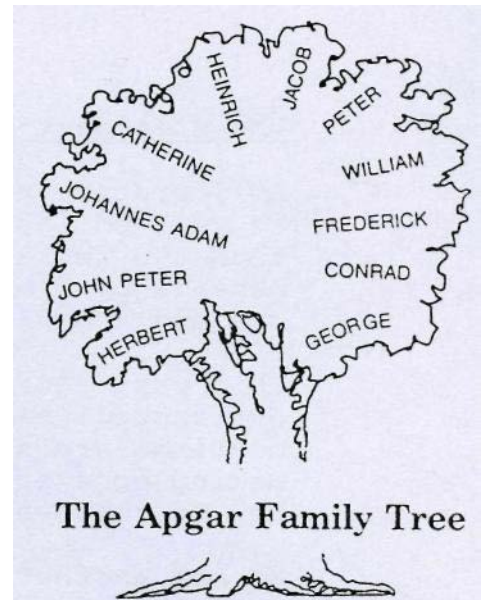


THE APGAR ASSOCIATION

FAMILY NEWSLETTER



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1989 REUNION COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Not shown in this photograph is Barbara and Dick Apgar, Fran Tiger, Fred Mercier, and Debbie Apgar.

SUPPORT OUR FAMILY ORGANIZATION - SEND IN YOUR MEMBERSHIP DUES TODAY!!!

The President's Message:

I was very proud and honored to have been chosen President of the Apgar Family Association.

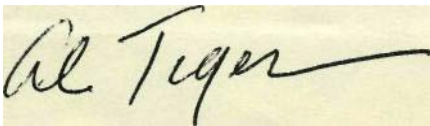
My hope is that the Association will continue to grow in membership so that each generation of Apgars in the future will be able to look back and enjoy their heritage.

It is my goal to encourage the membership to persuade their children and grandchildren to become interested in our Association and to turn out for our Reunion in September.

With this in mind, I am urging you to contact me or any of our Trustees or Officers with suggestions as to what we can do to increase our attendance as well as encourage the younger members of the Apgar families to attend and participate in the day's activities.

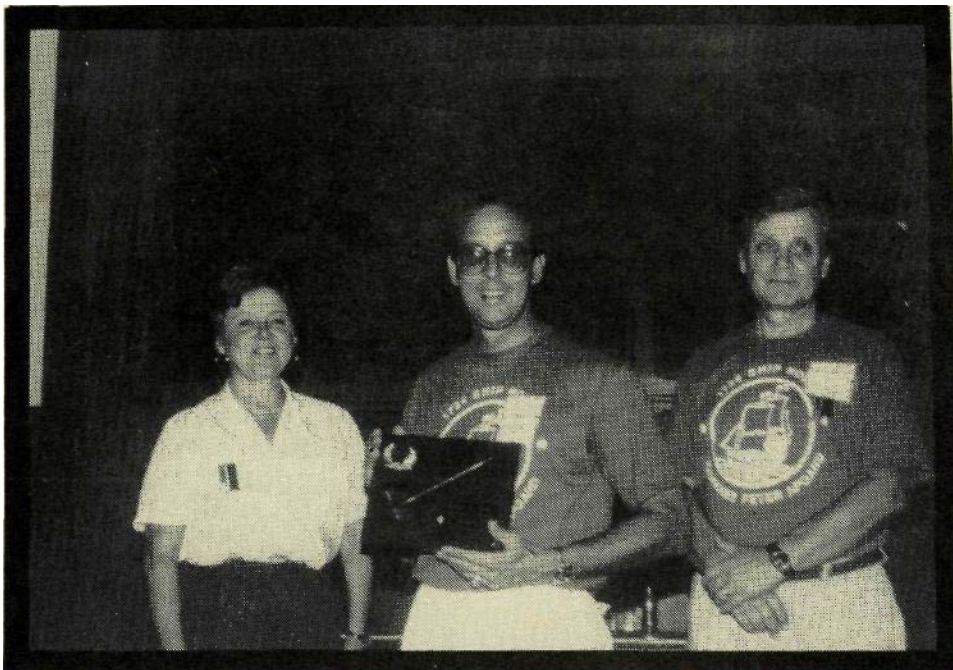
It has rained the past three years on the day of our planned family reunion. This year the odds have to be in our favor for a beautiful sunny day.

In the meantime, I want to wish you all a very happy and healthy New Year 1990 and we will see you in Mt. Pleasant in September.

