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MAGS: Ten Years and Growing Library Added to Member Services

In an effort to continually improve MAGS member benefits, the Executive Board established a Lending Library at the June 6, 1992, Executive board meeting. Carl M. Shrader, a member from Severna Park, MD, was appointed librarian. A number of items need to be ironed out before the library can actually start functioning; however, several board members have donated books and donations from members are being accepted. Members wishing to donate books may bring them to the October meeting or contact Carl to arrange for transfer. He can be reached by phone (410) 987-8284 or by writing him at 10 St. Andrews Garth, Severna Park, MD 21146. Gifts will become the property of MAGS.

The type of library currently envisioned is a lending program of books dealing with German heritage, history and culture with possibly some basic to advanced level "how-to" guides and published census, birth, marriage, land and other records. There is currently no limit on types of books. All donations will be acknowledged. Since MAGS is a registered non-profit organization, any gifts may be tax-deductible.

Current exchange periodicals will be placed in the library at the end of each year. Members may wish to provide gift subscriptions to German-interest periodicals or donate their own copies. A Bible records and ahnentafels, family histories and genealogies section will be set up. Members may send in copies of their family group sheets, family history and/or published genealogies. A list of acquisitions will be published periodically in *Der Kurier*.

Members may also make cash donations to help defray expenses and or purchase special volumes for the library. Since a card catalog system needs to be set up someone may wish to purchase a copy of Genealogical Books-in-Print's cataloging program for the library.

Establishing a lending library will take a lot of work; however, the benefits to members can be tremendous. Even if it means making a single copy at your local copy store, members should consider donating a copy of their family history to the library. Someone, somewhere will be glad you did and, if disaster strikes your home and destroys your records, so will you. An indexed version would be best, (continued on page 2)

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- 10 October Palatines to America: Dr. Bernard Allen "German People in W.Va. and Then Some" Bridgeport, WV. For info call Don Garletts (304) 599-1672
- 17 October MAGS's 10th Anniversary Earnest Thode "Sources for Locating Immigrant Places of Origin" and entertainment. Blob's Park, MD. For info call Joan Sheviak, (703) 560-7144.
- 2-5 June "A Chesapeake Homecoming" NGS 1993 National Conference, Baltimore, MD. For info write NGS, 4527 17th St., N, Arlington, VA 22207-2399.
- 17-19 June Palatines to America 1993 National Conference at Columbus, Ohio. For info write PalAm, Capital University, Box 101P, Columbus, OH 43209-2394.

If you would like your organization's special program/project placed on *Der Kalender* send the information by the first of the month prior to publication to the editor.

MAGS Library

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but a copy of your family group sheets in a binder with a table of contents listing major family groups is a start. Don't forget your Bible records. Copies of these should be deposited, not only with MAGS, but with NGS, and local archives as well.

Let MAGS's latest project be the impetuous. Put that family history together (with documentation) and send it to our new library. You have a chance to preserve your research and

provide help for researchers in the years to come. Make it a Christmas present for your family or a New Year's resolution, but get it together for posterity. Of course, don't forget to clean out your bookshelves, closets, under your bed or wherever you put those books you no longer use and send them along, too.

As yet no opening date has been set for starting the loans. A list of current acquisitions will be published and a date for borrowing to start is planned for the December issue of *Der Kurier*. Borrowers must be members of MAGS. The lending period is expected to be one month, portal to portal. There will be no rental fee as such, but the value of the book must be deposited with the librarian before release is made. Cost of handling and shipping will be deducted and the remainder returned to the borrower upon the librarian's receipt of the item, in good condition.

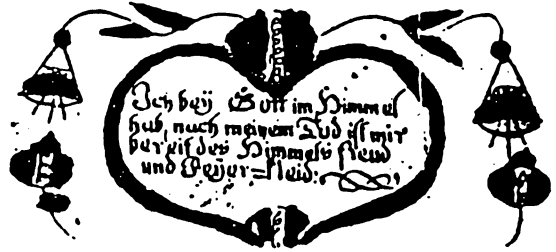
Any help, suggestions or donations will be appreciated. At present the Board's interest and enthusiasm is great - the assets are small. But with your help we'll grow.

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Fraktur Forum

Mags Members' Surnames on Fraktur: Lutz and Zorn



by Corinne Earnest

Mary M. Smithburg asked about the name Lutz on fraktur from Berks and Lebanon Counties, Pennsylvania. Mary is especially interested in Henry and Joseph Lutz, brothers born about 1797 and 1799, respectively. A late certificate for Beata Olivia Lutz may offer information about Joseph.

The certificate, pictured here (see page 5), is in a private collection. Beata Olivia's grandfather was Joseph Lutz, perhaps the Joseph who Mary mentioned in her letter. The certificate reads:

To this legally married couple, Carl H. Lutz and his wife Märÿ Christina, [a daughter of] A. Donart, was born to the world a child the 23rd day of August in the year of our Lord 1868. This daughter was born in Albany Township, Berks County in the state of Pennsylvania in North America, and was baptized the 4th day of November in the year of our Lord 1868 by Pastor Johan Zülch. [She] received the name Beata Olivia. The sponsors were the grandparents, Joseph Lutz and his wife Maria Barbara, born Wannemacher.

A related certificate is in the Lehigh Valley Historical Society. It is for Lettie Nevata, daughter of Charles and Marie (Donert) Lutz. Lettie Nevata was born April 29, 1872, and baptized June 21, 1872, by Reverend John Lidig. Sponsors were Aaron Donert and his wife, Marie Magdalena, born Dieterich.

The Lehigh Valley Historical Society has a photograph of a fraktur that mentions another Berks County Lutz. This certificate was made for Utteline Adda Lena Hein, daughter of Isaac and Lusien (Lutz) Hein. Utteline Adda Lena was born April 2, 1870, in Albany Township, Berks County. She was baptized May 26, 1870, by

Pastor J. Zulch, and sponsors at the baptism were William Lutz and his wife Janemenda (Follweiler) Lutz.

