

# APGAR

Apgar Family Association, Inc. - Family Newsletter

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## 16th Annual Apgar Association Reunion Meeting September 15, 1990

It was a glorious day! After three years of rainy weather for our reunion our luck had to change, and it did. The sun shone brightly, and there was a slight tinge of fall in the air. Everyone seemed to be in a festive mood, meeting new Apgars and renewing old friendships, as we gathered in Hunterdon County at the Mt. Pleasant Church in Mt. Pleasant, New Jersey.

The reunion meeting was called to order by President Al Tiger at 2 p.m. who then called upon Mary Apgar for the attendance report: There were 132 Apgar descendants present at the reunion.

Recording Secretary Ruth Apgar read the minutes from the last reunion, which were accepted as read.

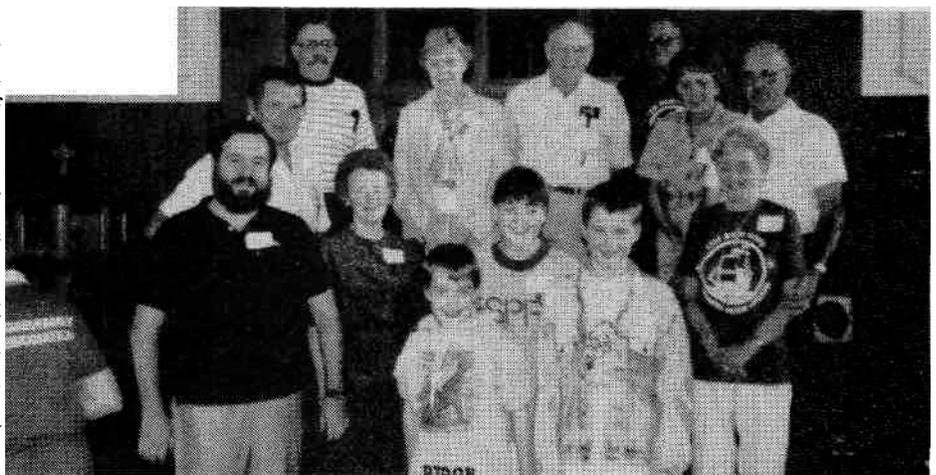
A surprise presentation was made by Wayne W. Apgar, one of the trustees, to his father, Newton W. Apgar, of some World War II medals Newton earned but never received. Newton had served in the Atlantic in 1941-42 and then in the Pacific theatre of operations from 1942-47.

The Historian's report by Dorothy Apgar concerned the life of James H. Apgar (6-11-11) and his service and subsequent death in the Civil War, based upon the research done by his great-granddaughter, Virginia Bunn Smith.

President Al thanked everyone who had helped him during his year as president, including the trustees for their help and support. "It has been a great honor to be president of the Apgar Family Association," Al said.

Henry Apgar, 1st vice president, gave a brief report on the progress that has been made on acquiring a commemorative stamp honoring one of our own, Dr. Virginia Apgar. (See elsewhere in this newsletter for Henry's latest update. Ed.)

Those in attendance were asked by George N. Apgar, 2nd vice president, to fill out a survey form on suggestions of where to hold next year's reunion. George also shared with us the details of the trustees visit to the Apgar Homestead of Johannes Apgard. The present owner of the homestead, Mr. Mills, has lived there since 1961 and graciously offered a souvenir brick to each trustee. It is believed the bricks came from the back of the original home.



George M. Apgar, Jr. by thirteen

Treasurer George M. Apgar gave the following financial report: As of September 1, 1990, in the General Account a current balance of \$3,544.77; in the Book Account a balance of \$918.38.

There were 365 invitations sent out to this year's reunion, according to Corresponding Secretary Robert O. Apgar, who added that he "kept within the budget!"

Dorothy Apgar, historian and genealogist, asked anyone with updated information on any Apgar to send that information to her as soon as possible. She mentioned the possibility of having a paperback book available by the 1991 reunion with that updated information.

There were 20 new members that joined the Apgar Family Association last year, bringing our membership level to 215, and resulting in dues paid of \$2,040.00, according to Membership Chairperson Barbara Apgar.

