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President's Message:

Frank G. Wisman - MAGS Will Miss Him

As many of you already know, Frank Wisman died suddenly at his home in Chambersburg, Pennsylvania, on September 11, 1997. Frank was a special friend of MAGS. As our Program Chair and Second Vice President, he attended all board meetings and conducted our spring and fall meetings with humor and attention to every detail.

Frank put on a great show, always looking for the innovative program that was both instructive and entertaining. With his astonishing wide range of interests that included technology (he held several patents), history, classical music (especially Wagner) and literature (especially Faust, which he read in German), genealogy, travel, and of course, MAGS. Frank was a natural to bring together quality programs

Frank was proud of having secured speakers of national and international status, such as Roland Paul, Peggy Joyner, John Humphrey, Hank Jones, Annette Burgert, and John Colletta who will speak at our Spring 1998 meeting. Frank's programs will long be remembered by an appreciative MAGS.

MAGS sent a flower arrangement to Frank's funeral. His daughters, Florence and Louise, wrote this note with their thanks: "He was so interested in MAGS and got a great deal of enjoyment and satisfaction organizing the spring and fall programs."

Frank was a devoted friend of MAGS. We will miss him!

Corinne Earnest
President

1998 is almost here! Please use the form inserted inside to renew your membership!

der Kalender

January 28, 1998. Genealogy Club of the Montgomery County, Maryland, Historical Society meeting. Lecture on surname genealogy and research. 111 West Montgomery Ave., Rockville, MD 20850 ph. (301) 340-2974.

February 25, 1998. Genealogy Club of Montgomery County, MD, Historical Society meeting. Lecture on early census, maps. (same address and phone number as above)

March 20-21. Maryland Genealogical Society seminar, Comfort Inn, Westminster, MD ph.(800) 876-6103.

May 2, 1998. MAGS Spring Meeting, Blob's Park, Jessup, Maryland. **[NOTE! this date is a departure from our usual spring meeting date of the last Saturday in April! So mark your calendars now!]**

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 fifteenth of the second month prior to *der Kurier* publication.

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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People and Events

MAGS Loses A Leader

Franklin O. Wisman of Chambersburg, Pennsylvania, died September 11, 1997, at his residence. He was born February 25, 1919, in Cumberland, Maryland. Active with Shippensburg University and its foundation, he was involved with the John L. Grove College of Business. He served on the board of directors of the Festival Chamber Orchestra Association and was Second Vice President and program chairman for the Mid-Atlantic Germanic Society.

Franklin Wisman worked as an engineer for the Bendix Aviation Corporation, the Dodge Manufacturing Company, Southern Laboratories, and T.B. Woods Company. He became the holder of thirty five patents in a number of technical disciplines. He retired in 1986, but later served various manufacturing companies as a consultant.

He was married to Martha Rachel Rush Wisman, who died in 1995. He was survived by two daughters, Mrs. Florence W. Mills of Washington, D.C., and Mrs. Louisa G. Lovell of Rockville, Maryland, and four grandchildren.

... And Gains A Leader

Betty deKeyser of Pasadena, Maryland, was elected to the position of Second Vice President at the MAGS fall meeting. Betty is well known in local genealogical circles and brings wealth of experience to her new job. Previously Betty had been helping the MAGS board as a volunteer. Welcome, Betty, and good luck in your new position!

Sampler Tour and Banquet - A Berks County Treat

At the invitation of the Berks County Genealogical Society, MAGS members made the trek to Reading and Kutztown, Pennsylvania, for a joint meeting of the two societies held on October 24 and 25. Many MAGS members came early to research in the libraries in and around Berks county. They attended a reception hosted by the Berks County Genealogical Society at the Reading Inn on the evening of October 24.

On October 25, Leon Adam, president of the Berks County Genealogical Society, opened the joint meeting of the two societies. Dr. David Valuska, director of the Pennsylvania German Cultural Heritage Center, spoke in the morning session about the many activities of the Center. Both the Berks County Genealogical Society and the Pennsylvania German Cultural Heritage Center are headquartered in Kutztown and work together to foster educational programs on German heritage and family history.

