

Commemorating the 277th Anniversary of the Family's Arrival in America

FIFTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL REUNION

Kolb-Kulp-Culp Family

EAST GREENVILLE PARK

Sunday, June 10, 1984



I. C. Kulp presenting annual Goschenhoppen Folklife Awards, 1968,
at Franconia Elementary School.

L. to R.: I. C. Kulp, Hannah Clemens (nee Rittenhouse),
Mrs. Jake Clemens and F. Gottshall.

We Honor Our Past

A great Pennsylvania Dutch historian and Folklorist, the late Rev. William J. Rupp, once said, "We must all go home, occasionally, to drink water from the old spring." He meant to say that, in order to remain spiritually and culturally alive, we must continually imbibe of the spiritual water of the knowledge and wisdom of our heritage. One of the best ways to do this is to sit at the feet of our aged grandfathers and grandmothers, the patriarchs and matriarchs of our folk communities, and listen to their stories and learn their ways. They are living links to our ancestry and mediators to us of our heritage.

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Program

Call to Order—2:30 P.M. D.S.T.

Invocation The Rev. Paul T. Kulp
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 Shirley K. Miller
Ross E. Oberholtzer, Rev. Jesse K. Hoffman

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 —

Remembrance of Our Religious Heritage

Devotions in German Isaac Clarence Kulp, Jr.
Tribute to Deceased Members Isaac Clarence Kulp, Jr.
Minute of Silence
Reunion Day Hymn: *The Old Rugged Cross* The Assembly

Kulps in the New Goschenhoppen Reformed Church

Rev. Albert E. Teske

America the Beautiful, one stanza The Assembly

Prayer and Benediction The Rev. Jesse K. Hoffman
Song Leader, The Rev. Jesse K. Hoffman

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



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.

We pause this year to remember, with Thanksgiving, the lives of two such great sources of the folk knowledge and wisdom of our Pennsylvania Dutch and Mennonite heritage. Both were born in the year 1880. Both lived nearly a century in our community, and were living legends filled with the folk knowledge of many generations. Both had a rare ability to articulate, in an eloquent manner, and were direct Kolb descendants.

They were the late Hannah Rittenhouse Clemens (1880-1977) and Reinhart F. Gottshall (1880-1976). The cover photo shows our past President, Isaac Clarence Kulp, Jr., presenting to Hannah and "Uncle Rein" the annual Goschenhoppen Historians Folklife Award. This occurred in Franconia, in 1968. Isaac will read a memorial statement, in honor of these two great carriers of our folk tradition, at this year's Reunion.

(For a brief biography of Reinhart F. Gottshall, see Kulp Reunion Program for 1977. A biography of Hannah R. Clemens will appear in a future program.)

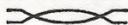
Our Program

The subject matter of our program this year is centered around the history and traditions of one of the historic Goschenhoppen area churches with which our Kolb-Kulp ancestors were involved. This is in continuation of a series begun some years ago.

The congregational history which we propose to examine this year is the historic New Goschenhoppen Reformed Church (U.C.C.), on whose property we are so favorably seated today. This ancient church, whose history reaches back to the early years of the eighteenth century, was the spiritual home of the immigrant ancestor, George Michael Kolb, forbear of one of our past-Presidents, Isaac Clarence Kulp, Jr., and of numerous other members of our association.

Our Speaker this year is the Rev. Albert E. Teske, pastor of the New Goschenhoppen United Church of Christ, who will tell us about the history of the congregation. Pastor Teske's photo and biography arrived too late for inclusion in this year's folder, so we propose to publish them in next year's folder that we may have a complete record of our annual speakers. For a brief historical statement about the New Goschenhoppen Reformed Church and ancestor, George Michael Kolb, see the cover story of our Kulp Reunion Program for 1970.

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



Reunion Day Hymn

1. On a hill far away
stood an old rugged cross,
The emblem of suffering and shame;
And I love that old cross
where the dearest and best
For a world of lost sinners was slain.

Refrain:

So I'll cherish the old rugged cross,
till my trophies at last I lay down;
I will cling to the old rugged cross,
and exchange it some day for a crown.

George Bennard, 1873-1958

The Old Rugged Cross

4. To the old rugged cross,
I will ever be true,
Its shame and reproach gladly bear;
Then he'll call me some day
to my home far away,
Where his glory forever I'll share.