The editorship of the family newsletter formally changed hands at the reunion. George N. Apgar, editor for the past ten years, has stepped down. The new editor, Wayne T. Dilts, was introduced to the audience, and asked for everyone's help (especially George's) and their patience in the transition.

Two new trustees were elected to the board at the reunion, replacing Dorothy Apgar and Reba Bloom, both of whom had declined candidacy after serving so wonderfully. Elected to three year terms were Phyllis Apgar of Long Valley, NJ. and John W. Shuster of Watchung, NJ. Both Dorothy and Reba received plaques of appreciation from the membership.

Awards were presented to those in attendance:

- Youngest- Rebecca Eberstadt  
(23 months)
- Oldest Female- Mildred Fischer  
(90), Scotch Plains, NJ.
- Oldest Male- Percy Smith (91),  
Clarksburg, NJ.
- Longest Married- Mary & Fred Braun  
(60 years), Clinton, NJ.
- Traveled Furthest- Pauline Rabinski,  
from Palm Beach, FL
- Largest Immediate Family- George M. Apgar  
13 Apgars of Chester, NJ.

Mary Apgar sold 222 mugs and turned over \$820.00 to the book account.

Robert O. Apgar asked for a moment of silence for our departed members from this past year, which include:

- Vivian Apgar Henderson - June 19, 1989
- Charlotte Marshall - (6-4-3-5-5-1)
- Percy McCatherine - (Jacob line)
- Robert Sloss - (Catherine line)
- Nellie Apgar Trimmer - 100 years old
- Alfred York - (2-3-1-2-6-4-2)

President Al Tiger stepped down as president. In August, the nominating committee nominated Henry E. Apgar to succeed Al. (Immediately following the reunion meeting, the Board of Trustees met and unanimously elected Henry president. Ed.)

The date for the 17th reunion is Saturday, September 21, 1991.

The meeting was adjourned at 4 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Ruth E. Apgar, Recording Secretary



LONGEST MARRIED COUPLE at the 1990 reunion were Fred & Mary Braun of Clinton, NJ., married 60 years.

### Apgar Family Association Officers

- President ..... Henry Apgar
- First Vice President ..... Al Tiger
- Second Vice President. George N. Apgar, Jr.
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- Corresponding Secretary.... Robert O. Apgar
- Historian..... Dorothy Apgar

## 1990-91 Apgar Family Committees

### Reunion Committee:

Henry Apgar, Chairperson

The Eleven Trustees and  
Fran Tiger  
Imelda & Fred Mercier  
Reba Bloom  
Barbara & Richard Apgar  
Debbie Apgar Brenda  
Zimmerman

Financial Committee: George M. Apgar, Jr.  
Barbara Apgar Dorothy Apgar

Nominating Committee: The Eleven Trustees

Newsletter Committee:  
Wayne T. Dilts, Chairperson  
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George N. Apgar, Jr.

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Apgar Genealogy Committee:  
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Robert Apgar (1990-1992)  
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Flemington, NJ 08822  
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92 Anderson Road  
Clinton, NJ 08809

Reba Bloom (1986-1990)  
68 North Slope  
Clinton, NJ 08809

Dorothy Apgar (1986-1990)  
56 Cherryville-Stanton Road  
Flemington, NJ 08822

I am glad my mother was an Apgar. If she were not, I would not have had the privilege and honor serving as your president last year.

1990 was a good year. We were able to satisfy some obligations that had been outstanding for a number of years. Your officers are dedicated people who strive to keep our organization strong and growing. I hope we can continue to keep your interest in the organization. I urge you, the membership, to continue to help us make reunion day in September a success with a turnout greater than all past reunions. This is possible if we can encourage the younger generation of Apgars to attend. Make it a fun day for the entire family.

Finally, we had a beautiful reunion day last September. No rain at last. But regardless of rain or shine, the day is always bright when we Apgars congregate together.



Oldest Male at the 1990 reunion was Percy Smith (91) of Clarksburg, NJ. With Percy is his son Henry O. Smith and George N. Apgar, Jr.

## Apgar Assoc. Trustees Meeting — October 1, 1990

The meeting was held in the office of Rob Apgar, 60 High Street, Somerville, New Jersey. In attendance were Wayne Apgar, Henry Apgar, Al Tiger, George N. Apgar, Mary Apgar, Jack Shuster, Robert H. Apgar, Phyllis Apgar and Ruth Apgar.

