



Commemorating the 306th Anniversary of the Family's Arrival in America

EIGHTY-FIFTH ANNUAL REUNION

Kolb-Kulp-Culp Family Assoc., Inc.

SUNDAY, JUNE 9, 2013

LOWER SKIPPACK MENNONITE CHURCH

Evansburg and Meeting House Roads

Skippack, PA 19474



Our Speaker: Robert Wood

Robert Wood is a lifelong educator, artist and writer who taught English in the public schools for over 30 years.

Bob says he is "Pennsylvania Dutch in everything but name." He was born and raised into the Pennsylvania Dutch folk culture on the family farm near the village of Swamp in New Hanover Township. Dialect was the primary language of both his parents, and he has had a lifelong interest in all things Pennsylvania Dutch.

Swamp, Bob's home village, holds the earliest Germanic Lutheran and Reformed congregations in the state: Falkner Swamp Reformed (now U.C.C.) and continued on pg 4

PROGRAM
Lower Skippack Mennonite Church

12:30 PM Family Arrival Time

1:00 PM Lunch

2:00 PM Welcome Stuart Kern, President

Remembrance of our Religious Heritage

Devotions in Pennsylvania German

Tribute to Deceased Members

Offering

Songs Carol Wenger

Business Meeting

Election of Officers

Treasurer's Report Mark Moyer

Genealogy Report Glenn H. Landis

Awarding of Prizes

Program:

"The Journey" Bob Wood

Song: Benediction

3:30 p.m. Adjournment



WEBSITES FROM GLENN H. LANDIS

The General Kolb-Kulp-Culp site is <http://kolb-kulp-culp.org>

The Reunion page is <http://kolb-kulp-culp.org/annualreunion>

Dear Kolb-Kulp-Culp Family & Friends:

Another year has passed and our annual gathering of family from near and far is rapidly approaching. Events such as Hurricane Sandy, a near miss for some of us but a direct impact for others, cause us to reflect on the importance of family and perhaps missed opportunities to enjoy our heritage. Many family members were directly in the path of Sandy and their tenacity in weathering the storm is a testament to a toughness that served our ancestors so well over the last 306 years. Without it, most of us would not be here to celebrate this heritage during our 85th annual reunion on June 9, 2013 at the Lower Skippack Mennonite church.

Join us on that date starting at 12:30 PM for a time of fellowship and remembrance of our shared ancestry.

Again this year we will provide a catered lunch starting at 1 PM and we encourage everyone to bring a favorite family side dish or dessert to maintain our tradition of "groaning board" of shared treats. The exploration of those wonderful recipes that exist within our family is always a highlight of the gathering.

Our panel of taste experts will again conduct the "Challenge of the Pie" contest with prizes awarded to entries and the rest of us rewarded with samples.

We do ask that you please call Ruth Oberholtzer at 215-699-3940 or email ruthoberho@aol.com by May 26th and let her know how many will be coming so we can plan the food accordingly.

Have you ever wondered what courage it took to leave your home, and journey to a far away land to start a new life with little prospect of return? This year we are fortunate to have as our speaker Bob Wood an avid historian and writer about all things Pennsylvania German. He will speak about "The Journey" from his essay on what our ancestors had to endure to get to America.

Glenn Landis and Glenn Kulp will have updates on family genealogy and tracing family ties. They will be available throughout the day for questions and information.

We will have some of the past reunion programs available for your taking.

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

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Your continued generous support of our family association has enabled us to maintain the bond of common ancestry that we share and provide insights into our past. Please send your much needed and appreciated contributions to Mrs. Ruth Oberholtzer, 209 S 5th St, North Wales, PA 19454.

Your presence and that of the next generation at our reunion shows the joys and success of the past and the hope of the future. We look forward to seeing you again on Sunday June 9, 2013 at 12:30 PM.

Cordially,

The Kolb, Kulp, Culp Family Associate Committee



Our Speaker: Robert Wood Continued...

New Hanover Lutheran. One parent was a member of the one; the other parent, the other. Both of these churches originated about 1720 and held an important place in Bob's childhood. Of course their early dates bring to mind the Germanic immigration, the topic of Bob's presentation.

Bob is a past board member of the Historical Society of Montgomery County where he edited their bulletin. He is on the Board of Directors of the Goschenhoppen Historians and an active member of that group. Additionally he is a member of several local historical and heritage organizations and is President of the New Hanover Historical Society where he has published three books on township history which record and interpret the local Pennsylvania Dutch folk-culture.

