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LOOKING AHEAD

5 OCTOBER - The October 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. and the program at 2:30 p.m. Our speaker will be Clifford Neal Smith of Arizona. Mr. Smith and his wife have published various books on German-American Genealogical Research Monograph and an Encyclopedia of German-American Genealogical Research. His topic will be on "Eighteenth & Nineteenth-Century Germany".

DECEASED MEMBERS

Mr. George F. Mills, 17 Center Trail, NW, Carroll Valley, PA 17320, 1986.

Mrs. Edith P. Skinner, 1927 Millersville Pike, Lancaster, PA 17603, 6 May 1986.

RESEARCH TRIP TO WASHINGTON, DC -- Saturday, November 8, 1986

The SCPGS will sponsor a research trip to Washington, DC on Saturday, November 8, 1986. A 39-passenger coach with restroom facilities has been contracted for the day. The bus will leave the Queensgate Shopping Center parking lot at 6:30 a.m. Upon arrival in DC the bus will make two stops (National Archives Building and the Library of Congress) and people may leave the bus at whichever one of the two stops they individually choose. During the day people may go from one research center to any other research center as they so choose by walking or using DC public transportation. Of course you may also do sightseeing. In the evening all people will board the bus as a group at about 5:30 p.m. at a site on the Mall near the National Archives Building. Those making the trip will be responsible for their noon and evening meals while in DC. The bus will not stop on the way home after leaving Washington DC. The transportation fee for each person is $15. Those who register will receive more detailed information within a week of the trip. Registration should be done as soon as possible but no later than October 5. Payment should be made no later than October 15. To register for the trip send a letter to the society or call Pat Gross at (717) 843-6169. Also if you have any questions about the trip call Pat. The society will continue to plan trips of this type as long as there is sufficient support from members and their friends. People who register do not need to be SCPGS members. Note that the Library of the Daughters of the American Revolution is NOT open on Saturdays.

HIVELY'S GENEALOGICAL NOTES

A group has been organized to preserve the Hess Cemetery at Baumgardner in Pequea Township, Lancaster County, PA. This cemetery, which has been neglected for several years, contains what is believed to be the oldest remaining marked tombstone in Lancaster County. This stone is for Hans Hess who died in 1733. Anyone interested in helping financially or otherwise with the project should contact the organization's secretary, Joanne Hess Siegrist (457 Beechdale Road, Bird in Hand, Pa 17505).

Do you own a Bible that contains genealogical data that relates to a family or families of the South Central Pennsylvania region? Or do you know relatives, friends, or libraries who own Bibles that contain such information? Especially if some of the information predates 1900, the SCPGS would like to have SCPGS members help preserve that information and share the information with others. If at all possible make photocopies of all pages containing family data and of the title page. If the publication date is on a page other than the title page also make a copy of the page with the publication date. Send these copies to the SCPGS along with the name and address of the present owner of the Bible. (If requested, the SCPGS will not divulge the name of the owner or the location of the Bible.) If valid reasons prevent the making of photocopies, send the most nearly accurate and complete transcription possible along with the other data. Copies of the data received will be placed in the appropriate family files of The Historical Society of York County. Eventually the SCPGS plans to publish the Bible data received. Since The Historical Society of York County is in the process of photocopying all the family data in its collection of Bibles, it is hoped that some type of publication combining the data from that collection and the data received by the SCPGS will be possible. (For SCPGS members and others living locally in the York area, arrangements can be made with Pat Gross to photocopy valuable Bible data by telephoning her at 843-6169.) We hope that each SCPGS member makes a serious effort to participate in this project which may prove beneficial in many ways.

According to information received in a telephone call, the Maryland State Archives (often formerly known as the Hall of Records) has reopened at its new location. The new location is 350 Rowe Boulevard, Annapolis, MD 21401. The telephone number is (301) 269-3915. The archives is open Monday through Saturday, 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m., except on holidays, including Maryland state holidays.

