

THE NATIONAL DENVER CONVENTION

Seventeen of those who registered for the Annual Convention at Denver last June were from Ohio, a very creditable turnout. Ohioan Ken Smith spoke twice. His subjects were: "Germany, should you write or visit?", and "Calendars and Dating Systems." Another Buckeye, Arta Johnson, spoke on "An Armchair Tourist in the Palatinate." Both Smith and Johnson and also Ernest Thode of Marietta, Ohio were on the closing panel called "Problem Solving and Conference Summary."

Martha Agler, Past-President was re-elected Archivist/Historian, and LaRoux Mentz was also re-elected Membership Registrar. Mrs. Clara H. Harsh was elected Treasurer. She already is ~~Treasurer~~ for the Ohio Chapter. Your Heritage Editor, Robert S. Rudy, served on the Nominating Committee. These persons were all from the Ohio Chapter

Several Ohio members rode on the bus full of Palatine members which originated at Harrisburg, Pennsylvania. They picked up convention bound itinerants not only in Columbus, but also at Indianapolis and St. Louis. The group visited Salt Lake City and the Mormon Library before returning home.

Other officers elected were: President, George Evans, Grand Rapids, Michigan; Vice-President Anne L. Rodick, Bloomington, Indiana; Recording Secretary, Sharon Kennedy, Indianapolis, Indiana; and Bonnie Everhart, Gettysburg, Penna.; Corresponding Secretary. Also, Jean Colby, Ft. Lauderdale, Florida and Fred Palmer, Middletown, Maryland, were chosen members-at-large to the Governing Board.

The Colorado Chapter, led by Jane and Paul Peak, Co-chairmen of the convention, arranged a fine program, it was well organized and they were great hosts. A pleasant interlude was entertainment by The Westernaires, a wonderful company of young men and women, experts in rope tricks and horse riding.

Terry Golden, Columbus, Ohio, Editor of *The Palatine Immigrant* and LaRoux Mentz were two of four who received citations for merit, awarded for outstanding service to Palatines To America.

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ERRATA in May 1988, Vol. XI No. 2

On Page 3, Donor Pat Stickley of Urbana, Ohio is incorrectly shown as Pat Steikly of Urbana, Ill

On Page 1, second paragraph of "Whatever Happened To Veronica" should have read:

In German and Swiss dialect, the sounds of G and K are not as differentiated as they are in English. That fact probably accounts for the spelling you can find in Swiss church records of the 1600s: Fronegg.

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JOHN D. RUGG HONORED.

Chapter member John D. Rugg, Granville, has been named Historian of the Year by the Granville Historical Society. Rugg founded Ohio Roots in 1974, is a former trustee of Ohio Genealogical Society and author of two recent articles on Irish Research. His current project is finding the living descendants of Alfred Avery whose Granville mansion is the village's newest museum.

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BOOK PURCHASES

Some time ago, an anonymous donor in Columbus made donations of money to the Ohio Chapter and was recently used to purchase books for the Library. Jean Hall, Librarian, reports that the following have been received and added to the shelves:

Address Book for Germanic Genealogy by Thode
Century of Emigration from Affoltern by Burgert
Early 18th Century Palatinate by Knittle
Eighteenth Century Emigrants by Burgert

Vol. 1 *The Northern Kraichgau*

Vol. 2 *The Western Palatinate*

Emigrants from Eppingen by Burgert
Emigrants to Penna. 1641-1834 by Tepper
Genealogical Gazeteer of Alsace-Lorraine 1986
by Thode

*German Immigrants--Lists Of Passengers
Bound From Bremen To New York,
1847-1854* by Zimmerman and Wolfert

*German Immigrants--Lists of Passengers
Bound From Bremen To New York,
1855-1862* by Zimmerman and Wolfert

*German Immigrants into Pennsylvania through
the Port Of Philadelphia from 1700-1775*
by Diffenderfer

*Guide to German Parish Registers Vol.1 Baden,
Bavaria, Wuerttemberg* by Cerny

Locating Your Colonial Families in Penna. by
Burgert

New World Immigrants Vol.1 by Tepper

*Research Sources for Emigration Studies From
Archives and Societies in Southern Germany* by
Burgert

*Passenger Arrivals at Port Of Baltimore 1820-
1834* by Tepper

*30,000 Names of Immigrants in Penna. from
1727-1776* by Rupp

Wuerttemberg Emigration Index -- Vols. 1,2,3,4,
by Schenk and Froelke

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FALL MEETING AT HILLSBORO

Jürgen Eichhoff of the University of Wisconsin will be a guest speaker at the Fall Meeting of the Ohio chapter. October 15th is the date to mark on our calendars. The chapter's program chairman, Ernest Thode, says the meeting is slated for the Southern State Community College on the northern outskirts of Hillsboro. It will be a brown bag affair but there are excellent eating establishments nearby. Professor Eichhoff's morning topic will be German Immigration: Cultural Aspects and his chosen afternoon topic is German Surnames: what they tell us about our ancestors.

Robert Rau of Cincinnati will be another speaker. His topics are; The Cincinnati Germans, and Researching Church Records in the Cincinnati area. The advance registration fee is \$10.00 The chapter registration blank is enclosed. Please mail your registration as soon as possible.

Thode also announced that the Spring 1989 conference is set for Columbus and the Fall Conference next year is to take place at Mansfield.

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LIBRARY DONATIONS

Librarians Jean Hall and Florence Beck report the following gifts have been received at the library, located in Room 339, Renner Hall, Capital University.

