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## Ohio Chapter Fall Conference Report

If you missed the Ohio Chapter Fall Conference held in Columbus at the Chemical Abstracts Auditorium you passed up a chance to attend a wide ranging and meaningful genealogical conference.

116 chapter members and guests were in attendance

The first speaker was Marguerite Crist Calvin who serves as both the National and the Ohio Chapter Librarian. She gave an interesting talk about the library, its contents, and how to use it. Some of the points she made are as follows.

The Palatines to America library began when Robert Rudy of the Ohio Chapter placed a book on the first shelf. Both the Ohio Chapter collection and the National society books are housed in one center.

The Ohio Chapter members have been responsible for staffing the library, and for the mail-in research requests. These volunteers work many hours to support the library and the Palatine memberships requests.

Books of major interest are reviewed in the Palatine Immigrant, and lists of books donated are printed in the Patter. Vertical File material is not listed, because of volume.

Donations of family histories and genealogies, as well as reference books, are always welcome. It is not important whether the family history is a few sheets, or a published book. Many researchers will be glad to find any mention of their surname.

The collection of surname newsletters is also growing, and donations of these are welcome. The library is always happy to receive copies of society and regional newsletters.

All donations are evaluated for usefulness to the Society researchers. Duplications can be returned, or sold so that other resources may be purchased. The librarian can be contacted about these issues.

Recently, the National Board of Palatines to America, voted to purchase the equipment so that the library can accept queries electronically. One page answers could be transmitted the same way.

In the future, the catalog will also be available. At this point, we just need to get it done, but it can

in the future, be used electronically if it is desired.

Mr. McCrea of the Pennsylvania Chapter has already put Palatines on a home page. This has resulted in many more memberships. With queries accepted electronically also, the volume will increase.

Therefore a form will soon be made available to those requesting research. We ask now that you limit your mail request to one surname and one item. The volunteers will appreciate your help.

All mail research requests are filed in the Vertical File and are indexed so that they can be accessed.

The second section of the morning featured chapter president Robert Strock and Jim Amaral, both have a great deal of expertise in the use of the computer and are accomplished genealogists.

After asking for a show of hands from the attendees who used computers (a surprising number do) they began their discussion on the use of computers and how they can help you with your genealogy. through the use of excellent visual slides they covered the very basics of the computer, several of the genealogical software programs, and the use of the internet in genealogical research.

After an "on your own" lunch break the afternoon session was held by Ken Smith who shared with us his broad knowledge of genealogical research in Germany. His first session was "Confirming your Ancestor's Place of Origin". He offered many new insights into establishing the point of origin of our ancestors. The second session was on Travelling and Researching in Germany. He shared with us interesting travel and research tips.

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# Willkommen

## NEW MEMBERS

Our Ohio Chapter Roster Includes The Following:

8 Life Members

168 Memberships Expire In 1996

586 Memberships Expire In 1997

5 Memberships Expire In 1998

148 Family Memberships

915 Total Individual Members

The Following New Members Have Been Added To The Roster.

*Jean Hall*  
Membership Registrar

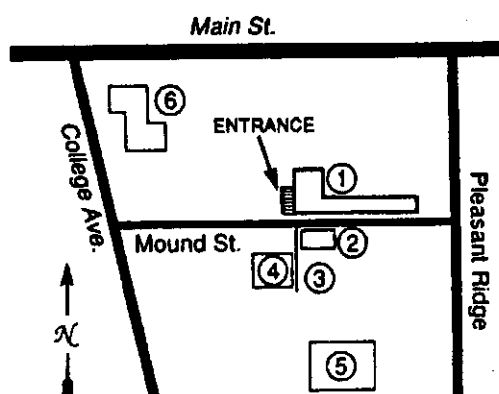
Members And Their State Of Residence:

