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President's Message:

COME EXPLORE BERKS COUNTY ON OCTOBER 25!

Thanks to Gail Komar, MAGS Treasurer, and Frank Wisman, MAGS Second Vice President. We all owe thanks to Frank Wisman and Gail Komar for the groundwork they have already done in preparation for the fall meeting.

We also owe special thanks to Joan Sheviak, Registrar, who so unselfishly puts together the packets given out to meeting attendees, participates in meeting plans and preparation, and registers attendees.

We urge you to explore Berks County resources on October 25, and when you come, be sure to tell Joan "Thank You" when she greets you at the door!

Corinne P. Earnest
President

**Put it on your calendar now! MAGS Annual Fall Meeting,
24-25 October 1997, at Reading and Kutztown, Pennsylvania**

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Sep. 3-6. Federation of Genealogical Societies Conference, Dallas, Texas.

Sep. 20. Fall Conference, Virginia Chapter Palatines to America: Hebron Lutheran Church, Madison, VA. For further info, phone (703) 591-3656 or (703) 768-0451.

Oct. 4. Tenth Annual German American Day Festival, Union Station, Washington, D.C. for info phone (202) 554-2664 or (703) 820-0920.

Oct. 25. MAGS Fall Meeting, Kutztown University, Kutztown, PA. Reception 7-9 pm Oct. 24; banquet Oct. 25. Banquet speaker: Annette Burgert. See inside for further details.

If you would like your organization's event or program placed on *der Kalender*, please send the information to the MAGS Editor: Merl E. Arp, 20 Kinsman View Circle, Silver Spring, Md 20901-2652, by the first of the month prior to *der Kurier* publication.

Order Your MAGS Lapel Pin Now!

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The Mid-Atlantic Germanic Society

The Mid-Atlantic Germanic Society was founded on July 10, 1982, by a group of dedicated persons having a common interest in learning more about the Germanic genealogy in the mid-Atlantic region. The term "Mid-Atlantic" describes the general area into which our early German ancestors came when they arrived in America, and for the Society's purposes includes New York, New Jersey, Delaware, Pennsylvania, Maryland, District of Columbia, Virginia, West Virginia, and the Carolinas. The Society holds two meetings annually, in the spring and in the fall, open to members and the interested public, featuring speakers expert or knowledgeable in various aspects of relevant genealogical research and knowledge. The Society publishes a quarterly Newsletter for distribution during the months of March, June, September, and December. In addition to the meetings, the Society offers a wide range of other services, such as a lending library, query service, professional referral and advice, and a surname exchange (see back page of Newsletter for listing and contacts for further information). The Society does not perform research for individuals or other organizations.

The Mid-Atlantic Germanic Society is a non-profit organization whose officers serve on a voluntary, pro bono basis.

Membership in the Society is \$10.00 per year for a single membership and \$12.00 for a family membership (for further details see back page of Newsletter). The membership year runs from January 1 through December 31. Membership is based upon the individual's interests common to the Society and not on place of residence or ethnic affiliation.

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MAGS Fall Meeting Will Offer More than a Meeting

The MAGS Annual Fall Meeting to be held October 24-25 will offer more than a meeting. It will offer a weekend of touring historical spots, visiting research centers, plus an evening banquet featuring the well known genealogist Annette K. Burgert. Those of you attending the Fall Meeting are invited to come a day early to see the sights and visit research sites. MAGS together with the Berks County Genealogical Society will offer a sampler tour of research and historical sites. The schedule for the annual fall gathering is as follows:

Friday, 24 October 1997, Reading, Pennsylvania

7 - 9 p.m. Registration and reception (cash bar) at the Inn at Reading, PA.

Saturday, 25 October 1997, Kutztown, Pennsylvania

8 - 9 a.m. Registration at the Dining Hall, Kutztown University, Kutztown, PA.

9 - 11 a.m. Orientation of sites to visit and brunch

11 - 3:30 p.m. Site visits (see list below as well as next page)

3:45 - 4 p.m. MAGS Business Meeting, including Election of Officers

4:00 p.m. Banquet Speaker: Annette K. Burgert, "Eighteenth Century Emigrants from Langenselbold in Hestia to America."

