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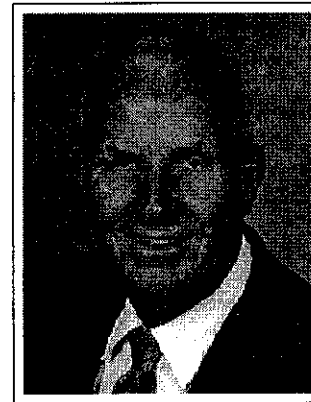
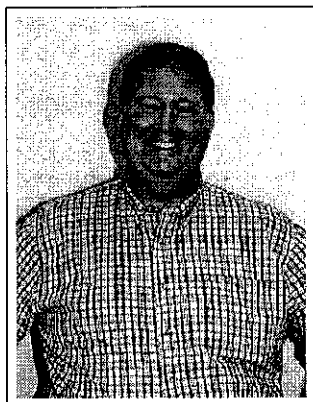
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Lancaster, Ohio

October 19, 2002

Registrations & Programs will be sent to you in September

look for it in your mail box



Researching Your German Ancestors

Kenny Burck

My presentation will include "Traveling to Germany". How to prepare and what to do when you get there in your ancestral village. What to do when you arrive and what to do when you get home.

"German-Speaking Genealogy". What is the purpose of German Genealogy and the purpose or why do it at all. What were the German migration patterns and where you can find German Genealogy. I will provide you with Pitfalls, Problems, Obstacles, and Peculiarities, of German Research.

Forgotten German Emigrants

Carol Swinehart

When in the 1850's the citizens in the town of Eichtersheim, now Angelbachtal in the Kraichau, came to Lancaster and set up business in the downtown area they sort of filled the void. There were four families Betz, Baumann, Schweikert and Schleckmann. Their influence on the Lancasterian society was significant. These are the people that had the groceries, bakeries, saloons, meat markets and wagon shops. They put in the lights, sewers, fire department, St. Peter's Church and last but not least Sherman House for 45 years. They not only made history but preserved history.

And Now We Are Orphans

Robert C. Rau

The Odyssey of a German family to Russia and Beyond. The presentation will describe the emigration of a German family to Russia, as seen through the eyes of a young boy in the early 1800s. It will describe the origins of the family in Pfullingen, Wurttemberg, and trace them through their journey to Grossliebental in the Ukraine, plus eventually further across the face of the globe. To reconstruct this story, many different resources were used, some of which have just recently become available, and these will be mentioned and described.

Willkommen

The following new members have been added to the Ohio Chapter Membership roster:

California	
Adamson, Carolyn.....	Placentia
Adamson, Steve.....	Placentia
Washington DC	
Maxfield, Mary S.....	Washington
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Saine, Jim.....	Palm City
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Ohio	
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Dreier, Wayne.....	Hillard
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Graef, Jeanne.....	Zoar
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Smith, Majorie A.....	Wyoming
Topliff, Calvin.....	Marion
Topliff, Elizabeth.....	Marion
South Carolina	
Preston, Jeannine T.....	Greer
Tennessee	
Dietrich, Linda A.....	Morristown
Virginia	
Bassett, Richard H.....	Fairfax
Cox, Walter E.....	Blacksburg
DeLauder, Roy A.....	Fairfax
Siple Roy C.....	Vienna
Smith, Betsy G.....	Alexandria
Smith, Robert L.....	Alexandria
Waddick, Dorie E.....	Alexandria



From the Mailbox

This Memo is to inform each Chapter that Pennsylvania Chapter has a new President.

The new President of Pennsylvania Chapter, effective April 20, 2002, is: Dr. Kenneth D.

McCrea 20 Terrace Drive Stevens, PA 17678-9682 e-mail Ken@GermanNames.com

Dr. Cecil Pottieger, is now Past President of the Chapter. For now, the newsletter editor for PA Chapter remains the same Lois C. Byrem. When and if a new editor is obtained, we will notify you. Perhaps you already know that the National Board, at their Board meeting on April 13, 2002, has declared the Virginia Chapter "defunct". There has been no President of the Virginia Chapter for quite some time.

Best wishes, and thank you for your co-operation in this matter.

Lois Byrem, Pennsylvania Chapter, Editor

Mary Hess,
Conference 2003

We have put together a mailing list of 250 companies and exhibitors. They have been mailed out with a three page request for participation. The pages contained a cover letter, the page announcing our conference and the registration form. It took a lot of work getting the list ready for mailing.

