

Irish Routes

The Newsletter of the Scully-Greene-Dunn Family Association

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GREENE GENEALOGY RECEIVES LITERARY AWARD

The Scully-Greene-Dunn Family Association is proud to announce that **The Descendants of Edward and Esther (Lalor) Greene of Stradbally Parish, Queens County, Ireland and Middletown, CT** was awarded **FIRST PRIZE** in the 1998 Connecticut Society of Genealogists' Literary Awards Contest - Family History Division. The award was presented to Thomas P. Langdon and Regina Woltmann at the Annual Meeting of The Connecticut Society of Genealogists held at the Hawthorne Inn in Berlin, CT on May 16, 1998 (see next page). In addition to the first prize recognition, the Scully-Greene-Dunn Family Association received a \$250.00 check from The Connecticut Society of Genealogists, which will be deposited into the family association's tombstone preservation fund to restore Edward and Esther Greene's tombstone. A total of 24 books were submitted to the Literary Awards Contest this year.

According to the review Committee, "This superb book (with large print) is a remarkable blending of the history of the Middletown, CT area and the travails of a couple who, in their early sixties, accompanied by their six children, emigrated from Ireland in the mid-1800s. Over eleven hundred descendants are recorded in this book." The Connecticut Society of Genealogists' July/August 1998 Newsletter will contain a listing of all twenty-four books submitted for this year's contest, and the September 1998 issue of The Connecticut Nutmegger will contain detailed book reviews of all books considered in this year's literary awards contest.

There are a limited number of copies of **The Descendants of Edward and Esther (Lalor) Greene of Stradbally Parish, Queens County, Ireland and Middletown, CT** still available for those who have not yet purchased a copy. All proceeds from the sale of the book will be dedicated to the restoration of Edward and Esther Greene's tombstone located in St. John's Cemetery, Middletown, CT. An order form for the book is located at the back of this newsletter.



This Genealogy could not have been completed without your contributions and help. With your continued support, the Family Association hopes to publish comparable genealogies on the Dunn and Scully Families.



Connecticut Society of Genealogists, Inc.
1998 LITERARY AWARDS CONTEST

First Prize
"Family History" Category

*The Descendants of Edward & Esther (Lalor) Greene
of Stradbally Parish, Queens County, Ireland and Middletown, CT*

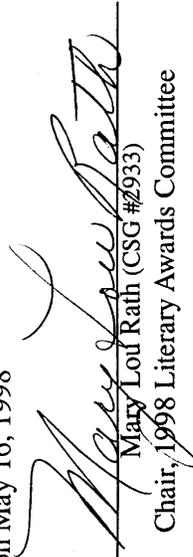
by

Thomas P. Langdon (CSG #8605) and **Regina Woltmann** (CSG #4579)

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This award presented on May 16, 1998


Stuart C. Brush (CSG # 180)
President


Mary Lou Rath (CSG #2933)
Chair, 1998 Literary Awards Committee

Award Certificate Presented by The Connecticut Society of Genealogists, May 1998.

OOPS....We almost forgot!
President Clinton's Greeting to Reunion Attendees

At the reunion last year, Family Association President Thomas P. Langdon read a greeting from President Bill Clinton. Unfortunately, due to the public address system, only those individuals under the pavilion heard the letter. Several family members asked that the letter be printed in the newsletter - so - here it is!

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

June 10, 1997

Greetings to everyone gathered for the Scully-Greene-Dunn family reunion.

The family unit is the cornerstone of our society. When families thrive and flourish, each generation better prepares the next to make its mark in the world. Your celebration is a reminder of the strength that comes from unity. I hope that you all will enjoy being together, taking pride in one another's accomplishments.

Best wishes for a wonderful reunion and for every future happiness.



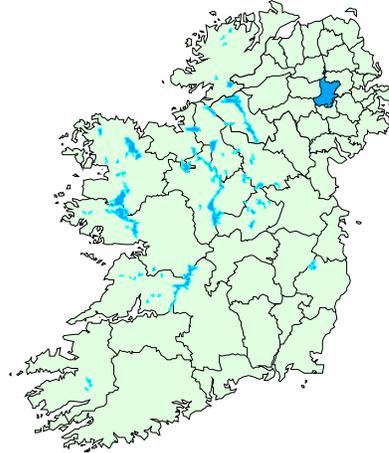
Family History Trip to Ireland Being Planned

At a past meeting of the Family Association, the prospects of sponsoring a Family History Tour to Ireland was discussed, and received an enthusiastic response from those attending. Since then, many family members have inquired when the trip will take place.

Our cousin, Rick Synnott, of A & S Travel, Inc., has agreed to plan the tour, and details will be forthcoming. We have not set an exact date yet, but are considering June 1999 for the trip. The trip will include a tour of Queens County (now called County Laois) Ireland, the homeland of the Scully-Greene-Dunn Family, and particularly the parishes of Stradbally, Ballyadams, and Maryborough (now called Portlaoise). Areas of historical interest to the family will be identified. In addition, the tour will include many of the tourist attractions around the Emerald Isle.

Interest is growing in this trip, and several family members have already expressed an intent to join us. If you are interested in

embarking on a Family History tour to Ireland, **PLEASE LET US KNOW BY SENDING IN THE RESPONSE FORM ATTACHED TO THIS NEWSLETTER.** A meeting will be scheduled in September for interested parties. Details of the time and place of the meeting will be included in the next newsletter.