President Henry opened the meeting at 6 p.m. thanking the trustees for having faith in him by electing him president for the 1991 year, promising to do his best to fulfill the requirements of the job.

Henry welcomed the two newest trustees, Phyllis Apgar of Long Valley, NJ and Jack Shuster of Watchung, NJ.

## Dr. Virginia Stamp Update

The stamp commemorating Dr. Virginia Apgar has been recommended for approval by the Stamp Committee and there are hopes it will be released sometime in 1992.

Henry reported that he had spoken to Dr. Butterfield, director of the Children's Hospital in Denver and a member of the U.S. Stamp Committee, regarding the request for the stamp to honor Dr. Virginia, and while no new information was available from Dr. Butterfield, he assured Henry that as soon as anything were to develop he would contact Henry and advise him. According to Dr. Butterfield, only 25-30 new stamps are issued each year while more than 3,000 get submitted for approval.

Most often associated with the "Apgar Score," which became the standard means of evaluating infants immediately after birth, Dr. Virginia also served on the executive committee of the March of Dimes, an organization committed to the research of and finding a cure for birth defects. The March of Dimes presents an annual award for New Jersey Women of Achievement appropriately called the "The Virginia Apgar Award".

## Membership Committee Report

There were 258 memberships received into the Apgar Family Association during 1990, down slightly from the 264 memberships in 1989. We are looking forward to 1991 being a better year for memberships. Several new Apgar family members were present at the 1990 reunion and joined the association, but we are still looking for new members to join us.

The 1991 annual dues are:

Individuals - \$5.00    Families - \$10.00

(Family dues include all family members living under one roof. A list of each name should be attached to your membership card.) Membership cards were mailed out in January.

Your support of our association is very important. Only members receive the newsletter and reunion announcements by mail. Remember, too, that only our membership dues keep the Apgar Association solvent. It is the association's only means of keeping everyone in touch with our activities.

On behalf of the trustees, I thank you for your support.

Respectfully submitted,  
Barbara M. Apgar  
Membership Chairperson 92  
Anderson Road Clinton, NJ  
08809

## 1990 Historian Report

The following report is made up from many sources, so if you have any changes in our family send me the clipping or a note, including your line, name, address, and full information on the birth, death, or marriage. If you send a clipping, please identify the source and the date of the notice. Thank you to those who sent notices to me this year, and thanks in advance to those of you that have information for me during the coming year.

Dorothy Apgar, Historian  
34545 SW 188th Avenue  
Homestead, FL 33034

## 1991 Reunion Site Survey Results

Those Apgars attending the reunion in September were given an opportunity to cast their vote for their choice of reunion site for 1991. While not everyone cast a vote, the results, by more than a 2 to 1 margin, recommended moving the reunion back to Cokesbury this year. The final vote tally was: Cokesbury - 20; Alexandria - 9; Lebanon -2; and 1 vote for Clinton.

As a result, Phyllis entered a motion (which Al seconded) to move the 1991 reunion back to Cokesbury. All voted in favor, with George N. abstaining.

## Tombstone Replacement Committee Formed

Wayne asked to have a fund established to replace old tombstones from the first generation. Henry appointed Wayne to head this project and Jack Shuster to be on the committee.

## Budget

Robert O. discussed the 1991 budget and it was decided that the 1990 budget would be used as a guide. Books on hand total 63 of the William and Jacob lines. There were 20 T-shirts sold at the reunion, and the T-shirt profits of \$503 was credited to the book account. A motion was made and carried to order another three dozen T-shirts to fill orders.

## Finances

The board of trustees agreed to repay Robert and Dorothy for expenses they incurred in publishing the books. It was also agreed that we would incur no more expenses either for books themselves, or for additions or corrections to existing books.

## Next Scheduled Meeting

The next scheduled meeting for the board of trustees will be May 13, 1991, at 6 p.m. in Rob Apgar's office. Discussion at that meeting will include the 1991 reunion, and details regarding the reunion will subsequently be mailed to the general membership.