7:30 p.m. Adjournment

Ms. Burgert's presentation will focus on a single area in Germany, the town of Langenselbold and surrounding villages. The emigration from Langenselbold and nearby villages started in 1709, when the first group left for England, arriving in New York in 1710. This early emigration was followed by a larger group into Pennsylvania in just a few years. More than seventy families came directly to Pennsylvania with a few arriving before 1727 when the ship passenger lists start. The often repeated axiom, "they came together - they stayed together" certainly applies to the groups of emigrants from this small area.

To Register: Contact Joan Sheviak, 3519 King Arthur Road, Annandale, VA 22003-1316 - tel. (703) 560-7144.

Cost: Not available at time this newsletter went to print. Look for cost in flyer being sent first class mail.

Directions to the MAGS Fall Meeting: The Inn at Reading is located at 1040 Park Road (intersections of Routes 222 and 422) in Reading, Pennsylvania. Kutztown University is approximately fifteen miles north of Reading, Route 422 (see map next page).

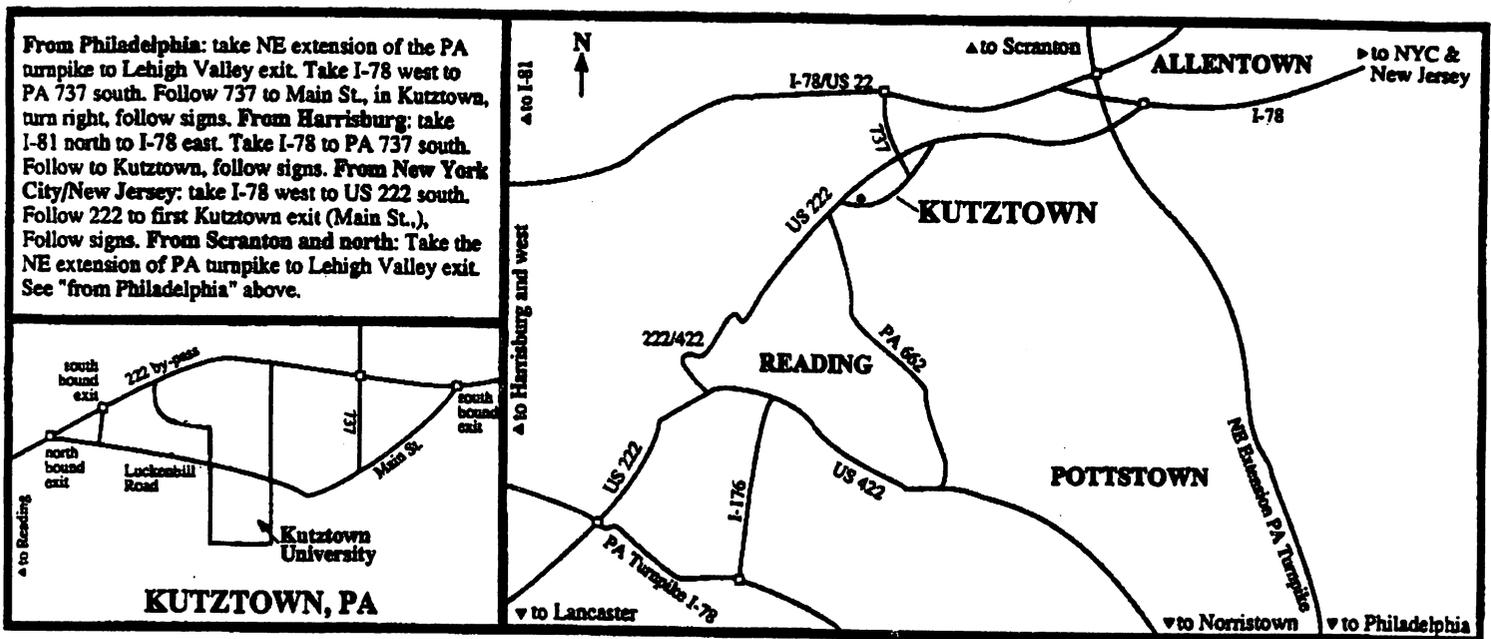
Lodging: Lodging is available at the **Inn at Reading**, Reading, PA. The Inn sits high atop a hill with an open view, a nice dining room, bar and gift shop, and is easy to find. A block of single and double rooms has been reserved for us for both nights. For reservations, phone 1-800-383-9713 or 1-610-372-7811, prior to October 10. Mention MAGS to receive the special rate of \$69.00 per room, plus 6 % sales tax and 5% hotel tax.