Volume LXI of the published Maryland Archives contains the names on the petitions for and against the removal of the county seat of Baltimore County from Joppa to Baltimore Town. These petitions from the year 1768 contain over 2200 names in favor of removal and about 900 names against removal. Seven of the broadsides favoring removal had the petition printed in English and German. Pages lxxxvi-xc of the volume give information on the controversy and about the petitions themselves. According to this information, "it seems certain that the 3172 inhabitants who signed petitions included practically all of the males of the county twenty-one years and over whose signatures would influence the Assembly in making the decision". The petitions and their names are transcribed in Appendix VII, pages 520-580. The following signers or markers on Petition No. 29 are representative of the many German or Swiss names on some petitions: Jacob Ybach(Ebach), Philip Diehl, Henrich Utz, Georg Philipp Manchen, and Anthon Noll. Petition No. 31 contains, for example, the names of Martin Tschudy, Lorentz Keller, Johann Conrad Small, and Johannes Breitenbach. Petition No. 33 seems to contain names of persons who lived, if not in Pennsylvania, near Pennsylvania: Richard McCallister, Johann Georg Gelwicks, Georg Winebrenner, Fridrich Eichilberger, Adam Forny, Robt. Irwin, Henry Sturgeon, and Christian Hoover. Of course both types of petitions contain a majority of non-German names. This volume, and many other volumes of the published Maryland Archives, can be found at The Historical Society of York County, York, PA. I do not know how commonly these volumes can be found in other areas of the country.

Tapes of presentations made at the National Genealogical Society 1986 Annual Conference held at Columbus, Ohio may be purchased from Triad (700 S. 5th,

Pekin, IL 61554). For the list of available tapes and prices write to the above address.

The National Genealogical Society 1987 Annual Conference in the States is scheduled for May 13-16, 1987 at Raleigh, North Carolina.

Vivian Lynes (P.O. Box 1197, Poway, CA 92064) is beginning an Electronic Bulletin Board Service called BRANCHES AND TWIGS. This is for genealogists with a computer and a 300 Baud Modem who would like to "exchange a surname query or index with others, leave announcements of meetings to be held, or leave electronic mail for others On-Line". The On-Line Communications Number is (619) 486-1014.

The Volume 89 Number 3 issue of the Journal, the quarterly publication of the Lancaster County Historical Society (230 N. President Ave., Lancaster, PA 17603-3194), contains the article "A Brief Introduction to Historic Pennsylvania Land Records" by the late A. Hunter Rineer, Jr. Copies of this issue may be purchased at a cost of $2.50 plus $1 for postage and handling from the Lancaster County Historical Society.

For the SCPGS 1985-1986 fiscal year, the Board of Directors purchased and donated the following resource materials to the library of The Historical Society of York County. (The SCPGS uses the facilities of the historical society without charge for board and membership program meetings.)

(1) The Source, which was given in memory of William L. Lober, a former treasurer of the SCPGS;
(2) The Brethren Encyclopedia, (3 volumes);
(3) Dauphin County Tombstone Inscriptions;
(4) Emigrants from Baden and the Breisgau,
(5) Pennsylvania 1860 Census Index, (5 volumes) Note: At the time this column was compiled these volumes had not arrived;
(6) Records of Marriages and Burials in the Monocacy Church in Frederick County, Maryland and in the Evangelical Lutheran Congregation in the City of Frederick, 1743-1811.

Charlene Finfrock Wilcox (565 Shaftsbury Road, Troy, OH 45373; telephone (513) 339-4973) has published Johannes Funfrock, A Genealogy in Alsace-Lorraine and America. The volume begins with the first known progenitor, Johannes Funfrock, born about 1530-1535 and then brings lines down to the third generation in America. The book contains much European information on the family as well as significant information on American branches of the family in Lancaster, Berks, York, Franklin and Clarion Counties in Pennsylvania and Washington, Frederick and Carroll Counties in Maryland. The 355 page hardbound book costs $48 postpaid. A future volume is planned to bring the lineages down to the present generations.

