

SHAMBAUGH FAMILIES NEWS - LETTER

** Editorial Staff **

Flavius A. Leightey, Cleo S. Gervin, Margaret B. May
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The Saturday evening meeting of the Shambaugh Reunion was held in the Archer Twp. Hall with approximately 50 in attendance. Refreshments were served by Mrs. Alice B. Dossan and helpers. A good time visiting and meeting new Shambaughs in attendance was enjoyed by all.

The 29th National Shambaugh Reunion was held September 3, 1972, at the Sally Buffalo Park - Wallace Lodge at Cadiz, Ohio. The Reunion was opened by Alice B. Dossan asking all to repeat the Lords Prayer together after which a delicious dinner followed. Minutes of last years meeting were read by Dolly Rose. Carey Armstrong made a motion the minutes be accepted as read and second by Anna Cogsil.

There were 20 of the Shambaugh family at the reunion for the first time -- we were glad to have them all, and hope to see them at future reunions. They were: Leon and Wilma Townsend, Jewett, O.; Bertha and Merle Shambaugh, Toronto, O.; Robert and Pearl Shambaugh, Titusville, Pa.; Joe and Joanne Canann, Niles, O.; Cary Armstrong, Fairfax, Va.; Charlotte and Sam Garro, Ravenna, O.; Catherine Moore, Leesburg, Fla.; Mrs. Ray (Jackie) Poillucci, Cadiz, O.; Mrs. J. G. (Patti) Poillucci, Cadiz, O.; Mrs. Donald (Kay) Rose, Cadiz, O.; and families.

There was no old business.

New Business -- Dr. Gordon Shambaugh talked of Shambaugh International and presented a check for \$25.00 to Mrs. Alice Dossan to help with expense of the meeting Saturday night.

Franklin Shambaugh gave a few remarks, thanking everyone for coming to Georgia in 1971.

A vote was taken on the proposal of planting a tree for Shambaughs. The Sarvis tree was voted as the winner. It will grow in all parts of the country.

Nominations for young people to S.I. committee: The winners were Sharon Shambaugh, Dorothy Shambaugh, and Howard Leightey Jr.

A motion was made by Robert Cuning, second by Julie Armstrong to keep the same adult members of S.I. This motion was retracted. There were nominations for the S.I. board with the following five winning the nomination: Dr. Nona Grapes, Mrs. Eleanor Shawver, Mrs. Alice B. Dossan, John H. Shambaugh and Dr. George Shambaugh.

A motion was made for the Board of Directors to do whatever was necessary for them to incorporate. This motion was made by Dr. Shambaugh and second by Eleanor Shawver.

There was a standing tribute to Flavius and Jennie Leightey and family for their 23 years of service, publishing the newsletter. Nomination for editor of the newsletter was won by Harold Shambaugh. Harold was nominated by Cary Armstrong and the second was drowned out by the acclamation of the group.

The oldest person present was Golda Morgan, 80 years in May. A close second was Mildred Shambaugh, 80 years in August.

The youngest person was Jeremy Leightey, 1 year in August. Second youngest was Melissa Poillucci, 1 year in April.

Person coming the longest distance was Catherine Moore, Leesburg, Fla.

The couple married the longest was Flavius and Jennie Leightey, 56 years. The youngest married couple was Donald and Kay Rose, 3 weeks.

Total number present; 122 persons with 10 states represented. A collection was taken with \$70.20 collected and given to Alice Dossan for the expenses. They were as follows: Ham \$37.50, Cabbage rolls \$17.00, Steak \$19.10, for a total of \$73.60.

For next years reunion we were invited to Upper Sandusky, Ohio and Silver Springs, Md., with Silver Springs winning; Upper Sandusky 19 votes, Silver Springs 20 plus.

Robert Cuning gave a few welcome remarks.

Franklin Shambaugh closed the reunion with a prayer.

We of Cadiz and surrounding communities were glad to have everyone and hope you will return soon. We want to thank all our kin and freinds for their help, both with food and attendance. - Alice B. Dossan, President; Dolly A. Rose, Secretary

Mrs. Elma Ross, Box 135, Arlington, Iowa 50606 reports--

The Shambaugh-Derflinger branch of the Barrow Family held their 51st reunion July 30, 1972 at the park in Arlington, Iowa. It was an ideal day for the picnic, and all had the usual good time visiting. 30 guests were present from five states.

