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LOOKING AHEAD

6 NOVEMBER - The November meeting will be held at The Historical Society of York County. Business portion of the meeting will begin at 2:15 p.m. and the program at 2:30. Our speaker will be Mrs. Roy W. Taylor, professional genealogist, genealogical instructor, writer, and member of S.C.P.G.S. Mrs Taylor will speak on the topic "MONTGOMERY COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, RECORDS AND SOURCES". She will be available to answer questions after her presentation.

4 DECEMBER - Meeting will be held at Fissel's Church, Glen Rock, York County. Dr. Charles H. Glatfelter, Franklin Professor of History at Gettysburg College, Executive Director of Adams County (PA) Historical Society, and member of S.C.P.G.S. will speak on the "HISTORY OF FISSEL'S CHURCH". A map showing how to get there will be included with the November Newsletter.

NOTES FROM THE PRESIDENT

Genealogical Publishing Co., Inc. (111 Water St., Baltimore, MD 21202) has reprinted the Register of Marriages & Baptisms Performed by Rev. John Cuthbertson Covenanter Minister 1751-1791 (Edited by S. Helen Fields, 1934). Cost is $20 + $1 for postage and handling. Many of the persons named in Cuthbertson's diary were Scottish Covenanters resident in Lancaster and York Counties of PA.

The same company is announcing publication of Directory of Scots Banished to the American Plantations, 1650-1775 (David Dobson, 1983; $17.50 plus $1 or, if the second book ordered, only 50¢ charge for the second book's postage and handling charges).

If you are interested in the Lawson family you may want to receive The Lawson Letters (Official Publication of League of Lawsons, International). For additional information send a SASE to Mary A. Lawson (1823 N. Dearing, Fresno, CA 93703).

This summer while trying to learn more about some old cemeteries, I was again reminded of how significant has been the loss of community history. In the 1850's people were buried in a cemetery known as McDonald's and located in Fawn Township, York County, PA. (See SCPGS Special Publication No. 21, Jan. 1983, Laird entry p. 28 and Swisher entries p. 16 and p. 31.) Does anyone know the exact location of this cemetery? In the same time period people were buried in the Manifold Burial Ground in Fawn Township. (See same SCPGS publication, Anderson entries p. 35 and p. 36.) Were McDonald's and Manifold's two different names for the same plot? Was the Manifold Burial Ground the same as that identified in The Historical Society of York County cemetery inscription records as Manifold Burial Ground and whose tombstones were recorded in 1934?

Does anyone have any information on a cemetery that once existed in Fawn Township on Orchard Road about a mile from Gatchelville? No evidence of this cemetery now exists but an octogenarian who lived for many years on the farm pointed out the location and estimated its size for me one evening this past

June. Apparently the cemetery was removed (1920's?) before The Historical Society project of the 1930's. The tombstones may have been buried at the site. At an earlier period of time (about 1915?), my informant remembers that some remains were disinterred and removed to another but unknown site.

The previously mentioned HSYC cemetery inscription project is a tremendously beneficial project for which genealogists can only be grateful. As in all such major data recording projects, errors occurred. An on site inspection some fifty years later of some old tombstones can still reveal more information than that recorded in the 1930's. Required for success are optimal lighting conditions, plenty of time and patience to study the badly weathered lettering, maybe even a rubbing.

As an example, consider the tombstone of Susanna Miller in Strickler's Cemetery, Springettsbury Township. The HSYC listing gives this information: Oct. 9, 1781--June 5, 1812. A recent rubbing of the stone reveals almost the entire German inscription and the following data: Oct. 9, 1731--June 5, 1812, 79(sic) years & 8 months.

Next month I plan to continue these "grave" matters.

David P. Hively

SCPGS SURNAME INDEX FILE

A reminder - We attempt to maintain an up-to-date Surname Index File of all surnames members are researching. There is NO LIMIT on the number of names members may submit to be included in the file. To add surnames to the file simply send a short note giving the surname(s) you would like added and give the various spellings you are aware of for each surname.

Members desiring to know the names and addresses of those, besides themselves, who are researching a surname(s) should send a note indicating such along with a business size SASE.

Both the above services are available to members at no cost (except SASE) and may be utilized by them as often as desired.

QUERY POLICY

In case you've forgotten - Members may send in an unlimited number of queries for publication in the newsletter. Queries are printed under the rule - first received, first included. If you desire to send us more than one query at the same time - no problem. However, space in the newsletter determines the number of queries we can include in each issue. Thus, when sending more than one query at a time indicate your preference as to which should be included first. Those not included with the first ones will be included in succeeding newsletters as space permits.

There are no set rules for writing queries, but keep them as brief and to the point as possible, include a date or time span when possible and identify as specifically as you can the location where the individual lived (township, county, etc.)

Queries are printed at no cost to members. If you never send us any to print you'll never know if someone else has an answer you're seeking!

BEDFORD COUNTY, PA, STAYERS

The Stayer Reunion of Bedford County, PA is starting a newsletter. Any member of the Stayer family will receive the newsletter free of charge on request. Anyone interested in the newsletter or having items to share, please write to: Jonathan R. Stayer, 22 N. Albemarle St., York, PA 17403.

