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Newcomer's News and Views....



Your Ohio Chapter of Pal Am has planned an exciting series of member opportunities for the fall. Partnering with the Columbus Metropolitan Library, Germania and Franklin County Genealogical and Historical Society, we are offering German Heritage Week from October 12 -17. The week culminates with our annual Fall Seminar (Oct. 17) featuring noted German genealogy expert John T. Humphrey, CG, and former national Pal Am Librarian Ann Miller Scott. Be sure to read the times and places of these events in this issue. Join us to learn more about your German background.

At the Governing Board meeting on July 18, the Board welcomed three new members: Arlene Castor, Ruth Ann Evans and Russ Pollitt. Arlene assumed the final year of Jeanne Graef's term when she was unable to continue as a Trustee. Ruth Ann is our new Archivist charged with keeping the history of Ohio Chapter activities. Russ is serving in a new ex officio position as Library Liaison. Check out their bios in this issue. Additionally, Mary Hess, Immediate Past President, graciously agreed to complete my unfinished term as Vice President. The Board still needs a Nominations Chair to develop a slate of nominees for the 2010 spring meeting. If you are interested, please contact me: 614-840-0650 or rnewcome@columbus.rr.com

Congratulations to Kenny Burck! At the National Pal Am Conference in Fort Wayne, Ohio Chapter member and facilitator at our April seminar, Kenny Burck of Cincinnati, became National President.

Hope to see you during German Heritage Week and our Fall Seminar! Let me know that you are interested in volunteering and we will give you some choices.

Roberta Newcomer, Chapter President

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2. Encourage members to further research family histories in Ohio
3. Promote information about life, times, and social life of German speaking emigrants and descendents.

Auf Wiedersehen: Jack Stierwalt

STIERWALT Jack Stierwalt, 89, died Sunday, June 28, 2009, at Lutheran Village of Columbus, Ohio. Mr. Stierwalt was born in Fremont, Ohio, August 5, 1919, to the late Oscar J. and Lottie M. Stierwalt. In 1940, he married high school sweetheart, Harriet Sheldon Stierwalt, who preceded him in death in September of 2005. Mr. Stierwalt graduated from Fremont Ross High School and The Ohio State University. In the late 1930's, he was a member of the famed Ohio State University Marching Band. Mr. Stierwalt was a band director in the Fremont Ross Junior and Senior High Schools for 25 years before moving to Columbus in 1967. Hundreds of brass students studied with him and many went on to professional music careers. He also introduced German as a language option at Fremont Ross High School. Mr. Stierwalt retired from professionally playing the trombone when he was 80 years old. In Columbus he worked at Stanton's Sheet Music until his retirement. In 1969, Mr. Stierwalt became director of both the Columbus Maennerchor and Damenchor, a position he held until 1984. During this time he took the groups to perform in Europe and in various sites in the United States for the National Sangerfests. He was also a member of the American School Band Directors Association, Palatines to America, and The Brookwood Presbyterian Church. Mr. Stierwalt is survived by 3 children, Leah Oblak of Dayton, Ohio, Tom and Courtenay Stierwalt of Asheville, North Carolina, and Julie Plum of Mason, Ohio. There are 8 grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren. Visitation will be Tuesday from 6-8 p.m. at The MAEDER-QUINT-TIBERI FUNERAL HOME, 1068 S. High St., in Columbus. Maennerchor service 7:45 p.m. Tuesday. Funeral services will be held Wednesday 1:30 p.m. with Rev. James Jensen, Lutheran Village Chaplain, officiating. Friends and family will gather at Oakwood Cemetery in Fremont, Ohio, at 11 a.m. Thursday for graveside services. Memorials would be appreciated for the American Diabetes Association . To sign the on-line register, visit www.MaederQuintTiberi.com.

Published in The Columbus Dispatch from 6/29 to 6/30/2009



Jack Stierwalt 1919– 2009

German Heritage Week ist wunderbar!

Where can you find virtually everything you need to jump-start your search for German ancestors and also learn about German culture? And get it all for FREE?

Why during German Heritage Week at the Columbus Metropolitan Library, of course!

It starts on Monday, Oct. 12--- fittingly enough Columbus Day--- in the heart of Columbus and continues through Friday afternoon with both afternoon and evening sessions. German Heritage Week is sponsored by the CML, Ohio Palatines to America, Germania Society, and the Franklin Co. Genealogical & Historical Society.

