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12 DEC 1999

VIRGINIA ERICKSON

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Dear Cousin Virginia,

Thank for your renewal on the US  
for the year 2000 for yourself and for your  
brother John.

I was impressed with your note about  
your activity in pulling together your cousins.  
The Reunion & the Round Robin letters  
sound great. Please do let me have a wrap  
of the family outline when you get it  
organized. Just remember - it is almost  
impossible to get such outlines perfect.  
Maybe you will.

Thank for your encouragement.

With All Best Wishes for a Merry  
Christmas.

Sincerely yours

Ⓢ Phil Upchurch

[ROBERT PHILIP UPCHURCH]

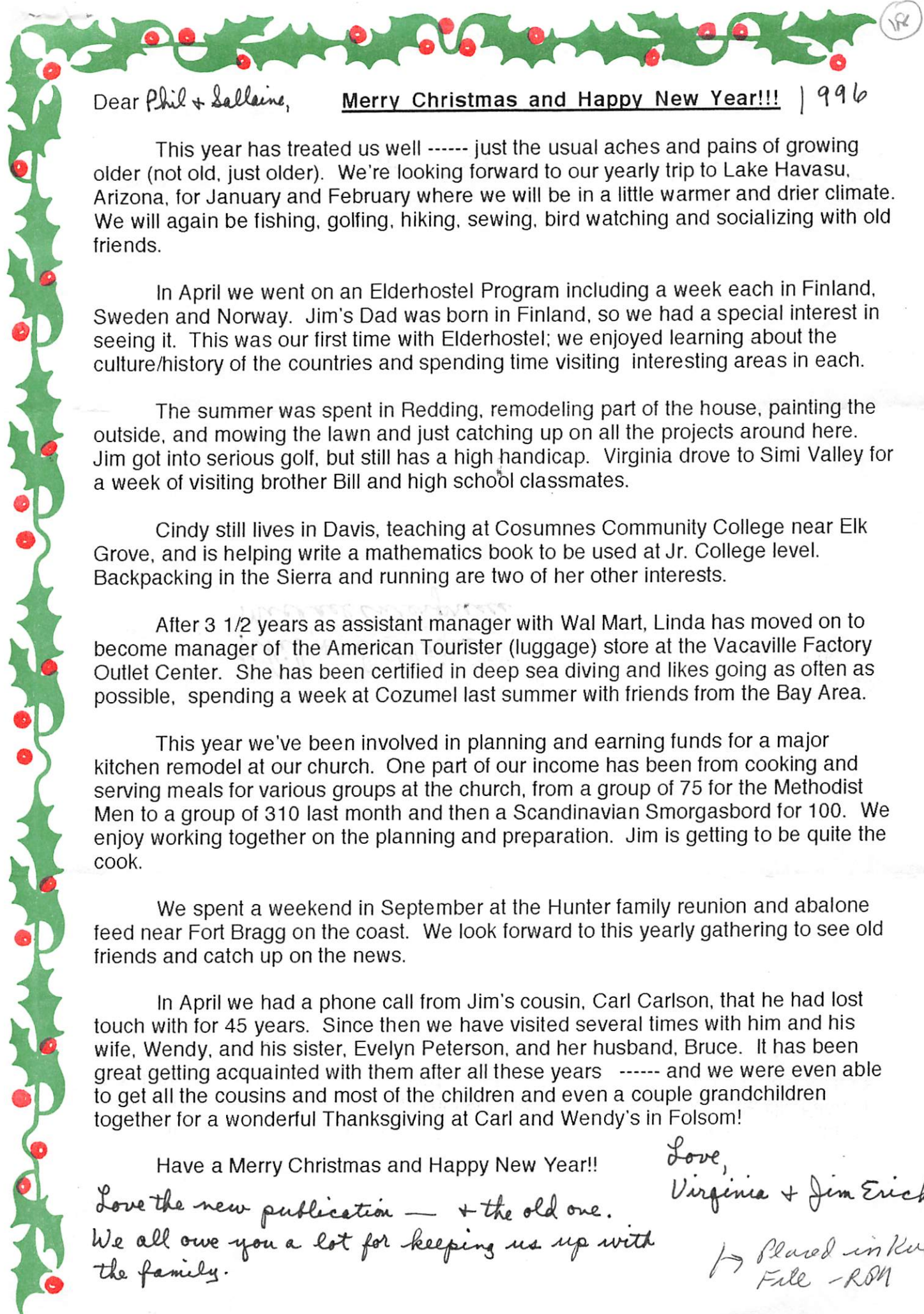
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Am currently trying to update our branch with the children and extended family (over) of Robie + Strickland Upchurch. We now have a round robin letter going with my cousins (I copy everyone's letter + send each cousin a packet.) Also organized a family reunion of same cousins in Clinton OK, with attendees from OH, MO, TX, OK, CA. Attended church + cemetery on old home farm. Great times. Thanks for all you've done for Upchurch family history + research. Sincerely, Virginia Erickson (granddaughter of Robie daughter of Alma Buzell)