Fraktur artist Friederich Speyer (active c1780-1803) made fraktur in the vicinity of Reading. He made one for Jacob, son of Jost and Anna Elisabetha (Loss) Schneÿder. Jacob was born October 20, 1783, in Bern Township, Berks County. He was baptized November 20, 1783, by Willhem Hendel, Reformed. Sponsors were Johannes and Catharina Klein. This certificate is in the Free Library of Philadelphia.

The Free Library of Philadelphia also has one for Salome, daughter of Antony and Elizabeth (Ritschert) Boeckel. Salome was born March 16, 1830, in Heidelberg Township, Berks County. Johannes and Sara Lutz were sponsors at her baptism on April 9, 1830.

Switching now to Lebanon County, Mary asked about early certificates, c1764, for Michael Lutz. I found none that early with the name Lutz, but later certificates include one for Maria Lutz, daughter of Heinrich Lutz and Metinda [?] (Daub) Lutz. Maria was born in Jackson Township, Lebanon County, on January 18, 1864. She was baptized the same year by Louis Eggers and sponsors were Sarah Daub, wife of William Daub. The reverse of this certificate lists Maria's siblings as: Jacob Lutz, born March 18, 1866; Franklin Lutz, born October 17, 1869; Ida Lutz, born September 5 [no year given]; and Harry Lutz, born July 25 [no year given].

The above certificate, perhaps owned by the Landis Valley Farm Museum near Lancaster, Pennsylvania, was printed by Theodore F. Scheffer of Harrisburg, (continued on page 4)

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who for many years was in partnership with a Lutz about whom I have no information. Lutz and Scheffer printed another birth and baptism certificate used by the Lutz family. This one is for Herrietta Losz, daughter of Peter Losz and Lussetta (Glück) Losz. Herrietta was born August 28, 1852, in Bethel Township, Lebanon County. This certificate is listed in the Winter 1978/79 issue of *Pennsylvania Folklife*, pages 38-39.

Others are listed in the July 1, 1951, issue of the same publication. These include the following certificates from the Claude W. Unger collection:

Susanna, daughter of Daniel Losz and his wife Barbara, a daughter of Christian Mots. Susanna was born November 21, 1837, in Bethel Township, Lebanon County, and baptized April 29, 1838, by Reverend T. Stein. Her sponsor was Maria Walborn, single.

Peter Losz, son of Daniel and Barbara, nee Wolf, was born August 27, 1822, in Bethel Township, Lebanon County and baptized by Reverend Ernst, Reformed, on November 3, 1822. Sponsors were Joseph Bricker and his wife.

Daniel, son of Jacob Losz and his wife Cadarina, nee Reichert, was born October 11, 1792. His sponsors were George Schwartz and his wife Margreta.

Numerous other fraktur having the name Lutz/Losz/Loss/Loos exist from Lehigh County bordering Berks County, and from other southeast Pennsylvania Counties as well. Let me know if you need information about them.

Zorn

Jaynie Zornes Bourland asked about her ancestors, Martin Zorn (Zern/Zurn) and his brother Andrew Zorn. I was able to find only two fraktur with that surname. The first mentions a Solomon Zern, single, as sponsor at a baptism for Carl Scholl in Shamokin Township, Northumberland County, Pennsylvania. Son of

David Scholl and his wife, Maria Magdalena (Hoffmann) Scholl, Carl was born March 12, 1811, and baptized in 1811, no specific date given. He was baptized by Pastor Adam, Reformed. This fraktur was sold at Sotheby's Auctions in New York on January 23, 1974.

The second certificate is for Henrich and Sophia Zern's daughter Elisabeth. It reads:

To this legally married couple known as Henrich Zern and his wife Sophia, born Freyer, was born a daughter the 21st day of February in the year of our 1854. This daughter was born in New Hanover Township, Montgomery County in the state of Pennsylvania in North America, [and] was baptized and received the name Elisabeth the 23rd day of April in the year of our Lord 1854 by Pastor Hoffman. Sponsors were Jonas Erb and his lawful wife Maria.

The above certificate was recorded in *German-American Family Records in the Fraktur Tradition*, published in 1991 by Russell D. Earnest Associates, p. 226.

If you wish to have Corinne Earnest look for your family name on fraktur please send your request to the editor of *Der Kurier* by the end of the month of publication, i.e., for inclusion in the June issue, requests should be sent by the end of March. As always, first requested, first printed.

AUDITOR

MAGS is looking for a CPA or someone with bookkeeping experience who will volunteer his or her time to audit the books. Estimated budget is \$1,600 per year. Estimated assets are \$7,000.

Und wer weiß, in welcher Stunde
Und die letzte Stimme ertönt,
Denn Gott hat's mit seinem Munde
Keinem Menschen noch entlockt.
Wer sein Haus nun wohl besetzt,
Geht mit Freuden aus der Welt;
Da die Sicherheit hingegen,
Ewig's Sterben kann erregen.



Wenn wir kaum geboren werden,
Ist, vom ersten Lebensritt,
Bis zum fahlen Grab der Erden,
Nur ein kurzgemess'ner Schritt.
Ach! mit jedem Augenblick
Geht uns're Kraft zurüd,
Und wir sind mit jedem Jahre,
Kürzer zur Todtenbah'r.



Geburts- und Tauffchein.

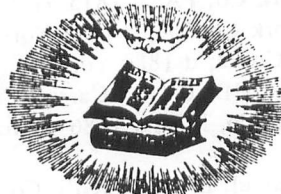
Den Ehegatten
Carl S. Lutz
und seiner Frau Mary Christina
eine geborne A. Donat.
ist ein Kind geboren worden, den 23^{ten} Tag
August im Jahr unsers Herrn, 1868.
Diese Tochter wurde geboren in Albany Town-
ship Berks County, im Staat Pennsylvania, in
Nordamerika; und wurde am 4^{ten} Tag, No-
vember im Jahr unsers Herrn, 1868 von dem Ehrw.
Pastor Johann Fülch getauft, und erhielt den Namen

Paula Olivia
Die Taufzeugen waren: Die Großeltern als
Joseph Lutz, meine Frau Maria Barbara

Ich bin getauft, ich steh' im Bunde,
Durch mein' Tauf, mit meinem Gott!
So sprech' ich stets mit frohem Munde,
In Kreuz, in Trübsal, Angst u. Noth.
Ich bin getauft, des steh' ich mich,
Die Freude bleibe mir ewiglich.

