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The Eustace Families Association was formed in 1976 with the objectives of: Preserving for posterity the considerable knowledge now held in the histories of families originating in Flanders and the British Isles who bear the name "Eustace" or spelling variants thereof and of their descendants throughout the world.

Encouraging and assisting namesakes to research the story of their immediate and extended families and to disseminate the knowledge gained to those interested.

Developing and extending friendship and understanding between namesakes and welcoming visitors from overseas.

The Eustace Families Association was formed in the United Kingdom by the late Donald W. Eustace of Chiswick (London), and other family members. Following the death of Donald Eustace in 1993, the Eustace Families Association took a brief hiatus. In 1995, David Eustace of Cheltenham, Gloscestershire, England and Ronald Eustice of Savage, Minnesota, USA began to correspond via e-mail and the Eustace Families Association was resurrected. Eustace Families Musters (Reunions) have been held in 1979 (Pyrton), 1981(Bledlow), 1983 (Watlington), 1985 (Lambeth) and 1999 (Watlington). The Great Eustace Gathering was held at Ballymore Eustace, Ireland in 2009. The Eustice family of Waseca County, Minnesota has had well-attended family gatherings on numerous occasions. In 2011 Eustice families of New Jersey held a gathering with over 100 in attendance

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# From The Editor's Desk



Ronald F. Eustice
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Eustaces of Co. Clare, Ireland:

Thanks to long-time Eustace Families Association member and Clare County Eustace descendant, Terry Diebel, Mendota Heights, Minnesota for extensive research on the Eustaces of County Clare, Ireland. See pages 4-15 to learn more. This is the second part of a continuing series. There will be at least two more articles by Terry in future issues which will trace the Clare Eustace families from their early origins at Confey, County Kildare to the present day.

The largest concentration of Irish Eustaces (outside of Dublin) is in County Clare. In the next issue, we will learn about the Eustaces of Kildysart, Shanakea, County Clare.

### **Ireland Revisited:**

In June and July, I traveled to Ireland at the invitation of two family history and local culture groups. These wellattended events were held at Duckett's Grove in Carlow. (More about Duckett's Grove in a future issue). I was invited to share the results of our family history research as well as discuss the Eustace Families Association Y-chromosome DNA project which now has close to 200 participants. Pages 16-20 of this issue include photographs of many of the Eustaces and Eustace descendants who I met; many for the first time. My wife Margaret and daughter AnnMarie joined me for part of the trip. I am very grateful to all those who shared their hospitality with me.

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Share the News! We are always in need of announcements and articles for the Eustace Families Post. This issue includes articles by Karen Nodorft originally from New Glarus, Wisconsin and now of Monticello, Minnesota. Karen's mother was a Eustice whose family can trace their ancestry back to John Eustice who left Cornwall for America in 1846 at the age of 19. Karen Nodorft became aware of the Eustace Families Post (EFP) when she inherited several issues of the EFP published during the mid 1980s from a deceased relative.

### The Man on the Front Cover:

Pictured on the cover is Jackie Eustace of Furroor, Kilmaley, Ireland. Jackie lives in the home that four generations of Eustaces have lived in. He's delightfully Irish and and lives only a few miles from the place in County Clare where his ancestors were forced to flee by Oliver Cromwell in 1654. Thank you Jackie, for a wonderful day in Furroor.

### There is a home for your old EFP!

There is a demand for back issues of the Eustace Families Post. We often receive requests from new members and from libraries for back issues. Recently a request came from the Allen County Genealogical Center in Fort Wayne, Indiana for all back issues of the Eustace Families Post. Libraries currently receiving the EFP include the Wisconsin Historical Library, Madison, The Minnesota Genealogical Society, St. Paul; The History Center of the Church of Jesus Christ of the Latter-Day-Saints, Salt Lake City; The Newberry Library, Chicago; The Waseca County Historical Society, Minnesota Historical Society, the County Kildare Family History Center, Naas, Ireland and the National Library of Ireland, Dublin.

Your local family history center may be interested in adding the EFP to its collection. Contact them. We are all part of local history somewhere.

Learn more about the Eustace/Eustice/Eustis families at www.roneustice.com, http://www.dave.eustace.dial.pipex.com/index.htm and http://www.eustice.info/

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# The Eustace Families of Furroor, Kilmaley, County Clare, Ireland By Terry Diebel in Mendota Heights, Minnesota

The April 2013 issue of the Eustace Families Post featured the first of a series of articles about the history of a Eustace family branch whose descendants settled in County Clare, Ireland. As we learned in the first article, it is highly likely that the Eustace families claiming County Clare as their ancestral home can trace their roots to James Eustace of Confey, County Kildare.

In the 1600's, James Eustace was a gentleman farmer who owned 396 acres of land in Confey and Newtowne which included Confey Castle (the ruins of which are still standing today outside the Confey cemetery) plus 21 acres of land in Ballingorne. James Eustace descended from the once noble Kildare Eustace family who defended the English Pale with their large land holdings and castles.

James Eustace and his son, Nicholas, were declared outlaws soon after the Irish Uprising of 1641 and the defeat of the Catholic Confederacy. Their extensive lands were forfeited a decade later. Clare was set aside to accommodate the "delinquent proprietors", i.e. those proprietors whose land was confiscated because they did not actively oppose the rebellion. In 1654 as a result of the Cromwellian Transplantation, the family of James Eustace; Anne, Martha, Francis, John and Cisly Eustace, probably his children and grandchildren, were removed to the townland of Drumillehy, Kilmacduane Parish, County Clare. Parts of the lands of the existing Clare landholders were confiscated to accommodate these new landholders. Today, the largest concentration of Irish Eustaces (outside of Dublin) is in County Clare.

In this edition of the Eustace Families Post, the second segment about the County Clare Eustace family focuses on the history of a branch of this family who settled in the Parish of Kilmaley, County Clare nearly two hundred years after transplantation.

The history of the Eustace family in Kilmaley begins with Michael Eustace who was born about 1813 in County Clare. His parents' names are unknown. Michael Eustace married Catherine (Kate) Gleeson in the Church of St. John, Kilmaley, Diocese of Killaloe on February 20, 1841. After his marriage to Kate, Michael took possession of part of John Gleeson's (Kate's father) land in Furroor. According to the Tithe Applotment Book of 1821-1837, John Gleeson (and James Hehir) rented over 200 acres in the townland of Furroor, Kilmaley. The same record shows John Gleeson recorded as renting 50+ acres of pasture land in Boulineaska, Furroor.

By the 1855 Griffith's Valuation, Michael Eustace is recorded renting the land in Furroor. According to John Mayer's book, *Families of Kilmaley Parish: A Two-Hundred Year Review*, Michael Eustace's land included "three parcels of land totaling over 113 acres." Michael Eustace "was also part of a group of five individuals renting over 333 acres of land identified as mountain."

The Kilmaley Eustace family still maintains a strong presence near ancestral homelands in County Clare while many of their distant but direct cousins are living in England and the US. The following pages tell this Kilmaley Eustace family's story in County Clare and beyond.

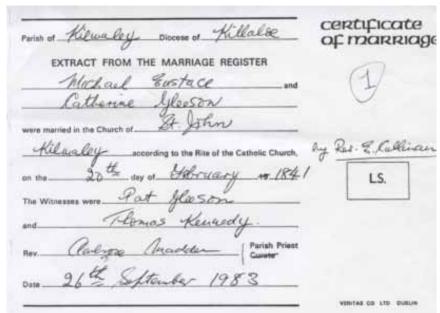


The Parish of Kilmaley is located northeast of the Parish of Kilmacduane where the Eustaces were first "transplanted" in 1654. Only the Parish of Kilmihil separates Kilmacduane from Kilmaley..

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# Michael Eustace and Catherine Gleeson Family of Furroor, Kilmaley, Co. Clare



Michael Eustace married Catherine (Kate) Gleeson on 23 February 1841 at the Church of St. John (R.C.), Kilmaley, County Clare. The witnesses were Pat Gleeson and Thomas Kennedy.

The history of the Eustace family in Kilmaley begins with Michael "Bawn" Eustace who was born about 1813 in County Clare. Michael Eustace married Catherine (Kate) Gleeson in the Church of St. John, Kilmaley in the Diocese of Killaloe on February 20, 1841. After his marriage to Kate, Michael took possession of part of John Gleeson's (Kate's father) land in the townland of Furroor. In Ireland, a townland is the smallest administrative division of land. The Furroor townland includes 851 acres.

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Michael Eustace died on 2 July 1881 in Furroor, Kilmaley. Catherine (Kate) Gleeson was born about 1816 in Furroor, Kilmaley, and died during 1875 in Furroor, Kilmaley. Notes left by Ann Devaney Eustace dated 20 November 1990 describe Michael "Bawn" Eustace as a horse dealer from Dublin and occasional money lender.

Furroor, Kilmaley, County Clare as pictured from Jackie Eustace's front yard.



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Michael Eustace, son of Michael Eustace and Catherine (Kate) Gleeson was born on 18 September 1848 and baptized 2 September 1848 in Kilmaley Parish, Killaloe Diocese, County Clare.

### Michael Eustace and Catherine Gleeson Family of Furroor, Kilmaley, Co. Clare:

### Generation I

**1. Michael Eustace-1. Michael "Bawn" Eustace** was born about 1813 in County Clare and died on 2 July 1881 in Furroor, Kilmaley, County Clare.

Legend says he became a horse dealer in Dublin and was known to be a money lender. He married **Catherine Gleeson** on 20 Feb 1841 and at that time, he took possession of the Gleeson land in Furroor. Catherine (Kate) Gleeson was born about 1816 in Furroor, Kilmaley, and died during 1875 in Furroor, Kilmaley.

Michael Eustace and Catherine (Kate) Gleeson had at least four children:

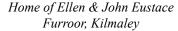
- **2. i. Bridget Eustace** was born about 1846 in Furroor, Kilmaley, County Clare. She married **Daniel Crowley** on 1 March 1870 in Kilofin, County Clare. She died on 6 July 1923 in Slievedooley, Labasheeda, Clare. Daniel Crowley was born about 1849 and was a farmer in Kilofin.
- 3. ii. Michael Eustace was born on 19 September 1848. He married Honor Eustace (probably a cousin) on 22 Feb 1887 in Kilmihil, County Clare. He died on 17 December 1942 in Furroor, Kilmaley, County Clare. Honor Eustace was the daughter of Patrick Eustace and Mary Galvin. She was born about 1857 in County Clare and died of phthisis (tuberculosis) on 9 October 1909 at Kilmaley.
- 4. iii. John Eustace was born in 1850 in Furroor, Kilmaley, County Clare. He married Ellen Thompson on 8 February 1873 in Kilmihil, County Clare. He died "young" in Furroor, Kilmaley. 5. iv. Patrick Eustace was born about 1853 in Furroor, Kilmaley. He married Bridget Moroney on 13 February 1878 in Mullagh, Craggaknock, County Clare. He died from a fractured skull on 9 May 1913 in Clohanatinna, Cragaknock, Kilrush, County Clare.

Research by Terry Diebel and confirmed by Jackie Eustace and other family members.



Eustace family homestead at Furroor, Kilmaley, County Clare. Michael and Honor Eustace and John and Ellen Eustace lived in adjacent houses at Furroor.







Home of Honor & Michael Eustace Furroor, Kilmaley

In 2013, Jackie Eustace, son of George and Kathleen (Vaughan) Eustace and grandson of John and Ellen Eustace lives adjacent to his cousin Mary Eustace Kennedy, a daughter of Danny and Honora (Corry) and grandaughter of Michael and Honor Eustace. Mary lives in a new home on the property but the pink house shown above though vacant, still stands. Jackie lives next door in the yellow house where he was born 83 years ago.



Kilmaley is a village situated 12 kilometers west of the town of Ennis, County Clare. The name "Kilmaley" came from the Irish language "Cill Mhaile" which translates to Church of (St) Maley. Kilmaley village is part of the wider Kilmaley Parish which includes two other villages (Connolly and Inch) and surrounding townlands. The Kilmaley Parish area is the largest in County Clare and is one of the largest in the Diocese of Kilaloe.

### Descendants of Michael Eustace & Catherine "Kate" Gleeson:

Family of Michael Eustace & Honor Eustace of Furoor, Kilmaley

### **Generation II**

**Michael Eustace-2** (*Michael Eustace-1*). Michael Eustace, the eldest son of Michael Eustace and Kate Gleeson was born on 19 September 1848 and died on 17 December 1942 in Furroor, Kilmaley, County Clare. Michael Eustace married **Honor Eustace** on 22 February 1887 in Kilmihil, County Clare. Honor Eustace was the daughter of Patrick Eustace and Mary Ann Galvin and was born on 23 March 1857 in Cahermurphy, Kilmihil, County Clare. She died on 9 October 1909 in Furroor, Kilmaley. Michael and Honor had nine children as follows;

- **3. i. Michael Eustace** was born on 7 January 1877 in Furroor, Kilmaley. He married **Mary Connellan** on 21 September 1904 in Springfield, Hampden County, Massachusetts. He died on 15 September 1966 in New Haven, Connecticut. Michael emigrated to the US in 1901 from Furroor, Kilmaley.
- 3. ii. Patrick Eustace was born on 10 February 1888 in Furroor, Kilmaley. He died during World War I on 18 July 1918 in France and is buried in Aisne Morne Cemetery, France. Prior to his service in World War I, Patrick emigrated to the United States from the village of Ennis on June 27, 1910 to the home of his cousin, Patrick Eustace (son of John and Ellen Thompson Eustace) who was living with James Crehan at 52 Hayden St., Buffalo, New York. Patrick Eustace was 22 when he left Furroor, Kilmaley, Ennis together with Patrick Crehan age 20, also from Kilmaley, Ennis.