Dear Phil + Sallaine,

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!!! | 996

This year has treated us well ----- just the usual aches and pains of growing older (not old, just older). We're looking forward to our yearly trip to Lake Havasu, Arizona, for January and February where we will be in a little warmer and drier climate. We will again be fishing, golfing, hiking, sewing, bird watching and socializing with old friends.

In April we went on an Elderhostel Program including a week each in Finland, Sweden and Norway. Jim's Dad was born in Finland, so we had a special interest in seeing it. This was our first time with Elderhostel; we enjoyed learning about the culture/history of the countries and spending time visiting interesting areas in each.

The summer was spent in Redding, remodeling part of the house, painting the outside, and mowing the lawn and just catching up on all the projects around here. Jim got into serious golf, but still has a high handicap. Virginia drove to Simi Valley for a week of visiting brother Bill and high school classmates.

Cindy still lives in Davis, teaching at Cosumnes Community College near Elk Grove, and is helping write a mathematics book to be used at Jr. College level. Backpacking in the Sierra and running are two of her other interests.

After 3 1/2 years as assistant manager with Wal Mart, Linda has moved on to become manager of the American Tourister (luggage) store at the Vacaville Factory Outlet Center. She has been certified in deep sea diving and likes going as often as possible, spending a week at Cozumel last summer with friends from the Bay Area.

This year we've been involved in planning and earning funds for a major kitchen remodel at our church. One part of our income has been from cooking and serving meals for various groups at the church, from a group of 75 for the Methodist Men to a group of 310 last month and then a Scandinavian Smorgasbord for 100. We enjoy working together on the planning and preparation. Jim is getting to be quite the cook.

We spent a weekend in September at the Hunter family reunion and abalone feed near Fort Bragg on the coast. We look forward to this yearly gathering to see old friends and catch up on the news.

In April we had a phone call from Jim's cousin, Carl Carlson, that he had lost touch with for 45 years. Since then we have visited several times with him and his wife, Wendy, and his sister, Evelyn Peterson, and her husband, Bruce. It has been great getting acquainted with them after all these years ----- and we were even able to get all the cousins and most of the children and even a couple grandchildren together for a wonderful Thanksgiving at Carl and Wendy's in Folsom!

Have a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!!

Love the new publication — + the old one.  
We all owe you a lot for keeping us up with  
the family.

Love,  
Virginia + Jim Erickson

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VIRGINIA LEA BUTLER (A) XFD-4576

REC'D DEC 1995

MAY THE TRUE SPIRIT OF CHRISTMAS  
SHINE IN YOUR HEART 12/95

Dear Phil + Sallaine

Your farm home sounds wonderful — love hearing about it + about your travels.

We spent 2 months in Alaska, putting 8500 miles on our truck + cabover camper — great scenery + nice people.

Hope you have a beautiful Christmas and good year in '96  
With our love,

Cousin Virginia + Jim Erickson

Jim & Virginia Erickson  
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4 AUG 1995

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Dear Cousin Virginia,

Thanks for your letter of 24 JUL 1995 and for the check in payment of a 1995 subscription to the U.S. for your brother Bill. I am also sending him copies of the 1992 and 1994 issues. He already has the 1993 issues. I have written him a note and will be pleased to have his involvement if he so desires.