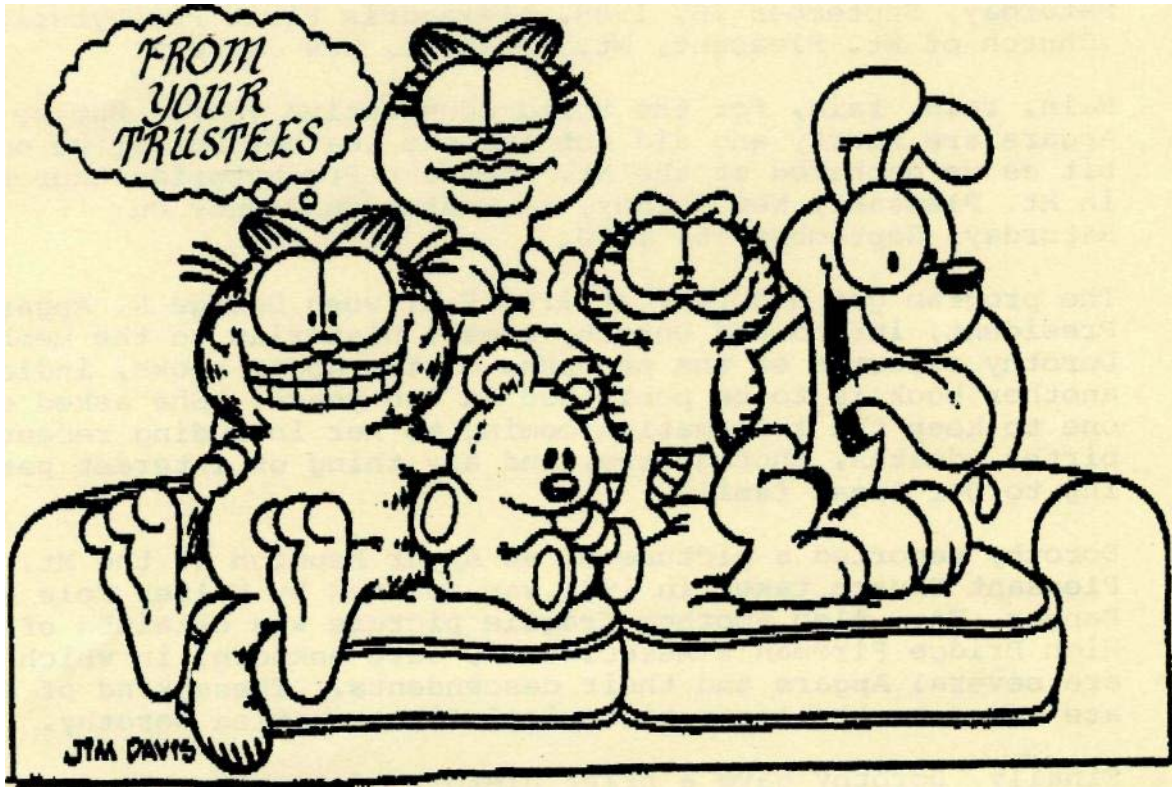


President (1989-1990)
60 Cedar Grove Road
Somerville, NJ 08876

Adam & Herbert Line



Surrounded by Al and Fran Tiger, outgoing President George N. Apgar, Jr., holds a plaque that was given to him in appreciation for his service as family President. George served for three years from September 1986 to this last year's reunion September 1989.



The following is a listing of our eleven current family Trustees:

*George M. Apgar, Jr.
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Chester, NJ 07930

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Somerville, NJ 08876

The Fifteenth Annual Apgar Family Reunion - The Minutes:

Saturday, September 16, 1989, Alexandria First Presbyterian Church of Mt. Pleasant, Mt. Pleasant, New Jersey

Rain, rain, rain, for the third consecutive year. But we Apgars are hearty and did not let the weather bother us one bit as we gathered at the Mt. Pleasant Presbyterian Church in Mt. Pleasant, New Jersey, in Hunterdon County on Saturday, September 16, 1989.

The program got underway at 1:00 P.M. when George N. Apgar, Jr., President, introduced Dorothy Apgar, Historian to the membership. Dorothy reported on the progress of the Apgar books, indicating another book is to be published in two years. She asked everyone to keep the information coming to her including recent births, deaths, photographs, and any-thing of interest pertaining to our Apgar family.

Dorothy reported a picture of an Apgar Reunion at the Mt. Pleasant Church taken in 1931 was donated by Walter Cole of Bangor, PA. Also another fragile picture was obtained of the High Bridge Fireman's Association, date unknown, in which there are several Apgars and their descendents. These kind of donations are added to the Apgar historical file remarked Dorothy.

Finally, Dorothy gave a brief history of the Mt. Pleasant Church before Reba Bloom was asked to introduce our guest speaker William Weston, Historian of the Alexandria Historical Society.

William who resides in Little York, gave a very interesting talk on the Apgars of Alexandria and Holland Townships.

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While attending our 15th family reunion coming from Bangor, Pennsylvania, Walter and Elizabeth Cole donated a print of our 1931 Apgar reunion to our Association. Also shown is outgoing President George N. Apgar, Jr. accepting the photograph. In 1931 we met at the Mt. Pleasant Presbyterian Church.



Reba Bloom, center holding a photograph of the Frederick Apgar farm located near Little York, Hunterdon County, reviews the day's agenda with Marion and Arthur Martin of Essex Fells, NJ, who are also descendants of the Frederick Apgar line.



The Minutes - Continued:

George N. Apgar, Jr., President called the business meeting to order at 2:00 P.M. He welcomed the family and reported that there were 135 in attendance. However, none of those in attendance today were present at the last "reunion" held in the Mt. Pleasant Church in 1939.

Robert Apgar, Corresponding Secretary, reported that 550 invitations were mailed out this year to family members.

Recording Secretary, Al Tiger, read the minutes from last year's meeting.

Trustee nominations were then discussed. The following members were placed in nomination by Rob Apgar to serve as trustees for a three (3) year term: Dorothy Apgar, Flemington, NJ; Robert O. Apgar, Flemington, NJ; George M. Apgar, Jr., Chester, NJ; and George N. Apgar, Jr., New Brunswick, NJ. There being no other nominations from the membership, a motion was made by Henry Apgar to appoint the trustees to another three year term and was seconded by Reba Bloom.

George M. Apgar, Jr., Treasurer, reported as of September 15, 1989 there was a balance of \$2,532.90 in the General Fund and a balance of \$2,448.49 in the Book Account.

Robert Apgar, Corresponding Secretary, reported on a visit this past year that he and Dorothy made to Montana. They visited a town named Apgar, Montana. This town was founded by Diamond Apgar which also included a park named after him. Apgars can be found everywhere!

George N. Apgar, Jr., gave a report prepared by Barbara Apgar, Membership Chairperson. There are 263 paid members to date and this drive has resulted in a total figure of \$1,940.00.

Newsletter Editor, George N. Apgar, Jr., reported 260 newsletters were sent to the membership this year. He put in a request for photographs and any articles of interest that might be included in our next issue.

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The Minutes - Continued:

Family genealogist, Dorothy Apgar reported that the revised Part One of Volume Two is in the mail! She requested any add-itions and corrections to anything that has been published to date be sent to her. This information should always be forth-coming to her as they occur so that the family genealogy can be kept current and up to date.