## DEATHS:

John C. Mann (hus. of 6.10.3.3.4.12), 73, d. Nov. 23, 1989. Int. St. Magdalen Church Cemetery, Flemington, NJ

Floyd L. Apgar (1.2.1.6.6.1.3) 80, d. Jan. 4, 1990. Int. Bloomsbury Cemetery, Bloomsbury, NJ

Florence E. Apgar (wife of 7.9.6.2.9) 88, d. Nov. 6, 1989. Int. Greenwich Cemetery, Greenwich Twp., NJ

Ruth V. Conover (3.11.1.3.1.71 77.) d. Jan. 25, 1990.

John Wilbur Apgar (7.4.7.6.1.4) 89, d. Dec. 30, 1989. Int. Restland Memorial Park, East Hanover, NJ

Harry C. Morrow (hus. of 1.2.3.6.3.2.4) 85, d. Mar. 6, 1990. Int. Lower Valley Union Cemetery, Califon, NJ

Naomi DeLillo (1.2.3.6.3.2.3) 89, d. Nov. 8, 1989. Int. Fairmount Cemetery, Tewksbury Twp. NJ

Walton Sutton (3.7.8.2.1.6) 86, d. Nov. 9, 1989. Int. Lower Valley Union Cemetery, Califon, NJ

Clarice M. Bittenbender Trimmer (3.7.7.2.3.2.9) 69, d. Dec. 14, 1989.

Lee Van Cleef (10.14.1.3.1.1.-1) 64, d. Dec. 16, 1989. Oxnard, CA.

Alta J. York (2.3.1.2.6.1.2) 85, d. Dec. 1, 1989. Int. Lower Valley Cemetery, Califon, NJ

Clarence C. Blazure (1.2.3.3.6.5.1.1) 66, d. Feb. 11, 1990. Int. Pottersville Reformed Church Cemetery, Pottersville, NJ

Karl H. Frederick (1.2.1.4.7) 78, d. Oct. 19, 1989. Int. Prospect Hill Cemetery, Flemington, NJ

Vivian McCatharn (wife of 6.4.3.4.5.6.1), 56, d. June 21, 1990. Int. Mountain View Cemetery, Cokesbury, NJ

Percy K. McCatharn (6.4.3.4.5.8) 88, d. Mar. 15, 1990. Int. Mountain View Cemetery, Cokesbury, NJ

Robert T. Sloss, Jr. (husband of 4.5.9.1.3.2.2) 63, d. April 13, 1990. Int. Union Cemetery, Grandin, NJ

Marvin P. Apgar (6.2.8.1.2.3.3 - 10.12.2.1.3.1.3) 73, d. June 11, 1990. Int. Union Cemetery, Clinton, NJ

Julia Isak Apgar (wife of 6.2.8.1.2.3.1 - 1.8.7.1.2.3.1) 76, d. Oct. 7, 1989. Int. Mountain View Cemetery, Cokesbury, NJ

Pamela Farley Sliker (6.4.3.1.1.5.4.2.) 28, d. March 22, 1990. Int. Pleasant Grove Cemetery.

Vivian Apgar Henderson (1.5.3.1.2.4.4.) d. June 19, 1989.

William E. Dissler (husb. of 9.2.1.8.4.6) d. Jan. 27, 1990.

Janet Apgar Hoffman (6.2.3.4.3.1 - 6.10.9.5.1) 94, d. May 15, 1990. Int. Lower Valley Cemetery, Califon, NJ

Pauline Young Wack (10.12.4.2.2.1.1.1 - 6.10.7.4.1.1.2.2) 71, d. April 3, 1990. Int. Lower Valley Cemetery, Califon, NJ

Charlotte Marshall (6.4.3.4.5.5.1) 76, d. June 3, 1990. Int. Presbyterian Cemetery, Cokesbury, NJ

Audrey F. Clawson (wife of 3.7.8.5.1.5) 73, d. May 31, 1990. Int. Fairmount Cemetery, Tewksbury Twp, NJ

Evelyn L. Apgar (6.4.7.5.4.1) 80, d. June 7, 1990. Int. Hillside Cemetery, Scotch Plains, NJ

Nellie Apgar Trimmer (6.4.8.9.2) 100, d. July 22, 1990. Int. Lower Valley Cemetery, Califon, NJ

Clyde W. Apgar (son of Lambert & Ida Apgar) 90, d. Oct. 24, 1989. Int. Northwood Cemetery, Emmaus, Pa.

