



Commemorating the 312th Anniversary of the Kolb Family's Arrival in America

KOLB-KULP-CULP Family Association, Inc.

92nd Family Reunion: SUNDAY, JUNE 9, 2019

Lower Skippack Mennonite Church, 12:30 P.M.

892 Evansburg Road, Skippack, PA



Montgomery Flagg Enlistment Poster (National Archives)

Doing Their Duty: Stories of Mennonite and Brethren Boys
Who did Military Service in World War I.

An illustrated presentation by **Joel D. Alderfer**, Mennonite Heritage Center's Collections Manager. Using images, stories, and anecdotes, Alderfer will look at a group of young men from the **Salford Mennonite** and **Indian Creek Church of the Brethren** communities who volunteered for, or were drafted into, military service in World War I. Why might these boys, raised in historic peace church congregations, have accepted service? What do we know about their war-time experiences and what happened to them after they returned home?.

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2019 Kolb, Kulp, Culp Family Reunion Lower Skippack Mennonite Church

PROGRAM

12:30 PM MEET & GREET

DOXOLOGY CAROL WENGER

1:00 P.M. LUNCH (“GROANING BOARD”)

2:00 P.M. PROGRAM INTRODUCTION LIN KULP

REMEMBRANCE OF OUR RELIGIOUS HERITAGE

TRIBUTE TO DECEASED MEMBERS (WITH MOMENT OF SILENCE)

REMEMBRANCE OF GLENN LANDIS JACK OBERHOLTZER

REPORT OF SECRETARY JACK OBERHOLTZER

REPORT OF TREASURER MARK MOYER

OFFERING MARK MOYER

SONG (DURING OFFERING) AMERICA. CAROL WENGER

RECOGNITION OF YOUNGEST, OLDEST &

LONGEST DISTANCE TRAVELED LIN KULP

REPORT OF NOMINATING COMMITTEE LIN KULP

PROGRAM: “DOING THEIR DUTY: STORIES OF MENNONITE AND BRETHERN

BOYS WHO DID MILITARY SERVICE IN WORLD WAR I.” . . JOEL ALDERFER

BENEDICTION BLEST BE THE TIE THAT BINDS. . . . CAROL WENGER

3:30 P.M. ADJOURNMENT



HOME PAGE FOR THE WEBSITE IS [HTTP://KOLB-KULP-CULP.ORG](http://kolb-kulp-culp.org)

WEBSITE CREATED BY AND NOW DEDICATED TO GLENN H. LANDIS

Dear Kolb-Kulp-Culp Family & Friends:

This year we would like to celebrate our ancestors who served in the military during the Great War, which ended just over One Hundred Years Ago!

Our **Kolb** ancestors were **Mennonites** believing in nonviolence. But when the United States entered the war in April 1917, all men between the ages of 21 and 31 were required to register for the draft. Our website lists over **3200 Kulp** who **registered** for the draft! While a few men clung to their religious roots and became conscientious objectors as recommended by the Mennonite Conferences, most draftees donned uniforms and served, some in actual combat.

This year our speaker, **Joel Alderfer**, will present some of the stories of Mennonite and Brethren from the **Salford-Franconia (Pennsylvania)** area who did military service in that conflict.

Before our program begins, let us know if any of your **Kulp** ancestors served, where, with what units, and in what capacity. If you have any memorabilia, newspaper clippings and short stories of family members service during the Great War, we will provide a table for you to display/share them with us on that Sunday.

We would also like to remember the legacy of **Glenn Landis**, a great contributor to the **Reunion** in many ways, who passed away December 1st 2018. Glenn served on our **Executive Committee** for many years and was the **chief genealogist** for our Reunion! Glenn was responsible for reprinting David Cassel's **Kulp Family History** in 1990, and performed genealogical research for many people over the years. He also set up our website in 2010 and started the **Kolb DNA Project**. Glenn also served as a volunteer at the **Lititz Public Library**, the **North Museum** in Lancaster and the **Mennonite Heritage Center** in Harleysville. Glenn had to stop his work a few years ago and his efforts were sorely missed. Glenn's biography can be found at:

www.legacy.com/obituaries/montgomerynews/obituary.aspx?n=glenn-andis&pid=190904108

As usual, we invite you to join us on **Sunday, June 9, 2019 starting at 12:30 PM at the Lower Skippack Mennonite Church** for another opportunity to meet with other Kolb descendants, remember our shared heritage and share in the experiences of the lives of our current "family" members.

A **catered lunch** will be provided starting at 1 PM and we encourage everyone to **bring a favorite family side dish or dessert** to maintain our tradition of the "groaning board" of shared food. The opportunity to enjoy some excellent recipes, which exist within our family, is always a highlight of our reunion.