After 25 years of research, the two-volume genealogy, Shockey Chronicles, is available from Donald E. Shockey (193 Bunker Rd., N., Rotunda West, FL 33947). The volumes contain more than 1500 pages, including 182 pages of index. The price is $74.50 postpaid. Many members of this family were in the Pennsylvania counties of Fayette, Franklin, Somerset and Westmoreland; in the Maryland counties of Allegany, Garrett and Washington; and in the West Virginia counties of Berkeley and Morgan. Some allied families in these locations were Barker, Barnhart, Bell, Bennett, Bittner, Boyer, Bohrer, Brooks, Davis, Dawson, Findley, Fuller, Gehr, Gossert, Harbaugh, Hovermale, Kemp, Kendall, Michael, Reed, Rinehart, Shultz, Stoner, and Vought.

The Rothermel Family Association of America (c/o Florence E. Heydt, R. D. 1, Box 178, Mohrsville, PA 19541) has authorized as complete a history as possible of the descendants of Johannes Christian Rothermel and his seven

sons and one daughter. Research on the early generations is completed but now the association wants to hear from the living descendants. Contact Florence Heydt at the above address. The daughter of Johannes Christian Rothermel married Peter Fetherolf. Those with interest in this family should contact Dr. Joseph Meiser, Jr. (244 Scottsdale Dr., Guelp, Ontario, Canada NIG 2K8).

If you have Norwegian ancestry, you may be interested in "How to Trace Your Ancestors in Norway" which, according to a newspaper article, has been initiated by the Norwegian Information Service (825 Third Ave., New York, NY 10022; phone 212-421-7333).

QUERIES

Francis BOGGS (poss. John Francis) & widow Jane Morrison CAMPBELL lived "on a farm near Carlisle, PA". He served in Rev. War from York Co., PA. Need the location of marriage records of his children, supposed to have mar. at Carlisle, PA, before 1810 when family was in Pittsburgh. Jane BOGGS mar. ___?___ GRAHAM (did not go to Pittsburgh with rest of family). Lilly/Mary Lilly BOGGS mar. James EWING, she died 29 May 1826, need record of where. John BOGGS mar. about 1798 Agnes LOGAN. Had a s. called George, Jr. b. 25 Mar. 1799, Cumberland Co., PA. Where did they live? Any help will be appreciated.
Mrs. Alice C. Grady, 396 Taylor Rd., Stow, MA 01775.

Would like to correspond with descendants of the MEYERS/MYERS family. Philip MEYERS of Heidelberg Twp., York Co., PA, b. ca. 1743, d. 1801, mar. Eva Dorothea GELWIX, dau. of Frederick & Maria Dorothea (EYLER) GEWICKS, b. 9 Feb. 1743, d. 16 Aug. 1792. Children: Christina mar. Daniel SPRANKLE, b. ca. 1763; Philip mar. Catherine __?__, b. ca. 1767; Catharina mar. David SLAGLE, b. 29 Dec. 1771; Anna Mary (my ancestor) mar. George GEYER, b. 29 Jan. 1778; Elizabeth mar. Daniel MARKS, b. 30 Jan. 1780, d. 2 Feb. 1836; Conrad Frederick b. 21 Apr. 1774; John George b. 15 Mar. 1776; & Jacob b. 1782.
Harold Ditzler, 162 S. Main St., Biglerville, PA 17307.

Need info on the family of John STAGGERS/STIGERS/STEIGERS, b. 10 May 1770, York/Cumberland (?) Co., PA, d. about 1844/45, Greene Co., PA., Mar. Sarah LIVENGOOD, b. 3 Mar 1793, dau of Peter & Mary (POVATOR) Sellers LIVENGOOD.
Vivian Duris, 5664 Spicerville Hwy., Eaton Rapids, MI 48827.

Seeking parents & siblings of Abraham BANKERT/BANKHART, Sr., b. 29 Jun 1783, PA/MD & wf. Barbara MILLER, b. 17 Feb. 1787. They lived in York and Adams Cos., PA. Also, wish to correspond with any BANKERTs who might be related to any BANKERT from that area.
Mrs. Mildred Spencer, 3824 - 53rd, Des Moines, IA 50310.

Need info on Arthur SHIELDS of Franklin Co., PA. b. abt. 1772. When did he marry Jane THOMSON? When did he die & who were his parents? Children: Mary; Alexander; John; & Elizabeth (my ancestor who mar. Joseph COWDEN). Also, need any info on Margaret MCOWEN b. 1791 of Valley Forge, Chester Co., PA who mar. George BELL. Who were their parents & when did they die? Any info will be appreciated.
Colleen Knox Robinson, 11850 Louise Ave., Granada Hills, CA 91344.

