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LOOKING AHEAD

9 JANUARY 1983 - The January meeting of the S.C.P.G.S. will be held in the Meeting Hall of The Historical Society of York County. A brief business meeting will begin at 2:15 p.m. and the program at 2:30 p.m. The program will be a "Share and Ask and Research" workshop. We plan to begin with a group question and answer session. Have your questions ready, but - - we cannot absolutely guarantee satisfactory and helpful answers to every question. We will, however, do our best to help. After this group session, individuals may use the various materials available and/or talk with others. We plan to have available the following (plus other) materials: Brossman Columns and Indexes ("Our Keystone Families"); Will Abstracts and Indexes for Berks, Cumberland, and Lancaster Counties; Continental Immigration Project Index and related Source Material; the new Index to Egle's Notes and Queries. Also available will be the SCPGS Member Surname Index File which is now up-to-date and by which can be discovered what members are researching what surnames.

If there is interest in hearing them, some of the five tapes purchased from Triad on program sessions held at the National Genealogical Society - Indiana Historical Society Conference in Indianapolis in 1982 will be played. The tapes will be played in the time available according to amount of interest in each. They will be played in a section of The Historical Society other than the Meeting Hall. The five topics and speakers are: "Using Law Libraries and Court Records" (Cameron Allen); "Military Service Records" (James D. Walker); "Making the Most of 'Mug Books'" (Peggy Tuck Sinko); "Finding Your Way Through Ohio Genealogy" (Frank Levstik); and "Tracing the Germans Back to Pennsylvania..." (Clifford Neal Smith).

Members are encouraged to bring any research tool that is not commonly available and that might be of interest to others. Come and share an informal afternoon of fellowship while the winter winds chill the outdoors.

NOTES FROM THE PRESIDENT

Please note that membership in the SCPGS does not allow free usage of the library of The Historical Society of York County by persons who are not members of The Historical Society. Any non-members are charged $2 per day to use the extensive collections of The Historical Society.

If weather conditions are hazardous or threatening, to determine the status of a membership meeting, please call Pat Gross at (717) 843-6169 or The Historical Society of York County at (717) 848-1587. If you live locally you may wish also to tune to WSBA Radio for last minute cancellations.

The Gordon S. Snyder Family of Brodbecks, York Co., is to be commended for spending much time and effort this past year to restore the Heindel Cemetery near Freysville in Windsor Twp., York Co. This private farm cemetery lies on land settled by Christopher Heindel, Sr., immigrant of 1749. Over the years the cemetery had almost disappeared through the combined effect of the elements and neglect. Besides the Heindel name, some other names associated with the cemetery are Barley, Crone, Fitz, Gramm, Knaub, Kindig, Lordan, Landes, Martin, Weinhold and Smith. If any relatives or ancestors are buried in this cemetery on Ruppert Road on the Kornbau farm, you may want to visit it and see the fine work done by the Snyders. Perhaps this will encourage some of us to do the same with other neglected cemeteries.

The new Guide to Genealogical Research in the National Archives (GUIDE, National Archives, Box 401, Washington, DC 20408; $21 for hardcover or $17 for softcover) is to be available about December 15. This 350 page research tool significantly expands and updates the original 1964 edition. Delivery may require a period of several weeks.

The Sherk Family (by Thomas A. Sherk, 23 Pleasant Ridge Drive, West Hurley, NY 12491; $19.50 plus $1.50 handling) is a recently available 357 page book of which Part I, two-thirds of the book, traces descendants of Ulrich Sherk, immigrant of 1752. Part II consists of early information on other Sherk families, the name origin, Swiss information, and other related material.

Sources and Documents VII, Tulpehocken Church Records 1730-1800, is now available from the Pennsylvania German Society (Box 97, Breinigsville, PA 18031) at a cost of $12.50 plus postage and tax when applicable. Order in writing but do not send any payment until the invoice arrives.

Blessed Holidays to you and your family.

David P. Hively

ILLINOIS ANCESTOR ?

The Illinois State Genealogical Society will issue Prairie Pioneer Certificates to direct descendants of early settlers of Illinois. In doing so they will be gathering info. about many pioneers who have gone unnoticed in history. Eventually the info. submitted (with applications) will be published in book form.

To qualify for a Prairie Pioneer Certificate an applicant must be directly descended from an ancestor who settled in Illinois:

Prior to statehood (3 Dec 1818) - gold seal with ribbon, or
1819-1850 - gold seal, or
1851-1880 - silver seal.

An applicant need not be a resident of Illinois, nor have ever lived there. Anyone may apply. Cost of a Certificate is $5.00. For application form and additional info.: Mrs. Reba Mathis, Rt. 2, Box 36B-1, Troy, IL 62294.

EARLY PA CATHOLIC RECORDS

Follow-up on info. in the Oct. issue - Barbara Brady O'Keefe, 2120 SW 127th Ave., Miami, FL 33175, now has available a 164 page alphabetically arranged typed transcript of the baptisms in the Goshenhoppen Registers (Berks Co., PA), 1741 to March, 1807. Cost is $25.00 including postage. She also has available copies of St. Joseph's Church, Philadelphia, 1 Jan. 1776 to 21 Oct. 1781, for $15.00 including postage.

If you're interested in the above records, but do not wish to purchase - for $2.00, plus SASE, she will search a surname.