Recent Family Notes

Deaths - Our Sympathy to the Family of

Geraldine Donovan McGinnis, died in Farmington, CT, April 18, 1998, aged 74 years. She was the daughter of Arthur and Zita (Tourtelotte) Donovan. She leaves her husband, Erle C. McGinnis, two sons and a daughter.

Relatively Speaking

From the Middletown Press, March 9, 1998: “**50 Years Ago: March 9, 1948 MIDDLETOWN** - Thirteen months-old **George P. Dunn** received a chest full of medals at ceremonies held last night at Veterans of Foreign Wars hall. They were won by a hero uncle he never saw, Pfc. George J. Dunn, who left here in the early days of World War II and served with distinction in the Pacific Theatre of Operations.” Pfc George Dunn died while serving his country in 1944.

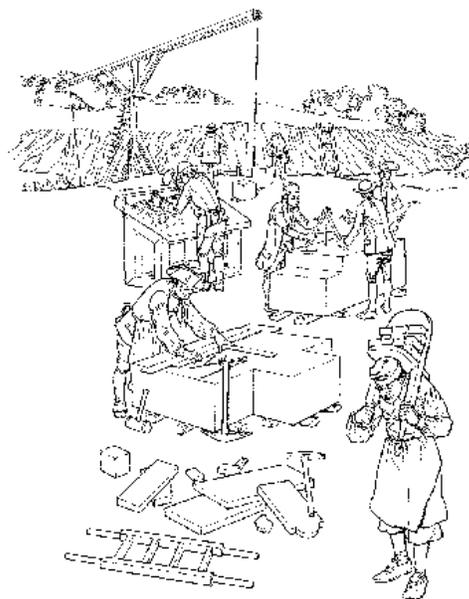
Dawn Lutecki graduated from Central Connecticut State University in May 1998 with a Bachelor of Science degree in Health Fitness.

She is currently working at the Health Fitness Center of Hartford Hospital.

Jonathan Wagner won Honorable Mention in the Kravis “Young Friends Reach for the S*T*A*R*S Commemorative Art Contest” this year. Jonathan’s work was auctioned at the Reach for the S*T*A*R*S food and wine tasting fundraiser on March 8, 1998. Jonathan attends Dreyfoos High School of the Arts in West Palm Beach, Florida. He is 14 years old.

Portland Historical Society offers a Piece of Local and Family History

Upon their arrival in the United States, many of our immigrant ancestors found employment in the Portland Brownstone Quarries. For instance, Patrick Greene, a son of Edward and Esther Greene, worked in the quarries for 44 years, until a week before his death. Patrick's brother, Bartholomew, and Patrick Conway (husband of Anne Scully) also worked in the Quarries. The Portland Historical Society is selling a desk-top pen holder made of the same brownstone quarried by our ancestors. All proceeds from the sale will benefit the Portland Historical Society's new museum. The Portland Historical Society is a non-profit organization dedicated to the preservation of Portland's history. Consider purchasing a piece of Portland - and family - history. Buy a desk pen and holder for \$20 from the Portland Historical Society today. Checks should be made out to the Portland Historical Society, care of Charles Woltmann, 19 East Main Street, Portland, CT 06480. We will arrange to mail or drop off your pen set to you upon receipt of your order.



VISIT US ON THE INTERNET

at the

Scully-Greene-Dunn Homepage

located at

<http://www.familytreemaker.com/users/l/a/n/Thomas-P-Langdon/>

Plans, and designs, for an expanded webpage are currently underway.

**Response Form:
Reunion Photo Order Form
The Descendants of Edward and Esther Greene Order Form**

The Scully Greene Dunn Family Association is a nonprofit organization dedicated to research of family history and restoration of family gravestones. In order to continue our research on the Scully, Greene and Dunn Families, we ask for your assistance and support by becoming a member of the Family Association. We will publish approximately 3 newsletters per year, host an Annual Meeting with Pot Luck Luncheon, as well as other activities deemed appropriate by the council.

Name:
Address:
City/State:
Phone:
E-Mail Address:

Please enter my order for the following 1997 Reunion Photographs. (see "The Whole Gang" on the back of the Dues Notice) Cost is \$15 per copy:

- "The Whole Gang"
- Descendants of Julia Greene*
- Descendants of John Dunn*
- Descendants of Margaret Greene & Patrick Scully*

Please enter my order for _____ copies of the Deluxe Edition of "The Descendants of Edward and Esther Greene" at \$53.00. If you wish to have the book mailed to you, please include an additional \$3.00 for postage and handling for each book ordered.

If you would like a copy of the book with a silk marker ribbon in the binding, please include an additional \$4.00 per book.

If you would like copies of the book mailed, or if you are ordering copies of the book as a gift, please include the names and addresses of the recipients on a separate sheet of paper.

My check is enclosed for.....\$_____ Please make checks payable to "Scully-Greene-Dunn Family Association." Please do not send cash.

I am interested in learning more about the FAMILY HISTORY TOUR TO IRELAND IN 1999.

**Please Mail this Completed Form to:
The Scully-Greene-Dunn Family Association
John J. Scully, Treasurer
53 Whiteside Street
Newington, CT 06111**

