

FAMILY CONNECTION

The Newsletter of the Scully-Greene-Dunn Family Association

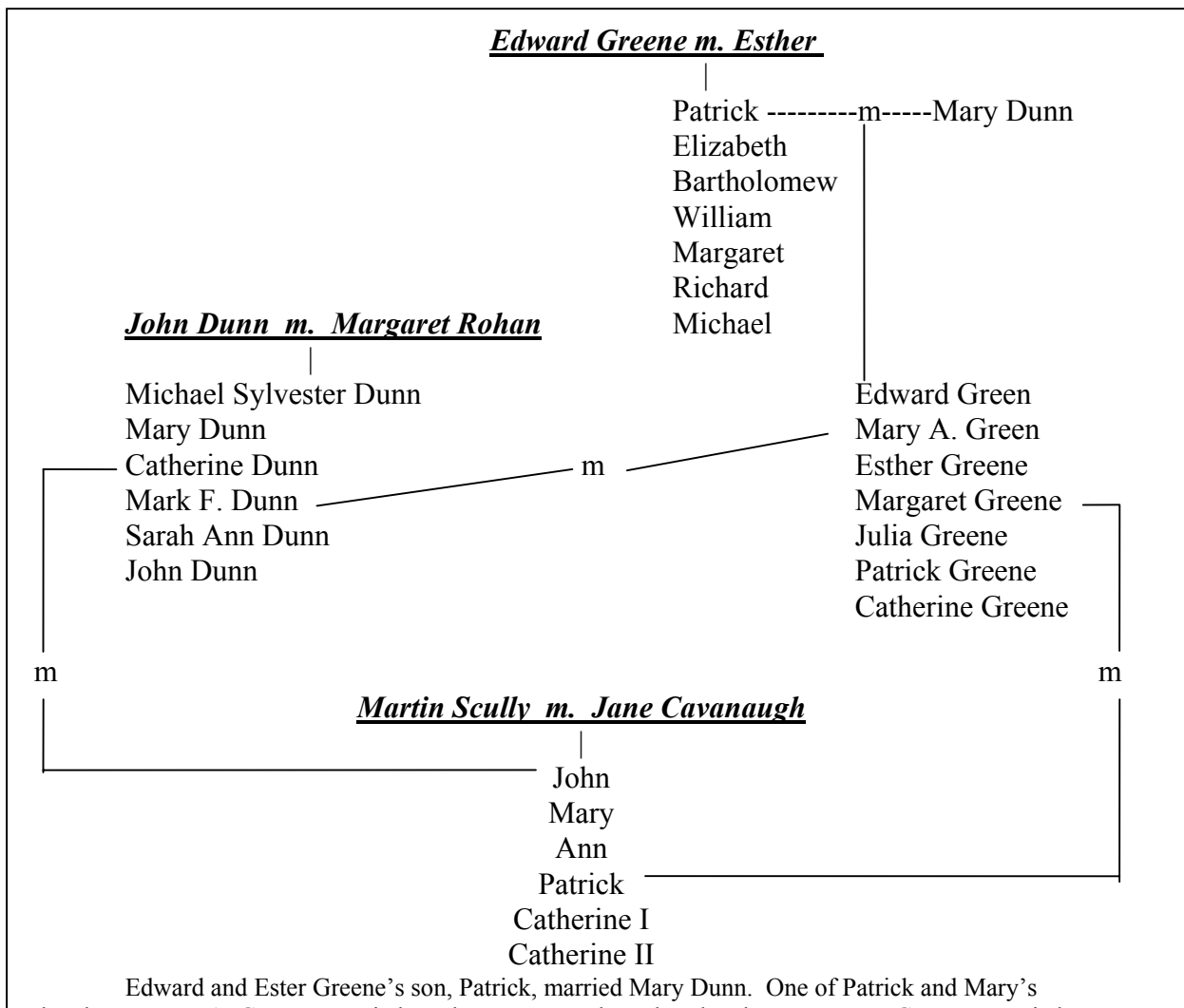
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Introducing the Scully Greene Dunn Families

Based on questions we have received from family members, we thought it might be helpful to introduce the Irish Immigrants who became the founders of the Scully-Greene-Dunn Family. The three families all came from neighboring Parishes in Queens County, Ireland (which is now called County Laois). Edward and Ester Greene came from Stradbally Parish, Martin and Jane (Cavanaugh) Scully came from Stradbally or Ballyadams (different sources state different parishes), and John and Margaret (Rohan) Dunn came from Parish Maryborough, which has sometimes been referred to as Parish Marlboro. Maryborough has since been renamed to Portlaoise. County Laois (pronounced "leich") is located in the East Central part of Ireland, and is bordered on the north by Offaly (formerly Kings) County, on the east by Kildare and Carlow Counties, on the south by Kilkenny County, and on the West by Tipperary.