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<b>California</b>							
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Strobel, Charles	Clinton	Strobel, Margaret	Clinton				
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<b>Kentucky</b>							
Foy, Garrett R	Louisville	Koontz, Jay	Crestwood	Siemer, Mary Cathleen	Edgewood	Thomas, Edna Early	Corbin
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<b>Ma</b>							
Hoffman, Edith	Townsend	Wilman, James L	Holden				
<b>Maryland</b>							
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<b>Me</b>							
Cranston, Marcia P	Jefferson						
<b>Michigan</b>							
Barr, Ruth Feller	Mt Morris	Brown, Patricia A	Burton	Daugherty, Richard M	Romeo	Harkless, Jeann C	Pontiac
Shulman, Mary A	Ann Arbor						
<b>Minnesota</b>							
Turbes, Donna J	Arden Hills						
<b>Missouri</b>							
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<b>Nebraska</b>							
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Myers, Betty L	Westlake	Niemoeller, Irvin	Hamilton	Pottorf, Alberta	Columbus	Pottorf, Richard L	Columbus
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Shook, Pamela Rohrig	Spencerville	Tate, Lawrence	Worthington	Upp, Darrin	Cincinnati	Wade, Dale W	Brunswick
Williams, Richard A	Columbus	Zook, Rachell Sheets	Pataskala				
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Aughenbaugh, Erma L	West Decatur	Ditzler, Harold L	Biglerville	Greenholt, Kevin L	Carlisle	Lessig, Doris Heckman	Edinboro
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<b>Utah</b>							
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<b>Virginia</b>							
Wilfong, George E	Marshall						
<b>Washington</b>							
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<b>Wisconsin</b>							
Grass, Margaret C	Milwaukee	Wilson, Carol	Mason				
<b>West Virginia</b>							
Lanham, Vicki L Rohr	Elkview						
<b>Hong Kong</b>							
Mattinger, Angela	Pok Fu Lam						