If you know of any vendor who did not get a letter please let know and a letter form will be in the mail immediately.

Tom & Joan Little, Vendor Coordinator Chairpersons

Dear Editor;

Here is the Hamilton County Auditors web-site where you can get pictures of the places your ancestors lived if the property still exists in Hamilton County, Ohio.

http://www.hamiltoncountyauditor.org/default_nav4.asp

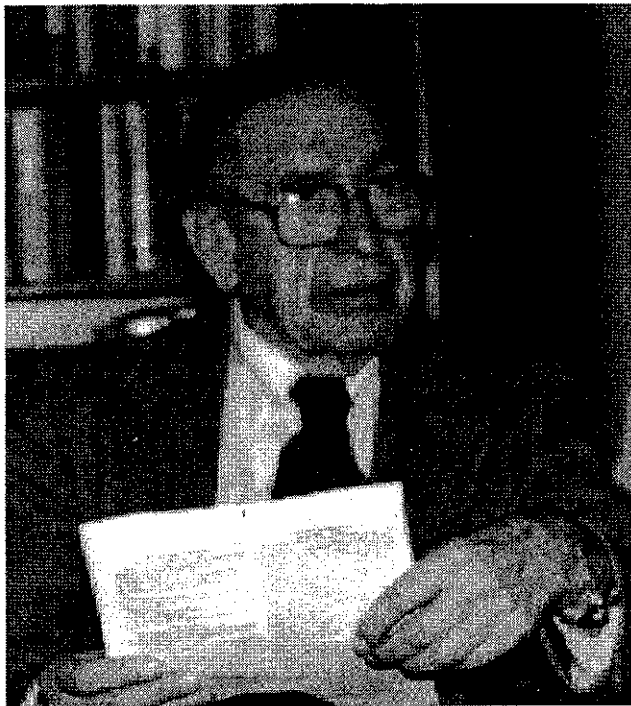
Click on property search, nexon the street address, type in the address in the appropiate boxes and click go. The page that comes up will give you financial info on the property. When the image comes up you can click on printable and print out a picture.

Marian Dietrich

Ohio Chapter Membership roster.
19 Life Members
820 Individual Members
839 Total Individual Memberships
Jean Hall, Registrar

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Robert S. Rudy *A Remarkable Gentleman*

Robert S. Rudy age 94 of Upper Arlington, Ohio was called to the Lord on Wednesday, May 1, 2002. Robert Rudy was born August 20, 1907 to Minnie Mable (Sale) and Franklin Tipton Rudy in Champaign, IL. Two sisters' Vera Mae Pollard and Helen Louis Greibling and one brother Orville S. Ward predeceased their brother and one other brother. Surviving is a beloved brother Francis T (Hazel) Rudy of Columbus Ohio. Robert married Lois May Arthur on February 8, 1930. Their marriage was blessed with five children who survive him: John F. "Jack" (Nancy) Rudy, Cincinnati, OH and Tim James A. (Joyce) Rudy, Santa Barbara CA, David R. (Rose Mary) Rudy, Mandolin IL, Theodore W. (Ellen) Rudy of Columbus, OH and Carolyn R. (Daniel) Jensen, Columbus, OH. Lois preceded Robert in death in 1986. Robert's second marriage was to Shirley A. Dykema who survives him. She has one child from a previous marriage, David G. (Elizabeth) Dykema Muskegon, MI. Robert is also survived by numerous grandchildren, great grandchildren and nieces and nephews. Robert attended Old North High School (class of 1924) The Ohio State University, where he received a B.S. in Accounting (class of 1928) and Franklin University

He taught accounting courses at Franklin, Ohio State and Ohio Wesleyan Universities. He retired from White Castle Systems. He was a member of the National Association of Cost Accountants (now American Institute Management) Palatines to America where he was a founder) Franklin County Ohio Genealogical Society, Pioneer Families of Franklin County, Ohio Historical Society, Sons of the American Revolution, Society of Mayflower Descendants, Kiwanis Club of Northwest Columbus, Forensic Fraternity of O.S.U., Phi Sigma Kappa and First Community Church. Robert's pleasing personality singular smile and love of family brought joy to all who knew him. He loved history and read a great deal of history, and traveled, played bridge and enjoyed jumble puzzles in the newspaper. his sharpness of mind and extensive knowledge enabled him to converse in stimulating conversations to all. He will leave a loss to all who knew and loved him. Funeral service was held at First Community Church on May 6, 2002. Burial was at Union Cemetery in Columbus, OH.