Elma Ross, 90 years, was the oldest present, Rena Corns, dau. of Don Corns of Tucson, Ariz. was the youngest, and Mrs. Don Corns came the farthest. Two births, four marriages and one death reported.

My sister, Mrs. Bertha Knoerr of N.O. was here for three weeks, then to see her son and family in Canada, then back for the National Reunion in Cadiz, Ohio. From there she returned home.

The third Shambach Families Reunion was held Sunday Aug. 20, 1972 at the Mifflinburg Community Park, Mifflinburg, Pa. A picnic dinner was enjoyed by all. Following the meal, games for all ages were played and enjoyed by all participating (and spectators.)

There were approximately 82 persons present. Mrs. Hattie Norman of Troxelville, Pa. was the oldest one present at 82 years. Jamie Belker, son of Joe and Aria Shambach Belker, was the youngest present at 14 months.

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Mr. and Mrs. Donald Doehler and family of Teagertown, Pa. traveling the farthest distance; about 50 miles.

It was agreed to hold the 1973 reunion on the 3rd Sunday of Aug. and also at the same place, Mifflinburg Community Park.

Election results: Nester Hackenberg, President, Judy Hackenberg, Secretary, Treas. It was decided that the officers elected should serve a two year term. Everyone had a very enjoyable day. - Judy Hackenberg, Secretary

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Perlman and Grace Scotten, P.O. Box 245, Port Salerno, Fla. 33492

Enclosed is check for N/L. We sure enjoy them. Sorry we missed the reunion this year. Maybe next year we can come. We are planning our own reunion Sept. 24th. Its hard now since the grandchildren are all growing up to get them all together. This year Grandson Allen Hatfield will be in San Deigo and Susan Thomas will be back in Tallahassee, Fla. for Post Graduate. She graduated in June, Social Welfare and Criminology, and Toy Thomas will be in Gainesville. So they are trying their wings. Susan and Toy have just returned from a two months tour of twelve countries in Europe. They say they really appreciate America after being over there.

We have had a nice summer now if all can just get by the hurricane season, we will be glad.

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Mrs. Anna Cogsil, (Lamartine) of R.#2, Scio, Ohio 43988

Sometime ago, on way to Carrollton, stopped for a visit with Clyde Kelley. She sure is good for her age, 92, and she looked to well. Opal (Shotwell), a daughter, takes good care of her.

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On August 6, 1972 Mrs. Mildred Shambaugh celebrated her 80th birthday at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Marie Setzler in Tiffin, Ohio. Some were present from Ariz., Iowa, Md., and other states.

Your editor and wife, with son Howard and wife Dorothy were also present. Mildred is less than a year ahead of your editor in age. Aug. 6 is also Howards birthdate.

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On Sept. 27, 1972 your editor and wife went to Marion, Ohio to see Alice Dosson of Cadiz and some of her family at the home of George and Linda Shawver of 345 Edgewood Dr., Eleanor's son, where they were to have supper that evening. We were asked to stay and eat with them; having turkey and dressing and as one lady expressed herself, "Everything was so dog gone good," and she was right! A taste of Thanksgiving in Sept. Delicious!!

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Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe G. Shambaugh, 1330 St. Joe River Rd., Ft. Wayne, Ind. 46805

We are very sorry that we could not attend the reunion this year as we had guests at our cottage at the lake. We really enjoy reading the news letter and do look forward to receiving your letter. We are again leaving for Florida and hope to see Flossie Smith sometime after Christmas.

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Ben F. Shambaugh, 220 W. 4th St. Ottawa, Kan. 66067

I received the News Letter and glad to get it. I always enjoy reading it. Some of the folks I know, but most of them I don't but glad to hear about them anyway.

I have a complete file of the news-letter from #60 to date, and a few issues before #60. I can appreciate anyone wanting to fill in and complete their files. I often refer back to earlier issues.

I hope that everyone had a good time and visit at the reunion this year. I am sorry that I have never attended, and now I hardly think I could make it, such a long trip, but best wishes to all anyway.