Here is the program line-up:

Monday

1-2:30 pm Intro to researching our ancestors, Russ Pollitt,
7-8:30 pm History of Germans in Columbus, Andrew Miller

Tuesday

1-2:30 pm History of Germans in Columbus (repeat), Andrew Miller
7-8:30 pm Finding your German ancestors place of origin, Ken Smith

Wednesday

1-2:30 pm Germans to America Film: "Little Germanias", Pat Berens
7-8:30 pm The Germania Social Organization: History with Song and Dance, Germania German Society

Thursday

1-2:30 pm Trouble with German names, Ken Smith
7-8:30 pm Reconstructing an immigrant family, Ann Miller Scott

Friday

1-2:30 pm Researching with newspapers and publications, Jayne Davis
No evening program

Pal Am will be setting up display cases at the library. If you have any German items we can display please call 614.267.4700 or e-mail Darlene at dyt2@columbus.rr.com.

A letter to the Editor via Mary Hess....

Hi Mary...

There have been a number of e-mails... back and forth... between Rich and me. What a nice guy he is. He had not seen an actual copy [May Newsletter]... and was shocked when he did. He said this was not the style he sent in and has no idea what CPMM did. I doubt he will ever send anything out without a proof from CPMM again. He's really a nice person... and was quite upset with the incident. I can't blame him... I would have been flying high! Congratulations to him for handling things so well.

Joanne Ryder (Former Heritage Editor)

This is why you received a second copy with corrected printing.

My Ancestor's Hometown: Hebstahl in the Odenwald

By John Mangus

My immigrant ancestor, Johann Conrad Menges, arrived in Philadelphia in 1749, on the ship Albany, which was the first ship from Erbach to leave with passengers for the American Colonies. Emigrants from that area went overland to the Rhein River, where they boarded ship for the trip down to Rotterdam. The Menges lived in Hebstahl, located in the Sensbachtal (Sens Creek Valley) area of the Odenwald, a low mountain area in west-central Germany. Menges families lived in neighboring villages, forming a cluster around the main town of the Beerfelden. Germany considers this area depressed as there is no manufacturing and the only work available is farm-related. It is difficult for American visitors to view

these picturesque villages, beautiful valleys and wooded mountains as depressed. Conrad's father, Johann Menges, was noted in church records as a "Mullermeister" (Master miller). In the early days, the Sens Creek was lined with many mills. The Menges operated a mill that powered looms that wove linen. Mills were very important to the economic culture and the millers, especially master millers and guild members, were considered leaders of their communities. In 1745 when the cemetery chapel was built in the hills above Sensbachtal, Johann, Peter and Georg Menges were mayors of Sensbachtal, Hebstahl and Ober-Sensbach, respectively. Their names and titles are carved in the stone arch that forms the entrance to the chapel.



Hebstahl, a "Strassendorf" (One-Street Village) in the Odenwald.



The Sensbachtal cemetery and the "Friedhofskapelle" (Cemetery Chapel) in the background.

Celebrate Oktoberfest At The Fairgrounds

Thanks to the efforts and generosity of Schmidt's Sausage Haus, the 2009 Oktoberfest will be held Sept. 25-26-27 at the Ohio Expo Center. There was great concern that this year's event would be cancelled, but Schmidt's saved this important event.



Hours will be 5-midnight on Friday, noon to midnight on Saturday, and noon to 6 p.m. on Sunday.

It's a great time and a great place to celebrate your German heritage with great people and irresistible food and drinks.

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RUNNING INTO BRICK WALLS?

Either write to our publications chair (Dean Hoffman at hoffman.communications@yahoo.com) with your query for the newsletter or send a notice to National Pal Am office. The National office of Pal Am is now accepting research requests.

REMEMBER: The Pal Am Library collection is now available at the Main Branch of the Columbus Metro Library in Columbus, Ohio.

OHIO CHAPTER IS LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS

... to give a one hour Genealogy presentation to residents at Columbus Retirement Villages.

A lesson plan is available for you to work up your lesson plan.

You do not have to be a professional, just be able to give a simple presentation to 8-30 folks. Contact Mary Hess at Mhess138@aol.com if interested or needing more information.

