 1 family reunion in Canandaigua, New York, and the Region 4 family reunion in Verona, Wisconsin. (More about this later in this newsletter)

Now we need to continue our efforts to obtain at least 200 members during this year of charter memberships, before June 1, 1987. A membership committee, composed of two members of each region and each regional representative, has been appointed to help us reach our goal. The members of this committee are listed elsewhere in this newsletter along with the appointed assistant regional directors. All of these will have membership applications. I ask all members to cooperate with this committee by encouraging possible members to obtain and complete these applications, or by supplying names of prospective members to the committee members. The completed applications, along with the Society dues of \$5.00 (US) per individual or family membership, or \$50.00 (US) for a life membership, mailed to the secretary-treasurer will help us meet the goals outlined in the Constitution and Bylaws.

Jim Outhouse

BIOGRAPHY

The following was written by Dorothy B. Outhouse Poling, the wife of Dr. E. Gordon Poling. They live at 855 Eastgate Drive, Vermillion, South Dakota 75069, phone (605) 624-2044. Dorothy is the regional representative for Region 5. (Please see the map sent with the last newsletter.)

Hello to all the Outhouse relatives that I am acquainted with, and to all the cousins I have yet to meet!

Julia (Outhouse) Holmes and her research got me interested in genealogy back in 1966. I contacted distant relatives and compiled information for a period of time. Recently, I resumed this interest, after learning of the organization of the "Outhouse Family Historical Society." I was pleased to become a "charter member" and I accepted a request to be an area representative. Congratulations to the new officers. I wish them well in their efforts.

My great-great grandfather was John William Outhouse (son of Israel) born August 15, 1786, in Bertie County, North Carolina. He died Oct. 15, 1864, in Belvidere Township, Iowa. I have visited his grave in that township cemetery. He was married to Martha Nancy Smith in Trigg County, Kentucky on February 5, 1818. She was a native of Bertie County, North Carolina, born May 11, 1800. They were the parents of eleven children, six of whom were Joseph, Lizzie, Miles S. (my great grandfather), George, Miller, and Mattie May. If you know of others, please let me know. I would also like the names of John William's brothers and sisters if anyone should know them. According to early census records for Bertie County, N.C., Israel had four daughters and four sons, but names were not included. Help please!

All the people that I represent in the great midwest are, to the best of my knowledge, descendants of John William. I hope they all choose to join the Society and that our numbers continue to grow.

Dorothy

CORRECTION

In the October newsletter, the address given for Dorothy's state was incorrect. She lives in South Dakota, not North Dakota. We apologize for this error, Dorothy.

On the map you received in October, please add the letters "CO" to the list of states at the top of the map.

TAX INFORMATION

When we incorporated, we made application to the IRS for exemption under part 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. They have notified us that we do not qualify as we are not operating for the public at large or for religious purposes; however, we have been approved under part 501(c)(7) as a social club. This means that, in their words "we must commingle." We should have as many social gatherings in our spread apart areas as is possible, and try to have a yearly reunion in each region. Due to the distance many will have to travel, we may never get to meet all of the members, but we should try as much as possible to meet their requirements of "commingling." As for tax exemptions, donations and dues paid to the society are not tax deductible. (Sorry about that!)

REUNIONS

There are two reunions planned in 1987. In the next newsletter we will be able to tell you if more are planned.

The first reunion is for Region 1, and will be held in Canandaigua, New York, July 11th and 12th, 1986. We have many members in the area and it is the birthplace of our president. During this reunion we will hold the annual meetings of the members, and the Board of Directors. All members are urged to attend this reunion if they can make it. As they will be renting a campground for the gathering, a small charge will have to be applied to each family attending. The second reunion is for Region 4 and will be held at the farm of Eunice and Mat Felton in Verona, Wisconsin. It will be on the weekend of July 18th, a week after the Canandaigua reunion.

You will be given more information about the reunions in the next newsletter; however, to assist the regional directors with their plans, we would like to have you return the form that is the cover for this newsletter, indicating if there is a possibility that you will be attending either or both reunions. In the summer of 1988, Region 8 will hold a major reunion in Tiverton, Nova Scotia, Canada. This area has more people in one place with the name Outhouse than any other. It is on a small island, called Long Island, at the southern tip of Digby Neck on the southmost end of Nova Scotia. (Take a look at your map of Canada.)