Ich bin getauft, ob ich gleich sterbe,
Was schadet mir das kühle Grab?
Ich weiß mein Vaterland und Erbe,
Das ich den Gott im Himmel hab'.
Nach meinem Tod ist mir bereit
Des Himmels Freud' und Feyerkleid.

eine geborne Wännenmacher



Ich bin geblüht in Deinem Saamen,
Oen Vater, Gedenke auch meiner!
Ich bin geblüht in Deinem Namen.

Dem Volf, das Dir gheiligt ist!
O! mach' ein Lied mit mir zu singen!
Denn, ich will dich loben mächtig sein!



Reading, Pa.

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Silver Spring, MD 20902

- I
 - 1 CRAMER William Smith, b 1914 York, PA & Silver Spring, MD
- II
 - 2 CRAMER John William, b 1884 Frederick, MD; d 1951 York, PA
 - 3 SMITH Minnie Agnes, b 1885 York Co., PA; d 1975 York Co, PA
- III
 - 4 CRAMER John Aloysius, b 1857 Frederick, MD; d 1927 Frederick, MD
 - 5 STONER Hannah Elizabeth, b 1858 Frederick Co, MD; d 1934 Frederick Co, MD
 - 6 SMITH Henry William, b 1851 York Co, PA; d 1940 York Co, PA
 - 7 WOLFGANG Lamanda Barbara, b 1858 York Co, PA; d 1890 York Co, PA
- IV
 - 8 CRAMER John, b c1830 Bavaria; d 1887 Frederick Co, MD; immigrant ancestor
 - 9 CAIN Mary Elizabeth, b c1835 Frederick Co, VA; d 1889 Frederick Co, MD
 - 10 STONER William, b 1830 Lebanon Co, PA; d 1885 Frederick Co, MD
 - 11 FRALEY Mary Ellen, b 1840 Frederick Co, MD; d 1917 Cumberland Co, PA
 - 12 SMITH George, b 1803 York Co, PA; d 1871 York Co, PA
 - 13 STRICKHOUSER Salome (Sarah), b 1807 York Co, PA; d 1889 York Co, PA
 - 14 WOLFGANG Eli, b 1826 York Co, PA; d 1898 York Co, PA
 - 15 WARNER Elizabeth Fair, b 1837 Carroll Co, MD; d 1860 York Co, PA
- V
 - 18 CANE Thomas Winchester, VA
 - 19 SIMMONS Pollie Winchester, VA
 - 20 STONER John Lebanon Co, PA
 - 21 CALLATHAN (CALEYON) Hannah Lebanon Co, PA
 - 22 FRALEY Solomon, b 1802 Frederick Co, MD; d 1882 Frederick Co, MD
 - 23 WALKER ELIZA, b 1809 Virginia; d 1864 Frederick Co, MD
 - 24 SCHMITH Johann Georg, b 1771 York Co, PA; d 1844 York Co, PA
 - 25 LIEBHART Anna Maria, b 1774 York Co, PA; d 1857 York Co, PA
 - 26 STRICKHOUSER John Jr, b 1767 York Co, PA; d 1822 York Co, PA
 - 27 CONRAD Anna Maria, b 1772 York Co, PA; d 1815 York Co, PA
 - 28 WOLFGANG Christian, b 1795 York Co, PA; d 1873 York Co, PA
 - 29 BECKER Catherine, b 1804 York Co Pa; d 1889 York Co, PA
 - 30 WARNER John, b 1797 Carroll Co, MD; d 1853 Carroll Co, MD
 - 31 FAIR Anna Barbara, b 1801 Carroll Co, MD; d 1886 Carroll Co, MD
- VI
 - 44 FRALEY Henry, b 1756 Hessen-Cassel; d 1830 Fred'k Co, MD; Hessian soldier, immigrant
 - 45 WILHIDE Anna Margaret, b c1760 Frederick Co, MD; d 1822 Frederick Co, MD
 - 46 WALKER John, b Virginia; d Frederick Co, MD
 - 47 Elizabeth, b Virginia; d Frederick Co, MD
 - 48 SMITH George, b c1734 ?; d 1806 York Co, PA
 - 49 GOHN Cathabrine Elizabeth, b 1744 York Co, PA; d 1815 York Co, PA
 - 50 LIEBHART John, b c1749 York Co, PA; d c1821 York Co, PA
 - 51 MATE (MIDIN) Anna Maria, b c1750 York Co, PA; d aft 1800 York Co, PA
 - 52 STRICKHOUSER John Sr, b c1735 Lancaster Co, PA; d 1777 York Co, PA
 - 53 KUNZ Anna Elizabeth, b 1738 Lancaster Co, PA; d 1808 York Co, PA
 - 54 CONRAD George, d c1794 York Co, PA
 - 55 Maria Magdalena, d c1805 York Co, PA
 - 56 WOLFGANG Nicolaus Jr, b 1763 York Co, PA; d 1842 York Co, PA
 - 57 HETRICK Maria Elizabeth, b 1768 York Co, PA; d 1848 York Co, PA

