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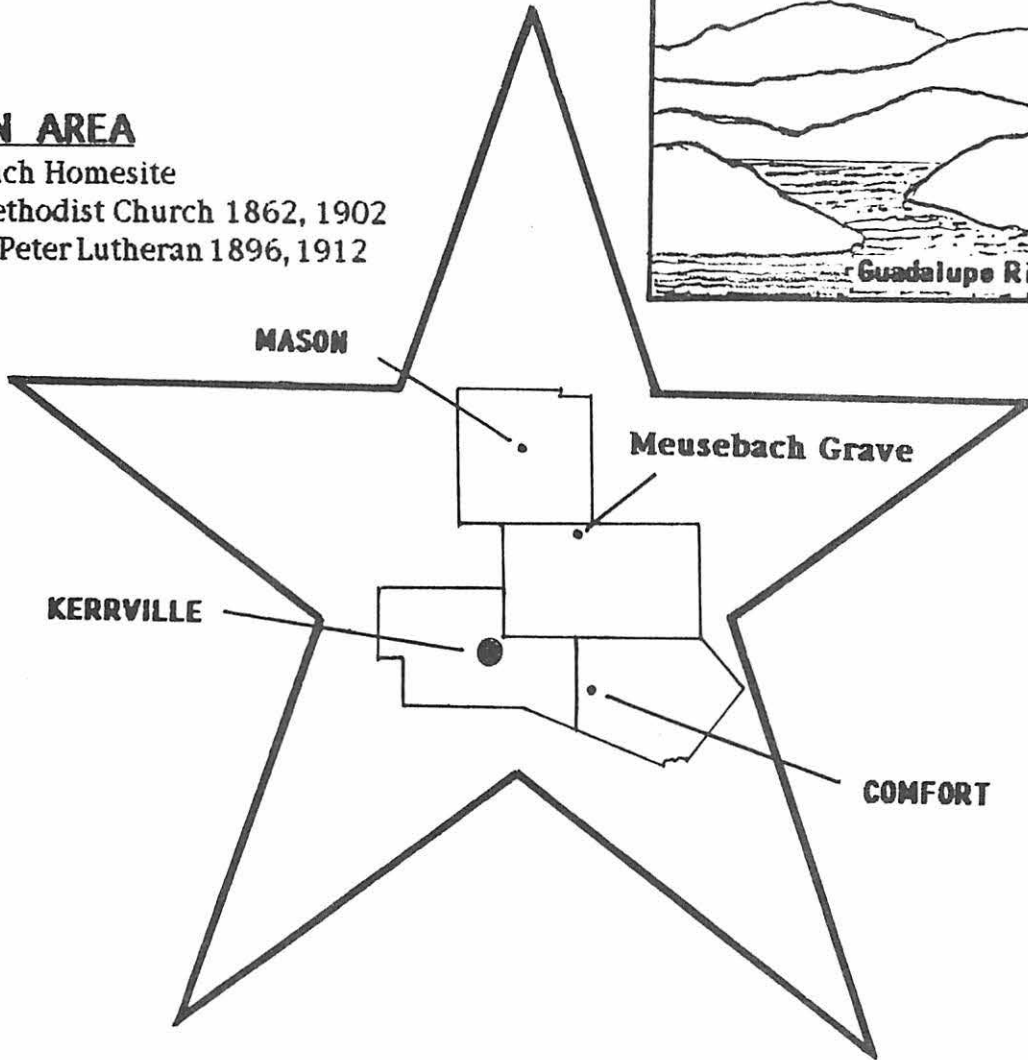
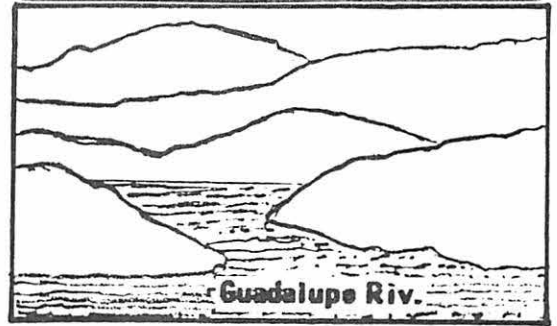
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## "The Germans in the Hill Country"

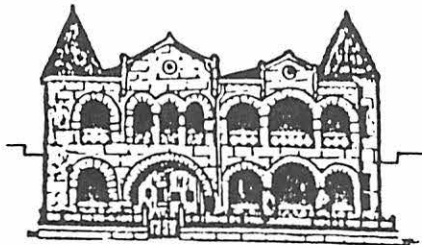
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Meusebach Homesite  
Hilda Methodist Church 1862, 1902  
Doss--St. Peter Lutheran 1896, 1912



### KERRVILLE

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**President's Notes:**

The annual meeting in Lubbock this past September was highly successful. Dr. Meredith McClain and her helpers assembled an excellent program that highlighted the richness of German-Texan heritage in the Texas Panhandle. For our members who could not attend, The Journal will reprint over the next issues some of the papers presented in Lubbock. I also want to point out the West Texas hospitality, the beautiful blue sky and sunshine, and the chuck wagon lunch on the Civic Center grounds. Concurrent, as well as in tandem, with our meeting were two other events in town, the Cowboy symposium and a Buddy Holly's birthday. The last two events drew many visitors from Germany who were also guests at our functions. - The enthusiasm for the meeting in Lubbock generated some talk of return there in the future. - During our business meeting in Lubbock a new slate of GTHS-officers were nominated and elected: Rodney Koenig for president, Patsy Hand for vice-president and Arliss Treybig for secretary. On January 1, 1997, they resume the offices, respectively, of W. M. Von-Maszewski, Helgard Suhr and Fredericka Richter-DeBerry. - As my term of office come to an end, I want to thank the members for allowing me to serve them for the past four years. It has been a rewarding experience. In the new year I will still be actively involved with GTHS as I serve out my last year on the board. But even then, there are GTHS-related research projects that will keep me busy for a while: The Texas Diary of Prince Solms, The Civil War Letters of a German-Texan in Waul's Texas Legion, and German Immigrant Ships to New Orleans, 1865-83. As I wind down my term as your president, Governor George W. Bush has appointed me to the nine-member committee on the Texas Historical Records Advisory Board. Its mission is to promote awareness of historically valuable records through education and training

As we approach the end of 1996, it is time to renew our memberships for 1997. You may also want to consider giving a GTHS membership, as well as one or two of our publications, as Christmas gifts. A membership application and an order form are found in the back of this journal. Membership dues and the sale of our publications enable GTHS to inform about and to preserve the German-Texan heritage.

*Ich wünsche Ihnen ein frohes Weihnachtsfest und ein gesundes und angenehmes neues Jahr.*

**Members write:**

...Since 1995 I looked for the grave of Crescentia Augusta Booz who died in Bastrop. ... Mrs. Christa Prewitt located the grave in the Fairview Cemetery in Bastrop. ... I was perplex[ed] in what short time she found the grave. ... I am very thankful to her, ... For me it was wise to [turn] to GTHS because of their qualified and helpful members.

Wilhelm Ulrich Fischer  
Krumbach/Hürben, Germany

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I joined the Society in hopes that I might discover some information about my German ancestors. Unfortunately, I seem to be the only descendant who belongs to the Society. So, I have given up on that and now concentrate on learning what I can about the *early times* of my ancestors. The Society has been of some help here and I am in hopes that [it] can assist me further in this endeavor .....

My ancestors came at 4 different times - 1846, 1850, 1851 and 1860. All sailed from either Bremen or Hamburg and landed in Galveston. From there, they went to Houston, Fayette County and Washington County (all ending up in Fayette County). I am interested in learning the general ocean route, what they went through on arrival at Galveston (was there a Customs or Immigration Service process back then?), how they traveled from Houston to Galveston (the article on the Berings in the current Journal certainly helped here!), how they traveled from Galveston to Indianola and thence inland, how long these latter journeys generally took, etc.....

...It seems that this would be a worthwhile research project for the Society. I know it would be of great interest to me, as I am composing a 'family story' from the facts I have uncovered and this part at the present is pure guesswork on my part.

If I have missed these points somewhere, would deeply appreciate someone pointing them out to me. If I haven't missed them, would deeply appreciate the Society relaying them to its members.

Thanks for your help (and the many Society articles).

James D. Morgan  
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**Fröhliche Weihnachten  
Y'All!**

*Celebrate at the  
German Texan Heritage  
Headquarters  
on*

**Saturday, December 14**  
*from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm*

★  
**Musical Entertainment**  
**St. Nikolas**

**Christmas Market**

*Homebaked Cookies, Handcrafted  
Ornaments, Imported Items  
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**Y'ALL COME!**



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## **AN INVITATION TO "FROEHLICHE WEIHNACHTEN Y'ALL"**

**As you begin your plans for Christmas, be sure to include on your calendar a visit to our State Headquarters, the German Free School. You will be able to meet as others did last year, "the Man of my Dreams" - Saint Niklaus as well as see the wondrous things we have done to make your experience memorable. The parlor will be decorated as many Omas did in the 1920's and we are working on a new Central Texas addition to the scene under the Studio tree - a replica of the oldest Lutheran Church in Texas. Our displays and entertainment will be something for both young and old alike.**

**This year's celebration, "Froehliche Weihnachten Y'all" will be open for you, your family, and friends to visit starting December 9th through December 12th. The historic GTHS headquarters building (507 E. 10th) in Austin will be open from 1 to 4 p.m. for viewing of our German and German-Texan displays and decorations. Special events, including a visit from "our German speaking St. Niklaus", musical entertainment and presentations are being planned for the Open House on December 7th (Saturday) from 2 to 5 p.m. and the Christmas Market, from 9 to 5 p.m. on December 14th (Saturday). The Market will feature homemade cookies, made using some of our members family recipes passed down from their Omas. We will also have stollen, cookbooks, and import items such as steins and various shaped glass Christmas ornaments. Handmade items such as German foil tree ornaments, feather trees, German style dolls, Bavarian painted boxes, Advent wreaths and German-Texas peasant dresses will be some of the many items available for you to purchase.**

**Remember, Saint Niklaus is starting to make his list and if you don't want to get a potato, piece of coal or stick, then please plan to come visit him and get your candy cane. He would really love to see you, for we are all children in his eyes.**

**Please call 512-482-0927 for more information, group tours, and handicapped access. Come and let us share with you, through our mutual culture and heritage, the happiness and joy of this season!!!**

**Connie S. Krause  
Head Elf**



## German-Texan Heritage Society Membership Survey

The 1996 Membership Survey of the German-Texan Heritage Society was sent with the *German-Texan Brief* newsletter at the end of May, 1996. The rate of return was a healthy 20% , with 231 of the 1153 listed members responding from Texas and other states. The survey was designed to reach out to the membership to gain information and opinions that could help in future planning. My report is a brief analysis of those responses that pertain to the master planning process.

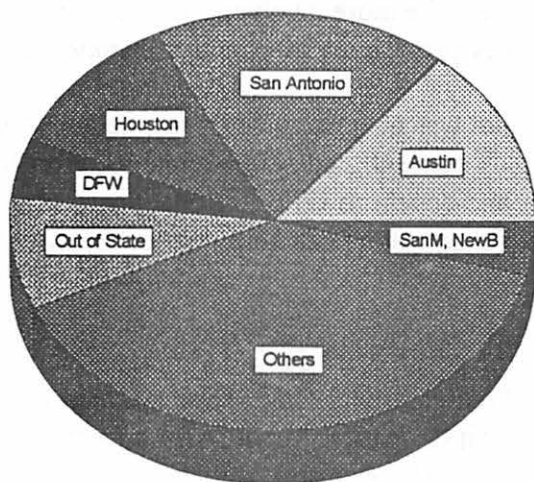
The information returned gives certain valuable insights. Questions were inserted to help with planning for the Annual Meeting (Questions 5, 6, and 7.) Questions 12 and 13 gave members and opportunity to show interest in serving on the Board and as volunteers. Answers to Question 8 provides a good list of other associations connected with German cultural heritage and members who are contacts. These responses can be tabulated and kept on file for several years to use for membership and program contacts.

The added comments and suggestions are often revealing and sometimes very helpful, as that from the member who said "Thanks for giving me the chance to comment." - or " Establish an effective media P.R. Director to promote Texas German culture - be bold."

The next step is to give the members feedback in the next newsletter on the results of the survey. For example: where the responses originated, who won the prizes, some pertinent comments from members! Tell members why their response is so important. Use graphs.

Half of the responses came from the larger population areas, predominantly from those areas most concerned with German heritage. Of the larger population areas, members from San Antonio returned 42 surveys, Austin 33; as part of that corridor, there were 9 responses from San Marcos and New Braunfelds (SanM, NewB.)

**Membership Response Locations**



Houston members sent 26 returns; Dallas Fort Worth (DFW) 11. The other half of the returns, totaling 90, originated from many smaller towns and rural areas around Texas with 20 out-of-state returns. The answers are from the people who chose to return surveys, which is not a demographically representative sample of the membership. However, a breakdown of geographical location of GTHS' membership base has a correlation with that of returned surveys. Even though the greater population in Texas has migrated to the cities, GTHS has a loyal membership scattered throughout a large geographical area in smaller

communities. Many members indicate that they cannot volunteer, go to annual meetings, etc. because of their age or distance from events. You want to keep these loyal members, but still reach out to a younger generation. Program and membership development should take this dichotomy into account.

Why did you join the German-Texan Heritage Society?	Number of Responses
To help preserve German culture in Texas	141
Genealogical/research information	107
Subscription to <i>The Journal</i>	99
To meet others interested in German-Texan culture	87
Annual meetings	22
Educational programs	19
Interest in preservation of German Free School	14
Social events	14

Totals summarize the top three choices from respondents addressing this question.

The high numbers on the first choice indicate that your mission statement is right on the mark. Members identify with the broader purpose of preserving German culture in Texas. Emphasize that overall mission in soliciting new members as well as when communicating with the existing membership. The large response on "To meet others interested in German-Texan culture" indicate that socialization and contact with others with a common interest is very important. An outreach in this direction could be a key to the growth of GTHS.

As for specific reasons as to why people joined, the largest number indicated the genealogical and research information and the subscription to the *Journal*. *The Journal* provides outreach to those members who stay at home or those who choose to be more involved. It goes without saying to keep up the good work in these areas, as they provide the baseline for membership.

Interest in preservation of the Old German Free School was minimal. Most respondents had not been to the site. A few did not know about it at all. A concentrated public relations effort to make all members aware of its significance, history, and benefit to GTHS as headquarters, a repository for collections, and a center for German-Texan culture can help with obtaining support for development efforts.

To acquaint people with the preservation plans and the potential of the Old German Free School, it might be valuable to plan "San Marcos Day" or "Fredericksburg Day", "San Antonio Day" in Austin, particularly when you have an interesting exhibit or speaker. Invite members of other German-Texan organizations from these areas for a day. These efforts could be carried out by the Guild, with the help of Board members in those geographical areas.

**Rank GTHS's existing programs and services according to their importance to you. 183**

<b>Programs</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>First Choice</b>	<b>Second Choice</b>	<b>Third Choice</b>
<i>The Journal</i>	184	146	26	12
<i>German-Texan Brief</i>	123	25	61	36
Book Publications	106	13	56	37
Genealogical Workshops	63	15	13	34
Annual Meeting	56	22	17	17
Speakers	28	9	10	9
Special Exhibits	8	1	2	5
Family Events	8	4	1	4

Table represents the top three choices of respondents.

Of GTHS' current programs, the outreach of the publications to the far-flung membership, along with their content and focus, touches the most members. *The Journal* is the first choice in importance to the most members, with the newsletter highest ranking as a second choice. Since the book publications are so important to the membership, GTHS might be able to enlist members' assistance in placing the books for sale in their region of the state, particularly to members of the other organizations connected to German cultural heritage.

Again, those closer to the headquarters had more interest in speakers, special exhibits, and family events. Some of these programs, given sponsorship and other financial backing, could be taken to other regions. The Annual Meeting, which is held in various locations statewide, generated more response.

Following are examples of comments from the survey:

"Would like to have area chapters to get members more active in the GTHS at the local level. This could be a stepping stone for future GTHS leaders."

"Expand society as umbrella for smaller regional groups."

"I look forward to receiving each *Journal* and newsletter."

"Improve *Journal* and make it quarterly."

"Make German articles in the *Journal* bi-lingual for those of us who are interested, but cannot read German."

"Classes or workshops on how to use the computer for genealogy research."

Some added that their "interest was to help preserve the spoken German language."

**What do you think the German Free School building can provide for the German-Texan Heritage Society?**

	Total	First Choice	Second Choice	Third Choice
Headquarters	110	97	7	6
Research/Study center	89	25	51	21
Expanded library	58	3	20	35
Culturally-specific exhibits	33	4	6	23
Visitor Center	32	8	15	10
Meeting space	24	4	10	10
Space for events (incl. wedding)	9	1	5	3
WEB Site	6	3	2	1

Table represents the top three choices of respondents.

The overwhelming first choice was as a Headquarters. A large number indicated Research/Study center as the second choice. The expanded and improved library is a part of the research/ study concept. In generating support for the GFS, give strong consideration to promoting these benefits for all members.

Use of the GFS for culturally-specific exhibits and as a visitor center generated more interest than its use for meeting spaces or events. These choices reflect the fact that most out-of-town respondents do not have opportunities for meetings and events at the Austin location. It is obvious that they want to use the house as a symbol of German-Texan pride and culture. Even those members who could not get to the GFS took the time to express their interest in its use.

The WEB Site was definitely last on the list. This lack of interest in many cases could reflect the age of respondents or a lack of understanding of its concept or value. One respondent, however, said with an exclamation point, that the WEB was absolutely necessary. Respondents from out-of state showed interest in the GTHS WEB. Undoubtedly, research should begin on the design, cost, and operation of the GTHS WEB. GTHS has access to the St. Edwards Management Team. There is the possibility of UT involvement, to say nothing of approaching one of the many computer-related companies now established in Austin.

The charge to the governing body of GTHS is to look at the present situation and at the future of the organization and make those decisions which will assure its continuance and growth - a charge which the GTHS Board takes very seriously. Feedback from the membership should be a component of the decision-making, but the final analysis rests with an involved and informed Board.



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Dear Mr. Von-Maszewski:

When I recently spoke to Ms. Theresa Gold in San Antonio and Ms. Teresa Chavez in Austin, both suggested that I contact you about a project that may be of interest to your membership. I am writing because of the German-Texan Heritage Society's interest in building pride in the heritage of the German-speaking settlers who made important contributions to Texas culture.

The project concerns the history of ophthalmology in Texas, in which Germans played an important part. Several years ago we began to accumulate information on early Texas ophthalmologists and were able to interview a number of older ophthalmologists who had contributed significantly to specialization in this field. Library research carried out in conjunction with the interviews subsequently uncovered the unique nature of ophthalmology in this region and the role of Germans in its development. Modern ophthalmology started in 1850 with the invention of the ophthalmoscope, and its discovery coincided with the coming of ophthalmology to Texas. German farmers who arrived as the area recovered from a cholera epidemic not only managed to extend the frontier with permanent settlements, but transferred European science here at a time when heroic medicine and quackery were rife. A German physician, Dr. Ferdinand Herff, performed the first operation for cataract in Texas at San Antonio, and German doctors were among those responsible for establishing early medical institutions in South Texas. Others established a climate of creativity and medical excellence, and were among those who went abroad to complete their training in ophthalmology at a time when German science led the world. After World War II, the German experience in Texas ophthalmology is again significant with the growth of regional interest and development in aviation medicine. The history of ophthalmology is also intertwined with a number of other interesting events including the history of Mexican-American relations, links between military and community institutions, the oil-driven population boom, the growth of the Texas medical schools, and research advances arising from the national space program centered in South Texas. Our objective is to produce a book-length work that will emphasize the remarkable and positive historical relationships between German and American ophthalmology, particularly in Texas, and that will discuss social and cultural as well as scientific and medical aspects of ophthalmology's development in the region.

This work will update and substantially improve our understanding of regional medical history. Few studies after P.I. Nixon's *Medical Story of Early Texas* and the nineteenth-century classics have documented medical history in the Southwest. Of particular interest to Texas historians and historians of medicine, this book will also be of considerable interest to German historians, military historians, ophthalmologists, historians of science, institutional historians, and those who wish to learn more about the development of American efforts in space. It will provide a helpful tool for library reference departments and a useful textbook for educators.

Research has already been completed on relevant Texas history including the German contribution to ophthalmology, and additional research is underway on the military and space-related background of the story. Further research and writing are needed, however, to complete the manuscript while outstanding early ophthalmologists are still alive and important records are available. It will cost about \$45-50,000 to accomplish this task, of which we have raised approximately \$14,000 so far.

I hope to be able to dedicate this book to a great Texas ophthalmologist, John L. Matthews, MD, who died last year after a long and distinguished ophthalmic career in San Antonio. Jack had a great interest in history and was aware of the importance of historic lessons from which we can all learn. He was also involved intimately with the development or origination of many groups and organizations in South Texas dealing with ophthalmology, including the Texas Society to Prevent Blindness, the Texas O&O, the Texas Ophthalmological Association, the Lighthouse for the Blind, the medical school in San Antonio, the initiation of a residency training program at the Robert B. Green Hospital, and regional military training programs in ophthalmology.

I would like to discuss with you the possibility of including an article in the next issue of *The Journal* stressing that ophthalmology in Texas should be a source of pride for Germans and asking for the support of anyone interested in helping us to complete this worthwhile project. You may wish to consider making a contribution from the Society as a whole or may know of particular individuals who would be interested in offering support, all of whom will be listed in the publication. Should it be possible to award us a significant gift, we would be willing to dedicate an entire introductory page at the front of the book to the German-Texan Heritage Society. I will call you some time soon to discuss this request in more detail. Please let me know if you need further information.

I look forward to talking with you. I shall give you a telephone call next week.

Sincerely,

W.A.J. van Heuven, M.D.  
Professor and Herbert F. Mueller Chair

City of Austin



# Proclamation

Be it known by these presents that  
I, Bruce Todd, Mayor of the City of Austin, Texas,  
do hereby proclaim

October 6, 1996

as

## German-American Day

in Austin, and call on all citizens to join me in recognizing that Americans of German descent have had a profound impact on this country's culture, prosperity, and heritage, in recognizing that many German immigrants have chosen Austin to be their home and have made significant contributions to Austin's quality of life in many areas including science, education, commerce, and music, and in recognizing that German-Americans comprise one of the largest ethnic groups within the State of Texas and the German-Texan Heritage Society is headquartered in Austin with the mission of preserving the German cultural heritage of Texas.



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## THE 150TH ANNIVERSARY OF MEUTH HILL

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On November 30th 1846, two young brothers, Andreas Meuth, age 23, and his brother, Franz, age, 20, arrived at the Port of Galveston. Seventy-four days earlier they had set sail from Antwerp, Belgium with 170 other immigrants. The brothers, from Wuerges Germany, made their way to Sandy Creek in the southern part of Bastrop County. Here they built a home and church and craved out a life that must have been inviting to family and friends left behind because many followed them to Texas. By 1856, four more Meuth brothers had joined Andreas and Franz. Meuth Hill was probably the first place many emigrants stopped before continuing on to their destination or building a log cabin of their own. Early records show that many baptisms and marriages took place at Meuth Hill on Sandy Creek.

By 1876, more and more settlers moved into the area around Sandy Creek and Walnut Creek to the west. Meuth Hill could no longer serve all the peoples needs and it was also a long distance for some people to travel. Services were held in the homes around Walnut Creek until a church could be built near what is present day Rockne. Another church community was formed at Brushy Creek, present day String Prairie.

Meuth Hill is located about a mile off Hwy. 535 between the Communities of Rockne and String Prairie. A Celebration is planned for the spring beginning with an outdoor Mass at 12:00 noon followed by a picnic lunch. The Rockne Junge Herzen Saenger will sing hymns in German and English. Everyone is encouraged to dress in turn of the century Sunday best and come by horse back, surrey or Model-T or perhaps, preferably in a four-wheel drive auto.

A definite date will be published later and you may call Marian at 512-303-0028 for more information.

NEW BRAUNFELS:

FEBRUARY 7, 1997

The German American Society will sponsor a Masken Ball at the Knights Of Columbus Hall from 8 to 12 P.M.. The Bohemian Dutchman will play and prizes will be awarded for the best costumes. Tickets are \$6. if purchased in advance and \$7.50 at the door. Advance tickets may be purchased from the New Braunfels Chamber of Commerce, Centex office Center & Lepp Jewelers. Contact Florence Riedel at (210) 625-2760, Helgard Suhr-Hollis at (210) 625-6330 or (210) 606-4684 San Antonio metro number, Elsie Lee Beisenbach (210) 438-3053 Bulverde or (210) 980-2880 San Antonio metro number, Or Frances Copeland (210) 494-2107 San Antonio.



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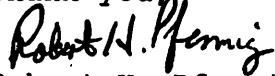
Christ Lutheran Church of El Campo will have a German Christmas service on Sunday, December 15, at 4:00 p.m. The church is located at 1401 Ave I (the corner of Ave I and Empire St., just south of the high school football field).

This will be the fifth annual German Christmas service which is jointly sponsored by the El Campo German Society and Christ Lutheran Church.

The service will include the reading of lessons and singing of Christmas carols in German. The sermon will be in German with an English translation. The choirs of the congregation will present German Christmas music.

Refreshments will be served following the service by the El Campo German Society and the Life and Growth Committee of the congregation. All are invited to attend.

Thank you

  
Robert H. Pfennig  
Pastor

**ANNOUNCEMENT**  
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The San Antonio Liederkrantz Chorus will present its annual Christmas Concert on December 7th, 1996, at 7:30 P. M. in the McAllister Auditorium, 1300 San Pedro at Dewey. The sixty (60) voice male chorus, celebrating 104 years of singing in San Antonio, will perform favorite German and American Christmas music. Tickets are \$ 8.00 and may be obtained by calling 824-3395.

For information contact **Janine Parker**  
210 - 732-5063



# German-Texans hold first Lubbock convention

By ELIZABETH LANGTON  
Avalanche-Journal

Although many people don't realize it, Lubbock and West Texas have strong ties to German heritage. And Meredith McClain is out to prove it.

McClain, who heads the Southwest Center for German Studies at Texas Tech, persuaded the German-Texas Heritage Society for the first time in 18 years to move its annual convention out of Texas Hill Country.

This weekend the group is meeting in Lubbock to soak up the city's German heritage, as well as participate in the concurrent Cowboy Symposium and Buddy Holly Festival. McClain said the location is appropriate because of the literary and personal ties the Lubbock area has to Germany.

German writer Karl May made the area famous to Germans in his novels about the Llano Estacado although he never visited the area, she said. Members of Germany's Karl May Society, who visited Lubbock in April, are awed by the similarities between May's hero and Hank Smith, the first German-Texan settler on the South Plains in 1877, Smith's granddaughter said.

Georgia Mae Smith Ericson, president of the Texas Tech Ranching Heritage Center, lives on Smith's original land in Crosby County. Ericson and McClain have joined

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*"We have become partners in preserving the Llano Estacado."*

**Georgia Mae Smith Ericson**

forces in past years to promote the area's history.

"We have become partners in preserving the Llano Estacado," Ericson said.

At the society's opening reception Friday afternoon, conversations switched from English to German and back to English as about 130 members, local historians and foreign visitors — including 13 residents of Lubbock, Germany — mingled.

"The German (cowboys) appreciate the Llano Estacado and Buddy Holly more than we do," McClain said. "They have been coming to the Cowboy Symposium for four years."

Members of the group from Lubbock, Germany, belong to a cowboy club built and named for this West Texas city about 20 years ago. Ericson had a photo of the group on her table of historical mementos.

"They just love her," McClain said. "We take them out to her canyon, and they think they've died and gone to heaven."



A-J Photo/Elizabeth Langton

**Georgia Mae Smith Ericson, granddaughter of the first German-Texan settler on the South Plains, talks with David Luke at the opening reception Friday of the German-Texas Heritage Society meeting at the Holiday Inn Civic Center.**

Walter Milz, one of the German cowboys, is looking forward to learning the workings of a dude ranch while he's in Texas, he said in German as his girlfriend, Elke Broisch,

translated.

Herman Milz, the group's founder and Walter's father, said through Broisch that he is fascinated by the freedom and romanticism of the cowboy life.

## Old Shatterhand Rides Again: Karl May Festival Heads to Berlin

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It'll be round-up time in Berlin later this month for fans of Karl May's Old West adventure novels. The Karl May Archive in Göttingen (Lower Saxony), keeper of the flame for the wildly successful and endlessly popular writer, announced on July 4 it will be holding its annual Karl May Festival in Berlin this year for the first time ever. The decision, archive officials say, comes in tribute to the fiftieth anniversary of the founding of the CCC (Central Cinema Corporation) stu-

dios in Berlin, the studios responsible for 17 film adaptations of May novels. The festival will feature studio tours as well as a gala celebration with CCC founder Artur Brauner, who sat in the director's chair for a number of the May films, and a host of German show-biz luminaries.

May (1842-1912) wrote dozens of adventure tales set in exotic locations around the globe, especially the western United States, that continue to win countless enthusiastic fans. For

many Germans, May's cowboy hero Old Shatterhand and the noble Indian Winnetou are inseparable parts of their vision of America. Last year, May's "Villa Shatterhand" in Radebeul (Saxony) reopened as a museum, three and a half decades after the government of the German Democratic Republic shut the original May museum there on grounds of May's putatively racist outlook (cf. TWIG 4/21/95, p.7). ■

*The Week in Germany—July 19, 1996*

## The German Spirit of the Llano Estacado in the Year 2000

by Meredith McClain

Hosting the 18th annual convention of the German-Texan Heritage Society in September of 1996 has given us in Lubbock the opportunity to review and document our German roots. From the legacy of the first German-Texan pioneer to settle on the Llano Estacado, Hank Smith of Blanco Canyon, to the family stories of the Heinrichs of Slaton and the Struves of Abernathy, the conference presentations remind us that there is valuable information available on the importance of German heritage in our area.

Through the Southwest Center for German Studies at Texas Tech University many hours of oral interviews with German-Texans of the Panhandle-Plains were gathered on tape during the 1970s and 80s and stored in the Southwest Collection. This important repository is presently being moved into its new building next to the main library. The state-of-the-art facility will inspire researchers and family members to renew their efforts to gather oral histories of the German-Texan communities of our area. Certainly the GTHS convention has done a great deal to raise consciousness of that heritage. The beginnings of a network of interested citizens of German descent is perhaps the most important and lasting benefit of the event for us here locally.

According to Mr. Bruce Cammack's report there is a gold mine of material in the Special Collection of the Texas Tech Library. Researchers need only delve into the letters of the "texanische Freidenker" there to discover important information to share through organization and publication.

More recent history was documented in an opening tribute to the life-work of Professor Ted Alexander. Certainly the enthusiasm Ted exhibited for the Llano Estacado affected all of us who worked with him and it is that legacy which I see personally as the key to events stretching to the year 2000.

In his eulogy to Professor Alexander, Ulrich Goebel, a native of Lübeck, Germany, and long-time resident of verdant Virginia, impressed upon the audience Ted's persistence in recruiting faculty to this dry, flat, brown, dusty place. I had arrived a few years earlier than Ulrich from the beauty of Central Texas and to the dismay of my friends in the Austin area, who had never been out this way, but who had some very bad labels for Lubbock. But after pedagogical disappointments there and in sunny California, I was convinced by Ted's vision of German at Texas Tech. I arrived with my freshly finished dissertation on Hölderlin and embarked on the remarkable and totally unexpected mission of discovering the Llano Estacado and its wide-spread fame in the German-speaking world.

In truth, my career at Tech has taken the same strange turn of a street in Radebeul, Germany, where after several blocks of Hölderlin Street, the name suddenly shifts to Karl May Street. After my years of graduate training at U.T. Austin I had no knowledge of that fictitious character, Winnetou, the Mescalero Apache chieftain, who is better known in Germany than Faust and more revered than Gretchen. How could I have ever seen America's Tarzan, Lex Barker, in his brilliant film portrayal of Winnetou's blood brother, Old Shatterhand, filmed in the 1960s in Yugoslavia? I had heard vaguely of Coronado coming through North Texas in the 16th century and naming our area the Llano Estacado, but no graduate

reading list ever contained Karl May's The Spirit of the Llano Estacado, still a best-selling novel today.

The twists and unexpected turns of my Texas Tech street landed me in Radebeul and Dresden in October of 1993 where I delivered a paper at the 12th International Congress of the Karl May Society. For that audience I presented under the title of "Karl May's Llano Estacado and the Reality Today" something of the visual impressions of my beloved dry, flat, brown, dusty home area, which I showed to close our GTHS convention...and all timed to fit to the music by a German music group named "The Outlaws of Lubbock". My point is always the same: How enriching it is to see our area through German eyes, to learn something of who we are by knowing what another culture secretly conjures up about us.

And so to my surprise, after I invited the members of the 12th International Karl May Congress to visit Lubbock, and they accepted (the 44 places on a Greyhound Bus were sold out within 10 days of the official announcement), I had to become a "ground operator" overnight and build the first in-bound tour in the history of Lubbock for international guests. The success of the two-week "Winnetour" was acclaimed in a 30 page report published by the Karl May Society and was repeated the next year for some key representatives of Karl May festivals and museums in 1996.

Through 15 years of having the Southwest Center for German Studies as my supportive base of investigation and uncharted research, I have been able to give back to my University and to my area of the state a modest amount of money through grants and tourism revenues and an immodest enthusiasm for our future.

My goal is to show ranching families and local musicians the unusual trail I know throughout Germany, to respond soon to the requests of Native American groups wanting to visit that part of Europe which they have heard honors their history so deeply and by the year 2000 to host the first Karl May symposium to be held on American soil.

Sunday, December 12, 1993

# The Llano Estacado: German Perspective

BY DR. H.C. JORG NEHTER  
IN GERMANY, people get very excited when they hear the name Llano Estacado. They have known this name since their youth from reading the Karl May adventure stories. One of his novels, The Spirit of the Llano Estacado, describes one of the last unsettled regions on the North American continent. Long before Karl May, immigrants dreamed of a free "new Germany" beneath the Texas sun. The famous German poet, Hoffmann von Fallersleben, wrote "Deutschlandlied" (the German national anthem), but in 1845 he also published a collection titled, "Texas Songs." In his poem "Stern von Texas" (Texas Star) he writes:  
"Off to Texas! Off to Texas!  
Where the star in a blue prairie  
Hails a new world.  
Each heart burns for justice,  
Love and truth —  
... heart yearns  
many and on April 20, 1842, the Texas Society was founded as a "society of German Princes and Noblemen dedicated to the promotion of German immigrants to Texas," with Prince Carl Solms as its first president. Even if the Texas So- aims could not be entir- filled, given Texas real- were, however, some- activities. For inst- Baron Meusebach Texas Society a rare peaceo- manche i- broken f-



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# 4 German tourists get local welcome

Forty-four German tourists arrived in Lubbock on Monday and attended a reception held in their honor at the National Windmill Project. The visitors are members of the "Karl-May-Gesellschaft," the largest literary society in Germany, with nearly 3,000 members in 30 different countries. They are here to attend the annual meeting of the society in Lubbock, Texas. The group is led by Dr. J. Langen, who is also the director of the Windmill Project. The group is expected to stay in Lubbock for two weeks. They will visit the Windmill Project and the Llano Estacado. The group is also expected to attend a performance by the Fourth Cal. mariachi band. The group will be in Amarillo and then to Kerwell, N.M. "We are very excited to be here. Thank you for the opportunity of this meeting," said Eshard Koch, a geophysicist making his second visit to the Llano Estacado. Meredith McClain, associate professor of German at Tech, organized the group's visit. McClain said she visited Karl in 1985 when she was visiting the society in Germany. "We have clear evidence of international interest in Lubbock," she said. In order to prepare for the group's arrival, McClain established a travel company called "Winnetour," named after Karl May's western. The group is expected to stay in Lubbock for two weeks. "It's very exciting for many of them, this is their first time to America, and their first time to Lubbock."

**Manfred Kaiter: Master Stonemason and Artist on the Llano**

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Before he had reached his teens, Manfred Kaiter had been shot at, buried in a bomb shelter during an air raid, wounded by bits of shrapnel, traded by his family to a farmer for food, and nearly sent to a concentration camp. This master stonemason, artist and proud Texan was born in 1935 and spent his youth in a turbulent and war-torn Germany. Before he could reach Texas, he would endure many hardships and gather enough interesting and dangerous experiences to fill several lifetimes. Like most Germans who lived east of Berlin at the end of the Second World War, he and his family fled westward from the invading Soviet army. Their goal was to reach the Americans, who had not been invaded by the Nazis and lacked the Soviet reputation for brutality and revenge. He, his brave mother and his brothers managed to escape the advancing red army in a harrowing set of adventures which are recounted in a novel entitled *Making a Run for it*, by Larry Thompson. After Manfred and his family escaped the Russian front, they unfortunately found themselves once again in the hands of the Soviets because the Americans agreed to hand over their temporary safe-haven as part of the Soviet occupied sector of Germany. Thus, young Manfred came of age behind the iron curtain. In spite of all this, and interestingly, because of all this, Manfred learned the unique set of skills that has made him a master at his trade and an invaluable contributor to some of the finest construction in Lubbock and the surrounding areas.

Manfred had always been interested in shaping and building things. At the age of four, he and his brother poured plaster of paris down the toilet, and mixed it, thinking they had made glue with some flour. When his brother, Siegfried, stuck his hand in and, to their great surprise, could not remove it, his mother had to get the neighborhood handyman to break him out of the plaster with hammer and chisel. Manfred was fascinated; this was far more exciting than simply mixing glue.

It was particularly the war, however, and the resulting chaos which awakened Manfred's artistic sensibilities and gave him the opportunity to put them to use. While escaping Berlin after a massive air raid, for instance, he walked with his grandfather through the bombed out city. Carefully making his way through the rubble, strange twisted shapes of melted glass and metal caught his eye. They had been formed by the intense heat of the bombing, and he picked them up as he went. He did this despite his grandfather's stern warning that he might touch something dangerous, something explosive. But Manfred could not resist the beautiful and interesting shapes and he never forgot them.

One time Manfred saw what was left of someone's china dishes. They rested on the top of some bricks and had melted so that they partly ran down the bricks as though they had been made of butter. He wanted to pick these up too, but they were too heavy to carry. He had to be content with the thought that he would perhaps draw them some day. A little later he passed a building with a steel girder that had melted from the heat. The strong metal had been meant to hold up the structure, but it was now laid bare and strung out like taffy. One end of it had melted around a brick corner. To this day it is not difficult to see some of this same interest in the fluidity of form at work in some of Manfred's carvings and buildings. In a waterfall that he constructed in a residential area in Lubbock, for instance, one can see it in the way he places the flat stones so that they produce a curved, cascading effect down the banks. Similarly, many of the forms of his carved figures in bronze and stone seem to flow, indeed, almost to melt into one another.