The passing of Robert Rudy, left a big void in the Palatines to America, His expertise in getting the task done will be missed immensely. as counselor, teacher and good friend .

Robert Rudy, was one of the prime movers to create the beginning of the Palatines to America organization back in 1975. Robert, served as president of the organization and also served as president of the Ohio Chapter. He served in many other capacities within the organization. I first met Bob, in Lancaster, at a Spring Conference. This was one of my first conferences to attend. I sat across the table from him. I worked with him on the 1998 National Conference. It was here that I got to see his inspiration and organization skills. He knew what he wanted at this conference. It was very easy to see he knew what he was doing. Over the years he made sure that he attended all the Spring and Fall Conferences. He attended this past Spring Conference of the Ohio Chapter. In fact, he made the trip from Muskegon Michigan, to be at our last conference a week before his operation.

When there was a workshop to be held and the attendance would fall off. Bob, would spend his time phoning individuals on his own time to get them to attend. Robert S. Rudy, was truly a Remarkable Gentleman



**Palatines to America
National Conference
Committee
2003**

**Ramada Plaza Hotel
Columbus, Ohio**



Representing National Board - **Clara Harsh**
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Co Chairperson - **Jerry Miller**
Facilities Coordinator - **Reid Baker**



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Audio Visual Coordinator - **Lyle Clem**



Financial Coordinators - **John Magus & Jeanine Miller**
Speaker Coordinators.- **Karen & Ted Karchner**

Not Shown

Syllabus - **Ira Wm. Simmons & Bob Tieman**
Media - **Don Scott**

So often it comes to mind that individuals who volunteer for a specific program in an organization, it is imperative that they must give up there individual interests to complete the task at hand. This can be no further from the truth. Palatines to America 2003, National Conference is looking for volunteers in the listed areas above to help as co-workers.

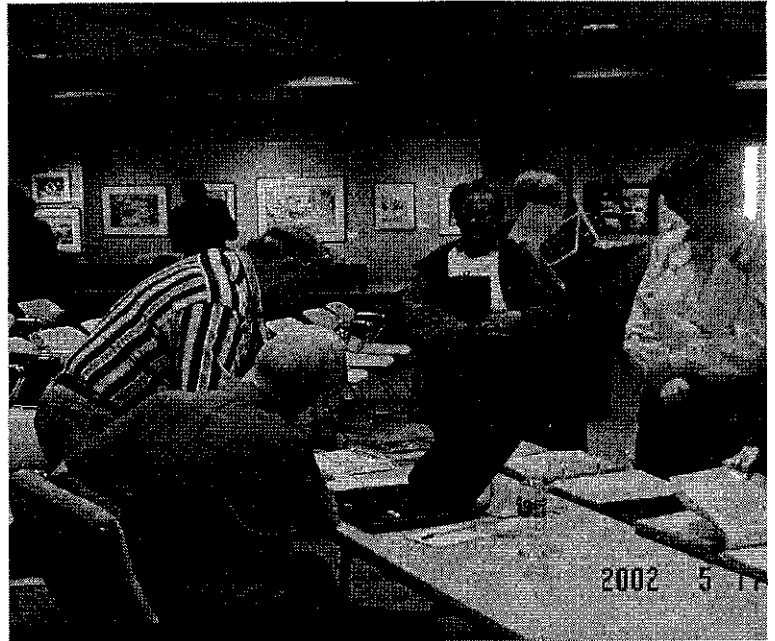
If you have the time and can assist in one of these committees please become part of the celebration. The more volunteers we have the less work and time for everyone involved. If you are interested in vounteering your time please contact Mary Hess or any of coordinators.

Quinn Spring Workshop

An Outstanding Quinn Workshop was Arranged by the Committee

On May 11, 2002 at the Fairfield County Library, an exceptional program was instituted by the Palatines to America, Ohio Chapter. The series consisted of Ernest Thode and his personal library which was trucked from Marietta, Ohio to Lancaster for all to browse and asked questions of how to proceed on their own research. The workshop was kicked off by the President of the Ohio Chapter, Gerry Miller who then turned it over to Ernest Thode in which he outlined the books and where to find a specific research area. After the initial introduction, Ernie, set up his computer and helped participants with questions about their individual problems. Ernest Thode, and his wife Barbara, were very helpful in directing researchers to the proper tables for finding more about their ancestors, The facilities were great and the hospitality was tremendous from the Fairfield County Library Staff.

