

# **The Stone Family Reunion**

## **2019 Reunion Invitation**

We are pleased to invite you to the 117th Stone Family Reunion on July 27<sup>th</sup>, 2019. *(This invitation is also available online at [www.stonefamilyreunion.com](http://www.stonefamilyreunion.com)).* The Reunion will be held at the same facility as last year, the **Rush Volunteer Fire Co Auxiliary Hall at Lawton, PA**. This facility is located about 5 miles south of the Birchardville Store. Travel to the intersection of Rt 267 and Rt 706 at Lawton (see location map at end.) The Senior Center is a white building located west of the intersection and is on Rt 3037. Any interested party is welcome to attend. We have lots of comfortable space here, so please attend if you can.

This year will mark the first year that the *Stone Street Cemetery Preservation Association, Inc (SSCPA)* completely assumes the responsibilities of the (prior) *Stone Street Memorial Association (SSMA)*. All people on the active mailing (or emailing) list of the *Stone Family Reunion* are now voting members of the SSCP, much the way that they were members of the SSMA previously. In order to complete this transition from SSMA to SSCP, the officers will propose the following resolution for consideration:

*"Resolved:*

*That the Stone Family Reunion (Stone Reunion) recognize the duly elected officers of the Stone Street Cemetery Preservation Association (SSCPA) as their own officers, and authorizes them to act in the best interests of the Stone Reunion. Further, that the said elected officers of the SSCP call meetings, disburse funds and record minutes of meetings as they feel appropriate. The informal positions of Reunion Chaplain and Historian will continue within the Reunion."*

We will have our usual picnic lunch and business meetings for the SFR and the SSCP. Following tradition, Bob and Jessie Carr will display memorabilia from earlier reunions as well as a large panelized family tree. A program will be given following the business meetings honoring our longtime member Ruth (Handrick)(Blair) Furman.

We look forward to seeing you on Saturday, July 27th at about noon. Serving will begin at 12:30 pm. Main dishes will be provided, but please bring a dish to pass or a dessert. Beverages, plates, cups, and silverware will be provided. If you plan to attend, please let John Buck know by July 12 so that we can plan adequate seating, but come even without a reservation if you have the opportunity ([john.stonereunion@gmail.com](mailto:john.stonereunion@gmail.com) or 607-656-4781.)

### **2018-2019 OFFICERS**

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| • Betty (Handrick) Baldwin ( <a href="mailto:bhb5@cornell.edu">bhb5@cornell.edu</a> )           | President           |
| • Eileen Birchard ( <a href="mailto:bugsy13@frontier.com">bugsy13@frontier.com</a> )            | Vice President      |
| • Jessie (Birchard) and Robert Carr ( <a href="mailto:fam531@aol.com">fam531@aol.com</a> )      | Co-Treasurers       |
| • John H. Buck ( <a href="mailto:john.stonereunion@gmail.com">john.stonereunion@gmail.com</a> ) | Secretary/Historian |
| • Jessie (Birchard) Carr ( <a href="mailto:fam531@aol.com">fam531@aol.com</a> )                 | Chaplain            |

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**Minutes of Stone Family Reunion and  
Stone Street Memorial Association  
Meeting of 7/28/18**

The combined meetings of the Stone Family Reunion and Stone Street Memorial Association were held at the Rush Volunteer Fire Company Auxiliary Hall at Lawton, PA on 7/28/18. This event was the 116th Stone Reunion. President Betty (Handrick) Baldwin welcomed the group and we sang Happy Birthday to Ruth (Handrick)(Blair) Furman recognizing her 99th birthday.



Chaplain Jessie Birchard Carr continued the welcoming comments and gave the invocation. The Stone Reunion song was played and sung, and then a hat was passed collecting \$191. The usual excellent buffet began at about 12:15 pm and the business meetings commenced at about 1:50 pm.