Mary Apgar reported that so far 134 Apgar mugs have been sold and that \$820.00 from this project has been added to the Book Account.

Henry Apgar brought the membership up to date on the progress he and Ruth have made during the past year to obtain recognition for Doctor Virginia Apgar. There has been excellent coverage by various newspapers and support by some prominate individuals to commerate her by having a stamp issued in her honor. The request is now before the Stamp Committee who makes the final decision for any future United States Stamp issues.

George N. Apgar, Jr., with the help of Al and Fran Tiger, made the following awards to those in attendance:

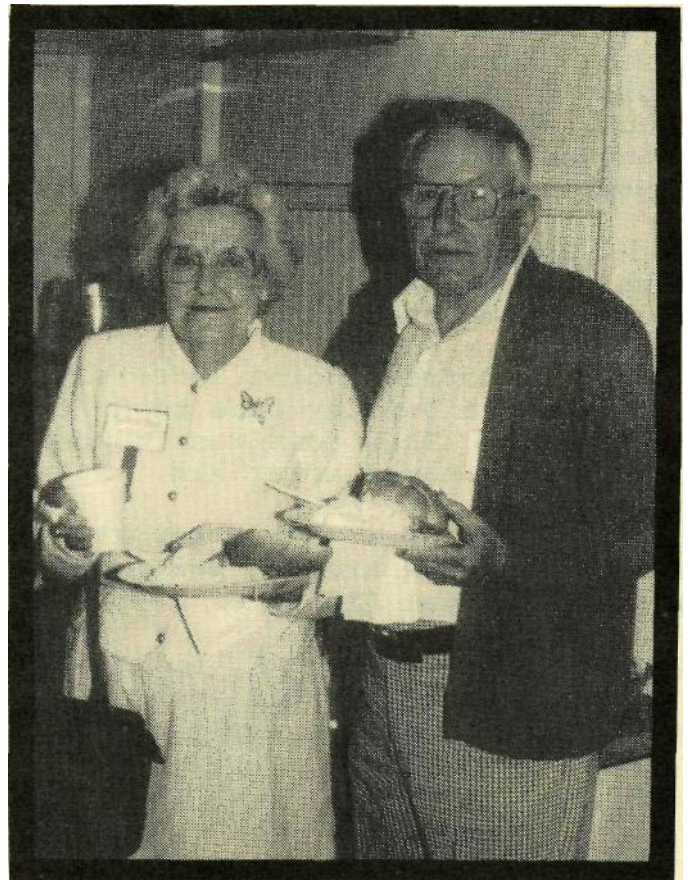
Youngest: Katie Dilts, age twelve months, daughter of Wayne and Lorraine Dilts of High Bridge, New Jersey.

Oldest Female: Lenola Layden, age 96 of Whitehouse, NJ.

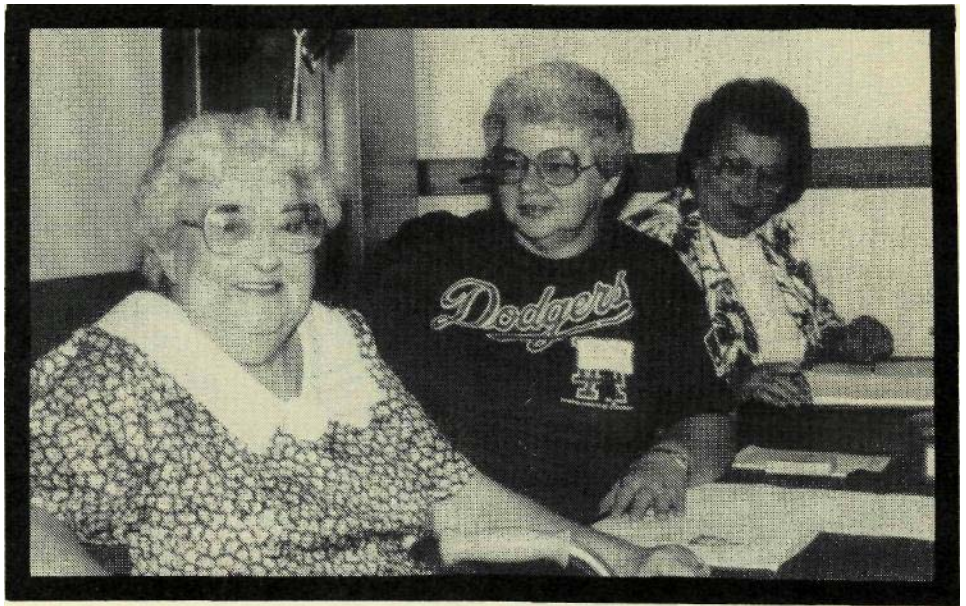
Oldest Male: Leslie Hann, age 91, of High Bridge, NJ

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Malvena and "Spike" Apgar of Cokesbury enjoying their reunion luncheon. For those of you who have attended our family reunions at the Cokesbury Methodist Church know of the hard work and dedication these two family members have given to make those reunions a success.



Guest Eleanor Delking of Finderne, NJ helps family members JoAnne Kotch of Bridgewater and Barbara Apgar of Clinton keep track of luncheon tickets and membership dues.



The Minutes - Continued:

Longest Married Couple: Arthur and Ethel Apgar, married June 17, 1931. This couple resides in Whitehouse Station, NJ.

Persons Who Traveled Farthest: George and Jean Berger from Williamsburg, Virginia.

Largest Immediate Family Present: George M. Apgar, Jr. from Chester, NJ with eleven family members present.

Jack Schuster of Watchung, NJ thanked the Trustees for holding this year's reunion at Mt. Pleasant. It has meant something very special to him as Jack is a descendent of the Frederick Apgar line. It was Frederick who died in 1832 and is buried in the Mt. Pleasant cemetery. Jack concluded that his parents are also buried in this cemetery along with twenty-one forebears which represents a total of eight generations of which three are still living.