- 58 BECKER Henry, d c1807 York Co, PA
 - 59 SCHNEIDER Anna Maria, b 1777 York Co, PA
 - 60 WARNER John Melchior, b 1765 York Co, PA; d 1843 Carroll Co, MD
 - 61 Barbara, b 1762 Carroll Co, MD; d 1842 Carroll Co, MD
 - 62 FAIR John, b 1774 Pennsylvania; d 1861 Carroll Co, MD
 - 63 LINN Ann Maria, b 1781 Carroll Co, MD; d 1866 Carroll Co, MD
- VII
- 88 FROLICH Johann Heinrich, b 1716 Hessen-Cassel
 - 89 ERDMAN Anna Gerdrutha, b 1719 Hessen-Cassel; d 1764 Hessen-Cassel
 - 90 WILHIDE Frederick Jr, b 1723 Baden-Wuerttemberg; d 1792 Frederick Co, MD; immigrant
 - 91 WEIMAR Anna Maria, mar 1747 Germany?; d ? Frederick Co, MD; immigrant ancestor
 - 96 SMIT Johann Henrich, b Germany; d 1771 York Co, PA; immigrant ancestor
 - 98 GOHN Philip, b Palatinate; d c1745 York Co, PA immigrant ancestor
 - 99 BRACHER (BRAHER) Sophia, b Palatinate; d c1794 York Co, PA; immigrant ancestor
 - 100 LIEBHART Henry, d c1773 York Co, PA
 - 101 Catherine, d 1795 York Co, PA
 - 102 MATE/METH/MEAD John, b c1720 Germany; d ? 1789 York Co, PA; immigrant ancestor
 - 103 Appalonia (Paulus?), b c1730 York Co, PA; d aft 1790 York Co, PA
 - 104 STRICKHOUSER Wilhelm, b c1715 Germany?; d York Co, PA
 - 106 KUNZ Heinrich Lancaster Co, PA
 - 108 CONRAD George, b c1720 Switzerland?; d 1784 York Co, PA; immigrant ancestor
 - 112 WOLFGANG Nicolaus Sr, b 1711 Montgomery Co, PA; d 1790 York Co, PA
 - 113 WEBER Catharina, b 1718 Montgomery Co, PA; d 1809 York Co, PA
 - 114 HETRICK Jacob, b c1736 Palatinate; d 1790 York Co, PA; immigrant ancestor
 - 115 NUSS Maria Elizabeth, b c1736 Palatinate; d York Co, PA; immigrant ancestor
 - 116 BECKER Gabriel, b Germany?; d c1813 York Co, PA
 - 117 Catherine, York Co, PA
 - 118 SCHNEIDER Martin, d c1815 York Co, PA
 - 119 Elizabeth, York Co, PA
 - 120 WARNER Melchior, b 1728 York Co, PA; d 1803 York Co, PA
 - 121 LEIH Ursula, b 1725 York Co, Pa; d 1804 York Co, PA
 - 124 FEHR Christopher, b c1732 Baden-Wurt; d c1815 Carroll Co, MD; immigrant ancestor
 - 125 EUCHLIN Maria, barbara m 1757 Montgomery Co, PA & Carroll Co, MD
- VIII
- 176 FROHLICH Joachim, b 1684 Hessen-Cassel, Germany; d 1717 Hessen-Cassel, Germany
 - 177 SCHNEIDER Anna Elizabeth, Hessen-Cassel, Germany
 - 180 WILHIDE Frederick Sr, bap 1687 Bad-Wuerttemberg; Frederick Co, MD; immigrant ancestor
 - 181 HAFNER Wilhelmina, m 1711 Baden-Wuerttemberg; d Frederick Co, MD; immigrant ancestor
 - 182 WEIMAR Bernhard, immigrant ancestor 1732 from Germany; d Frederick Co, MD
 - 183 Barbara, immigrant ancestor 1732 from Germany; d Frederick Co, MD
 - 198 BRAHER (BRACHER) Georg, b Palatinate; poss immigrant
 - 199 BORN Susanna Margaretha, b Palatinate; poss immigrant
 - 228 HEYDRICK Abraham, b 1707 Palatinate; d 1734 Frederick Co, MD
 - 230 NUSS Johannes, b Palatinate; emigrated
 - 248 FEHR Haunes, b Baden-Wuerttemberg
 - 249 Anna, Baden-Wuerttemberg
 - 250 EUCHLIN Joh. Adam, Montgomery Co, PA; poss. immigrant
- IX
- 352 FROHLICH Valentin, Hessen-Cassel, Germany
 - 354 ERDMANN Heinrich, Hessen-Cassel
 - 360 WILHEIT Samuel, Baden-Wuerttemberg
 - 361 Barbara, Baden-Wuerttemberg

- 362 HAFNER Paul, Baden-Wurttemberg
 456 HEYDERICH Johann Abraham, b 1649-1716 Palatinate
 57? JACOBI Anna Eva, Palatinate

X

- 912 HEYDRICH Godtmann, b 1616 Palatinate
 913 Margaretha, 1617-1667 Palatinate
 914 JACOBI Christoph, Palatinate

Buchbesprechungen

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to recreate these lists permission was obtained to copy the extant state enumerations for the years 1782, 1783, 1784 and 1785. Only 39 of the 80 counties are represented in these lists and with the exception of Nansemond which has lists for the years 1783-5, none of these counties have more than two extant lists. The lists for the cities of Richmond and Williamsburg for 1782 and the Greenbrier County tax lists for the years 1783 through 1786 are also included. Information provided in the lists varies; those for 1782 show the number of whites and blacks; those for 1784 and 1785 show the number of whites, dwellings and other buildings. The manuscript originals of these lists are housed at the Virginia State Archives.

Order from Genealogical Publishing Company, Inc., 1001 North Calvert Street, Baltimore, MD 21202. Cost is \$22.50 plus \$3.00 shipping.

Software

Precision Indexing, *1870 Federal Census Index Virginia* (1992) MS-DOS (IBM)-compatible 3 1/4 or 5 1/4 high-density disks (fiche and print available also).

Most of us long to own the census indexes for the state, but find the cost prohibitive. There is now a low-cost alternative for the 1870 census. Precision Indexing has the 1870 Virginia census index available on disk. Each entry lists the first and last name of the individual, his age, sex, race, place of birth, place of residence (county/city and locality) and the roll and page number of the entry. Users may either load the entire program on their hard drive or run it from the floppies. A high-density floppy disk drive is required. Printing is done via the DOS screen-print utility, a screen at a time. Searching is by last name only. This is an easy-to-run program. Even the novice computer user will have no problems. While I can think of a number of enhancements, I'd like to see, it's great to be able to

print out a list of all the John Whites in Virginia and carry that list to the microfilm reader to be checked off. No more laborious copying of print too small to read. For those of you who know more about computers and want some specifics: there are two components, a generic search program (one disk) and a flat-file data base (18 disks) listed in alpha-order. The disks are not copy-protected. When loaded, total disk space used is 24 megabytes.

Order from Historic Resources, Inc., PO Box 254, Bountiful, UT 84011. Cost is \$119.95 plus 3% postage.