Several libraries and societies in Kutztown opened their doors to MAGS members, inviting them to explore their research facilities. Members found the library at the Berks County Genealogical Society full of numerous local church records and other worthwhile holdings. The Kutztown meeting was meant to be a Sampler Tour for MAGS members to explore the area and to familiarize themselves with available resources. Some MAGS members found information that benefitted their research and are likely to plan a return trip to turn their "sampling" into solid leads.

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After touring facilities such as the Pennsylvania German Cultural Heritage Center, the Russell Beaver Library, and the library at the Berks County Genealogical Society, MAGS members enjoyed a sumptuous evening banquet and listened to Annette Burgert, well-known author of numerous genealogical works, speak about her new book *Eighteenth Century Emigrants from Langenselbold in Hesse to America*. Burgert detailed her painstaking research into identifying villagers from Langenselbold and linking them to immigrants who settled primarily along Tulpehocken Creek in Berks County.

The day included a brief business meeting in which officers were elected to the MAGS Board for a two-year term. On a sad note, MAGS President Corinne Earnest, announced the death on September 11, 1997, of MAGS Second Vice President and Program Chair Frank Wisman. Betty deKeyser was elected to replace Wisman, having previously been elected as acting Second Vice President by officers of the board.

MAGS has especially to thank Leon and Lenora Adams, and Dr. David Valuska, for their kind hospitality for making their facilities available to our members. We have also to thank MAGS Treasurer Gail Komar, MAGS Registrar Joan Sheviak, and newly elected Second Vice President Betty deKeyser, for making the meeting a success. These people all made a tremendous effort to make sure MAGS members had a good time - just the way Frank Wisman would have wanted it.

Maryland Genealogical Society Program March 20-21

The Maryland Genealogical Society is sponsoring a program, titled "Early Settlers of Maryland:

From Whence They Came and Whither They Went", which will be held on March 20 and 21 at the Comfort Inn in Westminster, Maryland. The featured speaker will be Peter Wilson Coldham, an authority on English migration to the Americas, who he has written numerous books on Anglo-American genealogy, including *The Complete Book of Emigrants, 1607-1660*, *English Estates of American Colonists*, and *English Adventurers and Emigrants*, and numerous articles. Coldham will speak on the early migration from the British Isles to America - the records on both sides of the Atlantic and their significance. Other speakers will discuss later migrations to and from Maryland, including early German settlers, eastern Europeans, African-Americans, migrations from Maryland to the South, and some case studies.

The cost of the two-day program, lunch included, will be \$55, or \$35 for one day. The banquet will cost an additional \$26. For details, write the Maryland Genealogical Seminar, Rear 63 E. Main Street, Westminster, Maryland 21157-5036; or phone (800) 876-6103. The seminar's E-mail address is: famline@cct.infi.net.

Meeting of Genealogical Council of Maryland (GCM)

The Genealogical Council of Maryland met on October 18, 1997, at the Howard County Historical Society in Ellicott City, MD. Volunteers are needed to complete a survey form regarding site information, status and location of Washington County and Baltimore County cemeteries. Member societies are reminded to pay their dues to continue to receive the GCM's newsletter, The Coordinator. The status of projects was given: (1) Bible records publication is progressing; (2) Approximately two dozen applications for Provin-

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cial Families of Maryland will be published in Volume I by year's end; (3) A Web site is being prepared for the GCM which will advertise for a home page coordinator. Plans are to include organizational information, membership procedures, meetings, the newsletter, the Provincial Families of Maryland application, and committee projects on line, and to allow societies to provide information by E-mail in the future.

Other news. The Maryland Archives has a new Carson Gibbs publication of additions and corrections to the Skordas' Maryland land patents. Baltimore County is planning a one-day conference for April 25, 2998. Howard County has a new publication Selected Genealogical Sources in Howard County: cost \$3.00. The Maryland Genealogical Society will hold a seminar on march 20-21 [see separate article]. Lastly: GCM was alerted to correspondence being sent to genealogists from Bath, Ohio, offering family information at a price. The Federation of Genealogical Societies asks that you send them any such correspondence so that they may investigate it. The next GCM meeting is scheduled for April 24, 1998 at the Kuethe Library (Anne Arundel County), Glen Burnie, MD, at 10 a.m.