## LIBRARY / NEW BOOKS

<b>Book Title</b>	<b>Author</b>	<b>Donor</b>
Germans to America Vol 51 & 52	Glazier & Filby	Nat. Pal Am
Bestandsverzeichnis Teil 1 d. Deutschen Zentralstelle für Genealogie Leipzig neve erweiterte Auflage!! Band 26	Wermes, Jude, Bähr, Voigt	S. Jean Hall
Bestandsverzeichnis Teil 2 d. dt. Zentralstelle	Wermes, Renate, Jude und Voigt	S. Jean Hall
Bestandsverzeichnis d. dt. Zentralstelle für Genealogie Leipzig Teil III; Inventory of church records ....	Wermes, Jude, Bähr, & VoigtS.	Jean Hall /M. Calvin
Verzerchnis der Militarkirchenfücher in der Bundesrepublik Deutschland c nach dem Stand vom 30 Sept 1990	Wolfgang Eger	John M. Mangus
The family of John Jacob Stahl sr of Lehigh co, PA	Stahl, harriet K.	John M. Mangus
History of the Herrold Family	Herrold, Russel P. Jr.	Russel P.Herrold Jr.
Wyant Family Papers; family group sheets	Mead, Martha Wyant	Martha Wyant Mead
*Pennsylvania Births: Chestery co 1682-1800	Humphrey, John T.	Ellen A. Roads
The Acct Book of Conrad Weiser, Berks co, PA 1746-1760	Neff & Weiser	Ellen A. Roads
Tulpehocken Church Records 1730-1800; Christ (Little Tulpehocken) and Altalata church Rehresburg	Weiser, Frederick S.	Ellen A. Roads
Rev. J. C. Stoever jr's PA Marriages & Baptisms 1730-1779 w/ loos addendum	Marbaugh, Elodce Nye	Ellen A. Roads
New Facts & Old Families from the Records of Frederick co, MD	Rice, Millard Milburn	Ann Miller Scott
A Modest Mennonite Home; the story of the 1719 Hans Herr House	Friesen, Steve	Ann Miller Scott
Mirror of the Martyrs; stories of courage. . . Anabaptists	Oyer & Kreide	Ann Miller Scott
Architecture of the Pennsylvania Dutch Country 1700-1900	Kauffman, Henry J.	Ann Miller Scott
Seiberts from Saarland; Seyfried Seibert 1500=- Diedelkopf, Saarland	Hively, Norman A.	Norman A. Hively
Christian Mylin and his descendants	Don T. Mitchell	Harry G. Ebeling
History of West Germany & Austria		Jack Quinn
Yearbook of German American Studies Vol 30, 1995	SAGS	SAGS
Ohio's Progressive Sons; a history of the state	Kerchner, Charles F. jr	Ohio Chapter PalAm
Ancestry of Kerchner Family of Lehigh Co. PA	Humphrey, John T.	Charles F. Kerchner jr
*Pennsylvania Births: Lehigh Co 1734-1800	Humphrey, John T.	Bernard W. Fatig
*Pennsylvania Births: Bucks co 1682-1800	Humphrey, John T.	Bernard W. Fatig
*Pennsylvania Births: Montgomery co 1682-1800	Humphrey, John T	John M. Mangus
Dague Update; compiled for the 1996 Dague Reunion	Schetter, Carole	Carole Schetter
Tele-Info Spezial Limitierte Auflage ;Telefon-und Faxeskunft Deutschland (CD)	Ohio Gen. Society	Nat. Pal Am
Ohio 1880 Census Index (CD)		John M. Mangus
The Documentary History of the State of New York. 4 vols. 1849 ed. (CD)	Baselt, Fonda D. Wagner	Weed Parsons & Co.
A Wagner Family Odyssey: from Germany to Russia to America		Fonda D. Wagner
Baselt	Humphrey, John T.	George Bleimes
*Pennsylvania Births: Northampton Co 1733-1800	Humphrey, John T.	Anon. Donor
*Pennsylvania Births: Delaware co 1682-1800	Kerchner, Charles F. jr	Charles F. Kerchner jr
Ancestry of Laudenslager Family of Lehigh co, PA		Wilma Webber
The Germans; portrait of a new nation	Rauch, Hilary J.	Hilary J. Rauch
?Conrad Keck = Frederick Keck?	Kerstetter, Steve	Steve Kerstetter-
The Kerstetter Family; the early years 1727-1850 3rd ed.		

- 1-Saylor-Ackermann Hall    4-Yochum Hall
- 2-Security Building        5-Campus Center
- 3-Visitors Parking        6-Renner Hall



### HOW TO FIND THE PALATINE LIBRARY

The Library is located in the Basement of Saylor-Ackermann Hall (room B-15) on the Capital University Campus at Columbus, Ohio.

- \* If you are driving west on I- 70, exit at James Rd and drive N to Livingston Ave. Turn L and drive 1.1 miles and turn R on College Ave.
- \* If you are driving E on I-70, exit at Bexley-Main St and drive N to E Main St. Turn R on E Main St and R on College Ave.
- \* Please park in the visitors parking lot behind the security building on Mound Street.

### CURRENT LIBRARY HOURS

Each Wednesday 12:30-4:00PM  
1st Saturday 10:00AM -2:00PM  
3rd Friday 9:00AM - 4:00 PM  
Closed Legal Holidays

## FROM THE LIBRARIAN

We are very pleased with the response to our Wanted: A Few Good Books which appeared in the "Patter". This idea was stolen from a newsletter from Western Michigan, and we are very happy with the results.

Our own Arta Johnson came through with one of the titles, plus a couple of extra ones. Mona Blust sent the Swiss Emigration Book 1, as well as Ortssippenbuch - Ottoschwanden Landkreis Emmendingen in Baden. Ellen Roads sent us several books in addition to those on the list. Her Palatine Mennonite Census Lists had pages that were not in Arta Johnson's copy, so of course we're delighted to have both of them. Please see the Book Donation List for more titles from Ellen Roads and others.