When the war was over, Manfred quickly began to realize the potential of his talent. Many of Germany's cities were in ruins and regular supply routes and sources of food no longer existed. Only the farmers in the countryside who could raise their own livestock and vegetables lived without fear of hunger. By this time, however, Manfred had learned what turned out to be a valuable skill; he had learned to carve wood into little farm animals. These he would trade with the young farm boys for their sandwiches at school. To the consternation of his teacher, he would diligently carve during class time. His teacher, however, quickly became more tolerant of his woodworking because Manfred's hands worked out of sight under his desk. He could carve without looking at the object he was working on and thus continued to pay attention in class. Animals are still a favorite subject for the artist, though his animals have changed somewhat. Now he concentrates on the wildlife of North America.

In another instance of his ability to make use of his talent shortly after the war, Manfred earned his daily bread by creating a carving in stone. While helping a group of workmen gather the broken parts of a statue out of the rubble, Manfred noticed that the thumb of the stone figure was missing. To the astonishment of the workmen, he returned the next day with the thumb. But what was really surprising was that Manfred had made it and not found it. The workmen rewarded him and gave him a job. In this fashion, he helped himself get through some of the toughest times. Today, Manfred's carvings are in the possession of collectors all over the country. Indeed, only a very few remain his possession. As he once remarked in an interview, he has "more trouble keeping art than making it."

It was during the reconstruction of Germany that Manfred entered a trade college and learned the masonry trade. In true German fashion, his teachers taught him every aspect of the craft. They also helped him to appreciate the value of quality workmanship: "If you build it so that it will last 5 years," they told him, "it will last a hundred." It was clear to Manfred that the latter was the real goal. During his apprenticeship, he joined in the rebuilding and restoring of Germany's historic structures. It was an endeavor fraught with challenges. Half-bombed buildings had to be rebuilt, the intricate carved stone reliefs of historic buildings had to be restored, basements had to be reconstructed, and foundations had to be reinforced under existing structures. The list of difficult construction projects was seemingly endless. Moreover, a scarcity of new construction materials and of many building tools complicated the work. Out of necessity, Manfred learned a number of unorthodox, but highly effective tricks of the trade in order to deal with the difficult building conditions. Many of these "tricks"--as he calls them--were invented on the spot and proved to be of great value to him later in Texas. As he told me in an accent which is clearly German and yet tinged with a distinctive Texan melody: "In Germany we had to do things not the normal way. This experience helped me beat the competition later." To this day, Manfred still makes his own tools if he cannot purchase exactly what he needs and takes pride in being able to tackle jobs that other professional masons find impossible to complete. Indeed, even his justification for choosing stone as his favorite medium for his carvings shows his appetite for a good challenge. "I started out carving wood," he told me, "but it was too easy." Later he tried his hand at bronze and this too was an inadequate challenge because one can very readily correct any mistake. But with stone there is only one chance to get it right. Since this material represents a "real challenge," as he sees it, he stuck with it.

Manfred Kaiter's path to Texas began, strangely enough, while he was still a boy in Germany during the war. One day during the first grade, Manfred was playing a game with his classmates. He spun a globe and let his finger randomly land on a spot where--according to the rules of the game--he would someday like to go. His finger landed on Lubbock, TX, a place that he thought sounded exotic and fascinating. This awakened his curiosity and he never forgot the name of the city. It wasn't until 1955 that he escaped to the west, however. By that time his escape had become a matter of some urgency. He had been smuggling blueprints of a Russian air base to the CIA for some time. When his fellow smugglers began to disappear, the CIA helped him escape. Of note from his early years in the U.S. is his work on Sturbridge Village, a well-known recreation of a colonial town in New England. This project helped inspire the creators of the Ranching Heritage Center, a similar outdoor museum in Lubbock. Not long thereafter, a friend helped him make his way to the Llano Estacado where he was destined to stay. A serendipitous detour to Lubbock brought him in contact with his primary reason for settling in Lubbock, the young woman who was to become his wife, Patricia Holly, the sister of well-known Lubbockite Buddy Holly.

Manfred put his unique skills to work in the construction industry in Lubbock. Again and again, he has shown an amazing ability to complete seemingly impossible projects in stone. Although members of the faculty at Texas Tech had claimed it could not be done, he moved the chimneys of a log cabin in one piece to the Ranching Heritage Museum. He also restored the beautiful Hedwig Hill house, a structure named after the wife of Ludwig Martin--a founder of both New Braunfels and Fredericksburg. It is, I believe, appropriate that Manfred Kaiter, a modern day German settler, should be the one to have restored a building which represents the heritage of the German settlers in Texas. Manfred's fine restoration work shows a clear understanding of the aesthetic appeal of these early buildings. It is not only the challenge afforded by a task that attracts this German Lubbockite. What motivates him is the challenge coupled with an artist's fascination with form and the secure knowledge that his creations will last well beyond his lifetime. When he was asked to work on a unique design by Robert Bruno for a round house made completely out of stone, it was these considerations that swayed him. According to the conventional laws of construction, the gracefully leaning stone arches of the house should not be standing. "The engineering professors at Tech should take a look at these," he told me, "they would be surprised; these arches will be standing here a long time."

It is the attention to quality and beautiful form which comprises a large part of the German heritage that Manfred represents for the Lubbock area. Out of the difficulties posed by construction in a war-ravaged Germany and the time-honored German tradition of quality craftsmanship, Manfred Kaiter has created a legacy. This legacy will live on in his art and his masonry work, but also in those who have learned from him. Following a German custom that dates back to the middle ages, Manfred has taught a number of apprentices his trade. Thus, for the Llano Estacado and wherever these apprentices put their skills to work, Manfred Kaiter and his German experiences and values will leave their mark.

**-By Ingrid Fry, Professor of German, Texas Tech. University**

Vienna Woods on the Caprock  
A Tribute to Ted Alexander  
(Abstract)

Ulrich Goebel

I met Professor Ted Alexander first during my on-campus interview in the spring of 1979. I remember vividly sitting in the back of a station wagon in the parking lot of my motel--we had just returned from supper at a local restaurant--when Ted and his wife Bea turned to me and tried to convince me that things were not as bad as they appeared earlier that day, i.e., tried to persuade me to see the world through their eyes.

Two observations stand out from this initial discussion I had with Ted Alexander: firstly, his optimistic resolve, and secondly, the fact that Bea was always at his side, or, depending upon the situation, he at her side, and these observations shall serve as focal points for my remarks. What follows, accordingly, is not a biography of the man, not a compilation of dates and places, of events and experiences, of activities and awards, but a personal snapshot of what I carry with me and of what I am reminded when the name Ted Alexander slips into a conversation, as it so often does. Ted died two years ago, some ten years after his retirement as Professor of German at Texas Tech University. We were colleagues in the Department of Germanic and Slavic Languages, Ted and I, from 1979, the year I arrived at Texas Tech University, to 1984, the year Ted retired.

At the University my office was next to Ted's, and I saw, first hand, what a loving relationship he had with his students and with his wife Bea. I use the word *loving* intentionally, because for Ted, the relationship between teacher and student was, quintessentially, one of a deep and abiding respect, i.e., a relationship fundamentally grounded in a form of love. This love was, for Ted, the *conditio sine qua non*--the essential condition--in his struggle to awaken curiosity and open the minds of our students--a task he redefined daily with a vibrancy and aplomb characteristic of the truly gifted teacher.

Ted was motivated by the more essential, intimate connections between people, because his purpose was to educate students, not to train them, and to educate implies that the connection between professor and student is defined, fundamentally, by attributes such as authenticity and care rather than the traditionally ascribed, stereotypical attributes of authority and fear. And so it was with Bea. The strength of their personal relationship was reflected in how each of them interacted with students and colleagues--an interaction that, in the words of one of his colleagues, "was a give and take--an ebb and flow--between teacher and student rarely seen and more rarely experienced." A student wrote: "I have never known a teacher of the devotion and knowledge, the patience and understanding, the complete willingness to help every student, both in and out of the classroom, that was exhibited in the person of Professor Alexander." He was described as "caring" because, in the words of another student, "he so obviously cared for us, it was easy for us to care about him." He was characterized as open-minded, creative, dedicated and so energetic that he "enticed his students to become actively involved."

Ted was a man who, in the words of his graduate students, "lived his profession, loved people, valued each student as an individual, and thrived on the learning experiences of others." He inspired those around him and coaxed them out of their "philosophical slumbers," as the philosopher Kant would have it, into the world as it is--a world with all of its imperfections and scars; a world, however, in which one still can hear the faint cadences of a Strauss Waltz--in a place far away and from a time long past--still can hear the laughter of a group of people in one of the many *Weinstuben* in the Vienna Woods, if one cares to listen, to really listen to what this man was talking about. In his classes students not only learned "the material," but also gained a personal confidence and maturity that will stay with them for the rest of their lives. It seems to me that the individual growth of our students--and I emphasize both words, *individual* and *growth*--is the epitome to which all of us who stand in the front of others should aspire.

It is most fitting that a tribute to Ted Alexander be given in this setting, a forum for people from Texas interested in things German, because your goals were his goals, your interests his interests. Ted, who left Vienna before Hitler's *Anschluss* and arrived in America in 1938, started his career at Texas Tech University as an Instructor in German in 1947. He created the fertile soil in which the study of the German language, its literature and culture, took root and grew on the South Plains. He accomplished this by transplanting his roots, grounded in a Vienna of street-corner puppet plays and theatrical performances, to the Caprock. He nurtured this transplanted hybrid throughout the decades of his tenure at Texas Tech University--nurtured it in the only way he knew how: by introducing the Vienna of his youth to the Caprock, i.e., by introducing programs such as puppet plays and the German Play, performed by students attending our University, into the departmental curriculum.

When in May 1992 Ted and Bea donated their collection of books and memorabilia to the Texas Tech Library, Ted included the following quotation from Jane Addams in his remarks:

No two people or  
group of people  
can come into an  
affectionate relationship  
with each other  
unless they carry on  
a mutual task.

As far as the Department of Germanic and Slavic Languages was concerned (and as far as I was concerned as Chair of that Department) Ted and Bea's mutual tasks, referred to in the poem above, were most immediately the puppet plays, produced as part of the *Kinderschule* (another program initiated and directed by Ted) and the German play productions.

The *Kinderschule* was established to introduce our future teachers, students at the University, to the art and craft of teaching German. As part of the program, Ted staged puppet plays for the children, and these plays were received with the same wonder and joy here in Lubbock as they were by the young Ted on the streets of his Vienna in the early thirties of this century.

But it was the annual performance of the German play that became the guiding milepost of the Department for several decades. These productions, dating back to 1947, the year Ted arrived on campus, were, in my estimation, the highlights of the curricular programs administered by the Department. Ted directed such plays as *Marat/Sade* by Peter Weiss, *Die Physiker* by Friedrich Dürrenmatt, *Der kaukasische Kreidekreis* by Bertolt Brecht, and my favorite, *August, August, August* by Pavel Kohout.

But there was more! Ted's Austrian roots came to the surface in a number of programs sponsored by the Department. For example, our Summer Study Abroad Program was centered in Vienna for years. In other words, the Austria he carried in his heart, the Austria of puppet plays and theater productions, of Mozart and Strauss, of grand balls and popular dances, of snow-covered mountains and deep valleys, of quaint dialects and regional dress aroused the imagination of our students so profoundly, that a whole new world was opened up to them through this little central European country.

So how do I remember Ted? I remember him as pictured in the accompanying photograph--standing in front of a scene from some play with a smile on his face and a cigar in his hand. So let me end by quoting from a card Bea received from one of his former students after Ted's death: "How do I remember him? I can just see him, bursting into the room--hand inside the belt, arm aloft--shouting his greeting with that Alexander smile. His spirit and enthusiasm lives within each of us whose lives he influenced. He gave us a love not only for German, but for teaching and for life itself."

# Nurturing community's roots

By MONICA PERIN  
Reporter

Karen Quackenbush Herridge has lived all her life in her family's home on Pine Chase. Like a lot of her neighbors, her life is tightly bound to the history of Spring Branch and to its oldest church, St. Peter's United Church of Christ on Long Point.

Today at 43, Herridge draws strength and self-fulfillment from that history in ways she never would have imagined when she was growing up.

Herridge's great-grandparents immigrated to Houston from Prussia, then a part of Germany, in the early 1900s. When her parents married and moved to Spring Branch in the 1940s, it was a rural area some distance from Houston. Long Point was a dirt road running past a small white country church already 100 years old — St. Peter's.

Herridge was baptized at St. Peter's in 1953, and she and her family have been active members there ever since.

At the corner of her street and Long Point, where Ralph's Hardware now stands, Herridge kept her horses, which she rode in horse shows.

Life was "a lot of fun back then," Herridge muses, recalling her pet rabbits and her brother's collection of hog-nosed snakes. She and her two brothers went to school at nearby Valley Oaks Elementary, then on to Landrum Middle School and Spring Branch High School. Herridge worked at the Dairy Queen on Bingle during high school, and that, too, was "fun. My job was making onion rings."

After graduation Herridge worked at Foley's and later on, went to beauty school. She attained her license and worked as a beautician at a number of places.

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Meanwhile, in the mid-1980s, as St. Peter's 140th anniversary approached, someone from the church gave Herridge a box full of old photos and documents from the church's past and asked her if she would go through them and organize them in albums.

This project sparked what Herridge believes was her true calling in life — to be a historian of her community and to bring that history to life for new generations of schoolchildren, many of whom come from other places and know nothing about their new community's history.

Herridge began going to Valley Oaks and other schools, bringing along the old pictures and also bringing members of Spring Branch's pioneer families, so "the children could see what Spring Branch looked like back then" and could also meet, in the flesh, someone whose name is the same as the street outside or the library at the corner. She helped Spring Branch Elementary — the first school in Spring Branch — hold a German dinner.

"The kids are really interested in this," Herridge says, and she "has fun doing it."

The school district eventually turned her materials into a video, with Herridge assisting on the project. And, they adopted her talks as a formal, ongoing program dubbed "Roots and Wings."

Now, Herridge also maintains history albums for several schools — as she does for the church — clipping any newspaper articles that appear about these schools and taking pictures of various school events as well as pictures of scenes around the community.

During the course of her work with St. Peter's on the church's 140th anniversary in 1998, Herridge met Texas popular historian Ray Miller, who came out to do a piece on the church. The two stayed in touch, and three years ago, with Miller's encouragement, Herridge began work on a book of the history of Spring Branch.

About that same time, Herridge began to experience odd muscle twitches and unusual tiredness. Although she didn't pay much attention at first, she had feeling "something was wrong." Eventually, she was diagnosed with multiple sclerosis, and, just recently, with muscular dystrophy as well.

She can no longer work as a beautician, but her work on the book and all her other history projects "keeps me going."

"This work has really helped me through my illness," she says. "There have been a lot of dark days and nights, but something always pops up — like when (school board trustee) Floy Evans asked me to help with ideas for naming the new schools."

Herridge discussed with school board members the history of the land on which the district's two newest elementary schools are located and came up with a list of names related to that history. The board chose Treasure Forest for one of the schools based on Herridge's description of how early families used to bury all kinds of valuables on their land for safe-keeping.

Her top priority now is finishing the book, with which Miller has been helping her. "He laid out a format for me and he read and critiqued my manuscript. He's been so supportive. I've never done anything like this before," she says.

But, she believes she was meant to do it.

"I can't work, but I can reach out to people in this way. And I'm so grateful for all the love and support I've had from the church and from Ray Miller and the Heritage Society. I have a need for all this activity that's going on around me now. Somebody always puts it there for me."

About her illness, she is philosophical.

"I'm still enjoying life. If you give up, you don't have anything."



# Information still needed on a number of county schools

Many old schools in Fayette County have been identified after the first appeal to the public, but there are still many that no one has called about.

Fayette County Judge Ed Janečka said that help is still needed from the public to let his office know where some of these schools were located, dates of their opening and closing and, if that is not known, just someone's name that his staff might call to get that information.

The project is being researched by Carrie Koenig and Debbie Wied.

An appeal is issued for the following schools (an asterisk indicated colored schools with no information):

- Bauch
- Big Bend
- Boeser
- Bridge Valley
- \*Buckner's Creek
- Cecho-Moravan of the Bluff-Hostyn area
- Biegel
- Bethany
- Breeding School
- \*Brown
- \*Cedar

- Cedar Springs
- \*Cistern
- \*Coaxbury
- \*Corinth
- Engle
- Rev. Kerr & Mrs. Steel School
- Fayetteville Male & Female Academy
- \*Flatonia
- Frank Pesek's School in Praha (Mulberry)
- \*Gay Hill
- Gorham
- Halsted
- \*Howard
- Institute
- Jordan
- Kirtley
- \*La Grange
- Lane Pool
- \*Ledbetter
- \*Live Oak
- \*Mount Olive
- O'Quinn
- \*Peach Grove
- \*Pine Grove
- Plum Grove
- Chromcik
- City School
- \*Colony
- County Line
- \*Fayetteville
- \*Flower Hill
- Germania in Ellinger
- Hackebell
- \*Halsted
- Indian Creek
- Ivy School House
- Komensky
- \*La Bahia
- Dr. Shannon's School
- Ledbetter
- \*Lee in Dubina
- Live Oak Hill
- \*Mount Zion
- Oak Hill
- \*Pin Oak Point
- Pleasant Grove
- Posey Chappel

- Post Oak Grove
- Primm
- Rabenau
- Roberson
- \*Rocky Grove
- Ross Prairie
- St. Jerome in Plum
- St. Michael's Luth.
- \*Salem
- \*Schermack
- \*Shiloh
- \*Spring Hill at Willow Springs
- \*Smyrna
- Voelkel
- \*West Point
- Walhalla Speckles School
- Winchester Male & Female Academy
- Post Oak Ridge
- Quade
- River
- \*Robinson
- Romberg
- \*St. James
- St. Mary
- Salem
- \*Sandy Point
- Shatto
- Slovan of Bordevice
- Urwald
- Walker Branch
- Williams Creek

Anyone who has any information, even if it is very little, is asked to please call 409-968-6469. Sometimes the "small information" that is given leads the research work to the place or person who might know exact information.



## First sign placed in Oldenburg

The first sign to recognize a school in Fayette County was placed in Oldenburg at the location of the Oldenburg Public School, 1890 to 1944. Those present were (from left) County Judge Ed Janečka; Leola Tiedt, former school teacher at Oldenburg; Fritz Lobpries, former school superintendent of Fayette County; and Debbie Wied and Carrie Koenig, project researchers. This is an ongoing project and more signs will be placed in the county to designate locations of other schools.

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Record Staff Photo

Leola Tiedt is a GTHS-member. (Editor)

## FIRST CALLED NEW MARTINDALE

Maxwell is a small town but a large community whose history dates back to 1845. On April 13, 1845, a league of land (4300 acres) was granted to Mr. Thomas Maxwell by Anson Jones, the last President of the Republic of Texas.

In 1887, the MK&T Railroad was extended from San Marcos to Lockhart through the area and the town was plotted and laid out by the heirs of Thomas Maxwell. B.T. Wathen was the surveyor and he changed the name from New Martindale to Maxwell in honor of Thomas Maxwell. Lot number 4 was sold to Mr. and Mrs. Gustav Hoffman, Sr. and now belongs to R.G. Maxwell. Lot 5 belonged to C.T. Schawe and is now owned by Martha A. Dismukes.

The first store was named the Watson-Laney Store. Others were opened by Hoffman, Klingeman, Schawe, Pfeiffer and Hartman. The first cotton gin was built by C.T. Schawe, Laney and Wehmeyer. The other two gins were the Schulle Gin and the Martindale Gin. There are no gins in operation now. Maxwell had a private bank from 1907 to 1920 and a State bank from 1920 to 1929.

Laney built the first residence in town, all the other homes being out on farms and ranches.

The earliest families were A. Ulbricht, Montgomery, Hoffman, Schultz, Pfeiffer, Hohlt, Benner, Ewald, Fehlis, Ernst, Erck, and Steiner. Then came Wiede, Schawe, Bartling, Koerbel, Blasing, Mueck, Germer, Schulle, Wackerhagen, Schroeder and many others. The Pfeiffer family came in 1868, the Gus Hoffmans in 1870 and the C.T. Schawe's in 1874.

When some of the large ranches were broken up and settled by farmers after 1870, the social life of the area became much brighter. Church socials, school activities and community picnics were enjoyed by all. Many dances were held in the homes.

The closest Catholic Churches were in Lockhart and San Marcos. There was a Lutheran and a Methodist Church in Maxwell. The Lutheran Church was organized in 1866, under an arbor in the Korbel pasture. (See separate story).

The economic life of Maxwell started with cattle ranches, some open, some fenced. When the farmers moved in, wheat, corn, oats and barley became the principal crops. Then in the 1890's, cotton became the major crop. Fields were cultivated with ox-teams and mules.

The first gravel road was built in 1910 or 11.

The children of Maxwell go to school in Lockhart now, and the big, red brick school

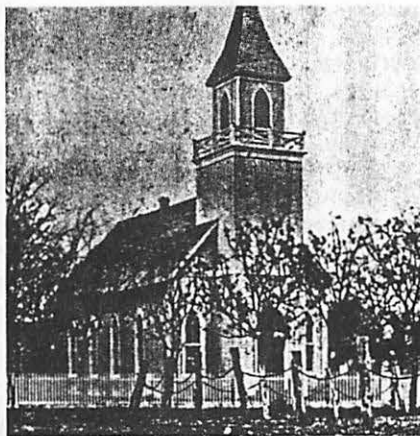
# MAXWELL

building is now a community building, or Social Club where the annual Maxwell Homecoming is held.

The population of Maxwell is about 400 people. *Martha Schreiber*

## EBENEZER LUTHERAN CHURCH

While some Lutherans came to Maxwell, then known as Kegley Hill, from New Braunsfels and Brenham, between 1854 and 1886, religious services were not available before 1885. The first pastor sent out, in answer to a request to the Texas Synod, was Rev. G. Kruezenstein who served the congregation for 11 months in addition to serving San Marcos and Plum Creek, now Uhland. He located 20 families who later became charter members of Ebenezer Lutheran Church. Before leaving, he installed Licensed Candidate C. Aepler on October 15, 1885.



First Church — 1891-1929

Pastor C. Aepler was ordained by the First Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Texas convened May 13-18, 1886 at Yorktown with instructions to organize Plum Creek and Maxwell. Plum Creek residents were opposed to organization, but the Lutherans of Maxwell on June 3, 1886, after Ascension Day Service, proceeded to organize.



New Church — 1924

A resolution passed to have a parsonage ready by October 1, 1886. Theodore Schawe

and Gustav Hoffman donated the necessary land for church buildings, school, and cemetery.

The first council consisted of August Fehlis, president; William Schawe, secretary; Andreas Wackerhagen, treasurer; Ferdinand Wiede, deacon. The council was installed on June 6, and held its first meeting June 14, 1886, at which time the constitution was accepted. On July 4, 16 members (families) signed, and on July 7, two more signed. When President Fehlis and Secretary Schawe signed, the total became twenty.

Outdoor services were held in a tabernacle in P. Koerbel's pasture. Pastor Aepler received a salary of \$150 annually from the Synod and \$150 from Plum Creek and Maxwell. Pastors T.H. Hummel and F. Schwan served from 1887 to 1889.

One of several pastors who came to America from the Mission Center of St. Chrischona in Basel, Switzerland was Rev. J.K. Poch under whose leadership the first small wooden church, dedicated in 1891 and destroyed by fire in 1929, was completed. From 1894 to 1917 pastors were Waedekin, Gus Ide, Weber, and Martin Schwarz.

During WW I the congregation of German-speaking Americans was forced to discontinue German summer school and to limit services in German to one a month. Pastor Ziehe left Maxwell because of threatening letters from the KKK.

In 1923 under Rev. H. Krause, a new brick church of Gothic styling was begun; and on December 14, 1924 the present structure costing \$26,000 was dedicated.

For the 1936 Golden Jubilee, services in both English and German were conducted by former pastors and two sons of the congregation, O. Schawe and H.C. Ziehe.

Through depression and better times the church has continued. At its 60th Anniversary the congregation burned the church mortgage. The Glenvoir school building was purchased, moved, and renovated as an educational building in 1951.

For the 75th Anniversary in 1961 Pastors Otto Schawe and Malcolm Hoffman, both natives, preached. For the 85th Anniversary Pastors Will Rotter and Glenn Bundy officiated. In 1983 the congregation is under the leadership of Rev. Harold Sager. Thus the blessings and ministry of Ebenezer Lutheran move forward.

Source: History of Caldwell County.  
Submitted by Velma Fogle Shurtleff

# Seit 150 Jahren sind Treybig's aus Veilsdorf in Texas

**Das Jubiläum wurde gefeiert - Ein Bericht von Frau Stauffacher aus Schleinikon bei Zürich**

*Ich kann den Blick nicht von euch wenden  
ich muß euch anschauen immerdar  
wie reicht ihr mit geschäftigen Händen  
dem Schiffer eure Habe dar...*

So begann das Gedicht "Die Auswanderer", das wir einst in der Schule gelernt haben.

So oder ähnlich muß es wohl auch unseren fernem Verwandten ergangen sein, die um 1845 in Veilsdorf ihr Hab und Gut verkauften, um in Amerika ihr Glück zu machen. Es war damals eine sehr schwere Zeit in Deutschland. Mit der beginnenden Industrialisierung fiel bei vielen Kleinbauern der Nebenverdienst durch die Leinenweberei weg. Da hatten Werber leichtes Spiel. Sie zogen von Dorf zu Dorf und priesen die Möglichkeiten in der neuen Welt.

Und so ließ sich auch Johann Nikolaus Treybig aus Veilsdorf überreden, mit Frau und Kindern und etwas Habe auszuwandern. Mit vielen Gleichgesinnten traten sie die beschwerliche Reise in das gelobte Land an. In Bremen schifften sie ein, um alsbald schiffbrüchig in England zu landen. Durch den ungewollten Aufenthalt und die lange Überfahrt waren alle Reserven aufgebraucht. Völlig mittellos, der Legende nach nur mit einer Bibel im Gepäck, erreichten sie Amerika. Lange, beschwerliche Fußmärsche durch sumpfiges, unwegsames Gelände folgten, bis sie endlich 1846 ihr Siedlungsgebiet - westlich von Houston - erreichten. Nur wenige schafften es, denn ihre durch all die Strapazen und Entbehrungen geschwächten Körper hatten kaum Abwehrstoffe gegen die vielen neuen Krankheiten. Die Wenigen, die noch übrig blieben, bekamen ein Stück Land zugeteilt. Es mußte innerhalb einer Jahresfrist gerodet sein und eine bewohnbare Behausung aufweisen. Nun war unser ferner Verwandter Bauer und Zimmermann - welche glückliche Kombination - und er schaffte es mit den Seinen. Als Zeugnis steht dieses erste Gebäude immer noch da. Es ist ein Geviert, ca. 20 qm, als Blockhaus aus Eichenbohlen erstellt, Wind und Wetter trotzend.

So nach und nach vergrößerte sich die Familie und wohl auch der Besitz. 4 Nachkommen hatte Johann Nikolaus Treybig, und von diesen stammt die ganze Treybig's-Sippe in Amerika ab. Es sollen mittlerweile 2.000 Nachkommen sein.

150 Jahre sind nun seit der Einwanderung vergangen - ein Grund zum Feiern. Und dazu wurde auch ein Grüpplein der Treybig's aus der alten Heimat eingeladen. 15 Personen waren bereit zu reisen.

Wir trafen uns auf dem Flughafen in Frankfurt. Obwohl wir uns vorher kaum kannten,

The State of Texas,  
COUNTY of *Austin*

LAND CERTIFICATE granting Nicolaus Treybig 640 acres of land in the Fisher-Miller Grant

CERTIFICATE No. *92*

BE IT KNOWN by these presents that I,

JOHN O. MEUSEBACH, Commissioner,

duly appointed and qualified under the Provisions of an Act of the Legislature, entitled "An act supplementary to an act to secure to the GERMAN EMIGRATION COMPANY, and their COLONISTS, the land to which they are entitled, and to adjust the liabilities of said Company," approved 3d of February, A. D. 1834, by virtue of the authority in me vested, *Do hereby Certify* that *Nicolaus Treybig* appeared before me, and openly declared that *before the first of Sept. 1847 he*

was introduced into TEXAS by virtue of the COLONIZATION CONTRACT of H. F. FISHER & B. MILLER with the President of the late REPUBLIC OF TEXAS, and that he was *a married man and the head of a family*

when so introduced, and proved the same facts by two disinterested witnesses, to-wit: *Moritz Treibig and Constantia Stocker.*

Be it therefore known that *he the said Nicolaus Treybig is* entitled to *six hundred and forty* acres of land, for which this is a

CERTIFICATE, to be located on any of the unappropriated territory WITHIN THE LIMITS OF FISHER AND MILLER'S COLONY, according to the act above recited, and the laws which it is a supplement.

In Witness whereof, I have hereunto subscribed my name, at *Industry*

this *twenty fifth* day of *March* A. D. 1854.

*John O. Meusebach*, Commissioner.  
for issuing Certificate in Fisher and Miller's Colony

waren wir uns keinen Moment fremd. Wie eine große Familie traten wir die Reise an und landeten nach 12 Stunden Flug hundertmeile in Houston Texas. Wie groß war die Überraschung, als wir am Flughafen in Houston von einer Gruppe Treybig's mit einem Schild - "Willkommen Ihr Treybig's aus Deutschland" - begrüßt wurden. Alle Müdigkeit war wie weggeblasen.

Am 29.04. war nun das große Treffen. Da kamen etwa 400 Treybig's aus nah und fern, um miteinander und mit uns zu feiern. Es war ein sehr schönes, fröhliches und ungezwungenes Fest. Man sprach deutsch und englisch und mit Händen und Füßen und alles durcheinander. Irgendwie fühlten wir uns verbunden. Wir sangen deutsche Volkslieder und ob all dieser Feierlichkeiten hatten viele Besucher Tränen in den Augen. Wir tauschten Adressen und Geschenke aus und sind nun gespannt, wie sich die Beziehungen entwickeln.

Gemeinsam besuchten wir das bereits erwähnte Haus des Joh.Nik. Treybig und gingen dann zum

Friedhof. Die Grabsteine tragen vorwiegend deutsche Namen. Die vielen Kindergräber aus jenen Zeiten stimmten uns sehr nachdenklich.

In den folgenden Tagen erhielten wir immer wieder Besuche, und wir nahmen Einladungen an. Wir besuchten Farmen und Ranches, die so groß sind, daß man mit dem Pick-Up zu den Tieren fahren muß. Überhaupt - dieses Land ist so groß und weit. Und wird reisten durch die Gegend und fanden Ortsnamen wie Weimar und Rosenberg und Oldenburg und Luckenbach und Fredericksburg usw., und wir trafen immer wieder Leute an, die noch etwas deutsch sprechen. Wie klein und eng müßte ihnen doch unser Thüringen vorkommen.

Wir wechselten noch einmal unseren Aufenthaltsort, um weiter in den Süden zu kommen. Auch dort wurden wir von Treybig's besucht. Sie begleiteten uns ins Museum oder zum Baseballspiel oder gingen mit uns aus.

Sehr schnell hatten wir uns an die texanische Lebensweise gewöhnt. Wen wundert es da, daß uns die Rückreise trotz Cowboyhüten und Baseballmützen recht schwer fiel.

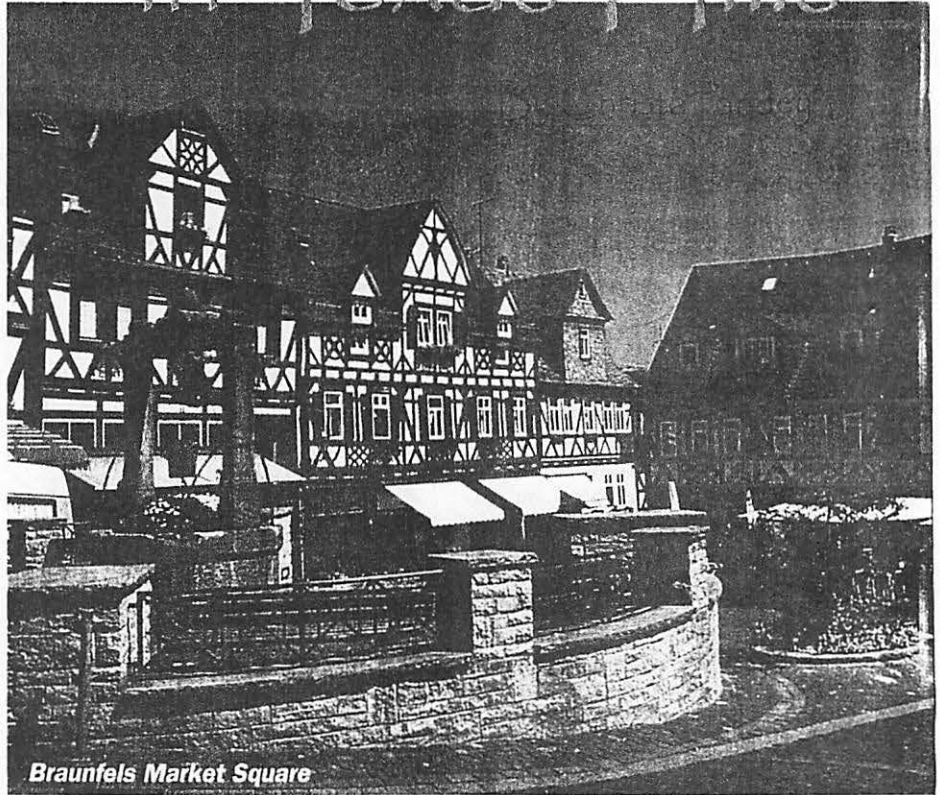
# German Heritage in Texas Hills

They celebrate *Wurstfest*, *Schützenfest*, *Weihnachtsmarkt*, or *Zweite Weihnachten*. Their hotels and restaurants have names like *Faust* and *Oma's*, *Lindenbaum* and *Ausländer*. One hundred and fifty years ago, their forebears founded New Braunfels and Fredericksburg. Though 80 miles apart, these two cities share a unique history that the citizens tell with pride.

Many of their ancestors came to Texas under the auspices of the *Mainzer Adelsverein*, officially known as the *Verein zum Schutze deutscher Auswanderer in Texas* (Society for the Protection of German Immigrants in Texas). Founded by German nobles, the *Verein* was an attempt to resettle thousands of Germans in a new "fatherland." In blind faith, the nobles had secured a land grant on the Llano River from a clever empresario. They discovered too late that it lay hundreds of miles away from the coast in the hunting grounds of the Comanche Indians.

When Prince Carl von Solms-Braunfels attempted to lead the first shiplot of immigrants to the land grant, he needed a way station halfway between the Gulf coast and the Llano River. In San Antonio, he found heirs to a Spanish estate willing to sell him a tract of land called "Las Fontanas" on the Guadalupe River. In March of 1845, he took the immigrants there and founded the city that bears his name. When Texas became a state of the union in December 1845, Solms-Braunfels lost interest in the project and returned to Germany.

His successor as Commissioner-General was Baron Ottfried Hans von Meusebach, a trained administrator. He renounced his title after leaving Germany, and Texans knew him simply as John O. Meusebach. For two years, he tried to straighten out the dismal affairs of the underfunded and ill-informed *Adelsverein*. Pushing 80 miles deeper into the wilderness and encroaching on the Comanches to locate a suitable settlement



Braunfels Market Square

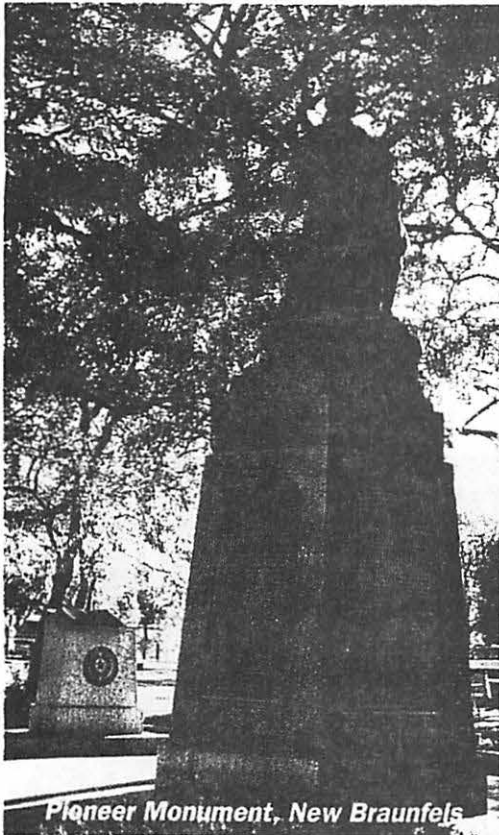
closer to the land grant meant that Meusebach had to negotiate a peace treaty with the hunters, in which he succeeded. By and large, both sides kept their word, and in May 1845, the first 120 people could settle on the Pedernales River. The settlement was named Fredericksburg after the Prince of Prussia, the highest ranking member of the *Verein*.

Usually Germans settled in more familiar climates where others had gone before them, but the Texas experiment called for true pioneers willing to penetrate the untamed wilderness and carve out new living space. They faced a much hotter climate and unknown soils. Their crops were sweet instead of white potatoes, corn instead of wheat, and growing cotton was completely new. But they soon adapted to the vastness of the land and learned how to graze cattle on the open range. Life in the wilderness was not easy, yet, with successful harvests on fertile soils, the settlers prospered.



At the New Braunfels Wurstfest





Pioneer Monument, New Braunfels

### New Braunfels

Just below the Balcones escarpment of the Edwards Plateau, New Braunfels is connected to Austin and San Antonio by Interstate Highway 35. The city has moved briskly into the modern age. New buildings mingle with historic ones even downtown.

Keeping a heritage alive becomes harder with each passing generation, and wars with the mother country don't make it any easier. The 100th birthday of New Braunfels collided with the end of WWII, not an auspicious time to revive the German heritage. For some time, speaking German was even *verboten*.