Patrick Eustace 1888-1918

Patrick Eustace emigrated to the US in 1910 and joined the US Army. He died during World War I on 18 July 1918 in France and is buried in Aisne Morne Cemetery, France.



Michael Eustace (1848-1942)

Michael Eustace the oldest son of Michael Eustace and Catherine Gleeson was born on September 19, 1848. He married Honora Eustace (who was a Kilmihil Eustace) on February 22, 1887 and they lived in Furroor, Kilmaley. He died on 17 December 1942 in Furroor, Kilmaley,

- **3. iii. Richard Eustace** was born on 19 February 1889 in Furroor, Kilmaley and died on 11 December 1984.
- **3. iv. Maria Eustace** was born on 19 March 1890 in Furroor, Kilmaley and died in 1979 at New Haven, Connecticut.
- **3. v. Margaret Eustace** was born on 22 March 1891 in Furroor, Kilmaley.. She married **Thomas Hehir** on 15 September 1920 in Kilmaley. She died in 1981 in County Clare.
- **3. vi. Timothy/Daniel Eustace** was born on 23 January 1893 in Furroor, Kilmaley, County Clare and died on 10 May 1986 in Furroor, Kilmaley.



Honora Eustace (1857-1909)

Honor Eustace was born on 23 March 1857 in Cahermurphy, Kilmihil and died on 9 October 1909 in Furroor, Kilmaley. She was the daughter of Patrick and Anna (Galvin) Eustace of Cahermurphy, Kilmihil

- 3. vii. John F. (Jack) Eustace was born on 4 January 1896 in Furroor, Kilmaley and died on 23 December 1989 in Furroor, Kilmaley. He first came to the US in 1923 and lived briefly with his older brother Richard at 340 E. 187th St., New York City, however on the immigration record he listed his ultimate destination as Buffalo, New York. Jack returned to Ireland after raising his family in the US. 3. viii. Bridget Eustace was born on 20 January 1897 in Furroor, Kilmaley. She married Patrick Reidy on 24 April 1934. She died during 1987 in County Clare.
- **3. ix. Catherine Eustace** was born on 2 November 1900 in Furroor and married **Patrick Murphy** on 30 April 1927. She died in 1993 in Co. Clare.

# Descendants of Michael Eustace & Catherine "Kate" Gleeson:

Michael Eustace & Honora Eustace of Furoor, Kilmaley



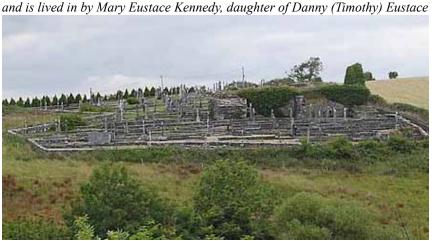
Kilmaley Eustaces
Front to back: Maria Eustace
Kelleher, Richard Eustace, Michael
Eustace, John Eustace. Descendants
of Michael Eustace and Kate Gleeson.



Michael & Honora Eustace family homestead at Furroor, Kilmaley, County Clare in former days.



Seen above is the original house which is now vacant. A new home has been built and is lived in by Mary Eustace Kennedy, daughter of Danny (Timothy) Eustace



Kilmaley Church & Graveyard



Michael & Honora Eustace Headstone, Kilmaley, County Clare Graveyard.

Inscription reads: In loving memory of Honora Eustace who died 10th October 1909 aged 52 years. Michael Eustace died 17th December 1942 aged 92 years. John P. died 23rd December 1989 aged 94. [Grave No. 74]

### Michael Eustace & Honora Eustace Family of Furroor, Kilmaley



Daniel (Timothy) Eustace (1893-1986) and Nora Corry (1907-1980), both seated, of Kilmaley, County Clare. Daniel's sister Bridget Eustace (1897-1987) is standing at center. Daniel and Bridget were the children of Michael Eustace (1848 – 1942) and Honor Eustace (1857 – 1909). Daniel and Bridget Eustace are the grandchildren of Michael and Catherine Gleeson Eustace of Furroor, Kilmaley, County Clare.

**Daniel (Timothy) Eustace** was born on 23 January 1893 in Furroor, Kilmaley and died 10 May 1986 also at Furroor, Kilmaley. He married **Nora Corry**. **Bridget Eustace** was born 20 January 1897 in Furroor, Kilmaley, County Clare. She married Patrick Reidy on 24 April 1934 and died during 1987 in County Clare.



Descendants of Timothy (Daniel) Eustace and Nora Corry and the granddaughters of Michael and Honor Eustace of Kilmaley, Clare.

Nuala Eustace Moloney and her older sister Mary Eustace Kennedy are on the left. Sarah Kennedy is the blonde young woman in the middle. Nuala's husband, Martin Moloney is next and then Sharon Kennedy is far right - all Kilmaley clan. *Photo by Terry Diebel (2009)*.



Mary Eustace Kennedy (Born 1933)

Daughter of Danny (Timothy) Eustace and Honora Corry of Furroor, Clare. Mary lives in a new hone adjacent to one of the original Eustace homes at Furroor.



Michael Eustace (1848 – 1942) of Kilmaley married Honor Eustace (1857 – 1909) of Kilmihill on 22 February 1887 in Kilmihil.

### Descendants of Michael Eustace & Catherine "Kate" Gleeson:

Family of John Eustace and Ellen Thompson of Furroor, Kilmaley:

### **Generation II**

John Eustace 2 (*Michael - 1*). John Eustace son of Michael Eustace and Kate Gleeson was born on 29 Nov 1853 in Kilmaley, County Clare. He married Ellen Thompson, the daughter of George Thompson and Ellen Eustace on 8 February 1873 in Kilmihil, County Clare. John was a farmer at Furroor and died "young." Ellen died during March 1935 in Furroor and is buried in Kilmaley Cemetery.

### John Eustace and Ellen Thompson had nine children.

- **i. Patrick Eustace** was born about 1874 in Kilmihil, County Clare and died before 1885 when another son was born and named Patrick.
- **ii. Bridget Eustace** was born on 8 February 1875 in Furroor, Kilmaley, County Clare. She married a man named **Higgins** and died in Massachusetts.
- iii. Mary (Mollie) Eustace was born on 26 January 1877 in Furroor, Kilmaley. She died in Buffalo, New York. Immigration records at Ellis Island show that Mollie Eustace visited the US on several occasions before settling down in Buffalo. Her prior visits to the US included a trip to Lowell, Massachusetts. In 1904, Mollie immigrated to the US with her final destination listed as the home of her cousin Catherine McCarthy on West 73rd Street, New York City. By 1905, she had moved to Buffalo and married **Thomas Crehan**.
- **iv. John Eustace** was born on 14 August 1878 in Kilmaley. John immigrated to the US and arrived at Ellis Island, May 23, 1901 on the Teutonic which departed from Queenstow. He listed the home of Mrs. Kilty of Atlantic Headlands, New York as his final destination. He settled in Buffalo, New York where he became a city policeman. He married **Nellie Connellan** on 23 September 1914 in Springfield, Hampden, Massachusetts and died in Buffalo. In 1920, John was living at 42 Hayden Street, Buffalo.
- v. Catherine (Kitty) Eustace was born on 30 November 1880 in Kilmaley. She married a man named O'Connor and died in Buffalo, New York.
- vi. Michael Eustace was born on 30 May 1883 in Furroor. He married Mary McMahon on 16 June 1915 in Kilmaley and died on 6 December 1963 in Kilmaley. Michael Eustace was a blacksmith and had a forge just about 60 feet from the Kilmaley post office operated by the Eustace family. On May 5, 1905, along with his brother Patrick, Michael visited his sister, Mollie Eustace who was living on Delaware Street in Buffalo, New York. Michael Eustace and Mary "Baby" McMahon had one daughter Catherine "Kitty" and three sons; Patrick "Pakie" Thomas, and Michael "Mikey".
- vii. Patrick Eustace was born on 9 July 1885 in Furroor, Kilmaley and died in Buffalo, New York. Patrick enlisted in the US Marine Corp. in 1918 and was discharged in 1919. He had immigrated to his sister, Mollie's home at 824 Delaware, Buffalo, New York in 1905. On May 9, 1905, Patrick



John & Ellen (Thompson) Eustace home at Furroor (From the rear)

visited his sister Mollie Eustace who was living on Delaware St., Buffalo, New York. The 1930 Federal Census, shows him living in the Buffalo State Hospital. For a time, he was living with his sister, Mrs. Higgins, at 152 1/2 16th St. Buffalo, NY. He was admitted to US National Hospital for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers in Bath, New York in 1931. Patrick was single.

- viii. Thomas Eustace was born on 8 May 1887 in Furroor, Kilmaley. He died in Buffalo, New York. Thomas immigrated to brother Michael's home at 45 Hayden Street, Buffalo, New York on June 30, 1910.
- ix. George Eustace was born on 6 Feb 1889 in Furroor, Kilmaley. He married Kathleen Vaughan on 30 November 1929. He died on 8 Jan 1965 in Kilmaley. George and Kathleen Eustace had three children; Jackie, Mary (Maisie), and Bridget (Beite). George is the father of Jackie Eustace pictured on the cover and whose story follows.



Ellen (Thompson) Eustace headstone, Kilmaley Cemetery
Eustace Headstone, Kilmaley Graveyard. Inscription
reads: In loving memory of Ellen Eustace, Furror, who
died March 1935, aged 83 years. R.I.P. Erected by her
sons. [Grave No. 215]. The family is not certain of where
Ellen's husband John is buried.

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Jackie Eustace's house at Furroor, Kilmaley, County Clare (2013)

Michael "Bawn" Eustace married Catherine "Kate" Gleeson on 20 February 1841. Michael took possession of the Gleeson family farm at Furroor, Kilmaley where Catherine was born about 1816. Kate died in the house shown above in 1875.

At least four generations of the Eustace family have lived on this property at Furroor. The farm eventually included 70 acres of forest and farmland. Jackie Eustace, who currently lives there describes the farm as "bad" land. About four years ago, Jackie sold much of the land to a forestry company. He still owns a few acres and lives in the house above.



George Eustace and Kathleen Vaughan headstone in Kilmaley Cemetery. George Eustace of Furroor died January 8, 1965. Kathleen died October 15, 1973 at age 63 years.



Inside Jackie's home.





Jackie Eustace

**Jackie Eustace** was born at Furroor, Kilmaley on 24 April, 1930. He was the oldest child born to George Eustace and Kathleen Vaughan. Jackie has never married and lives alone in the same house that at least four generations of his family have lived in at Furroor.

Jackie's father, George Eustace was born on 6 February 1889 in Furroor and married Kathleen Vaughan on 30 November 1929 at Kilmaley. George Eustace died on 8 January 1965 in Kilmaley. Jackie is the great-grandson of Michael and Catherine Gleeson Eustace, Furroor, Kilmaley.

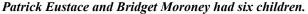
Editor's note: I arrived in the town of Ennis, County Clare on the evening of July 12th. My goal was to make contact with various branches of the Eustace family of County Clare. I was graciously welcomed. My very first meeting was with Jackie who drove from Furroor to Ennis to have tea with me at the Ground Hotel. His knowledge of family history is remarkable. We spent a couple hours at the historic Ground Hotel in Ennis discussing family history in detail. I had to write fast and listen carefully because of Jackie's great knowledge but also because he speaks with a West Clare accent that that forced me to listen carefully and have him repeat a few words. Jackie Eustace is a remarkable man; he's part of the generation that saw Ireland change dramatically. I enjoyed every minute I spent with Jackie. RFE.

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### Descendants of Michael Eustace & Catherine "Kate" Gleeson:

Family of Patrick Eustace and Bridget Moroney of Furroor, Kilmaley:

Patrick Eustace-2 (*Michael Eustace-1*). Patrick Eustace, the youngest son of Michael Eustace and Kate Gleeson was born about 1853 in Furroor, Kilmaley, County Clare and died on 9 May 1913 in Clohanatinna, Cragaknock, Kilrush, Co Clare. Patrick Eustace married **Bridget**Moroney on 13 Feb 1878 in the Mullagh chapel, Craggaknock, County Clare. The marriage records states that Patrick was a farmer living at Furroor, Kilmaley. Bridget Morony, daughter of Martin Moroney was a minor living at Carhuligane, Mullagh, Craggaknock. The witnesses at the marriage were Nicholas Thompson and Maria Meade. Patrick Eustace died from a fractured skull on 9 May 1913 in Clohanatinna, Cragaknock, Kilrush, Co Clare. Bridget Morony was born about 1859 in Carhuligane.



