

HISTORIAN'S REPORT (R. H. Lusch)

123rd Detwiler Family Reunion

August 17, 2019

New births, deaths, marriages, etc. since the last reunion: **7 births, 1 marriage and 2 deaths**. (See Historian's Record Sheet for details). Several other updates were added as research found them in archival records but were not recorded as new.

Since last year's reunion I have added **26 individual names (4559), 4 new surnames (1198) and 9 marriages (1657) to the records**. The average lifespan of those deceased is 62.6 years and I have recorded 1445 different places of family events. I continue to add additional information in the "Reunion Chronological History" spreadsheet from information I am able to obtain from family members and various resources.

The earliest birth date is Jagli Detweiler (1570) who is the 2nd great grandfather of Hans Johannes Detweiler (1688 – 1761) and the 5th great grandfather of Henry R. Detwiler (1793 – 1873). The most recent birth is Jude Alexander King (5th great grandson of Henry R. and Catharine (Latshaw) Detwiler).

www.detwilerfamily.org, and Family Tree Maker (FTM):

The Software MacKiev Company continues to update and add enhancements to Family Tree Maker (FTM). For me they have been a blessing in disguise especially for families working on genealogy. They continue to maintain and support integration with Ancestry.com. FTM started 30 years ago and MacKiev felt it was time to launch a new version which will be coming out later this summer. I preordered the new version in May at an **upgrade cost of \$59.25** which will include all the latest enhancements, etc. I will continue to support the Detwiler "**privatized tree**" on Ancestry.com since I get requests for information and vice versa regarding the Detwilers, Latshaws, Rapps, Yeagers, etc. which helps build our tree. I will continue to research and respond to those contacting me with the hope that I can connect their families with our Family that is recorded in "**Hans Detweiler Family History** by Francis Waite", "**The Genealogy of the Detweiler, Detwiler Family** by Elizabeth Zern Smith" and "**Detwiler Family Genealogy** by B. Harrison Landis". Our contract with the web host company, **IPOWER**, **does not expire until May 28, 2020**. Our **domain name (detwilerfamily.org)** with Network Solutions expired on **July 30, 2019**. We were able to negotiate a **discounted early renewal price of \$147.96 for 5 years that will expire on 7-30-2024**. Our domain name is now protected until that date. I trust that the Detwiler Family would be in agreement with my decision. **A decision will need to be made next year** on a web host company.

Respectfully submitted,

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