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From the President:

I do hope that all of you are staying safe and taking advantage of your time with your families. My only daughter is taking her college classes on line and is now at home. The weather here has been beautiful. She and my wife can spend time in the garden during their free time. And I have been working on projects on the house that have been on my to-do list for a *long* time. I do hope that all of you are enjoying the change of pace and the "new normal" as we move through this very trying time.

I do have some exciting news about a new member of our organization who is stepping into a leadership role. Joann Dunham has graciously accepted a position on the board of the Dunham Genealogy Research Association. She brings with her years of background both technical, marketing, sales and, most importantly, genealogy.

Joann Dunham is a member of the following genealogic organizations :

- Association of Professional Genealogists (APG)
- National Genealogical Society (NGS)
- National Society Daughters of the American Revolution
- New England Historical Genealogical Society
- Schenectady County Historical Society
- Capital District Genealogical Society
- Piseco Lake Historical Society
- New York Genealogical and Biographical Society
- NYS Archives Partnership Trust
- American Canadian Genealogical Society

Joann successfully completed the Genealogical Research Certificate program through Boston University's Center for Professional Education in 2018. She also holds a B.A. in Music and English. You can find more detail about her background here <https://dunhamgenealogyservices.com/about-us>

In closing I would like to express my deepest thanks to Joann for stepping up to help us continue our journey and add to the body of knowledge for our Association.

With Best Regards,

Jeffrey M. Dunham, President Dunham Genealogy Research Assn.

Editor's Corner

A major step forward in the research of the Dunham Family Research Association is detailed in the first article by Neal Alan Clark. He has documented the descent of both Nathaniel Donham/Dunham and his first wife Mary Sutton. Neal's proof argument was submitted to the Society of Mayflower Descendants-State of Arkansas and was approved in April. Thus the five children of Nathaniel and Mary (Sutton) Dunham are Mayflower descendants through Mary Sutton's descent from Edward Fuller, Mayflower passenger.

Continuing with the series of articles on Dunham Landmarks I have written an article about the Dunham Tavern located in Cleveland, Ohio. I visited this historic site many years ago with my husband, and now that I am living in Ohio, I have an opportunity to see it again. Included in the article is the line of descent of Rufus⁷ Dunham who moved to the Western Reserve and built and operated the Dunham Tavern.

An interesting phone conversation with Alice Bunce (Cheney) Boutte provided interesting information about her ancestors who built the Dunham cottage in the Adirondacks. This cottage, better known as The Green Cottage, was included in the article in the April 2020 issue of this newsletter. At the time I was unable to contact the owners because they were out of town, but since then I have had two very nice and enlightening conversations with the current owner of the Dunham cottage. Again the family genealogy has been extended to the present.

Gratia Dunham Mahony, Editor

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Mary Sutton

Wife of Nathaniel Donham

Introduction to the Following Article
by Gratia Dunham Mahony

The following article by Neal Alan Clark details his ancestry from **both** Deacon John Dunham of Plymouth, and Jonathan Dunham-Singletary of Woodbridge, New Jersey. Through Mary Sutton, daughter of John and Mary (Martin) Sutton, Neal is a descendant of Mayflower Pilgrim Edward Fuller. [Mayflower Families Through Five Generations, Edward Fuller pub. 1990; Vol. 4, p. 107] Neal spent a great deal of time and effort, working with the historian and applications manager of the Society of Mayflower Descendants in the State of Arkansas. In April Neal's application was approved and he is now an official member of the General Society of Mayflower Descendants – Arkansas. Copies of the approved application have now been sent to the General Society of Mayflower Descendants in Plymouth, Massachusetts for their approval and acceptance. It is a special honor to become a member of the Mayflower Society this year since this is the 400th Anniversary of the Landing of the Mayflower at Plymouth in 1620.

Researchers have been searching for the connection of Nathaniel Donham (b. abt. 1733) to the Donham/Dunham family of Woodbridge, New Jersey for many years. In the Dunham Family Research Association Newsletter for 15 October, 2019, (Issue 4, Vol. 16) I wrote an article giving the results of this long term research. The fact that a descendant of Nathaniel Donham of Woodbridge participated in DNA analysis, and showed a match to the Dunham-Singletary line is conclusive evidence that Nathaniel Donham is a member of this family.