DESCENDANTS OF CORNELIS AERTSEN VAN SCHAICK

Melwood W. Van Scoyco, 707 So. Gulfstream Ave., Apt. 708, Sarasota, FL 33577, has recently completed the above work. Cornelis came to America from Westbroek, Holland, in 1636. The book contains genealogical data for more than 3, 000 descendants with surnames VAN SCHAICK, VAN SCHOICK, VAN SCHOIACK, VAN SCOIK, VAN SCOY, VANSCOY, VAN SCOYK, VAN SCOYOC, VAN SCYOC, VAN SKAIK, VAN SKIKE, VAN SKY, VAN SKYHAWK, VAN SYOC, and several thousand other surnames. The book is hardcover, illustrated, fully indexed, with over 700 pages, and includes a color photograph of the authenticated Coat of Arms. The cost is $47.50 postpaid with distribution in early January, 1983.

QUERIES

Seeking data on Thomas SCOTT (b. 1628) mar. to Margaret HUBBARD. Had son Thomas who lived in PA - need wife and childrens names, had one son named Samuel, of Chester Co., PA, who mar. Jane ___?___.
Mrs. Floyd Smith, 105 Emerald Drive, Tuscumbia, AL 35674.

Please help! Searching for related families of John HARMON/HERMAN of York Co., PA. John HARMON b. ca. 1759/60, PA. Children: Jacob, mar. 1807, Catherine AMEN; John, Jr., (b. 1799), mar. 1823, Nancy BECKLEY; Catherine (b. York, 1783) mar. Geo. EDWARDS; Polly (b. York, 1787) mar. David ILER; Hetty(Emma), mar. 1822, Samuel CRAMER; Mary Ann (b. 1804) mar. Abram SMITH; Sarah mar. Robert TWIGG. Went to Washington Co., MD, by 1800. Need anything about John HARMON, Sr. He d. Ogle Co., IL, in 1855, age 95 yrs.
Chris Harmon, 114 E. Tenth St., Dixon, IL 61021.

Need info. on Mary ___?___ , wife of Abraham STANFORD, who was a Private in Rev. War, Cumberland Co., PA. In 1816 STANFORD & EMMITT families left PA, for OH. Abraham's wife Mary died & he returned to Licking Creek, PA, & d. ca. 1823.
Mrs. E. L. Cornell, 219 N. 23rd St., Kansas City, KS 66102.

Wish to obtain a copy of "The FISHER-STOMBAUGH Families of Maryland and PA, 1715-1949", by Florence Hepp Petersen, pub. Jan. 1950. Also desire any info. on Levi TEMPLETON b. Lancaster Co., PA, 1 Mar. 1824 and Maria SCHWARTZ b. 2 July 1821 in Cumberland Co., PA.
Mrs. Wayne J. Wilkinson, 3631 Rosecroft Ln., San Diego, CA 92106.

Adam HARMAN was a resident of Huntington Twp., York Co., PA, in 1762. The Twp. was included in Adams Co. in 1800. Seeking his origin, his wife and family, and info. on their migrations.
Paul J. Kuhn, P. O. Box 2041, Austin, TX 78768.

Need inf. on: Lawrence and Ruth (JONES) EISENBERG.
Lawrence b. 1763(Germany), d. 4 Oct 1826, Berks Co., PA.
Ruth b. 20 July 1775(Berks Co.), d. 5 Sept 1826.
John & Mary (EISENBERG) HALDEMAN.
John b. 13 Aug 1791, d. 8 Nov 1870.
Mary b. 28 July 1796, Montgomery Co., PA, d. 16 June 1855.
Daniel & Ruth (HALDEMAN) HARLEY.
Daniel b. 25 Dec 1821.
Ruth b. 18 Jan 1818, d. 16 May 1873.
Glenda Suit, 3060 Blackhills Dr., Boise, ID 83709.

Seeking ancestors of George Andrew WELKER, father, Benjamin d. before 1881 & mother, Sarah HERMAN still living in 1895. Also, seeking ancestors of William C. HESS, d. 26 Aug 1855, mar. 30 Nov 1848 Sally Ann WELSH, b. 6 Feb 1829, d. 4 Apr 1919.

Ruth Stark Burnite, 722 E. Michigan St., #114, Orlando, FL 32806.

Seeking any info. available on Peter LANGTON whose will was probated 10 Apr 1833, Wayne Twp., Mifflin Co., PA. It is suspected that his wife Martha was a McCONNELL. They had four children, three of whom were James, Joseph, & Isabella (LANGTON) HESSER.

Also, seeking further info. on Asa W. MELOY, b. ca. 1800, possibly York/ Lancaster Co., PA. Beleived to be son of James & Martha (BURKE) MELOY. Asa went West to Preble Co., OH as a young man & married in 1822 to Phebe VAN WINKLE. They both are buried in Preble Co., OH.

LtCol(Ret) C. E. Morris, 1253 SE 15th St., Ocala, FL 32671.

Seeking parents of Martha GAMBLE (b. 18 Feb 1754, d. 4 Feb 1811), married William DUNLAP of Lancaster Co., PA & settled in Brooke Co., VA. Was she dau. of Samuel GAMBLE who died in Westmoreland Co., PA 1789 naming children in his will: Jonah(or Josiah), David, James, Samuel, Martha, Jane, Ann, Hester, Mary, Rebecka, Prudence, & John.

Also, seeking info. on DENNY family who settled in Franklin Co., PA by 1751- - need parents of Catharine DENNY who married Joseph SWAN about 1750. Catharine died in 1818 in Franklin Co., PA.

Dan L. Dunlap, 111 Division St., Mendota, IL 61342.

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