- Marilynne Ocando, MAGS Rep. to the GCM

Welcome, New Members, to MAGS!

George U. Bachman - Hughesville, MD
June E. Bair - New Britain, PA
Anne Heider Baker - Burke, Va
Wilhelmina & Henry Bartosik - Ellenville, NY
Calvin H. Beeler - Louisa, VA
Janet R. Brittingham - Jamison, PA
Kevin Caden - Herndon, VA
Valerie Ciccarelli - Nesbit, MS
Clark family - Davidsonville, MD

Jane Feldmann Cook - Ruxton, MD
James N. Drummond, Jr. - Springdale, PA
Clifford A. Elgin - Baltimore, MD
Helen Baumgartner Erdman - Rosedale, MD
Beulah Follmer - Shillington, PA
Michael L. Gellner - Bowie, MD
Gordon A. Gergen - Grandview, MD
Melody J. Haymire - Owings Mills, MD
Gertrude, Karen & Patricia Hinson - Baltimore, MD
Betty Jean & Howard W. Holmes - Broken Arrow, OK
Cathy Hom - Eastchester, NY
Capt. T. R. Johnson, Jr. - Costa Mesa, CA
Craig Kieffer - Bethesda, MD
Cathryn W. Knuepfer - Washington, VA
Catherine G. Sidenstick Leininger - Dayton, OH
Roger D. Lueck - Bowie, MD
Walter Gregory McPherson - Baltimore, MD
Elwin C. Penski - Joppa, MD
David Pincock family - Rockville, MD
Jean A. Poole - Clear Spring, MD
Gregory & Carolyn Pomicter - Olney, MD
Elisabeth L. Reedy - Apopka, FL
Elaine Pulwer - Bernardsville, NJ
Albert F. Rose, Sr. - Wilmington, DE
Darlene Conner Sampley - La Mesa, CA
Scotland County Gen. Soc. - Memphis, MO
Edith Crowell Shelinbarger - Arlington, TX
Beverly Sidenstick - Winter Haven, FL
Terry Sirk - Mercersburg, PA
Carl & Emma Smith - Rockville, MD
Michael & Sally Stelljes - Rochester, NY
Dr. William K. Stoms, Jr. - Keamy, NJ
Sarah Jane Taylor - Fallston, MD
Clifford F. Thompson - Chester, MD
Patricia Bence Thompson - Bend, OR
Thomas Trunk - Greenbelt, MD
Barbara L. Tumer - Woodbury, NJ
David & Pauline Waldorf - Fairfax, VA
Ronald R. & Shirley G. Weaver - Temple Hills, MD
Richard A. Williams - Kensington, MD
Theresa Zeck - Martinsburg, WV

INFOPAGE

German-American Newspapers and Periodicals on Microfilm

Volume 15, Number 1, summer edition of the 1997 *der Blumenbaum*, the newsletter of the Sacramento German Genealogy Society, contains an extensive book review on a resource on German-American newspapers and periodicals on microfilm. Newspapers are a relatively new part of our modern world, the first regularly published paper in Germany began in 1609, and in the American colonies the earliest newspapers began around 1690-1720. The number of German-language newspapers exploded during the mass immigration of the nineteenth century. Many of these publications vanished after a few years. Others survived until and after World War One, when anti-German sentiment led to the closing of many German language newspapers. The book German-American Newspapers and Periodicals, 1732-1955, by Karl Arndt and May Olson, can be viewed on microfilm **824,091, Item 1**, available through one's local Family History Center.

This work is in two volume, now double titled as The German Language Press of the Americas/Die Deutschsprachige Presse der Amerikas, 1732-1968 and may be found in university libraries. The call number for this work at the Family History Library in Salt Lake City is **Book 973 B33a 1976**. Newspapers and periodicals are listed and described in these works by state and city within the state, along with all information known about the newspaper and where copies can be found. Many newspapers used the same titles. Another section of the book lists libraries and collections which hold German-American newspaper copies. Surprisingly, copies of many of the German-American newspapers are found today only in libraries in Germany.