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Philip and Audrey Shambaugh, 5512 Tuxedo Terrace, Hollywood, Calif. 90028

Just a note to say we enjoy the newsletters and you all should have a lot of thanks for all of the work you do on it. We just finished our 25 years in the moving and storage business as well as the antiques we buy and sell. Our two son-in-laws are much involved in the business.

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Mrs. Lillie (Brunk) Adkins, 7201 Tippecanoe Ave., San Bernardino, Calif. 92404 Aug. 28

I am on vacation in Oregon. I have snet a check before for Shambaugh International. I enjoy the letter very much and the book sent before. I am a descendent from Isaac-Philip-Margaret Schumbaugh Brunk. Daughter of Henry Brunk. I hope some day to make the reunion.

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Raico - Groebner

The Rev. Harry Stubbs of Community Church in Chicago, former pastor of the Chapel of the Dunes, returned to Gary to Perform the ceremony uniting in marriage Kathleen Jo Groebner and Daris Lee Raico. The minister performed the wedding ceremony for the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harry J. Groebner, 318 S. Huntington St., Gary, Ind.

The gowns worn by the bride and her bridesmaids were made by Mrs. Groebner. Karen Jean Groebner was her sister's maid of honor and Mrs. Keith Mathern, sister of the bridegroom, was the bridesmaid.

The bride is employed by Dr. R. C. Trotter and the bridegroom is employed by Johnson Transfer and Storage. The couple will reside in Portage, Ind. 46368.

Litzenberg -- Stewart

Miss Janet S. Stewart, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gayle A. Stewart of Rt. #3, Carrington, and Thomas J. Litzenberg, son of Mrs. Julia Litzenberg of Scio, and the late James Litzenberg, were married Aug. 5 in Kilgore United Methodist Church. Rev. Charles McCoy performed the double ring ceremony.

Following the ceremony a reception was held in the home of the bride's parents. Thomas Litzenberg is a grandson of Mrs. Anna Cogswell of near Scio, O.

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Dale Shambaugh, 627 Pleasant View, Upper Sandusky, Ohio, district agent for the Lutheran Mutual Life Ins. Co. has exceeded his \$1 million mark for the ninth year of sales for the Company.

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Mrs. Caroline d'A. Engle, #307 N. 17th St., Apt. 13, Phoenix, Ariz. 85014

The Rev. Kline d'Aurandt Engle, 63, who came to Phoenix in 1959 from Clifton Springs, N.Y. and had been active in historical and lineage societies and in writing, died July 11, 1972, in St. Joseph's Hospital.

Father Engle, had served Episcopal parishes in Shamokin, Northumberland and Selinsgrove, Pa., Cincinnati, Ohio and Dover, N.J.

Born in Beavertown, Pa., he was graduated from Hobart College in 1932, General Theological Seminary in New York in 1935 and received an M.A. degree from Bucknell University in 1939.

He served 11 years in the U.S. Navy Reserve, was on active duty in World War II and through the Korean conflict.

During his military service he received 12 medals and awards, including three Presidential Unit Citations, and the Bronze Star.

Father Engle was the author of "David walter: A Soldier of the Revolution" and "Charles Williamson and the Williamson Road." He was a life member of the Snyder County Historical Society and its archivist, the Genealogical Society of Pennsylvania and Descendants Colonial Clergy.

Since 1968 he had been chaplain general of the General Society of the war of 1812 and since 1971 vice president general for its members-at-large, a perpetual member of the Military Order of the World wars and a past president of the Huguenot Society of Arizona.

Survivors include his wife, Caroline Kirkham Dayton Engle; and a brother, Roy W. Engle of Harrisburg, Pa.

Services were held in All Saints Episcopal Church, in charge of the Mercer Mortuary. Burial in Greenwood Cemetery.

The Rev. Kline d'Aurandt Engle was the son of J. William and Elizabeth Jane (Kline) Engle and grandson of Albart Wellington Engle and Elizabeth (Shambach) Engle. The latter was the daughter of John Shambach (1831-1898) of Adamsburg, Penn.

A daughter, Quicyanocce Engle died in 1945. His wife, Mrs. Caroline Engle is active in the National Society, Daughters of Founders and Patriots of America, Arizona Chapter.