Robert O. Apgar asked for a moment of silence to remember those members of the Apgar Family Association who had passed away this past year. Members were Martha McLaughlin Apgar (Herbert, Adam, Jacob Line), Lillian Williams Hoffman (Jacob Line), Richard Hope Ackerman (Conrad Line), Florence Apgar Hunt (Herbert Line), Florence Apgar Levan (Frederick Line), and Nina Apgar Day Phillips (Jacob Line).

George introduced Al Tiger who has been nominated for President for the coming year. Al thanked George and the nominating committee for the appointment. He called upon Henry Apgar, First Vice-President, to present a plaque to George for an excellent job as President of the Apgar Family Association these past three years.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:30 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Alvin B. Tiger

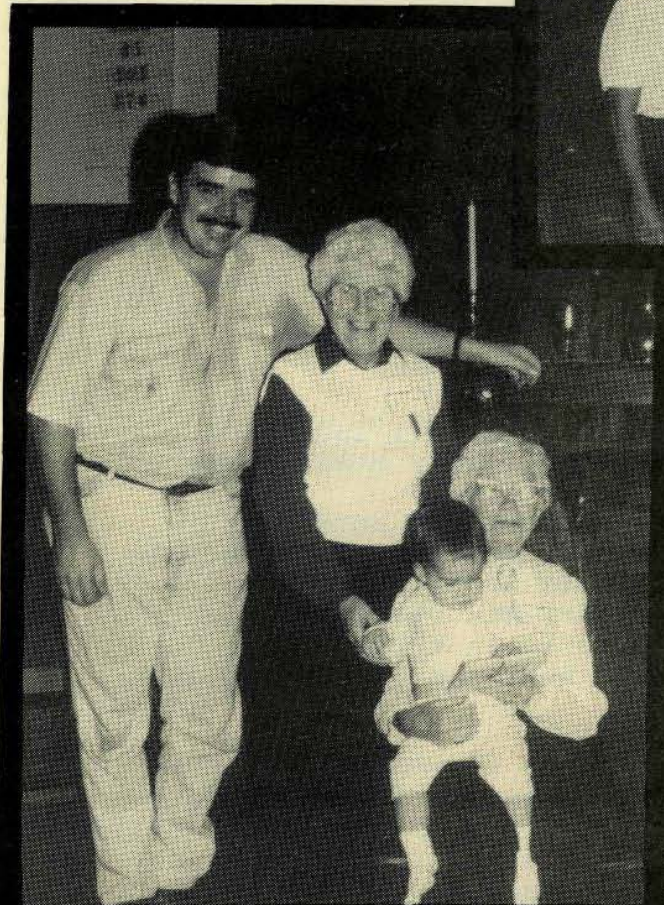
Recording Secretary (1987-1989)

An Awards Photo Essay From Our Fifteenth Apgar Family Reunion:

Pictured on right is Fran Tiger, George and Jean Berger, and Al Tiger. George and Jean traveled the farthest to attend our family reunion coming from Williamsburg, Virginia.



Holding youngest family member present at age twelve months Katie Dilts is oldest female Lenola Layden of Whitehouse, NJ. Behind Lenola is daughter Muriel Dilts of Tomes River, NJ and grandson and father to Katie, Wayne Dilts of High Bridge, New Jersey.



Shown sitting in middle, George Apgar of Chester, NJ has the largest immediate family members in attendance with eleven present. Groups like this is what makes our family reunions a success!



Membership Chairperson Report:

During the year 1989, 264 memberships were received in the Apgar Family Association, Inc. This number is about the same number of family members and individuals who joined the Association in the previous year 1988. We are striving to have a larger family membership turnout in the New Year 1990.

The 1990 annual dues for the Apgar Family Association, Inc. shall be as follows:

Individuals - \$5.00 Family - \$10.00***

***For family dues this includes all family members living under one roof and a list by each name should be attached to your membership response card please.

New membership cards will be mailed out during January 1990. Again we are looking for more members because only this money for memberships keeps our organization able to operate during the year and we also have many dedicated family members who donate their time and efforts to carry out the yearly activities of the Apgar Family Association, Inc.

So an appeal is out to join our Association and be on our mailing list to receive the newsletter and reunion announcements. Anyone interested who is not on our current mailing list please let me know.

Thank you because we could not do it without your help and support and we are hoping for a very good 1990 membership year!

Barbara M. Apgar
Membership Chairperson (1987-1989)
92 Anderson Road
Clinton, NJ 08809

The Treasurer's Message:

Due to our membership fees, we now have a total of \$2,532.90 in our general account. The current sum in our book account is \$2,448.49.

As in the past years, most of our monies have gone toward expenses in mailings, printings, and general correspondence.

Thank you.

George M. Apgar, Jr.
Treasurer (1987-1989)
41 Fairmount Ave. - POB 398
Chester, NJ 07930



Apgar Family Mugs For Sale:

Making their debut at our September 1988 family reunion, we still have some mugs left for sale.

On the front of our mug is our Johannes Peter Apgard Family tree and on the reverse are the words "Apgar Family Reunion, Third Saturday in September, Hunterdon County, New Jersey, Apgar Family Association, Inc."

To date eight hundred and twenty dollars has been collected with this money going towards our current book fund account.

Mugs are \$7.00 apiece and please do not use post office box numbers since these mugs are mailed UPS!

To order make your checks payable to Mary Apgar, 416 Runyon Avenue, Middlesex, NJ 08846.

At this time I would like to thank all of you who have made this project a success. If you have any comments or questions, I may be reached on 201 968-3065.

Mary Apgar
Trustee

Newsletter Editor Report:

Once again I apologize for the delay in this publication mailing. With working two full time jobs and adjusting to my new home and surroundings there just does not seem to be enough hours in the day.

As most of you know I have been editing this newsletter from its origin which makes it eight years with this issue.