The microfilm edition of German-American Newspapers and Periodicals, 1732-1955 encompasses some five thousand German-American newspapers and periodicals. For your personal genealogical research, newspapers can provide vital statistics, biographical information, news on local societies and events which may be relevant to your research.

- Excerpted from *Der Blumenbaum* of the SGGS, Summer, 1997.

Surname Exchange

The primary purpose of the MAGS Surname Exchange is to put member-researchers in touch with one another for shared research and ideas, based primarily on common surnames.

It is important that your contact information (name, address, phone, etc.) be up-to-date in the Exchange file. Although we try to match addresses with the membership file, the Exchange is a stand-alone system. If you've moved or changed contact data, please a note advising the Exchange at the address below.

Recently, we've added e-mail addresses to the file. If you have one, please send it in.

If you're not sure what's in the Exchange file for you, send a SASE for a printout, which will include your personal contact data as well as your surnames.

For the Surname Exchange Index:

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FRAKTUR FORUM

by Corinne Earnest

BOTTs ON FRAKTUR

Ann Fowler asked about the name BOTT on fraktur. She sent a photocopy of a taufschein (birth and baptism certificate) that mentions a member of her family, although not a direct ancestor. This fraktur was made for Peter BOTT, son of Peter and Elisabeth (ZIEGLER) BOTT. The younger Peter BOTT was born August 31, 1801 at about four o'clock in the afternoon in West Manchester Township, York County, Pennsylvania. He was baptized October 7, 1801 by Reverend GORING, Lutheran. Sponsors at his baptism were Kilian and Anna Maria ZIEGLER. Added script on the photocopy is a little difficult to read, but it may say Peter married November 19 (or 9?), 1826.

A taufschein was made for William H. BOTT, son of Peter and Elisabeth (SCHMEISSER) BOTT. William was born January 21, 1841 in West Manchester Township, York County. No baptismal date is given, but William was baptized by A. DEININGER, and his sponsors were his parents. The present whereabouts of this certificate is unknown.

I was unable to find the specific ancestor Ann is searching for, but will continue to watch for it. The BOTTs family Ann is researching at one time lived in York County, Pennsylvania. York County fraktur is currently being surveyed by June Lloyd, Librarian at the Historical Society of York County. June will culminate her intensive research by writing her Master's Thesis on York and Adams County fraktur. If you know of examples that would help June with her research, please write her at the Historical Society of York County, 250 East Market Street, York, PA 17403.

Correction: In the June issue of *Der Kurier*, I wrote that the maiden name of Ana Maria DECK was PEISSER. This name should have read PEIFFER. Somehow, Merl's computer and mine did not communicate well, so that parts of the article on DECKs are garbled. If you would like a corrected copy of the article, send a self-addressed, stamped envelope to me at the address below.

If you are looking for family names on fraktur, send a self-addressed, stamped envelope to Russell D. Earnest Associates, P.O. Box 1007, East Berlin, PA 17316. Be sure to include your MAGS membership number with your request.

Christmas Market Time in Germany

The Christmas season in Germany is the time for the traditional Christmas market, and the Christmas market is distinctively a German tradition. Some time between late November - the onset of the Advent season - and Christmas Eve, Christmas markets spring up in almost every city throughout Germany. The total number of Christmas markets may be about five hundred in all.

Germany's Christmas market tradition reportedly goes back to the fourteenth century when it was customary for craftsmen to set up their stalls near the church. In those days church going was almost a daily, obligatory requirement, and the craftsmen had plenty of customers near the church for their toys, candles, baskets, and baked goods. By Christmas the fall harvest was done, and more people had money in their pockets to spend on Christmas goodies.

Christmas market time means setting up retail stands in the local town square or in the square surrounding a major church. The retail stands sell a variety of Christmas goodies: straw snowmen, snappy gingerbread figures, dried fruit figures, and glittering ornaments of all shapes and sizes. The typical Christmas market also features hot food, such as wursts, and drinks such as *Glühwein*, a favorite drink made with hot red wine mixed with spices and water. Strings of bright lights and the sound of music help brighten the scene. With a bit of luck there is just enough snow to bring added brightness and light to the scene. The Christmas market is a welcome event to offset the gray, dreary days which are typical of so much of western Europe.