The name "d'Aurandt" was French and the original emigrant was a French Huguenot. The final "t" was added in German-speaking communities in which they lived. It was the maiden name of my husband's grandmother Shambach's mother. Some descendants in this country spell the name "Aurandt" having dropped the prefix. So, d'Aurandt and Aurandt are of the same origin and go back to the same common emigrant ancestor.

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Mrs. Fred Fortney, 165 Dice Rd., Galion, Ohio 44833

Fred Fortney, 78, of Galion died August 4, 1972 in the Galion Community hospital. He had been in failing health for the last 18 years.

A native of Ashland County, Mr. Fortney was born May 4, 1894, a son of William N. and Anna Rowe Fortney. He was married June 24, 1917, to Beatrice Guthrie. He was a member of First Presbyterian Church, a conductor for the Pennsylvania Railroad before his retirement in 1954, a World War I veteran with service in the U.S. Army, Co. A, 146th Infantry, 37th Division in France and Belgium.

Mr. Fortney was a 50 year member of Arcana Lodge, No. 272, F&M, Crestline, of which he was past master; Crestline Chapter 88, R&M, (past high priest) and several other orders.

Surviving are his wife; a daughter, Mrs. Ruth Ross at home; a son, Edgar G. Fortney of Galion; eight Grandchildren and two great-grandchildren; a brother, Willard of Zephyrhills, Fla.; a sister, Mrs. Lewis (Hazel) Wolfgang of Mansfield. He was preceded in death by four brothers and two sisters.

Funeral services were in the Snyder and Kubach Funeral Home with Rev. K. Darr Briggs of Brooksville, Pa., former Galion pastor, Officiating. Burial in Greenlaw Cemetery at Perrysville, Ohio

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Mrs. Bertha Knoerr, 815 Demerius St., Apt. M-4, Durham, N.C. 27701

Mrs. Bertha Knoerr of Durham, N.C. came to the National Reunion over a round about way. She first spent three weeks with her sister, Mrs. Elba Ross at Arlington, Iowa and attended the local reunion there. Then she went to British Columbia to visit her son, Donald, and family. After returning across Canada by buss along Hwy. 1, in order to view the impressive mountain scenery of British Columbia and Alberta, she stopped in Tiffin, Ohio to visit her sister-in-law, Mrs. Mildred Shambaugh and niece Mrs. Marie Setzler. She accompanied them to the reunion at Cadiz before returning to Durham.

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While in British Columbia, Mrs. Knoerr met a grandson of Ben F. Shambaugh of Ottawa, Kansas. He is Don E. Jansen, who lives near New Hazelton, B.C. with his wife, Julia and two daughters.

I had to leave the reunion at 3 p.m. to catch a buss to start my return trip to North Carolina.

Ed. note - Bertha enclosed a note of appreciation to your editor for service to the Shambaughs in editing the Shambaugh News-Letters the past 23 years.

I want to THANK all of the Shambaughs, Shambachs and kin, for all the news items sent in, your encouragement, and appreciation through the past 23 years. Harry Gleims last issue was with Aug. 1949 issue, I started with the Nov 1949 issue.

Hoping you all will continue with your news items to your new and better editor, Harold Shambaugh, 10300 Inwood Ave., Silver Springs, Md. 20902

Those of our N-L readers we have not heard from for some time, but want your News-Letters continued, let your new editor know promptly.

Our granddaughter, Mrs. Ann (Leightey) Harris will miss her finger exercises now, (and Gramma's good cooking) in not getting to type the stencels anymore, and I'll really miss all those nice letters and cards U have sent to me.

Our last chance to wish you all Very Happy Thanksgivings, Christmases, New Years, Birthdays, Anniversaries etc. and Happy N-L's too! Sincerely, Flavius

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Mrs. Harry (Cleo) Gervin Sr., Gervinwold, P. O. Box 347, Gatlinburg, Tenn. 37738

It is good to keep in touch if only through the wonderful News-Letters which you Flavius have been editing and mailing, keeping up with mailing lists etc.

I get so little accomplished, but I am busy most of the time except when I have to rest a couple hours.

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Hospital Notes - Leon Trautwein, Kail Trachsel, and Mrs. Wayne Leightey, getting scalded, all of near Upper Sandusky, O. Rosetta Miller, Avilla, Ind.