President Betty (Handrick) Baldwin recognized the four honorary members in attendance, Ruth (Handrick)(Blair) Furman, Courtland Bradshaw Birchard, Curtis Charles Stone, and David Arthur Shadduck. Curtis Stone's daughter Sara (Stone) Miller was introduced as a first-time attendee. Betty thanked the officers for their efforts and outlined each officer's duties. She indicated that one of our principal responsibilities was to oversee the maintenance of the Stone Street Cemetery and explained that the maintenance costs are our largest expenses. Betty also noted that this would be the last meeting of the Stone Street Memorial Association (SSMA) and that the assets would be transferred on or about September 1, 2018, at which time the SSMA would cease to exist. The Stone Street Cemetery Preservation Association, Inc. would receive the assets of the SSMA and would assume the responsibilities for Cemetery maintenance.

The next item of business was the Secretary's report by John Buck. On motion by Lyn Munn (second by Marleta Shadduck and approved) the reading of the 2017 minutes was waived and the minutes were accepted. All members had been provided with the minutes ahead of the meeting. John mentioned some communications with members that had occurred since the Invitation had been published. The Vital Statistics in that category included:

Rosemary (Decker) Catalano wrote about birth of third grandchild on 6/21/18, Ava Mary Rose Catalano.

Linda Hay Schultz wrote to notify passing of Shirley Kemmerer Hay April 5, 2017.

Eileen Birchard reported on several changes within the Rose and Gene Birchard family including:

Son Anthony Birchard married Meagan Kellie Petersen on Feb 23, 2018

Granddaughter Christin (dau of Michael & Debbie) got married to Nicholas Guelda May 12, 2018.

Grandson Dylan (Richard's son) married Stephanie (more detail to follow)

The next item of business was the Treasurers' report given by Bob Carr. Bob reviewed the receipts and expenditures and outlined the general strategy to move the assets from SSMA into SSCPA in late August or September 2018. He then distributed the following statements for the three entities:

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**STONE FAMILY REUNION FINANCIAL STATEMENT  
JULY 1, 2017 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2018  
Final – Prepared July 2018 - Summary**

Opening Cash Balance 7/1/17:	4020.21
Received:	
Savings Account Interest – Annual Total (pd quarterly)	1.92
Contribution	150.00
Cash Collection Received	185.00
	<b>Total Received: 336.92</b>
Disbursed:	
Reunion Meeting Expenses – 2017 meeting	0.00
Rush Volunteer Fire Dept – rental fee for use of Auxiliary Hall	50.00
Rush Volunteer Fire Dept – added gift for use of Auxiliary Hall	50.00
	<b>Total Disbursed: 100.00</b>
Investment Purchased:	
NBT 15 month CD (1.75%) – due 8/21/19	3500.00
Closing Cash Balances 6/30/18:	757.13
Investment Fund Balance	
NBT 15 month CD 1.75% due 8/21/19	3500.00
Total SFR Assets – Cash and Investment Fund	4257.13

**STONE STREET MEMORIAL ASSOCIATION INCOME AND EXPENSE STATEMENT  
JULY 1, 2017 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2018  
Final – Prepared July 2018 - Summary**

Opening Cash Balances 7/1/17:	6775.78
Received:	
Savings Account Interest – Annual Total (pd monthly)	3.54
US Treasury Bond Interest – SSMA	61.25
US Treasury Note – SSMA – matured	1000.00
	<b>Total Received: 1064.79</b>
Disbursed:	
Sheila Birchard – cemetery mowing (10/30/17 #537)	550.00
	<b>Total Disbursed: 550.00</b>
Closing Cash Balances 6/30/18:	7290.57
Investment Fund Balance: US T Note 4.00% int	1000.00
Total SSMA Assets – Cash and Investment Fund	8290.57

**STONE STREET CEMETERY PRESERVATION ASSOCIATION FINANCIAL STATEMENT  
JULY 1, 2017 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2018  
Final - Prepared July 2018 - Summary**

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<b>Opening Cash Balance 7/1/17:</b>	<b>530.00</b>
Received: Gift to cover inactivity fee	10.00
<b>Total Received:</b>	<b>10.00</b>
Disbursed: Inactivity Fee	10.00
<b>Total Disbursed:</b>	<b>10.00</b>
<b>Closing Cash Balances 6/30/18:</b>	<b>530.00</b>
Business Checking Acct – NBT Bank – Pennstar Division	
<b>Investment Fund Balance:</b>	<b>0.00</b>
<b>Total SSCPA Assets – Cash and Investment Fund</b>	<b>530.00</b>

Betty Baldwin moved to accept the Treasurers’ reports (second by Courtland Birchard and passed).