The importance of the work that Neal Clark has done, and the fact that his application has been approved and accepted by the General Society of Mayflower Descendants – Arkansas means that **all** the children of Nathaniel and Mary (Sutton) Donham are Mayflower descendants. These children are:

- i. John Donham b. 7 April 1767
- ii. David Donham b. abt. 1769
- iii. Henry Donham b. 14 June 1771
- iv. Lewis Donham b. 6 February 1773

v. Mary Donham b. 5 May 1774

Neal Clark Family Genealogy Dunham Genealogy Research Association File

by Neal Alan Clark

Descended from both Dunham Lines (Jonathan Singletary Dunham and Deacon John Dunham)

Mayflower Lineage

Generation 16 – Edward Fuller and his Wife (name has not been confirmed by GSMD)

- Edward was born on September 4, 1575 in Norfolk, England. It appears he was not with the other pilgrims in Holland, but joined them on the arrival of the Speedwell from Holland.
- Edward's name is on the Mayflower Compact, along with his brother Samuel.
- Edward made the trip with his wife and their son, Samuel Fuller.
 - While records are not clear, it appears Edward and his wife died that harsh winter in 1621

Generation 15 – Samuel Fuller and Jane Lathrop

- Samuel was born on April 8, 1608 in Norfolk, England
- He was a passenger on the Mayflower and survived that winter after they landed (Participant in the first thanksgiving feast).
- Was raised by his Uncle Dr. Samuel Fuller and became a Freeman in 1635.
- Married Jane Lathrop (daughter of Rev John Lathrop) on April 8, 1635 with the ceremony performed by Miles Standish. Jane was born on September 29, 1614 in Kent, England.
- Samuel and Jane had nine children
 - Samuel died on October 31, 1683 in Barnstable County, MA. Jane died in 1659 in Barnstable County, MA

Generation 14 – Hannah Fuller and Nicholas Bonham

- Hannah Fuller was born on October 6, 1636 in Scituate, Plymouth Colony in MA.
- She married Nicholas Bonham (born Abt 1630 in England) on January 1, 1658 in Barnstable, MA
- They have at three confirmed daughters: Hannah, Mary, and Sarah.
- Nicholas died on July 20, 1684 in Piscataway, Middlesex County, NJ. Hannah died on January 1, 1686 in Piscataway, Middlesex County, NJ.

Generation 13 – Mary Bonham and Edward Dunham Sr.

- Mary Bonham was born on October 4, 1661 in Barnstable County, MA.
- She married Edward Dunham (Son of Benajah Dunham and Elizabeth Tilson) on July 15, 1681 in Piscataway, NJ.
 - Edward was born on July 25, 1661 in Plymouth Colony, MA
- His father was Benajah Dunham, born November 18, 1637 in Plymouth Colony, MA. His mother was Elizabeth Tilson, born October 4, 1640 in Scituate, Plymouth Colony, MA. Benajah died on December 24, 1680 in Piscataway, Middlesex County, NJ. Elizabeth died on December 24, 1682 in Piscataway, Middlesex County, NJ.
- Benajah was the son of Deacon John Dunham of Plymouth Colony (1589 – 1669) and Abigail Ballou.
- Records show they had 8 children.

- Edward died on March 7, 1734 in Piscataway, Middlesex County, NJ. Mary died on July 12, 1742 in Piscataway, Middlesex County, NJ.

Generation 12 – Elizabeth Dunham and Jonathan Martin

- Elizabeth Dunham was born on November 26, 1689 in Piscataway, Middlesex County, NJ.
- She married Jonathan Martin (son of Benjamin Martin and Margaret Reynolds) on August 21, 1704. Jonathan was born on January 12, 1686 in Piscataway, Middlesex County, NJ.
- Elizabeth died on August 21, 1713 in Piscataway, Middlesex County, NJ. Jonathan died later May 4, 1768 in Piscataway, Middlesex County, NJ.
 - Note – In his will, he mentions “My granddaughter, Elizabeth Hayden (the daughter of John Sutton)

Generation 11 – Mary Martin and John Sutton

- Mary Martin (Also referenced as Polly Martin) was born on September 7, 1707 in Piscataway, Middlesex County, NJ.
- Mary married John Sutton (Son of John David Sutton and Elizabeth Belconger) about 1724 in New Jersey (most likely Middlesex County). John Sutton was born on September 19, 1701 in Piscataway, Middlesex County, NJ.
- Mary died on August 25, 1758 in Piscataway, Middlesex County, NJ. John died on January 22, 1761 in Somerset County, NJ. In his will that was dated on August 25, 1758 (same day his wife died), he mentions “Daughters, Elizabeth, Anne, Lois and Mary, £70 each. To my sons, Jeremiah, Abner, and Philip, my land.” The will was Proved on January 22, 1761.