A pictorial description of how the families are related follows:



Patrick Scully. In addition, Catherine Dunn, a sister of Mark and the daughter of John Dunn and Margaret Rohan, married John Scully. Described succinctly, one child from each family married into each of the other two families. In addition, Minnie O'Brien, a daughter of Julia Greene, married Martin Scully, a son of John and Catherine (Dunn) Scully, further strengthening the ties between the three families. Because these three families were closely related, and apparently friendly both in Ireland and the United States, their descendants are members of the "Scully-Greene-Dunn" family.

The relationships may not end there. Mary Dunn, who married Patrick Greene, had parents named Patrick Dunn and Mary Lawton. John Dunn's parents were Patrick Dunn and Mary ?. While it is not clear that John and Mary are related, several sources have indicated that it appears there was a close family relationship. The Dunn and Scully families also appear to be connected in some way in Ireland. It is recorded in the old Baptismal and Marriage Register at Stradbally Parish that Martin Scully, of Garrymaddock, married Jane Kavanaugh on 23 May 1838, with witnesses James Dunn and Mary Scully. Some family members have indicated that they remember being told by older generations that the Dunns and Scullys were related in Ireland. While none of these connections can currently be proven, it can be safely concluded that the three families were close friends, if not relatives, and the marriages between their children established close family ties.

In this issue of the newsletter, we will introduce the Descendant lines of Edward and Ester Greene. Future newsletters will cover the families of John Dunn & Margaret Rohan, and Martin Scully & Jane Kavanaugh.

Edward and Ester Greene had 6 or 7 children. Only three of these children had children. While the family records both a Richard and Michael Greene as children of Edward and Esther, it is possible that they are really the same person. Michael Greene traveled to the United States with his parents in 1847 at the age of 14, on the Yorkshire, which docked at the Port of New York on April 1, 1847. The 1850 Census for Connecticut shows a Richard Greene living with Edward and Esther, aged 18 (which roughly corresponds with Michael's age in 1847). In the 1860 Census, Richard is not listed, but Michael is, aged 24 years. A strong possibility exists that Richard and Michael are in fact the same person. To date, no information has been found on either Richard or Michael's Branch of the Family. Two of Edward and Esther's other children, William and Margaret, died young, unmarried, and without children. Bartholomew Greene, the third child, married Bridget Kilbrick (or Kilbride) and had 5 children. All five children, as well as Bartholomew and Bridget, died young from scarlet fever or consumption.

Patrick and Elizabeth, the first two children, are the only children of Edward and Esther who had surviving children. Patrick Greene married Mary Dunn and had seven children (who are listed in the chart on page 1). The names of Edward and Ester's grandchildren from this branch of the family include the Dunn, Scully, O'Brien, Bray, and Greene Lines. To date, the family association has recorded 908 descendants of Patrick Greene and Mary Dunn. A photograph of Patrick and Mary's children (with the exception of Edward and Esther) may be found on page 3 of this newsletter. The photograph was probably taken after Esther's death in 1898, and had to be taken before Patrick's death in 1910. This photograph is courtesy of Caroline Kelly. To our knowledge, there are no photographs available of earlier generations of the family.

Elizabeth Greene married Joseph Conroy and had 5 children. Only one child married, and the Conroy branch of the family was much smaller than the Greene branch. To date, the family association has recorded 37 descendants of Elizabeth Greene and Joseph Conroy.

The chart on page 3 summarizes the information on the descendants of Edward and Ester Greene through 3 generations.

The Children of Patrick and Mary (Dunn) Greene



From Left to Right: Mary A. Greene Dunn, Julia Greene O'Brien Bray, Patrick Greene, Catherine Greene, Margaret Greene Scully. *(Photograph compliments of Caroline Kelly)*

Name our Newsletter: The Contest Continues

Since the first edition of the newsletter, we have received several creative suggestions on what the name of the newsletter should be. Time is running out to submit an entry - THE DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSIONS IS OCTOBER 15TH. "Family Connection" is a temporary name used to print the first few editions. We need your help. If you have any creative suggestions for a title for our family newsletter, please send your suggestions on the attached questionnaire to Regina Woltmann, 19 E. Main Street, Portland, CT 06480. All suggestions will be voted on at the Potluck Luncheon Meeting on November 10, 1996. The **GRAND PRIZE** for choosing the name of the newsletter will be announced at a later date.