I would like to step down as newsletter editor with this issue. If you have the talents and most importantly the time to serve as our next newsletter editor, I would enjoy hearing from you.

George N. Apgar Jr.
Newsletter Editor (1981-1989)
218 Kempsey Drive
North Brunswick, NJ 08902 201 968-3065

To forget one's ancestors is to be a brook without a source, a tree without roots.

Chinese proverb



Our Committees For 1990:

Committees for the Apgar Family Association, Inc. are as follows:

Reunion Committee: Al Tiger, Chairperson
Fran Tiger
Henry & Ruth Apgar
George N. Apgar, Jr.
Imelda & Fred Mercier
George M. Apgar, Jr.
Robert & Dorothy Apgar
Mary Apgar, Rob Apgar
Wayne Apgar, Reba Bloom
Barbara & Richard Apgar
Debbie Apgar



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

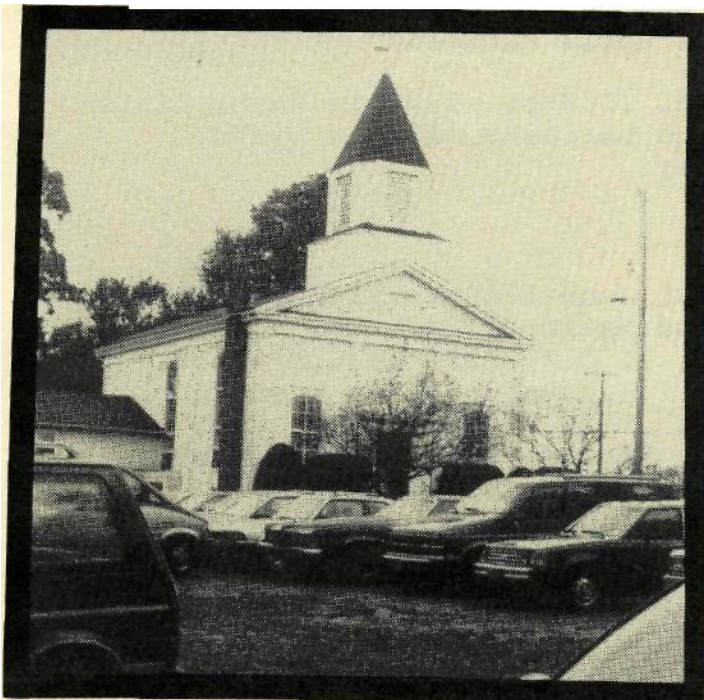
Nominating Committee: Current Eleven Family Trustees

Newsletter Committee: George N. Apgar, Jr., Chairperson
Reba Bloom, Dorothy Apgar

Apgar Genealogy Committee: Dorothy Apgar, Chairperson
Barbara Apgar, Helen Apgar

These committees are formed every year at our family reunion. If you would like to help us make our association stronger, please contact any of the family members listed. We will be glad to hear from you!

Al Tiger - President



Mark Your 1990 Calendar Now!!!

Our Sixteenth Annual Apgar Family Reunion will be held this coming September 15, 1990 at the Alexandria First Presbyterian Church of Mt. Pleasant, New Jersey.

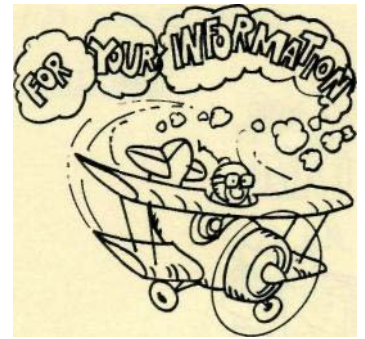
More details with our family invitations when they are mailed around July-August of this summer.

If you have any good ideas on how we can improve our reunions, feel free to drop us a line.

See you at our reunion on Saturday, September 15th!!!

Historian's Report:

This 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, marriage, and/or death. If you send a clipping, please identify the newspaper and date of the notice.



Thank you, to those of you that sent notices this year, and thanks in advance to those of you that have information for me this coming year.

Dorothy E. Apgar
Family Historian (1975-1989)
56 Cherryville-Stanton Road
Flemington, NJ 08822

BIRTHS: (From 1988 Report)

Grace Renee Bailey b. 1 Oct. 1987 to Dr. Lawrence D. Bailey and Debora L. Smith Bailey, (9.5.5.2.3.6.5), Charlottesville, VA.

Kayla Ann McKeever b. 23 Mar. 1988 to Glenn McKeever (1.5.3.1.4.5.4.1.2.2) and Doreen Clauss McKeever, Phillipsbury, NJ.

Michael David Schuyler b. 7 May 1988 to Sanford E. Schuyler and Pauline Apgar Schuyler, Hampton, NJ. Grandparents Irvin D. Apgar.\

Nicholas Trevor Kane b. 22 May 1988 to William Kane and Linda Philhower Kane (3.5.3.2.3.3.2.1.1) Aston, PA.

John Jacob Moser IV b. 12 Sept. 1988 to John Moser III (9.5.9.9.2.4.1.1.2) and Laura Beers Moser.

Jennifer Lynn Wright b. 14 Sept. 1988 to Gregory Wright and Sharon Jones Wright (6.4.3.6.6.1.3.2.1) Port Murray, New Jersey.

Cory John Carvatt b. 1 Dec. 1987 to Kirk Carvatt (3.11.1.3.1.2.1.4) and April Patterson Carvatt, Englewood, Colorado.

Kathleen Theresa Dilts b. 10 Sept. 1988 to Wayne Dilts (6.2.3.5.4.1.1.3.1) and Lorraine Gilrane Dilts, High Bridge, New Jersey.

BIRTHS: (From 1989 Report)

Danielle Rose Dilts b. 28 June 1989 to Richard Dilts (6.2.3.5.4.1.1.1.1) and Maria Dilts.

