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LOOKING AHEAD

5 JUNE 1983 - Our ANNUAL MEETING will be held in the Meeting Hall of The Historical Society of York County. Business portion of the meeting will begin at 2:15 p.m. The election of officers for the 1983-1984 Fiscal Year will be held during the business meeting. Our program will begin at 2:30 p.m. The program will be presented by Mr. Harry F. Parker, Assistant Archivist, Division of Archives & Manuscripts, PA Historical and Museum Commission. Mr. Parker's topic will be: GENEALOGICAL RESOURCES AT THE PENNSYLVANIA STATE ARCHIVES: An overview of the public and private records maintained at Harrisburg, with a special emphasis on their use in genealogical research and the South Central PA area.

1983-1984 CANDIDATES FOR OFFICERS AND DIRECTOR-AT-LARGE

The Slate of Candidates prepared by the Nominating Committee was presented by Ray Bloom, Chairman, during the business portion of our May meeting. No nominations were presented from the floor. As called for in the By-Laws of the Society, the election to fill the vacant positions will take place during the business portion of our ANNUAL MEETING on June 5th. The candidates are as follows:

ONE YEAR TERM
- President - David P. Hively
- Vice-President - Lois W. Davidson
- Corresponding Sec. - William C. Lightner
- Recording Sec. - Nancy C. Lau

TWO YEAR TERM
- Director-At-Large - Elizabeth T. Keller
- Treasurer - L. Richard Bushman

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

Renewal notices were sent with the April Newsletter. If you did not receive a notice, your dues for 1983-1984 Fiscal Year have already been paid.

NOTES FROM THE PRESIDENT

If you have Groff (Grove) ancestry and are not familiar with Groff History Associates (151 Cherry Hill Road, Ronks, PA 17572), you may want to send a SASE to that organization for additional information. The Groff Reunion was begun in 1979 and the 1983 reunion is being planned for August 26 and 27. The Associates have also announced publication of The Groff Book, Volume I. After Volume I is published, material for Volume II will be accepted.

Be reminded that at the June meeting members present will be asked to approve an addition and a change to the present By-Laws. These were presented in their entirety in this newsletter, issue of February 1983.

Der Reggeboge (Quarterly of the PA German Society, Vol. 14, No. 2, April, 1980) contains a valuable article by the Editor, Frederick S. Weiser. The article is "Eighteenth Century German Church Records From Maryland: A Checklist". The Report (Vol. 38, 1982), published by the Society for the History

of the Germans in Maryland, contains the above Maryland records checklist plus a similarly valuable article by Peggy S. Joyner titled "Extant German Church Records from Virginia and West Virginia: A Checklist".

David P. Hively

LANCASTER COUNTY

Lancaster County Historical Society, 230 N. President Ave., Lancaster, PA 17603, has a newly revised CORRESPONDENCE POLICY which our out-of-town members should be aware of:

1. The Society's staff does not do research of any nature in response to mail, telephone or personal inquiries on Society's time, except as listed below.
2. The Society will respond without charge to specific questions of an historical nature relative to Lancaster County, the Society's holdings, hours of service and location of other available resources in the County.
3. The form letter to genealogical inquiries will include a list of available researchers. Checks, money orders or stamps enclosed with the inquiries that exceed $5.00 in value will be returned. Those of $5.00 or less will be considered a contribution to the Society.
4. The daily library use fee will be increased to $2.00 per day per adult; library use shall be free for students of kindergarten through 12th grade.
5. The Society will respond to requests for copies of specifically cited county probate records. The charge for the service shall be $2.50 per document for searching and copying with a minimum charge of $5.00 per request, allowing a maximum of 10 documents per request.
6. The policy of the Society is to respond to all correspondence within three (3) weeks after receipt.
7. Mail requests for photocopies for specifically cited references in materials housed in the Society will be provided at a basic minimum charge of $2.50 plus cost of photocopying when requests are made by mail. The maximum number of pages photocopied per request shall be 25. Some flexibility shall be allowed at the discretion of the librarian.

CUMBERLAND AND WESTMORELAND CO., PA

Lawrence C. Lemmon, 12617 Kornett Lane, Bowie, MD, 20715, is ready to publish his 464 page work titled JOHN and ELIZABETH LEMMON: Pioneer Settlers of Colonial Pennsylvania - Ancestors and Descendants. This Scoth-Irish family had its' beginning in Cumberland Co. and the book deals with it here and its' later development in Westmoreland Co., PA. The book is indexed and includes 78 pages of Family Group Plates. If ordered before June 1 the price is $19.95 and after this date $25.00, including packaging, handling and mailing.

QUERIES

Seeking to exchange info. on family of Henry MILLER of Ephrata Cloister fame. What was maiden name of the wife of his grandson, Jacob MILLER?