Yet, the search for roots in the 1960s brought an awakening to New Braunfels, which led to the creation of the Conservation Society. Numerous buildings, falling victim to progress, could be saved on Conservation Square at the edge of town. During *Mai Fest* (May festival), the square comes alive when heritage-

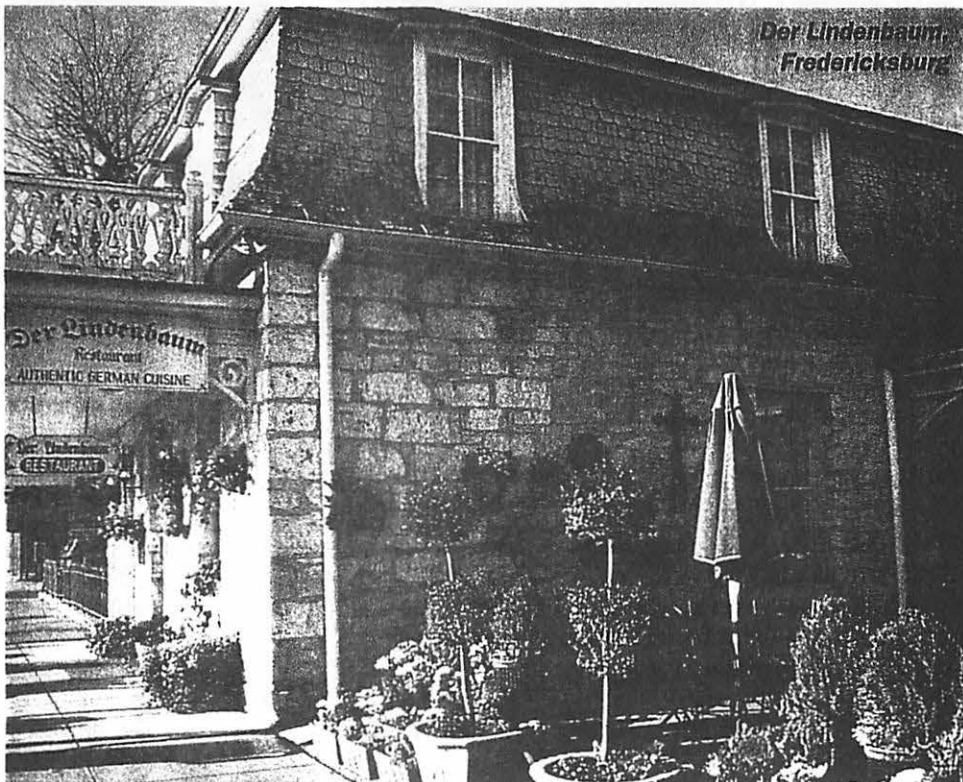
conscious volunteers turn back the clock and relive the life of their ancestors. Even old skills like soap and wine-making find a revival. And during *Wurstfest* (sausage festival) in early November, the historical society mounts an impressive exhibition in the convention hall. During the rest of the year, Sophienburg Museum, on the site of the first *Verein* buildings, becomes the treasured repository of the past.

Stroll to the little house at the edge of Comal Creek for an instructive glimpse at an original settler's life. It was the home of botanist Ferdinand Lindheimer, who had come to Texas in the 1830s but settled in New Braunfels with the first immigrants. Intrigued by the unknown flora, he vigorously collected and identified plants, and to this day, many Texas plants carry the Latin appendix *lindheimerii*. But more important to the settlers was his second career. As one of the early intellectuals, Lindheimer started a newspaper in 1852 and was its editor for 20 years. The *Neu Braunfelser Zeitung* was published in German into the 1950s and later in English until its merger with the *Herald*.

The more commercial aspects of German heritage come to the fore at *Wurstfest* with lively oom-pah music, dancing, and feasting on sausage and *Kraut*. The German settlers, in contrast to their meat-drying neighbors, had brought to their new home *Wurst* as a means of meat preservation. This proud heritage is carried on in two sausage factories, the main purveyors of the fest. Organized by a group called "The Opas" in *Lederhosen* and *Gamsbart* hats, *Wurstfest* has distinctly Bavarian overtones.

A recent addition to the old German town is the Hummel Museum, founded by Sieglinde Smith, who as a child in the 1930s was one of the models of sister M. I. Hummel.

If, during the blistering summer months, you find yourself hot from walking around, you can cool off at the wet and wild water slide, the *Schlitterbahn*.



Der Lindenbaum, Fredericksburg

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For information, contact: Chamber of Commerce, PO Box 311417, New Braunfels, TX 78131-1417, Tel. (800) 572-2626.

**Fredericksburg**

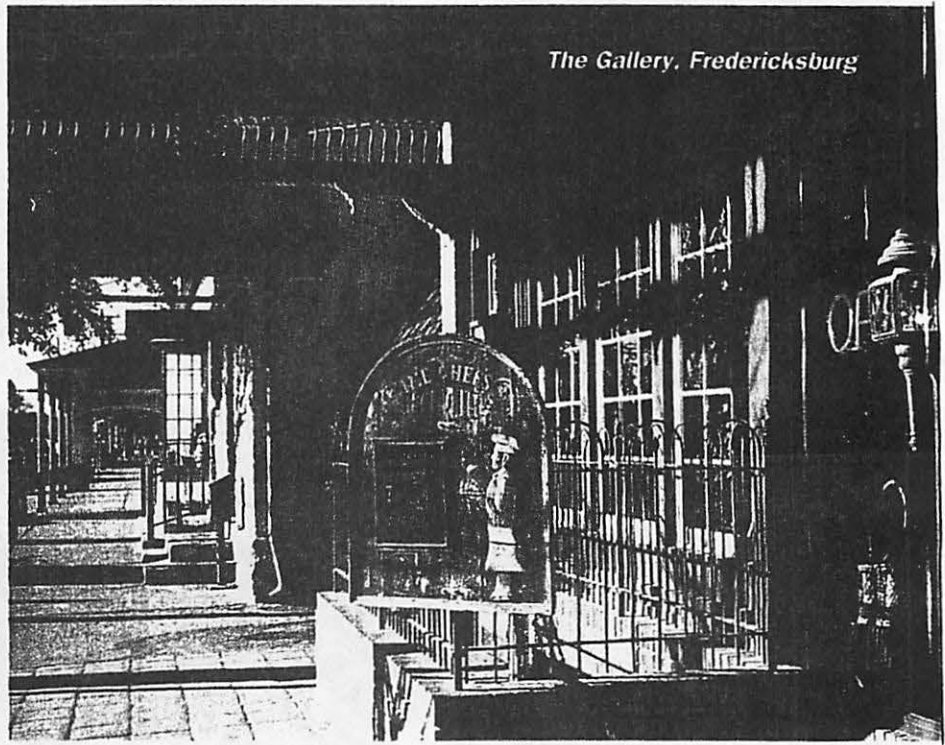
Hidden in the hills away from the main traffic routes, Fredericksburg treasures its connection to the past. Strolling down any street, you can't miss the historic plaques on almost every other building. Strict ordinances assure that valuable older buildings don't disappear in the rush for progress. And quite a few historic residences are enjoying creative reuse as Bed & Breakfast establishments.

A few blocks away, the past becomes the present in Henry Kanunlah's general store. Shelves full of jars, crocks, and canisters of times gone by sit next to tailoring implements and rows of dainty ladies' lace-up boots. Together with a barn, cabin, and a Sunday house, the old store-pioneer museum throws a revealing light on the hardships of "the good old days."

On San Antonio Street you will find several more Sunday houses, quaint little structures unique to early Fredericksburg. Because the settlers were given small city lots and sizable acreage in the country, many built homes on the farm but for church, shopping, and visiting, came to town in their surreys and wagons. So the wealthier settlers built two-story cottages, with a main room and kitchen downstairs and a sleeping loft, accessible

the Texas Hill Country supplies Fredericksburg merchants with quality crafts, unique clothing, and decorations, while antique shops draw on the craftsmanship of their predecessors. But beware of tired spouses who may not want to visit every enticing store. They may find more pleasure in a *Biergarten* or want to rest their tired feet over a bowl of *Gulaschsuppe* at the Lindenbaum. Reserve the evening for a visit to the fine, turn-of-the-century Gallery restaurant with a more international fare.

Many smaller Hill Country communities between New Braunfels and Fredericksburg have German roots and are also worth a visit. Some are the old cotton town of Gruene near New Braunfels, Sisterdale with the Sister Creek Vineyards, Boerne, and Comfort.



But Fredericksburg's most historic building is not original. The Vereinskirche, built in 1847, was once the center of town and Main Street. After 50 years as a church, fort, community hall, and school, it fell to a street widening. In the 1930s, it was reconstructed nearby on Pioneer Plaza. This unusual, octagonal building (lovingly dubbed *Kaffee-mühle*, "coffee grinder") now houses the archives of the early settlers, a copy of the Comanche treaty, and early genealogy.

by a steep outside stairway, upstairs. As B&B guesthouses, some of the old Sunday houses today make for an authentic Fredericksburg stay.

One of the more unusual structures on Main Street is the Nimitz Hotel. Built by Charles Nimitz in 1852 to resemble a steamboat, it now houses a museum honoring his grandson, Admiral Chester Nimitz. The shady arcades of Main Street also tempt for easy shopping.

An active artist community throughout

For more information, contact the Chamber of Commerce, 106 North Adams Street, Fredericksburg, TX 78624, Tel. (210) 997-6523.

For accommodations reservation service, contact Gästehaus Schmidt, 231 West Main Street, Fredericksburg, TX 78624, Tel. (210) 997-5612, Fax. (210) 997-8282.

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## German Immigration to Texas in the 1840s: One Immigrant Family's Story

Overpopulation and economic woes existed throughout Germany during the early 19th Century. Because of this, many Germans chose to immigrate to America, where they believed a better life awaited them. A group of German nobles and capitalists, realizing an opportunity to exploit the situation, came together to form an immigration company in 1842. They hoped to capitalize on those wanting to leave Germany by offering them secure passage combined with a chance to own land in America. Many Germans had already left before 1842 and several had found their way to Wisconsin and Missouri, where thriving German colonies existed. When the new immigration company was organized, its founders hoped to create a German colony in Texas. The company, known as the Adelsverein, purchased land from the Republic of Texas and chartered ships out of Bremen and Antwerp to bring their clients to Galveston and Indianola. The company's goal was to bring thousands of Germans to Texas and to make a profit in doing so. For Texas, it resulted in a mass immigration to the state. Between 1844 and 1847, Texas granted 1,735,200 acres of land to 7,380 German immigrants.

One such German who immigrated during this period was Johann Henck. Johann was born in 1803 in the town of Laasphe, capital of the Principality of Wittgenstein, located in the Westphalia province of Prussia. At the age of 16, Johann began work in the principality's iron foundry as a payroll clerk and, by age 28, was serving as an accountant in the tax office of the principality. Johann married Johannah Becker in 1824 at the Lutheran Church of Laasphe and together they had eleven children. With so many mouths to feed, the family had to grow their own staples, mainly potatoes. In the early 1840s, Johann began to experience a series of financial and personal difficulties: A new prince came to power in Wittgenstein and Johann was demoted to an assistant bookkeeper's position; Johann's oldest daughter became lame in one leg due to an illness and the family's entire potato crop failed on at least two occasions. With a family of thirteen, a reduced income, a sick child, and the loss of his family's main food supply, Johann was forced to borrow money to survive, adding the burden of debt to his troubles.

Faced with so many difficulties, Johann looked at emigration as a solution. Many others from Westphalia had immigrated to Missouri but the cost of getting there was high. The expenses to consider included the sea passage to New Orleans, a riverboat ride up the Mississippi and wagon transfer to the German settlements. In 1846, such a venture amounted to 2,752 Talers, the Prussian currency of the period. The recently organized Adelsverein, however, offered a greater opportunity for a lesser price. For the sum of 1,325 Prussian Talers, the Adelsverein provided 320 acres of land to each married man (160 to single men), sea passage to Galveston and transportation to the designated land grant. As a result, Johann chose to bring his family to Texas and they departed from Antwerp aboard the ship *Element* on August 25, 1846. After a two-month voyage, they arrived at Galveston on October 22 and set out for the land promised them by the Adelsverein. Shortly after their arrival, Johann, together with three of his sons, volunteered for service during the Mexican War in 1847.

After the war, the family opted to return to Galveston where Johann died in 1850 and his wife Johannah died in 1882. One of the couple's children, a son named Ludwig, remained in Germany. The other ten children, Henry, Henrietta, Augusta, Christian, Louise, Caroline, Charles, Catherine, Frederick and William, settled in Galveston. The sons became engaged in local trades and businesses such as iron molders and grocery proprietors while the daughters married local men who worked in similar professions. Some of them, such as sons Henry, Charles and Frederick, who were Civil War veterans, and Augusta, who married David Weber, a partner in the Lee Iron Works, became well-known figures in the community.

**J**ohann and Johannah Henck were typical of the German immigrants who came to Texas during the 1840s. Like many of their contemporaries, they faced personal and economic difficulties and made the brave decision to start a new life in a new land. It proved to be a fortunate decision as their descendants played active roles in the development of business and commerce in late 19th and early 20th century Galveston County. Some of these descendants were the Locke brothers, sons of Johann's eldest daughter Henrietta. Louis Locke was a Galveston Bar pilot and his brothers Henry and William Locke operated the schooner *Golden Arrow* along the Texas coast. Another grandson, Robert Wagner, son of Johann's daughter Caroline, served over thirty years as engineer for the Gulf City Compress and Manufacturing Company. Other notable descendants were the three children of Johann's oldest son Henry. They were Ernest R. Henck, a local sailmaker, and his brothers August J. and Henry C. Henck, Jr., both of whom were early Galveston realtors. Elsewhere in Galveston County, Charles and William Henck, children of Johann's son Christian, became early settlers in Hitchcock and operated both a bank and a grocery store in that community. The success of all of these descendants was built upon the foresight of their grandparents who came to Texas seeking a better life.

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Personnel File of Johann Henck - File K-326 - Castle Wittgenstein Archives; Prince Alexander zu Sayn-Wittgenstein-Hohenstein Collection, Bad Laasphe, Germany.

*This file contains several documents, including personal letters, concerning Johann Henck and provides accounts of both personal and professional matters.*

Galveston City Directories, 1870s-1920s, Rosenberg Library Archives, Galveston, Texas.

*The city directories for Galveston, Texas contain listings for many of the Henck descendants and provide their home addresses and occupations.*

***This article was prepared by Harrold K. Henck, Jr., of Galveston, Texas in observance of the 150th anniversary of Johann Henck's arrival in Texas. Mr. Henck is a fifth generation Galvestonian and a great, great, great grandson of Johann Henck.***



# Ride the wind



## Former neighbor sets sail on an age-old tradition

By Ray Hankamer Jr. Tanglewood Monthly, August 1996, p. 30.

*Editor's Note: A fifth-generation Houstonian with curiosity about his ancestors in the "old country" and why they endured the hardships of travel to Texas, Ray Hankamer Jr. ran an ad in a German genealogical newspaper 15 years ago. The ultimate result of the small ad was ancestral information dating back to 1371, thanks to the discovery of a relative near Frankfurt who had wondered what had become of his family members who had left for America so many years before.*

MY GREAT-GRANDFATHER DIED 17 years before I was born, but I have gotten to know him well. He was in his 90s when he died, but like all men his age he was probably still a young man just wearing an old body.

When he was nine years old he climbed up on the top of a wagon loaded with his family and their possessions. As the wagoneer led the team across a narrow cobbled stone bridge over the Lahn River in middle Germany in late 1845, young Karl Hankamer beamed and waved goodbye to his cousins, aunts and uncles, who knew they would never see Karl or his family again. Karl was too excited by the prospect of the long journey ahead to savor the moment as his envious playmates ran as far alongside the wagon as their mothers would let them.

In the mid 1980s, I retraced the path of great-grandfather Karl and his family westward along the shady banks of the Lahn River. We crossed the Rhine on a mighty bridge at about the point the family boarded a river boat for the trip downriver to Cologne, and eventually to Antwerp.

After time in the bawdy port of Antwerp while they waited for their ship to come, the family boarded the wooden sailing vessel *Harriet*, along with some 80 other immigrants.

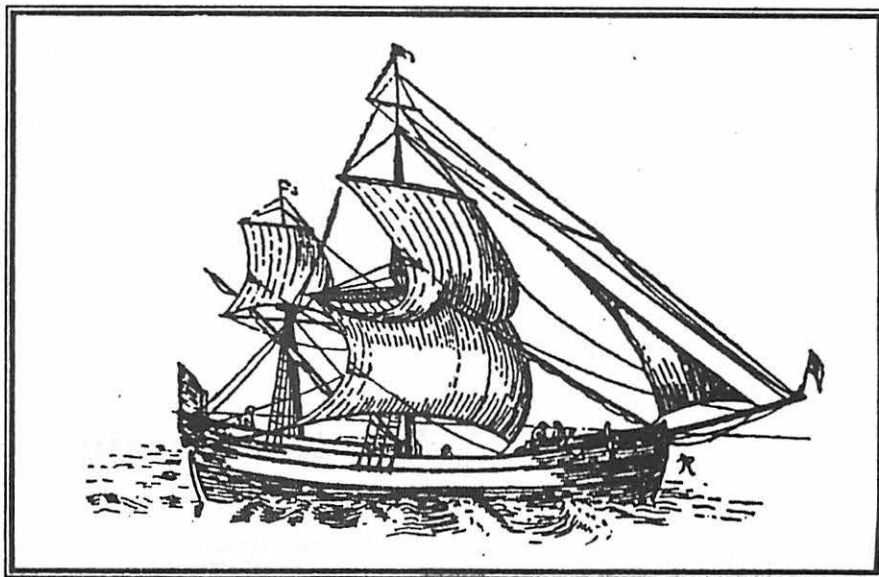
This first experience with a ship under sail profoundly influenced the nine-year-old German lad, who would sit for hours on end watching shipboard life, in all its aspects, rough and sublime. At some time during this voyage, a dream was born, a passion for the wind and the water.

Years later, Karl would realize his dream and become captain of his own ship, a sloop which would run

years later at age 55. First the stormy Atlantic had to be crossed. From diaries, we know that the families, horrified by the violent weather and the smallness of their vessel, prayed for deliverance from the colossal storms that threatened their 90-foot-long wooden boat. After two months at sea, the *Harriet* came to rest in the primitive Port of Galveston.

Karl's stepfather and mother had signed a contract with Prince Solms of Braunfels to take their family to the prince's new domain.

Unable to afford the last short leg of the trip to New Braunfels, however, my family stayed in



for many years on a regular schedule on Galveston Bay. And he would marry the shipbuilder's daughter to boot. It's a good thing for me that he did because Karl's marriage to Catherine Icet of Cove, Texas, produced my grandfather, and eventually me!

But lots of life stood between the young boy and his second marriage

Galveston, doing jobs to save money until they could afford to settle on the north side of the Bay, near Anahuac.

Family legend says that Karl's father traded with local Indians for his patch of ground. Once settled in their new home, it was not uncommon for the family to spot bears and large cats around their

cabin, where the Piney Woods of East Texas met the water of upper Galveston Bay.

Not much more is known of the family until 20 years later. An extraordinary collection of Civil War correspondence between Karl, his brothers, Fritz and Wilhelm, and their mother was obtained years later by the Barker Texas History Library of the University of Texas.

Drafted into the Confederate Army in their late 20s, the three brothers were posted to Louisiana and to the Sabine Lake region under Dick Dowling. When Dowling and his 47 rebel soldiers turned back ships of the Northern Navy from the hastily-built breastworks on the edge of the large saltwater lake, Karl's boyhood crossing of the Atlantic must have returned vividly to his memory.

Karl and his brothers kept in touch with home through tiny letters written on scraps of paper as small as four inches across—paper was scarce during the war. Some scraps had as many as 350 words on them and the back side of each letter was left blank for the reply from Mamma.

At the conclusion of the war, Karl returned and married, and reared his first family of seven children. He was respected in the community, and his dinner table was always open to travelers who stayed up late in the night, sharing the latest news and gossip from Beaumont and Houston.

At some point Karl realized his dream and obtained a commercial sailing vessel of his own. He began a regular run to Galveston, taking down produce and other farm goods, and bringing back manufactured products funneled from the outside world through the now-buzzing Port of Galveston. The prevailing southeast winds made it an easy run both ways across the Bay.

I ride these same southeast breezes on lower Galveston Bay a century later. My sailing rig is an eight-foot-long synthetic windsurfing board driven by incredibly light monofilm sails stretched into a highly efficient airfoil. I can sail at least three times as fast as my great-grandfather did on a "ship" that weighs less than 30 pounds and is manned by a crew of one.

This age-old tradition of riding the wind has also been carried on to my own children, Gabrielle, 24; Kirksey, 22; and Patrick, 21; who are all windsurfers. Patrick lives on Maui's North Shore and sails on the professional windsurfing circuit.

When I am streaking along the bay on my short board with a 20-knot fresh breeze in my sail, I always look across the Galveston channel to see if I can see a sail and a low wooden sloop, with a load of chickens and hogs in cages on the deck. I also look for a man at the helm with the heart and the smile of a boy, remembering the time he watched wide-eyed as the captain of the *Harriet* raised the sails to leave the harbor of Antwerp so many years ago. ■

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## We the Immigrants

With dreams we come,  
with highest expectations.  
For centuries we came  
to this New World,  
We called it: "Land of Gold",  
this Land of Endless Opportunities.

We are no different now  
from those who came  
Three hundred years ago - those first  
to look for better lives,  
Fleeing from hunger, wars,  
and persecution.

We, the immigrants, still arrive  
from all corners of the world  
From Europe, Asia, Africa, the continents,  
East, West, South, North,  
Searching for freedom,  
looking for our own land.

The first Germans  
were craftsmen here,  
Built houses, tables, beds,  
wagons, and ships,  
Carried their dreams  
across the seas.

They were the pioneers,  
those woodcutters, farmers,  
Tailors and printers, teachers,  
adventurers.

"Bring me the unfortunate,  
the willing," America said,  
America the rich, the open-hearted  
the unexplored.

The Germans flocked  
along with many others.  
Bringing their language,  
culture, their own skills.

They tilled the savage soil,  
grew wheat, rye, corn,  
Beets, cabbage, and potatoes,  
helped form this land  
In science, business,  
and the arts.

So, sing your song,  
you German Americans.  
Sing of your ambitions,  
your dreams and desires.  
Sing of freedom, equality,  
and liberty forever.

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**Emigrants from the area of Stemwede, Germany, to Texas**  
 Wilhelm Niermann, compiler

The information in the following pages comes from two, until now, disparate sources. One is the publication New Homes In a New Land by Ethel Hander Geue (Genealogical Publishing Co., Inc., Baltimore, MD, 1982) and the other the Stemwede Emigrant Database created by GTHS-member Wilhelm Niermann of Germany. Niermann's database is a labor-of-love and its foundation is records that he uncovered at local depositories. What is presented here is only a miniscule part of his dedication to this task and the accumulated information is limited to the district of Stemwede. At the time of the 1850's and 1860's emigration, the district was comprised of the following villages: Dielingen, Drohne, Haldem, Arrenkamp, Weh-dem, Westrup, Oppendorf, Oppenwehe, Lavern, Destel, Sundern, Twiehausen and Niedermehnen.

Niermann presents his information in a straight-forward manner. First, he identifies in Geue's book a family whose origin was in the Stemwede area; next, he gives additional information about it from the Stemwede Emigrant Database. In this manner one source complements the other and the family's history on German soil is extended. A page number cited in this text refers to Geue's publication and the Record # refers to the entry in the Database. Along this line of research, Nierman also contributed "Emigration Lists for Weh-dem, Germany" in The Journal, Vol. XVII, No. 1 (Spring 1995), p. 39. The editor.

Abendroth, C. and Engel; Weh-dem to Brenham; Weser, 1858 (page 48).

Abendroth, Friedrich Heinrich Carl, craftsman (Record #1899), born at Haldem on January 24, 1840; died in Brenham 1913. Supposedly emigrated to Brenham, Texas, in 1860; information in the Stemwede Emigrant Database may be in error.

There is no information on Engel Abendroth in the database. In those days, young girls and wives, whether they emigrated alone or in groups, were often not listed in local records.

His parents: Abendroth, Friedrich Heinrich, and Maria Margarethe Elisabeth, neé Beenker. No other dates given.

Aschermann, Charlotte; Weh-dem to Brenham; Weser, 1860 (page 50).

No information about her in the Emigrant Database.

Boehler, F. and wife; Westrup to Bexar County; Gessner, 1855 (page 56).

Boeker, Johann Friedrich (Record #3776), born: date not given.

Wife: Engel Boeker (Record #3777), neé Maaz; born: date not given.

They supposedly emigrated from Westrup before 1855. Other information in Record #3777 indicates that her son, Carl Heinrich Boeker, born at Westrup on April 14, 1827, followed his parents in 1855, so the database can be in error.

Bohning, Carl, 20; Desbel; Canapus, 1848 (page 56).

Bohning, Karl Friedrich (Record #2084), born at Weh-dem No. 127 on March 12, 1827. Emigrated from Weh-dem No. 127; but since he was a farmworker, he could have emigrated from Destel. The Emigration Database does not show the year he left. Source: Chronik von dem Kirchspiel Weh-dem (Chronicle of the Parish Weh-dem). This is the only listing for a Bohning from this area.

Bosse, W.; Oppenwehe to Houston and Austin County; Weser, 1858 (page 56).

Bosse (originally Boßse), Christian Friedrich Wilhelm (Record #2777), born at Oppenwehe on October 27, 1841. He emigrated from Oppenwehe No. 112. Date of his emigration permit: July 21, 1858.

Bruner, Caroline; Oppendorf to Houston; Weser, 1858 (page 58).

The name could have been Brune. She is not found in the Emigrant Database.

Buck, C.; to Brenham; Weser, 1859 (page 59).

Buck, Carl Friedrich (Record #2131), known as Remmert, farmer's son, born at Wehdem on January 24, 1840. He emigrated from Wehdem No. 42. Date of his emigration permit: August 29, 1859.

Buck, C. and H.; Wehdem to Houston; Weser, 1858 (page 59).

Buck, Heinrich Christian (Record #2111), known as Hohlt, born at Wehdem on December 3, 1837.

Buck, Carl Friedrich (Record #2112), known as Hohlt, born at Wehdem on August 13, 1840.

They emigrated together from Wehdem No. 45. Date of their emigration permit: September 21, 1857.

Burkhorn, H.; Wehdem to Brenham; Weser, 1860 (page 59).

Bockhorn, Heinrich Christoph (Record #1797), known as Wendt, born at Oppendorf on February 5, 1837. He emigrated from Oppendorf.

Parents: Bockhorn, Bernd Heinrich, known as Wendt, and Thane Maria Charlotte, neé Richter. No other dates given.

Emhoff, W. with family; Wehdem to Houston; Weser, 1858 (page 66).

Emshoff, Friedrich Wilhelm (Record #2116), farmer, born at Wehdem, no date given.

Wife: Maria Charlotte Loesche (Record #3219), originally Lösche; born: no date given.

Children: Charlotte Louise Wilhelmine (Record #3220), born at Wehdem on February 3, 1840, died at New Wehdem, Texas, on January 11, 1882; Charlotte Wilhelmine Henriette (Record #3221), born at Wehdem on April 23, 1842; Franz Heinrich Wilhelm (Record #3222), born at Wehdem on October 24, 1853.

They emigrated together from Wehdem No. 132. Date of their emigration permit: August 17, 1858.

Engelage family; to Brenham; Weser, 1859 (page 66).

Engelage, Carl Friedrich Wilhelm (Record #2441), tenant farmer, born on August 24, 1829, birthplace not given.

Wife: Marie Louise Henriette (Record #3310), neé Schaefer; born on January 28, 1828, birthplace not given.

Children: Marie Louise Henriette (Record #3311), born on July 19, 1855, birthplace not given; Friedrich Wilhelm Ferdinand (Record #3312), born on September 8, 1858, birthplace not given.

They emigrated together from Westrup. Date of emigration permit: September 13, 1859.

Engelbrecht, H.; Prussia to Brenham; Weser, 1860 (page 66).

Engelbrecht, Heinrich Wilhelm (Record #2786), born at Oppenwehe on February 7, 1843.  
He emigrated from Oppenwehe. Date of his emigration permit: July 17, 1860.

Ernshoff, Chr., 40; Maria, 47; Christian 14; Christoph 4; and 3 daughters; Hermann Theodor, 1850;  
Christian Emshoff, Austin County (page 67).

Emshoff, Christian Ludwig (Record #2051), born at Varl on December 25, 1811; died at New Wehdem, Texas, on January 31, 1878; buried at New Wehdem Cemetery, Brenham, Texas, on February 1, 1878.

Wife: Anne Marie (Record #5432), neé Klitte; born: no dates given; died at New Wehdem, Texas, on September 1868.

Children: Christian (Record #5433), born: no date given; Dorothea (Record #5434), born: no date given; Christine (Record #5435), born: no date given; Caroline (Record #5436), born: no date given; Christoph (Record #5437), born: no date given; Henriette (Record #5438), born: no date given; she was about five months old when they arrived in Texas.

They emigrated together from Oppendorf No. 52. Source: Chronik von dem Kirchspiel Wehdem (Chronicle of the Parish Wehdem).

Franzmann, C.; Wehdem to Brenham; Weser, 1858 (page 69).

No information about him in the Emigrant Database.

Freks, Henriette, 27; Wehdem to Brenham; Iris, 1859 (page 69).

Fricke? No information about her in the Emigrant Database.

Friedemann, W.; Oppendorf; Adolphine, 1859 (page 70).

No information about him in the Emigrant Database.

Geldmeyer, W.; Wehdem; Adolphine, 1859 (page 72).

Geltmeyer, Christoph Friedrich Wilhelm (Record #2439), born at Westrup on November 9, 1841. He emigrated from Westrup. Date of his emigration permit: August 30, 1859.

Grote, W.; to Brenham; Weser, 1859 (page 75).

Grote, Christian Friedrich Wilhelm (Record #1408), born at Wehdem on February 23, 1839.  
He emigrated from Wehdem.

Parents: Grote, Johann Heinrich Wilhelm, and Charlotte Henriette, neé Hoegemeyer (originally Högemeyer). No other information available.

Hafer, H. with family; Oppendorf to Houston; Weser, 1858 (page 76).

Haver, Carl Heinrich (Record #2596), tenant farmer, born at Oppendorf on April 8, 1826.

Wife: Caroline Wilhelmine Henriette Haver (Record #3368), neé Winkelmann, born on March 14, 1831, birthplace not given.

Child: Heinrich Friedrich Wilhelm (Record #3369), born at Oppendorf on June 26, 1858. They emigrated together from Oppendorf next to No. 29. Date of their emigration permit: August 30, 1858.

Hartkemeier, Fried.; Charlotte, Louise; Destel to Brenham; Fortuna, 1860 (page 78).

Several Hartkemeier emigrated from Destel and Twiehausen, but the Emigrant Database lists no family for 1860.

Hohlt family; to Harrisburg; Weser, 1859 (page 84).

Hohlt, Johann Heinrich (Record #2132), colon [farmer on land newly cleared], born September 15, 1825, birthplace not given.

Wife: Henriette Caroline Hohlt (Record #3235) neé Juergens (originally Jürgens), born September 6, 1833, birthplace not given.

Children: August Heinrich Wilhelm (Record #3236), born at Wehdem on February 14, 1856; Henriette Wilhelmine Caroline (Record #3237), born at Wehdem on November 5, 1858.

They emigrated together from Wehdem No. 189. Date of their emigration permit: September 21, 1859.

Hohlt, H., 20; Wehdem to Brenham; Iris, 1859 (page 84).

Hohlt, Heinrich Friedrich Wilhelm (Record #2124), born at Wehdem on February 15, 1839. He emigrated from Wehdem No. 126. Date of emigration permit: March 7, 1859.

Homburg, Hein., 21; Caro., 18; Wehdem to Brenham; Iris, 1859 (page 84).

Homburg, Heinrich Friedrich Wilhelm (Record #1557), farmhand, born at Westrup on June 15, 1837. He emigrated from Westrup.

Parents: Homburg, Johann Heinrich, and Wilhelmine Henriette Homburg, neé Dreyer. No other information available.

No information about his 18-year-old sister Caroline. She is not listed in the Emigrant Database.

Homburg, J. H., 65; F.W., 20; Westruh, Prussia; Fortuna, 1858 (page 84).

Community of Westrup? This family is not found in the Emigrant Database.

Hotte, W., with family; Oppenwehe to Houston; Weser, 1858 (page 85).

Hodde, Johann Friedrich Wilhelm (Record #2779), colon [farmer on land newly cleared], born at Oppenwehe on February 22, 1816.

Wife: Luise Friederike Hodde (Record #3421), neé Huck, born June 9, 1818, birthplace not given.

Child: Heinrich Friedrich Wilhelm (Record #3422), born at Oppenwehe on February 18, 1845.

They emigrated together from Oppenwehe No. 126. Date of their emigration permit: August 30, 1858.

Jurgens, W.; Wehdem to Galveston; with family; Weser, 1858 (page 88).

Juergen (originally: Jürgen), Heinrich Friedrich Wilhelm (Record #2103), born on January 10, 1839, birthplace not given. He emigrated from Wehdem No. 186. Date of emigration permit: July 28, 1857.

Karsten (widow); Oppendorf; Adolphine, 1859 (page 89).

Cassen or Casten, Henriette Wilhelmine (Record #315), born at Oppendorf No. 115 on December 15, 1839. She emigrated from Oppendorf. There is no proof that she was a widow. This may not be the right person.

Kleibring family; Oppendorf; Adolphine, 1859 (page 91).

Kleibrink, Anna Maria Henriette (Record #5439), maiden name not given; born January 11, 1797, birthplace not given. Probably a widow, though this is not confirmed.  
Children: Friederike Louise (Record #5440), born at Oppendorf on March 19, 1838; Johann Friedrich Christoph (Record #2608), born at Oppendorf on February 24, 1840.  
They emigrated together from Oppendorf. Date of their emigration permit: January 24, 1860. They may have left before the consent was granted.

Koster, C.; Westrup to Houston; Weser, 1858 (page 94).

Many people with the name Koester, originally Köster, emigrated from this area. There is only a Johann Heinrich Wilhelm Koester from Wehdem listed in 1858 but no C. Koester.

Kramer, W. and Wilhme; Wehdem to Brenham; Weser, 1860 (page 95).

Kramer, Maria Margarethe Engel (Record #2145), neé Spindel, farmer's wife, born July 8, 1804, birthplace not given. Probably a widow, but this is not confirmed.  
Son: Christoph David Wilhelm (Record #5441), born at Wehdem on June 15, 1835.  
They emigrated from Wehdem No. 114. Date of their emigration permit: August 3, 1860.

Krueger, W. and Caro.; Westrup to Houston; Weser, 1858 (page 96).

Kroeger (originally Kröger), Carl Friedrich Wilhelm (Record #2434), known as Bohne, born at Westrup on March 4, 1838. He emigrated from Westrup No. 7. Date of his emigration permit: July 24, 1858.  
Caro. Kroeger is not listed in the Emigrant Database.

Laging, W.; Wehdem to Brenham; Weser, 1860 (page 98).

Laging, Heinrich Friedrich Wilhelm (Record #2136), known as Langelahn, born at Wehdem on February 18, 1841. He emigrated from Wehdem No. 133. Date of emigration permit: March 13, 1860.

Lampe, Wilh.; Wilhme, Wilh., Henriette, Wilhme, Henry, Caro.; Prussia to Brenham; Weser, 1860 (page 98).

Lampe, Heinrich Friedrich Wilhelm (Record #2142), colon [farmer on land newly cleared], born at Oppendorf on January 26, 1823.

Wife: Henriette Charlotte Wilhelmine Lampe (Record #3244), neé Pape, born March 4, 1830, birthplace not given.

Children: Christoph Wilhelm (Record #3245), born October 17, 1853, birthplace not given; Henriette Charlotte Caroline (Record #3246), born March 26, 1855, birthplace not given; Henriette Wilhelmine Louise (Record #3247), born January 12, 1857, birthplace not given; Heinrich Friedrich Wilhelm (Record #3248), born July 15, 1858, birthplace not given; Caroline Wilhelmine (Record #3249), born August 24, 1859, birthplace not given.

They emigrated together from Wehdem No. 193. Date of emigration permit: July 17, 1860.

Lehde, Caro., 24; Wehdem to Brenham; Iris, 1859 (page 99).

No information about her in the Emigrant Database.

Lehde, F.; Wehdem to Brenham; Weser, 1860 (page 99).

Rabe, Carl Friedrich Wilhelm (Record #2451), known as Lehde, born at Westrup on October 6, 1843. He emigrated from Westrup. Date of his emigration permit: July 4, 1860.

Lehde, Henriette; to Brenham; Weser, 1859 (page 99).

No information about her in the Emigration Database.

Loescher, F.; Wehdem to Houston, with family; Weser, 1858 (page 102).

Loesche (Record #2117), formerly Lösche, [first name or maiden are not given], tenant farmer's wife, born: no date given.

Children: Johann Christoph Wilhelm (Record #3223), born at Wehdem on May 8, 1835; Hermann Heinrich (Record #3224), born at Wehdem on July 11, 1837; Johann Friedrich Wilhelm (Record #3225), born at Wehdem on November 27, 1838; Carl Friedrich Wilhelm (Record #3226), born at Wehdem on December 29, 1840; Wilhelmine Henriette (Record #3227), born at Wehdem on May 11, 1843; Heinrich Christoph (Record #3228), born at Wehdem on June 30, 1846; Charlotte Henriette (Record #3229), born at Wehdem December 22, 1849; Johann Heinrich Wilhelm (Record #3230), born at Wehdem on December 22, 1849.

They emigrated together from Wehdem No. 193. Date of their emigration permit: August 11, 1858.

Lueckemeyer, Wilh.; Oppenwehe to Washington (on-the-Brazos); Weser, 1857 (page 102).

Lueckemeyer, originally Lückemeyer, Johann Friedrich Wilhelm (Record #2774), born at Oppenwehe on September 11, 1823. In 1856 he emigrated from Oppenwehe to Hatten, Grand Duchy of Oldenburg. Possibly emigrated from Oldenburg to Texas. Date of his emigration permit: March 31, 1856.

Lueckemeyer family; to Independence; Weser, 1859 (page 102).

Lueckemeier, originally Lückemeier, Christian Friedrich Wilhelm (Record #3362), born at Oppenwehe No. 77 on December 3, 1832.

Wife: Marie Lucie Lueckemeier (Record #3363), neé Pohlmeier, born at Brockum, Kingdom of Hannover, February 28, 1832.



Daughter: Henriette Wilhelmine Caroline (Record #3364), born at Oppenwehe No. 77 on April 29, 1859.

They emigrated together from Oppenwehe No. 77.