Generation 10 – Mary Sutton and Nathaniel Donham / Dunham

- Mary was born on September 21, 1735 in Piscataway, Middlesex County, NJ.
- Best information is that Mary married Nathaniel Donham / Dunham in 1765 in New Jersey. Nathaniel Donham is detailed well in DGRA Newsletter, Volume 4, Volume 16, October 15, 2019.
 - Nathaniel is documented as being born around 1733 in Middlesex County, NJ. We believe that Nathaniel was the son of John Dunham and Hiley Ann Ross.
- Mary and Nathaniel had five children
 - John Donham - b April 7, 1767
 - David Donham – b abt. 1769
 - Henry Donham – b June 14, 1771
 - Lewis Donham – b February 6, 1773
 - Mary Donham – b May 5, 1774
- Nathaniel Donham fought in the Revolutionary War as part of the 1st New Jersey Regiment Continental Line, Colonel Matthias Ogden. Nathaniel was at Valley Forge with General Washington that first winter.
- Mary died approximately 1774. Where she died is still in question as whether she died in NJ or PA.
- Nathaniel remarried Keziah Crosley and moved to Green County, PA (Washington County, PA at the time) and then finally to Clermont County, OH approximately early 1800's. Nathaniel died before August 10, 1820 in Clermont County, OH

Generation 9 – Mary Donham / Dunham and Henry Lee

- Mary Donham / Dunham was born on May 5, 1774. The exact location is hard to know as some research has shown that Nathaniel had moved the family to PA close to this time frame.

The 1880 census of David Sutton Lee (whose middle name helped prove out the Mayflower connection) states that his father was born in Virginia, but his mother was born in Pennsylvania.

- Mary met Henry Lee (Son of William Lee and Cathren – maiden name unknown) in Washington County, PA (Now Greene County) as their fathers had land next to each other. Based on a Society of Indiana Pioneers application for Henry and Mary, they were married in 1794 in Washington County, PA.
 - Note – the History of Clermont County states that Nathaniel left a daughter out east when he moved to Clermont County, OH. This would make sense as Mary was already married to Henry Lee by 1794. Henry moved out to Ohio with his father, William Lee around 1805. In Nathaniel Donham's will, he mentions leaving a bed for his daughter Mary. It goes to reason that this "Mary" is Mary "Donham" Lee, daughter of Mary "Sutton" Donham. Warren County is just north of Clermont County.
 - Henry is listed in the early Ohio census records as being in Warren County, OH in 1806. He is also listed in the Probate files for William Lee who died on February 21, 1807. Henry is listed as Guardian for one of William's youngest children.
 - Henry was born around 1769 in Virginia.
- The Lee's moved from Warren County, OH to Riley Township, Vigo County, IN between 1831 and 1832.
- Mary died on February 9, 1839 in Riley Township, Vigo County, IN. Henry died on January 21, 1838, also in Riley Township, Vigo County, IN.

Generation 8 – Jonathan Lee, MD and Elizabeth Ray

- Jonathan Lee was born on October 22, 1809 in Warren County, OH. We know he becomes a MD, as listed on the 1850 census. Jonathan was a volunteer in the 4th Indiana Volunteers, H Company from 1847 to 1848 during the Mexican War
- Jonathan married Elizabeth Ray on March 24, 1833 in Vigo County, IN. Elizabeth was the daughter of William Ray Jr. and Sarah "Sallie" Miller. She was born on March 2, 1815 in Butler County, OH.
 - Elizabeth was the granddaughter of Lt. William Ray of the Revolutionary War. He fought under General Anthony Wayne in the Pennsylvania army (Revolutionary Pension # S32470)
- Jonathan and Elizabeth moved to Clay County by 1850. They had 6 children.
 - Arminda Lee (16 Jan 1834 – 30 Aug 1900) – Married Aaron Lambert
 - Caroline Lee
 - William Henry Lee (6 May 1839 – 18 Jul 1910)
 - Mary Jane Lee (28 Jan 1841 – 17 Feb 1905)
 - Sarah Ann Lee (Abt. 1845 – Unknown)
 - Eliza Isabel Lee (9 Dec 1849 – 15 January 1877) – Married Joseph Harvey Scofield
- They died 9 days apart in 1851. Jonathan died on February 27, 1851 and Elizabeth died March 7, 1851.
 - Note: I have found pictures of the Lee family bible that shows the death dates in 1852, however, I have also found estate sale notices in the local paper that announce the sale of the estate of the late Jonathan Lee in 1851 and

the executor is William Ray (Elizabeth's father). Therefore, I believe the 1851 year is correct for their deaths. No graves have been listed on Find A Grave.

