

Commemorating the 274th Anniversary
of the Family's Arrival in America

FIFTY-FOURTH ANNUAL REUNION

Kolb-Kulp-Culp Family

EAST GREENVILLE PARK

Sunday, June 14, 1981



Kulps Among the "Church Dutch"

Our Program this year is another installment in our continuing seminar on the theme, "Our Pennsylvania Dutch Folk Cultural Heritage."

We turn now to the history and culture of the traditional German religious groups which gave us birth. This year we look at the story of the "Karricheleit" (Church People); the German Reformed and German Lutheran Churches. The "Owweleener" (Uplander) Kolb immigrants who settled in the "Upper End" of Montgomery County in the third and fourth decades of the eighteenth century were members of the religious tradition, i.e. Georg Michel Kolb, Matteis Kolb, Conrad Kolb and others.

Our cover photo shows the interior of one of the historic Union Churches (Lutheran and Reformed congregations) of the Goschenhoppen region, in which many members of the Kulp Family have been active through the past centuries. "Die Friedens Kirche" (The Peace Church) at Sunneytown, Pa. is shown as it was traditionally decorated for the Christmas Festival sometime in the late nineteenth century.

Future years' programs will feature Kulp family involvement in the history and culture of the "Plain Dutch" and the "Bush Meeting Dutch."

Program

Call to Order—2:30 P.M. D.S.T.

Invocation	The Rev. James G. Penlington
Devotions and Greeting by the President	Dorothy M. Kulp
Reunion Day Song	The Assembly
Report of the History Committee	Abram C. Hunsicker
Awarding of Prizes	The President
Report of the Nominating Committee	The Rev. Jesse K. Hoffman
	Harry I. Kulp†, Ross E. Oberholtzer
Election of Officers	
Report of the Secretary	Ruth K. Oberholtzer
Report of the Treasurer	Harold W. Miller
Greetings from Chester County Kulp	S. Harvey Kulp

— Offering —

East-Penn-Hill Hobo Band

Remembrance of Our Religious Heritage

Tribute to Deceased Members

Isaac Clarence Kulp, Jr.

Minute of Silence

Reunion Day Hymn: *Amazing Grace*

The Assembly

Kulps Among the "Church Dutch"

Dr. William T. Parsons

America the Beautiful, one stanza

The Assembly

Prayer and Benediction

The Rev. Amos L. Seldomridge

Song Leader, The Rev. Jesse K. Hoffman

History "Workshop", Games, Covered-Dish Supper, Fellowship Hour

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Reunion Day Song

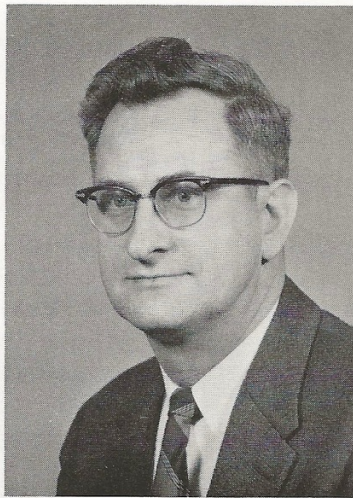
Tune—"Is This the Crowning Day?"

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| 1. Happy-reunion day,
Glad day! Glad day!
God's own redeeming love
Sheds radiant light from above
In welcome to all today. | 3. Glorious-reunion day!
Glad day! Glad day!
May we the past review;
Ancestors loyal and true,
Their mem-ries live on today. |
| 2. Friendly-reunion day,
Glad day! Glad day!
As we together meet;
Friendship and fellowship sweet
Are mingled with love today. | 4. Sacred-reunion day,
Glad day! Glad day!
May the "Kulp" family live;
Honor and praise e'er to give
To "Him" who reigns on for aye. |

REFRAIN: Glad day! Glad day!
This is reunion day;
Our ancestors came to this free land,
For truth and right they dared to stand;
Glad day! Glad day!
This is reunion day.

Our Speaker

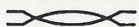
Our speaker this year is Dr. William T. Parsons, professor of History and Director of the Pennsylvania German Studies Program at Ursinus College, Collegeville, Penna. Dr. Parsons has taught French language, American History and Pennsylvania German Folk Culture since he began in 1947. He took his A.B. at Ursinus College in 1947, and the A.M. and Ph.D. at University of Pennsylvania in 1955. He specializes in Colonial Pennsylvania and Migration History. Parsons edited several local history journals and is now Editor of *Pennsylvania Folklife*. He has authored and edited numerous publications on the History and Folk Culture of the Pennsylvania Dutch people including his recent volume, "The Pennsylvania Dutch, a Persistent Minority" (Twayne, 1976). Dr. Parsons sings with the "Goschenhoppen Sing — Gemeinde."