Meier, Fried.; Marg.; Wilh.; Wehdem to Brenham; Weser, 1860 (page 105).

Meier or Meyer is a very common name in this area. This family does not appear in the Emigrant Database.

Meier, Henry; Caro.; Louise; Sophie; Wehdem to Brenham; Weser, 1860 (page 105).

Meier or Meyer is a very common name in this area. This family does not appear in the Emigrant Database.

Meyer, F.; to Brenham; Weser, 1859 (page 107).

Meyer, Heinrich Friedrich Christoph (Record #2603), farmer's son, born at Oppendorf on August 11, 1840. He emigrated from Oppendorf No. 11. Date of his emigration permit: March 16, 1859.

Meyer, W., 18; Wehdem to Brenham; Iris, 1859 (page 107).

Meyer or Meier is a very common name in this area. This individual does not appear in the Emigrant Database.

Niemeyer family; Oppendorf; Adolphine, 1859 (page 112).

Niemeyer, Heinrich Wilhelm (Record #2118), born: no date given.

Wife: Louise Henriette Niemeyer (Record # 3231), neé Holle, born: no date given.

Children: Caroline Wilhelmine Henriette (Record #3232), born at Wehdem on August 5, 1851; Heinrich Wilhelm Christoph (Record #3233), born at Wehdem on February 5, 1854; Heinrich Friedrich Wilhelm (Record #3234), born at Wehdem on October 12, 1857.

They emigrated together from Wehdem next to No. 74. Date of their emigration permit: August 17, 1858.

Notice: This is the only Niemeyer family found. Though he did not live there anymore, maybe the father was born in Oppendorf?

Pape, H.; Prussia to Brenham; Weser, 1860 (page 114).

Pape, Hermann Friedrich Wilhelm (Record #1409), born at Wehdem on April 5, 1840. He emigrated from Wehdem.

Parents: Pape, Friedrich Wilhelm, and Margarethe Dorothea Pape, neé Tising.

No other information available.

Peper, H.; Oppenwehe to Houston; Weser, 1858 (page 115).

Pieper or Piper? No information about him in the Emigrant Database.

Richter, H.; Wehdem to Brenham; Weser, 1860 (page 120).

Richter, Friedrich Heinrich (Record #2143), born at Wehdem No. 179 on May 17, 1843. He emigrated from Wehdem No. 179. Date of his emigration permit: July 17, 1860.

His parents: Richter, Johann Heinrich, and Marie Elisabeth Richter, né Piper. Their marriage date: May 30, 1838.

No other information available.

Roehling, Hr., 20; Louise, 30; Oppendorf; Canapus, 1848 (page 121).

Roehling, or Röhling, is a very common name in this area. There is no information about them in the Emigrant Database.

Roehling, Joh. Fr. W., 53; Henrietta, 23; Wilh. 10; Hermann Theodor, 1850; Washington County (page 121).

A Roehling, originally Röhling, family emigrated from Oppendorf No. 19 in 1850. No other names or information found.

Roehling, Joh. H., 3 persons; Oppendorf; Neptune, 1853, Washington County (page 121).

One person emigrated from Oppendorf next to No. 55. Roehling (Record #2067), originally Röhling, tenant farmer. No information available, nothing about other family members.

Rosenbaum, Wilhme; Wehdem to Brenham; Weser, 1860 (page 122).

No information about her in the Emigrant Database.

Schmidt, F.; Wehdem to Brenham; Weser, 1860 (page 127).

Schmidt, Heinrich Friedrich August (Record #2139), born at Wehdem on April 17, 1841. He emigrated from Wehdem No. 87 Date of his emigration permit: June 27, 1860.

Schoppe, Louise; Wustroff (Westrup) to Galveston; Juno, 1860 (page 129).

Possibly that she was married. Her name must have been Schodde, née Wuesthoff (originally Wüsthoff). No information about her in the Emigrant Database.

Schroeder family; Oppendorf; Adolphine, 1859 (page 130).

Schroeder, Marie Elisabeth (Record #4322), née Moehlenpage (originally Schröder, née Möhlenpage), no other information available.

Husband: Schroeder, Hermann Friedrich, deceased; no other information available.

Son: Friedrich Heinrich Wilhelm (Record #1478), born at Oppendorf on November 8, 1839.

They emigrated together from Oppendorf. According to the Emigrant Database this was before 1861.

Schroeke, H.; Oppendorf to Houston; Weser, 1858 (page 130).

Goeke, Heinrich Friedrich Wilhelm (Record #2593), known as Lehde, born at Oppendorf on January 10, 1843. He emigrated from Oppendorf. Date of his emigration permit: July 7, 1858. This is the closest similarity in name found.

Schuckmeyer, H.; Oppenwehe to Houston; Weser, 1858 (page 130).

Struckmeyer, Carl Heinrich David (Record #2595), born at Oppendorf on February 14, 1839. He emigrated from Oppendorf No. 79. Date of his emigration permit: August 16, 1858.

Schwarz, Fr. and Louise; Wehdem to Brenham; Weser, 1860 (page 132).

Schwarz, Johann Friedrich Carl (Record #2448), born at Westrup on June 1, 1845. He emigrated from Westrup No. 74. Date of his emigration permit: June 27, 1860.

Louise Schwarz is not listed in the Emigrant Database. Often young women were not listed because they did not require permission to emigrate. Men, on the other hand, were scrutinized to make sure they had fulfilled their military obligation, had paid their taxes and/or would leave no one behind who could become a responsibility to the community.

Spreer, Henriette; Wehdem to Houston; Weser, 1860 (page 135).

The correct name may be Spreen. No information about her in the Emigrant Database.

Sprems, W.; Wehdem to Houston; Weser, 1858 (page 135).

Spreen, Johann Friedrich Wilhelm (Record #2090), born at Oppendorf on November 22, 1841. He emigrated from Oppendorf next to No. 1.

Tellmann, W.; Oppendorf ; Adolphine, 1859 (page 138).

Tellmann, Heinrich Friedrich Wilhelm (Record #2600), born at Oppendorf on March 27, 1830. He emigrated from Oppendorf No. 5. Date of emigration permit: September 15, 1858. He emigrated together with Johann Friedrich Wilhelm Thielmann. They are listed together in the old community emigration records.

Thielemann, W.; Oppendorf to Houston; Weser, 1858 (page 139).

Thielmann, Johann Friedrich Wilhelm (Record #2599), born at Oppendorf on August 6, 1834. He emigrated from Oppendorf No. 19. Date of his emigration permit: September 15, 1858. See also the information given previously on Heinrich Friedrich Wilhelm Thielmann from Oppendorf.

Thiemann, Carl, 15; Westrup, Prussia; Fortuna, 1858 (page 139).

No information about him in the Emigrant Database.

Tiemann, Henriette; Oppenwehe to Galveston; Weser, 1857 (page 139).

No information about her in the Emigrant Database.

Tillmann, H.; Oppendorf to Houston; Weser, 1858 (page 139).

Thielmann, Christoph Friedrich Wilhelm (Record #2588), born at Oppendorf on November 29, 1836. He emigrated from Oppendorf No. 19. Date of his emigration permit: February 24, 1858. He could be the right person, but he has no initial "H" for his first name.

Wegeheft, J.; Oppenwehe to Washington (on-the-Brazos); Weser, 1857 (page 144).

Wegehoefft (originally Wegehöft), Johann Friedrich (Record #1524), farmer, born at Oppenwehe on June 21, 1829. He emigrated from Oppenwehe in 1856, but this can be in error. Father: Wegehoefft, Johann Friedrich. No other information given.

Wehmann, W.; Wehdem to Brenham; Weser, 1860 (page 145).

The correct name was probably Wehrmann. No information about him in the Emigrant Database.

Wehmeier, H., 28; Wehdem to Brenham; Iris, 1859 (page 145).

No information about him in the Emigrant Database.

Wehmeier, Karl; Caro.; Wehdem to Brenham; Weser, 1860 (page 145).

No information about them in the Emigrant Database.

Wehring, C.; Oppendorf to Houston; Weser, 1858 (page 145).

Wehring, Christoph Friedrich Wilhelm (Record #2077), born at Oppendorf, date not given. He emigrated from Oppendorf No. 20.

Wehring, Hermann; Oppendorf to Washington (on-the-Brazos), Weser, 1857 (page 145).

No information about him in the Emigrant Database.

Wehring, Louise; Prussia to Brenham; Weser, 1860 (page 145).

No information about her in the Emigrant Database.

Weinberg, C.; Lavern to Galveston; Iris, 1858 (page 145).

Many Weinbergs are listed as emigrants from Lavern, but a C. Weinberg who emigrated in 1858, does not appear in the Emigrant Database.

Wiese, F., 16; Wehdem to Brenham; Iris, 1859 (page 147).

Wiese, Hermann Friedrich Wilhelm (Record #2123), born at Wehdem on February 18, 1843. He emigrated from Wehdem No. 181. Date of his emigration permit: March 7, 1859. The name appears as "Wise" in the old emigration document, maybe it is a mistake, see his brothers who emigrated in 1860.

Wiese, Henry and Wilh.; Wehdem to Brenham; Weser, 1860 (page 147).

Wiese, Heinrich Friedrich Wilhelm (Record #2141), born at Wehdem on November 22, 1845

Brother: Wiese, Johann Friedrich Wilhelm (Record #2140), born at Wehdem on August 14, 1844.

They emigrated together from Wehdem No. 181. Date of emigration permit: July 4, 1860.

Windel, F.; Prussia to Independence; Weser, 1860 (page 148).

Windel, Friedrich Wilhelm Christoph (Record #2612), born at Oppendorf No. 14 on April 13, 1843; died March 18, 1927, location in the U.S. not given. He emigrated from Oppendorf No. 14. Date of his emigration permit: September 20, 1860.

Winkelman, F.; Oppendorf to Houston; Weser, 1858 (page 148).

Winkelman, Johann Friedrich Wilhelm (Record #2591), born at Oppendorf No. 78 on July 12, 1842. He emigrated from Oppendorf No. 78. Date of his emigration permit: May 31, 1858.

Winkelman, Wilh., 27; Solon, 1850; Washington County (page 148).

No information about him in the Emigrant Database.

Winkelman, W. with family; Oppenwehe to Houston; Weser, 1858 (page 148).

Winkelman, Christoph Wilhelm (Record #2778), tenant farmer, born July 17, 1808, birthplace of given.

Wife: Margarethe Wilhelmine Winkelman (Record #3417), nee Tiemann, born: date not given.

Children: Wilhelmine Charlotte Henriette (Record #3418), born at Oppenwehe on June 19, 1838; Marie Charlotte Caroline (Record #3419), born at Oppenwehe on November 26, 1841; Henriette Wilhelmine Friederike (Record #3420), born at Oppenwehe on November 25, 1844.

They emigrated together from Oppenwehe next to No. 23. Date of their emigration permit: August 21, 1858.

Wrehner (widow); Oppendorf; Adolphine, 1859 (page 149).

This may be a wrong name. There is no information about a widow by this or a similar name in the Emigrant Database.

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Compiler's note: This is all that I found with the help of Geue's book. It is my hope that readers find this information helpful in their research. Should anyone have additional information on these Texas immigrants, I would appreciate to hear about it so it can be added to the Stemwede Emigrant Database.

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Many Germans live at Canyon Lake. Some married local people, others are "snowbirds" who come here during the cold season in Germany. Among them is a couple from Bavaria. When they are back home in Bavaria, they get homesick for Texas. This was especially true with the bad weather Europe experienced this past spring. It was during this time that Karl Heinz Franz thought of the pleasant Texas climate and composed the following poem.

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### KARL HEINZ FRANK'S HEIMWEH NACH TEXAS.

Ich bin stolz auf's große Texas, wo die Förderstürme steh'n,  
wo an vielen blauen Seen tausend bunte Blumen blüh'n.

Wo die Vögel scharenweise zieh'n am hellen Meeresstrand  
und die Rinderherden grasen über weites Steppenland.

Wo die Berge silbern leuchten, Hirsch und Cougar frei noch leben,  
in des Ostens dichten Wäldern Wand'ern Abenteuer geben.

Wo am breiten, klaren Flüssen Fische Dir ins Netz geraten  
und am abendlichen Grillplatz Steaks und Lachse duftend braten.

Wo die Cowboys auf den Farmen noch die wilden Mustangs reiten,  
über weißen, hellen Dünen, weit die schwarzen Geier gleiten.

Wo die großen Städte liegen in den schönen Land verstreut  
und die stolzen Menschen wohnen, arbeitsam, stets mit der Zeit.

Von des Rio Grandes Ufern bis zum Palo Duro 'rauf,  
von den Plains im weiten Westen bis zum Angelina Lauf.

Auf des Berglands grünen Wiesen friedlich äsen Mohair Ziegen,  
vor den Stränden Padre Islands Schiffe sich im Meere wiegen.

Tief im Süden über Brownsville streicht der Hauch von heißen Winden,  
doch im Norden nahe Dalhart, wirst Du Frost und Neuschnee finden.

Hörst Du Namen wie El Paso, oder Dallas und Fort Worth,  
oder Houston, San Antonio, fühlst Du Texas tief im Herz.

Über's Grasland Rita Blanca und im schroffen Big Bend drin,  
durch den Llano Estacado, ziehen meine Spuren hin.

Von dem großen Freistaat Texas träum' ich abends immer wieder  
und ich zähle schon die Tage, bis mein Flugzeug geht dort nieder.

Seid begrüßt Ihr Lieben Freunde aus der Fern' zum letzten Mal;  
bald umarmen wir uns wieder dort am See, im Kreis Comal.

# „G.T.T. - Gone to Texas“

GTHS-Präsident W. M. Von-Maszewski beschreibt sich der deutschamerikanischen Geschichte in Texas



Grundsteine deutschtexanischer Einwanderung. Wolfram Von-Maszewski verweist stolz auf die Buchprojekte der German-Texas Heritage Society (GTHS). (Photo: Koller)

Houston, TX (steko) - Die Hütten verlassen. Die Fenster vernagelt. Nur ein letzter Gruß, hastig in Holz geschnitzt, kündete vom Schicksal der ehemaligen Bewohner. „G.T.T. - Gone to Texas!“ Friederich Ernst war 1831 einer der ersten von nahezu 10.000 deutschen Einwanderern, die sich den Lone Star State zur neuen Heimat erkoren und sich in Städten wie New Braunfels und Fredericksburg niederließen.

Deutschtexaner bereicherten das soziale, kulturelle, und wirtschaftspolitische Leben des Staates, ein kulturelles Erbe, das im Schmelztiegel Texas' zu verschwinden droht, wenn es nicht Menschen wie Wolfram Von-Maszewski gäbe. Der Historiker ist seit vier Jahren Präsident der German-Texas Heritage Society (GTHS), die 1978 ins Leben gerufen wurde und mittlerweile staatenweit rund 1.300 Mitglieder zählt.

Maszewski und seine Mitarbeiter begeben sich Tag für Tag auf Spurensuche. Ihr Ziel ist die „Dokumentation der deutschtexanischen Geschichte in Wort, Schrift und Bild für kommende Generationen.“ Was sich im Satzungsdeutsch so einfach anhört, stellt an die GTHS-Mitarbeiter jedoch höchste Anforderungen, wie die Liste der zahlreichen Forschungsprojekte und Veranstaltungen erahnen läßt. „Vergangenheit verpflichtet“, sagt Maszewski und schmunzelt.

Maszewski meint damit nicht nur die eigenen Wurzeln, die bis in die Hafenmetropole Hamburg reichen, sondern vor allen Dingen das Hauptquartier oder „spirituelle

Zentrum“ der GTHS in Austin: die German Free School. Im Jahre 1858 erbaut, avancierte sie schnell zum kulturellen Mittelpunkt der deutschtexanischen Gemeinschaft. 1991 stiftete der amerikanische Künstler Kelly Stevens das historische Gebäude der GTHS, von dem nicht nur die Mitglieder behaupten, es sei eine stete Quelle der Inspiration und Kreativität.

Tatsächlich steht die GTHS für eine der aktivsten deutschamerikanischen Vereinigungen im Südwesten der USA. Die Gesellschaft gibt u.a. eine Buchreihe zur deutschtexanischen Geschichte heraus. Dabei handelt es sich um Neuauflagen historischer Bücher, die entweder hoffnungslos vergriffen sind oder ansonsten in dunklen Archiven vor sich hinschlummern würden. „Bieseles *History of the German Settlements in Texas*, Brachts' *Texas in 1848* und Roemers' *Texas*“, sagt Maszewski, „das sind einfach die Grundsteine zum Verständnis der deutschtexanischen Einwanderung.“ Auch Ahnenforscher Maszewski leistete unschätzbare literarische Beiträge zur deutschtexanischen Geschichtsforschung. So führte der 150. Gründungstag des umstrittenen Mainzer Adelsvereins den Autor zu Recherchen in das Dortmunder Institut für Zeitungsforschung und die Sächsischen Landesbibliothek in Dresden, um eine zweisprachige Ausgabe von Alwin Sörgels *Für Auswanderungslustige und Neueste Nachrichten aus Texas: 1846-47* zu erstellen.

Abgesehen von den Buchprojekten, veranstaltet die GTHS Versammlungen und Symposien,

die sich als informative Foren mittlerweile national einen Namen gemacht haben.

Überdies gibt die GTHS unter Maszewskis Leitung vierteljährlich das englischsprachige *Journal* (\$4,50) heraus. Auf über 90 Seiten findet sich Wissenswertes und Interessantes aus Vergangenheit und Gegenwart: aktuelle Berichte über GTHS-Veranstaltungen, Reisebeschreibungen aus Deutschland, Buchbesprechungen, der Pressespiegel mit allerlei Artikeln aus amerikanischen und deutschen Zeitungen, der Veranstaltungskalender und stetig aktualisierte Adressenlisten, um die deutschamerikanischen Vereinigungen zu vernetzen. Als thematisches Kernstück der Mitgliederzeitung, so Maszewski, gilt das Ressort „Ahnenforschung“. Die Leute lesen das zuerst. Theresa Gold und Christa Prewitt beantworten für

die GTHS-Mitglieder Anfragen. Auf ihrer Suche nach den Wurzeln eines Namens durchkämmen sie systematisch historische Bevölkerungs- und Passagierlisten, recherchieren in Bibliotheken und Datenbanken und betreiben einen regen Briefverkehr mit deutschen Behörden, um einen hieb- und stichfesten Stammbaum für ihre Klienten zu erstellen.

Auch Maszewskis Augen leuchten bei dem Stichwort „Ahnenforschung“, wenn mit ihm ein wirkliches Interesse an der Geschichte verbunden ist. „Wenn ein Deutschtexaner zu mir kommt, der eine Familiengeschichte über seinen Urgroßvater, einen der ersten Siedler in Galveston, schreiben möchte“, sagt der Anthropologe, „bin ich Feuer und Flamme.“

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## **Behind the Scenes at the Rededication of the Treue der Union Monument in Comfort, Texas** **By Esther Wiedenfeld**

On August 10, 1996, the Comfort community and the Comfort Heritage Foundation celebrated a glorious day with hundreds of people from all over the State of Texas and elsewhere: a rededication of the True der Union monument, the only monument raised in honor of Union men south of the Mason-Dixon line.

If you wish to read about the rededication of the monument ceremonies, please refer to your local newspaper. What we want to do is to bring the heart of the restoration to the reader.

The Treue der Union Monument was built in 1866 to honor the 36 men who lost their lives trying to fight for the U.S. during the Civil War. The marker for the mass grave was made of soft limestone found in the hills of Kendall County. In the past years, the rain, wind and frost made savage use of it, and finally the names on the north face of the Monument were completely obliterated.

In 1982, the Comfort Heritage Foundation assumed the caretaker responsibilities for the Treue der Union Monument. They began a search for a responsible stone mason who could restore the limestone marker. For fifteen or more years, a search was made that covered all parts of the U.S.

Finally, Architect Daniel Ochoa III, of Borene, answered the Foundation's call. The skeptical asked "Hire an architect for stone work?" Mr. Ochoa began to study limestone. He was well acquainted with State and National antiquity laws and has previously worked with the Texas Historical Commission of Austin. In due time he procured a grant for the project, and also a master stone mason to do the restoration.

Stone Mason Carl Kuhn, who was born and trained in Germany, answered Mr. Ochoa's call. The Comfort Heritage Foundation, Daniel Ochoa and Carl Kuhn came to an agreement that resulted in signed agreements with Daniel Ochoa in 1992, and Carl Kuhn in 1993.

The work began under the supervision of the Texas Historical Commission. Carl Kuhn began a search for limestone to match the color and texture that would match the original base stones that were crumbling and beyond repair. Many people directed him to old limestone quarries. The quarries were all rejected because they had no limestone to match the top stones of the monument. Finally, the mason found the right texture and color at the H.C. "Sonny" Seidensticker quarry on F.M. 473, east of Comfort.

The next step was the dismantling of the unsightly monument. Finances were always a major factor. With the conservative craftsman, Carl Kuhn, in charge, the project went well. The Ingenhuett store offered to shelter the stones, where they were to be restored to their natural beauty. The day arrived when the heavy monument would be taken apart. There was a live audience present and also a video camera woman to document the work.

Only Carl Kuhn knew the seriousness of the task. Would the stones that had been exposed to wind and weather for 135 years stand the stress of being lifted and transported four blocks to the next site? A tense group of people watched as a small crew with a derrick gently lifted the pinnacle stone without a mishap. When the second stone was taken off, Carl saw that there was a crack all around it but nothing happened. The heavy trucks arrived at Ingenhuett's storage area with the heavy load intact.

For two years, Carl Kuhn and his helper, Reyes Moreno, cleaned, polished and re-chiseled the names of the victims back into the stones.



In the meantime, the base stones remaining on Monument Hill, presented a bleak picture to the many tourists who came to view the famous Treue der Union Monument. Some local residents were becoming upset over the delay of the marker restoration.

In December 1995, the new limestone approved for the base of the monument was transported from the Seidensticker Quarry to the Doebbler Quarry along old highway Number Nine toward Grapetown. There, the stones were cut to the size of the original stones and polished. During this process, Carl Kuhn discovered that some of the stones were flawed. More limestone had to be quarried at the Seidensticker site, creating a major delay. Some people despaired of completing the project.

In April 1996, the original base stones were removed and placed at the edge of the property on Monument Hill. Rubble was cleared away. A reinforced concrete pad was constructed for the restored marker. Visitors continued to come to an empty site and take pictures.

Finally on July 22, 1996, Carl Kuhn brought the new base stones and, without accidents, set them in place. They were well balanced and cemented.

H. W. Schope & Sons brought a large crane from Borene to lift the top stones into their original position.

On the first day, during reassembly, a lifting strap broke, dropping a stone and just missing a worker below! Before any more stones were added, a time capsule donated by the Schaeffer Funeral Home, filled with books, magazines, newspapers of the surrounding area, et cetera, was lowered into the hollow part of the monument. The time capsule is intended to be opened in 300 years.

On the second day, the last stones were put into place. But, not before another near accident occurred as another interested audience watched the final construction. Next to the last stone was up in the air and just when it was to be placed in position, the stone broke in mid air. Fortunately it was just about a foot from being in place and, with a thud, landed into place, while the other part was dangling in mid-air. With the skill of a master stone mason, the accident was quickly rectified.

The most tense moment arrived as the crew lifted the towering pinnacle stone into place. With bated breath, every one watched, hoping that the nylon straps would not slip, as thousands of pounds of limestone were gently lowered into position. The audience breathed a sigh of relief!

The Treue der Union monument was back home.

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Heidelberg's Ruprecht Karl University, one of the oldest and most distinguished in the German-speaking world, thinks it could learn a lesson or two from its American and British counterparts. Many universities in Great Britain and the U.S. boast large alumni communities that maintain active interest in their alma maters and are willing to dig deep into their pockets in demonstrating their loyalty. Graduates of German universities, on the other hand, have not displayed a similar interest in recent decades, nor have German universities gone out of their way to inculcate the sort of sentimental attachment that manifests itself in regular cash donations. With

### Foreign Alums Turn Out For University of Heidelberg

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funding for higher education coming under the pressure of state and federal budget cutting in Germany, administrators in Heidelberg believe the time is ripe to begin cultivating that old school spirit.

Fundraising was not, however, the main subject of discussion at the first meeting of the "Heidelberg Alumni International" this summer. The university's Office for Foreign Students recently tracked down some 4,600 onetime students from around the world and invited them to join the newly formed alumni body. Roughly

a third were quick to register their interest, and 180 made the trip to Baden-Württemberg this summer to participate in the Heidelberg Alumni International's first formal gathering. The focus, reports the *Frankfurter Allgemeine Zeitung*, was on fostering academic cooperation and greater cultural contact between the university and its far-flung alumni.

Bringing back Heidelberg's German alumni has proven more difficult. University Rector Peter Ulmer told the *Frankfurter Allgemeine* that

an "Association of Friends of the University of Heidelberg" was able to enroll only about 700 members in Germany (in recent years, Heidelberg's enrollment has stood at about 24,000). In hope of emulating the success of British and American universities in promoting alumni relations, the university would like to regularly send graduates an alumni magazine and other occasional publications reminding them of the institution's great prestige. Funding for such measures to develop alumni support is, however, lacking. Still, Ulmer insists that efforts at "friend-raising" are needed now if there is to be any hope of successful fundraising among the university's alumni in the future. ■

## SOH plays role in monument rededication

Hermann Sons News, September 1966, p. 19.

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COMFORT – Sons of Hermann was much in evidence at the rededication of the Treüre der Union (True to the Union) Monument on Aug. 10. The Hermann Sons German Band played before, during and after the program and residents of Altenheim and Grand Lodge representatives dispensed lemonade and water to the spectators on a hot summer day.

Almost 1,000 people climbed Monument Hill to rededicate the state's oldest Civil War monument and the only one in the state honoring Unionists. Over a 20-year span, the monument has been refurbished through the efforts of many at a cost of some \$64,000.

The monument pays tribute to the 36 Comfort area Unionists, most of whom were German immigrants, who were killed in the Battle of the Nueces (River).

According to reports, while Texas was deciding to secede from the Union, Germans were fleeing their native country for "the land of milk and honey." These settlers were seeking freedom from economic oppression and political and religious injustice.

After getting settled, they became anguished over being asked to choose between their new homeland and freedom. Some men chose to secede to avoid retaliation while others were determined to stand their ground.

In 1862, an organized group of Hill Country Unionists realized they must leave their beloved family and homes. While they thought they had safe passage to cross into Mexico to wait out the war, there

was a traitor in their midst. They were pursued by a group of Confederates led by Lt. C. D. McRae. The Confederate troops ambushed the unsuspecting German immigrants at their camp on the west prong of the Nueces River.

Monument Hill, which is owned by Kendall County and maintained by the Comfort Heritage Foundation is one of only six places, including Gettysburg and Pearl Harbor, with congressional certification to fly the U.S. Flag continually at half mast.

Jim Steely, director of the Texas Historical Commission, told the audience, "The citizens of this town felt the horror (of the war) so personally and so directly that they erected the first monument in 1866, nearly 30 years before Civil War monuments began to appear widely."

*San Antonio Express-News* columnists and historians, T. H. Fahrenbach and Maury Maverick, also spoke at the rededication.

Following the rededication ceremonies, the audience was invited to the 80th anniversary open house at the SOH Retirement Home and to visit the Comfort Museum.

There will be a symposium on the Battle of the Nueces on March 22-23, 1997, at the Palace Theatre in Fredericksburg. The symposium will be sponsored by the Admiral Nimitz Museum and co-sponsored by the Admiral Nimitz Foundation, Gillespie County Historical Society and the Comfort Heritage Foundation.

Early registration is suggested because of limited seating. For more information, contact the Admiral Nimitz Museum, P O. Box 777, Fredericksburg, TX 78624-0777.

## Bundesrat Votes to Relocate to Berlin

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Germany's sixteen federal states are pulling up stakes and heading to Berlin. The Bundesrat, the upper house of parliament that represents the states, voted Friday (September 27) to move itself from Bonn to Berlin at an unspecified date in the near future. It will be following the Bundestag, the cabinet and several federal ministries in relocating from Bonn to the capital. Under current plans, the Bundestag expects to move into its Berlin quarters - the Reichstag building now under renovation - in early 1999, and the cabinet is expected to follow close on its heels.

With Friday's vote, the Bundesrat reversed a decision it had made in 1991. Shortly after the Bundestag voted on June 20, 1991 to make Berlin Germany's seat of government as well as its capital, the Bundesrat decided it would provisionally remain in Bonn and then make a final decision after assessing the practicality of not being in the same city as the Bundestag and cabinet (TWIG 6/21/91, p.1; 7/12/91, p.1). Bavaria and Bremen joined forces to bring the issue up before the Bundesrat once again. Only North Rhine-Westphalia, the state where Bonn is located, and two small neighboring states, Rhineland-Palatinate and Saarland, voted against

the move. Supporters of the measure argued that the Bundesrat needs to be physically close to the Bundestag and the cabinet to function smoothly.

The loss of the Bundesrat is expected to cost Bonn about 1,000 jobs. In all, the relocation of most governmental and parliamentary institutions to Berlin will deprive the former "provisional capital" of the Federal Republic of 25,000 jobs. By way of compensation, the government will keep a handful of ministries and federal agencies in Bonn, and it is lobbying hard to attract international organizations to locate there. ■

## Selma Metzenthin-Raunick: Historian and Writer of Texas-German Literature

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German-American literature developed rather extensively during the later half of the nineteenth and the first decades of the twentieth century in Texas. The degree of German immigration, beginning in the 1830s during the Republican period, is only one factor. Of great importance is also the demographic situation of both the ensuing German settlements (particularly in the Texas Hill Country) as well as that of the developing German communities within the already established cities of Galveston, Houston, and San Antonio.<sup>1</sup>

Historians of this literature have often begun its accounting by citing perhaps the first and certainly the most celebrated Texas-German poem, "Deutschland Hoch!"<sup>2</sup> This poem was written in 1844, by none other than Carl, Prince of Solms-Braunfels, the first Commissioner-General of the unique *Adelsverein*. Prince Carl, of course, was hardly a German immigrant. He wrote the poem during his ten months' stay in Texas while he was preparing for the over 7,000 immigrants who would eventually come to Texas under the auspices of the *Adelsverein*. Nevertheless, the stirring autobiographical account of life on the Texas frontier found in "Deutschland Hoch!," including the inevitable element of homeland patriotism, anticipates many of the more genuine Texas-German poems which followed. Although many of these poems remained unpublished, a good number of them did appear in the over one hundred newspapers and monthly journals published from the middle of the nineteenth to the middle of the twentieth century. A few writers, like the prolific Fritz Goldbeck, published their poems privately,<sup>3</sup> while the poetry of one poet, Johannes Romberg, appeared, albeit posthumously, in Germany itself.<sup>4</sup> On the eve of the Second World War, a few native Texas-German poets were still writing, but after the war there were scarcely none. In the last few decades, a handful of poets writing German verse in Texas have emerged. But most of them are academic poets, somewhat removed from the original Texas-German heritage motivating this poetry.<sup>5</sup>

German-language prose written in Texas, like much of the poetry, also resembles German-American writing elsewhere. Most of the novels were written in serial form for newspapers, or they were published as newspaper supplements. One novel, Georg Willrich's *Erinnerungen aus Texas*, was published in Germany (but only because the author wrote the work while he was imprisoned during an ill-advised journey home to fight in the revolution of 1848.)<sup>6</sup> The most successful prose works are the short tales and, particularly the historical sketch, the master of which was Hermann Seele, the civic and cultural leader of New Braunfels.<sup>7</sup>

Pioneer theatrical companies existed in New Braunfels and Fredericksburg and in the culturally-oriented Casino Clubs, such as the one in San Antonio. In addition to excerpts from Schiller's *Wallenstein*, these theaters performed Schiller's *Die Räuber*,

*Kabale und Liebe*, and *Wilhelm Tell*, and Goethe's *Faust* and his *Götz von Berlichingen*. The principal "bread and butter" productions, however, were of the plays of Kotzebue and the minor and mostly forgotten writers of melodramas such as Karl Töpfer and Julius Benedix. As such, these theatrical companies did not provide a medium for any original Texas-German drama. Numerous *Lesedramen*, however, were written and seemed to be as popular as the short prose pieces. Hermann Seele also wrote a unique musical, *Texas Fahrten*, which treats in song and doggerel verse the adventures of several young Germans settling in Texas. Although Seele's musical drama represents the high point in the development of Texas-German literature, it was never performed during the author's lifetime (and its existence too was unknown until 1980.)<sup>8</sup>

Selma Metzenthin-Raunick occupies a pivotal and unique position within this panorama of Texas-German literature. Metzenthin-Raunick herself immigrated to Texas with her family at the age of nine. But being several generations removed from the pioneer immigration, her own poetry and prose fiction exhibit both similarities and also marked differences from the earlier Texas-German works. Because of her particular historical vantage point as well as her academic interests, Metzenthin-Raunick also was the first and for a time the only historian and literary critic of Texas-German literature. In a number of other ways she also articulated the Texas-German cultural past and strove to preserve it for her own day.

One of eleven children, Metzenthin-Raunick was born in Berlin in 1877.<sup>9</sup> A curvature of the spine afflicted her all her life. Her father, a pastor descended from several generations of clergymen, moved with his family to Austin, Texas in 1886 when he accepted a call to preach in German at St. Martin's Lutheran Church there. In 1894, the Metzenthin family moved to Pennsylvania, preferring to be geographically closer to Germany, and Metzenthin-Raunick graduated there from high school in 1897. Her marriage in 1911 to Gustav Raunick was dissolved in 1920. Although Metzenthin-Raunick had no children, upon the death of her sister Else in Austin, she returned to Texas in 1911 to raise Elise's three children.

In Texas, Metzenthin-Raunick began a lifelong career of teaching at both secondary schools and colleges in Austin and elsewhere in Texas. She also studied German literature at the University of Texas, and received an M.A. in 1922 with a thesis entitled, "Was haben die deutschen Einwanderer und deren Nachkommen auf dem Gebiet der Dichtkunst geleistet?" Having spent six months in Germany when she was sixteen, she returned in 1925 with her sixteen year-old niece (and now adoptive daughter) Margaret Schade for a stay of two years. The two women traveled extensively throughout Germany. Metzenthin-Raunick wrote articles on American affairs (particularly academic life) for newspapers in Berlin, Hamburg, and Heidelberg; she lectured at the University of Hamburg on American, German, and British literature; and she studied for several months at the University of Strassburg. Returning to Texas, Metzenthin-Raunick continued her teaching and intensified her writing activities and her interest in Texas-German affairs. She began, for example, singing both in German singing societies and church choral groups. She also founded in Austin in 1930 *Die Freunde der Deutsch-Texanischen Pioniere*. Metzenthin-Raunick spent the remaining years of her life with her family in the

Texas-German communities of New Braunfels and San Marcos and she died in San Marcos in 1954.

Metzenthin-Raunick began her first poetic efforts when she and two of her childhood friends formed a writing trio in Austin called *Das Kleeblättchen*, and she continued writing poetry for the rest of her life. While she wrote most of her poems in German, she also wrote some in English. Her only two published collections of poetry, in fact, *Verses from an Invalid's Pen* (1923) and *Rise Up O World!* (1944), contain principally English poetry (while each has one or two verses in German). Metzenthin-Raunick published these two volumes herself to raise money for the war relief efforts of both of the world wars, and, ironically, she may have deemed it more prudent to publish her English poetry for this purpose. Many of the much more numerous German-language poems were published in the German-language newspapers in Texas such as the *Taylor Herald*, the *San Antonio Freie Presse für Texas*, the *Austin Wochenblatt*, and the *Neu Braunfelser Zeitung*.

Unlike earlier Texas-Germans who rarely wrote about purely personal issues, many of Selma's poems were deeply personal reflections about love, family and other relationships, and her religious faith. One of the most successful of these personal poems is "Vernunft kam gegangen":

Nur ein einziges, einziges Mal  
Möcht ich dich halten, und möchte dir sagen  
Wie ich dich immer, bei Tag und bei Nacht,  
In meinem verschmachtenden Herzen getragen,  
Hab dort dich gebettet, gehegt und gepflegt,  
Meinen Schatz in goldne Gedanken gelegt.

Vernunft kam gegangen, zertrat  
All das Blühen im Herzen  
Und liess mir nur Scharfsinn,  
Und die Schmerzen  
Der sterbenden Blüten am Baum  
Und nahm meinen Traum.<sup>10</sup>

Although Metzenthin-Raunick was in a latter-day sense a Texas-German, she did not experience the virgin countryside of Texas or the melding of the German and Texan cultures as the original immigrants did. Consequently, she wrote fewer poems about German-Texas than the pioneer poets and those she did write describe things in a more muted fashion, now from the more detached perspective of history. We see this in the beginning of her poem "Neu Braunfels" (which she wrote in 1946):

Ich gehe durch deine stillen Straßen--  
Eine gewisse Ruhe und Stille  
Ist dir geblieben, trotz Auto und regem Verkehr,  
Als hätte das Leben Zeit;  
Als wäre die Welt nur draußen,

Und in dir läge noch  
Weite und tiefe Vergangenheit.<sup>11</sup>

Like the earlier generation of Texas-German poets, Metzenthin-Raunick did write a number of poems expressing the problems of being a German-American. One of the most successful is her "Deutsch-Amerikanische Großmutter" (which she wrote at the outbreak of the American involvement in the First World War):

Rah, rah -- bum, bum -- tei, tei!  
Amerikas Jugend marschiert vorbei,  
Darunter viel tausend Deutsche.  
Darunter auch du, mein Enkelsohn, -  
Ach Gott, ach Gott, welch' Spott und Hohn --  
Zu schlagen die "deutschen Barbaren,"  
Mit den englisch-französischen Scharen.

Halt ein, halt ein, du töricht Volk,  
Du verblendete Jugend! -- Um Gold geht's, um Gold.  
Um die Kästen der Reichen zu füllen  
Sie schlau euch die Wahrheit verhüllen.  
Halt ein, halt ein, mein Enkelsohn!  
-- Ach, er ist weit von dannen schon.  
Vorbei mit all den Scharen  
Die der Teufel hält zu Narren.

Rah, rah -- bum, bum -- tei, tei!  
Amerikas Jugend marschiert vorbei,  
Darunter viel tausend Deutsche,  
So stolz und so sicher und eben  
Als gält es nicht Leben um Leben,  
Als gält es nicht Schwester und Bruder Tod.  
Dies Blut -- ihr Blut -- es färbt alles rot --  
Ein Schrei entspringt sich der Alten  
Es siegen die schwarzen Gewalten.<sup>12</sup>

While Metzenthin-Raunick profited intellectually and professionally from her two year visit to Germany, emotionally she did not recapture the "Germany" which she envisioned while she was growing up and from which she had been separated for much of her life. She described this sorrowful realization in a cycle of poems, written in Germany, which she entitled (using the masculine gender for the sake of anonymity) "Heimkehr des Geächteten". The unpublished short poem "Heimatland," reminiscent somewhat of Heine's expatriot lyrics, best sums up her anguish:

Ich kehrte heim ins Heimatland  
(Lieb Heimatland, leb wohl!)