Please contact **Jack Oberholtzer** at 215-534-0194 or jeoberho@comcast.net or **Donna Gerber** djgerber88@aol.com by **May 29th** and let us know how many will be coming. An accurate count for the caterer is important.

Our Family Association counts on **support** from its members to cover the expenses associated with putting on the reunion each year and having a caterer for lunch. You may include a check made out to **Kolb, Kulp, Culp Family Association** and include it with your reunion attendance response you mail in or drop it in the offering basket at the reunion.

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Executive Committee Letter (Continued)

Donna Gerber will have a table to help people with questions they may have about researching their family genealogy.

Jack Oberholtzer will have some of the **past reunion programs** available for your taking. PLEASE CHECK YOUR BINDERS! Contact him if you might be interested in assembling a complete set. He will also display some of the research materials, newspaper articles and photographs about family members and the reunion. If your mailing address has changed or you have an email address you would like to share, please send it to him at jeoberho@comcast.net.

Mark Moyer has a **new item** this year, **coffee mugs with the Kulp Crest!** He still has few blue **Kolb Crest tiles** and a new order of **T-shirts**. Please fill out the attached form or contact him at vampyre46@verizon.net if you are interested.

Carol Wenger will again lead our traditional singing which has always been so much a part of our heritage.

We are in need of volunteers to help with the Reunion! The executive committee meets a couple of times a year to determine programs and direction of the association, and we need **new people** with their **suggestions and ideas**. We could use **volunteers** to help **update our website** and **scan the old programs** for inclusion on it. Glenn Landis ran the **Kolb DNA project** which has 60+ members and we need someone to oversee that. We can always use more help with searching genealogy questions. If you are interested in contributing some of your time to these projects or have future program suggestions, please contact Jack Oberholtzer.

Your presence and that of the next generation at our reunions shows the joys and success of the past and hope for the future!!

The Kolb-Kulp-Culp Family Association Reunion Committee



OUR SPEAKER: **Joel Alderfer** is a native and resident of Lower Salford Township, Montgomery County. He has been the Collections Manager at the **Mennonite Heritage Center** in Harleysville, PA, since 1988.

Over the past forty years, **Joel** has done **free-lance genealogical and local history research** in Bucks and Montgomery Counties, PA. In his role as **curator** at the **Mennonite Heritage Center**, with its significant **Pennsylvania German Mennonite** fraktur, and decorative arts collections, Joel has performed considerable research in documenting the material culture (including fraktur, furniture, textiles, manuscripts, rare books, etc.) of the local **Mennonite** communities. As curator, Joel has been responsible for numerous exhibits on various themes relating to the local and broader **Mennonite** story.

In Memoriam 2019

<i>Name and Address</i>	<i>Died</i>	<i>Age</i>
Marilyn M. East, New Bern, NC	February 17, 2015	84
Rev. Amos L. Seldomridge, Harleysville, PA	May 30, 2016	96*
Jeanie (Killian) Kolb, Stanton Heights, PA	June 7, 2017	54
Maurice Robbins, Ayliner, ON, Canada	June 8, 2016	92*
John Russell Bishop, Hatfield, PA	November 5, 2017	96
Kolb, Dean C., Davenport, IA	December 2, 2017	71
Diane E. (Everett) Kulp, Southport, NC	December 10, 2017	
Elizabeth Gehman, Seville, OH	Dec 5, 2016	94
Rose Marie (Kulp) Glasser, Columbia, MD	Jan 6, 2017	73*
Janet R. (Kulp) Crouthamel, Quakertown, PA	May 10, 2017	91
Gordon Vincent Culp, Hanover, PA	July 29, 2017	89
Margorie Anne (Myers) Corrao, Lansdale, PA	Sept 13, 2017	80
Frieda M. Kulp, Sanford, FL	October 5, 2017	79
Carol Ann (Culp) Gajewski, Norristown, PA	February 3, 2018	75
Bobyak, John C., Pennsburg, PA	February 17, 2018	86
William C. Kulp, York, PA	March 2, 2018	83*
Richard G. Kolb	March 7, 2018	55
Carl H. Kolb, DeKalb County, MO	March 13, 2018	86
David T. Kulp, Lemon Township, PA	March 15, 2018	65
Frances A. (Kulp) Derr, Barto, PA	March 22, 2018	95*
Ruth Kulp, Plumsteadville, PA	March 24, 2018	99
Doris A. Kolb, Lansdale, PA	March 28, 2018	88
Kenneth W. Kulp, Plainfield Township, PA	April 6, 2018	90*
Joseph I. Kulp, Sr, Phoenixville, PA	April 8, 2018	81
Clara D. (Moyer) Kolb, Phoenixville, PA	April 12, 2018	87
Filbert K. Culp, Columbia, PA	April 13, 2018	67
Virginia Ruth Kulp, Lynnport, PA	April 14, 2018	78
Denise D. (Culp) Lopez, Lancaster, PA	April 23, 2018	42
Robert J. Kolb, Jr., Peach Bottom, PA	April 30, 2018	79
Paul K. Miller, Perkasio, PA	May 20, 2018	80*
Joyce L. (Ross) Kulp, Montague, NJ	May 12, 2018	77
Nancy A. (Zader) Kulp, Slatington, PA	June 13, 2018	83
Rhoda C. (Landis) Bishop, Hatfield, PA	June 17, 2018	93
Kathleen T. (MacDonald) Kolb, East Norriton, PA	June 24, 2018	94
Elvin S. Kolb, Spring City, PA	June 24, 2018	
Richard E. (Dickie) Myers, Red Hill, PA	July 6, 2018	79
John W. Kulp, Media, PA	July 7, 2018	71*
Wilmer "Gomer" C. Kulp, Jr., Warminster, PA	July 12, 2018	76
Nieda M. Berkey, Pottstown, PA	July 14, 2018	93
Joseph O. Kulp, Bedminster Twp., PA	July 18, 2018	95*
Reuben Eby Kulp, New Paris, IN	July 20, 2018	75
Elise (Noble) Culp, Lititz, PA	July 21, 2018	92*
David B. Wilson, Norristown, PA	July 22, 2018	88
Mark S. Culp, Telford, PA	August 5, 2018	57
Earl L. Kulp, Canton, OH	August 22, 2018	69