The Christmas market is sometimes a community event. Market stalls are often manned by members of local organizations with the objective of building up the organizations' funds for the next calendar year. But the typical Christmas market is also just a place to breathe the crisp air, enjoy the smells and sounds and sights. It is a place to stroll on a cold evening, talking to neighbors, meeting friends, and tasting good food and hot drink.

Today the city of Nuremberg has perhaps the best known Christmas market, an event which reportedly draws up to two million visitors each year. But other major cities such as Cologne, Munich, and Frankfurt have well known markets. One of the most famous markets in northern Germany takes place in the city of Lubeck, which is famous for its marzipan.

**The President and the Board of Directors of MAGS
Wish You, Your Friends, and Your Family a Merry
Christmas and a Healthy and Happy New Year!**

Buchbesprechung

Bible Copying Days: A Guide from the Genealogical Council of Maryland

A fifteen-page guide called *Bible Copying Days: A Guide from the Genealogical Council of Maryland* emphasizes that ALL bible records are important. The *Guide* points out that many bible records predate official records of births, deaths, and marriages - records which were not kept in many parts of the United States until the early 1900s.

Bible records are an American form of personal record keeping. This type of record was not common in most parts of Europe or other parts of the world. Filling in records in the family bible became popular in America about the mid-1800s, but many bible records are earlier. Because of the high regard for bibles, these records are generally well preserved. However, they remain closely held with the families in which they originated, and are therefore often inaccessible to genealogists who have a common interest in those families. Many genealogists don't even know where to locate the bible that might be beneficial to their research.

Bible Copying Days guides readers through a systematic approach to copy bible records and make these records accessible for genealogical research. Written for genealogical societies, this publication guides genealogy organizations in setting up a bible recording project. The *Guide* shows how to develop a filing system, how to organize a bible copying day event, how to organize teams of volunteers to assist in copying bible records, and to assemble volunteer packets. It also provides guidelines for copying bible records. Forms and sample letters are included for bible copying surveys.

For the genealogical or historical society or even individuals wishing to organize a bible research project, this booklet is most helpful. For availability, contact Patricia A. Andersen, Editor, The Coordinator, P.O. Box 10096, Gaithersburg, MD 20898-9096.

- Corinne Earnest

Ahnentafel

SALLY C. BURGMASER

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Rochester, NY 14612

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1 Sally C BURGMASER b 1940 Rochester, NY; m Michael STELLJES 1961

-----II
2 Raymond G. BURGMASER b 1913 Rochester, NY
3 Pauline SLACK b 1915 Buffalo, NY

-----III
4 Gilbert D BURGMASER b 1886; d 1943 Rochester, NY
5 Harriet J YAUCHZI b 1885; d 1957 Rochester, NY
6 Daniel SLACK b 1888 Lansdowne, Ont; d 1974 Bergen, NY
7 Mary (Minnie) COTTOM b 1886 Brockport, NY; d 1982

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8 Daniel BURGMASER b 1859; d Eniskillon, Ont
9 Harriet KIRKLAND d 1908
10 Frederick YAUCHZI b 1859 Rochester, NY; d 1918
11 Josephine FITCH (PFITCH) b 1859; d 1918
12 Michael SLACK b 1856; d 1919
13 Margaret DAVIS b 1865; d 1946
14 Thomas COTTOM b Ireland; d 1938 Brockport, NY
15 Sarah E COLLINS d 1943 Brockport, NY
16 Daniel (David) BURGMASER b 1816 Zeeland?; d 1899 Rochester, NY
17 Elizabeth VANHOUTE b 1823 Netherlands; d 1912 Fairport, NY
18 Charles KIRKLAND b Liverpool, England
20 Johann YAUCHZI
21 Elisabeth KRAUTWURST b Nov 1819 Schafheim; d Jan 1884 Rochester, NY
22 Michael PFITCH
23 Caroline