Many kudos goes to Ernest and Barbara for bringing their vast library to Lancaster, and to Gerry Miller, President, Ohio Chapter, and his wife Jeannine for helping to transport the books. To Dr. Hartle, of Lancaster, and to Mary Hess, for coordinating the workshop.



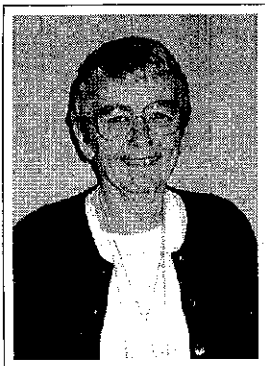
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a group of the
people in
attendance and
browsing at the
book tables



Palatines to America

Was happy to see that Jim Amaral, of Columbus has been appointed as Co-chairman of the Electronic Resources Committee. Reid Baker, of Lancaster was appointed Publications Committee Chairman.

Jean Hall Retires



Jean, has served the national organization since 1981. She started by volunteering to take over the work of compiling the No. 3 Ancestral Chart Project. Jean Hall, headed the project for the Ohio Chapter. She set up a computer program with the help of Richard Berry, which greatly simplified the work. In 1981, the National Library was formed at

Capital University and Jean became the principal volunteer. She was the first Librarian and served in that capacity until 1994. Jean, was the first Ohio Chapter Registrar in 1983

Jean has been the National Registrar, for many years and has won many National and Chapter awards. She now has decided to spend her spare time in researching her genealogy and traveling.

At the last National Conference, there was no one nominated for the position as National Registrar, Jean Hall, being a very dedicated member has volunteered once again to continue as National Registrar until another person is found. Thanks, Sophia Jean Hall for your continued support of the Palatines as you continue your help of the Palatines to America.

Renewal Notice

The dues Renewal Notices for membership is being mailed out during the months of August and September by First Class Mail. Be on the lookout for your renewal notice. The Governing Board not wanting to devalue the Society by cutting down its services and publications it has become apparent to increase the dues. The amount agreed upon was \$35 for individual membership and \$40 for Family membership which will include one Chapter membership.

History Reflections

History is sometimes a reflection as much as remembrance, and this is one of those times. First off, the past is not a place or a person from long ago or even the book that talks about them. The past is not even what happened back then. The past, in its essence, is an idea.

For thousands of years, there was no history as we understand it today. Time worked differently for our ancestors, and still does in societies more linked to the land and its cycles than our thoroughly "modern" urban society.

Should it surprise us that time itself is not an absolute thing? Not really. We like to think that some things that the human mind conceives are absolute and unchangeable like time and space and the energy that links them. Actually we have known for most of this century that such is not the case that permanence is an illusion and time itself a rather compressible or expandable commodity.

For much of the human story that we know of, the past served as a tool of the powerful. Tales of heroes and occasional heroines reinforced prevailing views of culture, society, law and the traditional order of things. Some would say history still does that. In the modern period since the Renaissance, it became increasingly fashionable to shatter the catchwords of previous beliefs and argue that something called "the real past can be found. A whole school of German scholars argued that history should be told 'als ist eigentlich gewesen' or 'as it actually was'. It was an appealing idea. Avoid the rhetoric of politics, social caste and religious doctrine and present the evidence. "Just the facts, ma'am!" Some would say history still does that.

In this century we have largely rejected the idea that evidence should only serve the needs of the powerful and that evidence can be presented without bias.

Today we try to tell the story several different ways and try to make our biases known. We also present a ton of evidence. Like many of the traditional disciplines, history has become a profession. Under increasing pressure to publish or perish, historians have published with a vengeance. Some of this avalanche of data is useful, interesting and illuminating. A lot of it isn't. Should it surprise us that if we study the contents of trash heaps, but, much in those heaps are very useful. So look around in those trash heaps maybe some it can be useful

The *Palatine Heritage* invites your queries. Send them to the editor. Type them if you can for clarity and ease of scanning by the computer. The deadline is the 15th of the month prior to publication. You can also E-mail your queries to the editor. We have not received many in the past few months.

National Pal-Am Library

Library Hours

Wednesdays 12:30 pm. - 4:00 pm
 1st Saturdays 10:00 am- 2:00 pm
 3rd Fridays 9:00 am- 4:00 pm
 Closed - Sundays & Holidays
 Open by appointment most weekends.