Bernard Fatig sent money for two volumes of the Pennsylvania Births by John T. Humphrey. Ellen Roads sent us the Chester county book; Mr. Fatig gave us Bucks and Lehigh counties, John M Mangus gave us Montgomery county, George Bleimes gave us Northampton county. Mr. Bleimes' money and letter traveled to PA. Chapter and back before I received it but it ended happily. A donation at the library gave us money for Delaware county. We now need only the two Philadelphia county books to complete Mr. Humphrey's list. We all hope he's continuing with this series. Personally, I need Lycoming, Northumberland and Union counties!

Peg Hetrick sent money for Some of the first Settlers of "The Forks of the Delaware". We are still waiting for shipment of this book. The Alsatian Connections Vol 1, was a goof on my part. We already have that volume.

A second list has been sent to Pat Torrance, editor of the Patter, and we hope that people will be as generous in responding. We are purchasing German publications as quickly as we can. These are readable by surname and dates, as well as places. These resources make us a more unique research facility as we continue to grow because of the interest and generosity of themembers.

Ohio Chapter particularly, should be commended for their support financially and physically. We are in dire need of more volunteers in many capacities. We need computer-literate volunteers to help input the information on the books (yes, with Ann Miller Scott in the library we are finally beginning on the actual work of cataloging). We need researchers who can work at their own time. We could use more volunteers to keep the library open. While it can be open on the days Ann Miller Scott is there, she does have accounting duties to fulfill and therefore would not always be available to aid

patrons. Her main purpose at this point in the library is to catalog the collection.

If you haven't visited for a while, do stop in. We are growing fast, and there are new materials almost daily.

Thank you all for your support.

Margaret Calvin

## Books for Sale

**OHIO CHAPTER HISTORY 1976-1996** ...by Robert S. Rudy \$2.50..TAX..17¢.

**GEORGIA LANDS**...by M. Merle Baker.... \$2.00..TAX...12  
**ANCESTRAL MIGRATION ROUTES (1993 CONTEST BOOKLET)**..... \$2.00..TAX...12¢

Shipping & Handling all above items:  
\$1.00 first item, 50¢ each additional item.

### THE VERY BASICS OF GERMAN GENEALOGY.

by Ken Smith..... \$5.00..TAX..29

**GERMANS INTO AND OUT OF OHIO BEFORE 1850**

by Ernest Thode..... \$4.00..TAX...23

Shipping & Handling all above items:  
\$1.50 first item, .50 each additional item.

### BEGINNING GENEALOGY: START IT RIGHT!

by Dr. Arta F. Johnson..... \$5.00...TAX..29

**1993 CONFERENCE SYLLABUS**..... \$5.00..TAX...29

Shipping & Handling all above items:  
\$1.75 first item, .50 each additional item.

Sales Tax is for Ohio Residents only.

Mail order with payment to: Ohio Chapter Pal-Am  
2106 Coach Road North, Columbus OH 43220

## Ramblings.....

This issue is a bit later than usual as it was held until after the Fall Conference. Our usual schedule is to publish an issue the first week in the month of February, May, August and November. If you wish to submit an article for publication it should be received two weeks prior to the first of those months.

An odd coincidence in my family tree came to light last week when I received a letter from Sweden as a result of a search for my frau's Olin family ancestors. It revealed that a great granny born in Sweden in 1760 was named Marna Larsdotter. Marna is the name we gave our first born because we liked it and thought it unusual. We did not know of the ancestor or that the name was Swedish. It means "Of the sea".



Ira Simons  
Editor

## FIND YOUR ANCESTORS

### *Book notes latest trends in writing family history*

JOY WADE MOULTON

*For The Dispatch*

An important goal of every genealogist and family historian should be to preserve the research they have undertaken in a permanent, accurate manner.

Producing a Quality Family History by Patricia Law Hatcher (1996) provides excellent advice for researchers interested in writing about their family's history.

The book is based on the premise that the quality of such a production is evaluated in two ways: content and presentation. Poor presentation can diminish good content. Good presentation can never compensate for poor content.