Generation 7 – Caroline Lee and Lewis A Canady

- Caroline Lee was born on November 25, 1836 in Vigo County, IN.
- She married Lewis A Canady on July 19, 1855 in Hamilton County, IN. Lewis A Canady (Son of David Canady and Martha "Patsy" Ring) was born on February 10, 1825 in Rush County, IN.
 - Note: David Canady (also spelled Canaday or Cannaday) was a War of 1812 veteran in the Indiana Militia.
- Lewis and Caroline moved to Boone County, IN by 1860 and lived there until 1900, where by then they had moved to Montgomery County, IN
- By the 1900's several members of the family had changed the spelling of their surname from "Canady" to "Canada".
 - Their children were:
 - Martha Jane Canady
 - Margaret Alice Canada (1 Apr 1858 – 1 Jan 1940)
 - William Henry Canada (2 Aug 1860 – 9 Jan 1923)
 - John Gilbert Canada (11 Jun 1863 – 24 Feb 1954)
 - David Lee Canada (4 Mar 1866 – 15 Feb 1941)
 - Joseph F. Canada (27 Feb 1870 – 27 May 1929)
 - Ellen Forrest Canada (26 Sep 1874 – 13 Mar 1954)
- Lewis A Canady died on November 9, 1905 in New Ross, Montgomery Co, IN. Caroline Lee died on April 28, 1916 in New Ross, Montgomery Co, IN

Generation 6 – Martha Jane Canady and Perdine (Purdine) Lucas

- Martha Jane Canady was born on September 1, 1856 in Boone County, IN. She was the eldest child of Lewis and Caroline Canady.
- Martha Jane married Perdine (also seen it spelled Purdine) Lucas on November 5, 1872 in Vermilion County, IL. Perdine was the son of the Joel Lucas and Nancy Graves, born in North Caroline on May 10, 1850.
- Martha Jane and Perdine had 4 children that I can determine. Their children were:
 - Eldest Son, born about 1874. The name in the 1880 census is hard to read and has been interpreted as either "Mulie" or "Merlie". I believe that "Merlie" is more likely. But this seems to be a nickname and it has been hard to find any record later that matches.
 - Margaret Ann Lucas
 - Charles Henry Lucas (2 Jul 1877 – 12 Jan 1950) – married Nettie D Rivers on 18 Aug 1904. No children from this union.
 - John Lucas (17 Nov 1886 – Unknown) – He was living with his sister's family in 1900 and then has disappeared from the records.
- Martha Jane Lucas died from consumption (tuberculosis) on Jun 5, 1893 which split up the family. Margaret Ann was married 3 month later and John was living with her in 1900. Perdine and Charles Henry eventually moved to Huntingdon County, IN. Perdine Lucas died from a heart attack on September 9, 1924, still living with Charles Henry and Nettie Lucas.

Generation 5 – Margaret Ann Lucas and Oliver Clinton "O.C." Unger

- Margaret Ann Lucas was born on March 9, 1875 in Boone County, IN
- After her mother died, Margaret Ann married Oliver Clinton Unger (also went by O.C.) on September 16, 1893 in Clinton County, IN.
 - OC Unger was the son of George Washington Unger (Indiana Pioneer as he

and his family arrived in Indiana in 1839 and descendant of two Revolutionary War Veterans, Nicholas Unger and Capt. Christian Hollinger) and Elvira Maggart (Granddaughter of Revolutionary War Veteran Daniel Hullinger, son of Capt. Christian Hollinger). OC Unger was the youngest child of the Ungers, born on May 17, 1872 in Clinton County, IN.

- Margaret Ann and Oliver Clinton had three children:
 - Nellie Hazel Unger (14 Jul 1894 – 10 Nov 1958). “Hazel” married Roy Vincent Strohl (27 Apr 1893 – 22 Jan 1980). They had 4 children (three that survived infancy).
- Anna Margaret Strohl (7 Jun 1915 – 20 Oct 1997) – married Martin Robert Readler
- Iloe May Strohl (7 May 1918 – 22 May 1918) – buried in Forest, Clinton Co, IN
- Kenneth Max Strohl (20 Jul 1924 – 6 May 1988) – married to Nancy Ladd Steere on 16 Aug 1947, but it appears they divorced as she is buried under a different name. He was buried in Dayton, OH.
- Wayne E Strohl (3 Jul 1930 – 22 Nov 2009) – married Aloyce Loretta Mitchell (12 Jul 1933 – 6 May 1992)
 - Carrie Canada Unger
 - Manson Henry Martin Unger (14 Dec 1898 – 26 Jan 1962) – married Alma June Thomas (4 Jun 1904 – 4 Dec 1981) – no children from this union.
- Margaret Ann died at a young age from consumption (tuberculosis) on October 24, 1901. Oliver Clinton Unger remarried to Beulah Grace Cleaver on April 15, 1903 and had two more children. Oliver Clinton Unger died on December 21, 1954.