Always call before you visit the Library!

The Librarian and volunteers make up the support staff. The Librarian and staff are available to assist you during your visit.

While driving in Columbus take I-71 to Weber Road, get off at exit (# 113) Turn WEST at Weber Road just past the Speedway Gas Station turn left into our parking lot.at 611 East Weber Road the library is a two story, brick building, with a green awning over the doorway, Enter through the EAST doorway

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Mail Order Publications & Other Sale Items Price List

Effective October 1, 2001

- Georgia Lands by M. Merle Baker..... \$2.50
- Beginning Genealogy: Start It Right!
 by Dr. A. F. Johnson \$5.50
- The Very Basics of German Genealogy by K. Smith.....
 \$5.50 Germans Into & Out of Ohio Before 1850
 by Ernest Thode .. \$4.50
- Beginning Genealogy: Start It Right;
 by Dr.Arta F. Johnson.....\$5.50
- Beginning Genealogy Paths & Pitfalls
 by Kathleen Goodner
 Marine.....\$6.50
- 1999 Ohio National Conference Syllabus . \$6.50
- 1999 National Conference Logo Sale Items
- Sweat Shirts - S,M,L,XL in gray only w/logo on front
 include size with order.....\$10.50
- Tee Shirts - S,M,L,XL in white only w/logo on front
 include size with order.....\$10.50

Tote Bag with PAL-AM Ship Logo:

- Clipper Ship: * New Items
- Large Boat Tote: 17"x16"x4", w/pocket & panel zipper,
 natural top & pocket w/black base, hand sewn 25" black
 handles.....\$15.50
- *Shoulder Tote: 16"x14.½"x3", natural w/25" handles,
 Clipper Ship plus Palatines to America in script.....
 \$10.50
- 1999 Conference Logo:Clipper Ship/German-American
 Flags Flat Tote 14" x 14", natural w/13"handle.....\$10.50

All prices are postpaid
Ohio Residents only Sales Tax of 5.75%

Attention Central Ohio Members:

The Palatine Library and Headquarters Office in Columbus is still in need of volunteers. We need volunteers to help process books (stamp and attach labels, etc.), stuff envelopes, etc. We also need Library hosts and co-hosts --- could you work a four-hour shift the occasional (negotiable dates) Wednesday, Saturday or Friday during the new membership year? We also need someone to come in two to four times a month to dust, vacuum, water plants, empty trash, etc. Complete training provided for all tasks. Contact Ann or Martha at 614-267-4700 for more information.

Special Library Schedule October 2002

The Palatine to America Library will be closed on the "first" Saturday, October 5, 2002, due to the Pal-Am National Board meeting. Alternate weekend or evening appointments may be possible for patrons who had planned to visit the library on the fifth. Contact the librarian for details (614-267-4700; pal-am.lib@juno.com).

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 ..check off items wanted

Dr. Arta F. Johnson Publications For German-American Research

- Aids for Research in Europe: Germany: Bibliography,
 Source Materials, Emigration, Immigration, Research Aids &
 Maps, Published in 1988 with some items out of date\$3.50
- Migrations West & Backtracking East: With Merlin C &
 Eva M. Finnell, Two articles, maps, book lists.....\$5.50
- People of the Palatinate (revised edition)A background
 book: what it was like in the German villages 1616-1815.....\$5.50
- Begin With The Beeswiggers Sloshwines & Worse

two volumes, sold as a set only. A hilarious spoof on genealogy in general & German ancestry in particular.....\$10.50

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 Given names, nicknames, surnames.....\$8.50
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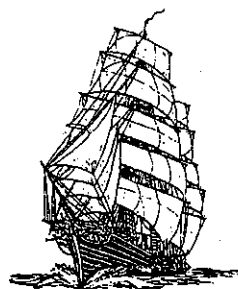
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Upcoming Events

- Aug 7 - 10 - FGS National Conference, Ontario CA - www.fgs.org
- Sep 21 - Pennsylvania Chapter Fall Conference at Yoders New Holland, PA
- Oct 5 - New Yprk Chapter Pal-Am Fall Conference, Coxsackie County NY
- Oct 19 - **Ohio Chapter Fall Conference** Lancaster Inn Best Western - Lancaster, Ohio
- Apr 5, 2003 - Indiana Genealogical Society, Annual Conference Chesterton IN
- Jun 2003 - Palatines to America National Conference Columbus, OH



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