I know you and Jim are enjoying your trip to Alaska. Sallaine and I was there in about 1982 and recall our visit with much pleasure. Just this past Wednesday we returned from a 9 day driving trip to AZ and NV - 4000 miles. We traveled 865 miles in one day (not very smart!) I attended the Desert Seismic Advisory Board meeting in Tucson (114°F) and we returned by Hwy, NV to see our daughter & her family and their new home. Her husband Ken is a mining engineer for Magana Copper Company there. They are all fine.



We hope your travels will bring you through Missoula in due course. We keep shaping up the farm and I love to show them. Our house is getting in better condition all the time. The yard is fairly well landscaped now and the inside is about where we want it. However, Sallaine seems to be doing "fine tuning" all the time.

Since I am now in real estate, I sent Bill my card. Maybe he can give me some pointers.

I assume your two girls are still single. However, if that is not so please let me have the details. Our family has changed a little in that Betsy & I have had a baby girl Natalie Elizabeth Upchurch on 3 JUL 95. This makes No 7 grandchild for us.

Hope this finds you well and by now rested from your Alaska trip.

☺ Sincerely yours  
Phil Upchurch

[ROBERT PHILIP UPCHURCH]

Dear Phil and Sallaine,

Congratulations on your retirement + your move to Missouri —  
your farm/house sound great! Bet your "retirement" hours + days will  
be just as full as before. Ours certainly have been. (2)

Here's wishing all of you a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year from the  
Erickson's!!!

Hope this letter finds each of you well and happy. We are feeling good and  
finding in this second year of Jim's retirement (Gin's fifth) that we still cannot find  
enough time to do everything we want to do. We've enjoyed this past year and have  
tried to do as much traveling as we could (after many years of non-travel).

January-March we spent at Lake Havasu, AZ, by the Colorado River, in our  
travel trailer, enjoying the warm weather while fishing, sewing, studying the desert  
plant life, and meeting lots of nice people.

In the spring we flew to Rhode Island and toured the New England States by car  
with Mary Lou and Gordon Cota. Gordon's daughter, Christi, was kind enough to  
share her home and car with us and act as guide for the New York City and Maine  
parts of the trip. Jim says he liked this one better than the trip to England last year!!

Two trips with our trailer group were taken, one in May to Orrick on the coast  
and then to Medicine Lake parked by George and Florence Fagella's cabin for the  
long July 4th weekend.

We spent most of July touring Wyoming's old forts and museums. On the way,  
we visited the tiny town of Jarbidge (population 30), Nevada, to see Rey and  
Marguerite Nystrom, Chico friends from long ago. They are currently proprietors of the  
local Trading Post. Also enjoyed a visit with Virginia's college roommate, Shirley, and  
her husband, Pete Chacon, in Kennewick, Washington, and had fun with their kids and  
grandkids.

Simi Valley was Gin's next trip, to visit her brother, Bill Butler, and to attend the  
wedding of Juanita and Charlie Brooks' daughter, Cassie, and her new husband, Bob.  
Also visited other old friends from high school days.

September found us backpacking in the Minarets near Mammoth, CA, with  
Eldridge and Lois Trott and Vivian Grover, also Roger and Lisa Trott. Saw rain, snow,  
sun, ice and wonderful scenery.

Our ongoing project for the year has been sewing 30"X8 1/2' banners for the  
church sanctuary with Jim supplying the wrought iron supports. Eighteen in all so far,  
representing the various seasons during the year.

John and Carol Hunter included us in their family reunion at Salt Point near Fort  
Ross on the coast in October. We enjoyed seeing the entire Hunter clan of 30 plus  
and had a great abalone feed. Cindy, Linda, Scott (Linda's boyfriend), and his  
daughter, Amanda, were able to spend the weekend with us there also.

For the first week of November, we had a super time with Ken and Twila  
Montrose at their home in Buena Vista, Colorado, nestled at 9,000 feet on the Eastern  
slope of the Rockies near Leadville. Jim and Craig (Ken and Twila's son-in-law)  
helped Ken bring home his elk. Virginia and Twila hunted antiques with no luck, but  
had fun with sewing projects, cooking on the wonderful wood cook stove and visiting.

We all got together for Thanksgiving in Pittsburg, CA, with Linda and Scott  
cooking the turkey. Linda is now an assistant manager at Wal Mart in Pittsburg.  
Cindy is living in Davis and is chair of the mathematics department at Cosumnes  
Community College, south of Sacramento.