Generation 4 – Carrie Canada Unger and Clarence Santford Clark

- Carrie Canada Unger was born on August 22, 1896 in Clinton County, IN. Note: her middle name is Canada (from her grandmother’s maiden name and it shows the change from “Canady” to “Canada”).
- Carrie married Clarence Santford Clark (Son of James Allen Clark and Louisa Ann Welchonch) on March 7, 1919 in Clinton County, IN. Clarence was born on June 28, 1891 in Scircleville, Clinton Co, IN.
 - Clarence was a World War I veteran.
- Carrie and Clarence had only one child, Clinton Allen Clark.
- Clarence died of a massive heart attack on March 26, 1955. Carrie remarried to Elby Cloise Norris (born on 15 Oct 1884) on June 8, 1957 in Clinton County, IN. “Cloise” died on May 17, 1967.
- Carrie Norris died on October 19, 1989 in Rossville, Clinton Co, IN. She is buried in Saint Paul Cemetery, located in Forest, Clinton County, IN.

Generation 3 – Clinton Allen Clark and Donna Louise Metzger

- Clinton Allen Clark was born on February 24, 1920 in Clinton County, IN
- He served in World War II in the Air Force working his way up to 2nd Lieutenant. He was never deployed overseas as the bomb was dropped over Hiroshima right after he received his pilot’s wings.
- He married Donna Louise Metzger (Daughter of Ross Herschel Metzger and Anna Florence Cripe) on December 9, 1945 in Rossville, Clinton Co, IN. Donna Louise Metzger was born on July 5, 1921.

- They settled in Delphi, Carroll Co, IN and raised two boys:

- Larry Alan Clark
- Richard Lee Clark – (Goes by Rick)

- Rick married Karen Lynn Kanney

- They have two children:

- Sarah Lynn Clark

- Kristen Lee Clark

Clinton was as Set-Up Manager for Globe Valve in Delphi, IN until his retirement in 1983.

- Clinton Allen Clark died on July 10, 2005 in Lafayette, Tippecanoe Co, IN. Donna Clark died on January 3, 2007 in Rossville, Clinton Co, IN

Generation 2 – Larry Alan Clark and Melody Jo Shock

- Larry Alan Clark was born in Lafayette, Tippecanoe Co, IN
- He graduated from Delphi High School in 1966 and attended Manchester College (North Manchester, IN) studying music education. He graduated in 1970 and started teaching Elementary Music at the Lewis Cass School Corporation in Cass Co, IN
- He married Melody Jo Shock (Daughter of Joe Pierre Shock and Betty Lou Morgan)
 - She grew up in North Webster, Kosciusko Co, IN. She is also a graduate of Manchester College (class of 1968).
- They settled in Converse, Miami Co, IN as this was close to where Melody taught elementary music until her first son was born.
- Larry and Melody had two boys:
 - Neal Alan Clark
- Alex Michael Clark
- Alex married Amy Kay Galbraith in Lafayette, Tippecanoe Co, IN
- Alex and Amy had two boys:
 - Chasen Clark
 - Kyan Clark

- Larry and Melody retired from teaching in 2010.

Generation 1 – Neal Alan Clark and Jennifer Elizabeth Austin

- Neal Alan Clark was born in Marion, Grant Co, IN.
- Neal graduated from Oak Hill High School in Mier, IN in 1993. He attended Purdue University, majoring in Food Science and graduated in December of 1997.
- Neal was hired by Tyson Foods and moved to Northwest Arkansas area.
- Neal married Jennifer Elizabeth Austin (Daughter of Robert Gene Austin and Ethel Betty Jones)
- Neal is currently a Senior Food Scientist with Tyson Foods Research and Development.
- Neal is a member of the following lineage societies:
 - General Society of Mayflower Descendants
 - National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution
 - General Society of the War of 1812
 - Society of Indiana Pioneers
 - Descendants of Mexican War Veterans
 - Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War
 - Dunham Genealogy Research Association
 - Fuller Society