Aimie Ingham Alsterda b. 11 Oct. 1989 to Richard S. Alsterda (8.8.5.1.1.3.1.1.1) and Sheila Ingham Alsterda, Chicago, IL.

Peter James Hrehowsik b. 26 Jan. 1988 to Paul Hrehowsik and Heather Hallock Hrehowsik (9.6.4.5.1.1.1).

Kandace Apryl Alpaugh b. 16 Mar. 1989 to Scott Alpaugh (3.5.3.13.3.3.5.1) and Katheryn Headen Alpaugh, Bridgewater, New Jersey.

Matthew Justus Cooper b. 10 Aug. 1989 to Brian Harry Cooper (1.8.8.5.2.2.2) and Judith Anne Jones.

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Historian Report Continued: BIRTHS:

Zara Britany Johnson b. 18 Nov. 1988 to Tracy Jones Johnson.

Tiffany Ann Betts b. 19 Dec. 1988 to Sally Jo Starkweather
(8.4.1.11.2.2.2.2) and Arnie Betts.

Darren Revere Willison b. 12 Nov. 1988 to Kenneth and Donna Wilcox
Willison (8.4.1.8.10.3.1).

MARRIAGES: (From 1988 Report)

Janet Panariella and Evan Apgar (2.3.1.3.2.3.2) (4.1.1.6.3.3.1.3.2)
Bridgewater, NJ, 11 Oct. 1987.

Melissa Tinnes (2.3.1.7.1.3.1.1) and Glen Buchel, Cokesbury Methodist
Church, Cokesbury, NJ, Sept. 3, 1988.

John Sinclair Edinger, Jr. (8.8.5.4.1.8.1.1) and Tracy L. Mather,
Washington, D.C., 26 Sept. 1987.

Cheryl Heacock (6.4.7.9.5.1.1.?) and Christoper Maitland, Pittstown, New
Jersey, 11 Sept. 1988.

Sara Ann Apgar (7.9.2.3.4.4.1)(1.2.3.3.10.2.2.1) and George E. Armbrrecht,
10 Oct. 1988.

Mary E. Hankinson (3.5.3.1.4.4.1.3) and James Jakucyk, High Bridge
Reformed Church, High Bridge, NJ, 15 Oct. 1988.

Donna Homulak (2.3.1.11.2.1.1.1) and John Harabedian, St. Ann's Church,
Hampton, NJ, 26 Nov. 1988.

Nathalia Brinker Alsterda (8.8.5.1.1.3.1.1) and Raymond E. Willemain, Pau
Pau, Michigan, 23 Mar. 1989.

Nancy Wack (1.2.3.6.8.3.2.2) and Daniel Booth, MD, Cape Coral First
United Methodist Church, 5 Mar. 1989.

Robert H. Apgar (3.5.3.4.12.3.2.2) and Mary.

Debra McCatharn (6.4.3.4.2.1.8.1.1) and Thomas V. Presuto, Lebanon United
Methodist Church, Lebanon, New Jersey, 27 May 1989.

Christie Ann Sherrerd (6.5.7.3.4.2.1) and Anthony K. Gehman, Clinton
Presbyterian Church, Clinton, NJ, 20 May 1989.

Terrie Ellen Milligan (4.4.4.5.1.3.3.2.?) and Jeffrey Elmy, Northampton
Memorial Community Center, Northampton, PA, 13 May 1989.

DEATHS:

Lester Apgar (1.8.7.1.2.3.1), 73, d. 24 Nov. 1988, Int. Mountain View
Cemetery, Cokesbury, New Jersey.

Stanley B. Apgar (2.3.1.7.3.2), 74, d. 14 Dec. 1988, Int. Cokesbury
Cemetery, Cokesbury, New Jersey.

Mary Philhower Dumbrigue (3.6.3.1.1.2), 97, 21 Nov. 1988, Int. Lower
Valley Union Cemetery, Califon, NJ.

Wilbur Farley (6.10.3.3.9.2), 66, d. 13 Dec. 1988, Int. Fairmount Rural
Cemetery, Fairmount, NJ.

J. Willard Ramsey, Sr. (7.4.3.2.2.3), 78, d. 13 Dec. 1988, Int. Lebanon
Reformed Cemetery, Lebanon, NJ.

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Historian Report Continued: DEATHS:

Lillian Williams Hoffman (6), 89, d. 19 Nov. 1988, Int. Lower Valley Union Cemetery, Califon, NJ.

Donald N. Sliker (1.2.3.7.2.4.5.1), 51, d. 12 Dec. 1988, Int. Lower Valley Union Cemetery, Califon, NJ.

Dorothea Anderson Brinker (wife of 8.8.5.1.1.3.1), d. 11 Nov. 1988, Int. Homewood Cemetery, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

Eloise Pyle Adams (9.5.6.1.2.4), d. 29 Aug. 1988, Suffurn, New York.

M. Sally Bittenbender (wife of 3.7.7.2.3.2.8), 68, d. 29 Oct. 1988, Int. Mountain View Cemetery, Cokesbury, New Jersey.

Dorothy Dearing Landis (wife of 4.1.3.1.1.8.1), 82, d. 26 Nov. 1989.

Jessie Yawger Shurts (6.4.7.7.2.1), 92, d. 22 Apr. 1988, Int. Union Cemetery, Lebanon, New Jersey.

Floyd W. Morrow (1.2.3.6.3.2.4.1), 66, d. Oct. 1988, Int. Lower Valley Cemetery, Califon, New Jersey.

Henry Wiegand (husband of 3.7.1.7.5.6), 84, d. 21 Oct. 1988, Int. Union Cemetery, Lebanon, New Jersey.

Richard H. Ackerman (10.14.8.2.1), 65, d. 3 Jan. 1989, Int. Mountainview Cemetery, Cokesbury, New Jersey.

Edward F. Holscher (husband of 1.2.11.5.2.1.2), 81, d. 5 Jan. 1989, Int. Evergreen Cemetery, Clinton, NJ.