**Luncheon Meeting Scheduled for November 10th:
Family Association to be Reorganized, Oldest Family
Members to be Honored**

A Pot-Luck Luncheon Meeting will be held on November 10, 1996 at 12 o'clock at the Riverdale Motel on Route 66, Portland, CT. All adult family members are urged to attend this important meeting to finalize the reorganization of the Scully-Greene-Dunn Family Association and to find out more about the 150th Anniversary Family Reunion Plans. The purpose of the meeting will be to honor some of the oldest members of the family, and organize the family association. A board of officers will be elected for the association, and the family council will be created. Officers will include President, Vice President, Recording Secretary, Corresponding Secretary, and Treasurer. A representative from each branch of the family will be designated to sit on the Family Council. Standing committees of the Association will be organized, which will include Membership, Reunion, and Genealogy Committees. We have asked John Scully, CPA to serve as Treasurer of the Association, and he has agreed to have his name placed in nomination. Anyone interested in serving as an officer or member of the Family Council should contact Regina Woltmann at 860-342-3092 or Thomas Langdon at 860-621-0695.

Thomas Langdon and Jim Laban are Co-Chairing the committee to reorganize the Scully-Greene-Dunn Family Association and will describe the structure of the association at the meeting. If anyone has information or records of the Family Association's Activities in the past, please send copies to Thomas Langdon, 409 Hitchcock Road, Southington, CT 06489. Having access to these records will allow us to structure the Association in a similar manner to the original Family Association. We hope that all family members will join the Family Association.

Please bring any updated Genealogical Information you have to this meeting, in addition to Addresses of relatives, old pictures, and stories to include in next year's edition of the Genealogy of the Greene family. If you are unable to attend this meeting, please send this information to Thomas Langdon at 409 Hitchcock Road, Southington, CT 06489.

Immediately following the organizational meeting there will be a brief meeting of the Reunion and Genealogy committees to organize upcoming events and activities.

REUNION PLANS BEING FINALIZED

On September 8, 1996, the Reunion Committee, chaired by Janice (Lucey) Johnson, Jean Flood, and Grace (Kelly) Clohosey met to review materials and determine the date of the upcoming reunion. Members of the Reunion Committee attending the meeting were: Bette Flynn, Jim & Carolyn Laban, Lorraine (Cully) Meade, Mary (Cully) Diesel, Virginia (Robinson) Aniello, Regina Woltmann, Martha (Woltmann) Lutecki, Kathryn (Woltmann)

Paradez, Susan (Rutherford) Orred, and Thomas Langdon.

The Committee decided to hold the 150th Anniversary Reunion on June 29th, 1997. To find out more about the reunion, come to the Potluck Luncheon on November 10, 1996.

Prior to the reunion, a Memorial Mass will be scheduled in St. John's Church,

Middletown, CT, and all family members are welcome. Overnight accommodations for out of town relatives will be available, and information on these accommodations will be forthcoming. If enough interest is generated, the committee will also host a Family History Tour of the Middletown and Portland area. Details on the reunion and related activities may be found in

upcoming newsletters and in a brochure to be sent out to all family members.

Please **MARK YOUR CALENDARS** and plan on attending the 150th Anniversary Reunion of Edward and Esther Greene's arrival in the United States, **on JUNE 29TH, 1997.** WE HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE.

WE WOULD LOVE TO HEAR FROM YOU ABOUT YOUR MEMORIES OF REUNIONS PAST. IF YOU HAVE GOOD STORIES TO TELL, PLEASE COMPLETE THE QUESTIONNAIRE, AND SEND A BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF YOUR STORY.

OMEN, OR CHANCE ENCOUNTER?

The following Story was recently contributed by Louie and Shirley Dunn of Cromwell, CT:

A few weeks ago, we took a day trip to Block Island. We do that quite often every summer. This time it was a little different. After reading the notes you sent, we realized that we have relatives there, so we walked from Old Harbor to New harbor and stopped at the cemetery and said prayers at the Dunn tombstones. After walking up the hill at Champlions marina, we decided to take a cab back into town. When we got in the cab, Louie asked the driver if she knew any Sheas on the Island. She said she knew a few. We told her that we couldn't remember Mr. Shea's name but we did remember his wife's name was Monica. The Driver told Louie to read the name on the license inside her cab, and it was her! We didn't think she believed us until we mentioned Greene and Scully. We exchanged addresses and we are sending the notes to them. As it turned out, the Dunns in the cemetery were related to Monica's family, not ours. Joseph Shea's great grandmother and my great grandmother were sisters (Greene).

We've concluded that it was some kind of omen, we just don't know what kind.

Please Help.....