Zur Information

According to MAGS member, Fred Newbraugh, Henry Z. Jones, Jr. author of a number of books on German emigration, is collecting stories, anecdotes and experiences from those of us doing genealogical searches who have encountered *serendipitous* occurrences along the way which led to successful results, or who have followed an intuitive hunch which eventually proved successful. Contributions via stories, etc., may be sent to him at PO Box 261388, San Diego, CA 92196-1388.

The Carroll County Genealogical Society's newsletter *Carrolltonian*, Vol. XII:1 contains a copy of the tombstones in the "God's Acre" section of the Manchester cemetery. These are the stones remaining from the original burial ground connected with the Immanuel Lutheran Church and Trinity United Church of Christ. The first church was built on the site c1760.

A Knupp family record was published in Vol. 8:2 of the Baltimore Co. Genealogical Society's newsletter, *The Notebook*.



Buchbesprechungen

Books which deal with German research, source records for the Mid-Atlantic area and books of general interest to the genealogical researcher will be reviewed in the order in which they are received. Please advise us if the book is printed on archival-quality paper. MAGS members who submit a book for review will receive preference. Pre-publication notices will be made for MAGS members only.

Emmert F. Bittinger, *Allegheny Passage: Churches and Families West Marva District Church of the Brethren 1752-1990* (1990) xv, 856 pp.; maps; illus.; full-name index; acid-free paper; Smyth-sewn; cloth.

This history is based in part upon a number of previous attempts to record the history of the Brethren church in the West Marva District. Because there were few records for many of the early churches in the area, the author traced individual families from Pennsylvania and Maryland to the area and used this information to build the early history of these congregations. Consequently, the book provides information on hundreds of individual families as well as churches and ministers. Beginning in Part II with chapters on early congregations which did not survive (the Eckerlin Hermitage on the Cheat 1752-7, the New Creek settlement of 1752, the Cacapon settlement 1749-1800, and the South Branch settlement), the author moves to the Hampshire settlement of 1771 in Part III, the eastern congregations of Mill Creek, the Pine Church, Beaver Run and its many related congregations and the Old South Branch in Part IV and the western congregations in Part V. The bibliography which lists over 350 sources used by the author does not include numerous church histories and individual family documents and interviews. No one with Valley German ancestry should consider his research complete until this volume is consulted. However, it will take a considerable time to do this as the incomplete index dictates a page by page reading.

Order from Picton Press, PO Box 1111, Camden, ME 04843. Cost is \$45.00 plus \$3.00 shipping.

Klaus Wust, *The Virginia Germans* (1969) vi, 310 pp.; maps; full-name index; paper.

A driving force in the establishment of the German farm at the Frontier Museum, a well-known lecturer, and compiler and translator of a number of early German church records, Klaus Wust began his

contributions to Virginia German history in 1969 twenty years after his arrival in Virginia with *The Virginia Germans*. Not only does he tell us who they were, beginning with the first arrivals at Jamestown through 1940, but he tells what they did and what their opinions were. He debunks misrepresentations by other historians and provides us with a concise, but complete history. Whenever possible he notes the names and origins of the individuals about whom he speaks. His copious endnotes provide additional details and sources. And, his story is well told, interesting to read, and a must for any Virginia historian or researcher with German ancestry.

Order from The University Press of Virginia, Box 3608 University Station, Charlottesville, VA 22903. Cost is \$10.95 plus \$3.00 shipping.

James C. Neagles, *Summer Soldiers: A Survey & Index of Revolutionary War Courts-Martial* (1986) ix, 294 pp.; illus.; Smyth-sewn; cloth; index.

James Neagles, author of *Locating Your Revolutionary War Ancestor*, presents in this volume a source of information often overlooked by those searching for a Revolutionary War ancestor. These are not necessarily the records of soldiers shot for desertion or drummed out of the service. One also finds soldiers like Thomas Leeds who was fined one shilling for profane swearing, or Moses Lee who was acquitted of a charge of stealing shoes and boots. There are cases like those of James Conner accused of disorderly behavior (acquitted) and John Green who sold his uniform coat and received 100 lashes. As Eugene Stratton, C.G., F.A.S.G., notes in his introduction, "not every court-martial revealed the baser side of human nature ... but, base or courageous, if they are our ancestors, we should want to know every detail about their lives that we can." The alphabetical list of soldiers gives the names of the person, his military unit (when known), offenses, (continued on page 10)

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court findings and the source document. Readers may well find additional information in these documents and the author provides complete listings of the orderly books used. The first five chapters of this book provide documented information about the conditions which led to many of these court-martials and should be required reading for anyone pursuing a Revolutionary War ancestor.

Order from Ancestry, Inc., Dept. SRV, PO Box 538, Salt Lake City, UT 84110. Cost is \$16.95 plus \$4.00 shipping.

Mary Thomason Morris, *Connections and Partings: Abstracts of Marriage, Divorce, Death and Legal Notices from Clarke County, Virginia, Newspapers 1857 through 1884*. (1992) iv, 229 pp.; full-name index; paper.

Because early issues are difficult to find and more tedious to search than the census, newspapers, a rich source of information about the activities of our forefathers, are often ignored. The compiler collected information from the extant issues of the *Clarke Journal and Advertiser*, the *Clarke Journal*, the *Berryville Conservator* and the *Conservator and Clarke County Advertiser*, all of which ceased to operate by 1869; as well as the *Clarke Courier* which has been in continuous operation as a weekly since then. As with most newspapers, the items provide information about those who have moved far from the boundaries of Clark County. And, certainly, searchers of adjacent areas should check this source. Deaths implied by personal property or real estate sales, legal notices and other events are also included.

Order from Iberian Publishing Company, 548 Cedar Creek Drive, Athens, Georgia 30605-3408. Cost is \$14.95 plus \$2.50 shipping.

Ernest Thode, *German-English Genealogical Dictionary* (1992) xxvi, 286 pp.; illus; paper.

Ernest Thode is a noted authority on German research and the author of the *Address Book for Germanic Genealogy*. Well aware of the lack of information available to the family researcher who isn't proficient in the language, Thode uses his years of experience researching German records to provide that help. This is a compilation of terms that range from

family relationships to measures and includes geographical terms, titles, military ranks, illnesses, names, abbreviations and even common genealogical words from Danish, Dutch, French, Latin and Polish. A map of the German provinces of the 1871-1918 period, samples of German script and Fraktur lettering and a guide to genealogical symbols used in Germany are also included. A key to dialect pronunciations is an additional feature.