Under old business Betty Baldwin thanked Ron Smith and Eileen Birchard for making arrangements to use the Rush Fire Department’s facility. On motion of Alan Blair, second by Bob Carr and unanimous approval, the Treasurers were authorized to donate \$50 in addition to the \$50 use-fee to the Rush Volunteer Fire Department in recognition of the excellent facilities they provide.

John Buck reviewed general maintenance at the Stone Street Cemetery. He noted that the north fence is in poor condition, but that enough new replacement fenceposts have been fabricated and some new 1” steel pipe had been purchased to replace some horizontal bars. John indicated that he plans to install the new fencing later in 2018. It was further noted that a flower urn, in honor of all burials at the cemetery, was placed before Memorial weekend. Louise, Eileen and Sheila have been keeping the flowers watered.

Under new business Vice-President Eileen Birchard asked for nominations for officers for the coming year. She also indicated that the current officers were willing to continue another term if there were no further nominations. On motion of Marleta Shaddock (second by Alan Blair and approved) the secretary was directed to show that the current officers were re-elected by unanimous consent. Also under new business Courtland Birchard showed a picture drawn by his mother’s brother William Ackerman. Courtland also showed a poster on onionskin paper that advertised eggnog from Jersey cows. Courtland recalled that they used to sell chocolate milk from their farm on Cobb Hill Road, where his nephew, Denny Birchard and family, farm today. Ruth Furman thanked everyone for recognizing her birthday. She said she has been attending since she was a baby and looks forward to coming next year. On motion of Christine Buck (second by Cynthia Olcutt and approved), the business meeting was adjourned at 2:25 pm.

A program by Christine and John Buck was presented entitled “Review of 1904 Reunion” (this program is available on the website <http://stonefamilyreunion.com/wp-content/uploads/2018/08/2018-SFR-program-Review-of-1904-Reunion.pdf>). Aided by numerous individual photos and notes within Reunion records, the Bucks had studied the 1904 Reunion photo for several years and finally identified every one of the 136 individuals shown in the photo. Attendees of the current 2018 Reunion were quizzed to see if they could identify their ancestors in the photo. Some did better than others, but we all enjoyed looking at photos of ancestors and hearing about the 1904 Reunion.

Respectfully submitted – John H. Buck, Secretary

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**2018 STONE REUNION ATTENDEES**

Betty (Handrick) Baldwin	Ruth (Handrick)(Blair) Furman
James R. Baldwin	Sara (Stone) Miller
Courtland Birchard	Lyn Munn
Eileen Birchard	Cynthia Olcott
Alan Handrick Blair	David Shadduck
Christine Buck	Marleta Shadduck
John Buck	Debra (Birchard) Smith
Jessie (Birchard) Carr	Ronald Smith
Robert Carr	Curtis C. Stone

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*End of 2018 Stone Reunion Minutes*

**Vital Statistics Summary (information obtained between July 30, 2018 and May 3, 2019)**

**Deaths**

**Rose Ciacelli Birchard** (89) died December 23, 2018 in Endicott, NY. Rose was the wife of Gene Birchard, who survives her. Rose is also survived by sons Richard and Anthony, and was pre-deceased by son Michael. *(source- Eileen Birchard and obituary)*

**Sharon (Bradshaw)(Zeno) Randazzo** (75) died January 10, 2019 at Granville, NY. She is survived by her children and first husband. *(source- Marie (Bradshaw) D'Amico and obituary)*

**Douglas E. Bradshaw** (63) died February 10, 2019 in Derby, CT. He is survived by siblings, children, and grandchildren. *(source- Marie (Bradshaw) D'Amico and obituary)*

**Daniel C. Stone** (81) died February 4, 2019 in Maryland. Dan is survived by his wife Judith (Tye) Stone, children Andrew, Holly, and Heather as well as many grandchildren. Dan was an avid genealogist and many cemeteries on [www.findagrave.com](http://www.findagrave.com) bear entries marked "Pastor Dan". *(source Andrew Stone and obituary)*