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In Memoriam

Name and Address	Died	Age
Edith Stevenson, Southampton, Pa.	June 14, 1982	75 years
Margaret Meyers, Southampton, Pa.	Oct. 26, 1982	77 years
Robert A. Kolb, Rydal, Pa.	April 24, 1982	81 years
Mary Ellen Reinford, Telford, Pa.	April 8, 1982	
Minnie Kulp Becker, Allegany, N.Y.	July 10, 1982	74 years
Freeman R. Kulp, Ferndale, Pa.	Nov. 8, 1982	87 years
Sadie Nice, Telford, Pa.	Aug. 3, 1982	82 years
Cora Garges, Sellersville, Pa.		
William C. Culp, Niagara Falls, Canada	Dec. 19, 1982	66 years
Albert K. Garman, Elizabethtown, Pa.	Jan. 11, 1983	90 years
Earl K. Bateman	Jan. 16, 1983	62 years
Susan Hunsicker Rinkers	Jan. 25, 1983	85 years
Earl M. Moyer, Perkasie, Pa.	April, 1983	75 years
Ethel E. Kulp, Ferndale, Pa.	May 2, 1983	83 years
Marietta Lessig, Parkerford, Pa.	April 28, 1983	79 years
Alverta L. Goshen, Lafayette Hill, Pa.		72 years
Willis K. Lederach, Sellersville		
John S. Kulp, Lansdale, Pa.	May 18, 1983	63 years
Olivette K. Frick, Telford, Pa.	June 2, 1983	73 years
Margaret K. Grubb, Pottstown, Pa.	June 6, 1983	90 years
Jacob K. Christman, East Greenville, Pa.	June 16, 1983	
Mamie K. Yerger, Souderton, Pa.	June 18, 1983	79 years
Dee F. Wampler, Pottstown, Pa.	June 23, 1983	71 years
Joseph K. Hoffman, Spring City, Pa.	June 24, 1983	66 years
Mrs. Floy K. Kolb, Bechtelsville, Pa.	July 5, 1983	87 years
Edna A. Kulp, Telford, Pa.	July 5, 1983	74 years
Rose A. Krauss, Quakertown, Pa.	July 18, 1983	74 years
Leroy K. Kratz, Telford, Pa.	July 27, 1983	66 years
Clarence G. Kulp, Vernfield, Pa.	Aug. 2, 1983	82 years
Laura E. K. Kramer, Souderton, Pa.	Aug. 2, 1983	78 years
Margaret G. Culp, Wendell, N.C.	Aug. 7, 1983	68 years
Mary Jane Kulp	Aug. 7, 1983	4½ mos.
Myra Culp, East Greenville, Pa.	Sept. 3, 1983	63 years
Irwin S. Kulp, Green Lane, Pa.	Aug. 21, 1983	94 years
Ada Malarece Schaeffer, Schwenksville, Pa.	Sept. 3, 1983	79 years
Leidy E. Hoffman, Lower Pottsgrove Twp.	Sept. 16, 1983	80 years
Marion K. Hofreiter, California	Sept. 20, 1983	67 years
William C. Freed, Vernfield, Pa.	Oct. 7, 1983	90 years
Tilghman K. Hauseman, W. Pottsgrove Twp.	Oct. 9, 1983	72 years
Emily Culp, Chalfont, Pa.	Oct. 10, 1983	76 years
Bessie M. Templin, Birdsboro, Pa.	Oct. 18, 1983	85 years
Cora Burns, Norristown, Pa.	Oct. 24, 1983	96 years
Joseph A. Selfinger, Long Beach, Calif.	Oct. 26, 1983	67 years
Roeller H. Kolb, Zieglerville, Pa.	Nov. 3, 1983	78 years
Florence A. Kulp, Souderton, Pa.	Nov. 18, 1983	75 years
Ada S. Kulp, Elroy, Pa.	Dec. 1, 1983	81 years
Katie S. Kulp, Blooming Glen, Pa.	Dec. 1, 1983	86 years
Marian R. Aflerbach, Quakertown, Pa.	Dec. 9, 1983	72 years
Esther D. Kulp, Souderton, Pa.	Dec. 13, 1983	64 years
Carrie K. Hoffman, Harleysville, Pa.	Dec. 27, 1983	
Beulah R. K. Nyce, Harleysville, Pa.	Dec. 31, 1983	80 years
Rosa H. Kulp, Telford, Pa.	Jan. 3, 1984	98 years
Sara K. Strouse, Towamencin, Pa.	Jan. 8, 1984	93 years
Elmer G. Kulp, Jr., Lansdale, Pa.	Jan. 29, 1984	56 years
Annie Scherer, Allentown, Pa.	Feb. 4, 1984	
Pearl Fagley, Boyertown, Pa.	Mar. 17, 1984	79 years
Blanche K. Landis, Souderton, Pa.	Mar. 31, 1984	85 years