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Dorothy M. Schwenk, Perkiomenville, PA	September 2, 2018	89
Melissa S. Hotch, Freemansburg, PA	September 10, 2018	38
Dr. Alan Kulp Jenkins, Maryland	September 17, 2018	56
Denise L. (Tomkiel) Huber, Warminster, PA	September 19, 2018	55
Anna D. Gehman, Souderton,	September 30, 2018	96
Raymond B. Wismer, Jr., Phoenixville, PA	September 30, 2018	74
Richard Kulp, Birdsboro, PA	October 1, 2018	78
Barry Scott Detweiler, Quakertown, PA	October 20, 2018	71
Arlene Kulp, Franconia Twp., PA	October 31, 2018	84*
Susan M. (Younes) Kulp, South Williamsport PA	November 13, 2018	58
Amos G. Kulp, Manheim, PA	November 25, 2018	81
William E. Forst, Hatfield, PA	December 1, 2018	86*
Glenn Hagey Landis, Lititz, PA	December 1, 2018	84*
Catherine E. (Becker) Renner, Walnutport, PA	December 12, 2018	94
Jeffrey T. Kolb, Douglassville, PA	December 15, 2018	55
Raymond Bradly Kulp, Lake Harmony, PA	December 27, 2018	47
Starr Lee Kromer, Bethlehem, PA	December 28, 2018	67
Nancy Jane Kulp, Bechtelsville, PA	January 9, 2019	84
Phyllis Yvonne Wenhold, Sellersville, PA	January 20, 2019	81
Warren Leonard Kulp, Laureldale, PA	January 21, 2019	76
Ruth (Kolb) Essick, Honey Brook, PA	January 24, 2019	92*
Dolores A. Kolb, St. Joseph, PA	January 31, 2019	92
Sonia (Haldeman) Kulp, Royersford, PA	February 18, 2019	
Richard G. Kulp, Pennsburg, PA	February 26, 2019	88
David M. Kulp, Bethlehem, PA	March 2, 2019	76*
Gerald M. Kulp, Gilbertsville, PA	March 17, 2019	86
Corinne Yvonne Culp Henderson, Hanover, PA	March 18, 2019	97*

* = **On or related to someone on our Kulp Reunion Mailing List**

We appreciate receiving the names sent to us for the “**Memoriam List**”. Since we do not have access to all of the newspapers that our mailing list covers, we ask your help in keeping the memorial list current. Please send the information to our secretary, Jack Oberholtzer, 2377 Magnolia Way, Jamison, PA18929 or jeoberho@comcast.net. We also thank **Jennie Spierling** and **Ross Gordon Gerhart III** for sending us names for our “In Memoriam”.



As we **celebrate** and **remember** our **World War I Veterans**, I would like to highlight the story of **Harriet Lorraine Kulp (1897-1918)**, from **South Pottstown, PA**. Harriet graduated from the Pottstown Hospital Nursing Program in June of 1918 and **volunteered** for service with the **Army Nurse Corps**, part of the Red Cross Service. She departed NYC on 2 September 1918 aboard the **Aquitania** and served with **Base Hospital No. 66 in France** to care for wounded soldiers. While there, she contracted some form of a disease and died on December 26, 1918. Her great-great-grandfather, **George Michael Kolb (1709-1789)**, arrived in Philadelphia from the Palatinate on September 23, 1738. So, while she is not a direct descendent of one of our **Dielman Kolb Family**, we salute her service and sacrifice.