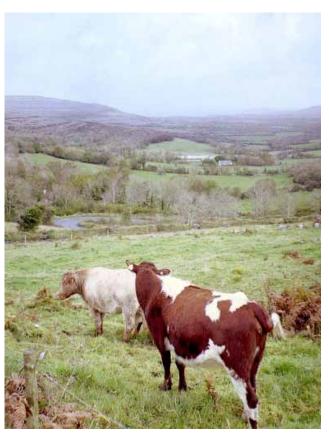
- i. Catherine Eustace was born on 2 April 1879 in Cloghaunnatinny, Mullagh, Clare. She married **Michael Walsh** on 8 April 1913 in Mullagh, Craggaknock, County Clare.
- **ii. Michael Eustace** was born on 3 September 1880 in Cloghaunnatinny, Mullagh, Clare.
- **iii. Maurice Eustace** was born on 1 November 1881 in Cloghaunnatinny, Mullagh, Clare.
- **iv. Bridget Eustace** was born in 1884 in Cloghaunnatinny, Mullagh, Co Clare.
- v. John Eustace was born on 3 July 1884 in Cloghaunnatinny, Mullagh, and died on 13 March 1885 in Clohanatinna, Cragaknock, Kilrush, Clare.
- vi. Patrick Eustace was born on 2 June 1886 in Cloghaunnatinny, Mullagh, Clare.



Eustace land at Furroor, Kilmaley, County Clare



Kilmaley Catholic chapel ruins and graveyard.



Scene from Lissycasey (near Furroor), County Clare



## Michael Eustace & Mary "Baby" McMahon Family of Kilmaley, Co. Clare

Michael Eustace son of John Eustace and Ellen Thompson was born on 30 May 1883 in Furroor, Kilmaley, County Clare. He married Mary "Baby" McMahon on 16 June 1915 in Kilmaley, County Clare. He died on 6 December 1963 in Kilmaley. On May 5, 1905, along with his brother Patrick, Michael visited his sister, Mollie Eustace who was living on Delaware Street in Buffalo. New York.

Michael Eustace worked as a blacksmith and had a forge just about 60 feet from the Kilmaley post office that was operated by Mary McMahon Eustace and family.

Family of Michael Eustace and Mary "Baby" McMahon:

- 1). Catherine "Kitty" Eustace, born 20 January 1916; she married Jack Slattery on 27 September 1938. They had two daughters; Maura and Nuala;
- 2). Patrick "Pakie" Joseph Eustace, born 28 February 1918, married Frances Tierney. Pakie was a plas-
- 3). Thomas Eustace, born 10 July 1920, married Anne Devaney of Inch, County Clare. Thomas was a blacksmith and musician;
- 4). Michael Eustace, baptized 12 March 1921; he married Teresa "Tessie" Neylon. They lived on Henry Street, Kilrush. Michael died 11 March 2006. Teresa Neylon was born 2 February 1924 and died 21 September 1996. Michael was a jeweler and owned a shop in Kilrush.



Michael Eustace (1921-2006), son of Michael Eustace and Mary McMahon was a jeweler and owned a shop in Kilrush. He married Teresa Neylon and lived on Henry Street. The jewelry shop is shown above.



Peggy & Val Eustace Family Ennis, County Clare Val is the son of Patrick "Pakie" Eustace and Frances Tierney. Seen above are Peggy, Patrick, Aine and Val.



McMahon/Eustace Headstone, Kilmaley Graveyard.

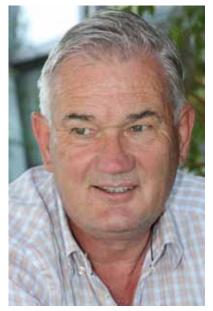
The inscription reads: In loving memory of Catherine McMahon who died 29th January 1914 aged ??. Erected by her husband and daughter Michael and Mary, died April 24, 1948 and August 2, 1972. Michael Eustace died December 5, 1963. [Grave No. 292]



Val Eustace

Val is the son of Patrick "Pakie" Eustace and Frances Tierney. He married Peggy Murphy. Val and Peggy live on Kilrush Road, Ennis. Val & Peggy Eustace have three children:

- 1). Bernadette Eustace:
- 2). Eon Eustace;
- 3). Patrick Eustace;



Michael Eustace

Michael is the son of Michael Eustace and Teresa Neylon. He married Helen Moroney and has four children. Michael and Helen live in Ennis. He is a civil engineer.

## Michael Eustace & Mary "Baby" McMahon Family of Kilmaley & Ennis, Clare



Maura Slattery Tobin

Maura Slattery is the daughter of Catherine "Kitty" Eustace (1916-1959) who married Jack Slattery. Catherine "Kitty" Eustace was the daughter of Michael Eustace & Mary McMahon. Kitty Eustace and Jack Slattery were married 27 September 1938. They had two daughters; Maura, born 20 July 1939 and Nuala, born 30 December 1941.

Maura Slattery married James Tobin on 8 May 1964 and has four children; Maria, Caroline, Jacinta and John. Maura and James Tobin live on Tulla Road in Ennis.

Nuala Slattery married Anthony Meaney and had four children; Sean, Linda, Anthony and Brian who died of cancer at age 27. Nuala is deceased.



Michael & Helen (Moroney) Eustace of Ennis, Co. Clare Michael and Helen have four children; Maeve, Michael, John and Claire.



Eustace Family Gathering at Ennis, County Clare in July 2013

Editor's Note: I am grateful to Val and Peggy Eustace, Michael and Helen Eustace and Maura Slattery Tobin and her husband James for a warm welcome during my visit to Ennis. We met for tea at the historic Ground Hotel (seen at right) after 10:00 Mass on July 14th. I was invited to a barbecue later that day where I met more family members. My trip to Ennis was one of the highlights of my stay in Ireland thanks to Peggy and Val, Helen and Michael, the Tobins and all the family.



Ennis, County Clare

The Old Ground Hotel in Ennis (at right) where I met the Eustaces is a historic landmark. The building contains a number of older structures, including a tower house, county jail and an 18th century mansion.



### Thomas Eustace & Ann Devaney Family of Kilmaley:

Thomas Eustace, born 10 July 1920, was the youngest son born to Michael Eustace and Mary McMahon. He married Anne Devany of Inch, County Clare. Tom Eustace was a blacksmith, a trade that demanded omni-competent skills in any rural community but he was also a well-known musician. Memories of Tom Eustace of Kilmaley will continue to wind themselves into the minds of those who knew and admired him. Throughout West Clare, Tom Eustace is remembered as an outstanding set dancer, a humourist, and a fiddle player. For others in Kilmaley, he will be remembered, like his people before him, as a blacksmith.

For the elderly who arrived at his post office on Friday mornings to collect their pensions, Tom was the rogue who brightened up their day and whose stories took precedence over a shop full of van men, carefully chosen hay-forks and housewives waiting to do battle for a bargain. Rushing was never a priority in Eustaces', no more than the impersonal banter of the supermarket that has now replaced many small family shops throughout the West of Ireland.

# Family of Thomas Eustace and Ann Devany:

- 1). Thomas Eustace, married Raquel Lucia Luciano who was born in Italy. They live in Epson, England and have three children; Daniel, Joshua and Zara.
- **2). Rosie Eustace**; married **Steve Holmes** and living at Redhill, near Epsom, England. Rosie is a nurse;
- **3). Emmet Eustace;** works for Telecom and lives in England. He is not married;
- **4). Kitty Eustace;** she married **Dave Probert** of Epsom, England and lives on Jersey, Channel Islands. She is a nurse:
- **5). Joan Eustace**; she is married to **Ken Daly**, whose grandfather was Captain Daly of Dromashire. Joan is a housewife and has two children; David Eustace and Rachel Daly.



Painting of the Kilmaley Post Office & Eustace General Store as it was during Tom & Ann (Devany) Eustace's time. This painting hangs in the store/post office in Kilmaley. The Kilmaley post office administrative position was advertised in January 1931. Mary Eustace successfully applied for the position and was appointed on 28 January 1931. The original letter of appointment can still be seen at the Kilmaley Post Office. The salary she received was increased to 34 pounds per year. The previous postmaster was J.J. McGann.



Michael Eustace, son of John Eustace and Ellen Thompson and their son Thomas were blacksmiths. For several decades, the Eustaces operated a forge (seen above) near the post office and general store at Kilmaley. Mary Eustace nee McMahon was appointed post master of Kilmaley on 28 January 1931.





# Good Times in Ireland Remembered June/July 2013



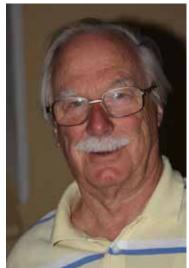
Michael Eustace of Swords (Dublin) & AnnMarie Eustice of Minneapolis



Michael Eustace, Pauline Eustace, Margaret Eustice, Ronald Eustice, John Eustace at Michael's 21st Birthday Party



Glendalough with Ronald, Nicolette, AnnMarie, Joe and Margaret



Robin Eustace Harvey, County Carlow



Robert Eustace of Blessington/Shankhill



Breda & William Eustace of Kells, County Kilkenny



Lena Eustace (mother of Robert) of Shankhill with Robert's daughters.



Tom & Valerie Dowling, Co. Wicklow



Lena Eustace, Shankhill/Blessington



Marie Eustace, daughter & grandkids



Marie Eustace, Ballyfolan, Co. Wicklow



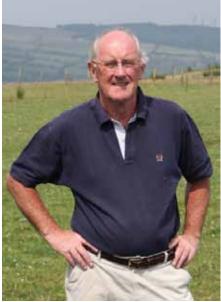
Alice Eustace of Manor Kilbride





Ann & Liz Eustace of Carlow with Pauline Dowling (center) Mr. & Mrs. Sean Eustace of Dublin. Sean is from Shankhill







Peter Eustace (son of Paddy) West Wicklow House, Blessington

Paddy Eustace, Blessington

Sean Eustace, Ballyfolan



John Eustace (son of Paddy) and his fiancee Allison.



Dermot Eustace, (son of Paddy) Blessington





Kieran Eustace, Eithne Eustace Kane, Eithne Jr; Fr. Louis Eustace at Newtowncashel



James Eustis, Kieran Eustace, Joann Eustis, Mary Jude Eustis Sushinski at Collum (Newtowncashel)



Margaret Eustace of Wicklow, AnnMarie Eustice of Minneapolis & Margaret Eustice of Savage, Minnesota



AnnMarie Eustice at the Brazen Bull Pub (Dublin's oldest Bar). AnnMarie is Ronald & Margaret's daughter



AnnMarie & Margaret Eustice



Margaret & AnnMarie Eustice at Temple Bar (near Eustace Street)

### **EUSTACE FAMILIES POST**

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Patrick Eustace Monasterevin, County Kildare



**Jim Eustace,** Landscaper, Corbally, Newbridge, County Kildare



Shirley, Noeleen and Grace Eustace of County Kildare with their Aunt Margaret Eustace



Trish Eustace (wife of Joe), Dorothy Dowling, Joe Eustace and Ronald Eustice at Joe & Trish's house

November 2013

# Eustice girls excel in tennis & volleyball at Mora, Minnesota



The Mora Varsity Volleyball team; pictured are back row (l-r) Carrie Fredlund, Rachael Anderson (captain), Anna Mork, Brooke Elvehjem, Stephanie Cannon, Taylor Sundsvold; front row (l-r) Jade Hastings, Ally Wahl, Kristen Eustice (captain), Claire Blake, and Madison Halvorson. Photo by Lynn Beier.

Mora, Minnesota (August 30, 2013): If the Mora Mustang volleyball team only brought half of the intensity exhibited during their practice on Aug. 26 to the court during competition, their opponents would be in trouble.

Not only has Coach Lisa Gustafson drilled into the team the fundamentals, but furthermore has developed a team that functions as a single unit on the court. Gustafson also believes the team to be a conference contender in part to the team's natural abilities.

The observed cohesiveness with which the team functions is quite the sight to behold. With senior captains, Rachael Anderson (MH) and Kristen Eustice (S), leading the team, it can be said they drive each player to perform her best.

"We have a well-rounded team, with offensive strength and experience," Eustice said. And the facts are on her side. With six seniors and four juniors on the varsity roster this year, all returning players, the prospects of returning to the Minnesota State championships as they did last season are better than good.

Allison and Kristin Eustice are daughters of Todd and Patty (Dockter) Eustice of Mora, Minnesota. Not only has a majority of this team experienced the State championship, but this is the team that the year prior had a 10 and 2 season.

When Eustice and Anderson were asked what they are looking forward to most this season, the consensus was, playing in and "winning tournaments," which this team has a history of doing.

The Mustangs' volleyball team has a successful track record of accomplishing great things and amassing wins. In observing the team's dynamics this year, one could expect more of the same.

By Derrick Olson contributing writer for the Kanabec County (Minnesota) Times. Article published August 30, 2013





The Mora girls' tennis team letter winners are back for another year. Back row pictured (l-r) Kennadie Anderson, Kelly Neil, Katie Murner, and Kelsie Undem. Front row (l-r): Allie (Allison) Eustice and Isabelle Bailey. Photo by Art Pederson. Mora (Minnesota) Times (September 3, 2013)

November 2013

# Bob Eustice of Byron, Minnesota wins 'Good Neighbor' award

By David Richards, Byron Review
In the same way you can't have a parade without candy or a Fireman's Dance without a band, you can't have Good Neighbor Days without the announcement of the Good Neighbor award.

For 2013, there were three finalists, which were whittled down from the initial nominations by the Good Neighbor Days committee.

Ballots were cast at six different locations around Byron, Minnesota including Kwik Trip, Market Place, First Security Bank, Otto's Bakery, City Hall and First Alliance Credit Union. Voting stopped on Wednesday July 10, with the winner announced at the ice cream social Friday, July 19 at Byron City Hall.

Good Neighbor Days runs from Thursday, July 18 with the traditional Medallion Hunt and wraps up Sunday, July 21 with the parade and the fireworks.