That's it for now. This is our first try at a Christmas letter, but maybe it is better  
than none at all. We hope each of you will have a great year in '95.

With our love,  
Virginia + Jim Erickson

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12/6/93

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9 DEC 1993

Dear Cousin Phil,

Love receiving the bulletin regularly and reading all about the various Upchurch relatives. You do much toward keeping our very extended family informed of each other and of our past history. And it means even more to Jim and I since we were able to actually meet you in person last year in Tucson.

In fact, I happened to mention our trip to a new and dear friend the other day and she lamented the fact that she didn't know of our trip or she would have given us some names of a few good friends she knew in Tucson. I told her that the only people we knew in Tucson was our cousin Phil Upchurch and his wife, Sallaine. She became very excited and told us about having dinner many times with you two and how sweet you both were and all. Nora Simpson is her name and we were having dinner at her home with a small group from our church ---- what a great lady she is! And I'm also lucky enough to have her in my Circle at United Methodist Women as well. We've discovered many similar interests; and what a sense of humor! She lost her husband, Wayne, this year and misses him so very much, but she is managing to keep going. Her sight is failing, but she continues to live alone without much help. In case you don't have her address:

Nora Simpson  
3894 Rushmore Dr.  
Redding, CA 96001

Thanks again for all the work you do for all of us. I will try to do some more writing one day soon. We've been to Washington State for two months and to England and Scotland for two weeks since we saw you last winter. Wanted to go to Little Gidding, but our tour did not get close enough. Perhaps next time when we are on our own. In the months when we're home, I keep busy with church work and helping some of our Southeast Asian families get settled.

With my love,

*Cousin Virginia*

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18 APR 1993

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Dear Cousin Virginia

Thanks for your letter of 9 APR 1993 and  
for the subscription and for the details  
on the family. We have sent Bill U.B.  
Vol 14 Issue 1 and I have also written to him.  
It would be great having both of you  
help with keeping the family record up to  
date. I also hope we can begin to collect  
some other kinds of details about the family  
- such as what they did for a living and  
other interesting things (good & bad!).

I have entered the data you supplied  
on the master outline and have made a  
fresh list of questions as enclosed.

My best to you and Jim. I envy  
the freedom you have to go & come. I'll soon  
be retired & have that option!

Sincerely yours  
Phil Whitely

[ROBERT PHILIP UPCHURCH]

MISSING DETAILS ON THE  
CHILDREN OF STRICKLAND ASBURY  
WPCURCH AND THEIR SPOUSES

18 APR 1993

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- 1) For Flora Jane U
  - a) By what name did the family call her?
- 2) For Walter Herschel U
  - a) By what name did the family call him?
  - b) Did his wife die 29 APR 1965 or 27 APR 1965?
- 3) For Emma May U
  - a) when and where did she marry?
  - b) By what name was she called?
  - c) For John Miller Dennis
    - i) when in 1880 born?
    - ii) where in TN born?
    - iii) when in OCT 1969 died?
- 4) For Edna Elizabeth U
  - a) By what name was she called?
- 5) For Ernest Luther U
  - a) By what name was he called?
  - b) Did his wife die 21 OCT 1976 or 24 OCT 1976?
- 6) For Ellie Lucil U
  - a) By what name was she called?
  - b) For William Bruce Barton
    - i) when in 1895 born?
    - ii) when & where died & where buried?
  - c) Did she die in childbirth? (or shortly thereafter from complications of the birth)
  - d) Was there child that died at birth given a name? when & where born, when & where died, where buried?

7) For Ellen Agnes U - All OK

8) For Walter Lennie U

a) By what name was he called?

b) For Anna Senora McVay - Is she still living?  
If not - when & where died & where buried?