John D. Bowman (son of David & Katharine Apgar Bowman) 90, Int. Belvidere Cemetery.

Hazel C. Haubach Apgar (wife of Lawrence "Bud" Apgar), 71. d. May 22, 1990. Arcanum, NJ

Frederick J. Rockafellow (3.3.5.2.3 8) 73, d. July 25, 1990. Int. Prospect Hill Cemetery, Flemington, NJ

Carrie Pickle Farley (wife of 6.4.2.1.3.1) 81, d. July 30, 1990. Int. Union Cemetery, Lebanon, NJ

Grace Bowly Apgar (wife of Russell F. Apgar) 83, d. Dec. 29, 1989.

James T. Fritts (4.4.7.7.1) 86, d. Oct. 4, 1989. High Bridge, NJ

Virginia Banghart Apgar (wife of 6.12.10.5.2.1) 82, d. Oct. 4, 1989. Ashes int. Lower Valley Cemetery, Califon, NJ

Gerald P. Hahn (6.7.1.3.4.1) 70. d. Aug. 5. 1990. Int. Somerset Hills Memorial Park, Basking Ridge, NJ

## MARRIAGES

Beth Benthin (6.4.3.4.5.4.1.2.1) and John Foster. Old Greenwich Presbyterian Church, Stewartsville, NJ Oct. 14, 1989.

Cynthia Alpaugh (1.2.118.74.1.1.1 - 1.7.3.3.3.1.3.1.1) and Thomas Attanasio, Jr. High Bridge Methodist Church, NJ. September 16, 1989.

Sandra Reed (3.7.7.7.7.4.6.?) and Christopher Capozza. Immaculate Conception Church, Clinton, NJ. June 16, 1990.

Janet Apgar (6.10.10.5.2.3.1.2-1.8.7.1.2.1.3.1.2) and Robert Myers, United Methodist Church, Lahaska, Pa. September 10, 1989.

Christopher Apgar (7.4.7.8.2.2.1.1) and Tracey Voges, United Church of Christ, Milford, NJ. April 28, 1990.

Cindy Apgar (dau. of Charles S.) and Brian R. Monahan, Zion Lutheran Church, Oldwick, NJ. April 23, 1989.

Sandra Apgar (dau. of Richard Apgar, Morris Twp.) and Charles M. Teresa, Richfield Regency, Verona, NJ. September, 1989.

Gregory VanNatta (1.2.3.6.8.3.1.2.2-6.10.7.4.1.1.2-10.12.4.2.1.1.1.2.2) and Diane D. Hartrum, United Methodist Church, Clinton, NJ. May 5, 1990.

Wayne L. Apgar (son of W.K. Apgar) and Linda Hamlin, Xenia, Dayton, OH. June 2, 1990.

## BIRTHS

Matthew Kennedy Apgar and Francis Rogers Apgar (twins) b. May 30, 1990 to Garry Karldon Apgar (1.2.11.13.1.3.1) and Jane Mathews, Westport, CT.

Daniel Joseph Apgar b. March 29, 1990 to Joseph Apgar and Janet Rush, Clinton Twp, NJ.

Katherine Marie Brown b. Dec. 1, 1989 to Kristie J. Beavers (6.12.10.5.5.1.1-1.2.2.3.3.2.2.1.1) and Timothy J. Brown, Lebanon, NJ.

Matthew Perry Rumpf b. Oct. 26, 1989 to Randy Rumpf (1.2.11.8.7.10.1.3) and Nancy L. Perry, High Bridge, NJ.

Samantha Joann McCatharn b. Feb. 10, 1990 to Henry McCatharn (6.4.3.4.2.1.1.2.4) and Bethany S. Lake, Washington, NJ.

Natalie Anne Braun b. May 10, 1990 to David Braun (9.5.5.2.3.6.1.1) and Joanne Maltese, Flemington, NJ.

Cory Donald Rumpf b. July 22, 1990 to Donald Rumpf, Jr. (1.2.11.8.7.10) and Theresa Sparatta.