Dr. Parsons is a member of the United Church of Christ (formerly German Reformed Church) and is an authority on the history and culture of the "Church Dutch". His talk will be illustrated by selections from the German chorale tradition of the Lutheran and Reformed churches, sung by "Die Goschenhoppen Sing-Gemeinde", led by Past President Isaac Clarence Kulp, Jr.



We gratefully thank Robert Wenger, once again, for lending, installing, and operating the fine sound amplification equipment used during this reunion.



Reunion Day Hymn

Amazing Grace

Amazing grace! how sweet the sound
That saved a wretch like me!
I once was lost, but now am found,
Was blind, but now I see.

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear,
And grace my fears relieved;
How precious did that grace appear
The hour I first believed!

Through many dangers, toils, and snares,
I have already come;
'Tis grace hath brought me safe thus far,
And grace will lead me home.

John Newton

In Memoriam

Names Submitted to the Association

Name and Address	Died	Age
Mannis Sacks, Schwenksvile, Pa. R.D. #1	June 3, 1979	69 years
Edna Stroh, Perkasie, Pa.	Dec. 12, 1979	
Harry R. Nace, Telford, Pa.	May 1, 1980	76 years
Mary Jordan Kulp, Lansdale, Pa.	May 3, 1980	73 years
Mildred Swartz Kulp, Harleysville, Pa.	May 12, 1980	51 years
Harrison K. Benner, Souderton, Pa.	May 20, 1980	90 years
Ruth K. Fehnel, Catasauqua, Pa.	May 25, 1980	45 years
Lillian K. Benner, Harleysville, Pa.	May 31, 1980	81 years
Jeffrey Kulp, Miami Riot, Florida, Spring City, Pa.	June 12, 1980	22 years
Helen M. K. Schupeback, Perkiomenville R.D., Pa.	June 13, 1980	56 years
Ida R. Moses, Royersford, Pa.	June 16, 1980	88 years
Clarence K. Hartzell, Perkasie, Pa.	June 19, 1980	88 years
Willard K. Fretz, Souderton, Pa.	June 22, 1980	63 years
Mary F. Kolb, Philadelphia, Pa.	June 22, 1980	
Lyman G. Kulp, Sellersville, Pa.	July 8, 1980	65 years
Clarence R. Moyer, East Greenville, Pa.	July 8, 1980	77 years
T. Leroy Umstead, Spring City, Pa.	July 15, 1980	80 years
Harold Hunsicker, Collegeville, Pa.	July 16, 1980	83 years
Joseph W. Kulp, East Greenville, Pa.	July 16, 1980	89 years
Milard Shadler, Birdsboro, Pa.	July 20, 1980	58 years
Sara H. Hunsberger, Souderton, Pa.	July 24, 1980	75 years
Chester B. Kulp, Pottstown, Pa.	July 25, 1980	28 years
William B. Kulp, Pottstown, Pa.	July, 1980	28 years
Henry B. Kulp, Elizabethtown, Pa.	July, 1980	95 years
Mildred B. Kulp, Upper Gwynedd, Pa.	Aug. 1, 1980	79 years
Jonas L. Moyer, Sanatoga, Pa.	Aug. 25, 1980	73 years
Daniel H. Kulp, 2nd, Seattle, Wash.	Aug. 28, 1980	91 years
Emma F. Kulp, Colmar, Pa.	Aug. 28, 1980	85 years
Emma M. Kulp, Berks Co.	Sept. 30, 1980	89 years
Grace M. Schnable, Souderton, Pa.	Oct. 29, 1980	66 years
Henry Stauffer, Frederick, Pa.	Nov. 4, 1980	82 years
Kathryn K. Fehl, Collegeville, Pa.	Nov. 6, 1980	85 years
Samuel A. Kulp, Lansdale, Pa.	Nov. 9, 1980	79 years
Matthew P. Kolb, Pottstown, Pa.	Nov. 16, 1980	10 mo.
Harry W. Tyson, Souderton, Pa.	Nov. 29, 1980	76 years
Mary L. Marton, Souderton, Pa.	Dec. 8, 1980	76 years
Warren S. Hunsberger, Souderton, Pa.	Dec. 12, 1980	67 years
Harry Alfred Kulp, Sr., Fredericksburg, Va.	Dec. 16, 1980	80 years
Warren D. Imbody, Quakertown, Pa.	Jan. 16, 1981	87 years
Harved D. Freed, Pottstown, Pa.	Jan. 26, 1981	61 years
Katie K. Schmell, Doylestown, Pa.	Mar. 2, 1981	83 years
Vivian Penlington, Malvern, Pa.	Mar. 18, 1981	
Harry I. Kulp, Lansdale, Pa.	Apr. 15, 1981	84½ years
Norman Nyce, Elroy, Pa.		71 years
Kathryn Kratz Nyce, Elroy, Pa.		
Evelyn S. Rosenberger, Colmar, Pa.	April 26, 1981	63 years

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