Leila Alpaugh Harchol (1.8.8.1.1.1), 95, d. 3 Feb. 1989.

Martha C. McLaughlin Apgar (wife of 6.2.8.1.1.3) (3.7.1.8.3)(1.8.7.1.1.3), 88, d. 18 Jan. 1989.

Mary Howell Apgar (wife of 1.2.4.5.3.3.1), 72, d. 13 Mar. 1989, Int. Fairmount Cemetery, Phillipsburg, New Jersey.

LaVera Jones Hawk Snyder (wife of 4.4.4.7.2.4), 90, d. 24 May 1989, Int. Riverside Cemetery, Clinton, NJ.

Arnel B. Anderson (6.7.1.6.1.?), 90, d. 22 Jul. 1989, Int. Fairmount Cemetery, Fairmount, NJ.

Mildred Apgar Wilson Costa (6.10.3.3.2.2.1), 71, d. 27 June 1989, Int. Lower Valley Union Cemetery, Califon, New Jersey.

Joseph C. Farley (6.4.3.1.1.5.3), 84, d. 21 June 1989, Int., Cokesbury Cemetery, Cokesbury, New Jersey.

Margaret Bunn (wife of 6.4.3.4.7.2), 92, d. 4 April 1989.

Frances Apgar LeVan (9.5.1.2.1.5.4), 74, d. 13 May 1989.

Dorothy Keephart Frieling Riley (9.2.1.8.4.4), 82, d. 30 Jul. 1989, Int. Milford Union Cemetery, Milford, New Jersey Gladys.

Keephart Godley (9.2.1.8.4.2), 88, d. 3 Sept. 1989, Int. Union Cemetery, Grandlin, New Jersey.

Florence Mae Apgar (1.2.11.5.2.1.1), 81, d. 1989.

Margaret Kehoe Clemons (10.1.1.13.1.3), d. 9 May 1989, Int. Earl Cemetery, Earl, Wisconsin.

Historian Report Continued: DEATHS:

Lanny E. Sigler (10.1.1.13.1.1.1.3), 28, d. 11 Feb. 1987, killed in auto accident, Int. Earl Cemetery, Earl, WI.
Anna M Paul Apgar (wife of 1.2.1.5.1.3), 69, d. 21 Oct. 1988.
Margaret Apgar Wood (10.14.6.3.4), 87, d. 18 Sept. 1988, Int. Somerset Hills Cemetery, Basking Ridge, NJ.
Mancius Clarence Apgar (3.5.5.2.2.3), 84, d. 28 Oct. 1988.
Florence E. Apgar, 79, d. 15 June 1989.
Nina Day Apgar Phillips (6.10.1.1.7.1), d. 1989, Int. Arlington National Cemetery, Washington, D.C.
Raymond L. Apker (10. . .), 75, d. 13 Jul. 1989, Int. Rest Haven Memorial Park, Lock Haven, PA.
Irving Dewitt Gerow (8.4.1.9.2.2.4), d. Jan 1989, Wellsboro, Pennsylvania.
Charles Henry Apgar, Jr. (8.4.1.3.1.1), d. 10 June 1988, Tampa, Florida.
Edna Irene Morris Apgar (wife of 8.4.1.11.1), d. 8 June 1988, Int. Shumway Hill, Pennsylvania.
Ruth Ann Wingate Cornell (8.4.1.11.3.2), d. 15 July 1988, Int. Painted Post, New York.
Edward J. Wingate (8.4.1.11.3.5), d. 31 Dec. -1988, Int. Addison, New York.
Mable Todd Alpaugh Giordano (wife of 1.8.9.4.8), 89, d. 2 3 Sept. 1989, Int. Evergreen Cemetery, Clinton, NJ.
Hilda Marie Lanning Gano (1.2.3.3.10.2.6), 60, d. 16 Sept. 1989, Int. Spruce Run Lutheran Cemetery, Glen Gardner, NJ.

A Message From Your Trustees:

Please note with this issue we have increased the costs of our current family history publications by \$5.00.

At this time we suggest you to order your family history copies to avoid increased costs in the near future.

With increase costs in binding, typing costs, and computer fees we do anticipate further increases with future publications.

Trustees of Apgar Family Association, Inc.



Sons of the Revolution:

This association was formed to perpetuate the memory of the men who, in the military, fought in the Continental Congress. If you are interested in joining this group please contact John Thomas, President of the Daniel Bray Chapter, 6 Orchard Drive, Flemington, NJ 08822 (201 788-9102). Holding their annual meeting at the Old Barracks, Trenton, currently there are five local chapters in the state of NJ.

George Apgar Jr. - Editor



Time To Honor Dr. Apgar:

It was Dr. Virginia Apgar, a Westfield, NJ, native, who in the 19 50s developed the universally used test for viability of newborn infants.

"Every baby born in a modern hospital any-where in the world is looked at first through the eyes of Virginia Apgar," a doctor was quoted as saying in a column by Joan Beck, a medical writer for the Chicago Tribune.



To determine the need for immediate emergency treatment, infants at one and five minutes after birth are given the test devised by Dr. Apgar; they get 0 to 2 points for breathing, skin color, reflexes, motion and heart rate. If their health is perfect, they rate a "10".

Former U.S. Surgeon General Julius Richmond said of this pioneering neonatal specialist that she "has probably done more to improve the health of mothers, babies and unborn infants than anyone in this century."

So why does the campaign to issue a postage stamp commemorating Dr. Apgar's remarkable career seem to have fallen on deaf ears at the U.S. Postal Service in Washington? It's a question that should be directly asked of the service by Congressman Matthew Rinaldo, who represents her birthplace, and New Jersey Senators Bill Bradley and Frank Lautenberg.

Since 1892 about 250 individuals, only 30 of them women, have been honored with commemorative stamps. So far, only one woman doctor has been so recognized - Dr. Mary Walker, who received the Congressional Medal of Honor for her battlefield service during the Civil War. She needs company.