Travel/Transportation/Parking: Maps and other tourist information can be obtained from the Reading and Berks County Visitors Bureau by calling 1-800-443-6610 or 1-610-375-4085, or writing to them at VF Outlet Village, Park Road & Hill Avenue, Reading, PA 19610. Walking to sites (see list below) is reasonable. However, members may drive their cars if desired. Ample parking is available.

Sites to visit: Berks County Genealogical Society, the Russell Baver Library, the Pennsylvania German Cultural Heritage Center, and the Pennsylvania German Historical Society. Handicapped: There are no access ramps at the Berks County Genealogical Society Library or the PA German Heritage Society (see also next page).

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Research Sites and other Attractions.

Historical Society of Berks County and Museum 940 Centre Ave., Reading, PA Hours 9-4. Tues - Sat.

Reading Library - Pennsylvania Room. 100 South 5th St., Reading, PA. Hours 8:15 - 9 Mon. - Wed.; 8:15 - 5:30 Thur & Fri.

Tulpehocken Historical Society 116 N. Front St., Womelsdorf, PA Hours: daily exc. Wed, 1-4 pm.

Berks County Heritage Center (Gruber Wagon Works, C.Howard Helster Canal Center, grist mill, covered bridge and more) Red Bridge Road off 183 west of Reading, PA. Hours Tue-Sat 10 - 4, Sun noon - 5pm.

Conrad Welsch Homestead Womelsdorf, PA Hours: Wed-Sat 9-5, Sun noon - 5 pm

Daniel Boone Homestead (site of his birth in 1734) 400 Daniel Boone Road, Birdsboro, PA Hours: Tues - Sat 9 - 5, Sun noon - 5 pm.

Hopewell Furnace National Historical Site 2 Mark Bird Lane, Elverson, PA Hours: daily 9 - 5.

Kutztown Railroad (one hour scenic ride) Just off Rt. 222 in Kutztown, PA. Hours: daily 10 - 5.

For more detailed information, write or phone the **READING AND BERKS COUNTY VISITORS BUREAU**, VF Outlet Village, Park Road & Hill Avenue, Reading, PA 19610. Phone: (610) 375-4085 or 1-800-443-6610.

INFOPAGE

Searching the MAGS Surname Exchange Index

Many members have already taken advantage of the MAGS Surname Exchange to obtain listings of other researchers working with the same or similar surnames. These searches are available to all MAGS members for a service charge of five dollars (\$5.00). There is no limit to the number of surnames which may be searched.

Thanks to the automation of the old card file MAGS can also provide members with searches by the European Locale in which other members may be researching, and the specific areas of the U.S. into which their ancestors settled.

The researchers who have entered surname data into the MAGS Surname Exchange Index are also in an automated file, and MAGS can provide you with searches for other members in your area (by zip code) with whom you might want to share information about local sources and facilities.

For search instructions, contact: Edward G. Winner, 219 Whittier Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20012-2162 - telephone (202) 723-0330 e-mail: edwinner@juno.com

U.S. Geological Survey Maps

The IGS Newsletter for July 1997 reports that U.S. Geological Survey maps are available at some local map stores, if you do not wish to wait for service from USGS. Maps can be purchased from Allied Map Services in Orange, CA (714) 532-4300. Maps come in two sizes of magnification: 1:24,000 scale with contour interval of 40 feet, or 1:62,500 scale with contour intervals of 80 feet.

Emigrant Processing Places

Even though you know your ancestor entered the U.S. through the port of New York, he or she may not have been processed at Ellis Island. The following list will help you know in which records to search.

1 Aug 1855 - 18 April 1890	Castle Garden
19 April 1890 - December 1891	Barge Office
1 Jan 1892 - 13 June 1897	Ellis Island
14 June 1897 - 16 Dec 1900	Barge Office
17 Dec 1900 - 31 Dec 1924	Ellis Island

From information originally provided by the Bismarck Mandan GS, published in the Immigrant Genealogical Society's July 1997 Newsletter.

MAGS Board Member Honored

MAGS At-Large Board Member John T. Humphrey received the National Genealogical Society's Distinguished Service Award. NGS awards are given to those individuals or organizations who have made an outstanding contribution to NGS programs or have performed outstanding work in the field of genealogy. NGS President Shirley Wilcox presented Mr. Humphrey with the award at the opening session of the 1997 NGS Conference in the States.