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Robert J. and Marjorie Shambaugh, 4435 Jackman Rd., Toledo, Ohio 43612

Just a few lines to say what a good time we had in Cadiz. It was to nice, meeting so many people and we are looking forward to next year when we will meet in Silver Springs, Md. We sure enjoyed having Dr. G.I.G. and Frances Shambaugh of Des Moines, Iowa staying over at our place on their way to Cadiz. We wish to thank all the fine people who worked so hard preparing a wonderful dinner.

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A 10 lb. daughter, Davius Evon, born August 24, 1972 to Wayne and Ann Leightey of near Upper Sandusky, Ohio. She is the 12th grandchild of your editor and wife. We also have 12 great grandchildren, 7 step grands and 8 step great grands. WJW

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Mrs. Evelyn Shambach, 856 W. Main St. Ravenna, Ohio 44266

We attended the National Reunion in Des Moines, Iowa and enjoyed it very much. We had looked forward to the reunion in Rossville, Ga., but due to my husbands serious illness were unable to attend. My husband passed away Sept. 9, 1971, just a few days after the reunion.

My husband was Raymond Shambach, son of Willis and Emma (Walters) Shambach of Middleburg, Penn.

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Mrs. Katherine Bolt, 2640 Dogwood Farm Rd. R#1, Decatur, Ga. 30024

Otterbein, Indiana Centennial was held July 5-8 with 100 entries in the parade on Saturday the 8th. The Centennial Booklet had the picture of the oldest house in Otterbein as its cover. The house built by Adam Shambaugh, brother of the Grandmother of the present owner, John Robert Switzer, was moved into in 1849. It was built for Otterbein Brown for whom the town was named. It served as the home of the Brown family; as the Postoffice; as a Hostelry (upstairs) and as a school for the children of the neighborhood. It is beautifully restored.

Katherine Bolt, 86, and daughter, Martha Graham of Decatur, Ga., attended the Centennial and rode in No.1 antique car following the Queen's float. The car, a 1923 Ford Depot Hack, won the trophy for antique cars of which some 50 were in the parade. On Sunday night, July 9, the Variety Show was given for the 4th time. 1st number of the show was the tape history of Otterbein prepared by Wade S. Bolt, late husband of Mrs. Bolt, who was Clerk-Treasurer of Otterbein for 38 years. Otterbein, a town of 700 people, did a fine job celebrating its Centennial.

Otterbein Centennial is over and forgotten, except the century old elevator burning on the second night. The Lafayette Leader kept this copy to give out during the Centennial because of my article about Otterbein Brown. They gave out 325 copies.

As you know in my family there are three first cousin marriages between Shambaugh and Brown.

By Margaret B. May, R#1, Lafayette, Ind. 47906

Editors Note: Margaret wrote nearly a four column page about the founding of Otterbein, Ind. and the 100th Anniversary. Wm. Otterbein Brown born in Baltimore, Md. and better known as Otterbein, established a town which was called Pond Grove, then Browns Station, and finally Otterbein. He also gave land for a railroad.

Nester, Jackie, Cheryl & Karen Hackenberg, P.O. 1, Middleburg, Pa. 17842

Greetings to all our Kin-folks. We are enjoying beautiful fall weather the last few days, although there is evidence of "Frost on the Pumpkin." Since this is my favorite season, I'm trying to take in all of its beauty and fragrance.

Sorry I didn't get to see you in Cadiz, Ohio. Our thoughts were with you.

\$\$\$ 4 N-I Joe Shambaugh 1.50, Alice Marilyn Mills 2.--, Paul and Eunice Shambaugh 1.50, Grace Shambaugh 2.--, Perlaman and Grace Scotten 2.--, Mrs. Evelyn Shambach 5.--, Ben F. Shambaugh 10.--, Roscoe G. Shambaugh 5.--, Mrs. Caroline Ingle 1.50, Esther and Ray Rinehart 10.0, Mrs. Beulah Thornton 1.50, Cleo Gervin 1.50, Mrs. Eleanor Shawver 2.--, Allen & Michael Gervin 1.50, Dora Ann Curtin 1.50, Lucy Brokaw 1.50, Mary Van Fassen 1.50, David & Madelene Quinn 2.--, Raymond & Dolly Rose 1.50, Mrs. Alice B. Bosson 1.50, Stanley & Susie Howard 1.50, Gene & Cathy Shambaugh 1.50, Franklin & Edith Shambaugh 1.50, Jesse & Iris Shambaugh Jr. 1.50, Paul & Eunice Shambaugh 1.50, Leon & Wilma Townsend 1.50, Mrs. Mary Kimmel 2.--, Marie Setzler 1.50, Cary & Julia Armstrong 3.--, Ralph & Margaret Perry 1.50, Catherine Moore 1.50, Golda Morgan 3.--, Florence Markley 3.--