**Allen Eugene Chrostowski** (70) died January 11, 2019 in Amarillo, TX. Allen was the son of Pearl Stone and Frank Chrostowski, Sr. He is survived by his wife Ginger, brothers Frank, Jr. and Kenneth, sister Rebecca, and two sons Michael and Steven and their families. *(source Joyce Chrostowski and obituary)*

**Charlotte May (Ball) Hallam** (88) died November 24, 2018 in Morrisville, NY. Charlotte was married to Rylan Hallam who died in 2016. Her parents were Edith Hughes and Clayton Myron Ball. Charlotte is survived by her five children with first husband James Westbrook and their families. *(source – obituary)*

**Hicks J. Logue** (88) died April 4, 2019 in Memphis, TN. Hicks was the husband of Bonnie Roberson who died in 2002. He is survived by three children and their families. *(source – obituary)*

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**General Communications and Updates on Family Vital Statistics**

Communications were exchanged throughout the year with Janet Dayton, Stephanie Read, Jodi Schwartz-Drake, Marie (Bradshaw) D'Amico, Chris Niemann, Sue (Johnson) Nestel, Tom J. Dayton, Sr., Kathleen (Stone) Henderson, Dale and Louise Dayton, Mike Hewitt, and Andrew Stone. Particular thanks are extended to Tom Dayton for the family reviews and updates.

***Please let John Buck know if you have corrections or changes in any family vital statistics or changes in mail or email addresses. We don't want to lose contact! Thank you.***

**2019 HONORARIES LIST – Congratulations to all!**

Continuing the tradition, we recognize and congratulate the following list of **Honorary Members** (aged 80 years or more by July 2019). This list has been constructed from the database and members on the active mailing list:

Courtland Bradshaw Birchard	Daniel W. Grisley
Sylvia (Hughes) Birchard	James R. Hay, Sr.
Gene Richard Birchard	Lois (Brearley) Jenks
Glenn A. Birchard	Jeannine (Pratt) Jenner
Marie (Brearley) Booker	Janice (Swyers) Kellogg
John Gale Bradshaw	Doris (Marshall) Kellogg
Joyce Ann (Kozak) Brearley	Charles Kime
Robert Clair Brearley	Marsha (Decker) Kime
Charles M. Burke	Marian (Stone) Kistler
Julia (Murfin) Burke	Lawrence H. Kovach
Ralph A. Burke	Eleanor A. (Mowen) Kovach
Mathew K. Chakko	John J. Lynch, Jr.
Carleton W. Chapel	Barbara Elaine (Gage) Majka
Fannie Ruth (Thomas) Cobb	Charles Thomas McKean
Calvin Ray Cobb	William Thomas McKean, Jr.
Tullio Croce	Andrew H. Neilly
James C. Dawson	Janet (Dayton) Neilly
David A. Dayton	Robert Nestel
Gloria (Cobb) Dayton	Robin (Dayton) Blackburn Osborn
Thomas J. Dayton	Walter H. Osborn
Watson J. Dayton	Russell M. Oyler
Audrey Lee Anne (Hill) Dayton	David A. Shaddock
Marcia (Grosskopf) Dayton	Hugh Curtis Shaw, Jr.
Ruth A. (Handrick) Furman	James D. Shaw
Roxana (Claus) Goss	Curtis C. Stone
Catherine (Weaver) Grisley	Mary (McKean) Swartz
	Jane (Bradshaw) Thomas

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*Editor's note: The Stone Reunion database has several thousand individual names of our ancestors and cousins. Reports of lineage by individual family groupings are available upon request. The current mailing list has 234 addresses of which 93 have elected to receive minutes and newsletters by email.*

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### **July 27, 2019 Meeting Location!**



Note that the small bridge on T3037 leading to the Auxiliary Hall is closed. You need to travel further west on Rt. 706 and come back southeasterly on Rt. 267 to reach the Auxiliary Hall. If you are having trouble finding our location, you can call the facility at [570-934-2175](tel:570-934-2175). Although the facility has no specific mailing address, you can come close by entering "USPS Lawton, PA" in your GPS or on Google maps.