Trends in documenting a family have changed in recent years. Published genealogies, which enumerate descendants of an immigrant for several generations based largely on vital records, wills and family information, were common two or more decades ago.

Now, the published history of direct line and collateral ancestors of living persons has become more popular. Each generation is described in more detail, placing them in context with respect to ethnic background, geographic locality, religion, and the political and social environment. Historical events on a national or international level are also of interest. It is important to describe ancestors as people rather than mere statistics.

Another trend is the increased emphasis on fully documented information from a variety of sources, as well as the need for an analysis of the reliability of some records.

Hatcher said a high-quality family history:

- Preserves research that is thorough, new and based on a variety of primary sources.
- Is well-organized, understandable and attractively presented.
- Uses a recognized genealogical numbering system.
- Documents each fact and relationship fully.
- Expresses information accurately, indicating the likelihood of conclusions.
- Goes beyond records, placing people in context.
- Includes illustrations such as charts and photographs
- Has a thoughtful and thorough index.

The book discusses in detail such factors as writing style, book design, and organizing and pre-

senting family information. Technical details such as understanding type and fonts, page layout and formatting, and developing an editorial eye are also included. There is an excellent chapter titled "Turning Paper Into People."

The 278-page softbound received the Society of American Genealogists Award for 1996. It may be ordered from Ancestry Inc., Box 476, Salt Lake City, Utah 84110-0476. The cost is \$15.95 plus shipping.

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### *Plan to Unlock Your Heritage in Dallas Next Fall!*

The Federation of Genealogical Societies (FGS) and the Dallas Genealogical Society invite you to Unlock Your Heritage with Creative Problem Solving Sept. 3-6, 1997, in Dallas, Texas. Nearly 2,000 genealogists from North America and beyond are expected to gather at the luxurious, air-conditioned Hyatt Regency Dallas to hear the top speakers in the field of genealogy present more than 90 lectures during the three-day main conference, and the one-day Society Management pre-conference.

Participants will find that this Conference for the Nation's Genealogists will feature something for individuals at all levels of expertise and involvement, from beginner to experienced researcher, and from hobbyist to professional.

Society officers and other interested individuals may wish to attend the trademark Society Management pre-conference day Wednesday, Sept. 3. The sessions provide strategies and managerial skills to successfully meet the challenges of today's genealogical and historical societies, and are unique to the Federation's conferences.

In keeping with the theme of "Creative Problem Solving," many of the sessions in the main body of the conference, Sept. 4-6, will emphasize genealogy methodology and problem solving techniques. Other lectures will focus on research in specific geographic areas, record types, sources, repositories, ethnic topics, immigrant origins, social history, technology, and writing and publishing. Conference-goers will find an exhibit hall with more than 100 vendors displaying, demonstrating, and selling genealogical wares of all varieties, from century-old books to the latest in software and CD-ROM products. Also available will be charts and forms for recording information, and archival products for the preservation of your precious

research and heirlooms. If it has to do with genealogy, you are sure to find it at a Federation conference!

Networking opportunities will abound in Dallas the week of the FGS Conference, as attendees become acquainted with other family researchers during lecture sessions, daily luncheons, the Federation's Open Forum, and the conference banquet. The final evening of the conference will feature an old-fashioned Texas-style picnic in Old City Park, a setting that reflects the Dallas of a century ago.

And if researchers cannot connect with living ancestors while in the sunny Southwest for the FGS Conference, perhaps they can rendezvous with dead ones ... at the Dallas Public Library, or one of several other libraries and archives in the Dallas-Fort Worth area. The Dallas Public Library's Genealogy Collection has been newly renovated and expanded, and is highly rated on a national scale.

For more information about the 1997 FGS/DGS Conference, and to receive a conference program/registration booklet when they become available, write 1997 FGS/DGS Conference, Federation of Genealogical Societies, P.O. Box 830220, Richardson, TX 75083-0220, call (214) 907-9727, or e-mail 103074.1721@compuserve.com. Also, visit the Federation's home page at <http://www.connect.net/beau/fgs/fgs.htm>.