The Outhouse families of Westchester County, New York, were peaceful farmers, content with the rule of King George III. Westchester County was very loyal to the crown during the American Revolution which caused many families to be split in their loyalties. Simon, Nicholas, and his son, Robert, fought on the side of the King, and as a result, were forced to move to Canada when the conflict was over. Simon settled in Sackville, New Brunswick, and Nicholas and his son, Robert, were given a land grant in Digby County, Nova Scotia. Nicholas, according to our member Queen Perry, returned to Haverstraw, N.Y., where he left most of his family. When it was learned that he was a traitor, he was forced to move again to Canada, this time into Ontario, where his daughters married, and he is buried. His Canadian descendants go by the names of his daughters husbands, Queen Perry is one. Queen's story will be told in forthcoming newsletters.

Robert remained in Tiverton, marrying the daughter of one of the men named on his land grant. He lived to see more than 100 of his descendants. Many have moved back to the United States as our secretary-treasurer and several other society members or their parents have done. Many have spread across Canada. At their reunion in 1988, they plan to erect a monument commemorating the 200th anniversary of Robert's founding of Tiverton. The society is planning a tour of the Canadian Maritime Provinces in conjunction with the event. This will be the location of our 1988 membership and board meetings. Start making your plans now to attend. During the week prior to the Canandaigua reunion, your president, the secretary-treasurer, and possibly several other families, hope to travel to Tiverton for a few days to meet with our members to the north and assist them with their plans. If any families would like to take the trip with them, please so indicate on the cover form attached.

CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS

The Constitution and Bylaws document was unanimously approved by the membership, but our president, being the eagle-eye he is, noticed several typographical errors, and the IRS information had to be changed to part 501(c)(7) from (c)(3) in most cases. The only place it was not changed was in reference to the donation of funds to another organization or the disposition

(Constitution and Bylaws continued.)

of the funds upon the dissolution of the society. These changes are so minor that the expense of sending each member a copy would not be justified; therefore you are being asked to approve the revision as described in this newsletter without seeing the document. When the document has final membership approval in its corrected form, each member will be provided with a copy, and each new member will receive one with their welcome letter. Please indicate your acceptance on the cover form attached. If you prefer seeing the changes before you vote, we will mail you a copy upon receiving your request.

SECRETARY-TREASURER'S REPORT

In your last newsletter you received an urgent request for money. The five dollar membership dues that was set at our organizational meeting did not prove adequate for our start-up expenses. The membership responded with donations and upgrading to life memberships to the point that we are in the black again. At present we have 125 members, of which eight are life members. One member has even paid for a charter membership for his wife, each of their children, and his granddaughter. This shows the faith he has in the organization. If any other members would like to upgrade their membership to a life membership, they may do so before May 31, 1987, by sending \$45.00 to the Secretary Treasurer.

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

The membership committee consists of all regional representatives and their assistant directors, and two members at large. The following is a list of the members as of this printing:

- Region 1 - Mr. Purdy A. Outhouse
45 Pleasant Lane
Poughkeepsie, NY 12603
- Region 2 - Open
- Region 3 - Open
- Region 4 - Mrs. Donald (Emily) Henderson
Moving to Horicon, WI. Address in
next newsletter.
- Region 5 - Mrs. Lynne L. Wolfer
7265 Shawnee Place
Colorado Springs, CO 80915

Region 6 - Mr. David S. Outhouse
641 Williams Way
Richardson, TX 75080

Region 7 - Open

Region 8 - Mr. Chester M. Outhouse
Box 537, Digby, Nova Scotia
Canada B0V 1A0. He lives in
Florida in the winter.

The purpose of the Membership Committee is to contact potential members of the Society and provide them with membership application forms. Please give the committee your fullest cooperation by providing them with the names and addresses of Outhouse descendants you may know. As you can see from the above, we have many openings on the committee. If you have the time to help, please inform the secretary-treasurer.

REGIONAL REPRESENTATIVES

In the last newsletter, we published a list of the names and addresses of eight of the Regional Directors. Please add the name and address for region 7 to your list:

Dr. Harry B. Buralow, PhD.
NW 236 Sunrise Drive
Pullman, Washington 99163

ASSISTANT REPRESENTATIVES

The assistant representatives assist the regional representatives in the performance of their duties. They are as follows:

- Region 1 - Mrs. Barbara C. Outhouse
5635 N. Bloomfield Road
Canandaigua, NY 14425
- Region 2 - Mr. Horace S. Outhouse
1215 Lake Dora Circle
Taveres, FL 32778
- Region 3 - Mrs. Donna O. Shaffer
900 West Waldo
Independence, MO 64050
- Region 4 - Mrs. Lucy Shampo
1001 Kimberly Avenue
Iron Mountain, MI 49801
- Region 5 - Mrs. Lynne L. Wolfer
7265 Shawnee Place
Colorado Springs, CO 80915
- Region 6 - Mrs. W. F. Simpson
Rt. 10, Box 1008
Orange, TX 77630

Region 7 - Dr. Janet V. Burcalow
NW 236 Sunrise Drive
Pullman, WA 99163

Region 8 - Robert and Bertha Ruggles
Tiverton, Nova Scotia
Canada B0V 1G0

Note- Both Robert and Bertha are descendants of Robert Outhouse.