Mr. Humphrey has published extensively, including a compilation of eleven volumes of Pennsylvania births and the book *Understanding and Using Baptismal Records*. More recently he served as Exhibits Chair at the 1997 NGS Conference in the States. *****

Stumped? Stalled? Puzzled?

by

Susannah Brooks
Stumped Roots Editor

Has your research come to a dead-end with no way to turn? STUMPED ROOTS may be able to get you moving again in the right direction. All of us have reached this point in our research at least once and probably several times. We have exhausted every resource we know of and still cannot find our missing ancestor(s) or the information we need. We have a tendency to give up, to assume that the "court house burnt down", and move to other family lines, but the missing information or ancestors naps at the back of our minds.

STUMPED ROOTS attempts to find new resources, that the researcher has not yet tried. (We ask that you send us a list of resources that you have tried, so that we do not duplicated sources that are known not to lead to the desired answers). We take several steps to answer each query. First, we rely on our personal experiences - what worked for us in a similar situation. Next, we look at information available through the Mid-Atlantic Germanic Society, especially the Lending Library, information in past issues of Der Kurier, and the Index to Surnames in Der Kurier, 1992. If appropriate, we may then complete a quick check of various indexes such as the I.G.I. and Ancestral File at the Family History Centers or a few years of Glazier's and Filby's series Germans to America. We then attempt to find resources (original records, indexes or books) that should be available locally for the researcher through archives, local genealogical societies, and or the Family History Center of the Church of latter Day Saints. Our final step is to look for books, which are not in the MAGS Library, that may be helpful, which the researcher would have to find in a library, through interlibrary loan, or through purchase. We certainly have no read all of these books, but depend on brief descriptions in genealogical supply catalogs, biographies, or book reviews to determine if they might contain useful information on a given family or topic.

During the past year STUMPED ROOTS has begun a file of queries, so that follow-up information can be sent, if we become aware of new or overlooked pertinent resources or we happen to "stumble upon" one of the names while pursuing our own research.

The three dollar fee to use STUMPED ROOTS helps to cover stationary supplies, copying, and extra postage. We attempt to respond to all inquiries within eight weeks.

We would like to hear from members as to how we can improve our STUMPED ROOTS service and if some queries with responses should be published in Der Kurier in addition to being mailed to the member who made the query. We are also looking for members who would be interested in responding to inquiries about specific topics or geographical areas. Please send your suggestions and your name with topics or areas you would be interested in sharing with others to: Susannah E. Brooks, STUMPED ROOTS Chairperson, 2010 Berrmondsey Drive, Mitchellville, MD 20721-4231.
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FRAKTUR FORUM

by Corinne Earnest

GLUCK/ GLICK ON FRAKTUR

Some families leaned toward having fraktur made while others did not. Sue Cromwell had asked about the GLOCK/KLOCK and GLÜCK/KLÜCK, among others, on fraktur. We found several examples for her, many of which were published previously in *Der Kurier*. One of those mentioned Georg KLÜCK, whose name also appeared as George KLINK. Thus, I included GLICK and KLINK as possibilities for Sue.

A Bible record in the collection of MAGS member Beverly Repass Hoch, Wytheville, Virginia, gives detailed information about the family of Baltzer B. ALBERT. His second wife was Amelia KLINK, daughter of David and Hannah KLINK. Baltzer and Amelia were married January 16, 1869 in Lebanon, Pennsylvania. They had Kate Elenora, born August 17, 1870 in Lebanon. For this complete Bible record, see *German-American Family Records in the Fraktur Tradition*, Volume I, pp. 16-17, available from MAGS' Lending Library.

The Lehigh County Historical Society in Allentown, Pennsylvania lists several Taufscheins (birth and baptism certificates) having the name GLICK. The earliest of these was made for Aaron GLICK, son of Johann and Catharina (SCHWANDER) GLICK. Aaron was born March 23, 1817 in South Whitehall Township, Lehigh County. He was baptized by Reverend JAGER on April 27, 1817. Sponsors at his baptism were Daniel and Eva GLUCK.

Another records the birth of George Clinton, son of Aaron and Mary Ann GLICK. Mary Ann was the daughter of Jacob BOYER. George Clinton was born September 6, 1857 in Allen Township, Northampton County. He was baptized by George HAINZ (no date given). Sponsors were his parents. Another was made for Austin Aaron, George Clinton's brother. Austin Aaron was born November 16, 1860 in Albany Township, Northampton County. He was baptized February 10, 1861. Sponsors were his parents. Examples from the Lehigh County Historical Society are based on the Society's card catalog transcriptions and translations.

