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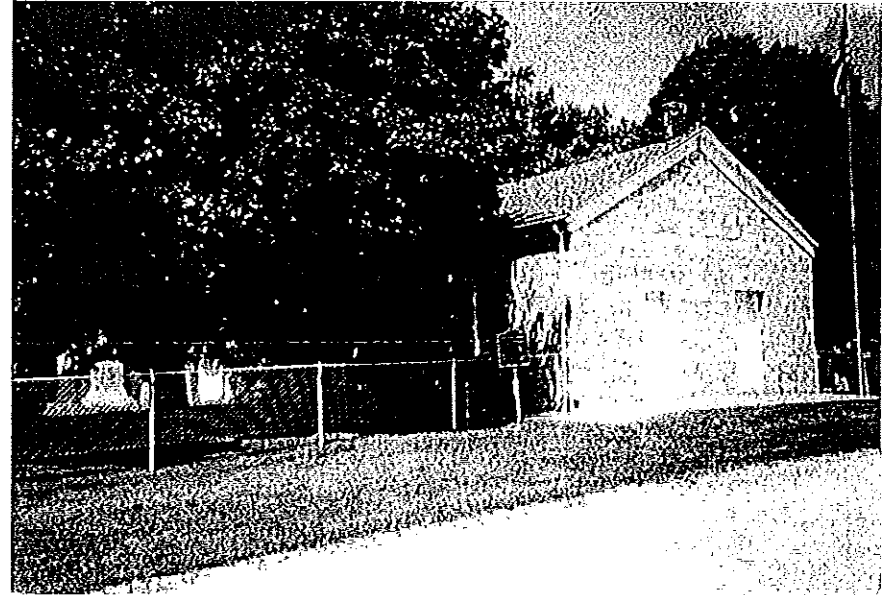
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## Livingston - Watson Association Newsletter 1996



The Rock Church, Livingston, Wisconsin

Our 72nd annual reunion was held on Saturday, August 5, at 10:30 am at the Rock Church following with a potluck at the Livingston Methodist Fellowship Hall.



TO: Cheryl & John Lemanski  
Rt. 1 Box 71  
Fennimore, WI 53809

## Greetings from Your Officers

Marge Davis - President    Bryon Walker - Vice President

Robert Livingston - Treasurer    You can send in your dues to the  
610 Herda Ave.    treasurer:  
Twin Lakes, WI 53186    Single \$ 1.00

Newsletter - Mary Howe    Family \$ 1.50

Dear Friends,

Please feel free to send me anything that can be enjoyed by the readers such as a photos, a favorite recipe, something about you or your hobby. This is my first attempt at a newsletter. Your help and contributions of stories are greatly appreciated. Send them to me:

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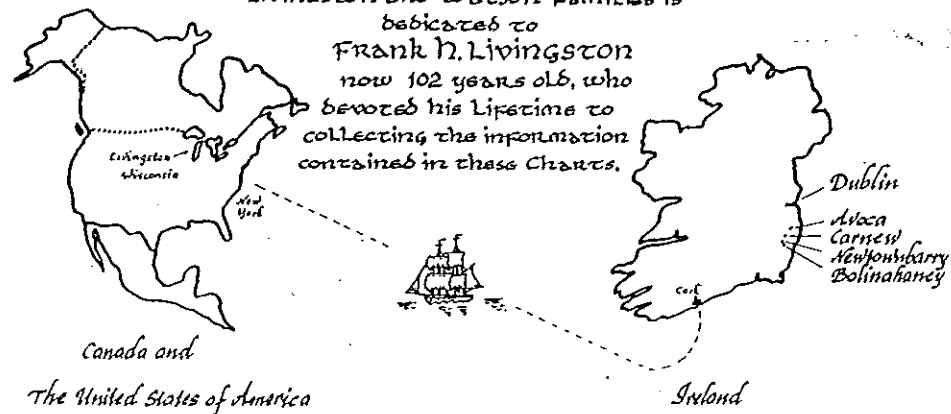
A special "thank you" to Ellen Marchessau, Lucy & Mike Greer for the many hours of work, labor and dedication that went into creating the past newsletters. It is a real link to communicating with over 419 kinsman. Our treasurer writes, "records of the family historian lists over 14,000 names those living and those long since gone who in someway both past and present were linked together over several centuries." WOW!

**Treasurer's Report:** As of Jan. 1, 1996 we have a balance of \$1,190.00 in the Livingston State Bank checking account.

12. Charles Rundell, (52) died June 30, 1995. He was the husband of Betty Tuomy and the son of Milton and Ruth (Thompson) Rundell.
13. Marguerite Magna Livingston, (72) died July 8, 1995. She was the wife of Leonard Livingston and daughter of Joseph and Magna (Tanberg) Workman.
14. Joseph D. Nicholson, (81) died Dec. 6, 1994. He was the son of Reuben and Maud (Gibbon) Nicholson.