### Queries

**Goodwin, Nicodemus.** My gr.gr.grandfather Nicodemus Goodwin was born in Maryland & came to Ohio. In the 1850 census he's listed in Clermont CO. Miami TWP. He married 1st: (?) **Linton**. children; **Amandan** b 1838, **Louise** and **Harriet**. @nd marr. **martha McRoberts**. children: **Addie**, **Martha Bell**, **Clara**- all born in OHio. Moved to **Olney**, Illinois after 1860. Seeking infor on **Nicodemus** & name of 1st wife. **Dr. Robert Muench**, 124 South Ridge Ave., Arlington Hts. IL 60005

**Metzler & Thinnés** Looking for my gr gr grandparents. Probably **Peter Thinnés** & **Peter Metzler**. Said to have come to America about 1843 and settled near **Cincinnati**. From where in Germany? Great grandfather **Michael Thinnés**. Great grandmother **Maria A.(Metzler) Thinnés**. Both born in **Cincinnati** in 1844.. **Herman & Dorothy Moulliet**, 238 Stanhope Circle, Naples, FL 33942-08010

Inquiries are always welcome as are suggestions or articles for the newsletter. Send them to the Editor, **Ira Simons**, 975 Amberly Place, Columbus, OH 43220.

### Membership Reminder

Have you sent in your renewal of membership?

If you are moving please advise the National Office of your new address.

## INTERNATIONAL FESTIVAL

The Ohio Chapter installed its annual booth at the International Festival at the Veteran's Memorial November 2-3. This well attended festival helps the chapter to acquaint the public with Palatines to America. Members who volunteered to assist at the booth were: **Jack Quinn**, **Bob Rudy**, **Richard Peterson**, **Elizabeth Mowery**, **Pat & Margaret Mooney**, **Fred Mussler**, **LaRoux Mentz**, **Carol Montrose**, **Jeanne and Jim Thompson**, **Jack Stierwalt**, **Betty Deem**, **Ruth Nelson**, **Jim and Nancy Amaral**, **Lisa Baker**, **Bill and Andrea Simons**, **Gene Reynolds**, **Robert & Shirley Roelle** and **John Mangus**.

### Calendar

**Ohio Chapter Spring Conference** is tentatively set for **April 19**. The location under consideration is **Lancaster, Ohio**. It is hoped that we can get **Roland Paul** from Germany as the featured speaker.

### Ohio Chapter Genealogy Workshop

**Saturday January 11-** Subject to be announced

**Saturday February 15** Subject to be announced  
**Grandview Library, 1685 West First Avenue, Columbus. 9:am-12.**

### Franklin County Genealogical society

**January Sat AM**

FCGS/Cols Pub Lib      **Beginning Genealogy**

**February Sat AM**

FCGS/Cols Pub Lib      **Courthouse Rsch & V Stats**

**March Sat AM**

FCGS/Cols Pub Lib      **Probate Research**

**April 17-19**      **Cleveland OGS Annual Convention**

**June 15-21**

**Mansfield**      **OGS Genealogy Workshop**



## Membership Gifts

*A wonderful solution to your Christmas gift list.*

Consider giving a membership in Palatines to America to a relative or friend who is interested in genealogy.

A card with your name and the name of the person to whom the gift is made will be sent to the recipient. See membership dues on back page.



## Palatine Recipes

Before filing the May 1996 issue of *Palatine Heritage*, which was at the bottom of a very large pile of paper, I decided to comment on "Do You Have the Stomach for This?".

Chancellor Kohl's taking his most important visitors to eat "Saumagen" is something of a joke. Many Germans think that he's carrying local patriotism a bit too far and should take his guests to more elegant restaurants serving international cuisine. I think he is to be commended for calling attention to a regional speciality. Being a "Pfälzer" himself, he sticks to one of the best known Palatine dishes. Regional cooking is pretty hard to find in this area of Germany, where most people order a "Schnitzel", preferably about the size of the plate, with French fries and a small salad on the side. The "Schnitzels" come plain, with gravy or some kind of sauce.