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Welcome to New Governing Board Members:

Arlene Castor (Trustee) has been researching her family for 25 + years. Currently she is researching the *Helzer/Hoelzer* surname. Arlene is a charter member of the Madison County Genealogy Society and a former member of the Muskingum and Henry County Genealogical societies. In addition to Pal Am, she currently belongs to Ohio Genealogical Society and The Carolinas Genealogical Society. Before retirement, Arlene worked in the health care field.

Ruth Ann Evans (Archivist) holds an MLS degree from the University of Kentucky and was the librarian at the Ohio EPA for 30 years before retiring in 2006. So she has had more time to work on genealogy in the last three years. She has traced her *Steube* surname back to Heldra, Prussia where her gggg-grandfather, Daniel Steube, was drafted into the German army. His services were sold to the British army, so he fought in the U.S. Revolution against the Americans. He then returned to Heldra, family eventually migrated in 1854 to New York and soon to Columbus to join other Steube families. She is still researching her *Baccus/Backus*; who arrived about 1846.

Russ Pollitt, MLIS, (Library Liaison) is the Genealogy Subject Specialist for the Metropolitan Library. He is a member of the National Genealogical Society, Association of Professional Genealogists, Ohio Genealogical Society, and serves on the Franklin County Genealogical and Historical Society's Executive Board as Education Chair. Russ has conducted research at the Family History Library at Salt Lake City, the Ohio Historical Society, Columbus Metropolitan Library, Ohio Genealogical Society Library and every nook and cranny his ancestors might have trampled through, especially in Ohio and Kentucky. As a presenter, he does programs and teaches classes in various genealogy topics for societies across the state, various state and county agencies, and writes for the *Franklintonian* the Franklin County Genealogical Society's newsletter. Russ graduated from Kent State University with a Masters in Library and Information Science, and with a Bachelor's in History & Psychology from Wilmington College of Ohio. He is researching the names *Schweitzer* and *Sowers*.

GENEALOGY FOR RETIREES AT COLUMBUS AREA RETIREMENT CENTERS -

The chapter will be offering these classes in the Columbus Area. If you know of a retirement center who might be interested in this program contact Ginny at

ginnyp1956@att.net.



See page 42 for more info

Library of Congress digitizing books

The holdings of the Library of Congress are a researcher's dream, but the task of getting to Washington and finding exactly what you want is daunting to many people.

Now the Library of Congress is making things easier by putting many of its items online and thus available to the public. To check out what's available, go to: http://archive.org/details/library_of_congress) Please note that there is an underscore between the words in library of congress.

Deutsches Gemeinschaft-Forum

GERMAN COMMUNITY FORUM SERIES

Can any American living in 2009 expect to understand that seemingly-incomprehensible Old German Script found in so many record books?

Yes, if you attend the German Community Form Series (GCFS) at the Columbus Metropolitan Library on the fourth Saturday of every month.

Do you know the difference between a knockwurst and a bratwurst and a weisswurst?

You will if you attend the GCFS.

Did you know that Germany is younger than America as a nation? Are you aware of how German borders have changed over the years, particularly after wars in the 20th century?

You will if you attend the GCFS.

Do you think that all Germany are either Lutherans or Catholics? Do you know where Germans of various religions settled when they came to America?

You will if you attend the GCFS.

The GCFS consists of two-hour gatherings at the downtown library in Columbus.

Typically, the attendance is from 10-15 people who are interested in a particular topic. The meetings are held on the fourth Saturday of every month starting at 10 a.m. unless otherwise posted. They are held in conference room 2.

Not only are these meetings a chance to learn about a particular part of German genealogy, but they're also a great way to get to know other Pal-Am members better and to exchange life stories and research experiences. Who knows---you might be sitting next to a long-lost relative!

Best of all, the meetings are free. Contact Mary Hess to make a reservation.

Mhess138@aol.com.

Here is the calendar for 2009-2010.

Aug. 22	Brick walls and Library Sources – Barb Bauer
Sept. 26	German Borders& Timelines: East
Oct. 24	German Borders & Timelines: West
Nov. 28	German Customs, Traditions, and Recipes
December	No meeting
Jan. 23, 2010	Demystifying the Old German Script – Part I <i>Letters easy to identify – Pat Berens</i>
Feb. 20	Demystifying the Old German Script – Part II <i>Letters more difficult to identify – Pat Berens</i>

Genealogy Society seeking help

BY CHARLIE KEARNS • CORRESPONDENT • ZANESVILLE TIMES RECORDER JULY 12, 2009

Muskingum County Genealogy Society is starting a big new project and they are seeking help. They are transcribing the county cemeteries once again. The last time was 30 years ago. They want to apply 21st century technology to their process and also update the old information. They have noticed that more than half of the stones that were recorded 30 years ago have disappeared. This is mainly from weather and age. But some have disappeared from vandals or livestock. Brenda Wolfe is the current president and heading up the project with all of the other members.