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Henry Z. Jones, Jr., *More Palatine Families: Some Immigrants to the Middle Colonies 1717-1776 and Their European Origins Plus New Discoveries on German Families Who Arrived in Colonial New York in 1710* (1991) xxvi, 592 pp.; maps; illus.; acid-free paper; full-name index; Smyth-sewn; cloth.

Although the bulk of this volume deals with New York immigrants, those of us with German ancestors in Pennsylvania, Maryland or Virginia may well find an ancestor in these pages. One must be careful not to exclude the section dealing with New York families from one's search for information about other areas. For example, listed under the heading "Some Palatine Families of New York 1710" one finds reference to Adam Stump of Augusta County, Va.; and Martin Stupp of Lancaster Co., Pa.; and Simon Vogt of Shenandoah Co., Va. There is an excellent overview of early German emigration and a bibliography of frequently used Palatine reference sources. While the full-name index has cross-references to common spelling; an index to place names would have been helpful. Jones presents information on over 750 families in this volume, providing yet another excellent reference source for the German researcher.

Order from Picton Press, PO Box 1111, Camden, ME 04843-1111. Cost is \$65.00 plus \$3.00 shipping.

Ann Hinkle Gable, *The Pastoral Years of Rev. Anthony Henckel 1692-1717* (1991) 125 pp.; map; illustrations; acid-free paper.

One of the earliest Lutheran pastors to come to America, Rev. Henckel arrived in Pennsylvania in 1717 and settled at New Hanover. (continued on page 11)

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Written by a direct descendant of the Rev. Hinkle, this volume covers the twenty-five year ministry of the Rev. Henckel prior to his coming to America. The story of his ministry in the area near Heidelberg is well-documented and provides insight into the problems of the period. Information on the Wagner and Denzer families is also included.

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Therese Fisher, *Marriages in Virginia: Spotsylvania County 1851-1900, Orange County 1851-1867* (1992) xxii; 421 pp.; full-name index to brides only.

Those researchers with Germanna ancestors will be delighted to discover that Ms. Fisher is continuing her compilations of adjacent county marriages with this volume which includes Orange and Spotsylvania Counties and the city of Fredericksburg. Discovering that there were fewer and fewer marriages between residents of the two counties she stopped listing Orange marriages in 1867. Abstracts from a Spotsylvania Birth Register 1853-1867, some Spotsylvania Guardian's bonds (both listed alphabetically by child) and a list of fifty-eight historic homes and buildings with accompanying map (all unindexed) are included. While this is an excellent resource for anyone researching in the area, an every-name index would have increased its usefulness.

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Barbara Manning, *Genealogical Abstracts from Newspapers of the German Reformed Church 1830-1839* (1992) 332 pp.; full-name index; paper.

In 1827 the Reformed Church began publishing a monthly newspaper to help support its missions. Prior to 1835 the issues contained little of genealogical interest and only those items are listed. The format changed to bi-monthly in 1834. The introduction states that twenty-two states and territories are represented; however geographical entries are not included in the index. Not only are marriages and deaths abstracted, contributors to missions are also listed providing a source of migration information. Death notices often give age, cause, maiden name and information about

origin. For example, in the 12 June 1839 issue there are deaths in Davidson Co., NC; Natchez; NY; Pottsville, and Catskill; a migration to Australia; and numerous contributions. The scope of the material includes detailed accounts of murders, accidents, fires and other disasters. And, the material is not limited to members of the church. The index is keyed to date rather than page.

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Sallie A. Mallick and F. Edward Wright, *Frederick County Militia in the War of 1812* (1992) vii, 483 pp.; illus.; full-name index; paper.

The authors continue their studies of Maryland militia in the War of 1812 with this volume on Frederick County. A preface explains the scope of their study. This is followed by an overview of the county militia organizations and their involvement in the war. The bulk of the book is an alphabetical listing of veterans. The information varies, but can, and often does, include the rank, dates of enlistment, service record, birth, death and marriage dates and places, occupation, physical description, names of wife(s) and children and places of residence. Sources for the information are listed and include militia lists, pension and bounty land claims, 16 printed sources and various newspapers; yet, the authors claim to have "only touched the surface" of the available information. This is a must have book for anyone with Frederick County ancestors.

Order from Family Line Publications, Rear 63 East Main Street, Westminster, MD 21157. Cost is \$30.00 postpaid.

Biographical Annals of Franklin County, Pennsylvania, Containing Genealogical Records of Representative Families, ... Early Settlers, ... Prominent Citizens (1902) rpt 1992; 3 volumes; 898 pp.; illus.; full-name index.

Originally printed in 1902 to "perpetuate information now readily obtainable and hence lightly valued but easily lost," the addition of an every-name index certainly facilitates finding the information. Although Mr. George O. Seilhamer (continued on page 10)

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is credited with "many of the sketches" it is obvious that there were many other contributors. For example a sketch of the Henry Lesher (immigrated from Zweibrücken, Switzerland in 1711) appears in much detail on pp. 504-12 and reappears in a different form on pages 700-2, with 1727 as the date of arrival. There is little or no documentation; however, it was written almost a hundred years ago and consequently much of what we must ferret out was then first-hand information. Those with early Pennsylvania ancestors would be wise to check for their family in these pages.

Order from Family Line Publications, Rear 63 East Main Street, Westminster, MD 21157. Cost is \$52.00 postpaid.

Don Heinrich Tolzmann, ed. *Germany and America 1450 - 1700: Julius Friedrich Sachse's History of the German Role in the Discovery, Exploration, and Settlement of the New World*. (1991) 265 pp.; illus.; maps; paper.

This work is published in commemoration of the 500th anniversary of the discovery of America and is intended to emphasize the German role in the discovery, exploration and early settlement of America. Sachse's book describes the conditions in Germany prior to 1700 and includes several facsimile title-pages of books published in Europe to encourage immigration. In this reprint, Tolzmann has added an introduction which describes the life and work of Sachse (1842-1919) and the field of German-American studies and a conclusion which lists additional sources. For those who want to know the why and how of German immigration, this book offers a good place to start.