One of my regional cookbooks says that this Palatine or Saar speciality is well worth the effort of making at home. It is one of the very few "Schlachtfestspezialitäten" that have gotten any kind of recognition at international cooking fairs. "Saumagen" is not usually made at home unless people do their own butchering, but every butcher has his own recipe and customers who think his is the best there is. We still have a choice of three in Meisenheim (pop. 3 500).

As to Chancellor Kohl's girth, he spends at least two weeks of his vacation on a strict diet of day-old rolls—chewed very slowly—and water. He's usually noticeably slimmer at the end of his holidays. Two friends of mine go on this "Mayer Diet" every spring and think it does wonders for them, although neither of them needs to take off weight.

One of the problems with regional cooking is the calories. These dishes were just the thing for people doing heavy work a lot of walking and with no central heating, but they're not very good for the sedentary lives we live today. And "Saumagen" used to be something special and served once or twice a year at the "Schlachtfest" after a pig had been butchered. Even then a lot of potatoes made a little meat go a long way.

I don't know what kind of response the recipe got, but here's one for fall that goes with the new wine. Soon there'll be signs up everywhere "Zwiebelkuchen und Federweiße". Many Palatine vintners now plant grapes that are ready for picking in early September and make nothing but "Federweiße" from them so they can compete with Italian imports.

"Zwiebelkuchen" is well worth making to serve with cider as well. There are lots of recipes, but I like this one from Swabia best. It's high on calories and on cholesterol, too, but you can cut down on the fat and salt. It tastes best in good company and is pretty filling, so invite lots of friends in to share it.

**Editors Note:** Karen pointed out an omission in the Saumagen recipe. before the paragraph beginning "after three hours.." Insert "Bring a large pot of salted water to boil. Reduce heat and place stomach into the water. Simmer for three hours. Don't let the water boil." We thank Karen for the new recipe and the correction.

## Zwiebelkuchen Swabian Onion Bread

from Roland Gooch: *Deutsche Landschaftsküche*  
Dough (You can use any good bread dough.)

3 3/4 cup flour

2/3 oz yeast cake or 1/3 oz. dry yeast

1/2 cup milk, with a yeast cake lukewarm, with dry yeast hot

You may need less milk, because German all-purpose flour seems to absorb more than American.

1 egg

a pinch of salt

freshly ground pepper

2 Tsp. butter or margarine

Sift the flour into a large bowl and make a well in the middle. Crumble the yeast cake into the well (or put in the dry yeast); add the sugar and some of the milk and stir in a little of the flour. Wait for about 20 minutes until the mixture is bubbly. Then mix in the rest of the ingredients and knead until smooth and elastic. Place in a warm place to rise for about 40 minutes. Then roll out on a greased baking sheet

(I use one 11 x 15, but a pizza pan does as well), sprinkle with

3 Tbs. dry bread crumbs and set aside to rise again.

### Topping

1 1/2 lb onions

a little lard, margarine or oil for frying

1/4 lb bacon

1/2 cup flour

3 eggs

1 cup sour cream

1 tsp. salt

1 tsp. caraway seed

Chop the onions and saute in the fat until transparent. Cut the bacon into small pieces and fry till golden brown. Mix the flour with the sour cream, salt and caraway. Add the onions and bacon and mix again. Spread the mixture over the dough and bake in a preheated oven at 400° for 35-45 minutes. Serve warm. You can heat up the leftovers, but it's never quite as good as right out of the oven.

If recipes and a bit of food history are of interest, I would be willing to send one in once in a while.

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This authentic Palatine recipe for what I have always called "German pizza" is Karen's second contribution to the "Heritage".

She sent in further information on the "Westlicher Staats Kalender" which appeared in the August 1992 issue. Her contributions are appreciated. *Editor*

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