Kein Lieb, kein Heim ich dorten fand  
(Lieb Heimatland, leb wohl!)

Im herben Leid warf ich mich hin zur Erde,  
Zur Erde, die ich ewig lieben werde:  
Doch ach, ihr Menschen, fremd und hart und kalt,  
Die ihr mich zerrt und quälet mit Gewalt,  
Die ich gesucht in meiner Herzensnot:  
Euch flieh ich, wie man flieht den eis'gen Tod.<sup>13</sup>

From the 1930s until her death, Metzenthin-Raunick also wrote several serialized novels which were published in the same newspapers as her poetry. Titles such as *Die Familie Metter in Amerika*, *Nach Texas*, *Der Reisepastor*, and *Marga. Eine Erzählung aus der Zeit des amerikanischen Bürgerkrieges* echo the concerns of other post first generation Texas-German novelists most of whom also published their stories in the same newspapers. Like these writers, Metzenthin-Raunick dealt in these writings (as in some of her poetry) with German-American values, on the one hand, and anti-German feelings, on the other. For the most part, the Germans in these stories embody a broad spectrum of positive virtues. The Anglo-Texans appear occasionally in a positive light, but more often she describes them neutrally or outright negatively. The inevitable confrontation between the two groups can be instructive. When an Anglo confederate soldier, for instance, calls Marga (in the novel of the same name) a "Dutchman," the following conversation ensues: "Ich bin Deuschtexanerin wie die anderen. Nicht holländisch, sondern deutsch." Ach--na-man sagt doch immer Dutchman. Dabei denkt man sich doch nichts." "Sie haben recht. Dabei denkt man sich - - nichts."<sup>14</sup> The confrontation, of course, can also be tragic. A searing example of this is Metzenthin-Raunick's description at the conclusion of the novel *Marga* of the historical assassination of German unionists from Comfort, Texas who were murdered while they were attempting to flee to the North. Occasionally, Metzenthin-Raunick also discusses what we might call German-German problems. In *Nach Texas*, for example, in the person of a Herr von Cassel she treats the arrogance of aristocratic Germans who attempt to maintain their class distinctions, especially against other Germans, even in the egalitarian atmosphere of pioneer Texas. In the course of the novel, however, the writer demonstrates how even a man like Von Cassel can become democratized.

Metzenthin-Raunick novels generally have little character or locale description, dealing instead with ideas. Common to all of them is her interests in Christianity. *Nach Texas*, despite its title, is only superficially an account of the immigration of the hero of the work, Hans Mörike. Much more importantly, Metzenthin-Raunick describes Mörike's own personal evolving sense of Christianity and the development of a type of communal Christian family of which he becomes a part. Although this theme dominates *Nach Texas*, it is found, if to a lesser extent, in all of her serial novels.

For the scholar of Texas-German literature, the historical literary studies of Metzenthin-Raunick are, in some ways, more valuable than her literary works. Her 1922 M.A. Thesis "Was haben die deutschen Einwanderer und deren Nachkommen

in Texas auf dem Gebiet der Dichtkunst geleistet?" is - despite its rather dated title - an invaluable anthology (with interpretive and biographical material) of Texas-German poetry from the pioneer days to the time of the writing of the thesis. In 1929, Metzenthin-Raunick published in the *Southwestern Historical Quarterly* the article "A Survey of German Literature in Texas"<sup>15</sup> the first of three important historical studies. In 1935-36 the *Freie Presse für Texas* published the other two important surveys, *Deutsche Schriften in Texas, Band I* and 2. Volume one is an expansion of her M.A. anthology while volume two is devoted to prose literature.

Metzenthin-Raunick also published a wide variety of literary-critical articles in both German and Texas-German newspapers and in periodicals such as the *American-German Review* and *The Southwest Review*. She published, furthermore, articles on a variety of other topics in journals ranging from the house organs of the University of California and the University of Texas to the *Gartenlaube*.

Throughout her life, Metzenthin-Raunick supported the preservation of the German heritage in Texas in numerous ways beyond her writing activities. One of the most significant acts was her founding in Austin in 1930 of the *Freunde der Deutsch-Texanischen Pioniere*, an organization, as its *Constitution* states dedicated to "the discovery, collection, preservation and publication of material relating to the cultural contributions by residents of Texas of German birth or extraction. . . ." <sup>16</sup>

The initial membership lists of the *Freunde*, indeed, contain the names of the descendants of many pioneer Texas-German families as well as several early scholars of the Germans in Texas, such as Rudolph Biesele, the first historian of the Texas-Germans. The program of the first meeting lists a rather staggering array of events, even for such *Freunde*: an introductory address by Metzenthin-Raunick, a quartet performance of a composition of the pioneer musician and poet, Adolphus Fuchs, and the recitation of nearly two dozen Texas-German poems interspersed with commentary by Metzenthin-Raunick. At the conclusion of all of this, Rudolph Biesele addressed the group on ". . . die Wichtigkeit der alten und neuen deutschen Schriften über Texas." According to the eyewitness report of Metzenthin-Raunick's niece, the meeting, however, lasted only a few hours and it was a success. Later meetings followed in the woods near Austin and featured singing and dancing, presumably not so robust a fare as at the first meeting.

There is not a great deal of information about the duration or other eventual activities of the organization, since shortly after its founding, Metzenthin-Raunick and her niece moved away from Austin. It may be that in a formal sense *Die Freunde der Deutsch-Texanischen Pioniere* was short-lived. But the accomplishment of articulating the need for the preservation of the Texas-German heritage, if only a provisional step at the time, should not be underestimated. It was the first and only such public event, after the passing of the first generation of the German pioneers, before the creation of the *German-Texan Heritage Society* some half a century later.

Metzenthin-Raunick died in San Marcos, Texas in 1954 where she had been living with her niece Margaret. In her own immediate family, Metzenthin-Raunick's legacy particularly has lived on many fold. Margaret Schade Schulze and Margaret's late husband Nolen (from New Braunfels) both taught German at various times throughout their lives and Margaret in her late 80s is still a champion



of the proper usage of the German language. Both of them, moreover, continued Metzenthin-Raunick's interest in the heritage of the Germans in Texas. Nolan Schulze wrote a Master's thesis on the Texas-German poet, Clara Palacios, and he published his research on Palacios in collaboration with Metzenthin-Raunick. Margaret Schulze has maintained an extensive collection of Texas-German literature, particularly the writings of her aunt. Margaret's children, moreover, whom Metzenthin-Raunick instructed regularly in German, continue to reflect admirably their family heritage. One daughter who received a doctorate in English literature closed the circle, in effect, by marrying a German who acquired his Ph.D in German literature in Texas. The other daughter who received a bachelor's degree in German is an accomplished organist and she and her Texas-German husband (himself descended from a German Lutheran pastor) are, moreover, major supporters of German music in Houston. The impact of the German heritage on the fourth generation is, of course, not yet determined!

For the scholarly world, Metzenthin-Raunick's literary-critical writings are her primary legacy. The lyric power of several of her poems, as has been seen earlier, is undiminished. For the scholar, however, her prose writings, printed in newspapers which are no longer being published, have primarily an historical import, showing the evolution and the culmination of the serial newspaper novel in Texas. But as the following letter written to Metzenthin-Raunick in 1949 by a woman in the Texas-German community of Yorktown testifies, these novels could bear the same therapeutic importance for the reader as such novels did in the pioneer days. The woman wrote:

Sehr geehrte Frau:

Da ich heute abend so ganz alleine zu Hause bin, und die Kinder zum Bildershow sind, und ich gerade mit der so schönen Erzählung von dem Pionierleben der 24. Fortsetzung fertig bin, so kann ich wirklich nicht drum hin, ich muß zur Feder greifen und Ihnen, sehr geehrte Frau, meinen allerherzlichsten Dank aussprechen. Denn diese wundervolle Erzählung ist einen Weg sehr traurig auch sehr rührend, daß einen Lesen die Tränen in die Augen kommen. Und doch liest es sich wieder sehr gut, daß man immer wieder neugierig auf die nächste Fortsetzung ist. . . . Nun bitte ich Ihnen sehr mein Geschreibsel zu entschuldigen, denn ich bin keiner der versucht einen, wie man in deutsch sagt, Honig um den Mund zu schmieren. Nein, gerade das Gegenteil. Denn ehret dem Ehre gebürt.<sup>17</sup>

Such unvarnished remarks, in the final analysis, also express poignantly the intended value of Selma Metzenthin-Raunick's writings.

Notes

1. According to some contemporary estimates the population of these cities at times during the nineteenth century was between one-third and one-half German. See, e.g. Gilbert Giddings Benjamin, *The Germans in Texas: A Study in Immigration* (1910; Austin: Jenkins, 1974), 58-59.

2.                   Durch des Weltmeers Wogen,  
Getrennt vom Vaterland,  
Sind wir hergezogen,  
Von manchem Liebesband.  
Auf muthigen Rossen durchzieh'n  
Wir Texas' heisse Prairien,  
Und kürzen den Weg mit Gesang,  
Der schallet in diesem Klang:  
Hoch Deutschland, Deutschland hoch!

Lagern wir im Kreise  
Ums helle Feuer hier,  
Gedenken in der Ferne  
Der trauten Lieben wir,  
Und spiegelt den seltnen (sic) Wein  
Des Feuers Widerschein;  
Wir würzen den Trunk mit Gesang,  
Der schallet in diesem Klang:  
Hoch Deutschland, Deutschland hoch!

Geht es zum Kampfe,  
Mit Indiern wild und graus,  
Zum blutigen Schlachtentanze  
Dann Du deutsches Schwert heraus!  
Und wer den Tod hier fand  
Starb auch für's Vaterland.  
Er kämpfte und starb mit Gesang,  
Der schallet in diesem Klang:  
Hoch Deutschland, Deutschland hoch!

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3. Fritz Goldbeck, *Seit fünfzig Jahren. Prosa in Versen* (San Antonio: J. Schott, 1895-96).

4. Johannes Romberg, *Gedichte* (Dresden: Pierson, 1900).

5. A notable exception is Lisa Kahn whose "Texas-German" poetry has been influenced by a residence in Round Top, Texas in the heart of the state's eastern German belt.
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7. During Seele's lifetime, German-language newspapers (particularly the *Neu Braunfelser Zeitung*) and journals published Seele's historical sketches. In 1936, the *Neu Braunfelser Zeitung* published a number of these sketches and Seele's short story "Die Cypresse" as *Die Cypresse und Gesammelte Schriften von Hermann Seele*. Edward C. Breitenkamp published a translation of this work (with a brief introduction and a biographical index) as *The Cypress and Other Writings of a German Pioneer in Texas*, (Austin: University of Texas Press, 1979).
8. Hermann Seele, *Texas Fahrten (Travels in Texas)*, trans. and ed. Theodore Gish (Austin: Nortex, 1985).
9. Biographical details provided by Selma's niece, Margaret Schade Schulze, Houston, Texas.
10. Unpublished ms. in possession of Margaret Schade Schulze. Variation published in Selma Metzenthin-Raunick, *Deutsche Schriften in Texas*, vol. 1 (San Antonio: *Freie Presse für Texas*, 1935), 63. Hereafter cited as *Deutsche Schriften*.
11. *Neu Braunfelser Zeitung*, 21 Mar. 1946.
12. *Deutsche Schriften*, 94.
13. Unpublished ms. in possession of Margaret Schade Schulze.
14. *Taylor Harold*, 12 Oct. 1939.
15. Reprinted in Don Heinrich Tolzmann, *German-American Literature* (Metuchen, N.J.: Scarecrow, 1977), 24-43.
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17. R. Scheunemann, 8 Oct. 1949. Letter in possession of Margaret Schade Schulze.

### 'Frankfurt Declaration' Attacks Much Debated Language Reform

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The long-planned overhaul of the German language is shaping up to spell trouble. Over 100 writers, literary scholars, teachers and publishers from the around German-speaking nations have put their names to a strongly critical declaration that was presented to the public during the Frankfurt Book Fair. Rejecting the spelling reform as unnecessary and needlessly expensive to implement, the "Frankfurt Declaration" calls on public officials in Austria, Germany and Switzerland to reconsider their plans to introduce modifications in

German spelling rules in the autumn of 1998 (TWIG 12/2/94, p.6; 9/22/95, p.7). The changes, the declaration contends, will "waste millions of working hours, create decades of confusion, harm the standing (*Ansehen*) of the German language at home and abroad, and cost more than a billion marks." With the exception replacing the *Eszett* ("ß") with a double "s," the reforms are trivial, unnecessary or confusing, the signatories of the declaration agree. Among the best-known of the Germans to put their names to the declaration are the novelists Günter Grass,

For Germany's youngest students, the "Frankfurt Declaration" comes just a little too late. Early this past summer, Germany's 16 state ministers of education decided to give the country's youngest students a head start by introducing the new spellings during the school year that has just begun (TWIG 6/7/96, p.7). The 212 spelling and punctuation rules now governing German are to be trimmed to 112 by the reform. In all, 185 words in German's "basic vocabulary" of 12,000 words will be affected. ■

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**A BOOK WORTH READING!** *Oma, Tell Me About Olden Times (in the Gruene Family)* is written by 62 year old Roberta Mueller, a direct descendant of Ernst and Antoinette Gruene. The book is a collection of stories told to Roberta by her grandmother, Johanna Gruene Sippel. It is the story of Ernst and Antoinette as they immigrated to New Braunfels, Texas, from Netze, Germany, in 1846. They reared their three children, Ernst, Jr., Heinrich (H. D.) and Johanna on a farm near New Braunfels. The Gruene family contributed to the development and growth of the New Braunfels area, including what is known today as the Historic District of Gruene, a quaint community on the Guadalupe River that was once thriving under the direction of H. D. Gruene. Johanna Sippel Gruene Sippel passed on stories of the family's eating and working habits, their old medical remedies, Indian and Civil War tales. The third child, Ernst, Jr., also lived and made his mark in the New Braunfels area as a successful businessman, but died at an early age.

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# New Handbook of Texas

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In 1952, the Texas State Historical Association published the Handbook of Texas, a massive two-volume encyclopedia compiling virtually every important event, individual and location in Lone Star State history.

It was a seminal work; for more than 40 years, the Handbook has been a fixture in schools, public libraries and private collections.

"But history doesn't stand still," observes association staffer Doug Barnett. "In 1952, Texas didn't have NASA or the Houston Medical Cen-

ter. Events in our state have caused sweeping change. We'd been updating the Handbook all along, but in 1982 we decided we needed not to update, but rather to change the grid."

This was an ambitious undertaking for the 3,500-member association, which was founded in 1897 by the University of Texas history faculty and currently has offices in Austin on the third floor of Sid Richardson Hall, adjacent to the Lyndon B. Johnson Presidential Library. No other state historical as-

sociation in the country has collected and published a comprehensive encyclopedia; Kentucky has a one-volume state history, but it is not exhaustive.

The association counted on its membership of scholars, writers and individuals who are simply interested in Texana to help put the project together.

"We knew it couldn't be done overnight," Barnett says.

In fact, it took 14 years. Late this month, the association will publish The New Handbook of Texas, a

six-volume set that includes 23,640 topics on 6,945 pages with 13,093 bibliographic citations. For \$395, it is an ultimate reference resource, lovingly written by many of the crack historians in the state.

"We had four main areas (in the original Handbook) that needed drastic change," Barnett says. "First were the changes in Texas, from population density to new programs, businesses and so forth. Then we wanted to expand our material on women, blacks and Hispanics, who simply weren't covered sufficiently the first time."

In every other way, the association intended for the New Handbook to mirror the old one. For instance, while prominent deceased Texans would receive biographical sketches, living leaders would be mentioned only in articles and essays on projects in which they participated. "That was a rule from the time of the original Handbook, so we could have some distance in time to properly evaluate each person," Barnett says.

Chronologically, the first subject of the New Handbook of Texas is an article on Paleoenvironments, or changes in state vegetation, that occurred in the past 30,000 years.

The earliest humans discussed are the Clovis people, a tribe of hunter-gatherers who inhabited the area around 9,200 B.C.

The last subject chronologically is former U.S. Congresswoman Barbara Jordan, who died Jan. 17, 1996.

After receiving approval from the 3,500 association members, in 1982 staffers began to host a series of

conferences in areas where research was needed, says association President Ron Tyler. "For instance, we held two conferences on Texas women, inviting scholars and historians, hearing what was needed, and then going to specific participants and asking them to write articles on these individuals or topics."

The massive task of compiling information was daunting. More than 2,000 writers eventually contributed material. Their submissions were examined by an editorial board of association officials and members; each item was checked a minimum of two times.

"There was material from the original Handbook that didn't need to be updated or changed," says Ben Proctor, a past president of the association and professor of history at Texas Christian University. "What happened at the Alamo, for instance, certainly is the same."

Sometimes, contributing writers had to be detectives as well as historians.

At one point, Tyler called Fort Worth's Clissy Stewart Lale, a writer who is the association's president.

"Ron wanted me to find a painting he'd heard about — Murray Bewley's painting of downtown Fort Worth," Lale recalls. "Well, I knew Murray Bewley was part of the Bewley Mills family, a very prominent family. He'd spent most of his life in France and only came back to Fort Worth during World War II. I checked and put together a list of 17 names of people who might have known him or about his painting. I called and called."

Lale finally got a lead; Reilly Nail Jr. didn't know anything about the painting but did know that an attorney named Sam Denny was in the process of settling Edwin Bewley's estate.

"I called him and his secretary said right away, 'I know there is such a painting. Mrs. Gretchen Denny has it,'" Lale says. "I know Gretchen and I called her. Eventually I picked up the painting, took it to

a photographer, he kept it four hours, and I sent the photograph to the association and took Gretchen her painting back."

Much of the funding for the New Handbook came from grants. "Foundations were generous; our largest grant was \$700,000, and we also received two grants from the National Endowment for the Humanities," Tyler says. "As we conclude the project, total foundation grants are closing in on \$3 million, and when we combine cash and in-kind contributions — Southern Methodist University and Texas A&M lent us researchers, for instance — the total cost of developing the New Handbook will be just over \$5 million."

For the first edition, 5,000 sets of the New Handbook will be printed, 4,200 of which have been pre-purchased. Many of the remaining first edition sets will be available at Barnes & Noble Bookstores, which have ordered one set for every store in Texas.

## Seele's 'Sketches' glimpse early days

Hermann Seele was happy to see Texas, to say the least.

"Praise and thanks to God," he wrote. "The coast of Texas lies ahead. New land. Homeland.



MIKE COX

Blessed are you, land, you ground, free ground for my new free life."

And so on. Of course, Seele had been on a ship for nine weeks, coping with seasickness, smelly water

and the cold North Atlantic. His gushing excitement can be understood and forgiven.

The coast had been obscured by fog earlier that morning, but about noon the low-lying moisture burned off and Seele got to see Galveston.

It was Saturday, Dec. 9, 1843.

Seele's description of his arrival off Galveston is an entry in a diary he had begun in his native Germany and continued off and on through the Civil War. The approximately 1,200-page diary was written in German.

Now, translated to English by University of Houston history professor Theodore Gish, who annotated the diary and wrote an introduction to put the work in perspective, it has been published for the first time by the Austin-based German-Texan Heritage Society.

The 476-page book sells for \$27.50, plus \$4.50 postage and handling. It is available from the Society at P.O. Box 684171, Austin, Texas 78768-4171.

As a religious youth, Seele decided to come to the Republic of Texas. His diary tracks his thinking as he reaches the decision, his journey in Germany and his trans-Atlantic voyage from Bremen.

Seele stayed in Galveston and environs for a time before traveling to Carlshafen on Matagorda Bay and from there up to the new German settlement called New Braunfels. Unlike most German immigrants to Texas, Seele had not come as part of the Verein, an immigration effort put together by a group of German noblemen. But difficulty in adjusting to the Texas American culture led him to join the Verein.

As he wrote, "A German church, German neighbors, German ways combined with Texas freedom, ties to the fatherland, the guarantee of provisions until the first harvest, and the furnishing of the necessary tools, all these are advantages compared to settling on one's own."

Seele became one of New Braunfels' leading citizens. He was a teacher and eventually became mayor of the city, which for a time in the mid-19th century was Texas' fourth largest.

The translation and publication of this diary is an important contribution to Texas history. Unlike

many diaries, it is not a brief accounting of events in the author's life. It shows how he thought.

Included with the book is "Sketches from Texas," written by Seele as a guide for anyone else interested in leaving Germany for a new home in Texas. He comments on Texas climate, methods of farming and wildlife.

The only problem with this book, and it is minor compared with the overall value, is its index. The index is of names only, not places, events or concepts. It makes the work a little harder.

The introduction Seele wrote for his "Sketches from Texas," which was intended for family and friends, contains a passage that is a suitable appraisal of his diary:

"As you evaluate this writing, I beg of you to be mindful of the fact that it is my personal view which you find here, such a view may not have the quality of a sharply focused observation nor exhibit the experienced powers of judgment which can discern the important connections between everything. But just for this reason, it also might not be lacking in the essential truth of things ..."

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# OCTAGONAL ARCHITECTURE

Houston Renovator, Vol. 3, No. 7 (July 1996), p. 20.



By David Bush

The use of distinctive shapes is one of the characteristics that differentiates late 19th-century architecture from late 20th-century design. Spires and pinnacles adorned rooflines; turrets and projecting bays provided interesting nooks and crannies; diamond and fishscale shingles decorated surfaces. Given the Victorian penchant for the unusual in architecture, it should come as no surprise that one of the era's earliest building fads featured a shape that is today almost universally associated with stop signs and ketchup bottles: the octagon.

Orson Squire Fowler, a somewhat eccentric lecturer, writer and obsessive octagon promoter from Fishkill, New York, popularized the eight-sided house plan with his publication, "Octagon Houses: A Home for All," in 1849. Since octagons enclose more floor space per linear foot than comparable squares or rectangles, Fowler claimed they cost less to build and reduced heat loss. He also insisted octagons allowed in more sunlight and had better ventilation than conventional houses; owners of the these unusual homes found that the improved light and ventilation went into the triangular closets and pantries that occupied the octagons' angles.

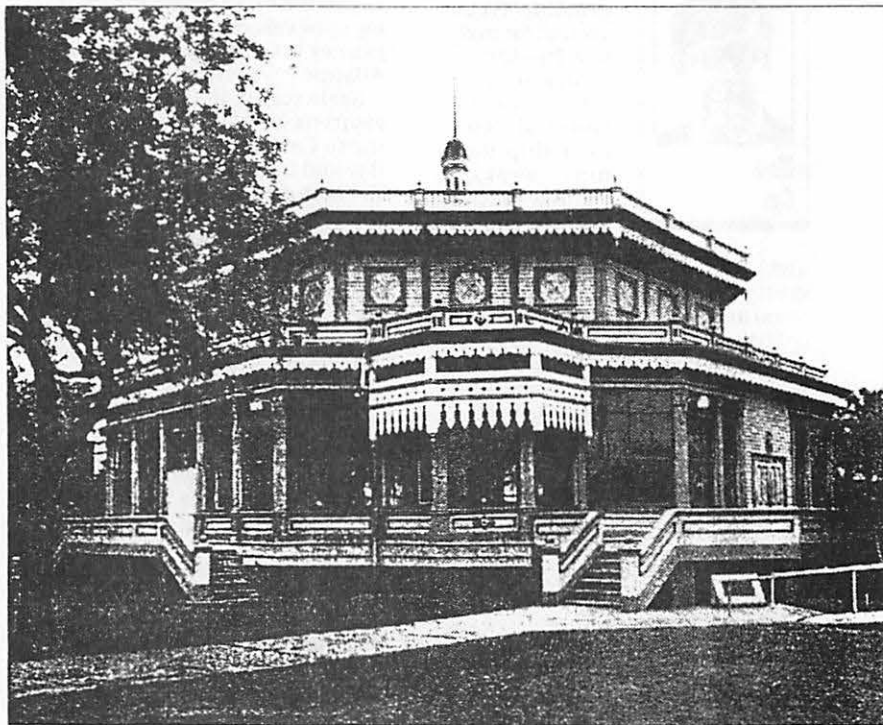
Most octagonal homes were built in the 1850s and 1860s in the Northeast and Midwest. No more than a few thousand were ever built and only a few hundred survive. The most

prominent example in the South is Longwood in Natchez, Mississippi, a monumental octagon left unfinished at the start of the Civil War.

While there are no major octagonal houses in the Houston area, one important eight-sided building survives from the Victorian era: the Garten Verein dancing pavilion at Avenue O and 27th Street in Galveston. The Garten Verein (Garden Union or Club) was a social organization founded in 1876 by members of Galveston's prosperous German community. The group

purchased Manor Place, the former estate of Robert Mills, one of antebellum Texas' wealthiest planters, and converted the five-acre property into a pleasure garden. Mills home was used as the clubhouse and dining room; eventually the Garten Verein completed bowling alleys, tennis courts, an ornate fountain, flowered walks, a beer garden, bandstand, and an open-air dancing platform.

In 1879 the dancing platform was enclosed. While octagons were not very successful as houses, they were the ideal shape for dancing pavilions.



*The Garten Verein dancing pavilion in Galveston is being restored through a gift from the Harris and Eliza Kempner Fund. Photo by Jim Cruz.*

Seating around the perimeter provided an unobstructed view of the large dance floor at the center. The Garten Verein pavilion is generally attributed to Nicholas J. Clayton, but recent research by architectural historian Stephen Fox suggests that German-born John Moser may have been the architect.

Whoever was responsible for the design created a building that exemplifies what most people expect a Victorian building to be. The pavilion reflects no specific style.

From its vaguely Gothic pinnacle to the quatrefoil windows in the clerestory, through a profusion of vergeboard, the overall effect is whimsical and somewhat excessive; in other words: Victorian.

The Garten Verein became one of Galveston's leading social centers during the city's heyday in the late 1800s. Membership was opened to

anyone who could afford it (\$10 membership fee plus \$1.50 monthly dues), although only members of German descent could be shareholders. The dancing pavilion and other facilities were heavily damaged in the 1900 hurricane, but the buildings and grounds were restored and continued to play a prominent role in the city's social life.

In 1923 Galveston businessman Stanley E. Kempner purchased the property and donated the pavilion and its five-acre site to the City of Galveston for use as a park. Since then, Kempner Park and the Garten Verein pavilion have been the scene of countless public events and a popular location for weddings.

To commemorate its 50th anniversary, the Harris and Eliza Kempner Fund of Galveston recently pledged \$1 million for the restoration

of the Garten Verein dancing pavilion and Kempner Park. The philanthropic organization established by the family of Polish immigrant/ entrepreneur Harris Kempner is entering into a public/private partnership with the City of Galveston to repair and improve these historic properties.

The phased restoration is expected to be completed in two years. When the work is finished, the Garten Verein pavilion will be one more octagon that will stop traffic.

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## On the 'Day of German Unity,' Germany Looks Back On Six Years of Unification vii

*The Week in Germany—October 4, 1996*

Six years after unification, German politicians across the spectrum agree, the task of uniting Germany remains unfinished. On October 3, 1990, the Treaty on German Unification between the German Democratic Republic and the Federal Republic of Germany went into effect. The GDR ceased to exist, and five newly reconstituted states - Brandenburg, Mecklenburg-Vorpommern, Saxony, Saxony-Anhalt and Thuringia - along with eastern Berlin joined the Federal Republic. The anniversary of the treaty's promulgation is now a national holiday, the Day of German Unity (*Tag der deutschen Einheit*), and has come to provide Germans with occasion to examine the progress made in joining together what had been two very different societies.

"It is not a comfortable path that lies before us," Chancellor Helmut Kohl warned in a televised speech he recorded for October 3 (the chancellor travelled to Ireland on October 2

for a two-day official visit). The chancellor said he was satisfied on the whole with the distance Germany has come since 1990. Rebuilding eastern Germany and its economy will, however, take years to complete and will continue to require considerable effort, he added. Without downplaying the scope of the challenges that remain, Kohl underscored his optimism about the future course of the unification process. "We have every reason for confidence on our way toward the world of tomorrow," he assured the nation. "Remember our strengths! With courage, enterprise and perseverance, we will reach our goal - just as we achieved the unity of our fatherland six years ago."

Leaders of the parties that govern in coalition with the chancellor's Christian Democratic Union pointed to the progress that has been made in closing the economic gap between eastern and western Germany. Federal Minister of Finance Theo Waigel,

who heads the Bavaria-based Christian Social Union, noted that united Germany has "every reason for pride and joy." "With net transfers of DM 500 billion (currently U.S. \$325 billion) and the thorough privatization of 14,000 state-owned enterprises," Waigel said, "we have created new, economically competitive jobs and provided 16 million (eastern German) fellow citizens with equal social protections." Wolfgang Gerhardt, national chair of the Free Democratic Party, said that although economic disparities between eastern and western Germany remain, many of the obstacles that had been impeding economic development in the east have been cleared away.

Representatives of the opposition parties called attention to the formidable challenges that remain in achieving full unity. Prime Minister Oskar Lafontaine of Saarland, national leader of the SPD, called for a new initiative to foster "inner unity" and to

counter the lingering prejudices and misconceptions many easterners and westerners have about one another. Germany's economic difficulties, he added, reinforce the widespread impression that the two societies have not truly merged into one. Many easterners, noted former East German civil rights activist and Green leader Marianne Birthler, still feel that westerners are setting the standards in all aspects of life in Germany. Although many easterners are unquestionably better off today than they were six years ago, she said, many also still live in great uncertainty.

President Roman Herzog was slated to preside over the official celebration of the Day of German Unity in Munich. President Gyula Horn of Hungary was invited to attend as the guest of honor. As Hungary's foreign minister in 1989, Horn opened Hungary's borders to allow thousands of East Germans passage to the West. ■

## San Antonio's First Soap Maker

By: Fount Rambie

Most San Antonians think of the Menger Soap Works as the first; however, Frederick William Klemcke engaged in the manufacture of soap earlier. Klemcke sold his business and building to Johann Nicolaus Menger in 1851.

In 1846 Charles Frederick William Klemcke was earning a living as a soap maker and candle maker in the Colony of Vandenberg in Germany. Hearing of opportunities for young families in the United States, Frederick William and his wife, Emilie, decided to join the Castro group coming to the New World and Texas.

The future colonists were required to bring tools of their trade in order to provide a means of existing financially for the first year. The Klemckes brought along vats and soap making tools. Arriving in Galveston with the other colonists, they were transferred to Indianola in December of 1846.

Their first son died soon after arrival and a second son was born in that December. First, they lived in San Antonio and then in Castroville for a while. By early 1849 they were back in San Antonio operating a soap factory on San Pedro Creek.

No doubt they left Castroville as did many others because of a severe drought and famine in 1848 and 1849. A daughter was born to them in 1849.

In July of 1851 Frederick William sold the soap works including the land and building, as well as the soap making utensils, to Johann Nicolaus Menger. The deed is recorded in the Bexar County Deed Records, in Vol. K1, Page 58, Article 78 and dated July 12, 1851. In 1873, Menger replaced the original structure with a limestone building that still stands today.

This soap works is listed in the National Register of Historic Places and bears an Official Texas Historical Marker dedicated in 1983.

After selling the soap factory, the Klemckes went back to Castroville to claim their land as set forth in the Castro Colony Agreement. Now being known as William Klemcke, he sold the 640 acres, officially designated as the William Klemcke Survey. They had not even lived on this land.

They then settled an area a few miles east of Old Somerset that later became Senior. William was required to build a house and to homestead for three years in order to obtain title to 136 acres of land under preemptive provisions.

William died in 1860 at the age of 44 years.

After William's death, the widow Emilie moved into San Antonio and operated another soap works on the San Pedro Creek some distance south of the original factory.

Many of the Klemcke heirs still occupy parts of the original homestead, being some 18 1/2 miles southwest of San Antonio near where the ghost town of Senior existed.

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The Center will have computer terminals where one may access a huge data base of arriving ships, names of immigrants, births, marriages, and a possibility to add information about current descendants. It also provides a research laboratory for historians and scholars and Internet links to worldwide data bases.

To place your name in the "Register of Charter Founders," send your contribution or request for more information to:

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**CENTRAL TEXAS OBITUARIES** has recently been compiled by the Milam County Genealogical Society. Funds have not been raised to publish this approx. 635 page book, however, an index for the approximately 3,500 obituaries is available for \$10.75 including P/H. The obituaries were transcribed from the *Thorndale Champion* and the *Rockdale Reporter* 1906-1994, from the towns of Austin, Cameron, Dallas, Fort Worth, Houston, Rockdale, Taylor, Thorndale and many other towns and states.

For more information or a copy of this index write: Milam County Genealogical Society, c/o Lucy Hill Patterson Library, 201 Ackermann St., Rockdale, TX 76520

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**BASTROP COUNTY MARRIAGE RECORDS**, (2 volumes; 1851-1881, 1881-1900), published by the Daughters of the Republic of Texas, Baron de Bastrop Chapter. Volume I (1851-1881) was transcribed from Books A, B, and C and contains 3,412 marriages. Volume II (1881-1900) was transcribed from Books D, F, G, and part of H and contains marriage data on 4,388 couples.

Volume I sells for \$17.00, Volume II for \$20.00, plus \$3.00 P/H per book. Order from Evelyn Wolf, Rt. 1, Box 194, McDade, TX 78650, or phone 512/273-2388.

**GTHS CONVENTION, LUBBOCK:** Your Genealogy Editor would like to thank the participating members for making her first convention a success, and for all the nice notes she has received since. The proposed publication GTGS Immigrant Ancestors generated so much interest that the deadline for submitting your ancestor/pedigree charts/family group sheets has been extended to December 31, 1996. The usefulness of this research tool (book) is already obvious. Four families who did not know one another before, met and shared information on their common ancestor and his/her descendants. In one situation, as your genealogy editor assisted in researching a family history, she realized that she had dealt previously with that ancestor's name. As a result, two families of the same ancestor became acquainted. These examples are proof that our publication will be a helpful resource to you and other families who may be searching for the same root/ancestor.

To include your information in this publication locate the "German Ancestor Form" in The Journal, Vol. XVII, No. 1 (Spring 1996), page 77. You can also submit pedigree charts or family group sheets, no more than two sheets per ancestor, please. If you submitted pedigree charts and group sheets that are hard to read when photocopied, please replace them with ones that can be reproduced clearly.

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**GENTECH 97, Plano, Texas, January 24-25, 1997.** The fifth annual conference, GENTECH 97, will feature nationally known speakers, software developers, computer software demonstrations, online service, and more. It will be perfect for the genealogist using today's technology. Write: GENTECH, Box 28021, Dallas, TX 75228. Web Page: <http://www.connect.net/beau/gentech>

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**RUESCH INTERNATIONAL - FEE CHANGE**

As of September 1, 1996, the fee for a draft for changing U.S. Dollars into German Marks was raised to \$3.00. For information how to send a check in German Marks, see page 67 in the Spring 1996 issue of The Journal.

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**INTERNATIONAL REPLY COUPON, regulation change.** As of September 1, 1996, IRCs may no longer be exchanged for stamps in Germany, but can be used to pay for postage at the time the letter is presented for mailing. Only one IRC may be used per letter, the difference has to be paid in cash. This change effects recipients only, not the purchasers. (Der Blumenbaum, Vol. 14, 1996)

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Our Heritage, quarterly publication of San Antonio Historical and Genealogical Society, carried two articles of interest to German Texans in its combined Fall 1995-Winter 1995-96 issue. "A Pre-Base History of Randolph Air Force Base" traces the history of the land in northeast Bexar County from pre-historic times and through the Spanish Colonial era and the Republic of Texas to the 1928 selection of the site for an air field. Of particular interest is the 19th Century settlement of that area by German-Texan farmers. The article quotes Viktor Bracht's observations of the land in his book and O. Henry's description in one of his stories. Also mentioned are the founding of the town called Schertz and the communities of Cibolo and Converse. Specific German-Texan men or families, in addition to Schertz, are mentioned: Vordenbaum, Simon, Borgfield, Voges, Rittiman,, Hillert, Ullrich, Achterburg, Wuest, Habermann, and Kriewald.

The other article of interest is a two-page outline of descendants of the Sartor-Staacke family by GTHS member Corrine Staacke. The background includes information on Alexander Sartor, one of the first founders of New Braunfels who relocated to San Antonio. His daughter, Emma, married Augustus Frederick Staacke. Both families became prominent among the Germans of San Antonio. Portraits of two Sartors hang in the Steves Homestead on King William Street. And, Staacke is a familiar name to San Antonians and historic preservationists, as the famed Staacke building, designed by James Riely Gordon, still stands on East Commerce Street. It was originally the site of the Staacke Bros. business, a carriage and wagon dealership and later dealers in the city's first automobiles (see GTHS Journal, Summer 1992, page 146). The second half of this short article brings the family descendants up to date.

(from: Our Heritage, Fall 1995-Winter 1995-96, item contributed by Theresa Gold, San Antonio)

## GENEALOGY SECTION

Permission was granted to print this article by the: "Texas Wendish Heritage Society".

## WHO ARE THE WENDS? (Štó su Serbja?)

by Ron Lammert

In December of 1854 an English sailing vessel, the *Ben Nevis*, docked in Galveston harbor loaded with some 500 immigrants from Lusatia, an area comprising parts of Saxony and Prussia. These immigrants were not the typical lot of Germans, Swedes, Czechs, and Poles who flocked to Texas in the 1850's seeking cheap land and economic opportunity. This group was different.

It brought a strange new language to the frontier state --- the Wendish language. And even more striking, these Slavic pioneers who were to settle in Lee County made the journey from their homeland, not in search of prosperity, but rather in search of religious liberty and the right to speak their Wendish tongue.

The Wends were descended from a group of Slavic tribes which had developed a common language, and, in the tenth century, occupied much of central Europe. By the 19th century the Wends had been decimated by conquest and assimilation with other cultures until only a small area along the River Spree was inhabited by true Wends.

The Wendish migration to Texas, was impelled, in part, by the Prussian insistence that the Wends (or Sorbs, as they called themselves) speak and use the German language, even to the extent of Germanizing their names. The oppression of the Wendish minority extended to working conditions, with Wends being denied the right to do the skilled labor for which they were trained. If they were hired at all, they received less pay than their German counterparts. Prussian agrarian reform laws of 1832 dispossessed the Wends of their real property so they were, in effect, vassals to their Prussian lords.