## Livingston-Watson Family

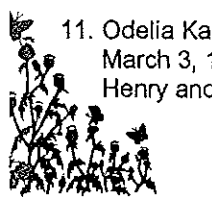
This book of pedigree Charts of the Livingston and Watson families is dedicated to Frank N. Livingston now 102 years old, who devoted his lifetime to collecting the information contained in these Charts.



Copies of the book of Livingston/Watson family charts are still available from the author, William Livingstone. The cost is \$12.00. Send your order to: William Livingstone  
598 Northshore Blvd. E.  
Burlington, Ontario L7T1X2, CANADA



## Memorials

1. Franklin(Max) M. Biddick, (73) died Dec. 14, 1993. He was the husband of Irene and son of Franklin and Gertrude (Moore) Biddick.
  2. Mabel Wadleigh, (81) died March 15, 1993. She was the wife of Elmer Wadleigh and daughter of Clyde and Sadie (Hershey) Sipe.
  3. James Q. Woodward, (67) died Jan. 15, 1994. He was the husband of Jacqueline and great grandson of Reuben and Ann (Watson) Woodward.
  4. Elsie M. Hanson, (95) died Jan. 30, 1994. She was the wife of Edwin J. Hanson and daughter of Pierce and Bertha (Carrington) Nicholson.
  5. Alyce Jenkins, (101) died Aug. 3, 1994. She was the wife of Ernest Jenkins and daughter to James and Anna (Buckett) Watson.
  6. Kathryn Walker, (97) died Sept. 18, 1994. She was the wife of Harley Walker and daughter of Theodore and Augusta (Steinfurth) Fisher.
  7. Charles L. Hill, died Oct. 21, 1994. He was the husband of Edna Sorenson and son of Wesley and Mary (Snyder) Hill.
  8. Ruth L. Dietzman, (87) died Jan. 7, 1995. She was the daughter of Leo and Jessie Dietzman.
  9. Hildegard Livingston, (93) died Jan. 14, 1995. She was the wife of Orville Burns Livingston and daughter of Otto and Ida (Rosin) Hinz.
  10. Mildred Helene (Bushnell) Quig, (93) died Feb. 23, 1995. She was the wife of Henry G. Quig and daughter of Charles and Lillian (Rundell) Bushnell.
  11. Odelia Katherine (Muckerheide) Nicholson, (84) died March 3, 1995. She was the wife of Neal Nicholson and daughter of Henry and Rose (Haug) Muckerheide.
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## Memories Fondly Recalled




Written by Ned Livingston, Elkhorn, WI

Dublin was the original name of Livingston. I think Hugh Livingston donated the land for the depot. That was when the name changed. A lot of Livingstons settled around the area of the Rock Church. The area was called Martinsville. Of course, when the railroad came thru many of the people moved around Livingston. When the telephone came in, the phone company hired locals to dig holes. One day the phone company boss came along when Hugh "Dodge" Livingston was working. He asked "Dodge" how he was doing. "Dodge" then was taking a break and resting. "Dodge" told him I dug 10 holes. The boss told him to go home because 7 a week was a lot to do.

Everyone had nicknames. My dad's nickname was Mick. "Robert" seemed to be a favorite name of the Livingstons. My grandfather was Race Horse Bob. The barber was Billy Livingston. He was always known as Billy Barber. His son, Donald, worked in the barbershop, also. He was Donald Barber.

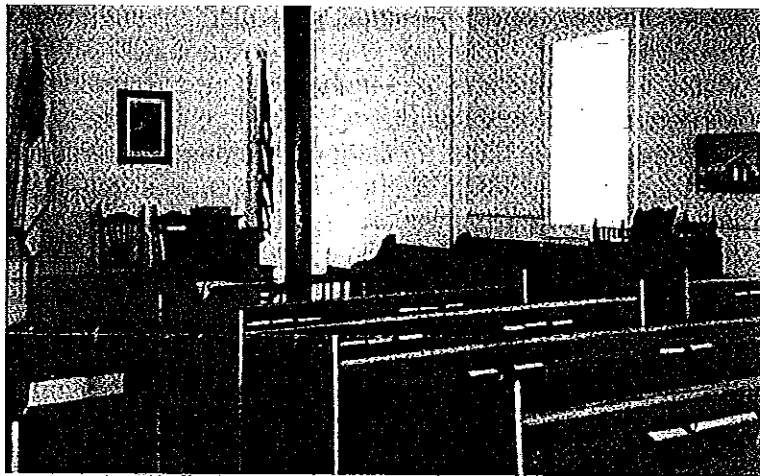
When my dad and "Dodge" were young there was no electricity just lamps and candles. There was a saloon between Livingston and Mineral Point in a little village of Mifflin. So dad and "Dodge" would go there some and fight with the Mineral Point guys. The stories that they would tell were the best stories I ever heard. They would have made good movie scripts.