Researchers Dunham Lines, The two Dunham lines of Neal Alan Clark

Dunham-Singleton Line:

Richard ¹ Singleton and prob. Susanna Cooke
Jonathan ² Singleton-alias Dunham and Mary Bloomfield
David ³ Dunham and (unknown), prior to marriage to Mary Ilsley
John ⁴ Dunham and probably Hiley Ann Ross
Nathaniel ⁵ Dunham/Donham and Mary Sutton
Mary ⁶ Dunham/Donham and Henry Lee
Jonathan Lee ⁷ and Elizabeth Ray
Caroline Lee ⁸ and Lewis A Canady
Martha Jane Canady ⁹ and Perdine (Purdine) Lucas
Margaret Ann Lucas ¹⁰ and Oliver Clinton "O.C." Unger
Carrie Canada Unger ¹¹ and Clarence Santford Clark
Clinton Allen Clark ¹² and Donna Louise Metzger
Larry Alan Clark ¹³ and Melody Jo Shock
Neal Alan Clark ¹⁴ and Jennifer Elizabeth Austin

Deacon John Dunham Line:

John ¹ Dunham and Abigail Ballou
Benajah ² Dunham and Elizabeth Tilson
Edmund ³ Dunham and Mary Bonham
Elizabeth ⁴ Dunham and Jonathan Martin
Mary Martin ⁵ and John Sutton
Mary Sutton ⁶ and Nathaniel Donham / Dunham
Mary ⁷ Dunham/Donham and Henry Lee
Jonathan Lee ⁸ and Elizabeth Ray
Caroline Lee ⁹ and Lewis A Canady
Martha Jane Canady ¹⁰ and Perdine (Purdine) Lucas
Margaret Ann Lucas ¹¹ and Oliver Clinton "O.C." Unger
Carrie Canada Unger ¹² and Clarence Santford Clark
Clinton Allen Clark ¹³ and Donna Louise Metzger
Larry Alan Clark ¹⁴ and Melody Jo Shock
Neal Alan Clark ¹⁵ and Jennifer Elizabeth Austin

DUNHAM TAVERN

An Historic Landmark In Cleveland, Ohio

By Gratia Dunham Mahony



The Dunham Tavern Museum, 6709 Euclid Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio

In 1819, in Mansfield, Massachusetts, a young man and his new wife decided upon “Going to Ohio”. Rufus ⁷ Dunham, son of William ⁶ and Experience (Pratt) Dunham was a young man 26 years old who had lost his first wife through childbirth, and in 1817 had married Jane Pratt. Land in the Connecticut Western Reserve was being sold by the proprietors, and Rufus and Jane decided to move to the new town of Cleveland.

In the spring of 1824, Rufus purchased 13 $\frac{3}{4}$ acres of land for \$147.00 which fronted on Euclid Road. On this land Rufus and Jane built a small log cabin and Rufus proceeded to develop his farm. By 1832 Rufus had done well financially and he built a larger building that would house a tavern and become a stage coach stop for travelers on the old Buffalo-Cleveland-Detroit post

road. The Dunham Tavern soon became a social center and also housed political meetings of the Whig party.

Rufus and Jane Dunham operated the tavern until 1853 and raised their three children here. In 1857 the building was sold and the tavern remained a private residence until the 1930s. The Society of Collectors became interested in the historic site and opened the tavern as a museum in 1941. The museum is furnished with authentic 19th century antiques that depict the lifestyles of early Ohio settlers and travelers.

Line of Descent of Rufus ⁷ Dunham

Rufus ⁷ Dunham is a descendant of Deacon John ¹ Dunham and his wife Abigail Ballou through Joseph ² and Hester Wormall; Nathaniel ³ and Mary Tilson; Nathaniel ⁴ and his first wife Marcy (unknown). [*Reference Dunham Family Research Association web site www.dunham-singletary.org.*] His line continues with Nathaniel ⁵ Dunham born in Norton, Bristol County, Massachusetts 20 June 1722; died in Mansfield, Bristol County, Massachusetts 14 March 1796. [Mansfield MA VR p. 190] He married first in Norton 15 September 1751 Sarah (Ramsdell) Freeman.