9) For Anna Pearl U - All OK

10) For Alma Inez U - All OK

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Missing Details on Strickland Asbury Upchurch and his children:

1. For Strickland Asbury and his wife
  - a. Did he die 23 March 1926 or 26 March 1926? 23 March 1926 - from Zella Anderson
  - b. Did they have just ten children? yes - know from my mother, Alma Ines U. Butler.
2. For Flora Jane U. and husband
  - a. All O.K. for Flora and husband
  - b. Did they have just four children? yes, from Zella Anderson, Flora's daughter.
3. For Walter Hershel U. and wife
  - a. Did his wife (Mary Jane) die 29 Apr 1965 or 27 Apr 1965?
  - b. Did they have just four children? yes - Christine, Louis (his twin died at <sup>2 mo.</sup> birth), + Louise
4. For Emma May U.
  - a. When and where did she marry?
  - b. For John Miller Dennis
    - i) when in 1880 born?
    - ii) where in TN born?
    - iii) When in Oct. 1964 died?
  - c. Did she have just seven children?
5. For Etta Elizabeth U.
  - a. Did she have just seven children? yes - from Zella Anderson.
6. For Ernest Luther U.
  - a. Did his wife (Mable NMN Munro) die 21 Oct. 1976 or 24 Oct. 19976?
  - b. Did he have just ten children? yes - 10 children listed in newspaper clipping of Earnest's funeral. My mother also spoke of his 10 children.
7. For Ollie Cecil U.
  - a. Did she have any children? - Believe her only child died at birth.
  - b. For her husband (William Bruce Barton)
    - i) when in 1895 born?
    - ii) when died?
    - iii) where died?
    - iv) where buried?
8. For Ellen Agnes U.
  - a. Did she have just one child? yes, know from talking to my mother, Alma Ines U. and from knowing Ellen's family myself.
9. For Homer Lonnie U.
  - a. Is his wife (Anna Lenora McVay) still living? If not, when and where died and where buried.
  - b. Did they have just four children?
10. For Anna Pearl U.
  - a. Did she have just two children? yes - know from my mother, + from knowing Anna's family myself.
11. For Alma Ines U. - Have complete set of details for her and her husband and all of their descendants.

Will continue to look for other missing information + will try to document it whenever possible.

Virginia Lea (Butler) Erickson

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9 FEB 1993

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Dear Cousin Virginia,

We certainly enjoyed the visit you and Jim paid to our home on February 7, 1993. It is nice to see you settling into retirement and enjoying a new phase of your life & appreciate your continued interest in our shared Upchurch Heritage and hope we can work together to further improve the record for your part of the family. This was an activity your mother and I shared and enjoyed.

Following your visit I have copied (actually Sallaine copied!) the Master Outline for your ancestor Patrick Bogan II and all of his descendants which I present herewith. Note the numerous continuation sections as indicated on the left hand side of the Patrick Bogan II Master Outline.



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I will appreciate any corrections or additions you have to this outline. It is easier for me if you do the corresponding phone calls/writes. However, I am certainly willing to write to individuals where you think it best. Any promotion you can give to the UB will be appreciated. Enclosed are several sets of details on the UB in case anyone might be interested.

To recap - I collect full names (full maiden names of females), dates of birth, marriage and death and place of birth, marriage, death, and burial. Special stories are also of interest.

Also enclosed is a four page document on the Michael Enterprises Family History System which may be useful.

Virginia, it is great to have you as a cooperator. I know you have other interests but the time you can spend on helping with our family history project will be appreciated.

All the best to you & Jim.

☺ Sincerely yours  
Phil Upchurch

[ROBERT PHILIP UPCHURCH]

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① See #4 20 APR 1980 Alma Inez U & RDU

Virginia Lea Butler b 13 FEB 1935 (Clinton, OK)  
 and 2 AUG 1958 (Sequoia, CA) James Eric  
 Erickson b 30 JUN 1934 (Globe, AZ). Virginia  
 is dau of Alma Inez U of Harmon/Allen  
 U Clan.

② Notes of VLB & husband visit to RDU home in  
 Tucson 8-10 PM SON 7 FEB 1993

This arrangement had been made a couple  
 of days earlier by a call from VLB. She and her  
 firm are staying for a few days in the Tucson  
 area at the Crazy Horse RV Park [E 10 & Craycroft  
 - 574-0152]. They are staying for a couple of months  
 at Lake Havasu. Jim was born in Globe but  
 his parents moved to CA when he was a child  
 to get help for his nail lip which he still  
 exhibits slightly in speech. He retired last SEP  
 as an engineer from CA state Highway System  
 and she somewhat earlier from being a school  
 teacher. They now plan to travel some  
 including a trip back to OK where VLB  
 was born. They had only two children - both  
 girls - both still single. one got an MS from  
 Univ Cal - Davis. one has just finished

(2) 7 FEB 1993 - CONTINUED

a degree in interior design and is looking for a job. Jim & VLB attended Chris State. VLB is a very pleasant person who smiles easily. She has considerable interest in the family and maintains contact with relatives as did her mother. She is very grateful for the interaction I had with her mother. She is interested in a copy of the master outline for her part of the family. Explained the map project to her and the Upchurch endowment concept.