Two examples in a private collection mention GLICKs. One was made for Mary Ann Amanda, daughter of James M. and Endora GLICK. Endora GLICK was the daughter of Jonathan MILLER. Mary Ann Amanda was born May 10, 1881 in Bethel Township, Lebanon County. She was baptized at the home of her parents on June 19, 1881 by H. GIESZ, Lutheran. She had several sponsors including her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry BAUM, Mrs. Isabella GIESZ, and Adam FOX. The other example records the birth and baptism of Wayne James MILLER, son of Solomon and Mary (GLICK) MILLER. Wayne was born at Mt. Zion, Pennsylvania on February 7, 1908. He was baptized March 22, 1908 by O.R. BITTNER. His only sponsor was Mrs. Solomon MILLER.

As often mentioned in this column, fraktur birth and baptism certificates are excellent sources for giving mothers' maiden names. Although we think of ourselves as modern and therefore enlightened, it is perhaps surprising that the more recent a fraktur is, the more likely the mothers' maiden name is absent. Also, women were often referred to as "Mrs. John Smith" rather than by her name on early 20th century fraktur. Such is the case on a late certificate that dates about the turn of the century. It was made for Bessie B. LEININGER, daughter of William G. and Agnes H. LEININGER. Agnes's maiden name is not given. Bessie was born in Mohnsville, Pennsylvania on June 7, 1888 and baptized on February 4, 1900 by H.J. GLICK. Sponsors at her baptism were her parents, "Mrs. H.J. GLICK" and "others were present." This fraktur is privately owned. To find your family on fraktur, send names to Russell D. Earnest Associates, P.O. Box 1007, East Berlin, PA 17316.

18th Century Pennsylvania German Naming Customs

Charles F. Kerchner, Jr.

German Genealogy Research Tips:

NAMES, CUSTOMS, TRADITIONS in EARLY PENNSYLVANIA.

The following information can be found on the Kerchner Genealogy Home Page on the internet. The URL is listed at the end of this article. It is published here with permission from the Home Page Webmaster who owns the copyright.

1. At baptism, if two given names were given to the child, the first given name was a spiritual, saint's name, originally developed from Roman Catholic tradition and continued by the Protestants in their baptismal naming customs. The second given name was the secular or call name, which is the name the person was known by, both within the family and to this rest of the world.

The spiritual name, usually to honor a favorite saint, was usually repeatedly given to all the children of that family of the same sex. Thus the boys would be Johan Adam Kerchner, Johan George Kerchner, etc., or Philip Peter Kerchner, Philip Jacob Kerchner, etc. Girls would be named Anna Barbara Kerchner, Anna Margaret Kerchner, etc., or Maria Elizabeth Kerchner, Maria Catherine Kerchner, etc. But after baptism, these people would not be known as John, Philip, Anna, or Maria, respectively. They would instead be known by what we would think of now as their middle name, which was their secular name. Thus these people would be known respectively as Adam, George, Peter, Jacob, Barbara, Margaret, Elizabeth, and Catherine in legal and secular records.

For males, the saint's name Johan or John was particularly heavily used by many German families. The child's secular name was really John, if and only if, at baptism he was named only John, usually Johannes, with no second given name. Many researchers, new to German names, who find a baptism of an individual with a name such as Johan Adam Kerchner, thus mistakenly spend a lot of time looking for a John Kerchner, in legal and census records, when he was known after baptism, to the secular world, as Adam Kerchner. Also when reading county histories, etc., especially those written by individuals in the 20th century, and the author is referring to someone as John Kerchner, and you are not looking for a John Kerchner, but the history sounds otherwise familiar, further research may turn up that this person was really not a John Kerchner, but instead was someone else such as a Johan George Kerchner. You would thus find all his 18th century records recorded under the name George Kerchner and not John Kerchner and therefore after checking the data and correlating the facts you may find this is really a story about your missing George Kerchner.

2. The term "Senior" and "Junior" following a name did not necessarily imply a father and son relationship, as it does now.

It could have been an uncle and nephew who had the same name and lived near each other. It could be a grandfather and a grandchild living together, where the father has died. It could even be two unrelated individuals with the same name but of different ages who lived near each other. So to help

friends and business associates keep track of who-was-who in their discussions and records, they added on the "Sr." or "Jr." which merely meant the older and the younger, respectively.

