

## 1994 Sauvage/Sowash/Soash Family Reunion

The 1994 Sauvage/Sowash/Soash Family Reunion in Waverly, Iowa, was a great success, thanks to all of the work of Jane (Soash) Brown and Dean Soash and their families. Fifty-eight people from ten states attended with more descendants from the Soash branches than from the Sowash lines.

The group gathered on Friday, Jun 24 for a tour of Shell Rock, including the old mill, the site of Edna Soash's home, the original Soash homestead in Butler County, and the Shell Rock Cemetery.

In the evening, the group met for a catered dinner and craft sale. Beverly Skipton did a great job organizing and running the craft sale which netted over \$300 for the research and cemetery funds.

On Saturday, the group gathered for the trip to the Ammana Colonies. The group enjoyed the main colony until early afternoon, and then had a tour of the other colonies.

In the evening, the group gathered for a banquet and business meeting at the Red Fox Inn. The group voted to use the money in the cemetery fund to place a stone on the collective grave of Susanna Sowash (2C/W/) and six other of her descendants. They were originally buried in the Old German Cemetery in Greensburg, PA. In the 1930's, the cemetery was moved, and the seven were reburied in a collective grave in St. Clair Cemetery in Greensburg. Since the last reunion, a new gravestone was placed on the grave of John Sowash (1) at Brush Creek Cemetery in Irwin, PA. Other projects to be undertaken as money allows are the graves of George and Elizabeth (Bankart) Sowash (1J) in Irwin, PA. at an approximate cost of \$720 each and permanent stones for John and Elizabeth (Hindman) Soash (1B) in Otsego Cemetery in Wood Co., OH. Donations are always welcome.

It was also decided to have a reunion at least every two years. A cash raffle was held, with half of the proceeds going to the research fund. Richard Sowash won the raffle. 1994-1995 officers were elected:

President:	Merwin Soash
Vice-President:	David G. Soash
Secretary:	Nancy Robinson
Treasurer:	Richard Soash
Newsletter:	Elinor Parish

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## 1994 Reunion Attendees

Clark Brown (1F6E2B2)	Bristow, IA
Jane & Jack Brown (1F6E2B)	Bristow, IA
Pat & Carl Fritsche (1F6C1B1)	Niles, MI
Elizabeth & John Gray (1F6D1B)	Phoenix, AZ
Jerri, Amanda, Delynn, Kristopher, & Nicole Gregory (1F6E2A)	Urbandale, IA
Scott Hardee (1F6E2A1B)	Shell Rock, IA
Linda Hennings (A Guest)	Waverly, IA
Madeline Metzger (1F6E2/W/)	Waverly, IA
Hugh & Catharine Miner (1F6A2C)	Grand Island, NE
Elinor Parish (1B4B1A1)	Huron, OH
Myra Schroeder (2B2A5B)	Washington, IA
Jill, Brandon, & Nick Silber (1F6E2B1)	Citrus Heights, CA
Robin & Roy Singer (1F6C2B1)	Bloomington, MN
Beverly & Randy Skipton (1F6C2C)	Burnsville, MN
Elizabeth & Philip Soash (1F6E2C2 &3)	Waverly, IA
Charles & Edith Soash (1B7E6B)	Mankato, KS
Clara Soash (1F6C2/W3/)	White Bear Lake, MN
Dean & Sandy Soash (1F6E2A)	Waverly, IA
George & June Soash (1F6C2B)	Burnsville, MN
Jeff, Sue, & Donnie Soash (1F6E2A2)	Waverly, IA
Merwin & Peggy Soash (1B4A3A)	Chadds Ford, PA
Richard Soash (1B7E6B)	Wichita, KS
Dennis & Michelle Sowash (1E2G1B1)	Lincoln, NE
Harvey & Betty Sowash (1E2G1B)	King City, CA
Jack & Reo Sowash (1J7E4B)	Windsor, MO
John & Nancy Sowash (2D3C4A)	Alpena, MI
Laurence & Diane Sowash (2C12L3A2)	Okemos, MI
Richard Sowash (1E2G1D2)	Rohnert Park, CA
Joyce & Leland Stevenson (1F6D1A)	Phoenix, AZ
Ruth Thomas (1B4B1A1)	Weston, OH
E. J. & Thelma Van Nostrand (2B2A5A)	Indianola, IA
Stella Winckler (1E2G1D1)	Kelseyville, CA

## Craft Sale Donations

Thanks to the following people who donated craft goods for the sale:

Jane Brown  
Hugh Miner  
Beverly Skipton & her daughter Polly  
Clara Soash  
Edith Soash  
Sandy Soash  
Sue Soash  
Betty Sowash  
Christine Sowash  
John Sowash  
Ruth Thomas

***Also thanks to all those who bought the craft goods!***

## Donations to the Cemetery/Research Funds

Janice Brenner  
James Brenner  
Donald Combs in memory of Phyllis  
(Combs) Edwards  
Sue Kelley  
Noreen Mack  
Nancy Robinson  
Myra Schroeder  
Charles Soash, Sr.  
Clara Soash  
Dean Soash  
Evan Soash  
Lorraine Soash in memory of  
Paul Soash  
Richard Soash  
G. William Sowash  
Harvey & Betty Sowash  
Jack & Reo Sowash  
Joan Sowash  
Laurence Sowash  
Joyce & Leland Stevenson