The responses we have received to our requests for information have been tremendous. To date, we have identified 961 descendants of Edward and Esther Greene, and have significantly enhanced the genealogy with biographical material on family members. We need your help to make next year's republication of the genealogy a success. We are still looking for information on the following branches of the family:

- Descendants of Elizabeth Greene Conroy
- The Family of Edward Robert Dunn

- The descendants of James Patrick Dunn
- The descendants of Alice Cecelia Scully Shea
- Leonard/Cooney Families
- The Descendants of Jane Scully Flynn

If anyone has information pertaining to these branches of the family, or knows someone who does, **please let us know.** We would like to have a genealogy complete through the 6th generation by our publication deadline, which is rapidly approaching. **TO INCORPORATE THE INFORMATION INTO THE GENEALOGY, WE MUST RECEIVE IT NO**

LATER THAN THE POTLUCK LUNCHEON
SCHEDULED FOR NOVEMBER 10, 1996.

If you have copies of obituaries, marriage notices, newspaper articles recognizing special accomplishments, births, and the like on family members, please send us copies. Alternatively, if you have any good stories to share about family members, please

jot them down and send them in. We would like to include some of this material in the published genealogy. Instead of having just a compilation of names and dates, we would like to include information about what each individual enjoyed doing so that the character of the individual is revealed. The more information available, the better the published genealogy will be.

Recent Family Notes

Births

Brendan Patrick Dunn and Katelyn Ann Dunn (Twins), born to Gregory and Ann (Libuha) Dunn on 20 July 1996
Eric McBride Anderson, born 17 March 1996 to Robert M. and Mary Anne (McBride) Anderson.
Sean Louis Berens born 26 March 1996 to Karl P. and Kelley J. (Dunn) Berens
Robert William Scully, III, born 5 May 1996 to Robert W. and Pamela (Irwin) Scully
Garrett Adam Boerenko, born 26 April 1996 to Adam and Colleen Marie (Butler) Boerenko
Elizabeth Kathryn McCusker born 11 May 1996 to William B. and Ann Marie (Hurley)McCusker

Marriages

Krista Lynn Dunn to Salvatore Saracena, 4 May 1996
Michael Bruce Rutherford to Cindy Stone, February 1996

Engagements

Kelly Lynn Langdon to Randall Gregory Jarvis. Wedding July 4, 1997
Timothy Michael Aresco to Erin Thompson, Wedding in August, 1997

Deaths - Our Sympathy to the Families of

Margaret Mary (Cronin) Leonard, died in Middletown, CT on 16 August 1996
T. Joseph Laban, husband of Dorothy Scully
Herbert Videll, husband of Margaret Scully, died 25 March 1996
Walter Joseph Zygmunt, husband of Barbara Hall, died 29 April 1996

Miscellaneous

Congratulations to Carolyn McGowan Iverson (daughter of Evelyn Flynn) for graduating from Northeastern Law School in May, 1996. Carolyn will clerk for a Federal Judge in Boston beginning this fall. Carolyn's husband, Ron Iverson, has completed his medical residency at Tufts Medical School, and begins his career as an OB/GYN in the Boston Area.

**Response Form
Potluck Luncheon**

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____

Town: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

_____ I/we will attend the Luncheon on November 10, 1996. Approximate
Number attending: _____

_____ I will bring the following to the Potluck Luncheon:

Salad	Sandwiches	Desert	Hot dish
Snack	Other		

Please Indicate if you would be interested in any of the following Family Association Activities:

_____ I would be interested in Joining the Scully-Greene-Dunn Family Association.

_____ I would be interested in serving on the Genealogical Research and Publications
Committee.

_____ I would be interested in serving as an officer of the Family Association or as a member
of the Family Council or as a Committee Chairperson. Please indicate the office/committee
you are interested in:

_____ I would be interested in helping publish the Family Newsletter or I would be interested in
contributing stories and articles.

I submit the following title for the "NAME OUR NEWSLETTER" Contest:

On the back of this form, please list the names and addresses of your adult children/grandchildren or other
family members who may be interested in receiving future copies of the family newsletter. If you have
updates to the family genealogy, or stories to tell, please use the back of this form and send it in to us.

Comments:

Please Return the Completed Questionnaire to: Regina Woltmann, 19 E. Main Street, Portland, CT.
06480. by October 15, 1996.

Research Underway in Ireland

In anticipation of the updated genealogy to be published next year, members of the family association have commissioned Hibernian Research Company in Ireland to conduct a search on the Greene Family. Receiving the results of the search may answer some outstanding questions, such as whether or not Michael and Richard Greene are, in fact, the same person, and, possibly, who the parents and grandparents of Edward and Ester Greene are. In upcoming issues of the newsletter, we will keep you posted on the progress. If any family members would like to make a donation toward the cost of this search, your generosity will be greatly appreciated.