3. The term cousin was widely used to mean an extended family, not the specific legal definition we understand it to be today.

4. It was a common practice in some German families to name the first born son after the child's paternal grandfather and the second born son after the maternal grandfather. Here are several more detailed naming patterns practiced by some families.

Pattern A:

1st son after the father's father	1st daughter after the wife's mother
2nd son after the mother's father	2nd daughter after the husband's mother
3rd son after the father	3rd daughter after the mother
4th son after the husband's father's father	4th daughter after the father's father's mother
5th son after the wife's father's father	5th daughter after the mother's father's mother
6th son after the husband's mother's father	6th daughter after the father's mother's mother
7th son after the wife's mother's father.	7th daughter after the mother's mother's mother.

Pattern B:

The Pattern B for the sons is the same as the above but this pattern for daughters was different:

- 1st daughter after the father's mother
- 2nd daughter after the mother's mother
- 3rd daughter after the mother
- 4th daughter after the mother's father's mother
- 5th daughter after the father's father's mother.

Pattern C:

1st son after the father's father	1st daughter after the father's mother
2nd son after the mother's father	2nd daughter after the mother's mother
3rd son after the father's oldest brother	3rd daughter after the mother's oldest sister
4th son after the father.	4th daughter after the mother.

Whenever a duplicate name occurred in these patterns, the next name in the series was used. If a child died in infancy the name was often reused for the next child of the same gender.

If you are lucky enough to find a family with a lot of children, who strictly followed one of these naming patterns, then it may give you useful clues to determining the possible names of family members in earlier generations.

5. An "in" or "en", added to the end of a name, such as Anna Maria Kerchnerin, is a Germanic language name ending suffix denoting that the person is female. Thus the correct spelling of the last name in the example would be Kerchner, not Kerchnerin.

I hope that the above information will be of assistance to individuals researching 18th Century

name in the example would be Kerchner, not Kerchnerin.

I hope that the above information will be of assistance to individuals researching 18th Century Pennsylvania-German names and records. Sorry, but I cannot give you specific advice or answer questions about individual German names. For information on specific names consult one of the following excellent books.

For additional information on "German-American Names" consult the book by that name written by Professor George F. Jones published by the Genealogical Publishing Co., Baltimore, MD.

For additional information on German names, consult the 1967 book written by Hans Bahlow. The English version titled "Dictionary of German Names" was translated by Edda Gentry. It was published in 1993 by the Max Kade Institute for German-American Studies, University of Wisconsin-Madison, Madison WI.

If my page was helpful, please take the time to nominate this page. Write the page URL address down first: <http://www.kalglo.com/germname.htm>. Genealogical Journey Award Family Chronicle Magazine.

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Library News: Recent Accessions

Carl M. Shrader, Library Administrator

The MAGS LENDING LIBRARY thanks everyone who has contributed. The books and other material listed were donated or purchased between April 26 and July 12, 1997. These new accessions are available for loan starting October 1, 1997. If you are not registered to borrow books see the back page of this issue for information on joining.

The list is in order of receipt.

LIBRARY ACCESSION RECEIVED, Spring Meeting 4/26/97

Accession #958 Donor: Joan W. Sheviak #A483 (Catalog #Z1250.M627)

MAGS ANNUAL SPRING MEETING Packet, April 1997, Blob's Park, Jessup, MD.

Accession #959 Donor: Linda Gail Komar #C45 (Catalog #E184.S9R221)

AMERICA EXPERIENCED, Eighteenth and Nineteenth Century Accounts of Swiss Immigrants to the United States, Selected and Edited by Leo Schelbert. Picton Press, Rockport, ME 1996. 452p.

Accessions #960-966 donated by Marilynne G. Ocando #A961 as gifts from Prince Georges County Genealogical Society Inc. Library.

Accession #960 (Catalog #F499.G3T647)
CINCINNATI'S GERMAN HERITAGE by Don Heinrich Tolzmann. Heritage Books, Inc, Bowie, MD, 1994. 462p.

Accession #961 (Catalog #F127.S9C776)
THE RECORDS of the COURT of SESSIONS of SUFFOLK COUNTY in the PROVINCE of NEW YORK, 1670-1688 by Thomas W. Cooper. Heritage Books, Inc, Bowie, MD, 1993. 319p.

Accession #962 (Catalog #E184.G3P153)
PALATINE PATTER, The Newsletter of the Palatines to America. Number 76, August 1996.