But most intolerable was the requirement that the Lutheran Wends join the Evangelical Reform churches in one state-regulated Protestant body. The Wends believed this action would dilute their pure Lutheran faith and, rather than accept this decree, they made plans to emigrate to the New World.

The Wends organized the journey under the leadership of their Pastor, The Rev. Jan Kilian. Rev. Kilian was a scholar and prolific writer who translated from German into Wendish many books such as Luther's Large Catechism and the Augsburg Confession. He also wrote Wendish prayer books, sermons,

tracts, as well as hymns and poems. Years later, Rev. Kilian was known to preach the same sermon in Wendish, German and English on a Sunday morning. Kilian, a graduate of Leipzig University, was a strong leader and a logical choice to be the Moses of this 19th century Exodus.

On March 25, 1854, a new Lutheran congregation was organized at Dauban, to become the cornerstone of a large Wendish emigration. Rev. Kilian was called as Pastor.

Most likely the group chose Texas as its destination because of glowing reports returned by several families of Wends who had previously settled in central Texas. Other smaller groups of Wends also departed during this period to find new homes in Australia.

Knowing that the odds favored many losing their lives on the journey, 558 Wends left their homes and many loved ones in the first week of September, 1854, bound for Texas. The group traveled to Liverpool, England, where they boarded the three-masted *Ben Nevis*.

They soon encountered their first tragedy as the dread cholera epidemic struck. Fifteen died before the ship reached Ireland. At Queenstown, Ireland, the ship was quarantined for three weeks and thoroughly fumigated. Twenty-three more succumbed to cholera during this time.

At last, on October 22, 1854, the Wends again boarded the *Ben Nevis* bound for Galveston. Although the cholera had somewhat abated, another eighteen died at sea during the Atlantic crossing.

The decimated congregation arrived at Galveston in early December, only to be faced with another scourge, yellow fever. Many contracted the disease, but only one died before the Wends could flee inland to Houston.

From Houston the Wends journeyed further inland by oxcart in early January. Two men had been sent ahead to find a place where they could settle. The epic migration to a new homeland ended on the banks of Rabbs Creek in what is today Lee County, near Giddings. Here the Wends purchased a league of land for \$1.00 an acre. The first winter was hard and food was scarce. Many Wends lived in dug-outs and log cabins until proper homes could be built.

The newcomers set aside 95 acres of the land for the Lutheran church and school. About a mile northwest of the church property, the colonists began work on their town, which they named Serbin. This was to be the capital of their "Wendenland" in Texas, where they could continue forever their Wendish language and cultural traditions.

One of the first acts accomplished by Rev. Kilian was to apply for membership into the fledgling Missouri Synod Lutheran Church.

St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Serbin became the first of many Missouri Synod churches in Texas and it had the only Wendish school in America.

The current St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Serbin was completed in 1871. It is a beautiful, yet simple structure, the obvious product of pioneer craftsmanship. The unique interior includes a balcony extending all around the church with a pulpit nearly 20 feet above the lower floor. Originally the men sat in the balcony, while the women occupied the floor level pews. St. Paul's is one of the oldest churches in America in continual use since its construction.

Many groups of Wendish colonists struck out for other parts of Texas in the latter 1800's. Wends formed sub-colonies in such places as Austin, Houston, Warda, Fedor, Swiss Alp, Giddings, Port Arthur, Manheim, Copperas Cove, Vernon, Walburg, The Grove, Bishop, and the Rio Grande Valley. In each case the Wends built a new church and affiliated with the Missouri Synod, thus helping spread Missouri Synod congregations throughout Texas.

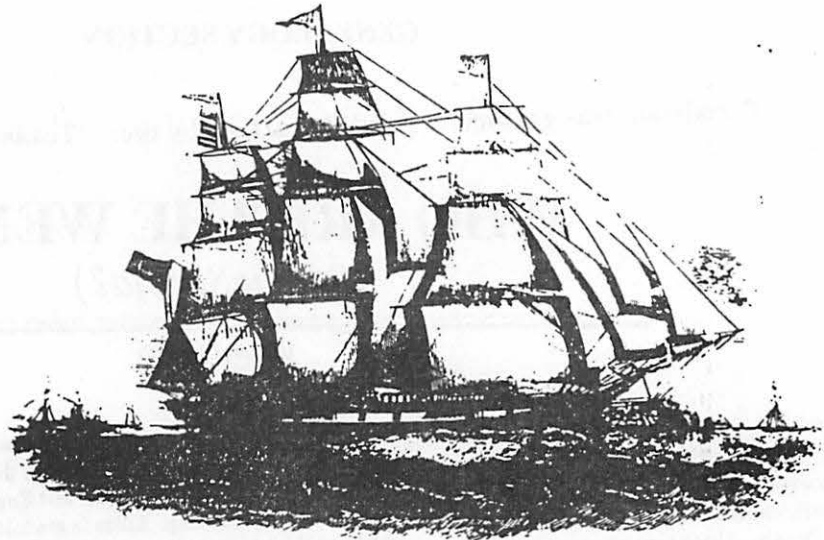
In the new congregations the Wendish language and culture soon died out. Only in Serbin did it survive, where Wendish services continued to be held until 1921. Today, only a few elderly Wends still know the language.

The great irony of the Wendish emigration was that in the effort to establish a pure Wendish colony where the language and culture could be preserved, these very things were lost due to the economic and social realities of the frontier.

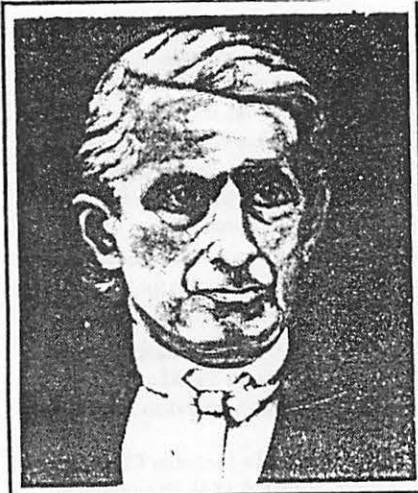
Throughout Texas, particularly on the church rolls of Missouri Synod Lutheran Churches, can be found Wendish names from the passenger list of the *Ben Nevis* --- names

like Lehman, Moerbe, Schatte, Fritsche, Becker, Schubert, Dube, Teinert, Wulkash, Kiesling, Prellop, Kasper, Zoch, Miertschin, Urban, Wenke, Knippa, Noack, Groeschel, Wuensche, Melde, and many more. Strong emphasis on biblical religious faith and basic education is evident today in families descendant from the Wendish pioneers.

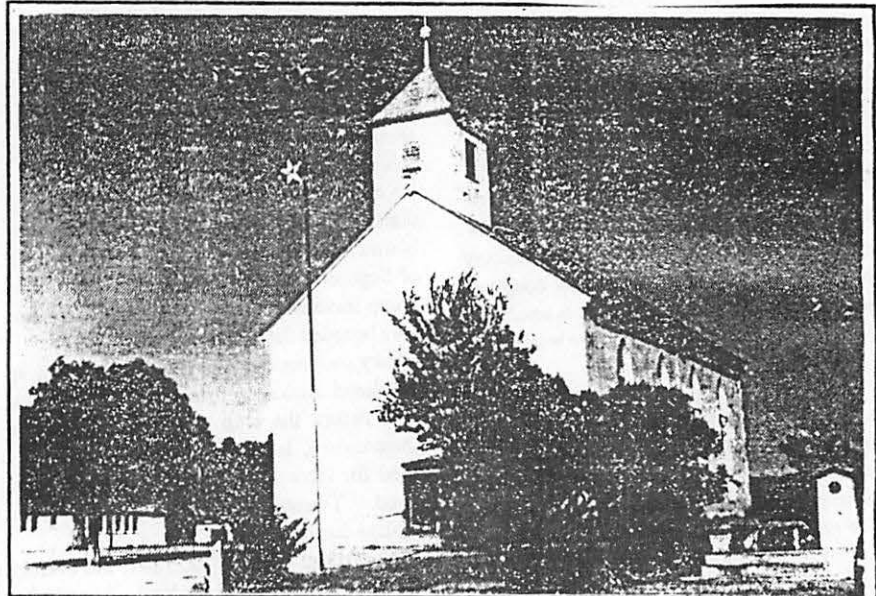
Today thousands of Texans and other Americans, many unaware of their background, can lay claim to the courageous and fascinating heritage of the Wends.



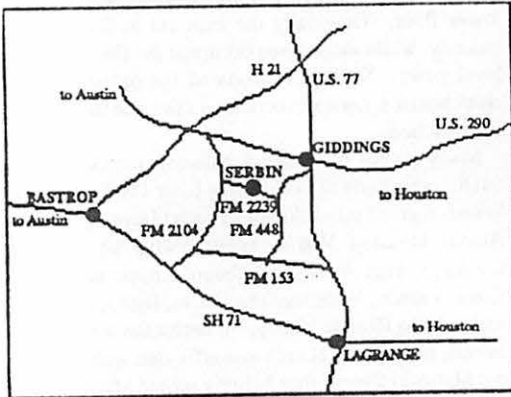
*The Ben Nevis was chartered by the Wends for their voyage to Texas.*



*Rev. Jan Kilian was the spiritual leader of the Wends who immigrated to Texas. Kilian was known to preach the same sermon in Wendish, German and English on a given Sunday morning.*



*St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Serbin is one of the oldest churches in America in continual use since its construction.*



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Members receive regular mailings of current articles and information concerning the Wends. Meetings are held quarterly.

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## ? Buchenland -- Bukovina ?

**Bukovina:** From 1775 to 1918, the easternmost crown land of the Austrian Empire; now divided between Romania and Ukraine. As a multi-ethnic province, its name has several spellings: *Bukowina* or *Buchenland* in German, *Bukowina* in Polish, *Bucovina* in Romanian, and *Bukovyna* in Ukrainian, all of which mean *Land of Beech Trees*. The Bukovina Society of the Americas welcomes people with interest in the history and culture of this land.

### A SHORT HISTORY OF BUKOVINA

Bukovina, on the eastern slopes of the Carpathian mountains, was once the heart of the Romanian Principality of Moldavia, with the city of Suceava being made its capital in 1388. In the 15th and 16th centuries, the Painted Monasteries of Arbora, Dragomirna, Humor, Moldovita, Putna, Sucevita, and Voronet were constructed under the patronage of Stefan the Great and his son Petru Rares. With their famous exterior frescoes, these monasteries remain some of the greatest cultural treasures of Romania today.

Along with the rest of Romania, Bukovina fell under the control of the Ottoman Turks. It remained in Turkish control until it was occupied by the Russians, in 1769, then by the Austrians, in 1774. With the Treaty of Constantinople in 1775, control of Bukovina was given to the Austrian Empire. Administered as a district of the province of Galicia between 1786-1849, Bukovina was granted the status of a separate crown land and duchy in 1849. When the Austrian Empire was reorganized into the Dual Monarchy of Austria-Hungary, in the Compromise of 1867, Bukovina, like Galicia, remained under Austrian administration, while the neighboring province of Transylvania was placed under Hungarian rule.

During World War I, Bukovina became a battlefield between Austrian and Russian troops. Although the Russians were finally driven out in 1917, Austria would lose Bukovina with the war, ceding the province to Romania in the Treaty of St. Germain.

On June 28, 1940, northern Bukovina was occupied by troops from the Soviet Union. It would change hands again during the course of World War II, but this half of Bukovina ended back in Soviet hands, and is today the Chernivetska oblast of Ukraine. Southern Bukovina is now part of Suceava county, Romania.

### IMMIGRATION TO BUKOVINA

Bukovina covers an area of 10,422 square kilometers. In the 1775 census of this province, its population was only about 60,000. To encourage the development of this sparsely-settled land, the Austrian emperors subsidized the immigration of colonists to Bukovina. After the end of these official immigration programs, colonists would continue to arrive at their own expense. As a result, by the census of 1910, the population of Bukovina had risen to over 800,000.

People of many different ethnic groups took part in this immigration, including Armenians, Hungarians, Jews, Poles, Romanians and Ukrainians (at this time, generally referred to as *Ruthenians*). German colonists came from three distinct areas: Swabians and Palatines, from what is now Baden-Wurttemberg and Rheinland-Pfalz, in southwest Germany; German Bohemians, from the Bohemian Forest (*Bohmerwald*), now in the Czech Republic; and Zipsers, from the Zips mountains, now Spis county, Slovakia.

### EMIGRATION FROM BUKOVINA

As the population of Bukovina expanded, so did the pressures for emigration. Farmers with large families could no longer divide their homesteads among their children, and industry in Bukovina had never grown to the extent it had elsewhere in the Austrian Empire. Land agents in the New World further enticed them with free homestead land.

The first wave of Bukovina German emigration took place in the 1880's, with groups going to Ellis, Kansas, Lewis County, Washington, Saskatchewan, Canada, and Rio Negro, Brazil. A second wave of emigration to the Americas took place in the years preceding and following World War I. Many of these emigrants would join those who preceded them, and others found industrial employment in New York City.

World War II would provide the major impetus for the Bukovina Germans to leave their homeland. After the Soviet Union annexed northern Bukovina in 1940 - while the Molotov-Ribbentrop Pact was still in effect - an agreement between the Soviet Union and Germany, and a similar agreement between Romania and Germany, allowed the ethnic Germans of Bukovina to voluntarily leave for Germany. Nearly all Bukovina Germans, some 95,000 people, accepted the terms of

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this resettlement (*umsiedlung*) to the Reich. In 1945, many of these, who were sent to German-occupied land in Poland or Czechoslovakia, would find themselves refugees again, fleeing from the advancing Red Army.

The fate of these Bukovina Germans was determined by their location at the end of the war. Many would settle in West Germany and Austria (with some emigrating to the United States, Canada, and elsewhere), others in East Germany. Some were forced to return to Romania, from where they were finally granted permission to emigrate again to Germany over the following decades. Only a very small minority of Bukovina Germans remain in Romania or Ukraine, today.

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Bauer - *Бауер*

Dierschke - *Диршк*

Eggmeyer - *Эггмайер*

Feuerbacher - *Файербачер*

Gersbach - *Герсбах*

Hausmann -

Jakobs - *Якоб*

Kochler - *Кохлер*

Leonhardt - *Лейонхардт*

Melcher - *Мелчер*

Neumann - *Неуманн*

Pfeiffer - *Пфайфер*

Richter - *Рихтер*

Schatzkammer - *Шатцкаммер*

Traugott - *Трауготт*

Ublig - *Ублиг*

Vollmer - *Воллмер*

Witzsche - *Витцше*

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Mr. Herbert L. BEINHORN, R.R. 1, Box 1100, Moscow, TX 75960, has graciously volunteered to look up old records of the St. Peter Evangelical Lutheran Church, Spring Branch Community of Houston, TX. Please enclose a SASE with your request.

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Dorothy MATTFELD ABRAMEIT, 8875 U.S. Hwy. 90A, Seguin, TX 78155-8103

Need information on:

Louise FINDEIS GRIBBIN (or GREEBON) born in Berlin, Germany on Dec. 17, 1852 and died in New Braunfels, TX Dec. 14, 1942.

She was married in New Braunfels, TX on Nov. 22, 1868 to William Hugh GRIBBIN (OR GREEBON) who had immigrated from Londonderry, Ireland in 1850. He was born Sep. 20, 1832 (or 1830) and died Dec. 31, 1908 in Zorn, TX

I am trying to find their burial sites or any other information.

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Marie Neuman Gottfried, 35531 Stenzel Road, Brookshire, TX 77423. Seeking descendants/info on the families of BAUSS, FLATH, BUTCHER, JENSON/JOHNSON and HILLENDAHL. Joseph Samuel Weiman and wife Louisa came with family from ? Germany to NY ca. 1857. Sailed to Galveston and settled in Spring Branch community of west Harris County. Members of Lutheran church, now St. Peters UCof C. Two children married and had families in local area: Carl Weiman and Bertha Matzke. Remaining daughters that had married moved away.

I am trying to locate their descendants: Mary m. Theodore BAUSS in 1859, moved to Galveston, and died ca. 1866. Bertha m. Rev. FLATH in 1861, lived Spring Branch, Indianola, and moved to NY in 1860's. August m. Dr. John C. Butscher of Harrisburg in 1865. Married F. H. Jenson in 1868, had a son, and died in 1879. Son Gustav filed a court document from Huntsville in 1892. Rosalia married Henry Hiiendahi in 1880 and moved to California.

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New member and have enjoyed The Journal very much. Thanks!

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Letter to the genealogy editor  
Members in touch with members, and the editor

Letters I received during the time I've been your genealogy editor, sorry that I can not print all of them, but here are a few inserts.

Dear Christa.

Thank you for publishing the German Ancestor form in the 1996 spring Journal page 77. I completed my form with a query about my great grandfather Christian Lueckemeier, Washington County, TX. Phyllis Mistrot of Sugar Land, TX completed her form with a query about her great grandfather Christian Lueckemeier, Washington Co., TX when you notified me of the match, I immediately wrote to Phyllis. When she received my letter, she immediately phoned me. We have been in touch every since, exchanging family history and pictures. I hope many others will take the time to fill out their form. This new genealogy project of your is great. Congratulation! Sincerely, Joyce Nelson, Austin, TX

# Biography Of Charles Fordtran

(This is another article in the series of historical segments prepared by the Industry-West End Historical Society for publication.)

The late pioneer and eminent settler of Austin County, Charles Fordtran, of Industry, was one of the earliest of the permanent residents of the commonwealth of Texas. In January, 1831, he came from New York City and joined Austin's colony on the Brazos River.

Mr. Fordtran was born in Westphalia, Germany, May 7, 1801, and was a son of John H. Fordtran, a native of Schleitz, in the province of Saxony. The Fordtran family came originally from France, being one of the French Huguenots who refuged to Germany after the revocation of the Edict of Nantes, in 1685. They were a wealthy and intellectual class of people, being manufacturers of soap, wax, candles, perfumes, etc., and carried the knowledge of the production of these articles into Germany where its secret was kept in the family for generations. John H. Fordtran was identified with this line of industry and was his desire that his son, Charles, also follow it. However, he did not take an interest in this career, and gave it up.

Charles Fordtran was rather sparingly educated. The main reason for this was the unsettled condition of the country. During this time the Napoleonic wars were underway. No one was exempt from this service even if they were professionals, teachers, or skilled workers.

He was reared at Minden, Westphalia, and had the benefit of a good home with plenty of good books to read. He took a strong liking to these, and this made up for his lack of school training.

He was one of two sons. The other brother was named Henry Fordtran. He passed away in his native homeland. Charles was the only member of the family to emigrate to the United States.

Mr. Fordtran sailed from Hamburg, Germany, for New York in 1830. Here he met a number of his fellow countrymen, from whom he received important information concerning the new country. Among these American friends was John Jacob Astor who was then laying the foundation for the great Astor fortune of the present generations of that name. One afternoon the two went out for a walk to the limits of the city. It was there that Mr. Astor told him that the city would soon

cover the vast scope of what was then farmland and that he and other young men should invest their earnings in the city.

While still in New York and undecided where he should settle, he met the former gardener of the Duke Oldenburg, a native of Germany. This person was named Friederich Ernst. This man had recently had an unfavorable turn of fortune, and was then reduced to poverty. They were both anxious to go West and begin life anew. Mr. Fordtran volunteered to help the old gardener, and his wife and three children. They took passage on the sailing ship Saltillo. They planned to stop in Missouri. While on ship, they met a party distributing Texas literature about this new and coming land for homeseekers. They reached their Texas destination in the month of April, 1831.

When he arrived in Texas, Mr. Fordtran met Padre Muldoon, Samuel M. Williams and other men of local note. They welcomed him and made him feel at home. Colonel Williams provided him with his first employment in Texas. This employment was marking the boundaries of two leagues of land which Stephen F. Austin had granted to Mr. Williams.

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One of these leagues of land was given to Mr. Fordtran for surveying and locating the other. This is the land located in the north-west corner of Austin County where Mr. Fordtran spent most of his lifetime and where he finally died.

After only one year in Texas, Mr. Fordtran had become ill and discouraged. He decided to return North. He had made some improvements, and he had gathered together a few head of cattle and horses, as well as a few implements of husbandry, and offered to sell all of his possessions for \$1000, but he could not find a purchaser. He then left his property in the hands of friends and started away in search of health.

Having accepted the invitation from Capt. Henry Austin to visit his home at Bolivar Point, near Galveston, Mr. Fordtran spent several weeks there and then went to Mississippi in company of Nathaniel Townsend. His stay in Mississippi resulted in adding many warm personal friends to his acquaintance, and in a complete restoration of his health. He then returned to Texas determined to make it his home.

After resuming his normal activity, Mr. Fordtran made a contact with Col. Samuel M. Williams to bring in for Austin's colony, 800 families, for which he was to be given liberal donations of land. Accordingly, he went to New Orleans, where large companies of his countrymen were rendezvousing in preparation for a trip to South America, where many colonization schemes were then in process. There he undertook to secure settlers to carry out his contract. It was then that interested parties soon started the report that Texans were only beguiling the ignorant foreigners to the Mexican provinces to sell them into slavery, and the settlers were so strongly persuaded that they could not be induced to come to Texas. Mr. Fordtran threw up the contract in disgust. He returned to Texas with only two families, the Zimmer-scheidt and Biegels. He settled them on a league of land, the former near La Grange and the latter at Frels-burg. The two families were his servants for two years, and then they went to the land which they had been granted.

About this time Mr. Fordtran became acquainted with Miss Almeda Brookfield, whom he married July 4, 1834. She was a daughter of William Brookfield, who married Miss Lalliet and moved from New

York to Texas in 1831. Mrs. Fordtran was born at Detroit, Michigan, December 30, 1817, and passed away in Burnet, Texas November 21, 1887. Her father, Mr. Brookfield, was a civil engineer, surveyor, Indian fighter, and an early settler in Fayette County, on the Navidad Creek, south of La Grange. This is presently known as Hostyn.

Mrs. Fordtran also had brothers who were well known in Texas history at this time. Charles Brookfield served in the army of the Republic of Texas from 1835-1836. Frank and Walter volunteered in the United States Army in our war with Mexico, 1846-1848. Walter died in Mexico and Frank was killed as a member of Captain Dawson's company. He is buried in the tomb at Monument Hill in La Grange. Her brother, Edward, was in the ranging services of Texas against the Mexicans and Indians until their dispersal from the settlements, and died in the state of Texas. She had a sister, Mrs. Emma Evans, who was the wife of Vincent Evans.

When Mr. and Mrs. Fordtran married, they lived on the outskirts of civilization, and they saw and experienced all there was of frontier life. He was always ready to go to the relief of any section of the country that was threatened or attacked by the Indians, and for years after coming to the country, he was always involved in every campaign that was organized to repel the Indians from Austin's colony. He was also a member of a number of recruiting parties. In the vicinity of his own home he assisted in saving Mrs. Williams and Mrs. Pettus from capture, and helped to drive off the Tonkawas who carried on an extensive scheme of stealing. This occurred several times. The Indians were under the direction of an infamous character named Ross.

On the occasion of the invasion of Texas under Santa Anna, which occurred in 1835-1836, Mr. Fordtran joined Captain Byrd's company of "Spy Ranger" and assisted in protecting the outlying settlements from attack by Indians and facilitating the escape of the families who were in the path of the invaders. This service, in the Army of the Republic of Texas was the only military service that he performed. He received a land grant of 320 acres of land in Bell County for his service from August to December, 1835.

He never cared for running for a

public office. When urged to, he persistently refused to do so. He was opposed to both the annexation of Texas to the United States and to its secession at the opening of the Civil War, but he saw four of his sons serve under the flag of the Confederacy during that struggle.

During the time the area of settlement began in the Comal and Guadalupe Counties in the Fischer Miller Grant, Prince Karl Solms-Braunfels frequently conferred with Charles Fordtran and Friederich Ernst about the possibilities of bringing settlers into Texas. The Nassau plantation, which was a resting spot for the travelers to the Fischer Miller Grants and points west, was under the direction of Count Boos Waldeck. He was unable to carry out this direction and Charles Fordtran was put in charge until the funds were depleted. This venture finally failed, and the land was sold to the Von Roeder family.

Mr. Fordtran brought up ten of his fourteen children: William, who died in Fayette County; Portia, who was the wife of Dr. G. C. McGregor, of Waco; Eugene H., who died in the Confederate Army; Frank, who died in the Confederate Army; Charles, who was a farmer on Cummins Creek in Fayette County; Louisia Healy of Brenham; Ann Hill of Galveston; Josephine Mensing of Galveston; Sarah Baker of Waco; and the youngest, Robert E. Lee Fordtran of Industry.

During the Civil War, Mr. Fordtran kept "open house" to all visitors - doing what he could to relieve the distress and suffering of the times. His home abounded in good music, good cheer, good things to eat, and good society. During his life time, he had a fondness of books and a love of the society of young people.

Charles Fordtran died November 1, 1900. Until the day before his death he still had a clear mind and memory. He simply slept away. He is buried in the Prairie Lea Cemetery beside his wife, Almeda, in the Healy family plot.

This is the inscription on the historical marker

SAINT JOHN LUTHERAN CHURCH

THIS CONGREGATION WAS ORGANIZED IN 1896 BY SEVEN BELLVILLE FAMILIES ASSISTED BY THE REV. O. W. HARTMANN, A FACULTY MEMBER OF THE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN COLLEGE IN BRENHAM (1891-1906). EARLY WORSHIP SERVICES WERE HELD IN THE METHODIST CHURCH BUILDING. THE LUTHERAN CONGREGATION ACQUIRED ONE ACRE OF LAND AT THIS SITE AND COMPLETED A FRAME BUILDING WITH A STEEPLE IN NOVEMBER 1898. THE REV. P. GOGOLIN WAS CALLED AS THE CONGREGATION'S FIRST FULL-TIME MINISTER IN 1899, AND REMAINED FOR TWO YEARS.

A HURRICANE REACHED BELLVILLE IN 1900, COMPLETELY DESTROYING THE GERMAN METHODIST CHURCH, AND BLOWING THE LUTHERAN CHURCH FROM ITS FOUNDATION. THE CONGREGATION REPAIRED THE DAMAGE TO THE CHURCH STRUCTURE.

FOR SEVERAL YEARS THE CHURCH STRUGGLED WITH PART-TIME PASTORS AND A SMALL, INACTIVE MEMBERSHIP, UNTIL THE ARRIVAL OF PASTOR HANS KRAUSE IN 1911. UNDER HIS LEADERSHIP THE SUNDAY SCHOOL EXPANDED, THE LADIES AID SOCIETY WAS REACTIVATED, A PARSONAGE WAS BUILT, AND THE CONGREGATION GREW STEADILY, BUILDING A BRICK SANCTUARY IN 1925.

THE CHURCH CONTINUES TO SERVE THE NEEDS OF ITS MEMBERSHIP AND THE COMMUNITY AS IT HAS FOR MORE THAN 100 YEARS.

The seven original families were those of the names listed below:

Franz Hinze

Johan Harms

Friedrich Harms

George Zander

Heinrich Hehl

Gustine Pfeifer

Heinrich Harms

These families consisted of 22 persons.

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# Early settlers, killed by Indians, remembered in special ceremony

The story of Romanus and George Gross actually begins in Alsace with Francois Henry Vonflie, his wife Marguerite and two children, Henri and Marie Anne.

Henri and his wife Catherine had a two-year-old daughter, Barbara, and Marie Anne, married to Romanus Gross, had two children, Mary Anne, age 4, and George, 1. The spouses of the two Vonflie children were themselves brother and sister, children of the Romain Gross family. In other words, brother and sister married sister and brother.

To understand why these three families chose to leave their homeland to come to America, we need to remember that times were difficult in France during the 1800s. While the political unrest had seemed to have abated somewhat, Alsatian law required that the oldest male child inherit family land. Thus, with all large families, many were left without land. Without land, you were considered a second-class citizen. You had no security in life and nothing to offer your children. These three families were wedged in this hopeless situation.

The offer by Henry Castro of free land in America was a never-before-known hope for a chance in life, a dream for a future for themselves and their children. To undertake this dream, they had to forsake everything they knew for a long voyage and an unknown future in a strange land. They accepted the challenge and in December of 1848, the Vonflie and Gross families left France to seek this dream.

In January 1849 the families arrived in New Orleans. In February a boy was born to Henri and Catherine. He was named Heinrich (Henri) Jr. This baby, born in the land that held their hopes and dreams for a future, surely had to be a sign of good things to come. They arrived in Castroville in March 1850 and their first act was to baptize Heinrich.

The struggle for survival in this new country had to be hard on any family who came to the Henri Castro settlements, but the people were willing to work. The families labored hard and, while life was day-to-day existence, little by little the land was

## Gross/Vonflie graves sanctified

About 50 people attended the Gross/Vonflie grave sanctification Sunday, July 14, at St. Louis Cemetery in Castroville.

A new grave marker had been installed and the family cross with heart had been sandblasted and permanently embedded for posterity.

Father Kevin Shanahan blessed the graves. Starting promptly at 2 p.m., under a large tent with soft breezes blowing, the story of the Romanus and George Gross, as well as the Henry Vonflie, attacks and killings by Indians was told.

The Gross father and son incident occurred over 129 years ago. Entries

in the St. Louis Catholic Church records tell how residents of the town of Castroville were deeply troubled by the incident.

A plaque had also been installed on the Kauffman cross, listing birth place and wife's maiden name. It also includes their eight children's names, their wives' maiden names and marriage years.

Guests enjoyed lemonade while groups discussed with and questioned the speaker, Yvonne "Bonnie" Ludwig, on many long unanswered questions. Visuals helped reinforce and understand the plight of the three early families.

developed, a house was built and another two children were born, Romanus Jr. to the Gross family (who will have another child, Joseph, in 1863) and Mary Anna to the Vonflies.

Their dreams were becoming reality, but tragedy struck the Vonflie family. Catherine gave birth to a fourth child, Katherina, in 1854. The baby died a few days after birth and Catherine shortly after.

Henri decided it was best for him and the three children to move to the farm near Francisco, about seven miles from Castroville.

Less than a year later, this decision would prove fatal.

In September 1855, returning from the long trip to Castroville for provisions, Henri put the children to bed. About 9 p.m. he went out to ensure there was water for his young calves. A short distance from the house, he was shot from the dark by lurking Indians. Two arrows struck him, one went through his body, the other lodged in his abdomen and caused his demise.

Again the decision had to be made as to what to do with the three children. Romanus and Marie Anne Gross brought the two girls, Barbara and Mary Anna, to live with them, their three children and the elder Vonflies. Nine people called the house home. It was located in Castroville on Madrid Street, between

Amelia and Naples.

In order to insure there would be enough food for everyone, the family decided to use an age-old custom of allowing another family to provide food and shelter for Henri Jr. in return for whatever help he could give them. He was only six years, eight months old at this time.

Henri Jr.'s life has been well documented. He contributed a great deal to society in his many endeavors and his achievements, bravery and honesty are well recognized. Unfortunately, he and his wife Katherine Meyer, had no children and this lineage of the Vonflie name ended on Feb. 4, 1944.

In 1860 Marguerite Vonflie, the grandmother, died at the age of 77. Her husband lived another seven years. Church records state his age was 69, birth records from France indicate his age as 81.

Mary Anne Gross, the only daughter in the Romanus Gross household was not quite 16 when she was given permission to marry a fiery redhead with a promising future, Michael Kauffmann, age 26.

Also from France, his parents had died before he was three and his mother's family, the Burgers, brought him to America in 1842. Michael and Mary Anne married April 23, 1861. Three years later, the first of their eight children, Joseph, was born.

A boarder taught Michael to read

and write English and because of this the community of Idlewilde was established. Michael knew from experience the need of a good education and was so thrilled with being able to read and write, he decided to donate some of his land to the community to be used for a school.

When Michael died in 1899, he left more than 3,000 acres of land to Mary Anne who soon gave half the land to their eight children, fulfilling the dream of land for the family and all the children. Mary Anne lived another 41 years.

A carpenter, Mary Anne's father, Romanus knew that wood cut from stressed trees would last longer than trees cut when not stressed. Thus, it

was that on Monday, July 11, 1867, he and his son, George, chose Michael Kauffmann's land to cut pickets for a fence.

They had finished cutting for the day. The mule and wagon had been brought to the road when they, very likely, heard or saw some Indians. Since Indians lived in the area, we do not know if the two continued their labor, not sensing the need of being threatened or continued their labor to show bravery which the Indians respected. It is suspect that they were probably securing the pickets to the wagon at the time they were shot, both in their left sides. They probably never knew what hit them.

No one will ever know why these

Indians decided to kill the two men. It is known that these were the same Indians Joseph Conrad had seen earlier herding horses. A party of men chasing the Indians found Romanus and George. George had been scalped.

They were buried the next day in St. Louis Catholic Cemetery. Only 19, George never had a chance to marry and fulfill his dream.

Six years later, Marie Anne died, but her promise to her children had been fulfilled. She and Romanus were able to gain land in their names and gave to their children a much better future than they would have had in France. Their dream was fulfilled, but the price was costly.

Their youngest son, Joseph, died two years later at age 14, having been thrown from a horse. The only living male child, Romanus Jr. and his wife, Philomina Burger, had one daughter and four sons. From these five children, only one grandson and one granddaughter was born. The grandson, Louis Jr., had no children of his own. The granddaughter, Margaret is the *last living* child born to the Gross family. When Margaret married into the Mariano family, the lineage of the Gross name ended.

While some of the land the Gross family worked for still belongs to their descendants, a few of the Gross people shared land and possessions with their associates.

The names of these three families have ceased to exist, but many of the descendants have made major contributions to the area and the county. Henry Kauffmann pushed for a new school to be built in LaCoste and the early writings of family history by Donald Mangold have been frequently recognized.

There is no way to attempt to name the many descendants of these families who have made dreams of land, education and church an intricate part of their lives.

These three families gave up everything familiar to them to come to America with a vision of providing a better life for their children and future generations. The fact that they succeeded proves that their struggles and untimely deaths were not in vain.

Compiled by  
Yvonne & Lester Ludwig



Yvonne "Bonnie" Ludwig inspects the grave marker of Romanas and George Gross, killed by Indians. The white "tin" heart was the original faded, hardly readable marker. It was taken to a source and the lettering was sandblasted into the metal to last even longer. The heart and its original handforged cross was reinstalled with the new 16"x36"x4" granite and 4" concrete curbed marker. The marker reads: "Killed by Indians 3 miles southeast of LaCoste, Texas July 11, 1867. Father Romanus Gross, born 1816 in France. Son George Gross born 1848 in France. Immigrant pioneer settlers of Medina and Bexar counties in 1849 from Goldolsheim, Alsace, France. Romanus, age 51, George, age 19, were attacked by Indians while cutting fence posts on Michael Kauffman land near the former Idlewilde Community, Bexar Co. Dedicated by descendants, 1996."

## Herman Sons News, San Antonio, TX - August 1996, page 17

**Museum Burokrat:****Ludwig takes place in history of Sons of Hermann in Texas**

Franz Joseph Ludwig, who immigrated from Hussern, Canton of Saint Amarin, Alsace, France to Old Town of D'Hanis when he was 14, was one of 12 charter members of Harmonia Lodge, founded on July 6, 1861.

He accompanied his parents, Franz Antoine and Marianne Masson Ludwig and his 11-month-old sister, Josephine, to the Texas frontier in 1847. The family was recruited as pioneer settlers for Henri Castor's Colonies being settled in the Republic of Texas beginning in 1844. D'Hanis was the last of four towns established by Henri Castro and was the most remote on the western frontier and often raided by Indians.

Franz Joseph farmed the family's head-right land near Devine until he moved his family to San Antonio around 1854. He became a naturalized citizen of the United States on Dec. 25, 1859. In 1880, he and his family were living on Nueva Street (which borders Grand Lodge property on the north) and became an extensive property owner with deeds to property at Iowa and Hoefgen Streets, Virginia and Meerschidt Streets and Blum and Elm Streets. The former became his home and the latter became the site of the Ludwig Undertaking and Embalming Co., which was opened by his son Albert Louis Ludwig and later his grandson, Milton Carol Ludwig.

Franz Joseph was a butcher by trade and operated a butcher shop in Stall No. 38 in the old San Antonio Market Building on Alamo Plaza. He died in his home in San Antonio on March 14, 1900, and is buried in St. Joseph's Lutheran Cemetery in San Antonio. His children were Frank William Ludwig, Wilhelmina Josephine Ludwig Copeland, Maria Johanna Ludwig Rowe, Emma Catherinia Ludwig Foote, Albert Louis Ludwig, Catherinia Christa Ludwig Schiebel, Sophia Amanda Ludwig (Kibby) Woodman, Feliz Joseph Ludwig and Emilia Louise Ludwig Bippert. Other descendants, who are Sons of Hermann members include Lester F. Ludwig, a grandson; Ashlynnne Emily Ludwig, a great, great, great, great granddaughter of Franz Joseph Ludwig and great, great, great granddaughter of Frank William Ludwig; Remington Asher Ludwig, great, great, great, great grandson of Franz Joseph Ludwig and great, great, great grandson of Frank William Ludwig.

Franz Joseph Ludwig was the first treasurer of Harmonia Lodge and served three months as president in 1864. Officers were first elected quarterly, then semi-annually and finally annually from 1895 to the present.

At the Dec. 18, 1873, meeting of Harmonia Lodge, C. Schuchart made a suggestion to connect life insurance to the lodge. Franz Joseph Ludwig, H. Eberhardt, W. Hueschkel and W. Schaub were appointed to a committee to study such a plan. The life insurance idea jumped all hurdles in a year, and on July 1, 1875, Harmonia asked the National Grand Lodge to institute a life insurance program and make the insurance obligatory for the entire Order. It became a reality on Sept. 22, 1876, when each brother would be entitled to \$300 worth of life insurance and \$60 at the death of his wife if she preceded him in death.

- Curator

**Commentary**

Despite the fact that my daughter and I were the only Texans participating in the Routes to the Roots program sponsored by the University of Oldenburg, the journalists latched on to the fact that we came from Texas and headlines in many local newspapers announced the arrival of seventeen Texans. I told my fellow travelers from the midwest that I would not object to them being called "Texans" if they would include an occasional "y'all" in their vocabulary. Some of them stopped saying "you guys" for a short period of time and used the much more melodious "y'all".