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Darlene SHEALEY Dail

2913 Dundalk Avenue
Baltimore, MD 21222

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1 Darlene A. SHEALEY b 12 Aug 1934 Baltimore, MD

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-----II

- 2 Joseph A. SHEALEY b 10 Dec 1903; d 22 Apr 1944 Baltimore, MD; m 7 Jun 1923
- 3 Mildred M. CARNEY b 10 Sep 1905; d 30 Jun 1993

-----III

- 4 Harry Scott SHEALEY b 27 Mar 1872; d 13 May 1955 Baltimore, MD; m 27 Nov 1897 Baltimore, MD
- 5 Catherine C. KELLY b 19 Dec 1869; d 24 Jun 1940
- 6 Martin J. CARNEY b 2 Nov 1877 Baltimore Co.,MD; m Baltimore, MD
- 7 Isabelle LAYDEN b 9 Nov 1880; d Nov 1960 Baltimore,MD

-----IV

- 8 Henry Wilcox SHEALEY b 21 Feb 1847 Towson, MD; d 6 May 1906 Baltimore, MD; m 24 Mar 1870 Baltimore , MD
- 9 Mary Ann SHOCK b 25 Mar 1843 Towson, MD; d 24 Aug 1921
- 10 Edward Francis KELLY b ?; d 7 Apr 1900 Baltimore City, MD;
- 11 Elizabeth LIVINGSTON b Oct 1846, Ireland; d 1910 Baltimore, MD
- 12 Thomas J. CARNEY b 1831, Ireland; d ?
- 13 Ann
- 14 William LAYDEN b PA or NY; m 13 Jan 1875
- 15 Anna

-----V

- 16 William SHEALEY b 9 Jul 1813 Towson, MD; d 3 Apr 1886 Towson, MD; m7 Jul 1836 Towson, MD
- 17 Mary Ann SCHMUCK b 13 Dec 1814 Baltimore City, MD; d 5 Feb 1887 Towson, MD
- 18 Nicholas SHOCK
- 19 Elizabeth PIERCE

-----VI

- 32 George SHEALEY b 27 Apr 1773 York, PA; d 31 Aug 1838 Baltimore Co, MD
- 33 Margaret MUNFORD (MUNDORF) b 1777 York, PA; d 27 Dec 1833 Baltimore, MD
- 34 William SCHMUCK b 26 Feb 1795 York, PA

-----VII

- 64 Christopher SHEALEY b 1749; d 3 Apr 1800 York, PA
- 65 Catherine d York, PA
- 68 Solomon SCHMUCK
- 69 Catherine TOWSON d Towson, MD

Variations of the spelling of Shealey are - Shealy, Sheeley, Schieley, Schleigh, and Schile.

MICHAEL G STELLJES

122 Emjay Lane
Rochester, NY 14612

-----I

- 1 Michael G STELLJES b 1936 Rochester, NY; m Sally Burgmaster 26 Aug 1961

-----II

- 2 Gomer H STELLJES b 1908 Flushing, NY; d 1958 Rochester, NY
- 3 Mary C. McLAUGHLIN b 1907 Knoxville, TN; d 1984 Rochester, NY

-----III

- 4 John H STELLJES b 1880 Brooklyn, NY; d 1922 Verona, NY (Lutheran Minister)
- 5 Ida M GERLING b 1882 Rochester, NY; d 1971 Rochester, NY
- 6 Walter E McLAUGHLIN b 1868 Cincinnati, OH; d 1934 Rochester, NY
- 7 Matilda M WISSINGER b 1874 Westmoreland, PA ; d 1928 Rochester, NY

-----IV

- 8 Martin STELLJES b 1855 Bremen, Germany; d 1926 Flushing, NY
- 9 Anna A OETTING b 1857 Bremen, Germany; d 1939 Mt Vernon, NY
- 10 George GERLING b 1850 Alsace-Lorraine, d 1910 Rochester, NY
- 11 Elizabeth BREU b 1849; d 1937 Rochester, NY
- 12 Thomas McLAUGHLIN b 1844 Ireland; d 1921 Rochester, NY
- 13 Cecilia KELLY b 1841 Alleghany Co, PA; d 1915 Indianapolis, IN
- 14 Henry F WISSINGER b 1849 Somerset Co, PA; d 1920 Keffer, PA
- 15 Christina BROUGH b 1849 Cook, PA; d 1885 Cook Township, PA