What is the story of your organization?

We were chartered in 1976. That is when we went around and transcribed all of the cemeteries in Muskingum County. We went to each tombstone and wrote down the facts carved in the stones. And of course there have been lots more people buried since then that we have no records of. We are also taking pictures of the tombstones that are still there. There are three ways for people to contact us. First we are on the second floor of the John McIntire Library. Two, our address is Muskingum County Chapter, OGS, P.O. Box 2427, Zanesville, 43702-2427 and our phone number is 740-452-6507.

How many cemeteries are we talking about?

Oh, gee. Several thousand. There are at least 1,500. We are talking many small ones. Some may have only three people buried in them. On the back of a farm. Private land. You'd be surprised. We are also getting [GPS](#) coordinates on each one so people can easily find them. We have people coming in from California and they have no idea where to look.

Is there anyone around who did it the transcribing the first time?

Peg Spiker. Doug Kreis is our chairman for this project. He's divided Muskingum County into four different sections. And he has a captain for each section.

How many people are involved with this big project?

We have about 50 people in the organization. We are inviting scout troops, churches, anybody can join the fun.

Do you have a start date?

Oh, we started last year. We hope to be finished Jan. 1, 2012.

Doug, how do you go about this?

Well, we start with a kit. It contains spray bottles, aluminum foil, cornstarch, gloves, bug repellent. We tell people to not go out there by themselves. Or without water for drinking. I suggest using a pitchfork for finding stone that would be hidden in the ground or high grass. It is an easy probe. Lots of times there are old stones that are covered with dirt. These places have years of neglect. And we're always wary of snakes too. Snakes and bees....[See the rest of the article at <http://www.TimesRecorder.com>]



Brenda Wolfe and Muskingum County Genealogy Society are transcribing the county cemeteries again, applying 21st century technology to their process and also updating the old information. (Times Recorder Contributed Photo)

Morgan's Raid Claims in Hamilton County, Ohio

by Deb Cyprych

This list has been ongoing in the *Heritage* as room has allowed. For more of the history and other lists, see previous issues.

An asterisk before a name signifies that this name appeared only in the Military Committee's 1863 list. "Amount" refers to the allowed amount, unless there is an asterisk before the amount to signify that this was the amount claimed in the Military Committee List. "Others" refers to people other than the claimant who presented claims, testified or submitted affidavits concerning claims. "Page" refers to the page number of the claim in *Report of the Commissioners of Morgan Raid Claims*, 1864.

CLAIMANT	POST OFFICE	PROPERTY	AMOUNT	OTHERS	PAGE
Riester, Phillip	Ross, Butler Co.	Cash from drawer, liquors, provisions, etc	\$ 30	Geo. J. Siegle	122
Rink, Fred'k	Harrison	Stock of cloths, clothing and furnish'g goods generally, garments belonging to customers	\$ 1,500	Casper Shulz John Crets Theresa Volk	122
*Rogers, John	Montgomery	One horse	\$ 100		
Rogers, Nicholas	E. Sycamore	One horse	\$ 75	Wm. Baxter	122
*Rogers, Samuel	Montgomery	One horse	\$ 75		
*Rohlstadt, John	Colerain	One horse	\$ 50		
*Ross, A. L.	Sharonville	One horse	\$ 125		
Ross, James J.	Montgomery	One horse	\$ 150	Elijah Colter T.J. Cameron Arnold Aiman	122
Ross, Joseph	Glendale	Two horses	\$ 325	John R. Field Abram Bomhart R.D. Hilts	122
Rude, John E.	Montgomery	Five horses	\$ 600	John Spaeth Jos. Minenbaugh	122
Runyan, John	Sharonville	Two horses, bridles and halters, saddle cover	\$ 150	Henry McCall Thos. B. Wentworth Thos. S. Vail	122
Sage, John W.	Montgomery	One horse, liquors, etc.	\$ 100	Fred Hartman John N. Cumming Henry Coleman	122