THE HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF YORK COUNTY, PA

On Sunday, November 13, 1983 at 3:00 p.m. in the Society's Meeting Hall there will be a slide presentation entitled "The Migration of the Scot-Irish" given by the speaker Ms. Michael Ann Williams, Folklurist at the Mt. Heritage Center, West Carolina University, Cullowhee, North Carolina. There will be NO CHARGE to attend the meeting.

QUERIES

Would like to correspond with anyone that has info. on the following names, and also maybe able to help from this area: Philip COALE - his ancestry prior to Quakers; GRABLE "Wrought Iron Co." - Was destroyed during Civil War (Pittsburg); Elizabeth MULL - Family early settlers in Illinois; Ann Elizabeth WALMSLEY - Dau. of Thomas WALMSLEY came on ship "Good Hope" with Wm. Penn; Margaret HOLLAND - her ancestry 1700; Ann DALLAM - her ancestry; Elisha GATCHEL, Sr. - his ancestry.

Lois C. Taylor, 7613 Delphi Rd., SW, Olympia, WA 98502.

Seek info. on George TINKLE who married Sarah PROCTOR in 1790 in Lincoln Co., KY. Is it poss. that he went from South Central PA to Lincoln County, KY?

Evelyn F. Tinkle, P. O. Box 45, Nesbit, MS 38651.

Can anyone furnish proof that John HAMMOND, Menallen Twp., York Co., PA married Deborah DIX? Was she the mother of his six children: Sarah b. 1743, mar. Wm. GRIFFITH; Elizabeth b. 1745, mar. John WRIGHT; Nathan b. 1749; John b. 1753; Mary b. 1755, mar. Aaron GARRETSON; Tamar b. 1759, mar. John GARRETSON.

Also, does anyone know where I can purchase a copy of "Abstracts of Adams and York County Friends Records" by Gilbert Cope?

Mrs. Lewis D. Mathis, Jr., 17080 E. Comstock, Linden, CA 95236.

Seek info. on WAGGONER/WAGNER families of Frederick Co., MD, Bedford and Fulton Cos., PA. Christian WAGGONER d. 13 Jan 1856, age 92y, 7m, & 5 das, bur Fulton Co. Englert Farm, Wagoner Fam. Cem., Todd Twp. Mar. Anna Catherina 10 Dec 1782, b. 20 May 1759, d. 1 Jan 1840. Need parents of Christian WAGGONER - his baptismal certificate and place of marriage. Also, need maiden name of Anna Catherine(a). Their oldest dau. Margaretta(Margaret) was bap. 1786, mar. OLLER.

Need info. on Christian WAGGONER who lived Hagerstown-Emmitsburg area. His w. Elizabeth had a son Phillip. Found a Philip WAGGONER living 1780 in Bedford Co., PA. Did Philip, s. of Christian & Eliz. go to Bedford Co., and have a s. named Christian?

I have discovered about six Christian WAGGONERS, need to put the families together. Lutheran's from Germany. Someone with knowledge of Christian WAGGONER families, either Lutheran or Catholic in belief, & also need someone with Christian b. 1762/63, please reply.

Mrs. Andy R. Klobnak, 1315 - 56th St., Des Moines, IA 50311.

Is anyone researching Dr. John HEIDLER who mar. Judith STRAUSBAUGH ca. 1759? D. 1806, bur. Conewago Chapel. Did their s. John mar. Eva KIENTZ & have Magdalen who mar. Nicholas STRAUSBAUGH, ca. 1817? Who were the parents of Eva KIENTZ? Was it John who had sisters Magdalena BRANDT, Catharine DELLONE, & Margaret STRASBACH?

Also, was Anthony LITTLE/KLEIN's first w. Anna Maria SANDERS? His second w. was Catharine STRAUSBAUGH?? Was he a s. of John LITTLE?

Also, was Mary Catharine(WEIBLE/WIVALL) ALTHOFF the dau. of Joseph & Margaret(ORNDORFF) WEIBLE? She d. in Carroll Co., MD. Did Joseph & Margaret die there also?

Barbara Bardy O'Keefe, 2120 SW 127th Ave., Miami, FL 33175.

Searching for the father of Robert Randell BOGGS, b. 3 Feb 1859, d. 28 Aug 1942, mar. Elizabeth Ellen STEWART/STUART, b. 20 Apr 1861, d. 25 Dec 1942. Also searching for father & mother of the above. Believe her father was Thomas STEWART mar. to Elizabeth RHINE/RINE(??). We think they may have been from Perry Co. area (??).

Dorothy Boggs Fisher, 115 Drake Ave., SW, Huntsville, AL 35801.

My G.G.Grandfather was Abraham FORREY, b. about 1830, & resided in Logan Co. OH until his death in 1861. Mar. to Catherine Margaret WENTZ in 1857 while in Logan Co. Would like to know whether Abraham FORRY is listed on the 1850 Census Heidleberg Twp., York Co., PA. Would be happy to share information.

CWO4 Roderick A. Forrey, USN, NRMC Box 58. FPO Seattle, WA 98778.

Seeking for info. on Richard DAVIS b. 1 Nov 1803, Fayette Co., PA. Son of Richard DAVIS & Elizabeth McLAUGHLIN, Fayette Co., PA.

Also, seeking info. on Rebecca BOWERSOCK, b. PA, probably Fayette Co., PA.

Diana G. Johnson, 2827 - 79th Ave., NE, Everett, WA 98205.

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