Ours was the first group to participate in this cultural, historical and genealogical tour of our ancestral land. We were feted with champagne receptions by the mayors in the Rathaus in all major cities and were interviewed on TV, radio and by newspaper journalists in Oldenburg, Aurich, Ostfriesland, Bremerhaven and Bremen. It was a wonderful experience. The only hardship for me were the innumerable formal tea ceremonies that followed the champagne receptions. Ostfriesens have a very formalized ritual of tea drinking. I do not like tea! However, in the interest of good German-Texan relations I managed to control my facial expression and shudders as I somehow contrived to make one cup of tea last for at least an hour. Oh, the sacrifices we make for our country!

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**NORDWEST/BREMEN**  
NORDWEST-ZEITUNG

# Texaner trinken Tee der Heimat

## Kulturtourismusprojekt bringt amerikanische Reisegruppe auf die Spur der Vorfahren



Spurensuche in Old-Germany: Die erste Reisegruppe aus den USA ist in der Universität Oldenburg in Geschichte und Leben ihrer Vorfahren eingeführt worden. Die 17 Touristen fahren jetzt quer durch Ostfriesland – in die Heimatgemeinden ihrer Vorfäter. Bild: Karsten Rohr

17 Amerikaner fahren quer durch Ostfriesland. Ihr Ziel: Die Heimatgemeinden ihrer Urgroßeltern.

Von Karsten Röhr

**Oldenburg/Aurich.** Nein, der Besuch der Semperoper in Dresden und die Brotzeit im Hofbräuhaus interessieren Lydia Eisenhauer Biegert nicht. Die Touristin aus Dickinson/Texas, hat die Deutschlandreise gebucht, weil sie ihr „eine einmalige Chance bietet“: eine Fahrt in das kleine ostfriesische Plagenburg, sechs Kilometer nördlich von Aurich. Die Texanerin gehört – zusammen mit 16 anderen Amerikanern – zur ersten Reisegruppe, die das Kulturtourismusprojekt „Routes to the Roots“ der Auswanderungsforschungsstelle an der Universität Oldenburg über den Atlantik in den

Nordwesten geholt hat. Ihr Ziel: Ein Besuch der Stätten ihrer Vorfahren. Die waren im vergangenen Jahrhundert von Ostfriesland nach Amerika ausgewandert.

Nach oft über 150 Jahren Funkstille wollen die Amerikaner nun Kontakte in die alte ostfriesische Heimat knüpfen, deutsche Nachfahren kennenlernen und in Archiven, Bibliotheken und Kirchenbüchern nach familiengeschichtlichen Spuren suchen, bevor die Reise sie ab dem 4. September über Bremerhaven und Bremen, Berlin und Dresden nach München führt. Mit Unterstützung der Ostfriesischen Landschaft und der Ländlichen Akademie Krummhörn hat „Routes to the Roots“-Leiter Dr. Wolfgang Grams zahlreiche regionalgeschichtliche Erkundungen organisiert. Für das richtige ostfriesische Flair sorgen Besuche des Dörpmuseums in Münkeboe und des Moormuseums in Moordorf, eine Teezeremonie in Norden so-

wie ein Orgelkonzert in der Kirche von Rysum und ein plattdeutscher Gottesdienst in Victobur.

Für Wayne Busboom aus Illinois ist die Reise ein „absoluter Thrill“, sagt er, „aufregend und unheimlich spannend“. Bereits am ersten Tag hat er in der Uni Oldenburg die Passagierlisten des Schiffs gefunden, mit dem sein Urgroßvater Thees damals ausgewandert ist. Jetzt hofft der Regierungsbeamte aus Urbana, 120 Kilometer von Chicago, in Filsum weitere Spuren zu finden. Denn in der Kirche von Filsum haben sich seine Urgroßeltern das Ja-Wort gegeben. Busboom: „Hierherzukommen, heißt, mich selbst und das Leben all der ausgewanderten Ostfriesen in Amerika besser zu verstehen“ – etwa den starken Zusammenhalt und die gegenseitige Unterstützung, die das Leben der Nachfahren in den USA immer noch prägen. Busboom: „Je länger ich darüber nachdenke, desto stolzer bin ich

auf meine Herkunft aus Ostfriesland.“ Immerhin seien es die Auswanderer aus dem Nordwesten gewesen, die mit ihren Drainage-Kenntnissen aus einer „ehemals miesen Gegend, die niemand haben wollte – voller Moskitos, Schlangen und Wasser – das beste Land in ganz Illinois gemacht haben.“

Für Projektleiter Wolfgang Grams ist die Reise „ein schöner Erfolg, weil wir damit zeigen konnten, daß auch komplizierte touristische Produkte funktionieren, wenn sie gut durchdacht sind“. Das Kulturtourismusprojekt sei mit großer Unterstützung, aber auch gegen viele Widerstände umgesetzt worden. Deshalb fühlt sich der Auswanderungsforscher jetzt „bestätigt, weil wir nun wissen, daß eine seriöse Mischung aus Bildung, popularisierter Wissenschaft und Touristik, die viel über das Leben und die Menschen hier in der Region transportiert, in den USA auf Interesse stößt“.

**GOLDMANN FAMILY OF VICTORIA, TEXAS UPDATE**  
by Wilhelm and Christopher Goldmann

In "The Journal" of Summer, 1996 published by the German-Texan Heritage Society, Volume XVIII, Number 2, pp. 158-159, it was reported that our great great great grandfather was "Johann Fried Goldmann". The middle name was discovered to be an abbreviation for "Friedrich" as given names were commonly abbreviated in this time period in Lutheran church records; thus, the corrected name is "Johann Friedrich Goldmann". At this time his birth place is unknown but he would have been born approximately 1760 (his son, Conrad Ludewig, was baptized in Verden, Hanover, Germany in December, 1796).

We additionally have discovered the original LDS film of Anna Augusta Steiner's older sister, previously reported as "Anna Maria" which appeared on her death record dated January 4, 1911 in Victoria County, Texas. Her Catholic baptismal record of 16 Apr 1836 in Schwammelwitz, Silesia, Prussia lists her full name as "Anna Theresia Hedwig Steiner" (Augusta was our great grandmother who married Adolph Goldmann). The village of Schwammelwitz is understood to be of combination German and slavic origin.

Finally, through persistent research the Catholic baptismal record of Augusta's and Anna's father, previously reported as "Carl Frederich Hugo Steiner", was located in LDS films on February 24, 1812 in Schwammelitz. His full baptismal name was listed as "Johann Carl Lazarus Steiner", Kretschem (pub manager) in Schwammelwitz, son of Joseph Steiner, Gerichtsschatzer (court appraiser) and Catharina Mick (also Mueck). On an interesting note in the latter 18th Century, the Christian baptismal name "Lazarus", as used in the New Testament of the Authorized Version of the Bible, is a German and Latinized version of Greek Lazaros, itself a transliteration of Aramaic Lazar, an aphetic short form of Hebrew Eleazar 'God is my help'. His given names first reported were apparently utilized in his early adulthood as "Carl F.H. Steiner" appeared on his Gymnasium notebook in Neisse Oder, Silesia.

We hope these corrections help anyone doing "Steiner" surname research in East Prussia around the turn of the 19th century!!

## GENEALOGY SECTION

## FAMILY REUNIONS

THE VICTORIA ADVOCATE, Tuesday, July 2, 1996—11A

## Michling- Dohmann

The fifth reunion of the Ernestine Michling Keil-Dohmann families was held on June 22 at Trinity Lutheran Hall.

Hosting the reunion were Weldon and LaVon Schmidt, Ewald and Carol Urban, Dorothy White, Hattie and Allen Wehlmann and Gladys Arnold. The invocation was given by Doug Hillyer.

Special recognition and prizes were given to Otto Weber, oldest man present at age 92; Lenora Preiss, oldest woman present at age 86; Ken, Pennie and Travis Biediger of Rosenberg, who traveled the longest distance, and most recent married; Alfred (Pete) and Luella Maurer, married the longest at 55 years; Timothy Hillyer, age 12 weeks, son of Doug and Susan Hillyer, youngest person present; and the Anna Keil Weber family with 35 present, family with most attending.

The committee hosting the reunion in Victoria in June of 1998 are: Doug and Susan Hillyer, Anna Kraatz, Williard and Ruby Schmidt, Weldon and LaVon Schmidt and Gladys Arnold.

Family members were from Beeville, Gonzales, Yorktown, Yoakum, Rosenberg, Kenedy, Goliad and Victoria.

There were approximately 50 people in attendance.

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## ZANDER REUNION

The 47th annual Zander Reunion was held Sunday Sep.1, 1996 at Buckholts, at Joe Glaser's Catfish Lake House. There were 104 people attending the noon pot luck meal. Officers serving were: Gilbert Zander, president; Jack Downey, vice-president; Pat Fuchs, secretary, and Florence Downey, treasurer. An auction of handmade items followed the business meeting. Special emphasis was directed toward making the 50th Reunion in 1999 as memorable as possible, and a committee was formed to contact all of the descendants of all the three Zander brothers.

The Zander brothers immigrated with their parents, Frederick "Peter" Zander and his wife Maria Dorethea, nee Ratzeburg in 1873 from Seehausen, Brandenburg, Germany. The family settled in Round Top near Maria's brother, William Ratzeburg. The Zanders did share cropping there for ten years, until they were able to purchase land at Page. William moved later in life to Buckholts area and Ludwig moved to the Valley Mills area, while Fred continued to reside in Paige.

A Family History was published just recently by Evelyn Wolf, and was available to the descendants at the reunion.

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## Pagel reunion draws 36 descendants

HALLETTSVILLE — Thirty-six descendants of Gottfried and Friedrike (Dikow) Pagel gathered on July 14 for the annual Pagel Family Reunion at the Hallettsville Garden and Cultural Center.

This family originated in Kordenhagen, Prussia, and immigrated to Texas in 1850. It included nine children: Friedrich Wilhelm Pagel, Carl Friedrich Pagel, August Pagel, Wilhelmina Fischer, Fredericka Ladewig, Fritz Pagel, Emilie Appelt Schott, Ernest Pagel and Julius Pagel.

The family originally settled in Fayette County at Willow Springs, but most of the family later moved to Lavaca County near Hallettsville.

The Wilhelm, Charles, August, Wilhelmina, Ernest and Julius Pagel branches of the family were represented at the reunion this year.

Clyde Pagel of San Antonio gave the invocation before the covered-dish lunch. Henry Pagel of San Antonio presided over the business meeting and Victor Roeber of Hallettsville gave the treasurer's report.

Otto Orsak of Hallettsville was recognized as the oldest person present. Three-year-old Nicholas Pagel of Eagle Lake was the youngest child present.

The Pagel family lost a number of family members to death in the past year. They were Gladys Anders, Gladys Menking, Regina Pagel, Savanna Raabe, Donald Roeber, Mildred Schultz, Lucille Wallin, Joe Zumwalt and Helen Zumwalt.

Officers elected were Henry Pagel as president; Clyde Pagel, vice presi-

dent; Victor Roeber, treasurer; and Rox Ann Johnson, secretary and historian.

During the business meeting, Mary Menking proposed that funds collected at the reunion go to the Pagel reunion and Carl Friedrich Pagel family set up a separate fund for the maintenance of the Pagel Family Cemetery near Hallettsville. Billie Johnston seconded the motion and the motion was adopted.

The Pagel family will meet again next year on the second Sunday in July at the Garden Center. White elephant door prizes will be given next year.

## 95 descendants gather for annual Heinsohn reunion

LA GRANGE — Between 1845 and 1851, six sons of Diedrich and Anna Marie (Rodenfels) Heinsohn left Oldenburg, Germany, to settle in Texas — one in Galveston County, one in Fayette County and four in Colorado County.

A total of 95 of their descendants and visitors gathered at the VFW Hall in La Grange recently for the 42nd Heinsohn Family Reunion.

A covered dish dinner was served at 12:30 p.m. with Chaplain Leonora King asking the blessing. Holly Heinsohn Kropp, president, called the meeting to order and special recognition was given to Horace Owings as the oldest male; Leonora King, oldest female; Braddon Kropp and Shawna Hardy, youngest male and female attendees; Horace and Thelma Owings, couple married longest; and Mike and Janice Cloteaux, most recently married couple.

King gave a memorial service for the deceased family members, which included Lauren Minson of Lubbock, Nellie Obermueller on April 9,

## Many Persons Attend German Hymnfest

The 46th Llano River Valley German Hymnfest was well attended. There were many "first timers." Visitors came from Salt Lake City, Utah, Wichita, Kansas, Chicago, Illinois as well as many Texas cities. The Mason County Men's Choir, under the direction of Charles Pluenneke, accompanied by Barbara Pluenneke, was great and well received.

The German hymn singing was loud and enthusiastic. Music for the singing was provided by Rev. Ed Halfast, organist, Deanna Coleman, pianist and Maria Mutis of Odessa, violinist. Song leaders were Franklin Brandenberger of McQueeney, Rev. Wesley Schulze of Canyon Lake, Rev. Bruno Schmidt of Austin and Rev. Milton Bohmfalk of Mason.

The 47th Hymnfest will be held in Hilda September 28, 1997.

Estella Onken on May 12, George Novosad on Sept. 30, 1995, and Floyd Jahn on Feb. 5.

For everyone's enjoyment, numerous items of interest were displayed. Roxanne Johnson and Janice Cloteaux, historians, brought materials for viewing and Egon Friedrich brought photographs and paintings.

Johnson also brought a poster of a group photo taken of the 1971 reunion, which brought a lot of interest and speculation. Gladys Harvey of Corte Madera, Calif., Cheryl Heinsohn of Sacramento, Calif., and Vernon Heinson of Woodland, Calif., made the long trip in to visit family.

For Vernon, who was raised in Maui, and his daughter Cheryl, it was the first opportunity to meet the rest of the Heinsohn family.

The 43rd reunion will be held at the VFW Hall in La Grange on the third Sunday of July 1997. It also will be a covered dish dinner and anyone with something of interest is encouraged to bring their materials along to share with everyone.

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October 2, 1996

Page 8, August 8, 1996, The Banner Press Newspaper

## Eisenhauer Reunion

Approximately 245 Texas Eisenhauers gathered at the Quihi Gun Club on June 15, 1996 to celebrate the 150th anniversary of the arrival of Paul Eisenhauer and his family in Texas. Besides eating, drinking, visiting, sharing old pictures and studying the intricacies of the family tree (made in the form of a wheel by Gene Eisenhauer), the group was entertained by a skit performed by the youngest generation. The skit, narrated by Lydia Eisenhauer Biegert, depicted the emigration from Germany, arrival in Indianola and settlement in Quihi, Texas of the young Eisenhauer family.

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### JOSEPH PREISS DESCENDANTS GATHER

Descendants of Joseph Preiss gathered recently for their third family reunion at Trinity Luther Hall with Woody Preiss, Billie Diamond, Roxie Boyd, and Embrene Hranitzky hosting.

Family members were recognized and presented with gifts, including Henry Jacob 82, the oldest man descendent; Lydia Bittner Preiss 87 the oldest woman descendant; Sam and Sara Duran 3 years twins of Doug and Kay Duran the youngest boy and girl present; Henry and Fay Maurine Jacob, couple married the longest at 61 years; Wallace and Jean Maurer, couple most recent married at 1½ years; Bill, Mandy and Quentin Carr traveling the furthest from Abilene, Texas.

Gladys Arnold reminded everyone to please keep her informed as to any changes for the Family History Book.

Approximately 72 members attended with the Alois Preiss family having the greatest representation of 47.

In the absense of Robert (Bobby) Preiss Gladys Arnold presented those in attendance with information received from Germany. We found out that Joseph's (Josef) Father was Johan Preiss born on May 7, 1808 in Schmiedorf, Bavaria; his Mother was Katharina Deindl born in Osterhofen; his grandfather was Josef Preiss a farmer in Schmiedorf; his grandmother was Theresia Frohler; his sister was Theresia born on August 24, 1834 in Osterhofen and his brother was Jakob born on February 19, 1837 in Osterhofen. Gladys also passed around a bottle of Alsace Grand Cru wine bearing the label **PREISS-ZIMMER** that was imported from Rotterdam, The Netherlands.

Gladys also has available a typed, updated list to the Family History Book since its publication in 1992.

Family members came from Houston, Alvin, Abilene, Brookshire, Goliad, McDade, Hondo, Corpus Christi, League City, Hallettsville, Austin, Wimberley, Pearland and Victoria.

The committee members for the 1998 reunion are: Woody Preiss, Roxie Boyd, Billie Diamond, Lillie Duran and Gladys Arnold. The date, time and location will be announced at a later date.

GENEALOGY SECTION

BOOKS - BOOKS - BOOKS

**GENEALOGY GUIDE TO TRACING ANCESTORS IN GERMANY-Margaret Krug Palen.** This is an update of the 1988 edition, which is available at the GTHS Library.

With the unification of Germany, it is now possible to trace German ancestry with a greater degree of accuracy than could be accomplished in earlier years.

Before you endeavor to research by mail or travel to Germany, you have to do some essential research in the United States. That accomplished, you can begin research in Germany. This book will let you know exactly what kind of records are available there, where to find them, how to get access to them, and how to decipher them. Helpful features of this book include lists of German terminology and useful phrases with English translations, along with illustrations of Gothic script and many other types of forms and records you may encounter. 1995, 159 pp, glossary, illus., maps, paper, \$ 19.50 # P042. To order call 1-800-398-7709

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**GERMAN IMMIGRATION IN AMERICA: THE FIRST WAVE - Don Heinrich Tolzmann.**

In 1708, representatives of the first major wave of German immigrants arrived upon American shores. By that time, Germans had already been coming to America for a century, but this was the date associated with the first major wave. The purpose of this work is to shed light on the history of immigration and settlement in America. It addresses the question as to why German immigration became a massive movement. To accomplish this the editor has selected two essential works which illuminate this topic." These works are: The German Exodus to England in 1709 by Frank Reid Diffenderffer, and The German Emigration to America, 1709-1740 by Henry E. Jacobs. 1993, 352 pp., paper \$ 28.50, order # T559, Heritage Books, 1-800-398-7709

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**GERMAN COURT BOOKS,** records listed as "Court Books" are actually land record books. As early as 1530 every local town kept their own books, and many of times Family pedigrees are entered in these books to prove the ownership of land. Saxony has indexed theirs. (IGS Newsletter, July 1996)

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**CORRECTION:** The Atlantic Bridge to Germany, volume IX, featured in the Spring Issue of the Journal on page 80.

It reads: " included also is the current state of Niedersachsen (formally Lower Saxony), this is incorrect

It should have read:

The tenth and final volume of the Atlantic Bridge to Germany will include the current state of Niedersachsen ( formerly Lower Saxony)

## GENEALOGY BOOK REVIEWS

**A Genealogical Handbook of German Research, Volume I: Beginning Research** by Larry O. Jensen. Revised edition 1996 by the author, P. O. Box 441, Pleasant Grove UT 84062, \$17.00 plus \$2.00 postage. Telephone (801) 240-1065, but no phone orders taken. 205 pages plus index, softcover, plastic comb binding.

Long awaited after being out of print for several years, Larry Jensen's Volume I for beginners is again available in a slightly revised edition.

This reviewer has for years recommended this volume as a beginner's introduction to German genealogical research. We looked forward in anticipation to the revised edition, and now it is here! The strengths remain as previously noted in a general review of German genealogical how-to books, GTHS Journal, Fall 1992, page 240, but the weaknesses have not seen an improvement.

Contents remain the same: historical background of Germany, emigration, determining place of origin (three chapters), surnames and naming practices, German handwriting and terminology (three chapters), finding records (three chapters). Strengths include: determining the place of origin, use of gazetteers (Meyer's, Müller's, and more specialized ones), use of L.D.S. sources (a real strength here!), and illustrations of maps and documents.

The real strength lies in the step-by-step format that is spread out, making it easier for a beginner to follow (compare, for example, the crammed format of George K. Schweitzer's German Genealogical Research).

Now for the weaknesses. It is not as "revised" as it should have been! The chapter on "Determining the Place of Origin" using L.D.S. resources has been rewritten, even in a different typeface, to include FamilySearch Ancestral File and the Social Security Death Index, but the information on the IGI was not updated to reflect changes in its format! Additional revisions were simply not made to reflect the 1990 unification, as a statement on page 75 refers to "towns presently in East Germany"! German addresses do not include the postal codes in effect since July 1993! And, the title page itself still gives this as the "Revised Edition, 1980!" The bibliography still has no resources referring to German Texans!

In spite of these limitations, this volume ranks very high in recommendations for beginners attempting German genealogical research. However, users--particularly beginners--should be aware of these limitations in using the handbook.

The author tells us that a revision of his Volume II, an intermediate volume dealing with records, is in the works and scheduled for release the end of this year. Future plans are for a Volume III, dealing with research problems for advanced researchers.

-----Reviewed by Theresa Gold

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**Fisher-Miller Grant and G.E.C. Forever: German Emigration Company Passenger Lists to Texas, July 1844-February 1846** by Charles W. Kleinecke. Available from Erickson Books, 1614 Redbud St., Nacogdoches TX 75961-2936. Telephone (409) 564-3625. \$25.00 softcover, plastic comb binding; \$35.00 library binding. 155 pages, indexed.

Within the Texas State Archives lie numerous ship's passenger lists for the Republic era. This book is a transcription of the names on those lists

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found within the "Fisher Colony Papers," reproduced in original passenger list order, ship by ship, in chronological order.

Altogether, 42 ships are represented along with a few miscellaneous entries, with the 3,733 names transcribed onto a standard format, surname first. Each list recaps the number of heads of families, wives, children, single men, and total passengers. All of the passengers but three were from Germany.

Information on each passenger can include name, age, occupation, and whether a wife, child, or single person, but for some the information is missing. Information on the ship can include the name of the ship and captain, the ports and dates of departure and arrival and the number of passengers.

D. H. Klaener, agent for the German Emigration Company, did not indicate family relationships, and neither does this book. However, by seeing the names as listed, certain valid assumptions can be made as to family groupings.

As Everett Fey noted in his New Braunfels: The First Founders (see GTHS Journal Summer 1995, pages 182-183), passengers for the brigs "Johann Dethardt," "Herschel," and "Ferdinand" were combined into one list. This book also acknowledges that quirk, with the three ships together bringing 287 passengers total.

This listing of passengers in the same order as the names appear on the ships' actual listing is a large improvement over the merged alphabetical listings published by Ethel and Chester Geue. Also, here the researcher knows the exact source of the information and can then go directly to the primary source for verification and documentation.

Yet, a few words of caution are in order. All the names are indexed, but the system for locating a ship's list from the reference in the index can be confusing. Read the instructions! Although we are grateful to have the German Emigration Company's passenger lists in print, why were earlier ships not also included (such as Fey considered in connection with the arrival of New Braunfels' first founders)? And, as with any book of published records, experienced researchers know that the names within the book are only as accurate as written by the original scribe and as interpreted by the transcriber.

This is an excellent resource for our German-Texan family researchers. The only question is: why did it take so long for someone to produce it? This reference is a "must have" for each and every library, historical and genealogical society in the German-settled areas of Texas (a recent notice indicates, unfortunately, that the library binding version may be sold out. Perhaps it is already in many Texas libraries!) and is a "should have" for all serious German-Texan genealogists.

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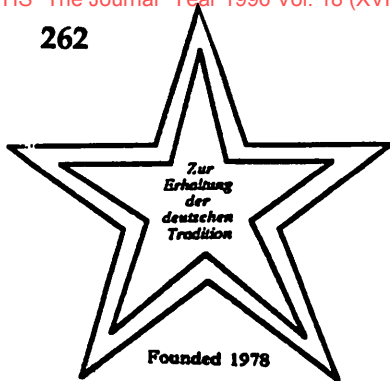
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By  
Rodney C. Koenig

What a marvelous convention! The German spirit of Llano Estacado permeated the GTHS Convention in Lubbock, Texas. We enjoyed meeting "German cowboys" from just outside of Cologne, Germany who have their own Cowboy Club located at Lubbock Town, Germany. Dr. Meredith McClane and others spoke of the significant influence Karl May's wild west novels featuring Winnetou and Old Shatterhand on German youth. The current day Cowboy Clubs and Indian Clubs in Germany show that Karl May left his German Mark many years ago with its impact still being felt in Lubbock today.

It was especially good to hear Dr. Ulrich Goebel's remarks about German professor Ted Alexander at Texas Tech. Other Germans in the Panhandle who left their mark include Heinrich Schmidt (alias Hank Smith), whose granddaughter, Georgia Smith Ericson, now owns Hank Smith's rock house in Blanco Canyon. Manfred Kaiter, a master stone mason from Germany whose sculpture and stone work can be seen around Lubbock, is another significant contributor of German culture. Adjacent to the German Texan Heritage Society convention was the National Cowboy Symposium which gave our entire convention a cowboy flavor. We had lunch at the chuck wagons and had a chuck wagon breakfast on Sunday. A highlight after the convention was the coffee at the unique and lovely adobe home of our convention chairperson, Dr. Meredith McClane.

Two talks which specifically struck home with me were by Mr. Arno Struve, whose ancestors lived in my Fayette County outside of La Grange and Mr. Don Heinrich, whose ancestors also lived in Fayette County near High Hill and Black Jack, Texas. One of the Heinrich family branches were neighbors to the Koenigs not far from High Hill, Fayette County, Texas.

Please share the stories you have heard regarding persons who have left their German mark with me by sending me a letter. I would like to recognize, in this column, ways in which your family, neighbors, teachers, professors, pastors and others have preserved their German heritage and left their German mark.

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BLUCHER, JR, MR/MRS GEORGE A V	1006 WILSHIRE PL	CORPUS CHRISTI	TX	78411-2327	713-686-4224
BLUE, JANELL	5903 MOUNT EAGLE DR NO 608	ALEXANDRIA	VA	22303-2528	713-686-4224
BLUMEL, JOE	POBOX 143	BAYSIDE	TX	78340-0143	713-686-4224
BLUMBERG, ODESSA "MICKAN"	418 BRECKENRIDGE DR	CORPUS CHRISTI	TX	78408-2902	713-686-4224
BODE, DANIEL	PO BOX 1602	DAYTON	TX	77535-1602	713-686-4224
BODINE, PATSY HOLLAND	1846 A HWY 80	SAN MARCOS	TX	78666-9673	713-686-4224
BOECK, MR/MRS JIMMIE	426 WINDCREST DR	SAN ANTONIO	TX	78239-7422	713-686-4224
BOEHM, THEODORA V	301 CEDAR CIR	BRENNHAM	TX	77833-9215	713-686-4224
BOEHMANN, ALLYNE	10110 FORM PARK DR NO 176	HOUSTON	TX	77036-8107	713-686-4224
BOEHRINGER, EDWIN LEE	1113 HILLCREST APT 204	MESQUITE	TX	75149-2120	713-686-4224
BOERGER, GEORGE H	1019 MARTIN ST	HOUSTON	TX	77018-2015	713-686-4224
BOERNE PUB LIBR/HIST RESEARCH RM	210 N MAIN	BOERNE	TX	78006-2036	713-686-4224
BOETICHER, CHARLES F & BETH H	PO BOX 384	EAST BERNARD	TX	77435-0384	713-686-4224
BOHRAK, MRS JOHNITA SCHWESSLER	PO BOX 306	MASON	TX	76856-0306	713-686-4224
BOHNER, ROY K	1103 GATEHOUSE DR	AUSTIN	TX	78753-6923	713-686-4224
BONDI, DR EDITH F	1400 HERMANN DR	HOUSTON	TX	77004-7136	713-686-4224
BONIN, BARBARA BROD	2318 WILLOW BLVD	PEARLAND	TX	77581	713-686-4224
BOOK, MR RICHARD	RR 2 11094 N BOOK RD	MILES	TX	76861-9733	713-686-4224
BORMANN, JOHN M	695 PINELoch DR APT 203	WEBSTER	TX	77598-1849	713-480-6094

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BOWEN, BERTHA KOCH	8618 CHARRO LN	SAN ANTONIO	TX	78217-5802	210-822-1821
BOWNDS, HELEN MACHEMEHL	1708 MOHLE DR	AUSTIN	TX	78703-1812	512-472-6614
BOZEMAN, MRS DAVID	PO BOX 409	JOHNSON CITY	TX	78636-0409	
BRACHT, JAMES VICTOR	4707 CARBROOK CT	SPRING	TX	77388-4968	713-353-8981
BRADEN, JOSEPH C	12419 OLD OAKS DR	HOUSTON	TX	77024-4911	713-932-7646
BRADEN, MD, ALBERT H	11202 TYNE CT	HOUSTON	TX	77024-7416	713-782-8156
BRADEN, MS EVELYN LANGE	PO BOX 214	FLORESVILLE	TX	78114-0214	210-393-2320
BRADSHAW, LOUISE LEONARD	1722 BROGAN DR	SAN ANTONIO	TX	78232-4404	210-494-2122
BRAEUTIGAM, DAVID WILLIAM	1511 PARK CHASE AVE	ARLINGTON	TX	76011-2791	817-276-0736
BRAULICK, GEORGIA VOGES	5577 ENDWOOD TR	NORTHFIELD	MN	55057-4486	507-645-5834
BRAUN, RON	1302 BERRYWOOD LN	HOUSTON	TX	77077-2906	713-496-3108
BRENDLE, JOHN E	4808 WHEELOCK DR	FORT WORTH	TX	76133-5116	817-292-6879
BRESHEARS, GERALDINE WEIGE	5207 LYMBAR DR	HOUSTON	TX	77096-5215	713-729-9986
BREWER, MS GLADYS A	10947 ROY RD	FLATONIA	TX	78941-5332	512-865-2863
BRIESEMEISTER, HENRY H	9714 NONA KAY	SAN ANTONIO	TX	78217-4526	210-828-5921
BRILEY, JANINE	34 COUNTRY PLACE	LONGVIEW	TX	75601-9703	903-663-3584
BRISTER, BILL & RUTH	10622 DOUD	HOUSTON	TX	77035-3206	713-726-1611
BROCK, MRS INGRID	4317 PATRICK DR	CORPUS CHRISTI	TX	78413-3415	512-852-8751
BROTHERMAN, CARL W	8100 PINTO PATH	AUSTIN	TX	78736-1823	512-288-3960
BROWN, MR/MRS J. STEVEN	1509 FROST ST	ROSENBERG	TX	77471-3135	713-342-1010
BROWN, MRS DORIS KIRSCHKE	PO BOX 788	LAKE MARY	FL	32795-0788	407-333-0889
BROWN, MRS. RICHARD L	593 SHADOW WAY CT	HOUSTON	TX	77024-5217	713-465-7353
BROWN, PAT R	12502 VALLE DEZAVALA	SAN ANTONIO	TX	78249-2100	210-690-1934
BROWN, SHERRYL	7920 ROCKWOOD LN APT 243	AUSTIN	TX	78757-8058	512-458-2415
BRUECKNER, ALFRED	960 ENCINO DR	NEW BRAUNFELS	TX	78130-6651	210-625-5206
BRUEGGERHOFF, MR/MRS CHARLES	124 TWINLEAF LN	SAN ANTONIO	TX	78213-2515	210-341-7157
BUCK, CHARLES	RT 1 BOX 74	WASHINGTON	TX	77880-9703	409-878-2195
BUCKETT, BARBARA RANLY	RT 1 BOX 18E	PORT LAVACA	TX	77979-9701	512-552-9330
BUCKHAULTS, FRANCES SCHAEFER	PO BOX 286	BASTROP	TX	78602-0286	512-321-4616
BUECHE, MR/MRS W W	707 TULLIE DR	LONGVIEW	TX	75601-6059	903-753-4577
BUEHRING, HILBERT W	RT 2 BOX 2H	KARNES CITY	TX	78118-9602	210-780-3176
BUEHRING, MR/MRS ELDOR J	RT 1 BOX 256	MOULTON	TX	77975-9736	512-596-7055
BUESCHER, LYN	105 ST PAUL DR	COLUMBUS	TX	78934-2030	409-732-3834
BURGES, III, MR/MRS RICHARD J	1701 BLUFF DR	ROUND ROCK	TX	78681-6340	512-255-5223
BURKHARDT, MINNIE	1515 W ACHESON ST	DENISON	TX	75020-5901	903-465-4484
BURRUS, MRS EDNA SEELIGER	820 N BRITAIN RD APT 109	IRVING	TX	75061-7669	214-721-1269
BURZLAFF, MR/MRS BERNIE	11317 SMALLWOOD DR	BURLESON	TX	76028-6946	817-293-5243
BUSBY, MRS DOROTHY N	127 BUSBY RD	BOERNE	TX	78006-8013	210-537-4512
BUSH, MRS MARGARET E	12715 ROCKY MEADOW	HOUSTON	TX	77024/4039	713-465-6516
BUTLER, MARGUERITE	2519 TANGLEWOOD TRL	AUSTIN	TX	78703-1534	512-477-5629
BUTLER, MRS. MAYOE W	109 HILLCREST DR	RICHMOND	TX	77469-4514	713-342-4651
CADE-PERDUE, THELMA	311 HUNSTOCK AVE	SAN ANTONIO	TX	78210-2825	210-534-9949
CALDWELL, FAY	1200 HUMMINGBIRD CT	ROUND ROCK	TX	78681-2736	512-244-4253
CAMERER, CHARLENE	4409 S IRVINGTON	TULSA	OK	74135-6524	918-622-2149
CANION, BARNEY	506 COMAL AVE	NEW BRAUNFELS	TX	78130-7629	210-625-8766
CANNON, JOE R	3304 HIGHWAY 351	ABILENE	TX	79601-4744	915-672-4416
CARTER, JR, LTC/MRS ROY A	9318 EAGLE CREST BLVD	SAN ANTONIO	TX	78239-2111	210-656-1877
CARTY, FRANCES DRENNON	223 EMPORIA BLVD APT 6	SAN ANTONIO	TX	78209-4025	210-822-4534
CASEY, KAY	PO BOX 173	DENISON	TX	75020-0173	903-465-8567
CHAMBERS, ELLADEAN RUPERT	719 W PEACH HOLLOW CIR	PEARLAND	TX	77584-4013	915-388-4723
CHAMBERS, MR/MRS ROBERT	171 COLLEEN DR	SAN ANTONIO	TX	78228-3055	210-433-5706

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CHAVEZ, TERESA & FRED	3905 DANLI LN	AUSTIN	TX	78749-4932	512-282-1238
CLANCY, STEFANIE BORST	3108 VICKSBURG NO 5204	LUBBOCK	TX	79410-2345	806-784-0670
CLANTON, MADELINE EDNA	13926 CHISON CREEK	SAN ANTONIO	TX	78249-2503	210-690-7429
CLARK, MRS JOHN D	6240 INDIAN PATH	SAN ANGELO	TX	76904-4914	915-944-0121
CLAYTON LIBRARY	5300 CAROLINE ST	HOUSTON	TX	77004-6803	512-327-1710
CLIFT, EDWINA WEILMUNSTEN	6203 GREEN OAKS DR	AUSTIN	TX	78746-5130	512-282-1374
CLINGER, MR/MRS CHARLES E	2503 MITCHELL LN	AUSTIN	TX	78748-1329	512-282-1374
COBB, EULA MAE	10587 S FM 2038 RD	BRYAN	TX	77808-8285	409-589-3100
COLE, CARL WILLIAM	1880 WRIGHT RD	BUDA	TX	78610-9639	512-243-2721
COLLINS, E ALLEN & DOROTHY	1250 HEIGHTS ST	EL CAMPO	TX	77437-3922	409-543-4434
SMOGETINSKY					
COLLINS, MARILYN M	10 BRIDLINGTON CT	SAN ANTONIO	TX	78218-1738	210-820-3004
COLLINS, MRS JULIA	404 SMITH ST	COLUMBUS	TX	78934-1549	409-732-2098
COLLINS, ROSE LEE	8534 OLD PEARSALE RD	SAN ANTONIO	TX	78252-266	210-622-3346
COMMON CO GENEALOGY SOCIETY	200 N SEGWIN ST	NEW BRAUNFELS	TX	78130-5006	817-461-1833
COMER, STEPHEN EARL	2112 TWIN ELMS DR	ARLINGTON	TX	76012-5639	817-461-1833
COMFORT HERITAGE FOUNDATION	PO BOX 433	COMFORT	TX	78013	
CONNALLY, MABLE E	3703 PERRY DR	SAN ANTONIO	TX	78219-1342	210-661-3679
CONNOR, MAURICE W / UN AT OMAHA	FOR LANG DEPT	OMAHA	NE	68182-0001	402-341-9439
CONNOR, MRS GAYNEL, NIXON REUNION	PO BOX 465	MANHACCA	TX	78652-0465	512-459-1288
CONSULATE GENERAL OF THE FRG	1330 POST OAK BLVD STE 1850	AUSTIN	TX	78748	
CONWAY, MR/MRS M G	7731 BROADWAY APT 243	SAN ANTONIO	TX	78209-3217	210-377-2733
COOK, DORIS HERMANN	28024 WILLOWGREEN	KATY	TX	77494-5413	713-392-2606
COOK, SYLVIA RUSCHKE	PO BOX 12523	AUSTIN	TX	78711	512-444-8446
COOPER, CANDACE WILLRICH	106 AZALEA DR	DE QUINCY	LA	70633	318-766-2567
COPE, GAIL	3140 BROOKHOLLOW DR	FARMERS BRANCH	TX	75234-6486	214-484-2673
COPELAND, CHRISTIANE	4437 VERONE ST	BELLALIRE	TX	77401-5211	713-654-0267
COPELAND, FRANCES HEIMER	118 WILLIAM CLASSEN DR	SAN ANTONIO	TX	78232-1321	210-494-2107
CORDES, CALVIN H	13803 BRITOK LN	HOUSTON	TX	77079-3329	713-497-2289
COUCH, SCOTT	849 NORTH US HWY 385	LEVELLAND	TX	79336	806-894-8274
CRANE, DAVID C	14302 BROADGREEN	HOUSTON	TX	77079-6605	713-349-9589
CRENDELGE, DR M E	112 CRISTOL DR	FREDERICKSBURG	TX	78624-5202	210-997-0207
CRENDELGE, MR/MRS KENNETH	206 GOEHMANN LN	FREDERICKSBURG	TX	78624-5310	210-997-3808
CRIM, MR/MRS STERLING C	525 PEYTON DR	BEAUMONT	TX	77706-6123	409-866-3686
CROSS, WILLIAM C	6345 FREN LAND	LAKELAND	FL	33813-3530	941-646-8781
CROWELL, JOAN F	2402 WELSH DR	NEW BRAUNFELS	TX	78132-9999	210-620-6126
CULBERTSON, RICHARD D	6428 ARTHUR DR	FORT WORTH	TX	76134-2858	817-293-8024
CUNNINGHAM, CAROLYN	1214 SUMMERFIELD	SAN ANTONIO	TX	78258-3600	210-545-1664
CUNNINGHAM, DON R	5822 CROOKED POST RD	SPRING	TX	77373-7004	713-821-4655
CUNNINGHAM, HELEN S	323 W GLENVIEW DR	SAN ANTONIO	TX	78228-1518	210-734-6279
CZAROWITZ, JON P	4102 CHESTNUT RD	TEMPLE	TX	76502-2947	817-791-8209
DALLAS PUBLIC LIBRARY	SE S EB92, 1515 YOUNG ST	DALLAS	TX	75201-5499	512-358-5562
DAMERAU, NORMAN G	803 LELAND CIR	BEEVILLE	TX	78102-6017	713-946-6585
DANIEL, MRS JANICE P	723 MOCKINGBIRD LN	PASADENA	TX	77502-4581	512-267-1338
DAVIDSON, HELEN OEHRLER	PO BOX 417	CEDAR PARK	TX	78630-0417	915-347-5605
DEASON, MARY M	HC 10 BOX 55	MASON	TX	76856-9217	512-892-5885
DEBERRY, FREDERICKA RICHTER-	4201 MONTEREY OAKS BLVD	AUSTIN	TX	78749	409-865-9932
DEDEKE, EDWARD R	PO BOX 57	KENNEY	TX	77452-0057	210-625-5593
DEGENHARDT, JEFFREY	125 OKLAHOMA AVE	NEW BRAUNFELS	TX	78130-8109	817-542-4546
	2309 PHYLLIS DR	COPPERAS COVE	TX	76522	