CLAIMANT	POST OFFICE	PROPERTY	AMOUNT	OTHERS	PAGE
Sater, Jno. J. (estate)	Preston	Four horses, harness, damages to horse recovered	\$ 670	Jos. Sater Martin Sater Geo. J. Siegle	122
Schiering, John	Paddy's Run, Butler Co.	One horse	\$ 120	C. Kallenberger Valentine Flick	122
Schott (*Scholl), John	Harrison	Boots, shoes, dry goods, cloth'g, etc.	\$ 200	Peter Miller Henry Wise	122

Ohio Genealogical Society Schedules Groundbreaking for Its New Library

Mansfield, OH May 10, 2009 –(PR.com)—

The Ohio Genealogical Society will break ground for its new library and headquarters in Bellville, Ohio, on Friday, May 29 at 10:30 a.m.

For several years, OGS has been raising funds to build a library designed to facilitate genealogical research by its members and visitors, and to assure preservation of irreplaceable records of interest to genealogists. The new library building with floor space of 18,000 square feet will be built from the ground up to accomplish those purposes. The start of construction coincides with the society's 50th anniversary.

The building site is about 5 miles from the existing library and headquarters building at 713 South Main Street in Mansfield. That building had been used as a furniture store before the society purchased it in 1997.

The 8-acre building site on the outskirts of Bellville was donated to OGS in 1997 by James and Marjorie Gorman. The property is located 2 miles north of Bellville on SR 97.

Following the groundbreaking ceremony at the building site, OGS members and guests will move to the nearby Deer Ridge Golf Club, 900 Comfort Plaza Dr., for a reception and remarks by society representatives and state and local officials.

Members and guests who plan to attend the reception are asked to make a reservation with the Society by calling 419-756-7294. Attendance will be limited to 175 persons.

OGS is the nation's largest state genealogical society with more than 5,000 members from Ohio and elsewhere. The society has more than 90 chapters throughout the state.

For information:

E. Paul Morehouse, OGS President, Tel: 330-434-3281

Thomas Neel, OGS Library Director, Tel: 419-756-7294

Wallace D. Huskonen, OGS Publicity Chairman, Tel: 440-526-1238

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GENEALOGY: Ten ways family researchers can attack their own brick walls [Taken from the Tribstar.com– the online version of the Tribune-Star, Terre Haute, IN]


By Tamie Dehler

Special to the Tribune-Star


TERRE HAUTE April 11, 2009

1. If your brick wall is based on family folklore, question the story. It could be partially right and partially wrong, or all wrong. If your research is being guided by the family story, go back and ask yourself how you would approach your research if you didn't know about the family story. Would your research point in a different direction? Try that way. If the story is correct, the facts will eventually prove it.
2. Does the person you are looking for have siblings? If so, search for the information you need in the collateral line. For instance, if you can't find someone's parents, follow his/her sibling's line and that may lead you to their common parent.
3. Women, especially, can be hard to find. Now that Ancestry.com is available in most libraries, you can take advantage of the powerful search engine for finding names on the census. Do a first-name search on the woman you are looking for. This works best for women with rather uncommon first names. This technique also works for men who have often-misspelled last names. I have found several people this way.
4. Explain your brick wall to someone else and ask for their input. This helps in two ways-it forces you to summarize your facts, maybe seeing the problem in a new light, and it also gets ideas from a new person who may not be as "hung up" as you are.
5. Don't forget to search institutions for that missing person. Your ancestor could be in jail, the poorhouse, an asylum, or an orphanage. These "inmates" were also enumerated on the census.
6. Check the history of the times against your family story and your pre-conceptions of what was going on during that time period. Wars, famines, economic downturns, gold rushes, and other events may explain where your ancestor went.
7. Check the creation dates and the boundaries of the counties and other territories you expect to find the person in. A settler could live in several counties as time passed, without moving once-but the county names and their boundaries changed over time.
8. Post queries on Web sites, message boards, and in newspapers. Someone out there knows something you don't.
9. Create a time line for the ancestor in question. List all of the facts that you have about that person in chronological order. Don't include any folklore, just information you pull off actual documents. Then focus your research to fill in the gaps.
10. Quit for a while and then start over. Sometimes time away from the problem allows you to see it in a new light when you return. Starting over is a good way to see if anything was missed and if the research you have done is logical....

“— I started out last week's column with a description of my frustrating "brick wall" (a barrier or dead end to research) on my great-great grandmother. Although her brick wall hasn't come tumbling down yet, I did try many methods to put a crack in it. This week will cover ten ways family researchers can attack their brick walls....”



