

HISTORIAN'S REPORT (R. H. Lusch)

125th Detwiler Family Reunion

August 17, 2019 – August 21, 2021

New births, deaths, marriages, etc. since the last reunion: **3 births, 1 marriage and 8 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 **63 individual names (4622), 6 new surnames (1204) and 11 marriages (1668) to the records**. The average lifespan of those deceased is 62.6 years and I have recorded 1564 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 16 June 2021, Josephine Eliza Petertil-Fisher (3rd great granddaughter of Thomas and Hannah (Detwiler) Miller.

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 31 years ago and MacKiev launched a new version in the fall of 2019. I preordered the new version in May 2019 at an **upgrade cost of \$59.25** which included all the latest enhancements, etc. They also updated the program 2020 at no cost. 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, Rixstines, 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". I renewed our domain name (detwilerfamily.org) with Network Solutions **July, 2019** at **discounted early renewal price of \$147.96 for 5 years that will now expire on 7-30-2024**. Our domain name is now protected until that date. I acquired 23 hand written loose leaf books of Detwiler genealogy information that I researched with very little information pertaining to the Henry and Catharine (Latshaw) Detwiler family line. On 13 May 2021 I donated them to the Montgomery County Historical Society located in Norristown, PA.

Respectfully submitted,

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