Note: Ned has trained trotters/ race horses all his life except serving in WW II.



## THE KIDS CORNER!

Inside the Rock Church is where we all gathered to sing songs and celebrate our family heritage. Since there is no electricity a pump organ was used. It is pictured to the right of the window.



Meet: **BETH HOWE**

I am 14 years old and live with my parents in Genoa, IL. I have one dog, Boofy, and one cat, Thumper. I take the bus to school and I am in the 8th grade. I joined the 4-H Club and am doing a project in photography. I have a penpal from Australia. We've been friends for 3 yrs. My favorite food is pizza. My great-great-grandparents were Hugh and Grace Livingston.

Please send me a letter, story, poem, drawing, or photo. I would enjoy putting it in the next newsletter. ( Send to: **KIDS CORNER** - Beth Howe, 126 Loraine Dr., Genoa, IL 60135)



## Places of Interest



On our return from the Livingston - Watson reunion, we stopped in the town of Galena, IL. It is a historic town. Ulysses S. Grant, General & 18th President lived in Galena with his family. The President's family home is a State Historic Site and open for free tours 9 - 5. The Grant home is a great walk in the past and a look into the American history. The scenic town is restored with many lovely shops to browse through. We then headed south to see the mighty Mississippi River. It was a wonderful day!

Sometimes the journey is just as enjoyable as the destination! If you have special places you have enjoyed enroute to the reunion, please share them with the rest of the folks who read the newsletter.



Fred, Mary & Beth Howe

Remember to mark your calendar for August 3, 1996 for the 73rd Livingston - Watson Reunion at the Rock Church, 10:30 a.m. A potluck will follow. For the kids there will be goodie bags!

family originated.

The potluck was held in the fellowship hall of the Livingston Methodist Church. It was a nice retreat from the 92 degree summer day. Before it was over I volunteered in the meeting to do the newsletter. Although I would have liked to linger longer at the Rock Church...I will hold that thought until the next reunion.

Note about the editor: I am married and have two daughters, Rosalee and Elizabeth "Beth." I have one granddaughter, Stacey. Rosalee and Stacey live in Washington where I have other family members living. For 13 years I worked for GTE and resigned as a senior engineer to pursue working in the field of education. After receiving my M.Ed. in Adult Education and Training from Seattle University in 1994, I work for Northern Illinois University in the Testing Dept. I enjoy the country life.

ROCK CHURCH MEMORIAL SERVICE

72nd LIVINGSTON - WATSON REDUCTION

AUGUST 5, 1995

PRELUDE

KAY MOEN

WELCOME

MARGE DAVITS

INVOCATION

Q. Are we related to

David Livingstone,  
the missionary?

HYMN

FATHER OF OUR FATHERS #151

SERMON

PASTOR BARBARA COOK

SOLO

PASTOR COOK

MEMORIALS

MARGE DAVITS

HYMN

IN THE GARDEN

CLOSING HYMN

ODD BE WITH YOU TILL WE MEET AGAIN #539

Q. Are we related to Phillip

Livingston, who signed  
the Declaration of  
Independence? He was  
the grandson to  
Robert Livingston of  
Albany, New York.

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

KAY MOEN, ORGANIST

## From the Editor:

Heading to my first Livingston reunion, I wondered what it would be like. I did not know a soul--not one person! My father loved learning about his roots. He told me about his travels to the reunion and how he enjoyed the good time he had. He mentioned the service in the little church and the potluck that followed. His eyes would light up telling me about his family. He reminded me often that I was named after Mary and Elizabeth Livingston, twin daughters of Hugh and Grace. My father, Robert E. Sipe, like many others, corresponded with Frank Livingston, the family historian. Now both are gone.

Now I was traveling to visit my own family roots. Only a year before I had spent most of my life in Washington State. After our relocation to Illinois, I found the distance to Livingston was only 140 miles from where I lived in Genoa. Bingo! With my husband, Fred, and Beth, my daughter, we set out on our journey. In spirit I sensed the warmth of my father's smile accompanying me. Traveling down the country road, I could hear a familiar hymn, "Faith of our Father's" being sung. Pastor Barbara Cook conducted the service. Marge Davis, President, read memorials and presented families members with a red carnation. My aunt, Mabel Wadleigh, had died the year previously and I received a red carnation in her memory. It was very touching.

The Rock Church has no electricity, but the music played on. Yes, thanks to the organist and the beautiful pump organ we enjoyed a "step" into the past. In the rear stood a free-standing wood stove that served as the central heat on cool days. After the service was over I walked through the adjoining cemetery to find where my great-great grandparents, Hugh and Grace Livingston, were buried. Their daughter, Elizabeth, married Robert Hershey and that was how my