Accession #963 (Catalog #E184.G3P787)
DIE POMMERSCHEN LEUTE, Descendants of Immigrants from Pommern and it's Baltic Neighbors. Published quarterly by Myron Gruenwald. Band 17, Sommer, Herbst, 1994.

Accession #964 (Catalog #Z5140.A512)
FAMILY RECORDS TODAY, The Journal of American Family Records. A quarterly publication of the American

Family Records Association. Volume 15 #3, July 1994.

Accession #965 (Catalog #F587.W511)
WISCONSIN STATE GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY NEWSLETTER, Milwaukee. Vol. 22, June 1975-Vol. 41 #2, 1994 with Annual Membership Indexes. Provided pursuant to the Will and codicil of Irma Mae Prosser McCafferty for Prince Georges County Genealogical Society, Inc. Library, Bowie, MD.

Accession #966 (Catalog #CS16.P976)
ANCESTORS, Viewer's Guide to Getting Started, a PBS Series Celebrating the Significance of Family History. The Corporation for Public Broadcasting, 1997, paper 16p.

Accessions #967-971 Purchased by MAGS:

Aids for Pennsylvania German Genealogical Research Series, Paper Wraps, 10 pages each issue:

Compiled by Annette K. Burgert #A373, Myerstown, PA. 1993-1994.

(Catalog #CS16.5.B87)

1. LOCATING YOUR COLONIAL GERMAN FAMILIES IN PENNSYLVANIA.

2. USING PENNSYLVANIA GERMAN CHURCH RECORDS.

3. LOCATING YOUR PENNSYLVANIA GERMAN ANCESTOR IN EUROPE.

4. NOTES ON RESEARCH SOURCES FOR 18TH CENTURY EMIGRATION from the SWISS CANTONS BASEL-LAND, BASEL-STADT, BERN & ZÜRICH.

5. NOTES ON RESEARCH SOURCES for EMIGRATION STUDIES from ARCHIVES and SOCIETIES in SOUTHERN GERMANY.

Accession #972 (Catalog # E268.B87)
EIGHTEENTH CENTURY EMIGRANTS from LANGENSELBOLD in HESSE to AMERICA by Annette K. Burgert #A373, Myerstown, PA. 1997, 000p.

LIBRARY ACCESSIONS RECEIVED, Board Meeting 5/24/97

Accession #973 Donor: Schuyler Brossman (Catalog #CS71.B874)

OUR KEYSTONE FAMILIES Columns Numbers 1408 / October 13, 1993 - 1459 / October 5, 1994 from The Press and Journal Newspaper (Photocopies), Rehrersburg, PA. Schuyler Brossman

Accession #974 Donor: Corinne P. Earnest #A665 (Catalog #CS71.J17)

INDEX: OUR KEYSTONE FAMILIES, Schuyler Brossman's Columns Numbers 1407 / October 6, 1993 - 1459 / October 5, 1994. Compiled by Ruthanna Jacobs under the auspices of the South Central Pennsylvania Genealogical Society. York, PA.

Accessions #975-982 Purchased by MAGS Library, 6/6/97:

#975-(Catalog #F157.B3.B87)

A RESEARCH GUIDE TO THE TULPEHOCKEN REGION, LANCASTER (now Berks and Lebanon) COUNTIES by Annette K. Burgert #A373. Myerstown, PA. 1994, 32p.

#976-(Catalog #E184.5.G3E53)

EMIGRANTS FROM EPPINGEN TO AMERICA IN THE EIGHTEENTH AND NINETEENTH CENTURIES by Annette K. Burgert #373. Myerstown, PA. 1987, 40p.

#977-(Catalog #E184.5.G3E34)

EIGHTEENTH CENTURY EMIGRANTS FROM PFUNGSTADT, HESSEN-DARMSTADT TO PENNSYLVANIA by Annette K. Burgert #A373. Myerstown, PA. 1995, 50p.

#978-(Catalog # E184.G3J76). WESTERWALD to AMERICA, *Some 18th Century German Immigrants* by Annette Kunselman Burgert #A373 and Henry Z. Jones. Camden, ME. 1989, 272p.