Seeking info on parents of Maria Eva HILLER who mar. John Solomon MILLER (Joh. Salomonsmiller) at St. Matthew's Luth. Ch., Hanover, York Co., PA on 15 May 1764.
Mrs. Ruth A. Kysor, Box 443, Junction City, KS 66441.

Seek info on Matthias KLOPFER/CLAPPER who died before 1787, & wf. Rosina BARBARA/BARBARY. They lived in Hellam Twp., York Co., PA. Known children: Elizabeth AUGENSTEIN; Rosina Sophia BERGDOLL; Mary Elizabeth AUGENSTEIN (these 3 moved to Washington Co., MD); George mar. Elizabeth SOUDERS & moved to Muskingum Co., OH about 1807. Need dates & place of burial for Matthias & Rosina. Who were parents of Elizabeth SOUDERS? Would like to correspond with other descendants.

Doris J. Benedict, 105 Ben-Mar Ave., Mingo Jct., OH 43938.

Seeking info on parents of my gr. gr. grandmoth., Sarah LINN b. Oct 1785, York Co., PA, who mar. John HORNER on 4 Sep 1811, prob. Mt. Joy Twp., Adams Co., PA. John b. 7 Sep 1783, Mt. Joy Twp., York Co., PA. Their children all b. Adams Co., PA were: Samuel; David; George Washington; John Calvin; James Linn; & Malinda. Any info on the LINN fam. would be greatly appreciated.

Mary Ellen Horner, 704 Bechwith Ave., Caruthersville, MO 63830.

Seeking any info on Nicole (Lena) Magdalene/Michal Magdalena BOYER/BEYER b. 1772/73 Valley Forge, PA, d. York Co., PA. Mar. Henry BROWN on 3 Feb 1791, Berks Co., PA. Family resided at Carlisle, PA. Known children: Benjamin Boyer, M.D., DDS, b. 1810 mar. Eliza R.A.?; resided MO & CA; John mar. Katherene MURRAY; David mar. Fannie HOLLINGER; Elizabeth mar. James GILDEA (York Co.); William mar. ? BRENISE; Rebecca mar. ? ETTER, Michael; & James Henry mar. Ann HINES. Two granddau. mar. WISER's of York Co., PA. Was Nicole dau. of Michael BEYER & Elizabeth WARTMAN as stated in American Boyers 7th edition? Will share or exchange info. Need anything on this family.

Mrs. Virginia Larson, 18830-5th Ave., S., Seattle, WA 98148.

Seeking fam. of Thomas WELCH, b. England, bur. Waynesboro, PA, & Betsy COX, b. England. They mar. in America & lived near Germantown & Phila., PA. He served Rev. War.

Interested in buying, or corresponding with someone who has, copy of "Snyder Genealogy" by Barbara Snyder Grove. This is PA fam. of John Peter SNYDER, b. Ger., & wf., Mary Catherine Elizabeth STANTZ.

Seeking par. of David FEGLEY/FIGLY/etc., b. 1793, d. 1857 in Mercersburg, PA, & wf. Sarah HOCK or HIGH. Ch.: Susanna; Elizabeth; Sarah; Hannah (b. 1820, Bucks Co., PA, d. 1892, Whiteside Co., IL) mar. Wm. Woodfield MURPHY.

Barbara Draper, One Draper Lane, Ohio, IL, 61349.

Hannah JUNKIN(s) mar. (1) to James DOUGLASS & (2) to John MULVAIN, b. 1758/59 in Ireland, Rev. War soldier 1777/85, d. Chester Co., PA, 1 Oct. 1793. No dates on Hannah. Her fath. was David JUNKIN (will dated 10 June 1793), s. of Benjamin (will dated 20 Dec. 1784). Her grandmoth., Margaret had will dated 20 Aug. 1804. Need all available JUNKIN fam info. Wills probated later dates. Any cem. censuses available for Chester Co., PA?

Chas. D. McBee, Sr., 206 Bernice St., LaMarque, TX, 77568.