John David Hutchinson b. Dec. 12, 1989 to John Andrew Hutchinson (7.4.7.6.1.4.1.1) and Susan Sylvester.

Michael James Lacey b. Nov. 9, 1989 to Phillips A. Lacey, Jr. and Dorothy L. Emery (4.5.8.10.7.1), Stewartsville, NJ.

Sarah Elizabeth Hurford b. May 22, 1990 to Stephen Hurford and Mary Beth Duckworth (1.2.11.3.2.4.1.1), Union Twp, NJ.

Alyssa Morgan Wack b. April 29, 1990 to Steven Wack (1.2.3.6.8.3.5.?) and Alice Temples of Romulus, NY.

Danielle Morgan Strobridge b. Dec. 12, 1989 to John Strobridge and Gloria McCatharn.

Kyle Anthony Poniatowski b. Oct. 6, 1989 to Stephen Poniatowski and Jodi Lee Rush (3.7.7.2.3.2.6.3.1).

Katelyn Frances Gecik b. July, 1990 to Gregory Gecik and Elizabeth Ann Tiger (1.2.3.7.2.2.4.1.2-3.7.7.2.3.8.1.2).

## Board of Trustees Meeting Saturday, September 15, 1991

The Board of Trustees met following the reunion meeting.

President Al Tiger called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m. and welcomed the two new trustees, John W. Shuster and Phyllis Apgar. Al asked for a motion that Henry Apgar assume the position of the presidency, acting upon the recommendation of the nominating committee. Motion was made by Mary, seconded by Al, voted upon and carried. Al assumes the position of first vice president, George is second vice president, and Imelda Mercier is 3rd vice president. All other officers will carry over for 1991.

Henry took over the gavel, thanked Al for the very good job he did in 1990, and thanked the trustees for having the faith in him to elect him president.

The results of the survey regarding the location of next year's reunion were tabled until they could be tabulated. Wayne suggested forming a committee to investigate the entire situation.

The 1991 proposed budget will be ready at the time of the next board meeting, using the 1990 budget as a guide.

A discussion was held regarding the caterer at this year's reunion, and it was proposed that this be discussed further before any decisions are made about next year's reunion.

Wayne asked if we could establish some kind of fund to maintain or replace the gravestones from the first generation. Henry asked Wayne to chair that committee and to draw up guidelines on the restoration of the old stones.

The next meeting will be held October 1, 1990, at the office of Robert H. Apgar in Somerville.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Ruth  
Apgar, Recording Secretary

## Apgar Family Volumes

Currently available for sale:

Volume II, Part III - Jacob and William

Cost of each volume is \$50.00 and New Jersey residents must add 7% tax to the total cost (\$3.50 per volume).

Deadline for additions and corrections to Vol. I and Vol. II, Parts 1, 2, 3, 4 was June 15, 1991.



Oldest Female at the 1990 reunion was Mildred Fischer, age 90 with family members John and Venetia Fischer of Fanwood, NJ.

## Announcement

The 75th annual reunion of the Philhower Family Association will be held Saturday, September 7, 1991, at the Cokesbury United Methodist Church in Cokesbury, N.J. For more information contact Florence Gonder, 52 Clinton Avenue, Budd Lake, NJ. 07828.

Lenola Layden (6-2-3-5-4-1)  
(1893-1991)

One of the matriarchs of the Apgar Family Association, Lenola Layden, passed away on Thursday, April 4, 1991. She was 97 years old.

A descendant of both the Frederick and Jacob lines, Lenola was for a record eight years the oldest living female at our annual reunion, including the 1989 reunion, when her great-granddaughter, Katie Dilts, was the youngest.

Lenola lived in Hunterdon County all of her life, the last year the the Hunterdon Convalescent Center in Flemington. She was the oldest member of the Whitehouse Methodist Church and a member of the Readington Quilting Club.

Lenola Layden had a strong sense of family and cared deeply for her two daughters and their husbands, as well as her five grandchildren and six great-grandchildren. She was interred in the family plot at Fairmount Cemetery along with her husband, William J. Layden, and her father and mother, William T. and Luella Apgar.



LENOLA LAYDEN with her daughter Muriel Dilts at the 1989 reunion. Mrs. Layden died April 4, 1991, at age 97.