William ⁶ Dunham, son of Nathaniel ⁵ and Sarah (Ramsdell, Freeman) Dunham was born in Norton 5 January 1753, and baptized in the First Congregational Church of Norton 11 August 1754. He died in Mansfield, Bristol County Massachusetts 19 February 1834. He married 2 September 1784 Experience Pratt. [Mansfield MA VR p. 100]

Rufus ⁷ Dunham, son of William ⁶ and Experience (Pratt) Dunham was born in Mansfield, Bristol County, Massachusetts 25 November 1793. [Mansfield MA VR p. 26] He married first Rachel Shepherd who died probably soon after the birth of her son 3 April 1817. He married second (shortly after 8 June 1817 (date intent was recorded) Jane Pratt. [Mansfield MA VR p. 100] Note that the son of his first wife, Avery Otis ⁸ Dunham remained in Mansfield, Massachusetts and did not go to Ohio with his father and step-mother.

Children of Rufus ⁷ and Jane (Pratt) Dunham born in Ohio were: [FindaGrave.com]
Charles H. Dunham who married Jane Crawford
Caroline Dunham who married James Welch
Loretta Dunham who married Robert Pier

“Dunham Cottage” in the Adirondacks

by Gratia Dunham Mahony

In the last issue of this newsletter an article about Dunham Landmarks described the “Dunham Cottage” located near Keene, New York in the Adirondacks. The cottage, better known as the Green Cottage, was built in 1874-5 by the Dunham family and it is currently owned and managed as a summer retreat by the fifth generation of the Dunham family. Last March when I was compiling the DFRA newsletter, I tried to contact the present owners of the “Dunham Cottage” to learn more about the history of the Dunham family who built the cottage. At that time the owners were out of town, but one of the current owners, Alice Bunce (Cheney) Boutte did return my call later.

In the late 1860s the Adirondacks became a sought after location for people to spend their summers. Austin Cornelius⁸ Dunham (Austin⁷, Nathaniel⁶, Ebenezer^{5,4}, John^{3,2,1} Dunham) was born in South Coventry, Hartford County, CT 10 June 1834; died in Florida 14 March 1918. He is buried in Cedar Hill Cemetery, Hartford, Connecticut. Austin Cornelius Dunham came to the Adirondacks in about 1868. His older sister, Sarah Root⁸ Dunham and a friend Sophia Hammersley had preceded him in discovering the allure of the Adirondacks and had purchased a small Grey Cottage along with 22.5 acres of land in Keene Valley. They were the second of the “summer people” to buy property and build a summer home here.

While the new cottage was being built by Austin Cornelius⁸ Dunham in 1874-5 he and his family stayed at River Mead Farm in the village of Keene. Upon the death of Austin Cornelius⁸ Dunham the Adirondack cottage on the Hartford Plateau in Keene Valley along with 22.5 acres of surrounding property were inherited by the brother of Austin Cornelius⁸ who was Samuel Gurley⁸ Dunham.

Austin Cornelius⁸ Dunham lived on Asylum Avenue in Hartford, Connecticut near an area known as Nook Farm. The area, located in a bend (or nook) of the Park River, was developed by John Hooker and his brother-in-law Francis Gillette. They built their own homes there and sold parcels of land to family and friends. As a result the area became home to Hartford personalities such as Charles Dudley Warner, Joseph Roswell Hawley, Harriet Beecher Stowe, and Mark Twain (Samuel Clemens) as well as other journalists, feminists, spiritualists, writers, reformers and activists. The minister of the Asylum Hill Congregational Church was Joseph Twichel and he and Charles Dudley Warner were frequent guests at Austin Cornelius’ cottage in Keene Valley. Mark Twain also came to visit the cottage at least one time.

Samuel Gurley Dunham Second Owner of the “Dunham Cottage”



Samuel Gurley Dunham (1849-1934) was educated in the public and high schools in and around Hartford, CT. He succeeded in many of the large business interest and responsibilities of his father, besides taking upon himself other enterprises of large importance. He was president of the Dunham Hosiery Co.; vice-president of the Hartford Electric Co.; director of the Aetna Life Insurance Co. of Hartford and of other insurance and banking institutions.

Samuel Gurley⁸ Dunham was born in Hartford, Hartford County, CT on 10 December 1849; died in Hartford 15 June 1934. He was son of Austin⁷ and Martha (Root) Dunham. He married in Hartford 28 April 1881 Alice Collins (1853-1921).

For an article giving the background of Austin⁷ Dunham published in this newsletter please see: **The Dunhams from Mansfield, Connecticut** by Gratia Dunham Mahony and A. C. D. Barney II published in Volume 8; Issue 1, 15 January 2011, pp. 5-12. The article also contains information about the Willimantic Linen Company and the Hartford Electric Light Company.