\$\$\$ 4 S. I. Robert L. & Pearl N. Shambaugh 1.50, Miss Ruth Shambaugh 1.50, William & Ella Shambaugh 3.--, Roscoe G. Shambaugh 3.--, Samuel R. & Alyce Shambaugh 1.50, James & Phyllis Worsham 1.50, Rex & Ann Shambaugh 1.50, C.R. & Lorna Shambaugh 1.50, Garman & Margaret Erb 1.50, Mrs. and Mrs. Robert J. Shambaugh 1.50, Harold & Evelyn Shambaugh 1.50, John & Phyllis Shambaugh 1.50, Cleo Gervin 1.50, Merle & Bertha Shambaugh 1.50, Paul & Eunice Shambaugh 1.50, Flavius & Jennie Leightey 1.50, Junia Shambaugh 1.50, Dr. George & Ruth Shambaugh 1.50, Gordon & Flora Albrecht 1.50, Mrs. Lillie E. Adkins 1.50, Phil & Audrey Shambaugh 3.--, Don & Mary Shambaugh 1.50, James & Helen Shambaugh 1.50, Rev. H.H. & Myrtle Shambaugh 1.50

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A phone call from Dr. GIG & Frances Shambaugh, 1216-41st St. Des Moines, Iowa 50311 phone 515, 277-8874

Suggest we give addresses too, of S.I. Committee members; young people to S.I. committee- Sharon Shambaugh, 120 W. Walton St. Titusville, Pa., 16354; Dorothy Shambaugh, R.3, Wabash, Ind. 46992, phone 218-563-5764; Howard Leightey Jr., 431 So. 7th St., Upper Sandusky, Ohio, 44871, phone 419-294-4549

S.I. Board members; Dr. Nona Grapes, 732 Selma Ave., Selma, Ala., 36701; Mrs. Eleanor Sawyer, R.1, Scio, Ohio 43988, phone 614-945-4622; Mrs. Alice Bosson, R.5, Cadiz, Ohio 43907, phone 614-942-3178; John H. Shambaugh, R.3, Wabash, Ind. 46992, phone 219-563-5764; Dr. George Shambaugh, 1574 Sunset Lane, Wooster, Ohio 44694, phone 216-345-6956.

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Franklin and Edith Shambaugh of Rossville, Ga. spent a couple nights with your editor and wife on their way home from the reunion, seeing a few Shambaughs while here.

Your editor and wife seen a note written October 15th on note pad at front door that we had visitors. Not being at home at that time we missed a visit with Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe G. Shambaugh of Ft. Wayne, Ind. Sorry R.G.; try, try again.

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Miss Helen L. Hultz, 524 West 122 St., New York, N.Y. 10027

Holtz - Hultz Genealogy Tour

The first week-end of October is dedicated to Jacob Holtz and Catharine (Shambaugh) Holtz. October 8, 1972 I went ancestor hunting in Pennsylvania. Edythe (Boothman) Rieger, my dear friend of Ohio days in Bryan, went along. With my Mother's words ringing in my ears, I stood in the hallowed corner of a grass-tufted roadside field where Frederick Holtz the First reposes.

No trace of the last resting place near Hampton of my grandfather's grandfather remains save in the memory of Joseph Gurney Holtz of York, Pa., our guide. A half century ago he recalls, uncut stones marked burial sites of at least fifteen graves- presumably Indian.

Mom's words took on exact meaning. Whenever she described my grandfather David Hultz to me in warm, glowing affection, she always ended "— and he was straight as an Indian." Neither she nor Dad ever knew the truth of her astute discernment.