In Memoriam 2013

| <i>Name and Address</i> | <i>Died</i> | <i>Age</i> |
|---|----------------|------------|
| Harry L. Kulp, Media, PA | Mar. 28, 2008 | 68 |
| Gloria J. Bobyak, Pennsburg, PA | Dec. 6, 2011 | 72 |
| Harry Good, Elizabethtown, PA | Nov. 1, 2010 | |
| Floyd K. Wenger, Tylersport, PA | Dec. 13, 2011 | 79 |
| Henry Hunsicker Yoder | Jan. 30, 2012 | 91 |
| Emma Berniga Kulp, Franconia Twp. PA | Feb. 2012 | |
| Arlene Allebach Schatz, New York | | 88 |
| Samuel R. Kulp Jr., Bethlehem, Nazareth, PA | Apr. 10, 2012 | 100 |
| Irvin S. Kulp Sr., Old Zionsville, PA | Apr. 15, 2012 | 74 |
| Andrew J. Nafzinger, Souderton, PA | Apr. 19, 2012 | 85 |
| Dorothy Wentzel Kulp, Reading, PA | May 3, 2012 | 77 |
| Kenneth Lloyd Brendlinger, Green Lane, PA | May 3, 2012 | 87 |
| Bert Raymond Culp, Clayton, Del. | May 15, 2012 | 69 |
| Richard A. Kulp, Kenwood, CA | June 1, 2012 | 74 |
| Dorothy M. Kulp Wenhold, Lansdale, PA | June 5, 2012 | 90 |
| Robert W. Kulp, Pennside, PA | June 6, 2012 | 97 |
| Harry R. Culp, Roxborough, Phila, PA | June 14, 2012 | 69 |
| Jean Hunsicker Tice, Souderton, PA | June 21, 2012 | 81 |
| Sandra S. Kulp, Reading, PA | June 2012 | 72 |
| Lester L. Halteman, Souderton, PA | July 6, 2012 | 79 |
| Irwin James Wier, West Reading, PA | July 8, 2012 | 91 |
| Bonnie Dyer Kulp, Pottstown, PA | July 18, 2012 | 64 |
| Shirley M. Walker, Quakertown, PA | July 23, 2012 | 80 |
| Robert Kenneth Kulp, Gilbertsville, PA | July 30, 2012 | 71 |
| Dorothy Van Landeghem, Franconia Twp, PA | | 104 |
| Virginia Ann Miller, Limerick Twp, PA | Aug. 21, 2012 | |
| Esther M. Kolb, West Brandywine, PA | Aug. 23, 2012 | 89 |
| John Joseph Schlager, Pennsburg, PA | Aug 24, 2012 | 74 |
| Mary Catherine Kolb, Bethlehem, PA | Aug. 25, 2012 | 92 |
| Nan Shoemaker | Sept. 12, 2012 | 92 |
| Arlene K. Landis, Souderton, PA | Oct. 5, 2012 | 83 |
| Richard P. Laudenslager, Quakertown, PA | Oct. 11, 2012 | 82 |
| Samuel W. Kulp, Lititz, PA | Oct. 12, 2012 | 86 |
| Kevin S. Kulp, Bensalem, PA | Oct. 19, 2012 | 47 |
| Luther John Kulp, Salisbury Twp, PA | Oct. 20, 2012 | 76 |
| John C. Kulp, Allentown, PA | Oct. 23, 2012 | 53 |
| Aurelia M. Kulp, W. Brandywine, PA | Nov. 6, 2012 | 87 |
| Michael Erik Kulp, Walnutport, PA | Nov 17, 2012 | 12 |
| James F. Smith, Pennsburg, PA | Nov. 23, 2012 | 78 |
| William C. Culp, Bellefonte, PA | Nov. 26, 2012 | 90 |

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|---|---------------|------------|
| Joseph S. Kolb, Norristown, Malvern, PA | Dec. 3, 2012 | |
| Jeanette Kulp Dunkelberger, Sinking Springs, PA | Dec. 6, 2012 | 85 |
| Robert L. Culp, Blue Bell, PA | Dec. 7, 2012 | 87 |
| J. Russell Kulp, Lititz, PA | Dec. 8, 2012 | 84 |
| Louise L. Kulp, Barto, PA | Dec. 11, 2012 | 86 |
| Lauretta M. Kolb, Lafayette Hills, PA | Dec. 12, 2012 | 97 |
| Anna Troxel, Souderton, PA | Dec. 18, 2012 | 84 |
| Robert Henry Kolb, Schwenksville, PA | Dec. 28, 2012 | 89 |
| Homer Hetrick, Zionsville, PA | Dec. 31, 2012 | 87 |
| James L. Nace, Long Pond, PA | Dec. 31, 2012 | 63 |
| Elizabeth Cassidy, Lansdale, PA | Jan. 13, 2013 | 90 |
| Miriam Swartley, Goshen, Ind. | Jan. 16, 2013 | 97 |
| Donald Albert Kolb, Marshall Twp, PA | Jan. 25, 2013 | 81 |
| Ronald J. Kulp, Uwchland, PA | Feb. 22, 2013 | 81 |
| Brian Kulp, Franconia Twp, PA | Feb. 25, 2013 | 53 |
| Elwood H. Kulp, New Hanover Twp, PA | Mar. 2, 2013 | 88 |
| Sandra E. Kulp, Denver, PA | Mar. 4, 2013 | 69 |
| Leona Romig Kulp, Birdsboro, PA | Mar. 11, 2013 | |
| Hazel Wismer Kulp, Eagleville, PA; Penn State, PA | Mar. 12, 2013 | 105 |
| Arthur Wayne Kulp Sr., Allentown, PA | Mar. 14, 2013 | 75 |
| Harold R Kulp, East Coventry, PA | Mar. 21, 2013 | 86 |

(Executive Member Since 1994)



We appreciate receiving the names sent to us for the "Memoriam List". Since we do not have access to all the newspapers that our mailing list area covers, we would like you to help keep the memorial list current. We welcome any notices of Birth or Marriages that have occurred in your family. Please send the information to our secretary, Ruth K. Oberholtzer, 209 S. 5th St., North Wales, PA 19454.

We also thank Jennie Sperling, Robert Hunsicker and Ross Gordon Gerhart III for sending us names for our "In Memoriam".