-----V

- 16 Henry STELLJES b Bremen, Hanover, Germany
- 18 Henry OETTING b Bremen, Germany
- 19 Mary SEABA (SEEBAUER) b Hanover, Germany
- 20 Valentine GERLING b Oct 1826, Alsace-Lorraine
- 21 Katherine RUBEL b May 1828 Alsace-Lorraine
- 24 Thomas McLAUGHLIN b Ireland
- 25 Mary HENZIE b Ireland

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SUCHANZEIGEN

Please mention at least one time, one place, one German surname with known variants. Limit each query to one family. Use no more than fifty (50) words, not counting your name and address. There is no charge for members of MAGS. Non-members please include \$1.00 (check payable to Mid-Atlantic Germanic Society) per query with your submission. 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 Lake Caroline Drive, Ruther Glen, VA 22546-5304.

SCHEIHING BILLMANN

#15-22 Seek info Johann Georg SCHEIHING b 24 Oct. 1832, Germ; d 21 May 1902, Baltimore, MD. When imm to US? When & where he marry Margaret B. BILLMANN?

Eugene W. Gallagher 25 Fullerton Heights Ave. Baltimore, MD 21236-4109

LEYH/ LEY HEIN

#15-23 Seek par Johannes Heinrich LEYH(LEY) b 8 Jul 1866 Prussia. Emig fm Gelnhausen(?) to Baltimore, MD 27 Aug 1882. Older Bro, Ludwig emig 1881, settled Sandusky, OH. Johannes joined Ludwig for a few years, then migrated west. Ludwi 1911, Baltimore, MD. Mar Lorenz GRAMUCH b 23 Apr 1837.

Karen Hinson 906 Greenleigh Road Baltimore, MD 21212 khinson@umd5.umd.edu

TRAUD GRAUDT HANSEL

#15-24 Seek info par & sibl Engelbert G. ORAUDT (TRAUD) b 17 Nov 1858 Hesse Germ. Mar ca 1885, Anna M. HANSEL b 13 Jan 1858 Dresden Germ. Arr US 15 May 1865. Reside Louisville, Jefferson Co, employed Louisville Herald as newspaper carrier 1889-1906. 6 CH: Eve 1886; Walter 1888; Ludwina 1889; Viola 1891; Paul 1893; Engelbert 1897.

Jon E. Traud 11008 Rainbow River Ct. Rancho Cordova, CA 95670

LUTZELBURGER LITSINBURGER, VELDENZER, VELDEN, FELTON

#15-25 Swap info on origin & meaning of all recognizable variants LUTZELBURGER, LUTZENBERGER, LITSINBURGER, LITCHENBERG, etc. Also origin & meaning of VELDEN, VELDENZER, VELTEN, FELDENZER, FELDON, etc.

Homer L. Litzenberg Suite C2-3 900 Mickley Rd. Whitehall, PA 18052

GRAMUCH SAMUEL

#15-26 Seek info Lorenz GRAMUCH b Germ, m?(who) Son Lorenz GRA MUCH b 23 Apr 1837, Germ; d 21 Feb 1915, Baltimore, MD; m Maria Ursula SAMUEL b 23 Feb. 1847.

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SAMUEL GRAMUCH

#15-27 Seek info George SAMUEL b Germ, m?(who). Dau Maria Ursula SAMUEL b 23 Feb 1847; d 5 Apr. 1911, Baltimore, MD. Mar Lorenz GRAMUCH b 23 Apr 1837.

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GASCHUBER KASCHUBER KASCHOBA KASHUBA BERT GRAMUCH/GRAMLICH

#15-28 Seek info Adam GASCHUBER (KASCHUBER) (KASCHOBA) (KASHUBA) m Catherine BERT & Bertha (Elizabeth) GASCHUBER b 23 Apr. 1884 Germ/Austria; d 1 Oct 1917, Baltimore, MD; mar Charles (Karl) GRAMLICH.