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Recent Reprints

Ralph Beaver Strassburger and William John Hinke, *Pennsylvania German Pioneers: A Publication of the Original Lists of Arrivals in the Port of Philadelphia from 1727 to 1808, Volumes I and II*. (1934) rpt. 1992; 2 vols.; lii, 776 pp., xxvi, 709 pp.; appendix; full-name index; cloth.

In 1727 the Provincial Council of Pennsylvania passed a law requiring all continentals who arrived at Philadelphia to take oaths of allegiance to the British crown. These lists which carry the pioneers' original signatures are still in the possession of the Pennsylvania State Archives. In 1934 the Pennsylvania German Society, published these lists. This two-volume reprint contains the names of more than 38,000 people who arrived in the port of Philadelphia between the years 1727 and 1808. (A third volume of facsimiles of the original signatures is currently being reprinted by Genealogical Books in Print.)

Strassburger and Hinke present their compilation as a correction of earlier publications, specifically, Rupp's ... *Collection of Thirty Thousand Names* ... and Volume XVII of the *Pennsylvania Archives*. No compilation such as this can be considered complete; however, it does contain the extant lists, a total of 506. For those who fail to find their ancestor in these volumes, we offer little hope, for as Strassburger states in his introduction. "In Philadelphia alone did the authorities insist on the preparation of careful and detailed lists of arrivals."

Order from Genealogical Publishing Company, Inc. 1001 North Calvert Street, Baltimore, MD 21202. Cost is \$75.00 plus \$3.00 shipping.

John Frederick Dorman, ed., *The Virginia Genealogist, Volume 1* (1957) and *Volume 2* (1958) pt. 1991; 236 pp.; 246 pp.; full-name index; paper.

The *Virginia Genealogist*, a quarterly magazine devoted to publishing accounts of early Virginia families and source materials for Virginia and West Virginia is being reissued by Heritage Books. These volumes contain numerous articles of interest to Virginia and West Virginia German researchers. Volume One includes extracts from the *Virginia Gazette* for 1755-68, and the *Virginia Centinel & Gazette* (Winchester) for 1794-5; abstracts of Henry County Will Book I (1779-99), Brunswick County, Deeds, Wills, Etc. No. 1 (1732-40), "Some Virginia Revolutionary Veterans," and continuing features which included Bible records, book reviews and queries.

Volume II continues the Brunswick records and adds "Some Virginia Settlers of Georgia 1773-1798," and Greenbrier County (continued on page 11)

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Legislative Petitions. This reprint provides the researcher with the opportunity to complete his or her set of this valuable reference work.

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Rejected or Suspended Applications for Revolutionary War Pensions (1852) rpt. 1992; 462 pp.; index to states; paper.

First published in 1852 by the Secretary of the Interior, this is a list of those applicants for pensions under the acts of 7 June 1832, 4 July 1836 and 7 July 1838 whose claims were rejected or suspended. The list contains the applicant's name, the place of residence and the ground for suspension or rejection. Over 10,000 claimants including widows are listed alphabetically by date of the act and by state; widows are listed separately.

Order from Clearfield Company, 200 East Eager Street, Baltimore, MD 21202. Cost is \$32.50 plus \$3.00 shipping.

Revolutionary Pensioners of 1818 (1818) rpt. 1992; 358 pp.; index to states; paper.

Originally published as a report of the Secretary of War, the first part of the book contains the names of 3,814 invalid pensioners, arranged alphabetically by state or territory. Their rank and annual stipend is given. The second part lists (alphabetically by state) the names of 2,086 additional pensioners with their rank, annual stipend, the starting date of the pension and a list of widows and orphans.

Order from Clearfield Company, 200 East Eager Street, Baltimore, MD 21202. Cost is \$26.50 plus \$3.00 shipping.

The Pension List of 1820 (1820) reprint 1991, 748 pp., full-name index, cloth.

Taking up where the 1818 list left off, this list begins with those pensioners enrolled from 18 March 1818 through 20 January 1820. The act of 1818 provided pensions for all who had served nine months or more in the Revolutionary Army and were in indigent circumstances. Some 16,000 pensioners were added to the roll. Originally published by the Secretary

of the War Department, GPC has added an every-name index compiled by Murtie June Clark. The reissuance of any long out-of-print volume is always welcome; when it is reissued with a good index it is doubly welcome.

Order from Genealogical Publishing Company, Inc., 1001 North Calvert Street, Baltimore, MD 21202. Cost is \$40.00 plus \$3.00 shipping.

The Pension Roll of 1835, Indexed Edition, Volume I: New England States, Volume II: Mid-Atlantic States, Volume III: Southern States, Volume IV: Mid-western States and Index (1835) rpt. 1991; xviii, 1000, 761, 853, 555; full-name index; paper.

Originally published in 1835 in three volumes as Senate Document 514, Genealogical Publishing Company has reissued this report by the Secretary of War as a four-volume set with a complete index thereby facilitating access to the 60,700 names of soldiers, both regulars and militia. This is the most complete list of Revolutionary War pensioners ever published. Information includes name, rank, description of service and age. The remarks column includes such items as date of death, suspension and reinstatement and transfer (includes date and state transferred from). For example, the Fauquier County list includes Edward Burgess, a private who was placed on the rolls 1 March 1823 at an annual allowance of \$96.00 for service in the Maryland line. He transferred from Pennsylvania 4 March 1825 and died 29 August, 1802 at the age of 80. While the 1835 list includes those on the lists of 1818 and 1820, it does not include those listed in *Rejected or Suspended Applications for Revolutionary War Pensions*. The addition of a full-name index is a much needed and useful enhancement.

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Heads of Families at the First Census of the United States Taken in the Year 1790: Virginia (Records of Enumerations: 1782 to 1785) 189pp.; map; full-name index; paper.

