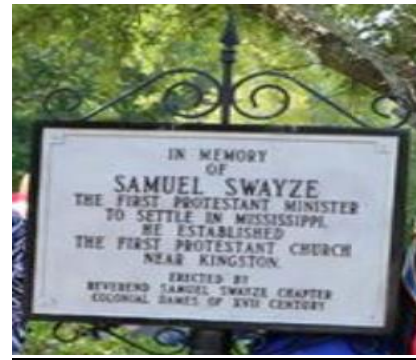


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April 21-23, 2023



250th Anniversary of the Jersey Settlers Migration to Mississippi

We are starting to plan for the 2023 reunion which will celebrate the 250th anniversary of the Jersey Settlers coming to Mississippi. **We are looking for SPEAKERS and ACTIVITIES for this special reunion** (if you attended the 75th Reunion, you know this will be an outstanding event!). Please share your ideas of what you would like to see included in this reunion.

If speaking in front of others is not your thing, there is another way to contribute to the reunion and our organization! **One of the projects will be the publishing of short family vignettes, or stories, into a book.** Check out a family story Jim M. Swayze posted in Face Book which is the first entry for the book & a great example of what we want! <https://www.facebook.com/jim.swayze/posts/10212373403625357> These vignettes can be stories passed down through your family, your own remembrances, a tribute to one of your ancestors, fact or fiction (as long as you tell us which is which!), funny, sentimental, romantic, even tragic. Submissions should be human interest stories, not a compilation of your genealogy. So, start writing! What a great way to honor your ancestors & share treasured moments! Here are the specific guidelines & tips:

- All entries accepted*– this is not a competition or contest. We want to make this a diverse publication representing as many DJS family lines as possible. *If too many entries are received and all can't be included in the book, date of submission will be used to determine the cutoff (the earlier you submit, the best chance of your story making the book). In the instance that too many entries come from the same family line and cover the same ancestors, even possibly even the same story, we will let those family members know and work out a solution with them. If we do have to restrict the number of entries, we can print your story in our annual newsletter if you give us the okay. Our goal is to include as many stories as possible.
- Feel free to collaborate with other members of your family; multiple authors are fine!
- Entries should be 1,000 words or less. Word counts are not to include entry title (don't forget to give your vignette a title!). All words (no matter the length) are to be included in the 1000 word count. If you go over by a small number of words, no big deal. We just want to make sure we can include as many entries as possible so you may be asked to edit if your word count is too far above the limit!
- You are allowed two entries, but both will only be published if space permits. If you submit two entries, please label them #1 and #2 so we know #1 is your preferred entry in case we can't include both.
- You may include a photo. Please identify the subject or subjects in the photo as well as the context of the photo.
- While electronic submission is preferred, hand written or printed entries will be accepted. We will take these entries and retype in an electronic format for you.
- For electronic submissions: Select a font that is easy to read- please do not use a decorative or script font; 12-point type size is preferred. Suggested fonts are Garamond, Georgia, Bookman Old Style, Calibri, and Verdana. All submissions will be changed to the font chosen from the book.
- It is preferred that an entry be formatted to 8.5 x 11 paper, single-sided, 1 inch margins, single spaced. Please submit in Microsoft Word or a program that can be converted into Word. Please do not submit in a format that cannot be edited! With your approval, your submission may be edited for spelling, grammar, etc. If writing is not your strong point and you'd like help, we are happy to assist you.
- **Submissions deadline is October 1, 2021!** But remember, the earlier you submit, the best chance your entry will be included if page count is an issue.

Are you ready to share some DJS remembrances with us? Send your stories, suggestions for reunion talks and activities to Ann Severance, alseverance3@gmail.com or via mail, 5949 Hibiscus Dr., Baton Rouge, LA 70808. Feel free to call me at 225-931-4674 if you want to discuss your ideas!