PROFILES

EDWARD B. OUTHOUSE, the secretary-treasurer of the society, was born, Nov. 15th, 1924, in Knoxville. His father, Rev. Wilfrid Laurier Outhouse, BA, was born in Tiverton, Nova Scotia, Canada. Wilfrid was studying at Johnson Bible college where he met and married Esther Elnora (Nora) Graves. Edward was born while they were still attending college. Edward's sister, Edith Joy (Moon) was born two years later while Wilfrid was preaching in Fairhope, Alabama. After a short ministry in Decatur, Ala., Wilfrid and Nora moved to Charlottetown, Prince Edward Island, in Eastern Canada. As the son of a minister, Edward moved frequently, living in small towns and villages in the Canadian Maritime Provinces of Canada. In 1943, he enlisted in the Royal Canadian Air Force, and served three and one-half years, mostly in Gander, Newfoundland. When he returned to civilian life, he moved to Birmingham, Ala., working in his chosen aviation trade for the Alabama Air National Guard. When the Korean conflict started, the Guard was the first to be called up, and he found himself on active duty in the USAF. Two years prior (Oct. 14, 1949), he had married a Birmingham girl, Vesta Lois Gage. Lois gave birth to Keith Elliott while Ed was in the air force, so he decided to return to civilian life as soon as his year extension was up, joining Hayes, Aircraft in Birmingham. Glenn Evan was born about two years after Keith. In March of 1955, they moved to Miami Springs, Florida, where he accepted a job with Eastern Airlines. During the eleven years they lived there, Gary Lynn, Kent Evan, and Julia Kay were born. In March, 1966, he took a job with the Airesearch

Manufacturing, of Phoenix, Arizona, and immediately bought the house in which they now live, in Scottsdale, Arizona. In 1977, they moved to Tehran, Iran, where Ed, Lois, and Julia all worked for Bell Helicopter. After the Shah's government fell, they were evacuated, returning to Scottsdale to find that Gary and Debbie had given them their first grandson, Joshua Lance. A few months later, Kent and Jody provided them with their second grandson, Nickolaus. Little did they know that Ed's ancestor, the father of a great line of the family, was named Nicholas. They now have four grandsons and one granddaughter. Ed is now retired (sort of) and operates his own business, consulting in aircraft gas turbine engine problems. Lois is a senior secretary for the Greyhound Bus Lines. They enjoy travelling in their motor home, and in 24 ft. cabin cruiser, named "Vesta." A number of years ago Lois attended a religious quadrennial at Purdue University, where she heard about a professor, Burton Outhouse, but was unable to reach him on the phone. Years later Ed, while visiting Outhouse families in Westchester Co., N.Y., heard that the professor was researching the Outhouse family name and contacted him. This contact resulted in their attending the Outhouse/Burcalow reunion in Big Bend, Wisconsin, in July, 1985. Ed volunteered the use of his computers to send out the invitations for their next reunion and in the invitation, he asked if there was interest in forming an Outhouse Historical society. The unanimous interest resulted in the formation of the society of which you are now a member. Ed stays very busy now, answering calls on aircraft gas turbine engine problems around the country, and in between, doing the correspondence for the society. He and James Burton Outhouse (the professor Lois heard about years earlier) have letters in the mail nearly all the time and are frequently on the phone. Both have invested a lot of their own funds in the performance of their society positions. Their thanks has been the overwhelming support of the descendants of Simon Outhouse. They could not have performed their jobs without the loving support of their wives, Lois and Louise.

MARCIA HARRIET BURCALOW STATON, the society vice-president, is the daughter of Mildred Ethel Outhouse and Harry Elmo Burcalow, both deceased. Mildred, and her sister, Dr. Julia Outhouse Holmes, PhD., did the original research which led to the discovery of the origin of the Outhouse name. (Their paper will appear in the next issue of the newsletter.)