#979-(Catalog #E184.P3B87, Vol. II)

EIGHTEENTH CENTURY EMIGRANTS from GERMAN-SPEAKING LANDS to NORTH AMERICA, *The Western Palatinate* by Annette Kunselman Burgert #A373. Birdsboro, PA. 1985, 405p

#980-(Catalog #F157.G3H733)

RECORDS of the LUTHERAN CONGREGATION at OLD GOSHENHOPPEN, *Upper Salford Township, Montgomery County, PA. 1751 - 1937*. Republished from the Perkiomen Region Volumes I, II, and III and the Translations of Raymond E. Hollenbach with Index. Bedminster, PA. 1996, 302p.

#981-(Catalog #F187.G3N338)

MARYLAND'S GERMAN HERITAGE, *Daniel Wunderlich Nead's History*, Edited by Don Heinrich Tolzmann. Bowie, MD. 1994, 304p.

#982-(Catalog #E184.G3R54)

THE GERMAN RESEARCH COMPANION by Shirley Riemer. Sacramento, CA. 1997, 646p.

LIBRARY ACCESSION RECEIVED June 13, 1997.

Accession #983, Donated by Donald G. Wooden #A1593 (Catalog #F157.L2.H918):

PENNSYLVANIA BIRTHS, Lancaster County, PA, 1778-1800 by John T. Humphrey #A969.

1997, Washington, DC. 398p.

Accession #984 Donor: Schuyler C. Brossman (Catalog #F149.B874)

OUR KEYSTONE FAMILIES from The Press and Journal Newspaper, Rehrersburg, PA. by Schuyler Brossman.

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After the flood of 1868, Jacob Engelbrecht, tailor and former mayor of Frederick, Maryland, started individual ledgers for deaths, marriages and property. Engelbrecht abstracted information for these ledgers from his diaries, which he had kept from 1820 until the flood of July 24, 1868.

Edith Olivia Eader and Trudie Davis-Long have painstakingly compiled Engelbrecht's data and have published it in three separate volumes. In the process they have provided genealogists who are working on ancestors with Frederick, Maryland connections with an invaluable research tool.

The first volume is titled *The Jacob Egelbrecht Marriage Ledger of Frederick County, Maryland 1820-1890*. Eader and Davis-Long followed the format of Engelbrecht's ledger. A typical entry includes the name of the groom, the name of the bride and the date of marriage. Some records provide additional data such as locations, names of fathers, or military units. Entries in the original ledger were sort of alphabetized by the surname of the groom; that is, all surnames beginning with S are found together---but Scholl and Schaeffer follow Storm and all three precede Sauerwein.

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The Jacob Engelbrecht Death Ledger of Frederick County, Maryland 1820-1890, follows the same format Engelbrecht used in his marriage register. Surnames are more or less alphabetized—all family names beginning with H appear together, but like the marriage ledger, they were not recorded in true alphabetical fashion. A typical entry in this ledger provides the researcher with the name of the deceased, the date of death, and the age of the deceased. Numerous entries provide additional data, such as occupation, location or cause of death. One interesting Civil War era entry reads: "Lanahan, John, Decr 23, 1861, Age 25, 'Soldier', Hung (for shooting Major Arnold C. Lewis)."

The third volume is titled *The Jacob Engelbrecht Property and Almshouse Ledgers of Frederick County, Maryland*. The initial section of this book furnishes information on property transactions. One entry dated March 14, 1862 notes Jacob Byerly is now putting the 3rd story on his house. Information in section one of this ledger is not limited to property. Numerous entries list fires. On the night of December 26, 1852 the Frederick fire department was pretty busy as Engelbrecht recorded three fires in one night. Part Two of this volume has the Almshouse records that provide the names of inmates for the years 1853-1854. An entry dated 23 September 1853 notes Jerome Ducchhardt, age 51, born in Hessen Darmstadt, Germany, butcher by trade, Lutheran by religion.

Fortunately for researchers, the authors have added an every name index for each volume and interestingly the Death Ledger volume has an occupation index.

Locations given in numerous entries in all three volumes show Engelbrecht was not interested in Frederick County marriages and deaths only. He recorded numerous marriages and deaths that were occurred in another county or state and entries in the Almshouse ledger similar to the one mentioned, show inmates in the Almshouse were born elsewhere. This means all three volumes will be of interest to genealogists researching families in other locations. The search for information by out-of-area family historians is eased with the inclusion of a location index in the marriage and death ledgers. Only one index was included in the third volume but it does mention locations.

The task of the family historian would be eased considerably if every county in the United States has someone like Jacob Engelbrecht who was so vigilant and took the time to record his observations.

John T Humphrey, June 1997