The Good Neighbor award is given each year to a person who regularly volunteers, is there when someone needs help and who just keeps giving back to the community.

This year's nominees were Robert Eustice, who was a key organizer for the recent event that benefitted the D.J. Logan scholarship and her family; Robert Nickel, who's played a large role in both the Byron Alumni Association and the Byron History Center; and Lillian Russell, president of both Byron's senior citizen's group and the local book club.

The winner was Robert Eustice who said "I think it's quite an honor. I didn't expect it, but it's an honor I'm happy to receive." Eustice was a local dairy farmer for nearly three decades before recently selling his cows, but still raises heifers.

He's a service officer for the American Legion, sending flowers for a funeral or visiting the sick at home or in the hospital. His most recent volunteer effort was organizing the fundraiser in memory of D.J. Logan, the Byron High School senior who was killed in a car accident the first day of this past school year.



The winner of this year's Byron Good Neighbor Award was Robert Eustice. The announcement was made at the ice cream social at City Hall, held Friday, July 19 during Byron Good Neighbor Days. "It's a great honor," Eustice said. "I feel so fortunate to be a part of the Byron community."

"I think Byron is the greatest community," Eustice said. "What Byron has to offer their residents is second to none."

Nickel has lived in Byron for 63 years and is a retired IBM machinist. He played an integral role in the Byron Alumni Association coordinating reunions for Byron High School alumni and helps keep the history center in order as its librarian.

"It's a nice community," Nickel said. "I've known the community since the population was about 300. It was close then and it's kind of close now. It's all right, that's progress. You have to have progress of one shape or another." As for how he feels about being nominated for the award, Nickel gave a modest answer. "I've tried to do good things, stay out of mischief."

Russell has lived in Byron since 1980 and in addition to her service with the book club and the area's seniors, she's also a volunteer at the Rochester Library's bookstore and bakes the well-liked lemon bars for events at Christ the King Catholic Church.

Russell was also nominated for the Good Neighbor award in the 1990s. "It's a compliment just to be considered," she said. "It's a growing community, a friendly community."

In addition to the announcement of the Good Neighbor award on July 19th, the evening featured a children's carnival at City Hall and an outdoor movie, "Wreck it Ralph," at the City Hall lawn, complete with free popcorn and water for 25 cents.

This article is reprinted with permission of the Byron (Minnesota) Review Robert Eustice is the son of Donald & Alice Mae (Perron) Eustice (both deceased). Bob and his wife Diane have four children; Angela, Mark, Malia and Brent.

# Family Gathering at Eustice Park, Waldorf, Minnesota



On October 20th, a group of Eustices and descendants gathered at Eustice Park near Waldorf, Minnesota for a family picnic and to unveil a memorial to John Andrew Eustice who passed away April 11, 2013. John was a highly knowledgeable horticultural writer and catalogued all the plants in the park by species and scientific name.



Douglas & Connie Eustice live on part of the farm that became Eustice Park. The farm originally belonged to Christopher and Winnie Eustice.





Ron & Margaret Eustice, parents of John, with daughter AnnMarie.



A huge thank you to Brad Eustice (above) who helped coordinate the event.

# Collin Eustis makes the military choice

On September 30, 2011, while beginning his senior year at Schuylerville (New York) Central High School, Collin Eustis enlisted for six years in the New York Air National Guard. He was assigned to the 109th Airlift Wing at Stratton Air National Guard Base in Scotia, New York.

The 109th gained national fame with their rescue of Dr. Jerri Nielsen from the Antarctic in October of 1999. Collin attended monthly drills at Scotia until his departure for eight weeks of basic training at Lackland Air Force Base in San Antonio, Texas on July 10, 2012. Upon arrival at Lackland, he was assigned to the 320th TRS (Training Squadron) "Gators" Basic Training Flight 574 and graduated with the Fitness Excellence Award rating of "Thunderbolt" and the rank of Airman First Class (E-3) on September 9, 2012. On September 10, 2012 he arrived for his technical training school at Keesler Air Force Base in Biloxi, Mississippi and was assigned to the 338th TRS "Dark Knights" where his father James Patrick "Pat" Eustis had been assigned for training 31 years prior. During his six month tour at Keesler, he received training as a Cyber Transport Specialist in the Air Force Specialty (AFSC) of 3D1X2 earning a 95% grade point average as well as certification for Comp-TIA Security+. This is his second certification as he achieved his CompTIA A+ while in high school. Upon completion of his training at Keesler, Collin returned home to Saratoga Springs, New York and the 109th Communications Squadron at Stratton. He hit the ground running as the base had just begun a complete computer network overhaul and his skills and training have been put to immediate use. After less than two months, Collin proved himself to be a very valuable asset to his unit and was offered the opportunity continue with full-time employment throughout the summer, which he accepted. He applied for and has been accepted at Hudson Valley Community College for the fall semester of 2013 where he began his pursuit of a degree in computer sciences.



2012 Graduate Schuylerville (New York) High School Collin's future plans, upon completion of his degree, include entering the US

Collin James Eustis

of his degree, include entering the US Air Force on active duty as a commissioned officer.





Joann & Jim Eustis at San Javier del Bac Mission near Tucson, Arizona (February 2013)

Jim and Joann are the paternal grandparents of Collin James Eustis seen at left. They spend winters in Tucson and meet frequently with their Minnesota Eustice cousins, Ron and Margaret who also live in Tucson during the winter months Jim and Ronald both trace their roots back to the parishes of Cashel and Shrule in County Longford, Ireland.

In July 2013, Jim and Joann and their daughter Mary Jude and her husband Mike Sushinski spent a day in County Longford where they had a whirlwind tour of Eustace places in Newtowncashel, Ballymahon and Longford. Jim Eustis's great grandfather Patrick Eustace married Catherine Cunningham and lived at Collom, Cashel Parish. The guides for the day were Kieran Eustace of Newtowncashel and Ronald Eustice of Minnesota. Thanks Kieran, it was a fun day!

Collin James Eustis is the son of James Patrick "Pat" and Judy Eustis and grandson of Jim and Joann Eustis, all of Saratoga Springs, New York. Jim and Joann are also pictured on page 19 November 2013

## Who are the Cornish?

Many of our namesakes – Eustace, Eustice, Eustis - can trace their ancestry to Cornwall. Cornwall is a duchy (county) occupying the southwestern most area of England. It is a peninsula bounded by the English Channel on the south and the Atlantic Ocean on the west and north and terminates in a point on the west called Land's End. It shares a border with only one other British county, namely Devon to the east. The Scilly Islands, located just offshore to the west, are also part of Cornwall. Anciently, the Cornish were a Celtic people, related to the ancient Irish, Scottish, Welsh and Britons, who lived in Cornwall since the introduction of farming around 3000 B.C and had their own language. The old Cornish name for Cornwall was Curnow. Cornwall has also been occupied and influenced by the Romans, Saxons and Normans.

The Cornish were the first settlers from the British Isles to arrive in northwest Illinois and southwest Wisconsin. Calling themselves Cornish rather than English, they came from the county of Cornwall in southwest England where they worked for centuries in lead and tin mining. Our Eustice (Eustace and Eustis) namesakes joined other "Cousin Jacks and Jennys" - slang terms for Cornish migrants - as they scattered all over the world to utilize their mining skills. They ventured forth to establish homes in the mining areas of the United States, Canada, Australia, New Zealand, South Africa, Central and South America, the Caribbean Islands and elsewhere in the British Isles.

The Cornish were expert at hard rock mining and in making and maintaining equipment to service the mines, so their skills were highly sought worldwide.

It was said that, "If you find a hole in the ground anywhere in the World, you will find a Cornishman at the bottom of it."

The opening of mines in Illinois and Wisconsin brought a stream of Cornish settlers between 1830 and 1850. Records show that by 1850, roughly 6 to 7,000 of the approximately 28,000 English settlers in the lead region (Grant, Iowa and Lafayette counties in Wisconsin) were Cornish.

The lure of gold in the west and the decline of the lead industry in Wisconsin led many Cornish to leave Wisconsin in the mid-19th century. Lead mining in the area went into decline during the 1850s, and many of the Cornish moved on to the copper mines of Upper Michigan and the gold mines of California. It is recorded that during the period, some 700 people left for California from Mineral Point, Wisconsin. On one particular day, 60 wagons left, all headed west.

The people of Cornwall had their own language. which is a Celtic language. Like other Celtic languages such as Irish (Gaelic) and Welsh, Cornish is as different from English as French, German or Russian. Today, like many places in Britain, Cornwall has its own dialect of English, and many people there still use dialect words or speak with a Cornish accent.

[Source: Dawna J. Lund, San Bernadino, California and Wisconsin's Cultural Resources Study Units, Wisconsin Historical Society]



For more information on the descendants of Richard Eustis of Crowan and other Cornwall Eustis (all spellings) as well as families not yet connected, please contact:

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Wheal Peevor tin mine near Redruth, Cornwall



Pendarvis, a historic site in Mineral Point, Wisconsin is a quaint remnant of immigrant Cornish culture to the United States.

# Introducing the Karen (Bockop) & Roger Nodorft Family



Karen (Bockop) & Roger Nodorft (Photo taken in 2012)

My name is Karen Marie (Bockhop) Nodorft. I was born to Wilbert A. Bockhop (1910-1969) and Grace Marie Eustice Bockhop (1914-1980) at Flossie Martin's Maternity Home in Belmont, Wisconsin. I was the fourth youngest of nine children. My father's parents, of German ancestry, owned a farm near Belmont, Wisconsin and both died before dad reached the age of nine. The three children were split up and dad went to live with his uncle's family. My mother was the second oldest of nine children. Her parents were William A. and Margaret Ann Jones Eustice. I knew my great-great grandfather's name was John Eustice (1827-1860). I recently discovered he left Cornwall for America from Liverpool in 1846. He turned 19 while enroute on the ship, Roscius, and arrived at a port in New York City on March 7,1846, after nearly seven weeks on the sea. I would not have known the last bit of information had it not been for finding a 1988 copy of the Eustace Families Post published by the Eustace Families Association. Here's the rest of the story.

In March of this year, my husband and I moved to Monticello, Minnesota where our youngest daughter and her family reside. I have been a collector of family history since I was a young girl and while sorting through items in storage, I discovered my mother's 1980's issues of the *Eustace Families Post*. Out of curiosity, I googled the name and found the *Eustace Families Post* still existed.

My Aunt Jayne Eustice Richardson told me many times, "always remember, we come from good stock." I knew she meant good people on both the Eustice and Jones sides of my mother's family. I heard those very same words from my mother. That message made an impact on me and as I aged, I learned for myself, how blessed I was to be born in the Eustice and Jones family, to have the parents I had, and to have my siblings and the people they married -- in my life. They are/were just good, good people. Karen Bockop Nodorft



Nodorft family picture taken before Kristy died in 1993. Roger and Karen, Karla Nodorft Heller and Matthew, Kristy Nodorft and Kari Nodorft

The editor's name was Ron Eustice (such a familiar name to me and quickly brought good memories of my Uncle Ron Eustice from Belmont, Wisconsin.). I subscribed immediately and to my surprise I received a phone call and an invitation to visit him, an easy hour drive from our new home... and to bring pictures. I learned he was an Irish Eustice and not a relative of my Eustice family from Cornwall, England. Ron then directed me to Dawna (Eustice) Lund who resides in California. Dawna confirmed my ancestry from Cornwall and we did indeed share some ancestors. I learned she has been researching Eustice families from Cornwall for over forty years. She directed me to her database she authored 'From Cornwall They Came'. From there I discovered the missing links to my family heritage. It was simply an amazing find for me to view names and stories and see the link back to William Eustis (1706-1760 for certainty) and most likely back to John Eustis (1627-1694). Her research does not end there but leads to an intriguing explanation of the roadblock she and others have incurred. I want to express my thanks to Ron and Dawna for their years of research and for sharing that knowledge for all of us to see. It's simply an amazing gift.

# Karen (Bockop) & Roger Nodorft Family



Wilbert and Grace Bockhop family photo taken in November 1957
Front Row: Daniel Ray Bockhop, Gayle Ann Bockhop Speth, Mark Alan Bockhop. Karen Marie Bockhop Nodorft, Gary John Bockhop. Back row: Wilbert A Bockhop, Grace Marie Eustice Bockhop, Beverly Joan Bockhop Lapp, Ronald Bockhop, Clifford Bockhop and Wayne Bockhop.

### My Childhood:

Looking back on my childhood, I was lucky to be a girl and on the younger end of nine children. My parents had farmed, then Dad worked for William Eustice and Sons and about the time I arrived he started his own milk hauling and general trucking business, Wilbert A. Bockhop and Sons. Dad was well liked and a hard-worker and the business flourished in part due to all six of my brothers working for him at one time or another driving truck to pick up fresh milk in cans from farmers and later by bulk truck seven days a week, 365 days a year. I remember special times spent with my dad on Saturday afternoons transporting cheese from the Belmont Cheese Factory to larger factories. Meanwhile, my mother made sure we were always well dressed and that meant washing clothes in the wringer washer, hanging them out to dry, taking those clothes in and next day, ironing them -- even our underwear!. We were well fed and

those three meals a day were more than a bite to eat. That is where we developed our sense of belonging, looking out for each other, listening to adult talk, kicking each other under the table, catching heck, arguing about who was going to wash dishes, catching heck again, and listening to how good we had it. To keep us in tow, warnings were issued: "You better not get into trouble at school cause we will be sure to find out about it and you will get it twice as bad when you get home!" (of course they were talking to my brothers!!). When Mom had a spare minute she took care of the office side of the family business. I remember our first telephone was on a party line with several families and our number was 2051.