Marcia is presently living with her aunt, Dr. Holmes, and is carrying on her work on the Outhouse genealogy. She was born on July 11, 1932, in the Deaconess Hospital, Monroe, Wisconsin. On May 29, 1955, she married Teddy Joe Staton. They lived in Burkburnett, and El Paso, Texas. They were divorced in March, 1960. She has two daughters; Lucy Amanda, and Marguerite (Rita) Louise, and two grandsons, John Thomas DeLaney and Anthony Ross Smith-DeLaney, the sons of Rita. Marcia is a grammar school teacher, and in her spare time, works on the family history using her computer. She was instrumental in the formation of our society.

JULIA (JUDY) MARY OUTHOUSE OBERG, the society historian, lives at 4121 Tokay Blvd., Madison, Wisconsin, 53711.

She was born in Des Moines, Iowa, the daughter of Leroy Johnson Outhouse and Clara Josephine Brostuen, November 16, 1919. She graduated from the University of Wisconsin, taught high school, worked 20 years in the accounting department of Oscar Myers, then 15 years for the State of Wisconsin as Data Coordinator, Department Assistant, retiring in April, 1985. She married Richard Vesey September 18, 1954. Richard died of a heart attack December 20, 1964. She married Charles Frederick Oberg, November 26, 1966. Charles is a graduate of the University of New Hampshire, and the University of Wisconsin Graduate School. He was a research chemist and head of the Analytical Research Department of Oscar Myers, retiring in 1977.

Judy Mary has been active in the study of the Outhouse history in Wisconsin, and wrote a chronology of the family which was handed out at the 1986 reunion in Verona, Wisconsin.

The society thanks Judy Mary for her gift of \$50.00 paid to her niece to design our official society logo you will see in this issue.

RECENT EVENTS:

Born 9/12/86, Jason Perry, to Perry S and Lynette Outhouse, member #84.

Born 12/8/86, Alyssa Rhianne Hamilton, to Thomas W. and Sharon M. Kinney Hamilton, Laramie, WY. Sharon is the daughter of Herb and Mary Burcalow Kinney, member #21.

Born 10/21/86, Emily Carey Overton to Ronald P. and Janet L. Overton, members #50. Janet is the daughter of our society president

Emily and Don Henderson will be moving to Horicon, Wisconsin this month.

Wedding 9/13/87, Jeffrey Scott Watson to Sonya Kay Sullins. Jeff is the son of Robert and Alice Watson, member #57.

Our condolences go to the family and relatives of LaVerne Outhouse, of Canandaigua, New York, who passed away November 30th.

Lucy Shampo sent in the following witty article on OUTHOUSES which she clipped from the midwest edition of The Wall Street Journal. It is reprinted here with the permission of Perry Parmelee, MELDRUM and FEWSMITH ADVERTISING, 1220 Huron Rd., Cleveland, OH 44115. It was written by Mr. Chris N. Perry, President and Chief Operating Officer of Meldrum and Fewsmith, Inc.

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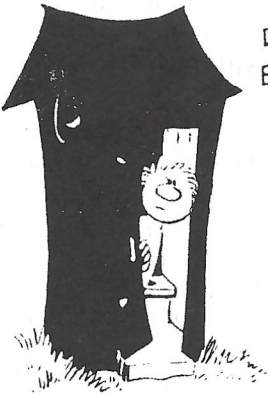
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OFFICIAL SOCIETY LOGO

The logo above was created by the niece of Judy Mary Oberg, who drew it from a photograph of The Tower of Uithuizen, provided by Dorothy Poling. Our thanks go to those who worked on the project. In the future the society will have the logo reproduced on wall plaques and tee-shirts for sale to the members as a fund raising project. These will be announced in the next newsletter in time for the summer reunions.



THE TOWER OF UITHUIZEN, HOLLAND

COMING UP

The next newsletter will be sent out in April. Please send the secretary-treasurer any notes of interest to the other members.

In the next issue you will learn more about the history of the family name when you read the research of Dr. Julia Outhouse Holmes, and her sister Mildred Burcalow.



CHARLES AND JUDY MARY OBERG

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LOIS AND EDWARD B. OUTHOUSE

See profile on page 4

LATE REUNION NEWS

Richard Purdy Outhouse and his reunion committee have been hard at work preparing for the reunion and annual membership meeting in Canandaigua, New York. It will be held at the Ontario County 4-H Camp. (see map on next page). We have access to the grounds from 8:00PM July 10th, and must be out by 11:00AM July 12th. As we must pay for each person using the grounds, a small fee will be charged. The amount will be in the April newsletter along with other details. The nearest airport is 30 miles away in Rochester. Cabins are available for families and there are facilities available for campers. A list of nearby Motels and other information will be published in the next newsletter. Plan now to attend.

LOCATION OF REUNION IN CANANDAIGUA, NEW YORK