From Joyce Thompson, *Touring Information*, useful hints for travelers to and going through the German Democratic Republic. Also *Illinois Libraries, Genealogical Collections*.

Gruber/Reissenweber, a generation of letters was donated by the author, Alice. M. Gruber.

Donated by author George K. Sweitzer, *War of 1812 Genealogy*.

From co-authors Ira Glazier and William Filby *Germans To America*,

Donations from Roots Research Bureau, New York: 1) *Golding's Genealogical & Historical Sketch*; 2) *Gage's Genealogical and Historical Sketch*; 3) *Schenk's Genealogical & Historical Sketch*; 4) *Shell's Genealogical & Historical Sketch*; 5) *Schaeffer, Shaffer & Schaffer's Genealogical & Historical Sketch*.

From Bonnie Dietz Baker two compilations, viz., *Index to City of Dayton deaths, 1873-1881, and Index to City of Dayton births, 1875-1881*.

Mrs. Raymond Ralston has given us Sarah Paretii's *Drums of Winter*.

Fay Maxwell dropped off three more books she compiled. They are 1) *Muskingum County Ohio Marriages, 1804-1818*; 2) *Muskingum County Ohio Duplicate Tax List of 1807*; and 3) *Index to Everhart's History of Muskingum County, 1882*.

Terry Golden has donated three items, all in German: 1) *Bild Atlas, Pfalz Pfalzer Wald*; 2) *Bild Atlas, Kraiebgau, Nordlicker Schwartzer wald* and 3) *Rheinland -Pfalz, Burgen & Schasser*.

Donated by Charles Robert Thomas: *Thomas and Related Families*; also *Thomas/Doll/Draher and related Families, Section 3*.

Given by Florence Beck is a manuscript *Our Sigler Ancestors* by Raymond Martin Bell and also *Father & Son, Life History of Henry Ziegler & John A. M. Ziegler, W/Outline of American Lutheran History* by John A. M. Ziegler.

From Robert Rudy: *Miller's History of the Reformed Church of Reading, Pennsylvania*; *Rezabek's Of Bushes and Starlings* (a family history); *Shepperson's John Paradise and Lucy Ludwell* (another family history); and *Fetzer's Men From Wengen and America's Agony*.

Library hours are as shown on the back page.

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## PACKET OF FORMS

Your Editor came away from the convention with a packet of forms offered by speaker Arlene Eakle. The packet includes 4 Pedigree Charts, 12 Family History sheets, 2 Personal Data sheets, 6 Research Calendar sheets, 2 Property Tax Record sheets, a couple of Land Record Index sheets, 4 Source Checklist sheets, a Multiple Union/Extended Family Pedigree Chart; a monograph entitled "Twelve Ways to Get More Genealogy from Public Officials" and a guide called "Creation and Custody of Property Records." There, too, are other helps for the beginner or more sophisticated genealogist. All of this for \$7.00. We will try to have them on display at our Hillsboro meeting in October.

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MEET YOUR OFFICERS

Newly elected Vice-President of the Ohio Chapter last May was Robert F. Schnetzer. Bob is a native of Columbus, now living on the northwest outskirts of the city of his birth. Bob and his wife Jeanetta have been members for more than 8 years and are active supporters of the Chapter and the national society. He comes from German and Swiss heritage. His father's family were of the town of Eglisau in the Canton Zurich and his mother's people were from Frankfurt am Main. The latter he has been able to trace back to the early Seventeenth Century but the Schnetzer family has eluded him

Schnetzer retired from a civilian job with the Air Force about 6 years ago and has since served ably on our committees. He helped with the two national meetings which were held here, has served on the nominating committee several times, on the budget committee, on the Bylaws revision committee and was 3rd Vice-President before that position was eliminated.

Besides his interest in Palatines to America, he is active in the Dublin Kiwanis, the Northwest Franklin County Historical Society and St. Michael's Church.

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## NEW MEMBERS

by Registrar Florence Beck

We are pleased to report that we have 12 new members. Their names are, Ohio residents David Ross, Mt. Vernon; Terry & Sue Minch, Ports- mouth; Derrell Nicodemus, Lancaster; Eleanor Rairdon, Marion; Earl Royer, Cuyahoga Falls; Charles Wallace, Powell; Jeanne Workman, North Olmsted, William & Joan Zielenbach, Hilliard. Out-of-Ohio residents, Debra Kolz-Olson, Iowa, and Betty Heron, New Mexico. We warmly welcome them.

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Jürgen Eichhoff - Fall Speaker

Professor Jürgen Eichhoff is the Professor of Linguistics of the University of Wisconsin at Madison, with an interest for about 20 years in the history of the German immigration to America. His projects includes a set of posters of the Germans in Wisconsin There are 16 prints for teaching the history and heritage of German immigration. Another project is a name dictionary for Germans in America (including the name changes reflecting passenger lists.) A German-American Encyclopedia is yet another project.

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## Robert Rau - Fall Speaker

Robert Rau of Cincinnati has been interested in genealogy for over 10 years and is now addicted to it. His profession is Technical Consultant in X-Ray analysis. With Professor Tony Holtmann of the University of Oldenburg he is presently extracting the genealogical material of the church records of the churches of Northern Germany. He is currently indexing the church records in the Cincinnati and Southeastern Indiana area and extracting the same information

Mr. Rau is affiliated with The Hamilton County Chapter of The Ohio Genealogical Society, The German Genealogy Interest Group and the Computer Genealogy Special Interest Group..

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