Sundays were for the younger kids to attend Sunday School at the Methodist Church. Better not let dad know you talked mom into staying home! He and my brothers worked extra hard and fast to get home, park

the trucks for the day and sit down to a big Sunday dinner. Sometimes mom would take a beef and pork roast and after searing them pour a can of beer over top and slow roast to perfection. It made the best gravy over mashed potatoes! We often had Eustice relatives pop in for the afternoon. Mom would be prepared with freshly made chocolate cake.

### My future husband.

My guy, Roger Nodorft, was literally no further away than my back yard in Belmont. He moved to Belmont from Platteville with his parents, two sisters and younger brother when he was fourteen. We married while he attended the University of Wisconsin in Madison. Roger's heritage is German and English but over time he earned the well-deserved moniker "Swiss Carpenter of New Glarus". New Glarus is a small village nestled amongst the rolling hills of southwestern Wisconsin known for maintaining its Swiss roots and architecture. This is where we raised our three girls and lived for nearly forty years. Roger's fine workmanship can be found in nearly every business and many homes in New Glarus and the surrounding area. It kept him extremely busy and he loved every minute of it. His daughters each have a cedar chest master-crafted by their dad and each of the grandchildren has a fine toy-box. In his retirement, Roger plans to make furniture and has already produced detailed wooden toys for the little boys.

I did not work outside the home until our youngest was in school. For the next twenty-seven years I worked in the banking industry. I starting as a cash teller and became an Assistant Vice-President working on the retail banking side of a notable bank. I retired in 2007 and began gardening sections of our six acres of land. I had the best time digging in the dirt, building walkways and discovering native plants. We inherited wild blackberries and a row of concord grapes. For many years I picked those berries and made my own jellies, jams and juice. The last few years my granddaughter,

# Karen (Bockop) & Roger Nodorft Family

Molly, helped with that chore. How many young people can say they know how to do that these days? I also enjoy sewing. Some of my accomplishments are baptismal outfits for each of my grandchildren and for some of my nieces. I've made scary Halloween costumes over the years and then discovered I liked creating and making my own wall decor. Some people think I have a talent for it and should go into the business. Roger and I are so busy in retirement that we don't know how we fit work in.

Friends found out we could dance a fair step or two and asked Roger and me to join the New Glarus Swiss Dance group. It was a group of eight couples that danced authentic Swiss dances--some of which the Swiss in Switzerland gave up long ago. We wore authentic costumes and entertained at festivals in New Glarus and around the state of Wisconsin. Highlights were dancing at a Walt Disney Parade in Lake Geneva for the Andes Candy Company and for the Tissot Watch Company from Switzerland at a huge promotional cocktail party in downtown Chicago. We were their entertainment. We also danced on a busy Chicago street and as the crowd watched, our six men joined hands and the women sat balanced on those gathered hands as they lifted us up and swayed for the remainder of the dance. We also did the intricate May Pole dance. After fifteen years the men decided they could not lift the women anymore so we all called it quits. It sure was a fun time and good exercise, too.



Roger & Karen Nodorft are originally from New Glarus, Wisconsin



Daughter Karla Nodorft Heller with two children Matthew and Molly Heller

### **Our Children**

Karla Marie Nodorft Heller: Karla was born October 24, 1965, in Madison, Wisconsin. She attended college and worked as an elementary computer teacher until 2004, when she became disabled with severe migraine headaches. She married Michael Heller in 1985. They were divorced in 2001. Her children are Matthew E. Heller, born in 1991, who is attending the University of Wisconsin at Platteville, Wisconsin. Matt hopes to become a drug and alcohol counselor. Our granddaughter Molly Kristine Heller was born in 1994. She is attending the College of St. Benedict located a short distance from our Minnesota home and aspires to be a physician.



Kari Rogina Nodorft and her husband Michael Green (2012)

Kari Rogina Nodorft Green: Kari was born November 25, 1976. She graduated from the University of Minnesota with a degree in education and soon earned a Masters in Education. While in college, she met Michael Green, a mechanical engineering student. After their graduation they were married at the Swiss United Church of Christ in New Glarus on a beautiful fall day, October 19, 2002. They now have three little Green boys, ages eight, five and two and make their home in Big Lake, Minnesota which is a hop, skip and a jump just over the Mississippi River from our house.

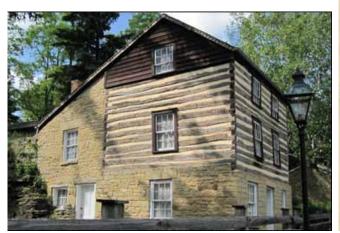
# Kristine Ann Mordoft: May You Kest In Peace

Kristine Ann Nodorft: Kristy was born May 27, 1970, in Platteville, Wisconsin and died of Leukemia at the age of twenty-four on December 13, 1994. Kristy graduated from college with honors and a degree in accounting from the University of Wisconsin, Eau Claire, in 1993, and then began working on her CPA degree. She wondered why she was not feeling well on her birthday and a little nervous about it as she was to fly to California for business. We also had plans for Kristy to fly with us to Germany where her younger sister, Kari, was completing her stay as a student in Germany. The four of us looked forward to touring Germany, Switzerland, England and Wales. The highlight was to be the country of Wales. I had connected with a third cousin (on the Jones side) and we were about to see many ancestral homes. Sadly, Kristy passed away six months later. During her chemotherapy treatment she remarked she was going to do something about this cancer when she got well. We believe she did that very thing -- even in death. Grieving for our child for the past 19 years has been the toughest thing we have ever had to do.

### John Eustice (1827-1860) & Jane Oatey (1830-1885) Family of LaFayette County, Wisconsin

John Eustice (1827-1860) was born 7 February 1827 in Crowan, Cornwall and christened there 4 March 1827. John was the son of Richard Eustis and Ann Barkle and brother to Richard Eustis who also immigrated. John sailed from Liverpool aboard the Roscius on January 11, 1846. He celebrated his 19th birthday at sea, and arrived at the port of New York on March 7th. According to family legend, there were two other John Eustices aboard, but the passenger list has been located and it shows no other Eustice aboard at According to a notation on the passenger list, his intended destination was Canada, but if he ever actually went there, it was a short stay. He soon joined his brother in southwestern Wisconsin, where he continued in the mining trade that he had learned in Cornwall

He was married about 1850 to Jane Oatey, who was born 29 May 1830 in Gwinear parish, Cornwall. She was the daughter of Samuel and Elizabeth (Floyd) Oatey. They had five children - four sons and one daughter. By the 1860 census, the family had moved across the Mississippi River to Dubuque, Iowa, where John died late that same year at the young age of 33. John Eustice is believed to be buried in an unmarked grave in Center Grove Methodist Cemetery just outside Dubuque, Iowa. His widow returned to Lafayette County, Wisconsin and married again in 1865 to James Liddell (alternatively Liddle or Little). She had four more children. Jane Oatey died in 1885.

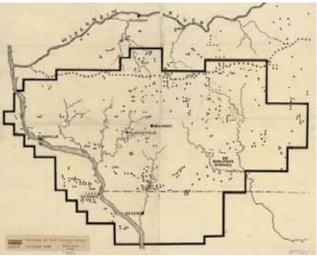


The Cornish brought with them a unique form of craftsman- The lead mining region of southwest Wisconsin and ship. This cabin built between 1830 and 1840 is preserved at northwest Illinois extended from the banks of the Wisconsin Mineral Point, Wisconsin.



Lead Mining Blast Furnace in Wisconsin (c. 1850)

*In the first half of the nineteenth century, southwestern* Wisconsin was primarily known for its rich stores of lead. Depression and the depletion of easily accessible ore, coupled with the discovery of gold in California, hastened the region's transition to agriculture. Many farmers continued to mine to supplement their income.



River on the north to beyond the Mississippi River on the west and as far south as Galena, Illinois.

Mineral Point, Wisconsin was founded by under-employed tin-miners who immigrated from Cornwall beginning in about 1830. Skilled Cornish stonemasons soon began building cottages reminiscent of their homeland. Three restored Cornish houses are nestled on a hill along Shake Rag Street, facing the slope where miners once dug pits to obtain lead ore.

In 1935, Robert Neal and Edgar Hellum saw Mineral Point's history and heritage teetering on the brink of oblivion, and they decided to preserve what they could of its most tangible symbols: the stone cottages built by early 19th-century Cornish immigrants. Neal and Hellum acquired and rehabilitated not one, but several, of the original structures. In 1970, the Wisconsin Historical Society acquired the property and the next year began operating the restoration as a historic site interpreting the history of Cornish settlement and Wisconsin's lead-mining heyday.

### Family of John Eustice (1850-1913) & Margaret Garvey & Mary Priscilla Richards

**John Eustice**, son of John and Jane Oatey, was born at Dubuque, Iowa, October 20, 1850 and died at Rewey, Wisconsin, November 28, 1913. He was first married to Margaret Garvey on July 4, 1876. Four children were born to this union; George S. and John Jr. reached maturity. Two others died as infants.

### The family of John Eustice and Margaret Garvey:

- 1. Eveline; born 1879, died 1881;
- 2. George C., born 1881, died 1960. He married (1) Myra Gearharte, (2) Minty Pizer (Ballard);
- 3. John, born 1883, died November 1952. He married Nina Lininger;
- 4. William Albert, born and died in 1885;

Margaret Garvey died shortly after the birth of this fourth child.

On March 5, 1886, he married Mary Priscilla Richards at Cuba City, Wisconsin. Twelve children were born to this marriage of which eleven reached maturity.

### The family of John Eustice and Mary Priscilla Richards:

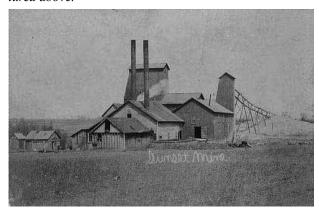
- 1. Mabel; married Harvey Proctor;
- 2. William; married Margaret Jones;
- 3. Bessie; married Levi Dolphin);
- 4. Agnes Jane "Jennie"; married George Hird;
- 5. Charles; married (1) Redella Jones and (2) Amelia Hughes;
- 6. Raymond,
- 7. Mary Emma; married (1) Irvin Gonsaulis; married (2) C.O. Wittenhiller;
- 8. Pearl; died as an infant;
- 9. Evelyn; married Reuben Clark;
- 10. Florence; married Charlie Wilkinson;
- 11. Francis "Bud"; married Alverna Wilkenson;
- 12. Ruth; married Clifford Stroschein and (2) Michael Billig.

In March 1888, John Eustice went to Rewey, Wisconsin where he owned a meat market for several years. He moved his family to Arthur, Wisconsin and operated a general store. A few years later, he moved to Preston, Wisconsin where he continued to operate a General Store until he returned to Rewey where he was living at the time of his death. He held several public positions and at the time of his death was serving as Rewey village treasurer.

On his death, John Eustice was survived by his wife, six sons, several daughters, eleven grandchildren, two brothers; Charles of Cuba City and David of Livingston, one sister Mrs. George Miller of Cuba City, and also one half brother James Liddle and three half sisters; Mrs. George Longdyke, Mrs. Walter Willey and Mrs. Frank Brewer of Cuba City. Funeral services were held Sunday afternoon at the. Rewey M.E. Church. Interment was in the Arthur Cemetery.



In March 1888, John Eustice went to Rewey, Wisconsin where he owned a meat market similar to the one pictured above.



The Sunset Mine at Rewey, Wisconsin



Lead Mine, Cuba City, Wisconsin

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# William & Margaret Eustice Family of Rewey, Wisconsin



Margaret Ann Jones & William Arthur Eustice (Married April 6, 1910)

# Eustice-Jones.

Married, at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Jones, town of Mifflin, by Rev. Thomas Evans, of Dodgeville, Miss Margaret A. Jones of Mifflin and Mr. William A. Eustice of Rewey. They will make their home in Rewey. The wedding ceremony was witnessed by quite a number of relatives and friends. We extend congratulations.

Margaret Ann Jones & William Arthur Eustice were married April 6, 1910 at the home of Margaret's parents Mr. & Mrs. Daniel Jones in Mifflin, Wisconsin.

Cupid is again reported from. This time William Eustice was married last Wednesday to Miss Margaret Jones at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Jones in the Welsh settlement, Rev. Thos. Evans of Dodgeville officiating. The Chronicle and many friends extend congratulations.



Children of William A. & Margaret (Jones) Eustice about March 1925. Front row; L-R: Ronald, Jayne, Berniece, Bernita, and Bob. Back row: Donald, Grace and Sherman

# William & Margaret Eustice Family of Rewey, Wisconsin

William A. (Bill) Eustice was born December 17, 1887 in Elk Grove Township, Wisconsin. He was one of 12 children born to John and Mary (Richards) Eustice.

Bill Eustice started working for his father at the Rewey, Wisconsin meat market after he completed his schooling. He then worked in the mines in the Rewey area for 14 years until his marriage on April 6, 1910 to Margaret Ann Jones. He continued to work in the mines for a few years following his marriage. He worked at the Sunset Mine, Sunrise Mine, Senator Mine, Vinegar Hills Zinc Mine, Squirrel Mine and the Lucky Six Mine. At the Sunrise Mine, two 1500 pound oars were running a race with the "mule skinners" and the mine collapsed. Bill Eustice was working underground and was nearly killed. This ended his career in the mining business that had been followed by his Cornwall ancestors for generations before him.