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Many other Pal-Am members are planning to dine at Applebee's that night, so you're assured of camaraderie in addition to good food.

So don't be shy about ordering that appealing appetizer or that tempting dessert. For every \$10 you spend, Pal-Am earns a dollar. *Guten Appetit!*

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Palatines to America—2010 Membership Renewal

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TOPICS

Using Published Sources to Find German Ancestors

– John Humphrey

A variety of sources published in Germany are available in the United States that offer the opportunity to find information on ancestors that came from areas where information is limited.

The Moravians: 18th Century Clerics and Clerks –

John Humphrey

The Moravians were a small part of the much larger German immigration into the mid-Atlantic region, but their legacy is far greater than their numbers would suggest because of the records they left.

Update: Pal Am Collection Now at Columbus Metropolitan Library –Ann Miller Scott

Ann has remained in close communication with the CML staff regarding its recent acquisition of the Pal Am collection, and she will tell us what to expect regarding organization, accessibility, programming, services and growth of the collection.

German-American Newspapers: An Underutilized Source – John Humphrey

No other source reveals the German community within the United States more effectively than German-American newspapers because they record in one place political, social, economic and personal data.

Speakers

John T. Humphrey, CG, President of the Mid-Atlantic Germanic Society, is an award winning author and lecturer. He is a past Vice President of the Genealogical Society of Pennsylvania and the former Director of the National Genealogical Society Learning Center. In 2008, at the request of the German Embassy, he gave the keynote address at the 400th Anniversary Celebration commemorating four centuries of German immigration into the US. His principal genealogical publication is the 15-volume set of *Pennsylvania Births* that list more than 200,000 births in eastern Pennsylvania counties. He has written other books and numerous articles and lectures widely at national and local conferences. Currently he is working on genealogical records created during WWII of interest to researchers in Germany and the U.S.

Ann Miller Scott, MSLS, served as Palatines to America National Librarian from 1998 to 2008, and is currently the Ohio Chapter's Corresponding Secretary. She is a frequent lecturer on Pal Am resources and strategies for tracing German-speaking ancestors. Ann also enjoys teaching basic genealogy classes such as her October 2009 course for the OWLS adult education program of the Westminster-Thurber Community.

AGENDA**SATURDAY OCTOBER 17, 2009**

9:00 am REGISTRATION and Morning Refreshments
 9:25 am Welcome
 9:30 am Using Published Sources to Find German Ancestors – John Humphrey
 10:30 am Mid-Morning Break: Refreshments (Vendors will be available)
 11:00 am The Moravians: 18th Century Clerics and Clerks – John Humphrey
 12:00 Buffet Lunch
 1:15 pm Update: The Pal Am Collection at CML – Ann Miller Scott
 2:30 pm German-American Newspapers: An Underutilized Source – John Humphrey
 3:30 pm Adjournment

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Sept. 2-5, 2009	Federation of Genealogical Societies, Little Rock, AR
Sept. 11, 2009	Tour of Oley Valley by PA German Cultural Heritage Center
Sept. 12, 2009	PA German Cultural Heritage Ctr.—Fall Conference pagermanlibrary@kutztown.edu
Sept. 13-20, 2009	Family History Library Tour, Salt Lake City, Utah. More information forthcoming.
Sept. 25-27, 2009	OKTOBERFEST at the Ohio Expo Center
Oct. 2-4, 2009	German Village's OKTOBERFEST, Columbus, OH— CANCELLED
Oct. 6, 2009	GERMAN AMERICA DAY
Oct. 12-17, 2009	German Heritage Week in Columbus, OH—Columbus Main Library
Oct. 17, 2009	John T. Humphrey, CG, BA speaker, Ramada Plaza Inn, Columbus OH
Oct 17, 2009	DINE TO DONATE at Applebee's, after 4pm.
Oct 17, 2009	Colorado Fall Seminar—Lakewood, CO (Denver Area)
Nov. 13-14, 2009	FL State Gen. Society 33rd Annual Conference—Melbourne, FL
Dec. 6-13, 2009	Salt Lake Christmas Tour—contact joanne@charleyslady for more information
Feb. 2010	Southwest Florida Germanic Genealogy Group
Apr. 1-3, 2010	Ohio Genealogical Society Conference—Toledo, OH
Apr/May 2010	National Genealogical Society Conference—Salt Lake City, UT



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