Receiving World War II medals was Newton Apgar (second from left) from his son Wayne (left) with family members Grace, Ila Eberstadt, and Alan Apgar looking on.

### Correspondence

From William L. Apgar in Oregon:

"Is there any interest in an Apgar West family reunion? It could be held in a conventional setting or in Glacier National Park at the Apgar campground, or some other similar setting."

William L. Apgar, P.O. Box 409  
Madras, OR 97741

From Elizabeth Veerhusen of Iowa:

"I have pictures of Wesley Alpaugh (1827-1901) and his wife, Elizabeth Jane Emery (1833-1904). They were my great-grandparents and are buried in the Bethlehem Presbyterian Church Cemetery. I would be happy to find pictures of Elizabeth Emery Alpaugh's parents, Godfrey Rockefeller Emery and his wife, Jane Aller." Can anyone assist her?

Elizabeth Veerhusen, 207  
Broadway, Muscatine, IA 52716



APGAR TRUSTEES present outgoing trustees Reba Bloom and Dorothy Apgar with gifts of thanks for serving the family.

COKESBURY APGARS Spike and Malvena Apgar (front) and Willard and Shirley Carvatt are pleased to hear the news that the 1991 reunion will be held again at the Cokesbury Methodist Church.



THE 1990 REUNION family portrait. Copies are available from the newsletter editor: 5x7 \$6.00 each, 8x10 \$10 each, includes postage. Deadline for copies is October 1, 1991.

Please send future newsletter articles or comments to the newsletter editor:

Wayne T. Dilts 10  
Overlook Drive High  
Bridge, NJ. 08829



We apologize for the delay in this year's newsletter, and will do all we can to see that it does not occur again. Ed.

From Deborah Sue Apper Potter in Ohio:

"Hi, cousins! What a wonderful feeling finding your long lost family. And not one or two single families but hundreds of family members. I'm Deborah Sue Apper Potter (Watch how you spell my name now!).

My father, Robert James Apper and one of my brothers got me interested and excited in our family history about four years ago. At that time we could only take it back a couple of generations. Since then we have come a long way. Our grandfathers came from New Jersey to New York, then on to Carroll County, Ohio, as one of the first pioneer families. From there the Appers scattered all over Ohio, sticking mainly to the northern end of the state. Our grandfathers worked as farmers, carpenters and linemen, they built towns and were involved in local government. The Northwest corner of Ohio has been our home now for 150 years.

(There is a definite relationship between the Appers of Ohio and the Appars of New Jersey, ed.) Up through Isaac Apper I have proof. From the information I have I can only surmise that Isaac was the son of Peter, who was the son of Johan Adam Apper. With a bit more digging and help from your family historian, Dorothy Apper, I hope to confirm the rest. I've been doing this long enough to know that my surmises may be off base, but we definitely fit into the Appars of New Jersey.

There is so much to tell about our family out here. We are a pretty good size group: My grandparents, Samuel Sheldon Apper and Bertha Mae Roderick, gave birth to 14 children, seven of whom survived the first couple of years of life. The picture enclosed (see right) was taken in September, 1986. It was a rare occasion when my father and all of his brothers and sisters were together at one time, and that turned out to be the last time. My Aunt Dot passed away the following month of cancer. Three of my other aunts and uncles moved out to Arizona years ago for various health reasons.

**WE ARE HOLDING AN ANNUAL APGER REUNION AT SUNNY'S CAMPGROUND IN WAUSEON, FULTON COUNTY, OHIO ON THE SECOND SUNDAY OF AUGUST.**

**PLEASE FEEL FREE TO VISIT US. YOU'LL BE WELCOMED WITH OPEN ARMS.**

I would like to thank George Sr. and Mary Apper and George Jr. for the help they have given me and sharing my excitement of a newly-found family. God bless you all.



Front row, from left: Myrtle Viola Apper Lake of Holland, OH; Mildred Norene Apper Olwick of Swanton, OH (who passed away a month later).

**MARK YOUR 1991 CALENDAR NOW!!!**

Our 17th Annual Apper Family Reunion will be held on September 21, 1991, at the Cokesbury United Methodist Church. More details will be with the family invitations when they are mailed out in August. Be there!!!