Seeking to exchange info. on RINEER/REINEAR/RHINEER/RINEAR family of Lancaster Co., PA.

Seeking to exchange info. on BIRD family of Eden/Bart Twps. in Lancaster Co., PA.

A. Hunter Rineer, 28 Peacock Drive, Lancaster, PA 17601

Is anyone researching the name REES/REECE? Especially need info. on Elizabeth REES HUMPHREY who came from Wales, probably as a widow, and settled in Phila. in 1682. She had ch.: Benjamin; Ann, mar. Edward Robert; Gobitha, d. 1697; Lydia, mar. Ellis Ellis.

Connie S. Lawson, 223 Dryden Dr., Vallejo, CA 94591.

In the late 1770's Benjamin BETHURUM/BETHEREM/BETHUREM was in York Co., PA. The family migrated to KY, by 1793. My question concerns one Robert BETHURUM. Was he a son of Benjamin? Who was Benjamin's wife?

Mrs. Billie Jean Nelson, 1015 W. Nelson, Denison, TX 75020.

Seeking parents and descendants of Jacob FREY of Codorus Twp. and Red Rock, York Co., PA. He mar. Christina ROHRBAUGH 2 Nov 1873. Known ch.: Mary; Anna Catherina, mar. John DISE; George; Jacob; Sophia; William, mar. Mary SEITZ; Emanuel; John.

Miss Beulah A. Frey, 3873 Coldwater Dr., Allison Park, PA 15101.

My G.G.G. Grandfather was John THOMAS, b. 1745. Need his wife's name, where they were from and their parents' names. Can fill in family names and places after they left PA. Will share.

Mrs. Fay Thomas Stilwell, 3723 State Street Rd., Bay City, MI 48706.

Need information concerning wife, children, and residence of John McCLEAN, son of William, settled early 1740's in York Co., PA, in the part now Adams Co. Had brothers William, Jr., Archibald, Moses, James, Samuel, Alexander, and Joseph.

Ruth Jurgensen, 434 NW 19th St., Okla. City, OK 73103.

I'm researching the following names of families that passed through PA on their way to OH and KY: COLEMAN, COLLINS, DAVIS, MARTIN, MAYNARD, and VOORHEES. Some stayed in PA a long time and others only briefly. Would appreciate hearing from anyone researching the same lines. Will be glad to exchange information.

Joyce M. Riedlin, R.D. # 3 - Box 150, Stewartstown, PA 17363.

Wish to identify William & Polly BEDINGER b. PA 1761, had son Joseph b. 1787 in NJ. John & Jane BITTINGER possibly also living in NJ in 1787. Believe above may be descendants of Adam BEDINGER/BITTINGER/BUEDINGER of Lancaster, York, and Adams Co., PA.

Nancy G. Frederick, 1208 Maple Ave., Evanston, IL 60202.

Seeking parents of John Burgard RUNK, b. 17 Jan 1814, probably Codorus Twp., York Co., PA, d. 10 Mar 1895, bur. Stone (St. Jacob's) Church, Codorus Twp. He mar. Sarah KRUMRINE.

Betty Brown, R.D. # 3 - Box 100, Felton, PA 17322.

I seek information on George ZIMMERMAN, father of Elizabeth, who mar. Valentine FLOHR of Dover Twp., York Co., PA, ca. 1746. Does anyone know what became of George after he arrived at Phila. in 1746, where he lived, when and where he died and whether there are any estate records for him, and who his wife and other children were?

Lois L. Lace, P. O. 723-Peter Stuyvesant STA, New York, NY 10009.

Need information on Henry MENICH who lived in Franklin Co., PA, in 1800, and Benjamin MIDDLETON who left NJ, after 1782 and was in Bedford Co., PA, by 1790.

Mrs. John E. Orr, 2620 - 48th, Lubbock, TX 79413.

Desire information on DeWalt HESS (aka DeWald; David W.) who resided York Co., PA in 1783; Northumberland Co., PA in 1789; Centre Co., PA in 1797. Father of Abraham HESS (1783-1858) who mar. Sarah LITZ/LEITCH/LITTS, (1789-1843), daughter of David LITZ. Will exchange info. on both families.

Thomas C. Askey, 2306 O'Neil Blvd., White Oak, McKeesport, PA 15131.

Seeking kin or any knowledge of Christopher MUSSELMAN, including place in PA he left to go to KY about 1787. He may have been accompanied by a brother, David. Christopher, b. ca. 1756, reportedly Rev. War vet. Mar. Nancy Jane YOUNG (?). Left PA becoming taxpayer in Fatette Co., KY in 1788.

Sidney F. Musselman, 5522 Trent St., Chevy Chase, MD 20815.

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