(3) 8 FEB 1993

A. RPU assembled master outline for Patricia Bogan including all continuation sections

B. SSU copied master outline & called Craig Horse & left message that VLB should call to give us address or pick up master outline

(4) NOTE: VLB sent RPU an excellent letter dated 25 JUL 2002. I mistakenly assumed it came from her husband James Eric Erickson and it now resides in his people having been processed as if it came from him. Note that she signs her name "GENY"  
- RPU 2 AUG 2002.

VIRGINIA LEA BUTLER

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REC'D  
13 AUG 1992

August 11, 1992

Jim & Virginia Erickson  
3423 Inverness St.  
Redding, Ca 96002

Dear Cousin Phil,

Thank you so much for all you did for my mother, Alma Butler, through your correspondence and caring. She very much enjoyed hearing from you and about all the family history. I know she wanted to meet you and tried several times to get down to your part of the country while she and my dad were still traveling.

My intentions were good about immediately returning the information you requested (May 17) about our family. Came across your letter again in the file and will hope to answer everything you asked. Will try to do better in the future.

MISSING DETAILS ON THE FAMILY OF  
ALMA INES (UPCHURCH) BUTLER

- △ 1. For Alma Ines U.
  - a. Buried at McDonalds Cemetery, Redding, California, her last place of residence.
  - b. She had just two children; John William Butler and Virginia Lea (Butler) Erickson.
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  - △ 2. For Ermon Fred Butler
    - a. Buried at McDonalds Cemetery, Redding, California, last place lived.
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  - △ 3. For John William Butler
    - a. Living in Simi Valley, CA (2061 Rhoda St., 96530)
    - b. Not ever married, no children.
    - c. Working in Real Estate.
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  - △ + △
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    - △ 4. For Virginia Lea (Butler) Erickson
      - a. She and husband James Eric Erickson have only two children; Cindy Lea Erickson and Linda Lea Erickson.
      - b. Neither daughter yet married, no children.
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Thank you also for including the memorial for Mother in the June issue of the Upchurch Bulletin. I've enjoyed keeping up with the Bulletin through her over the years. She was very dedicated to keeping herself and the rest of us informed on the family happenings and background. I hope to keep up her goals as much as possible.

We plan some vacation time in AZ the first part of next year ----- would love to meet you and thank you in person for all you did for my mother.

Sincerely,

Virginia Erickson

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15 AUG 1992

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Dear Cousin Virginia,

Many thanks for your letter of 11 AUG 1992 and the family details provided. They have been extracted and placed in the paper biopiles and on the master outline. This gives a complete set of details for your parents and their descendants.

Sallaine and I will be delighted to have a visit from you when you vacation in AZ during the first part of 1993. It is always enjoyable to meet another cousin in person. Just give me a call at home 602-742-2669 or at the University 602-621-7424. Perhaps we can have lunch if your schedule permits.

Your willingness to keep up your mother's work on family history is appreciated. Enclosed is a list of missing details. This would require some interaction with your cousin which might or might not be feasible. In any case, I would be grateful for any detail that can be provided. Actually the records on your grandfather are in relatively good shape. I have had correspondence with some of his descendants other than

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your mother but not recently. It is nice  
to try to keep up the contacts and the  
flow of information.

Virginia, I do appreciate your comments  
about the relationship your mother and I  
had. There are quite a few cases where such  
a relationship has been established. As people  
grow older they frequently need something  
to occupy their thoughts and minds. There  
is two even when they have a close  
loving family but even more so if they  
are not so fortunate. In many cases an  
interest in family history seems to fill  
a need. I have come to have a special  
appreciation for these kinds of relationships.  
Because your mother and I enjoyed our exchange  
so much it will be a special pleasure to  
meet you and your family if they come  
with you to Arizona.

With All Best wishes!