Children of Samuel Gurley⁸ and Alice (Collins) Dunham:

- i. Ethel Collins⁹ Dunham b. 12 March 1883 in Hartford, Hartford Co. CT
d. 13 December 1969 Cambridge, Middlesex County, MA
- ii. Alice Elizabeth⁹ Dunham b. 15 November 1884 in Hartford, CT
d. 4 October 1974 in Hartford, CT
- + iii. Sarah Root⁹ Dunham b. 26 Oct. 1887 in Hartford, Hartford Co. CT
d. 27 November 1968 in Hartford, CT
- iv. Frances Collins⁹ Dunham b. 21 August 1890 in Hartford, Hartford Co. CT

- d. 8 June 1944 in Hartford, CT
- v. Austin⁹ Dunham b. 27 February 1893 in Hartford, Hartford, Co. CT
 - d. 24 May 1966 in Rancho Santa Fe, San Diego, CA
- vi. Beatrice Lyman⁹ Dunham b. 9 February 1895 in Hartford, Hartford Co. CT
 - d. 20 April 1980 in Hartford, CT

Sarah Root⁹ Dunham
Third Owner of “Dunham Cottage”



Sarah Root⁹ Dunham was born in Hartford, CT on 26 October 1887; d. in Hartford, CT 27 November 1968. She married John Carter Rowley. He was born in July 1879 in Pennsylvania; died in Hartford CT 9 September 1967.

Children of John Carter and Sarah Root ⁹ (Dunham) Rowley: all born in Hartford, CT

- i. John Carter ¹⁰ Rowley, Jr. b. 18 March 1915
- + ii. Alice Dunham ¹⁰ Rowley b. 23 March 1917
- + iii. Samuel Dunham ¹⁰ Rowley b. 21 January 1920
- iv. Sarah Root ¹⁰ Rowley b. 15 June 1922
- v. Ethel Collins ¹⁰ Rowley b. 14 January 1927

Fourth Owners of “Dunham Cottage”

Alice Dunham ¹⁰ Rowley was born in Hartford, CT 23 March 1917; died in Elizabethtown, Essex County, New York 25 February 2008. She married Timothy Cheney. He was born in Manchester, CT 3 July 1913; died in Keene Valley, Essex County, New York 4 February 1990.

Samuel Dunham ¹⁰ Rowley was born in Hartford, CT 21 January 1920; died in Jacksonville, Clay County Florida 12 February 2002. He married Jane Martin Austin (1923-1986). The fourth owners of the Dunham Property were Alice Dunham ¹⁰ Rowley and her younger brother Samuel Dunham ¹⁰ Rowley.

The four children of Timothy and Alice Bunce ¹⁰ (Rowley) Cheney inherited the property and became the fifth owners of “Dunham Cottage”. Alice Bunce ¹¹ (Cheney) Boutte and her brother Timothy Dexter ¹¹ Cheney are the current owners of Dunham cottage. They rent out the Dunham cottage, known as the Green Cottage, to summer guests.



The Dunham cottage also known as the Green Cottage
Keene Valley, New York

Coming in the October 2020 Newsletter

by James A. Streeter

Recent research has resulted in new information on the descendents of Rev. Benjamin-7 Donham (Thomas 6, John 5, Ebenezer 4, Samuel 3, Samuel 2 John 1) and Catherine Brett. Part of this line was published in the January, 2009 (v.6.1, p.9) issue of the Dunham-Singletrary Family Connections Newsletter as "Wallace Brett Donham A Study of one line of Descent from Samuel 2 Dunham" by Gratia Dunham Mahony.

In the October article new information will be provided on the 6 orphaned children of Benjamin-7 and Catherine Brett Donham - Generation 8, along with Geneations 9 to 11. It will include the results of over 50 years of research to locate the Burial location of Alice Simpson (1925-1927), daughter of Eleanor-10 Donham and Kenneth Alan Simpson.

"What's New on the Dunham Website"

by James A. Streeter

The Board of Directors page now has a link to the Biographies of the current Board Members. It is still a work in progress, but should be completed soon. The page can be found by using the Navigation button "Board of Directors" and you will find the Biographies link just below the list of officers or it can be found at: http://www.dunham-singletrary.org/mw/index.php/Board_Bio%27s

HELP NEEDED - We are looking for a number of volunteers to help prepare a complete name index of the Dunham Families in America pages, all lines. We are also looking for some help to help review the addition of lines from the DSFC Newsletter into the Dunham Families in America collection. If you have questions about what is involved or are able to help, please contact James A. Streeter - james8313@sti.net