Frederick Holtz shipwrecked on shoals when enroute to America, climbed the mast to save himself and clung for more than forty-eight hours. Rescued, he was taken to Philadelphia where he was required to work in a Powder Mill to pay for the service rendered. When he had fulfilled the obligation imposed upon him he went into York County where he lived out his life.

Here in the peace of beautiful Pennsylvania countryside are buried in graves no longer marked, Frederick Holtz and the Indian girl he married. The field was reverently cared for as long as the farm remained in Holtz ownership.

In marked contrast is the burial site of their descendant, also a Frederick Holtz. As we stood before the Holtz plot in the yard of St. Paul's "Pines" Lutheran Church, so many memories demanded recall. Those very words from Frederick's Last Will and Testament dated Nov. 10, 1853 took on special significance with both his tombstone and grave marker recording his death date Nov. 14, 1863

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"And first I direct that my body be decently interred in Pine's Church Cemetery in Straban Township, according to the rites and ceremonies of the Lutheran Church, and that my funeral be conducted in a manner corresponding with my station in life."

We had just come from the Frederick Holtz homestead or plantation, which more than a century later still stands as if in tribute. His, that beautiful red brick house set amid spacious grounds. The building date recorded in the gable end is now concealed. The spring in the yard is covered over, but a white latticed gazebo betrays its onetime charm. The old dinner bell, an antique style pump, the stone smoke house, lilac bushes, and big barns, link to-day with yesterday.

The recital of the land Record recorded ninety years after the fact, recounts that Frederick Holtz of Warrington Township, York County, bought the farm on the 29 of March 1839. He paid the heirs of George Horn a consideration of \$6500 for 213 acres of land along Conowago Creek and on Road 460 and cut by Route 259. A beautiful woods borders the parcel across the road. Up this road a wide dam spans the creek and near the foaming falls stand large mills. The stones of the old clover hulling mill lay by the roadside for years until a museum bought them.

These thoughts and more crowd in as one stands before the graves of Frederick and his beloved wife Sarah (Snyder) Holtz. Here, too, are buried two of their sons. Dr. Abraham Holtz is the grandfather of our guide, Joseph Gurney Holtz. Dr. Abraham died when 39 years old as a result of a fall from his horse when on his way to call on a patient. The beautiful home he built stands in Hampton. David Holtz, too, 1835 - 1898, died tragically following an accident in which he lost an arm. The fifth marker is for a grandson, David S., son of Susan Holtz, wife of Benjamin Livelsberger, the miller.

In 1901, Joseph Holtz retired from the farm and lived in New Oxford at 100 Bolton Street and the Lincoln Highway in an imposing large red brick house.

The remaining children of Frederick and Sarah are all buried at New Oxford, Penn. The impressive stone reads: HOLTZ - HARBOLT - LIVELSBERGER The grave markers:

- George W. Holtz, Dec. 21, 1849 - Oct. 14, 1901
- Caroline Holtz, May 9, 1833 - Aug. 23, 1918
- Joseph Holtz, Sept. 2, 1839 - Nov. 5, 1922
- Susan Livelsberger, Oct. 5, 1847 - Nov. 13, 1910
- Benjamin F. Livelsberger, Oct. 26, 1836 - Jan. 21, 1916
- Sallie M. Harbolt, July 10, 1843 - Feb. 29, 1932
- Peper C. Harbolt, Nov. 12, 1842 - Jan. 14, 1902

And Rieger enthusiastically exclaimed, "I feel as if they are my family, too." It is my hope you may share her feeling. We both know we are forever indebted to Joseph Burney Holtz and his son Robert Franklin Holtz for their genuine kindness to us. We met as complete, but related strangers.

Joseph G.'s father, Capt. Baron Gurney Holtz, is buried in Arlington Cemetery. Joseph G. served in the Rainbow Division.

Ed. Note: Jennie and I had a surprise phone call and visit of several minutes on Oct. 2, from Helen from New York.

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A splendid article on the "History of Otterbein" by Margaret Brown May, will be forwarded to your new editor for editing, and printing in the next News - Letter, also with the celebration events that took place during the Centennial.

—————> Don't forget to send in your news items of Shambaugh events, promptly.

Your News - Letter renewals \$1.50 per year

Happy Holidays to all our readers