Bill and Margaret Eustice rented the Davies farm three miles east of Rewey for about two years. They rented another nearby farm for two more years before moving to Belmont, Wisconsin in 1925.

At Belmont, he farmed and founded William A. Eustice and Sons, a livestock hauling, feed and seed supply business. (This business continued to operate with William's sons as proprietors). He was a director of the First National Bank of Platteville and retired from the board in 1977 after 15 years of service. He also was a director of Consumers Oil Company at Platteville, Wisconsin until 1977.



William A. Eustice and Sons, a livestock hauling, feed and seed supply business operated at Belmont, Wisconsin



Margaret Ann Jones & William Arthur Eustice (Married April 6, 1910)

Bill Eustice died at age 95 on December 30, 1982 at Belmont, Wisconsin. His funeral was conducted by Rev. Thomas Lloyd at the Belmont United Methodist Church on January 2, 1983. Casket bearers were his grandsons. Margaret Ann (Jones) Eustice was born Dec 24, 1885 at Pecatonica Welsh Settlement, Wisconsin, and died March 4, 1969 at 83 years of a heart attack at the Cuba City Hospital. Both Margaret and William were buried in the Belmont cemetery. Bill and Margaret Eustice were the parents of nine children.



50th Anniversary picture (1960)

Bill and Margaret Eustice rented farms near Rewey, Wisconsin for four years before moving to Belmont in 1925. At Belmont, Wisconsin, they farmed and William founded William A. Eustice and Sons, a livestock hauling, feed and seed supply business.



Bryn Zion Church in the Welsh Settlement of Iowa County, Wisconsin (Southeast of Rewey, Wisconsin).

The picture above is believed to have been taken the day of Beverly Eustice's funeral. The five month old triplet born to William and Margaret Eustice on March 9, 1924, died in her mothers arms at 5 months of age on August 6, 1924. Margaret Ann Jones was a long time member of this church and often played the organ. The boys in the picture are believed to be Beverly's brothers, Don, Sherman, Ron, and unidentified standing in front of the their mother Margaret Ann Jones Eustice who was a long time member of this church and often played the organ. The church later burned to the ground. The cemetery remains well cared for.



William Eustice family in their car

The above photo was taken in late 1927. Seated in front is William A. Eustice and his wife Margaret Ann Jones and the Eustice girls. Margaret is holding her baby Barbara Jean. Between the parents is one of the triplets, Berniece or Bernitta. In the back seat is Grace Marie, age 13, holding one of the surviving triplets and next to her is Margaret Jayne. Grace Marie Eustice Bockop is the mother of Karen Bockop Nodorft, the author of the article on the preceding pages.



Deadly tornado hits Eustice house June 22, 1944.

A tornado slashed through the southwestern Wisconsin community of Belmont on the evening hours of June 22, 1944 and left 5 dead in its wake. Seven people were in the two story William A. and Margaret Ann (Jones) Eustice home at the time. No one got seriously hurt despite the house being leveled. Margaret and three of her daughters had just finished wallpapering a large stairway when the storm struck. Her oldest daughter, Grace Eustice Bockhop had two of her children with her. Seven year old William Wayne (Wayne) was missing and soon found in the village park two blocks away, unharmed but crying. Seventeen year old Barbara Eustice grabbed 7-month old Gary Bockhop and held on to the stair way banister. The banister was one of the few things left standing. Being the proper lady she always was, Grandma, (Margaret Ann), kept to the fashion of the times and had her girdle on. Afterwards she needed treatment for the many nail holes she had in her body. Her injuries could have been more extensive if it hadn't been for that section of body armor.



Wm. A. Eustice house (Picture taken March 1963)

The Wm Eustice house was built in 1944 after the tornado of June 22, 1944 completely destroyed their two story house. This house was built by two of William's brothers and lots of volunteer work. Wilbert Bockhop worked his job all day, then worked on this house until 2 a.m. in the morning mixing cement by hand. The entire house is reinforced in some manner and has a six-inch cement floor over the basement.

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Wm & Margaret (Jones) Eustice family of Belmont, Wisconsin (Photo taken around 1944).

Front row; L-R: W. A. Eustice, Berniece (Aurit), Barbara Ann (Long), Bernita Eloise (Miller), Margaret Ann (Jones) Eustice; Back row: Margaret Jayne (Jayne Richardson), Sherman Goodsell, Donald Arthur, Raymond Robert (Bob), William

Ronald (Ron) and Grace Marie (Bockhop)



Margaret Ann (Jones) Eustice with triplets born March 9, 1924 in a farmhouse near Rewey Wisconsin. The triplets are Bernice Ellen Eustice Aurit (currently resides in a nursing home in Mineral Point, Wisconsin, -- Bernitta Eloise Eustice Miller, died Nov. 10, 2004 and Beverly Elaine Eustice, died at five months of age in her mother's arms on Aug. 6.1924 and buried in the Bryn Zion Cemetery near Rewey.

Grace Eustice Bockhop recalls the day that the triplets; Bernita, Berniece and Beverly were born in 1924. Margaret Eustice became so large toward the end of her pregnancy that she had to walk around the house pushing a kitchen chair for support. The older children Grace, Donald and Ronald were doing the morning chores at the time of the birth. Each had four cows to milk by hand. Their father came to the barn and told them that they had three new baby sisters. Overnight the Eustice family had grown from six to nine children.



Belmont, Wisconsin is located in picturesque Lafayette County, near Belmont Mound State Park.



Bill Eustice and Gary Bockhop (1943-2012) both grandsons of William Eustice. (Photo probably taken on the Sherman & Rose Eustice farm near Belmont, Wisconsin c.19??).



Wisconsin's first (its Territorial) Capitol at Belmont Wisconsin -- from a 1930s postcard. This building still stands and is managed by the Wisconsin Historical Society.

# **Eustace Families of Craddockstown, County Kildare**

By Ronald F. Eustice

Craddockstown, southeast of Naas, County Kildare, Ireland was one of the earliest Eustace family properties. Besides the Craddockstown townland, the Eustace estate included parts of the neighboring townlands of Baltracey, Eadestown and Philipstown.

During more than four centuries, from the early 1300s until the late 18th century, the Eustace family held Craddockstown in an unbroken line. Many family members were buried in the nearby churchyard of Tipper but no monuments remain. Early maps show existence of a castle, but this is gone too; perhaps the stones from the ruins were used to build local farmhouses. The name of the last of the line to live at Craddockstown, Colonel William Eustace is carved on a windowsill in the stable-yard of Craddockstown House.

The lands of Craddockstown were originally acquired from Lord John de Bonneville who was killed by Arnold FitzEustace LePoer at Ardscull, County Kildare in 1309. De Bonneville's forfeited lands were granted to a man named "Walter de Istelepe" in 1317. This surname seems a bit strange and may have been inaccurately transcribed. Could it really be de Eustace? We know that by 1366 Craddockstown had come into the hands of Richard FitzEustace, (perhaps the son of the Robert FitzEustace, Lord Treasurer of Ireland 1327-30, who is difficult to place). Richard FitzEustace, by his wife Margaret left a son Robert Eustace, who was High Sheriff of County Kildare in 1375 and 1378. Robert must have died in office, for according to Index of Exchequer records, John Eustace of Newland, near Naas, was granted custody of the lands of Richard (or Robert) FitzEustace, (Sheriff of Kildare in 1375) of Craddockstown, lately deceased, after 1378 during the minority of Robert's son (Thomas?).



Eustace Lands in County Kildare
Showing the most prominent family in each area circa 1580

William FitzEustace (probably also known as William FitzThomas who was High Sheriff in 1408), was Robert's grandson. Together with Thomas Chilton of Naas, he was appointed one of the Coroners of County Kildare in 1422. Chilton and William FitzEustace continued to hold that office until at least 1435. William died about the 1552. During the minority of his son, David Eustace, the estate was placed in the custody of Roland FitzEustace, perhaps 2nd Viscount Baltinglass.

William Eustace, David's son, was High Sheriff in 1508/9 and by 1514 had added Phillipstown to the Eustace estate, held from the 9th Earl of Kildare.

Richard Eustace, probably the son of William, was a King's Juror in 1535 and 1537. An Inquisition was held in Dublin in 1537, to ascertain what the heirs-general of the Earl of Ormonde held of the King in the Kildare Manors of Castlewarden, Owghterad, and Clinton's Court. The twelve jurors belonged to the County Kildare and out of that number just over half including Richard Eustace of Craddockstown were Eustaces.

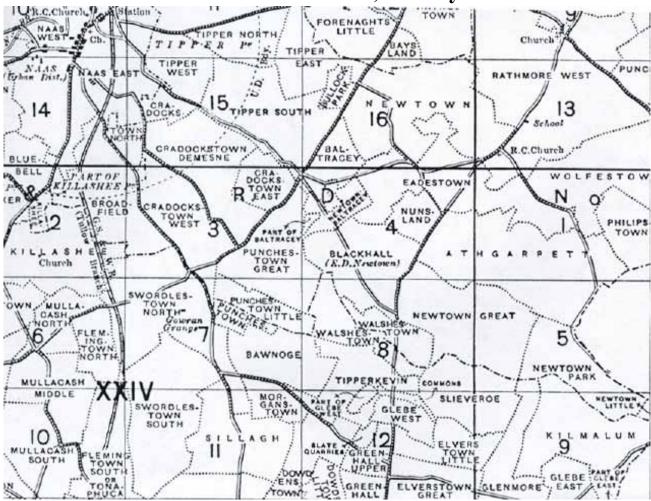
Nicholas Eustace, son of Richard, whose name often occurs in the old records, was a Juror in 1541 and 1551.

Following the suppression of St. Patrick's Cathedral by Henry VIII, Nicolas Eustace and John Sutton of Tipper, in 1547, were leased the tithes of the Parish of Tipper for twenty-one years, for a rent of £21 and the responsibility of finding a "fit" chaplain for the church at Tipper.

Nicolas was High Sheriff of Kildare in 1556, and received a pardon the next year. In 1558 he was a Keeper (Justice) of the Peace during the absence of the deputy, and in 1559 was elected MR for the County. He died about 1559, leaving his son Alexander Eustace by his wife Rose Aylmer. At this time, according to the Will, the manor of Craddockstown consisted of 140 acres in Baltrasse (Baltracey), 60 acres in Aidishtown (Eadestown), 40 acres in Philipstown, and 14 acres in Colineshill; all in the manor of Rathmore.



# Eustace Families of Craddockstown, County Kildare



Map of Craddockstown showing Eustace country in Baltracey, Eadestown & Philipstown, County Kildare

Alexander Eustace married Maud, daughter of Roland Eustace, 2nd Viscount Baltinglass and died in 1576 leaving a son Nicholas Eustace, born 1572. Maude Eustace, widow of Alexander, married secondly John Stokes.

Nicolas Eustace was a juror in 1613. He married Jennett (Janet), daughter of Robert Talbot. Nicolas Eustace died about 1633 and was buried in the Eustace family graveyard at Tipper. According to Nicolas's Will dated 1633, Nicolas Eustace and Janet Talbot were the parents of William, John, David, James, Thomas (who was ordained a Jesuit priest), Rose and Mary.

William Eustace, the eldest of their seven children was a juror in 1634 and married Jane, daughter of Nicholas Whyte of Leixlip. They had two sons; Christopher and Thomas. William's lands were forfeited after the 1641 Civil War. The lands included Craddockstown, Philipstown and part of Rathmore, and also Broadfield in Bren'cktown (Brannockstown) parish, which was restored as part of the town and fields of Naas.

The lands of Craddockstown next passed to Christopher Eustace, the elder of William's two sons. Christopher Eustace married Anne Fielding but died young (before 1705) leaving her with six infant children; William, James, Alexander, Francis, Alice (died June 1699), and Franke (Francis), who were placed under the guardianship of their uncle Thomas Eustace, a Jesuit. Christopher Eustace, (died before 1705), and his wife Anne Fielding, (died 1711), were both buried at Tipper. According to a pedigree developed by Lord Walter FitzGerald and published in the Journal of the Kildare Archaeological Society, the second son of William Eustace and Jane Whyte was Thomas Eustace who became a Catholic priest and is buried in the Church of St. Sixtus in Rome. However an inscription on a marble monument bearing the arms of the Irish family in the middle of the pavement at St. Sixtus Church in Rome gives the name James Eustace not Thomas: Sources:

The Eustace Family of Cradockstown, County Kildare; Sir-Eustace F. Tickell (Major-General); Volume XIII, No. 6 pp. 386-388 (1955); Journal of the County Kildare Archaeological Society November 2013

# The Eustace Families of Craddockstown, County Kildare

In 1697, an Act was passed by the Irish Parliament known as "An Act for banishing all Papists exercising any ecclesiastical jurisdiction, and all Regulars of the Popish Clergy out of the kingdom". On the list we find the name of James Eustace, parish priest of Craddockstown, who in 1697, was stated to be living at the house of Colonel Richard Eustace in the parish of Ballymore Eustace (Barretstown) as well as a Franciscan priest named James Eustace who was living and ministering in the parish of Dunmonoge, County Kildare.

During the dark days of the "Penal Code" Catholics suffered extreme hardships; priests were ordered to depart Ireland no later than May 1, 1698. If they did not leave, they would be imprisoned without bail, until transported beyond the seas. If they returned, they would be considered traitors and subject to penalties of high treason.