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SIEVERN WOODLEY

#15-29 Seek info August SIEVERN b June 1863, Hanover, Germ; d(?) in Brooklyn, NY; bur ?. Imm to NY 2 Apr 1872 w/ (? who); m Katharino/Katharina(?) Maria Johanna (? who, when, where); d in childbirth ca 23 Sept 1894, Charleston, SC. One dau, Katharino/Katharina Maria Johanna b 23 Sept 1894, Charleston, SC. Adopted and name changed to Kathleen SIEVERN WOODLEY. Other ch of August & Katharino SIEVERN? Poss twins. August mvd back to Brooklyn, NY before 1900, m Ella JAGEL. Two dau; Carrie b ca 1901, Bertha b ca 1907. Seek any info on these two dau.

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FELTON/FELTEN

#15-30 Seek par. Grpar & info Christian FELTON, (where?) Germ. In Bedford CO., PA 1807. Mar Margaret (?who). Son; Christian FELTEN, Jr.

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EITNER WEAVER

#15-31 Seek info Susan or Ann EITNER of Wittenburg, Germ. b ca 1744; mar Jacob WEAVER. Was in 1776 Prince George CO., MD census. Seek info ch: Barbara, Catherine, Jacob, Peter.

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MOELLER OFENSTEIN

#15-32 Seek info & par Maria Elizabetha MOELLER b ca 1832 Hesse; Roman Catholic. To DC 1865 to mar Leopold OFENSTEIN. Maria Elizabetha d 1900. Bro Anton MOELLER b 1827, Hattenhof, Fulda, Hesse. Anton mar Agnes OFENSTEIN in Ger before imm to DC 1859. Anton d 1917.

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OFENSTEIN MOELLER

#15-33 Seek info Leopold OFENSTEIN fm Thalau, Bavaria, b ca 1827; Roman Catholic. To US 1853. Mar Maria Elizabetha MOELLER (2nd wife) 1865 in Washington, DC; d 1881, DC. Par ?Johannes & Elizabeth OFENSTEIN. Sibl: Caspar; Agnes.

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BILLMANN SCHEIHING

#15-34 Seek info Margaret B. BILLMANN b 17 March 1829, Bayern, Germ. Also any other BILLMANN. Seek info fam of spouse, Johann George SCHEIHING b 24 Oct. 1832, Germ. They d Baltimore City, MD.

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DREIER GROSS KRAFT RAYNER

#15-35 Seek info par & sibl Philipp DREIER/DRIER/DRYER b Ger 1831; imm 1853 to Schoharie, NY; removed to Scranton, PA; d 1898. Mar 1860 at St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Schoharie to Elisabeth GROSS b 1842, Germ; imm to Schoharie, NY 1860; d 1887 Scranton, PA. Ch: Peter (mar Kathryn KRAFT); William (mar Louisa RAYNER); Frank.

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RAYNER GRUBER HEUGEL BIELFELDT DREIER SCHWEITZER HOOPER WENZEL

#15-36 Seek info par and sibl John (Johann) RAYNER/REHNER/ROHNER/ RENNER b 1817 Saxony, Germ; imm 1846; d 1901 Scranton, PA. Mar Christi "anna" GRUBER b 1832, Wurtemberg, Germ; imm 1853; d 1902, Scranton, PA. Ch: Charles (mar Louise HEUGEL); Maria (mar Frederick BIELFELDT); Louisa (mar William DREIER); Kathryn (mar Abraham SCHWEITZER); Paul (mar Jennie "Jane" HOOPER); Wihlemina "Minnie" (mar Henry WENZEL); John.

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RIGHTLER REIGHTLER REIDLER RIDER

#15-37 Seek info Elias RIGHTLER/REIGHTLER/REIDLER and Margaret RIDER. Elias b ca 1810 in PA. Mar. Margaret RIDER in First German Reformed Ch, Baltimore City, MD, 26 Dec. 1832. Six known issues. Have histories on them. Margaret b PA. Last evidence of Elias RIGHTLER in 1850 census. Not in 1860 census. Where did he go? When, where die and bury.

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