Of course, Dr. Apgar's accomplishments were not limited to the test that bears her name. But there is one other that might ring the Postal Service doorbell: Along with playing chamber music on a viola that she carved from a hospital phone booth, her favorite hobby was stamp-collecting.

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Editor's Note: If you have any comments or suggestions on this campaign, please contact:

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If you cannot get rid of the family skeleton, you may as well make it dance.

George Bernard Shaw

Ethel Apgar and Family:

Shown here are Ethel Apgar of Whitehouse Station, NJ, great-grandmother holding her great-grandchild Jennifer Wright. Also helping Ethel is her daughter Helen Jones of Lebanon Township, NJ. Just behind baby Jennifer is her mother, Sharon Wright - four generations of Apgars!

We encourage items like this for our collection of family memorabilia and if you care to donate such items you may contact any of the current family trustees listed on page three of this newsletter.

George Apgar Jr. - Editor

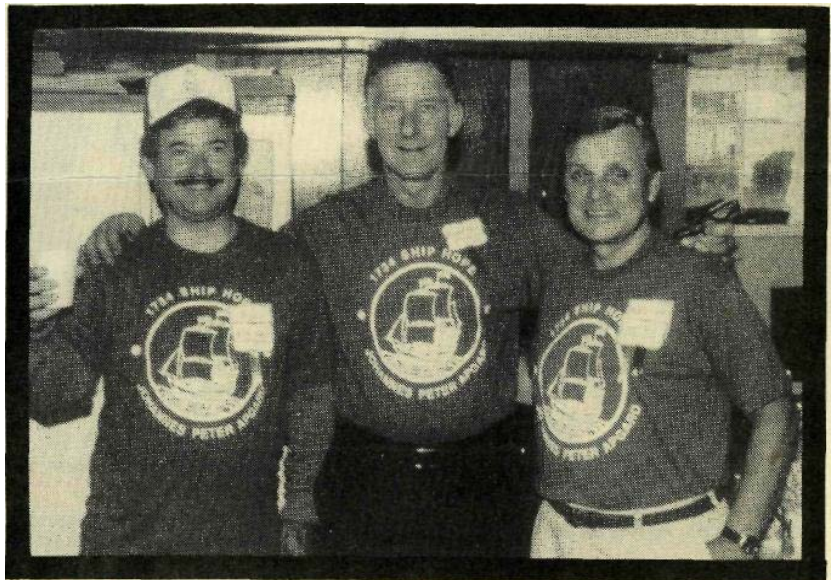
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Apgar family reunion attracts 12

By BARBARA O'BRIEN
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ALEXANDRIA - In just one day, John Mort added 127 people to his family tree. He has 600 more to go.

While researching his family history, Mort discovered he was related to one of the oldest and best-known clans in Hunterdon county — the Apgar family.

"It was just another name in my research until I found out about the Apgar Association," Mort said. A genealogist by trade, Mort traveled three hours yesterday from his home in Pleasant Valley, NY, to be present at the 15th annual Apgar Reunion held here at Mount Pleasant Presbyterian Church.

The event attracted 127 members from 11 branches of the Apgar family, with some coming from as far away as California and Virginia. Many brought birth certificates, photographs and letters in an effort to prove their genealogy and compare their family histories with new-found relatives.

"What line are you from?" is the standard question at our reunions," said Dorothy Apgar of Flemington, the Apgar Family Association historian. "We wear different color ribbons to signify which branch of the family we are descended from. It cuts down on confusion."

The tradition of a family reunion began in 1920, but was suspended during World War II. Dorothy and her husband, Robert, revived the tradition in 1974 after meeting other relatives in a local cemetery who also were looking for their Apgar roots.

The family traces its roots to Johannes Peter Apgard, who came to America from Germany in 1734 and settled in Cokesbury, where he became a farmer. Ten of his 11 children stayed in the area, some of them owning farms that still are in the family.

More than 60 surnames related to the Apgar family have been identified in New Jersey, including Nixon, Rockefeller, Emery and Voorhees. The family association knows of more than 600 descendants scattered throughout the United States, including actor Brian Keith, who is descended from the Apgars on his mother's side.



Lenola Layden, 96, of Readington, left, and her cousin, Leslie M. Hann, 91 oldest family members at the Apgar family reunion yesterday.

Another famous relative is the late Dr. Virginia Apgar, a native of West-field, who developed the Apgar Score procedure. The test is used through-out the world to test the physical condition of newborn babies.

"She was an exceptional woman and deserves credit for her work," said Henry Apgar of South Plainfield, a vice president of the association, is working to see the memory of Dr. Apgar honored with the issuance of a commemorative postage stamp.

After a catered lunch, some members roamed the nearby cemetery, looking for the gravestones of Apgar ancestors. Others took the opportunity to study the numerous family records, old photographs and newspaper clippings on display in the church basement.

It was Mark Apgar's first time at a family reunion, and he hoped the tradition would be passed on to his 4-year-old daughter, Kristina. "I've always known about the family connection, but I never came to any reunions," said Mark Apgar, of Madison. "But it is important for the children to know who they are and where they come from. And this family has plenty of history to work with."

There were four generations of Wayne Dilts family present at yesterday's reunion, including his 96-year-old grandmother and his 1-year old daughter.

Henry Apgar, a former mayor of South Plainfield. "She was a stamp collector herself so it's only fitting she have a stamp issued in her honor."

"These reunions give you a real sense of who you are and where you came from," said Dilts, of High Bridge.

Family members believe there are hundreds of people in the area who have yet to discover their Apgar roots.

"As far as we're concerned, anyone with the name Apgar is probably a relative of Johannes," Mary Apgar of Middlesex said. "If there's anyone out there named Apgar who is wondering about their roots, they can give us a call."

The association president is George Apgar Jr. He can be reached at 297-6686.