William Eustace, the eldest son of Christopher Eustace and Anne Fielding married Mary daughter of Thomas Aylmer of Lyons, County Kildare in 1702. She died March 3, 1746 and was buried at Tipper. They left four children; Alexander, John (died 1760, mentioned in his father's Will), George (who according to a French pedigree compiled by Sir William Betham, married Helen Clare Gough, daughter of Edward son of Patrick Gough, of Kilmanchin, County Waterford. George and Helen had daughters Mary, and Frances who married Captain Dachon of the French Army), and Anne (mentioned in her grandmother's Will).

Alexander Eustace the eldest son of William and Mary, was married in 1719 to Jane, daughter of Patrick Lattin of Morristown Lattin, County Kildare (see Castlekeely). Alexander Eustace died March 10, 1752 and was buried at Tipper. He left six children; William (Colonel); Mary who married

Sir Duke Gifford, Baronet, of Castle Jordan, Co. Meath; Anne who married John Caulfield of Lemonstown, Co. Wicklow; and Alexander, John and George who did not marry.

Colonel William Eustace, the eldest, at first lived in the Eustace castle at Naas. In 1762 he commanded a Foot Regiment of Grenadiers in Germany in 1762, and in 1768 was High Sheriff of County Kildare. At the Spring Assizes of 1772 he was one of the Gentlemen of Kildare, and in 1779 was one of the signatories (headed by Lord Allen) of the resolution not to use imported goods until trade restrictions were removed. The same year he and Robert Graydon drew up and approved for the signature of the Duke of Leinster the first of fifty-two "Naas Volunteers" agreeing to form a troop of dragoons under Lord Allen. William Eustace died without issue, with his estate passing to his sisters, Mary, wife of Sir Duke Gifford, Baronet, of Castle Jordan, County Meath and Anne, wife of John Caulfield, of Lemonstown, County Wicklow. Mary's line became extinct, and the Caulfields sold Craddockstown to Mr. John La Touche, who had bought Harristown and several other Eustace estates. The property (including the small townland of Bullock Park and parts of Rathmore) was acquired by the Dillon family and sold in 1858 by the executors of Mary Anne Agnes Dillon, who had married Arthur Francis, brother of the 3rd Viscount Southwell. The gross rents were then £1,566.

Pedigree compiled by Lord Walter FitzGerald published in the Journal of the County Kildare Archaeological Society; Volume V, (1906-08), p. 45.

Church and Society in County Kildare (1470-1547); Mary Ann Lyons, (2000), field on p Four Courts Press, Dublin Index of Exchequer Records County Kildare Chancery Inquisition, Chancery Decree County Kildare Chancery Inquisition No. 6 of Elizabeth Nicolas Eustace Will Christopher Eustace Will

House of Eustace, Reportorium Novum;, Volume II.2 (1958); John Kingston; p. 254.



The Craddockstown estate is unique in that it contains one of the two Longstones of Punchestown.

Located just opposite the main entrance to the racecourse at Punchestown, lies the Standing Stone of Craddockstown West. Situated in a crop field and easily noticeable from the road, the massive megalithic Longstone stands approx five meters in height, but lies slanted to the west. This is the third of several such Monoliths in the Kildare area. The Longstone is situated in the middle of the field on an elevated position which gives a nice view of the surrounding area. This monument has a large base with signs of packing stones around its base and tapers to the top in a conical fashion. There is a noticeable scar near the base and a vein of quartz running across it. Despite its closeness to the similar Longstone of Punchestown, this monument is far easier to gain access to. It should be noted that the Stone lies within a crop field on private land.

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# Martyrs of the Pale

By Fr. Myles V. Ronan

The book, *The Irish Martyrs of the Penal Laws* written by Fr. Myles V. Ronan in 1935 included a chapter titled Martyrs of the Pale in which many people from County Kildare are mentioned. Prominently mentioned is James Eustace of Harristown, 3rd Viscount Baltinglass. An ardent Catholic, James Eustace joined with Fiach McHugh O'Byrne (1534–1597) and other Irish chieftains during the Second Desmond Rebellion (1579-1583). In 1579, after succeeding his father in the leadership of the O'Byrnes, Fiach joined with James Eustace, Viscount Baltinglass - despite a history of mutual enmity between their families - during the Second Desmond Rebellion.

The rebellion was in equal part a protest by feudal lords against the intrusion of central government into their domains, a conservative Irish reaction to English policies that were altering traditional Gaelic society; and a religious conflict, in which the rebels claimed that they were upholding Catholicism against a Protestant queen who had been pronounced a heretic in 1570 by the papal bull *Regnans in Excelsis* which was an edict.

On all sides it was admitted that religion was the primary motivator of the Baltinglass Rebellion. James Eustace had spent time in Rome and had been tutored by a priest named Fr. Norman Eustace, who was a relative. James Eustace was particularly angry at the thought that Queen Elizabeth I was acting as head of the church. Eustace wrote that it was "ignorant and impious to think and believe that a woman incapable of holy orders should be supreme governor of Christ's Church, something that Christ did not grant unto his own mother." The Protestant Bishop of Waterford became aware of James Eustace's sentiment and referred to him as the "pope of Ireland."

Joining with Fiach McHugh O'Byrne and his County Wicklow clansman, James Eustace trained his forces at Slieveroe in Tippekevin Parish north of Ballymore Eustace. Plans for the Rebellion were formulated at Monkstown near Dublin. In 1580, Grey led his army westward through the Pale, ignoring certain veterans who implored him to delay the campaign. He planned to enter the valley of Glenmalure in the Wicklow mountains from the neighboring Glen of Imaal and attack O'Byrne's stronghold; the enemies were expected to be flushed from its fastness, whereupon the English cavalry would ride them down in their flight. O'Byrne had remained in the Liffey valley with Baltinglass, but at the approach of the crown army he withdrew into Glenmalure.

Grey altered his course and travelled several miles south, where he was joined by Kildare, before heading east in a loop and making an arduous ascent into the mountains. After a row amongst his chief officers, Grey sent out an expedition of half his force in royal livery with their colors aloft.

The rebel lookout on the peak of Lugnaquilla sounded the alarm, and Grey ordered his men to descend into the glen with a drum roll. O'Byrne had concealed his men in the craggy terrain, and the English troops, conspicuous in their red and blue coats and white hose, instantly found themselves sliding along a river course. Decimated by sniping gunfire, they hit bottom fully a mile in depth from the point where the glen was entered. The Irish did not wait; shots were fired from both sides, and the kern descended to engage in hand-to-hand combat. Grey's troops were routed with the loss of hundreds, and much valuable equipment had to be discarded. Grey spurred his cavalry on to check the pursuit and forced the rebels back into the glen, but even on the retreat to Dublin, the punishment was withering.

On the failure of the Baltinglass Rebellion, James Eustace fled to Wexford accompanied by Father Robert Rochford, a Jesuit. In Wexford, Eustace and Rochford were protected by local sympathizers, before fleeing to Spain. Six men accused of sheltering and aiding the fugitives were hanged, drawn and quartered at Wexford. Before leaving Kildare, Fr. Rochford had given his books to the Countess of Kildare at Rathangan. The countess also gave shelter to a priest named Nicholas Eustace.

Determined to prevent any further uprisings, the government ordered the arrest of the leading Catholic gentlemen of the Pale, and of their heirs, and of priests and those who protected priests. In September 1581, Father James Eustace and Father Nicholas FitzGerald, Cistercians, were executed. A couple of months later, Thomas Eustace of Kerdiffstown and his eldest son, 19 year-old Christopher Eustace were executed for their involvement with James Eustace and the Baltinglass Rebellion.

While tied to the cart, on his way to the scaffold, young Christopher Eustace told a Protestant parson who approached him offering a reprieve in exchange for conversion, "You come hither to tempt us; is it not enough for you to have our lives, but also you must labour to draw us from our religion." Then Christopher called to his companions... "answer him nothing; it is not lawful to hold disputation with a heretic." Christopher Eustace prayed aloud and asked for God's forgiveness. As he mounted the ladder to the scaffold, he was told to ask the queen for forgiveness, but he refused and prayed that God might convert her!

Also executed in 1581, was 24 year-old Maurice Eustace of Castlemartin, who was betrayed by his brother William, and disinherited by his father John, because young Maurice Eustace wanted to become a Jesuit priest. William Eustace inherited Castlemartin on his father's death a year later. *This article is continued on the next page.*>

Thanks to Lena Eustace of Shankhill, County Wicklow for sharing this clipping from an unidentified newspaper. RFE

# Monkstown Castle, County Dublin, Ireland

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Walter and Thomas Eustace, brothers of James Eustace, Viscount Baltinglass were executed, the former having been betrayed for a reward of 100 Pounds. A cousin to the Eustaces, Robert FitzGerald of Oberstown, described as "a wealthy gentleman, a very arrogant papist, a great seducer of the common people, a great romancer and principal counselor to others", was put to death, as were David and John Sutton from Castletown, near Maynooth. The Sutton brothers, aged 26 and 19, had been accused of counseling Viscount Baltinglass in a secret manner.

Religious beliefs may have been the chief motive for the unrest of the gentlemen, but greed and the acquisition of the estates was a decisive factor for the Government officials.

In the end the crown won. In 1603, 90 percent of Irish land was in Catholic hands; a century later the situation was reversed with Protestants owning almost 90 percent of the land. This article adapted from Irish Martyrs of the Penal Laws by Fr. Myles Ronan. The book is now out of print but a copy can be found at the National Library of Ireland on Pearse Street, Dublin. Ron Eustice also has a copy.



Joe Eustace of Dublin at Monkstown Castle in 2012

Monkstown Castle lies in a nicely kept green area near the village of Monkstown, County Dublin. The castle was built between the 14th and 15th centuries by the Cistercian Monks of St. Mary's Abbey as a stronghold to protect the area from the frequent attacks of the O'Tooles and O'Byrnes of Wicklow. The castle originally consisted of three strong

towers and thick walls surrounding a large house within. Two of the towers remain today but there is nothing left of the inner house. Monkstown Castle has a long history.

In 1539, King Henry VIII awarded the Monkstown lands to Sir John Travers, Master of the Ordnance in Ireland. John Travers lived at Monkstown from 1557 until his death in 1562 and is buried in the Carrickbrennan Graveyard. Monkstown next became the property of James Eustace, 3rd Viscount Baltinglass through his marriage to Mary Travers, daughter of John Travers. In 1580, James Eustace used Monkstown as a stronghold for his rebellion against Elizabeth I.(See Martyrs of the Pale pp.38-39). The property passed to the Cheevers family in 1660.

The remains of Monkstown castle today are quite striking. Sitting on the edge of a roundabout in a Dublin suburb, they are the last thing you would expect to come across in a residential area.



Monkstown Castle viewed from the east

# Welcome to the World



Weston Mandel Eustice, son of Don & Jess Eustice of Oak Park, Illinois arrived July 15, 2013 at 1:32 pm. Wes weighed 7 lbs 14 oz and measured 20 1/2 ins long! Don reports that Mom and baby are perfect!!! Mandel is Candy's (Jess's mom) maiden name. Candy's parents and only sibling died before any of the Oltman girls were born, so the family never knew the Mandel side of the family. This is a very nice tribute to her and a nice name for Weston. Weston is the grandson of Brad and Mary K Eustice of St. Paul and the great grandson of the late Don & Esther Eustice. Family connections are in County Longford, Ireland, Congratulations to Don & Jess. We welcome Weston Mandel Eustice.



# Lives Remembered



Mary Teresa (Eustace) Onder

(June 27, 1918 - October 16, 2013)

Mary Teresa Onder, 95, of Howland Township, passed away October 16, 2013 at St. Joseph Health Center in Warren, Pennsylvania.

Mary Teresa Eustace was born on June 27, 1918 in Warren, Pennsylvania. She was the daughter of the late Robert and Theresa Mae (Bell) Eustace and was a 1937 graduate of Warren G. Harding High School. Mary Teresa loved geraniums, begonias and rose gardening. She enjoyed sewing, crocheting and crafts. But most importantly she enjoyed cooking, baking and spending time with her family.

Mary Teresa was a long time member of Sts. Cyril & Methodius Catholic Church in Warren, where she served as a Eucharistic Minister to the Homebound of the parish and distributed Communion to those in Hillside Hospital. She sang in the church choir for many years and volunteered at the church's pierogy sale.

A devout Catholic, Mary Teresa inspired many with her strong faith. She was a member of St. Mary's Catholic Church in Warren and its Altar & Rosary Society. She was also a member of the Third Order of St. Frances and a member of the St. Cyril & Methodius 50+ Club.

Mary Teresa Eustace was married on November 21, 1942 to Michael Onder and they were married for 59 years until his passing on May 8, 2002. She was survived by her children: Michael P. (Simone) of Burke, Va; Judith "Judee" Martz of Weathersfield, CT; David G. (Joy) of Myrtle Beach, SC; Timothy J. (Nancy) of Leavittsburg; Marie T. (Patrick) Nelson of York, PA and Robert J. (Karen) of Twinsburgh; eighteen grandchildren Bethany (Jason) Kennedy; Rebecca, Tamarra and Shane Martz; Mary (Ken) Maliga; Samuel (Lori) Martz; Davina (Cles) Holbrook; David (Rebecca) Onder; Stephanie (Kyle) Bennett; Jennifer (Janet Morrell) Onder; Christina (Franklin) Stout; Amy Onder and Michael Onder; Julie (Jeremy) Alberini; Thaddeus Tompkins; Kelly Nelson and Nicholas and Joseph Onder. Besides her parents and husband, Mary Teresa was preceded in death by a son-in-law Samuel Martz; a sister Bernadette Eustace and two brothers James T. and Robert J. Eustace.