The 1790 census for Virginia was destroyed when the British burned the capitol at Washington during the War of 1812. In an effort (continued on page)

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Please mention at least one time, one place, one German surname with known variant surnames. Limit each query to one family and use no more than fifty words, not counting your name and address. More than one query may be sent at a time, but each should be clearly written or typed on a separate sheet of 8 1/2 by 11-inch clean, white paper. Please indicate desired priority for printing. MAGS reserves the right to edit. Neither MAGS nor *Der Kurier* assumes any responsibility for accuracy. Send your queries to Edythe H. Millar, Queries Editor, MAGS, 760 Caroline Drive, Ruther Glen, VA 22546.

GAUGES

CORRECTION: June 1992 Issue

Query # 10-39 Correct spelling: Guages to GAUGES

MILLHAFF HORN

#11-1 Seek parents of Margaret MILLHAFF b 9 Oct 1757; m George HORN 1 June 1779. She died 16 Oct 1826 - buried Martinsburg, WV. Sylvia Sebelist, P.O. Box 85, Waterford, ME 04088

STALDER

#11-2 Seek info on 2 men named Valentine STALDER in Berks Co, PA, 1840-50. (1) Valentine STALDER b c1772, Germ or Holland. (2) Valentine STALDER b c1815, wife Kerziah, ch living together in 1850; younger fam in IN by 1860. Dau Virginia & elder Valentine not with them. Where did fam come from & who are the parents?

Betty Jo Stockton, 1106 Albemarle Rd. Sterling, VA 22170

UMBAUGH UMBACH GREGORY

#11-3 Seek info on background of George UMBAUGH, b 1802-04, MD; d 1886 Columbus OH. Married in Washington, DC, to Elizabeth GREGORY (b 1807 Port Tobacco, MD). Settled Fairfield/Pickaway Co, OH, by 1835. Always thought he was son of Wilhelm & Catherine UMBAUGH/UMBACH of Frederick Co; but discovered Wilhelm died 1799. Any help appreciated.

Betty Jo Stockton, 1106 Albemarle Road, Sterling, VA 22170

RHINE/RINE /?RHINEHART BORDNER McCORD

#11-4 Solomon RHINE/RINE/?RHINEHART b c1830, PA. Lvd Union Twp, Lebanon Co., before 1852. Who were his parents? Mar Sarah BORDNER 1852 in Swatara Ref. Ch. in Jonestown, PA. Lvd Lebanon Co.; later Dauphine Co. Known ch: David; Leonard; Gahlan. Solomon left wife and family and disappeared. Where did he go after 1870? Sarah had son, Thomas McCORD, when she mar. Solomon. Illegitimate? Sarah buried Lutheran Shellsville Cemetery, Dauphine Co., PA. Any help appreciated.

Marilyn J. Vineyard, 7713 Glenister Drive, Springfield, VA 22152

BELITZ/BALITZ MUMFORD VOELKER HIMBERG MITTLESTADT HIMBERG, GRAU CHRISTMAN BALITZ, CLASEN HEINDORF

#11-5 Would like to hear from any member of these families: BELITZ /BALITZ emigrated from Stowen-Posen, Ger, 1884. Lvd Syracuse, NY. Related families.

Claire H. Dykstra, 21 Canterbury Court, Clifton, NJ 07013

#11-6 Would like to hear from any of these families. HIMBERG emigrated 1884 from Fratzig Bei Schöenlanke Posen, Ger. Known members lvd Syracuse, NY. Related families.

Claire H. Dykstra, 21 Canterbury Court, Clifton, NJ 07013

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- WURTH
KLAISLE
YOUNG, ARNOLD #11-7 Seeking descendants of WURTH family of Freudenstadt, Wuerttemberg, Ger. Lvd Syracuse and Buffalo, likely. Related families.
Claire H. Dykstra, 21 Canterbury Court, Clifton, NJ 07013
- SALTSMAN
KEITH #11-8 William SALTSMAN from Palatinate 16 Sept 1751. In Bedford Co., PA, 1773; Washington Co., PA, 1786. Died 1796. Ch: George; Anthony (1745-2 Jan 1778); Philip; John (1760 - 20 Dec 1844); Mary (m Lewis KEITH); Peter. Will exchange info.
LeRoy H. Curtis, 2117 Fisher Drive, Wooster, OH 44691-2123
- HENNINGER
HOFFA #11-9 George HENNINGER died 1832, Upper Mahantango Twp., Schuylkill Co., PA. Who was wife? Known ch: Thomas, George, Jr.; Elizabeth (m Philip HOFFA s/o Abraham c1816 Schuylkill Co., PA.) Seeking all info on family.
Jean McNutt, 758 Hillcrest Street, El Segundo, CA 90245-2004
- BOOHER
WEBB #11-10 Dory BOOHER b 1826, WV. Where? Parents? Mar Mary Eliz WEBB 1861, Forrestburg, TX; d there 1904. Seeking info on Dory, parents, family.
Jean McNutt, 758 Hillcrest Street, El Segundo, CA 90245
- FUNK #11-11 Hans FUNK arr USA with bro Martin 3 Nov 1750 on ship Brotherhood. Martin FUNK settled Lancaster Co., PA, now a part of Lebanon Co. Martin has been identified & many descendants researched. Hans FUNK, younger bro is said to have gone to Frederick Co., MD, and settled. Wish to correspond with anyone who has researched Hans FUNK and descendants.
Nancy W. Singleton, 1265 Woodland Road, Baden, PA 15005
- DIETRICH #11-12 Mary Ann DIETRICH b Upper Mt. Bethel, PA, 8 June 1814. Seeking any info on DIETRICH family. Request address of DIETRICH Society of Philadelphia, PA.
Herbert K. Lodder, 101 Stanmore Road, Baltimore, MD 21212

From the Editor

In case you haven't noticed, *Der Kurier* is late, really late. A number of factors contributed to the delay, and not the least of these was your editor biting off more than she could comfortably chew. Apologies are in order and most sincerely rendered. At the spring meeting when things looked rosy and a long summer with only summer school and gardening and genealogy in the plans, it was easy to say that an index to the first ten volumes of *Der Kurier* would be forthcoming in the fall. It's not a big project, an early volunteer has placed volumes 1-7 on disk. However, at present it is an insurmountable task for your editor. Are there any volunteers out there? While dBase would be best, any database format including Apple or Macintosh is acceptable. Help, please!

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