Sincerely yours  
Phil Upchurch  
[ROBERT PHILIP UPCHURCH]

MISSING DETAILS ON STRICKLAND (40) 15 AUG 1992  
ASBURY WPCURCH & HIS CHILDREN

- 1) For Strickland Asbury & his wife
  - a) And he die 23 MAR 1926 or 26 MAR 1926?
  - b) Did they have just ten children?
- 2) For Flora Jane U & Hus.
  - a) All OK for Flora & Hus.
  - b) Did they have just four children?
- 3) For Walter Hershel U
  - a) Did his wife (Mary Jane Krues) & 29 APR 1965 or 27 APR 1965?
  - b) Did they have just four children?
- 4) For Emma May U
  - a) when & where did she marry?
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    - i) when in 1880 born?
    - ii) where in TN born?
    - iii) when in OCT 1964 died?
  - c) Did she have just seven children?
- 5) For Etta Elizabeth U
  - a) Did she have just seven children?
- 6) For Ernest Julius U
  - a) Did his wife (Mable NMAN Munn) & 21 OCT 1976 or 24 OCT 1976?
  - b) Did he have just ten children?
- 7) For Ollie Cecil U
  - a) Did she have any children?
  - b) For her hus - William Bruce Barber
    - i) when in 1895 born?
    - ii) when died?
    - iii) where died?
    - iv) where buried?

8) For Ellen Agnes U

a) Did she have just one child?

9) For Homer Jennie U

a) For his wife (Anna Senora McVay)

i) Is she still living? If not when and where died and where buried?

b) Did he have just four children?

10) For Annie Pearl U

a) Did she have just two children?

11) For Alma Inez U - Have a complete set of details for her & her husband and all of their descendants.



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17 MAY 1992

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Dear Cousin Virginia,

Thank you so much for your order for the UB for 1992, for the order for the bound volume of 1991 and for your contribution to the Upchurch memorial for your mother. The publications have been sent under separate covers. The memorial will appear in the next issue of the UB which will go out in June. Issue #3 will appear in SEP and issue #4 in DEC.

Your mother had a strong interest in family history and she and I had extensive correspondence. She was extremely helpful in providing family data. When she was ill I think our correspondence tended to lift up her spirits. I am sorry we never got to meet as we had much in common.

Enclosed is a list of questions about missing items for your family. I will be grateful for anything you can supply. Current details on the UB are enclosed in case you or anyone else you know wishes to order copies.

You and your mother belong to the Harmon  
 W/Allen W subclan and to the Patrick Bogans  
 W line in that subclan. There is much detail  
 in the narrow issue on this group. When  
 I started research in 1975 little was known of  
 the Harmon W clan but since that time we  
 have gradually established the full story of how  
 Harmon W moved from VA to Stanley Co, NC (it  
 was called Montgomery Co when he settled there).  
 About 1850 (+) his descendants moved on to  
 AR and from there to OK. To me it has always  
 been a fascinating story. It continues to  
 unfold both in terms of the early details and  
 in terms of present day developments.

I belong to the Nathan W, T/Gilbert W  
 subclan. Your mother and I are 6th cousins  
 which means you and I are 6th cousins  
 once removed!

Please let me know if you have questions.  
 My files are full of information on individuals  
 and I have outlines, charts, etc.

with All Best Wishes!

Sincerely yours  
 Phil W. Hurley

[ROBERT PHILIP W. HURLEY]

MISSING DETAILS ON THE (50) 17 MAY 1992  
FAMILY OF ALMA INES (UPCHURCH) BUTLER

1) For Alma Ines U

a) where is she buried?

b) Did she have just two children?

2) For Erman Fred Butler

a) where is he buried?

3) For John William Butler

a) Did he ever marry/have children? If so, details?

4) For Virginia Lee Butler

a) Did you and Jim have just two children?

b) Did either of your daughters marry/have children?  
If so, details?

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P.S. I notice your husband was born in  
Globe, AZ. I have several connections with that  
part of AZ. One is State Senator Bill Hardt who  
is from Globe. He has served for many years  
in the AZ state legislature and at one time ran  
a sporting goods store in Globe. His granddaughter  
is married to me. Another connection is the  
Bayle Thompson Arboretum which is in Superior,  
AZ near Globe. My wife and I were up  
to the Arboretum last night for a moonlight  
Party. The Arboretum is one of my responsibilities.  
Phil U.