# Lives Remembered



Raymond John Eustice (1938-2013)

Raymond John Eustice passed away August 19, 2013 at Haukeland University Hospital in Bergen, Norway after an extended illness. Ray was born in Piscataway Township, Arbor (near Plainfield), New Jersey on April 25th 1938. He was the seventh of ten children born to Eugene Eustice and Catherine Alice Force. Raymond's parents both died young. Ray's mother, Catherine was bom August 6th 1906 and died in August 1946 at the age of 40, when Ray was eight years old. His father Eugene was born April 24th 1900 and died in September 1952 at the age of 52 years after a lengthy illness.

After Catherine's death, her sister, Margaret Lillian Force and her husband William Wilson raised eight of the ten Eustice children besides four of their own. The two youngest of the ten Eustice children were taken care of by Catherine's brother, John Force and his wife May Manley. Ray's siblings included; Robert bom in 1929, Lois bom in 1931, Catherine bom in 1932, Eugene bom in 1934, Nancy in 1935, Charlie in 1937, Edward in 1941, Carol in 1942 and Frederick in 1943.

Raymond Eustice: May You Rest In Peace Ray's great grandfather Patrick Eustace (or Eustice) was the son of William Eustace. Patrick came to New Jersey from Ireland in the early 1850s. He married Bridget (Regan?) and they had five children; Catherine bom in 1856, Thomas in 1858, John in 1860, Richard in 1862, William in 1867. All of the children were bom in Westfield, New Jersey.

Thomas Eustice (Ray's grandfather) was married to Margareth O'Neill from Castle Comer in Ireland. They had five children including Raymond's father Eugene. The other children were; William bom 1886, Thomas in 1889, May in 1891 and Charles in 1892.

Raymond finished Maxson Grammar School in 1952 and graduated from Plainfield High School in 1956. His favorite subjects were mathematics and social studies. At age 17, while still in high school, Raymond joined the New Jersey National Guard. After three years of active military duty he received an honorable discharge and then spent six years with the US Army Reserve before receiving an honorable discharge.

In 1959, Raymond married Eli Karin Lunde, bom in 1939 in Norway. The next year, Ray and Eli moved to Norway. Raymond worked with various construction companies in the oil industry. Eli Karin's education is in economics. Eli worked almost twenty years in the fisheries office and was employed by oil engineering and consultant companies with various responsibilities.

Ray and Eli have two sons, Richard Lunde Eustice, bom in 1960 and Stig Lennart Eustice, bom in 1962. Raymond remained a US citizen as are his two sons, both born in Norway. Richard is married to Martine Wiltzius, originally from Luxembourg and Stig married Sigrid Gausvik four years ago. Stig and Sigrid live in Bergen, Norway and Ray, Eli, Richard and his family live on the island Sotra outside of Bergen.

Ray and Eli enjoyed retirement with their sons and their spouses and two grandchildren; Anne Lise Eustice, bom in 1997 and Eric Wiltzius Eustice, bom in 2002.

Raymond was a faithful and long time member of the Eustace Families Association and participated in the Eustace Families Association Y-chromosome DNA project and his profile closely matches namesakes with roots in Kildare, Clare, Longford and Wicklow, however we are still searching for the exact birthplace of his ancestor Patrick Eustice who came to New Jersey.

We extend our sincere condolences to the Eustice family



Ray Eustice's funeral in Foldnes Church near Knarrevik, Norway

# Lives Remembered

### Phyllis Eustace: May You Rest In Peace



Phyllis Eustace with her nephew Seamus Eustace, both now deceased

Mary Phyllis Eustace of Redhill, Tinode, Manor Kilbride, Blessington, Co. Wicklow passed away 26 September, 2013 at the Baltinglass Nursing Home where she had been convalescing for several years.

Phyllis Eustace was born 2 September 1923 and was the daughter of Peter Eustace (1868-1950), a farmer from Tinode, Manor Kilbride, who married Margaret Purcell also of Tinode (daughter of Michael Purcell) on 10 February 1912 at Manor Kilbride.

Phyllis remained single and was the last of her generation of Eustaces in the Manor Kilbride area. She was preceded in death by her parents and nine siblings: Peter, born 11 February, 1913 married, Daisy Kathleen McGrath; Margaret (Greta), married Tom Lawlor; Joseph Oliver, born 9 Jan, 1917, married 20 September 1955, Alice Doyle and died 12 July 2007; Hugh who died in infancy; Oliver, who did not marry, and who died in September 1986; Michael (Mick), who did not marry, died 16 March 1983, aged 58; Mary who died young; Patricia, married Seamus McGuinness, died 1989, aged 62; Nuala, married Tom Dowling, died 2005.

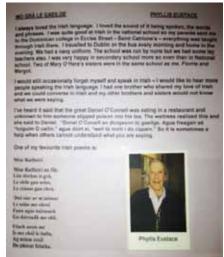
Phyllis was well educated, having attended Scoil Caitriona in Eccles Street Dublin (now the site of the Mater Private Hospital). Her education was in the Irish language. She had a great love of the Irish language and told of how she would converse with her brother when she wanted private conversation. Following school, she worked in Dublin, most recently at Donnelly & Co., Cork Street, where she was the chief payroll officer. When the company went into liquidation in 1979, she stayed at home on the Redhill with her brothers. When Oliver died in 1986, she took over the running of the family farm. She loved her sheep, cattle and dogs, the last of whom were Scot, Shelly and Jessie.

She loved to read and had extensive and varied collection of books at her reach. She loved music and was particularly proud of her nephew Seamus and his wife Margaret and their band, Celtic Mist, and was delighted when they regularly played music at Baltinglass Hospital. At a recent family visit in early July, although very frail, she still recited a poem in Irish.

At the nursing home Phyllis played cards and bingo and when guests called they were immediately invited to join the groups at the tables before taking time to visit. Phyllis was a woman with powerful faith. She had a special devotion to Our Lady and prayed the Rosary each day. Phyllis loved nature and to share with others. When family and friends brought her a bunch of flowers at the nursing home, and she would make sure they were put in the day room or oratory so others could enjoy them also.

Phyllis was very proud to be Eustace and faithfully read each issue of the *Eustace Families Post*. At an early age, she learned of Eustace family connections to Viscount Baltinglass whose descendants fled to the Wicklow Hills to avoid arrest between the Baltingass Rebellion of 1580 and the 1641 Uprising. She told how they had to flee their homes with only the clothes on their backs and what they could carry between them. This connection has been confirmed through Y-chromosome DNA testing of several male relatives.

Phyllis's body was brought to Manor Kilbride on September 28th for evening prayers. A burial service was held at St. Bridget's Catholic Church, Manor Kilbride, County Wicklow after Mass on September 29th. Family members Margaret, Claire and Tadhg played lovely hymns and music for her at the church and graveyard, including some slow airs on the fiddle and poetry. Her remains are buried together with her brothers and many Eustaces in the Manor Kilbride Cemetery. *Dorothy Dowling, Margaret Eustace and Nicollete Eustace who contributed to this article*.



The poster above was placed on a wall at Baltinglass Nursing Home.

# Lives Remembered

# Frank Royden Eustice (1912-2011)

RANDOLPH, WISCONSIN — Frank R. Eustice passed away December 14, 2011, at age 99 after a long and full life.

Frank Eustice was born in Rewey, Wisconsin on Sept. 21, 1912, to John and Nina (Leininger) Eustice. Eventually the young family moved to Madison where Frank attended (when he wasn't hanging around local machine shops) and graduated from Madison East High. He met and married Cecelia Babler and they settled in La Crosse, Wisconsin where Frank owned and operated a tool and die shop for many years. Following the sale of his business he worked at the University of Wisconsin Limnology Department until his retirement. Frank had a tremendous zest for life. He roller skated into his 80s, worked part time into his 90s. With his first computer at age 90 he quickly became a "geek."

Frank and Cecelia raised three children who survived them, Mary Kibler of Brandon, Ann (Harland) Wenzel of Allenton, and Francis (Mary) Eustice of Sun Prairie. Frank's wife Cecelia passed away in 1998 and Frank continued to live independently into his mid 90s. Frank was also preceded in death by his brothers, Carl Eustice and John Eustice; and his sister, Thelma Slattery. He leaves his three children, 11 grandchildren, 10 great-grandchildren, nieces, nephews, other family and many friends.

# Frank Eustice: May You Rest In Peace

We extend our sincere condolences to the families of all the deceased.



Dexter Dana Eustis (1943-2013)

EUSTIS, FLORIDA — **Dexter Dana Eustis,** 69, passed away on July 9, 2013 at his home in Eustis, Florida. Dexter and his family are descendants of General Abraham Eustis, after whom Eustis, Florida and Fort Eustis, Virginia are named.

Dexter Eustis was born in Rumford, Maine on July 22, 1943. He was a graduate of Strong High School in Maine. He was a United States Army veteran and a retired food inspector and compliance officer for the U.S. Department of Agriculture. He was well known and loved for his hospitality and kindness along with maintaining family website data. He also enjoyed baking homemade delights from his kitchen and was described as "the best pie maker in the world".

He moved to Eustis, Florida in 2006 from Pinehurst, North Carolina. Dexter was a member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints and a long-time member of the Eustace Families Association. He wrote several articles about his family which were published in the *Eustace Families Post* and was in frequent contact with the editor.

He was the son of the late Stowell and Dorothy Helen (McGuire) Eustis and is survived by his siblings, Stan Eustis of Raeford, North Carolina, Robert (Joanie) Eustis of Phillips, John (Eleanor) Eustis of Portland, Wal-

# Dexter Eustis: May Vou Rest In Peace

lace (Mitsuko) Eustis of Mount Dora, Florida., Dorothy (Charles) Daniels of Raeford, N.C., Susan Clark of Lewiston and Rosemary (Greg) Timberlake of Raeford, North Carolina and 25 nieces and nephews. Interment with full military honors followed at Greenwood Cemetery in Dixfield, Maine.

# Peter Wayne Eustace (1955-2013)

THUNDER BAY, ONTARIO — Peter Wayne Eustace passed away Saturday, July 6, 2013 in Thunder Bay, Ontario. He had suffered catastrophic injuries June 28, 2000 that left him a quadriplegic. Pete was born on February 21, 1955 in Bridgewater, Nova Scotia and led a colourful life. He is survived by his brother Michael (Colette), nephews Francois and Matthew, all of Montreal.

Pete was also survived by close friend and partner Marlene Kasstan and her sons Patrick (Sharon) and their children Seth (10),Timothy (8), and Steve (Andrea) and their daughter Sonia (3).

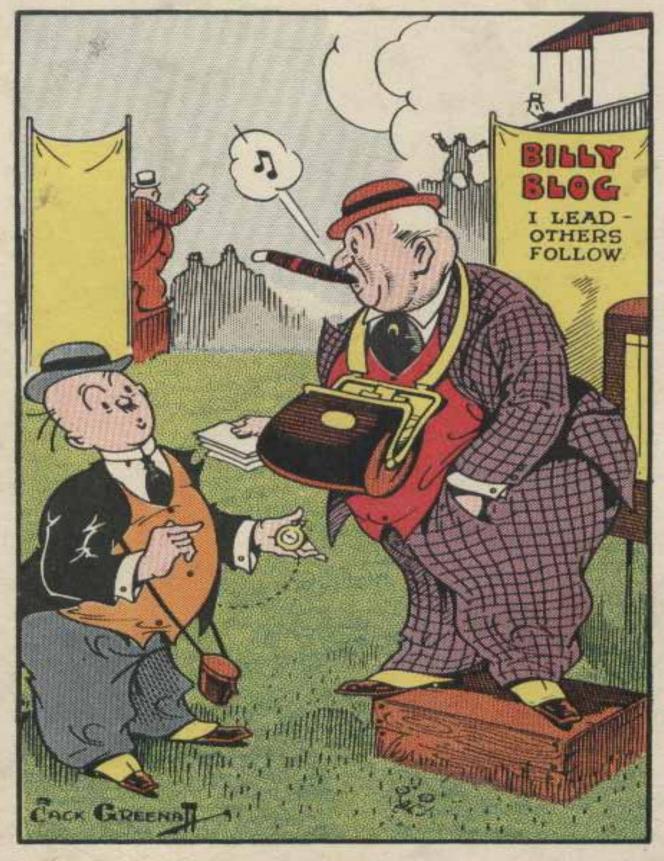
Pete was predeceased by his mother Dorothy Irene Walsh in October 1955, and his father Mansell Clarkson Eustace in 1996.

Pete was an "amazing person", brilliant with a quick wit, strong-willed, and will be sadly missed by all that knew and loved him including his extended family of caregivers – Jim, Tammy, Sue, Melissa, Pina, Jodie, Ida, Savannah, Jane, and Lynaya, and many, many others. Patrick was a source of strength, and comic relief through their late night antics as well as during extremely trying times.

Funeral services were held on Thursday, July 11, 2013 in Westminster United Church (Madeline Street across from Grandview Mall) with Rev. Jim Hyder officiating.

# Peter Eustace: May You Rest In Peace

# USELESS EUSTACE



"Don't talk stupid! The horse can't possibly start at ten-to-one, it's a quarter to three now."