Searching for info. on Jacob GRASS who settled & d. in Augusta Co., VA. He was 1st husb. of Elizabeth, dau. of Henry HAWK (HOKE/HAKE?) who d. 1800 in Augusta Co. Names associated with Jacob & found in early York Co., PA, tax lists are BUSHONG/BOSANG, ERISMAN, SCHREIBER, & UPDEGRAFF. Names associated with Henry & found in York Co. records are HOKE, MEYER/MOYER, SHULTZ, & WINTERMEYER. Could Jacob be connected to any of the GRASS/GROSS fam. of Dover or Manchester Twp., York Co., PA?

Mrs. Dolores C. Rutherford, 1758 Carmelo Drive, Carmichael, CA, 95608.

Wish to correspond with desc. of John CUNKLE/KUNKLE, b. ca. 1819, Harrisburg, Dauphin Co., PA, & wf., Sarah ?, b. ca. 1815, PA. Their ch.: James, b. ca. 1842, PA; Mary Margaret, b. 1843, Harrisburg & mar. H. Henry COOKE;

George, b. ca. 1848, PA; & Catherine, b. ca. July, 1850, Harrisburg.

Wish to correspond with desc.of Henry MYERS, b. 21 July 1799, York Co., PA, d. 2 Dec. 1883, Carlisle, Cumberland Co., PA, mar. to Anna M. STRICKLER. She b. 1800 & d. 4 Mar. 1864, Carlisle. Their ch.: Susan, b. ca. 1823; John b. ca. 1830; Hennrietta b. ca. 1833; Luther b. ca. 1835; Anna b. 1837 & mar. Joseph Willett OGILBY; Louisa b. ca. 1840 & mar. Mr. BRUMBAUGH; & William b. ca. 1842.

Christine B. Cole, 4923 Biddle Road, Central Point, OR 97502.

Seeking par. & fam. info. on David REED, b. ca. 1780, PA. Mar. ca. 1810 to Rebecca ? of York Co., PA, b. ca. 1784. She lived White Deer, Union Co., PA, in 1826 & with s., James, & fam. in Henry Co., IN, 1850, & d. 1858 in Jasper Co., IA. Son, John M., b. 1812, PA, mar. 1844 in Fayette Co., IN, to Sarah, dau. of Adam & Sarah (WOLF) EICHELBERGER, & b. in York Co., 1819. John's fam. moved to Jasper Co, IA, 1856.

Desire par. of Sarah E. WOLF, b. 27 Aug. 1795, Gettysburg, Adams Co., PA. Mar. "Sheriff" Adam EICHELBERGER 1814 in PA, & d. 11 Aug. 1845 in Fayette Co., IN.

Desire par. of Magdalene BECHTEL, b. 16 Dec. 1743 in York Co., PA. Mar. Capt. Adam EICHELBERGER 1761 & d. 30 Dec. 1821 in York Co.

Desire par. of Catherine SMYSER who mar. Michael, s. of Capt. Adam & Magdalena (BECHTEL) EICHELBERGER, ca. 1785-90 in York Co., PA. Would also like b., mar., & d. dates.

Mrs. William J. Scott, 407 S. Walnut St., Sycamore, IL, 60178.

Would like to correspond with others researching the FAHS surname. Have info. from various sources & hope to compile a fam. genealogy, but need more info. from others interested in the fam. Am also building file of all 18th & 19th Century persons of the variants of the surname, including FAAS/FAUSS/VAAS.

John L. Fahs, 8181 Inverness Ridge Road, Potomac, MD, 20854.

Seeking info. on Michael WITRECHT, Sr. who d. ca. May 1793, Manchester Twp., York Co., PA, & his s., Peter, b. 4 Apr. 1753, & relocated to Columbiana Co., OH, ca. 1804. Other Ch. were: Michael, Jr., b. ca. 1757; George b. ante 1755; Philip, b. ca. 1761; Jacob; & Susanna who mar. MAUER? & FAUST? Would like to correspond & exchange info. with others researching this family.

Glorianne E. Fahs, 8181 Inverness Ridge Road, Potomac, MD, 20854.

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