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DERR, A ANN	PO BOX 992	COLUMBUS	TX	78934-0992	409-732-5551
DETTMAN, MR/MRS H R	RR 2 BOX 174	STOCKDALE	TX	78160-9622	210-996-3852
DEUTSCHE SAMSTAGSSCHULE	2802 LAFAYETTE	HOUSTON	TX	77005-3038	713-666-8125
DEVALL, SANDRA	5114 KRUEGER	DICKINSON	TX	77539-7517	713-337-1260
DIAMOND, ROLEEN	4706 EVERGREEN	VICTORIA	TX	77904-2165	512-573-2200
DICKERSON, DR MELFORD S	1205 E APPLGATE DR	AUSTIN	TX	78753-4007	512-836-3155
DIERKS, MRS WILLARD	PO BOX 4033	BERGHEIM	TX	78004-4033	210-336-2326
DIERS, HERBERT L	302 E MILL ST	ROUND TOP	TX	78954	409-249-5128
DIERSCHKE, EUGENE G	6709 LEAMEADOW DR	DALLAS	TX	75248-5407	214-233-8780
DIERSCHKE, MRS ANNIE	6198 US HIGHWAY 87 S	SAN ANGELO	TX	76904-9627	915-655-1625
DIETRICH, VERNON	HC 2 BOX 277A 374	CANYON LAKE	TX	78133-2609	210-935-4148
DIMNICK, MRS EDWARD P	4315 ROLAND RD	SAN ANTONIO	TX	78222-2827	210-333-4694
DIMON, ATHA MARKS	PO BOX 129	BARKER	TX	77413-0129	713-492-2935
DIXON, LTC MALCOLM R	5431 MERKENS DR	SAN ANTONIO	TX	78229-4920	210-690-9200
DOLE, MR/MRS LEO J	685 FRITZLER DR	SAGINAW	MI	48609-5103	517-781-1923
DONAHOO, FRANCES	RR 2 BOX 8	HAMILTON	TX	76531-9611	817-386-5414
DONLEY, MR/MRS ROBERT J	273 HARDWICKE RD	HOUSTON	TX	77060-5115	713-448-2156
DONOHUE, DR/MRS WILLIAM M	2722 PEMBERTON DR	HOUSTON	TX	77005-3444	713-668-7834
DONOP, LARRY & JAN	2110 STANTON ST	BRADY	TX	76825-7412	
DONOP, MR/MRS HERBERT F	HC-10 BOX 7	MASON	TX	76856-9203	915-347-5335
DOUGLAS, MARILYN	3311 N HAWES	MESA	AZ	85207	----986-9204
DRAHEM, FRED	PO BOX 573	BRAZORIA	TX	77422-0573	409-798-2488
DRESCHER, MR ALFRED E	956 N JEFFERSON	LA GRANGE	TX	78945	
DREYER, M/M E R	208 E FRANCIS ST	BAYTOWN	TX	77520-3022	713-427-3195
DROLL, MSGR LARRY J	PO BOX 228	WALL	TX	76957-0228	915-651-7551
DUBE, JR, MR/MRS W J	RR 2 BOX 130	BURTON	TX	77835-9607	409-278-3611
DUDERSTADT, PEGGY A	2627 STRATFORD	SAN ANTONIO	TX	78223-2247	210-532-5944
DULLNIG, MR/MRS RONALD	1118 EL MONTE BLVD	SAN ANTONIO	TX	78201-2513	210-733-9977
DUNAWAY, MR JAMES H	1624 NEUMAN ST	GONZALES	TX	78629-4325	210-672-2242
DUNCAN, LINDA CAROL BAHNER	3103 LAZY PINE LN	LA PORTE	TX	77571-6921	713-470-0335
DUNK, MARYLEN KROESCHE	421 BRONZEGLO DR	SAN ANTONIO	TX	78239-2030	210-656-5104
DURKEE, JEAN & ROBERT, JR	15 HEDGE LN	AUSTIN	TX	78746-3208	512-328-8501
DURST, NELSON D	PO BOX 604	COLLEGE STATION	TX	77841-0604	409-822-0175
DURST, ROLF	TUEBINGEN STR 68	72135 DETTENHAUSEN		GERMANY-AIRMAIL	
DYKMAN, MR/MRS DEAN	23002 SUNNY OAK LN	LEANDER	TX	78641	512-259-9185
ECKERMAN, COL/MRS CHESTER E	1297 BAUER AVE	SANTA MARIA	CA	93455-5130	805-937-6738
ECKERT, H CHARLES	RR 3 BOX 18	SHINER	TX	77984-9703	512-594-2345
ECKERT, JOAN LUCKENBACH	HC 10 BOX 58	MASON	TX	76856-9217	915-347-5619
EDWARDS, MRS MARGARET H	2013 WILLIAMSBURG CT S	LEAGUE CITY	TX	77573-5048	713-332-2008
EHLER, REV/MRS CLARENCE C	7201 GUETTERMANN EHLER RD	MULDOON	TX	78949-5131	409-561-8744
EHMANN, D E	900 KOSSTRE CT	IRVING	TX	75061-2359	214-445-0234
EICHELBERGER, KATHLEEN	18 STILL FOREST ST	HOUSTON	TX	77024-7518	
EISENHauer, ROLAND A	7070 MCCULLOUGH AVE	SAN ANTONIO	TX	78216-7424	210-826-8923
EL-BEHERI, MARY M					
ELKINS, MRS JUNE	3609 W MICHIGAN AVE	MIDLAND	TX	79703-5510	915-520-0723
ELLEBRACHT, DOROTHY STAPLETON	HC4 BOX 125 HWY 165-2325	BLANCO	TX	78606-9758	210-833-2220
ELLIOTT, FELICIA	8310 GULF TREE LN	HOUSTON	TX	77075-4716	713-991-2238
ELLIS, JEAN HALFMANN	RR 2 BOX 70A	NEW ULM	TX	78950-9524	409-732-6571
ELLIS, MAYDELL KOCH	6318 WALTWAY DR	HOUSTON	TX	77008-6264	713-861-5507

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ENGELHARDT, JR, DR/MRS H T	2802 LAFAYETTE ST	HOUSTON	TX	77005-3038	713-660-7861
ENGELKING, MR/MRS RUDOLPH A	107 BRIAR CIR	SEALY	TX	77474-3001	409-885-3357
ESCHBERGER, ALVIN & ADELINE	101 LINK ST	ELGIN	TX	78621-2041	512-285-5235
ETLINGER, JOSEPHINE	PO BOX 127	SEGUIN	TX	78156-0127	
EVANS, DOROTHY NEIMAST	4230 CREEKDALE DR	DALLAS	TX	75229-5306	214-351-6691
EVANS, MR/MRS EWING K	309 RIDGEWOOD RD	AUSTIN	TX	78746-4618	512-327-0876
EVANS, ROBERT W	401 BELLAIRE	WACO	TX	76712-3905	817-776-4767
EVERS, MISS BESSIE E	211 W AUSTIN ST	FREDERICKSBURG	TX	78624-3803	210-997-2985
EXTINE, RENATE	421 NW 55TH ST	LAWTON	OK	73505	405-248-5718
FAMILY HISTORY LIB/SERIALS	35 N WEST TEMPLE	SALT LAKE CITY	UT	84150-1003	
FARLEY, MARGARET KINKLER	PO BOX 278	SANDERSON	TX	79848-0278	915-345-2285
FAULKNER, PHILLIP G & SUE	4421 MENDENHALL DR	DALLAS	TX	75244-7502	214-239-0561
FAVRE, DARLENE SCHULDT	123 MERRY MARK DR	LUMBERTON	TX	77657-7410	409-755-7662
FELDMAN, MABEL L	304 HOLIK	COLLEGE STATION	TX	77840	409-696-7074
FELPS, EDNA	205 B WEST FULLER DR	BERGHEIM	TX	78004-1960	210-336-3306
FERGUSON, JOHN & CHERYL	100 BUCKEYE TRL	AUSTIN	TX	78746-4418	512-329-8720
FEST-MUSIK-HAUS	PO BOX 162	MEDINA	TX	78055-0162	210-589-2268
FEUERBACHER, MR/MRS ALVIN L	110 WILDROSE AVE	SAN ANTONIO	TX	78209-3813	210-826-5830
FEY, EVERETT A	6516 HONEY HILL	SAN ANTONIO	TX	78229-5422	210-681-6147
FICKESSEN, A J	10527 THORNLEA DR	HOUSTON	TX	77089-1510	713-946-3070
FICKESSEN, ERIC	3734 SWEETBRIER	PASADENA	TX	77505	713-487-3135
FINK, LOUIS H	335 GETTYSBURG RD	SAN ANTONIO	TX	78228-2045	210-736-6488
FISCHER, DELRAY E	941 EGYPTIAN DR	CORPUS CHRISTI	TX	78412-3721	512-991-3896
FISCHER, NADINE	PO BOX 1302	SEAGRAVES	TX	79359-1302	806-546-2815
FISCHER, WILHELM ULRICH	AM SOELDNERFELD 12	D-86381 KRUMBACH/HUERBEN	GERMANY		
FISSELER, BRENDA LINCKE	PO BOX 18	HALLETTSVILLE	TX	77964-0018	
FITZGERALD, MARY ANN	PO BOX 55	ROSANKY	TX	78953-0055	512-237-2821
FLACH, MISSES DORA & EDNA	835 NORTH CREEK RD	COMFORT	TX	78013-9724	512-995-3714
FLENTGE, MR/MRS HAROLD	RR 2 BOX 20	ROSEBUD	TX	76570-9507	817-583-7897
FOERSTER, DARWIN A	508 DUNDEE ST	VICTORIA	TX	77904-2822	512-575-0716
FOERSTER, MR/MRS KENNETH	PO BOX 10178	CORPUS CHRISTI	TX	78460-0178	512-241-7821
FOHN, GERALD	3349 TANGLEWOOD DR	SAN ANGELO	TX	76904-6020	915-653-2361
FOSTER, DIANNA	RT 3 BOX 92	WEIMAR	TX	78962-9726	409-732-5930
FRANKFORD VILLAGE BRANCH LIBRARY	3030 N JOSEY LN STE 130	CARROLLTON	TX	75007	214-466-4800
FREEMAN, MARION M	2163 SWIFT BLVD	HOUSTON	TX	77030-1215	713-667-8761
FREEMAN, ROBERT & MARGARET A	611 ESPLANADE ST	REDONDO BEACH	CA	90277-4130	310-540-1872
FRIEDRICH, KAY	RHEINBOELLENERSTRASSE 45	55494 DICHELBAACH	GERMANY		
FRIESENHANN, WILBUR & BERNICE	8045 BINDSEIL LN	SAN ANTONIO	TX	78266-2107	210-651-9007
FRITZE, MR/MRS VICTOR O	19409 FM 2252	GARDEN RIDGE	TX	78266-2518	512-651-6099
FROEHNER, HENRY	1721 CREEK DR	HOUSTON	TX	77055-3101	713-465-0350
FROST, GEORGE L	11424 MISSION TRACE	SAN ANTONIO	TX	78230	210-690-0092
FUCHS, JR, MR/MRS OTTO L	131 W FUCHS RD	CARMINE	TX	78932-5123	409-278-3391
FUCHS, PATRICIA ANN	1805 GARDEN VILLA DR	GEORGETOWN	TX	78628-2928	512-863-9470
FUCHS, SR M THARSILLA	OLL CONV, 515 SW 24th ST	SAN ANTONIO	TX	78207-4600	210-434-1866
FUELBERG, BEN & EVELYN	6815 SIDE SADDLE	AUSTIN	TX	78745	
FUELBERG, CURTIS D	1122 COLORADO ST APT 1204	AUSTIN	TX	78701-2124	512-480-9818
FUHRMAN, MR/MRS ALVIN		DALLAS	TX		
FULBRIGHT, BOBBY & DEE	PO BOX 205	HEBBRONVILLE	TX	78361-0205	512-527-3146
FULKS, MR/MRS B D	6002 COUNTRY CLUB DR	VICTORIA	TX	77904-1631	512-573-6132
GABLER, HARVEY E	4639 HOPE VALLEY RD APT E	DURHAM	NC	27707-5659	919-490-6281

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GARNER, MRS JO ANN STARKEY	2027 EDGEHILL DR	SAN ANTONIO	TX	78209-2023	210-826-8980
GARRETT, DAPHNE DALTON	1740 NURSERY RD	THE WOODLANDS	TX	77380-4308	713-364-9392
GARRETT, MRS CHARLES	8144 MEANDERING WAY	AUSTIN	TX	78754	512-345-3555
GARRETT, VERNON & YVONNE	7480 BEECHNUT NO 507	HOUSTON	TX	770174-4525	713-541-3073
GASS, MRS LEROY C	150 LORENZ RD	SAN ANTONIO	TX	78209-2520	210-824-6941
GAUS, DELORIS	807 EDGAR	YOAKUM	TX	77995-4010	512-293-2278
GAVRANOVIC, MARTHA C	16103 YORK MINSTER DR	SPRING	TX	77379	713-376-3720
GEBERT, KARL C	1000 S COLUMBINE ST	DENVER	CO	80209-4729	
GEBERT, KERMIT O	DRAWER W	PREMONT	TX	78375-0063	512-348-3678
GEBHARDT, THEODORE E	521 E POLK ST	RICHARDSON	TX	75081-4265	214-234-4625
GEISTWEIDT, JOHN & DEBORAH	21256 SALT BRANCH LOOP	DOSS	TX	78618-9717	915-347-5514
GEISTWEIDT, NORMA	4616 ONION CREEK RD	DOSS	TX	78618-9605	210-669-2391
GEN & HIST SOC / CALDWELL CO	215 S PECAN AVE	LULING	TX	78648-2607	
GENERAL LIBRARIES - DOMESTIC	SERIALS ACQUISITIONS, UT AUSTIN	AUSTIN	TX	78713	
GENTRY, MR/MRS SAMUEL T	RT 2 BOX 213	SPICEWOOD	TX	78669	210-639-7834
GEORGE MEMORIAL LIBRARY	1001 GOLFOVIEW DR	RICHMOND	TX	77469-5199	
GEORGE, MRS JOHN M (MARTHA)	12817 KINGS FOREST	SAN ANTONIO	TX	78230-1511	210-492-5982
GERFERS, ALICE K	PO BOX 1217	BOERNE	TX	78006-1217	210-249-2962
GERMAN GEN SOC AMERICA	2125 WRIGHT ST	LA VERNE	CA	91750-5814	714-621-7399
GERMAN HISTORICAL INSTITUTE	1607 NEW HAMPSHIRE AVE NW	WASHINGTON	DC	20009-2562	
GERMAN INTEREST GROUP	4327 MILTON AVE	JANESVILLE	WI	53546	
GERMAN-AMERICAN CLUB/FORT WORTH	PO BOX 121393	FORT WORTH	TX	76121-1393	817-444-2598
GERMAN-TEXAN HERITAGE SOCIETY	PO BOX 684171	AUSTIN	TX	78768-4171	512-482-0927
GERMANIC GENEALOGY SOCIETY	PO BOX 16312	SAINT PAUL	MN	55116-0312	
GERMANN, JAMES M	7725 NORTH 42ND ST	AUGUSTA	MI	49012	616-345-3031
GERSBACH, LELAND	3520 SW H K DODGEN LOOP	TEMPLE	TX	76504-6838	817-773-9907
GIDEON, MARGARET G	5623 BRAESVALLEY DR	HOUSTON	TX	77096-2909	713-774-1759
GIESECKE, MARY T	1607 PECAN ST	GEORGETOWN	TX	78626-7317	512-863-2238
GIESECKE, SUSAN/NOEL	2738 TRIWAY LN	HOUSTON	TX	77043-1808	713-462-4074
GIJSWIJT, MR LEO	POSTBUS 25056	3001 HB ROTTERDAM		NETHERLANDS-AIRM	
GIKAS, LILLIAN LEOLA SHAFER	1750 BRANDENBURG DR	SAN ANTONIO	TX	78232-4402	210-494-2283
GILBERT, RUTH G	808 W LAKE DR	TAYLOR	TX	76574-1512	512-365-9453
GILHOOLY, JOHN V & MARY NEY	6232 HIGHGATE LN	DALLAS	TX	75214-2156	214-363-8398
GILLESPIE CO HIST SOCIETY	312 W SAN ANTONIO ST	FREDERICKSBURG	TX	78624-3727	210-997-2835
GILLEY, MRS VIOLA	218 EMPORIA LN	DUNCANVILLE	TX	75116-2106	214-298-1657
GILLIAM, MRS C L	190 WENDT RD	BELLVILLE	TX	77418-9305	409-865-3757
GILLICH, ROBERT F	RT 2 BOX 2668	MINELOA	TX	75773-9638	903-569-5888
GIPS, ELVERA JANSSEN	1201 HUCK ST	CUERO	TX	77954-2223	512-275-5306
GIPS, PAUL & LILLIAN DURST	3655 CORAL GABLES DR	DALLAS	TX	75229-2620	
GIRNDT, ROBERT O	6514 PATRICIA LN	KATY	TX	77493-1817	713-391-3576
GISH, THEODORE G	820 W COTTAGE ST	HOUSTON	TX	77009-5203	713-869-0634
GITTINGER, MR/MRS GENE	1739 CITADEL PLAZA	SAN ANTONIO	TX	78209	210-829-8080
GLUSING, BEN A	PO BOX 5311	KINGSVILLE	TX	78364-5311	512-592-7355
GOBEL, DR VOLKER	1502 SHELTON DR	NACOGDOCHES	TX	75961-2210	214-569-0421
GOEBEL, PATSY K	1213 MACARTHUR ST	CUERO	TX	77954-2322	512-275-5225
GOEKE, MRS ANGELIE	RR 1 BOX 271	BRENHAM	TX	77833-9603	409-836-7373
GOERTZ, REV MSGR ALOIS J	8520 CROSS MOUNTAIN TR	SAN ANTONIO	TX	78255-2038	210-779-3131
GOETTING, THOMAS	3044 PATUXENT OVERLOOK CT	ELLCOTT CITY	MD	21042-2250	301-465-6295
GOETZ, GUNTHER	5516 AVENUE G	AUSTIN	TX	78751-1317	
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GOLENKO, RICHARD A	1218 EVERGLADE DR	PASADENA	TX	77502-5219	713-946-3264
GORMAN, DORIS ANN	5528 PITT ST	NEW ORLEANS	LA	70115-4231	504-899-7846
GOTT, DR/MRS CLYDE M	29342 SEABISCUIT DR	FAIR OAKS RANCH	TX	78015-4417	210-755-4845
GOTTSCHALK, MARTIN E	PO BOX 851	BROWNWOOD	TX	76804-0851	915-646-4414
GOYNE, A V	1205 SHERWOOD DR	ARLINGTON	TX	76013-1530	817-275-4095
GREEN, ELIZABETH A	18 FARRELL ST	HOUSTON	TX	77022-2609	713-694-4176
GREEN, MR/MRS GENE	379 COUNTY FAIR DR	HOUSTON	TX	77060-4309	
GRIESENBECK, W J	1117 MARCIA AVE	PT PLEASANT BEACH	NJ	08742-3025	908-899-5283
GRIFFIN, EARLINE & TRUMAN	14646 SAINT CLOUD DR	HOUSTON	TX	77062-2201	713-480-1035
GRIFFITH, MRS ILSE	422 E GUENTHER ST	SAN ANTONIO	TX	78210-1131	210-224-8673
GRIGGS, CLIFFORD R	13303 STEVENS RD	SHAWNEE	OK	74801-3404	405-391-2795
GRIGGS, JOAN	6215 OAK BAY DR	HOUSTON	TX	77091-2725	713-956-2177
GRINDROD, SYLVIA E v B	113 CRESCENT DR	KERRVILLE	TX	78028-3001	210-896-7350
GROBE, MARY ANN	1331 N GABLE RD	SAINT HEDWIG	TX	78152-9799	210-667-9266
GROESCHEL, LUDWIG & EDNA	1901 ULLRICH AVE	AUSTIN	TX	78756-1125	512-453-0458
GROHMAN, RICHARD	11604 QUEENS WAY	AUSTIN	TX	78759-4303	512-258-2105
GROMOTZKY, MARY	1500 LAWMONT NO 202	ROUND ROCK	TX	78664	512-218-9043
GROS, REGINA K	1930 W KINGS HWY	SAN ANTONIO	TX	78201-4924	210-732-1010
GROSS, SALLY L	4002 WINGREN	IRVING	TX	75062-3808	817-272-3393
GROSSMAN, DR GWENDOLYN	14323 TURTLE ROCK	SAN ANTONIO	TX	78232-4435	210-494-3642
GROVE, BARBARA & JIMMY	1719 WHITNEY WAY	AUSTIN	TX	78741-3221	512-385-0444
GUELDNER, JR, LOUIS O	428 SHERATON DR	SAN ANTONIO	TX	78209-5436	714-593-3137
GUELKER, MR/MRS CLARENCE W	7606 WEST RIM DR	AUSTIN	TX	78731-1229	512-345-1829
GUENTHER, DOLORES M	159 CHARLES ST	LA GRANGE	TX	78945-2101	409-968-3834
GUETHLE, MARTHA MOSS	14661 SWEET WATER CREEK DR	CORPUS CHRISTI	TX	78410-5637	512-387-2168
GUETTLER, GLENN R	13730 HAMBLETON CI	HOUSTON	TX	77069-2752	713-444-7572
GUGGISBERG, MARY	4215 MAPLE	VERNON	TX	76385-3117	817-552-5737
GULLY, MRS DOLORES	7902 FM HWY 765	SAN ANGELO	TX	76905-7432	915-653-2702
GUMMELT, D J	RR 2 BOX 125	BURTON	TX	77835-9607	
GUNNEWIG, B J	3606 POSTWOOD DR	SPRING	TX	77388-5061	713-288-7110
GURASICH, MARJORIA A	2400 OLD SOUTH DR APT 2501	RICHMOND	TX	77469-6661	713-341-8231
GUTHRIE, INEZ M	5813 NORTHGAP ST	SAN ANTONIO	TX	78239-2036	210-657-0435
GUTHRIE, MRS WILMA P	430 DRESDEN DR	SAN ANTONIO	TX	78213-3651	210-342-5357
HAAK, CLYDE	PO BOX 6	HONDO	TX	78861-0006	512-426-4311
HAAS, MR/MRS E J	4517 VERDOME LN	HOUSTON	TX	77092-3616	713-686-5054
HABEL, HELEN A	900 CAPPS ST	MARLIN	TX	76661-2525	817-883-2790
HABENICHT, HENRY R	4330 SPORTSMAN RETREAT	ONALASKA	TX	77360-4302	409-646-3121
HAIGHT, BRIAN MR/MRS	1300 JULY DR	AUSTIN	TX	78753-2923	512-719-4603
HALEY, INGBORG TROCHE	PO BOX 502	COMFORT	TX	78013-0502	512-995-2570
HALL, DR DOUGLAS LEE	515 MARQUIS ST	SAN ANTONIO	TX	78216-5217	210-344-0822
HALLER, DR C R	POSTFACH 1353	55383 BINGEN		GERMANY-AIRMAIL	----963-8565
HALSTEAD, MARTY L	4427 MONACO DR	SAN ANTONIO	TX	78218-4340	
HAMANN, VICTORIA TEINERT	1709 ROGGE LN	AUSTIN	TX	78723-3414	512-928-0907
HANMACK, MILDRED	RT 4 BOX 120	GEORGETOWN	TX	78626	512-863-3994
HANATH, LOUIS & JOYCINE	RR 1 BOX 44	CHAPPELL HILL	TX	77426-9705	409-836-9127
HANCOCK, JOHN	PO BOX 1021	ANN ARBOR	MI	48106-1021	313-769-8169
HAND, MRS PATSY DEARMAN	417 COTTON WOOD ST	VICTORIA	TX	77904-9623	512-575-0049
HANEL, CLARENCE	RT 3 BOX 176	CAMERON	TX	76520-9595	817-6977-3732
HANSEN, RICHARD O	1741 SPYGLASS DR APT 107	AUSTIN	TX	78746-7945	512-329-8914
HARDENAN, EVA	PO BOX 9777	AUSTIN	TX	78766-9777	512-453-5295



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HARKENRIDER, RALPH L	BOX 380677	DUNCANVILLE	TX	75138-0677	214-298-6021
HARREL, CLAUDIA VON BLUCHER	PO BOX 1437	KINGSVILLE	TX	78364-1437	512-592-2629
HARRINGTON, DANNETTE	6229 IMOGENE ST	HOUSTON	TX	77074-7511	713-774-5014
HARROWING, MR/MRS FRANK T	PO BOX 2221	CONROE	TX	77305-2221	409-539-5878
HARTMAN, MRS ELORINE FRIEDRICH	RR 4 BOX 44	CUERO	TX	77954-9803	512-275-2082
HARTMANN, CLINTON	420 DE LEON DR	EL PASO	TX	79912-5047	915-584-5548
HARTMANN, JOHN CONRAD	5509 AMBERWOOD PL	EL PASO	TX	79932-2001	915-584-7925
HARTWIG, CAROLA	HERMANN PISTOR STRASSE 27	07745 JENA	GERMANY		
HASCHKE, KAREN A	4208 VENADO DR	AUSTIN	TX	78731-2021	512-345-8159
HASSLER, WENZEL	238 SHARMAN PL	SAN ANTONIO	TX	78221-1842	210-922-9190
HATCH, MRS JENEVIEVE	12811 GREENWOOD FOREST DR APT 1102	HOUSTON	TX	77066-1626	713-580-3277
HATHEWAY, MRS MALY	7511 CRESTON LN	AUSTIN	TX	78752-1324	512-453-6284
HAUFLER, R C	9 HWY 27 WEST	COMFORT	TX	78013	512-995-3768
HAUN, ELIZABETH GOHMERT	1137 B HAUN RD	MEYERSVILLE	TX	77974-9999	512-275-5264
HAUSCHILD, HENRY J	210 E FORREST ST	VICTORIA	TX	77901-6526	512-575-5210
HAUSMANN, JAN M MD	2611 W END AVE STE 202	NASHVILLE	TN	37203-1446	615-327-1260
HAUSMANN, MR/MRS MILTON FRIEDRICH	9618 BARCELONA ST	SAN ANTONIO	TX	78230-4547	210-349-2259
HAYES, DANIEL J	103 1/2 W ALABAMA ST APT 1	HOUSTON	TX	77002-9603	713-522-5991
HEDSTROM, DR ELKE O	622 PERDIDO DR	GARLAND	TX	75043-5126	214-279-9279
HEESCHE, MR/MRS WERNER H	18 RIDGE DR	NEW BRAUNFELS	TX	78130-6624	210-629-0031
HEGAR, MRS LUCILLE B	1007 MELISSA DR	SAN ANTONIO	TX	78213-2026	210-342-6068
HEHMSOTH, HELEN L	266 E ELMVIEW PL	SAN ANTONIO	TX	78209-3808	210-822-5590
HEIDEMANN, RUTH	209 WESTWOOD DR	VICTORIA	TX	7701-4541	512-573-6623
HEIMAN, JR, COL GROVER GEORGE	2881 GLENVALE DR	FAIRFAX	VA	22031-1436	703-280-5799
HEINE, KARL J	12074 SPRING GROVE	HOUSTON	TX	77099-3202	713-495-1937
HEINEN, HUBERT & URSULA	4505 SPANISH OAK TRL	AUSTIN	TX	78731-5217	512-454-6452
HEINRICH, DR/MRS CURTIS SETH	216 SHEFFIELD	SAN ANTONIO	TX	78213-2627	210-344-4831
HEINRICH, DR/MRS DAVID L	27 JADE DR	VICTORIA	TX	77904	512-575-0193
HEINSOHN, HOLLY	P O BOX 593	HALLETTSVILLE	TX	77964-0593	512-798-3608
HEINSOHN, RAY	1903 MARGUERITE	PASADENA	TX	77502	
HELMER, JR, CHUCK	500 W AUSTIN	KERMIT	TX	79745	
HELMKE, VERNON L & JACLYN K	209 HENDERSON ST	SAN ANTONIO	TX	78209-4639	210-826-7265
HELPERT, MR/MRS ALBERT	9635 VINEWOOD DR	DALLAS	TX	75228-4245	214-327-0481
HELWEG, DUANE	414 W CHEERY LYNN RD	PHOENIX	TX	85013-4312	602-266-7504
HEMME, LARRY & VICKY	3006 MONTFORD CT	SUGAR LAND	TX	77478-3734	713-494-7204
HENCK, JR, HARROLD K	PO BOX 284	GALVESTON	TX	77553-0284	409-763-0729
HENKEL, JR, CONRAD E	223 BONNELL DR	SAN ANTONIO	TX	78223-1209	210-534-8578
HENSKE, ELMO J	7 PERTHUIS FARMS RD	LA MARQUE	TX	77568-4718	409-938-7348
HENZE, MR/MRS CALVIN R	8218 TANSY DR	ORLANDO	FL	32819-4521	407-351-0684
HERBER, RUTH	1402 BECKETT ST	AUSTIN	TX	78757-8302	512-453-8432
HERDEJURGEN, RUSSELL	2406 BEALL ST	HOUSTON	TX	77008-1838	713-862-1412
HERRMANN, EBERHARD	PO BOX 140012	DALLAS	TX	75214-0012	214-337-6233
HERRMANN, MARTIN	PO BOX 140012	DALLAS	TX	75214-0012	214-337-6233
HESTER, NELLENE	605 E AUSTIN AVE	ROUND ROCK	TX	78664-5307	512-255-3326
HEYE, MR/MRS GERHARDT	707 CRESTVIEW DR	SAN ANTONIO	TX	78228-1505	210-735-2889
HIERHOLZER, E J	RR 3 BOX 126	FLORESVILLE	TX	78114-9619	210-393-2782
HILDEBRAND, B N	7202 BAYOU FOREST DR	HOUSTON	TX	77088-5311	713-932-3385
HILL, MRS HORACE (MARY N)	114 ULYSSES LN	OAK RIDGE	TN	37830-5238	615-482-1551
HITZFELD, MARGARET E	3302 CLINT COURT	ROUND ROCK	TX	78664	512-246-8118
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HOELSCHER, ULRICH	SASSE STR 24B	D-48431 RHEINE	GERMANY		
HOFF, JR, MR/MRS L C	PO BOX 55182	HOUSTON	TX	77255-5182	713-864-2468
HOFFMAN, MRS ORA LEE	HC 65 BOX 73	POTEET	TX	78065-9612	512-742-3370
HOFFMANN, MRS DENNIS F	4826 CAMBRAY DR	SAN ANTONIO	TX	78229-5018	210-696-0634
HOFMANN, OTTO	610 CARDINAL LN	AUSTIN	TX	78704-6935	512-442-2238
HOLCK, BERTHA	1501 TRAVIS HEIGHTS BLVD	AUSTIN	TX	78704-3119	512-442-7111
HOLCOMB, MRS JOYCE S	202 CLEAR OAK	UNIVERSAL CITY	TX	78148-3715	210-658-4302
HOLDER, M B	3432 FM 3175	LYTLE	TX	78052-3806	210-709-4492
HOLLAND, MRS ELIZABETH SCHALLER	616 FALCON DR	WACO	TX	76712-3501	817-772-2115
HOLLAS, JAMES	7704 EVALINE LN	AUSTIN	TX	78745-6752	512-280-1415
HOLLAS, LOUISE K	RR 3 BOX 94	ROCKDALE	TX	76567-9303	512-446-2626
HOLLIS, HELGARD SUHR	8 MISSION DR	NEW BRAUNFELS	TX	78130-6622	210-625-6330
HOLLOWAY, MR/MRS JESSE E	719 ENFIELD DR	ROCKDALE	TX	76567-2160	512-446-2168
HOLZMANN, FRANK D	426 YOSEMITE DR	SAN ANTONIO	TX	78232-1251	210-494-8590
HOLZMANN, M/M HERBERT A	15315 PEBBLE SOUND	SAN ANTONIO	TX	78232-4135	210-496-1238
HOLZMANN, RICHARD A	2306 GREENPARK DR	RICHARDSON	TX	75082-4222	214-470-7280
HOOPER, GLORIA J & AMI J	1806 RICHCREEK	AUSTIN	TX	78757-1848	512-452-5102
HORADAM, VICTOR	4700 N GALLOWAY	MESQUITE	TX	75150	214-686-6411
HORNBERGER, CHARLES M	700 N SAINT MARYS ST STE 620	SAN ANTONIO	TX	78205-3501	210-271-1700
HORNE, MRS JO ANNE	10903 DREAMLAND DR	SAN ANTONIO	TX	78230-4205	210-342-9792
HOSEK, MR/MRS VICTOR	RR 4 BOX 6A	FLORESVILLE	TX	78114-9407	210-393-6816
HOWARD, KIRSTEN & ROB	865 BEECH BEND DR	NASHVILLE	TN	37221-3579	615-352-3848
HOWARD, WINIFRED MARIE	622 ELLENA RD	HOUSTON	TX	77076-4130	713-691-7458
HOWLETT, MARY REXER	3001 DOUGLAS DR	MIDLAND	TX	79701-3835	915-694-1849
HOYT, GILES R & DELORES J, SGAS	GERMAN DEPT, IU/INDIANAPOLIS	INDIANAPOLIS	IN	46202	317-274-2330
HUEBINGER, MYRTLE B	552 KIMBROUGH RD	SEGUIN	TX	78155-9741	210-379-2473
HUFFHINES, DR/MRS ROBERT A	1288 N BAGLEY ST TRLR 115	DALLAS	TX	75211-1158	214-333-3937
HUFFMAN, PEGGY	5116 LOVELL AVE	FORT WORTH	TX	76107-5224	817-738-1502
HUNT, MARJORIE K	5001 GREENBRIAR DR	CORPUS CHRISTI	TX	78413-2719	512-991-2544
IMMIGRANT GENEALOG LIBRARY	PO BOX 7369	BURBANK	CA	91510-7369	
INKS, MR/MRS FLOYD B	3207 PERRY LN	AUSTIN	TX	78731-5328	512-459-1477
INKS, ROBERT MICHAEL	1706 CHANNEL RD	AUSTIN	TX	78746-1202	512-327-5858
INSTITUTE FOR GER AMER STUDIES	901 UNIVERSITY BAY DR	MADISON	WI	53705-2269	
ITZ, HOWARD M	11727 QUAIL CREEK DR	HOUSTON	TX	77070-2543	713-376-5887
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JACKSON, LOUISE K	304 JACK COLEMAN DR NW	HUNTSVILLE	AL	35805-2636	205-539-4768
JACKSON, MRS MELISSA	5508 BROCK ST	HOUSTON	TX	77023-5802	713-926-2818
JACOBS, MR/MRS ALBERT	907 IDLEWOOD ST	BAYTOWN	TX	77520-2534	713-422-2247
JAHN, EDWARD C	4016 PALO DURO DR	PLANO	TX	75074-3828	214-516-2240
JAHNSEN, ZADA BRENER	1360 BULVERDE RD	BULVERDE	TX	78163-4652	210-438-2339
JANAK, ROBERT	545 THREADNEEDLE ST	BEAUMONT	TX	77705-2415	409-832-9871
JANK, PAUL & LIZ	3650 MENDER	SAN ANTONIO	TX	78259-1736	210-497-3545
JASTER, GLORIA, WINEDALE HIST CTR	PO BOX 11	ROUND TOP	TX	78954-0011	409-278-3530
JAVOR, LERA WITT	1029 WILKES CIR	SMITHVILLE	TX	78957-1139	512-237-2746
JOCKUSCH, CARL G	311 W NOTTINGHAM PL APT 212	SAN ANTONIO	TX	78209-1827	210-822-0634
JOERG, ETHEL HOLMGREEN	1221 N ATLANTIC AVE	NEW SMYRNA BEACH	FL	32169-2203	904-428-8388
JOHLE, RICHARD J	1414 LOFTY MAPLE TRL	KINGWOOD	TX	77345-1931	713-361-6012
JOHNSON, ANITA LOCY	5413 MTN CEDAR CV	AUSTIN	TX	78731-4503	512-451-1642
JOHNSON, DOROTHY GOHLKE	250 LORENZ RD	SAN ANTONIO	TX	78209-2508	210-828-2480
JOHNSON, LORETTA	9304 BRIARCREST LN	OCEAN SPRINGS	MS	39565-8261	601-826-2723

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JOHNSON, ROX ANN	11105 SCOTLAND WELL DR	AUSTIN	TX	78750-3607	512-250-8424
JOHNSON, SHEILA K	393 S SYCAMORE AVE	NEW BRAUNFELS	TX	78130-5848	210-620-1026
JONES, JOY TROUT	13344 W SOUTHERN	AVONDALE	AZ	85323-9787	602-932-1558
JORDAN, DR TERRY G	DEPT GEOGRAPHY, UT AUSTIN	AUSTIN	TX	78712-1098	512-327-6543
JORDAN, STERLING	HC 16 BOX 16	MASON	TX	76856-9232	
JOSTES, NORMAN	RT 3 BOX 189	BEEVILLE	TX	78102-9718	512-358-5367
JOYNER, FLORENCE L	2616 MCGREGOR DR	AUSTIN	TX	78745-4376	512-444-3766
JUENGERMANN, MR/MRS R A	30 VILLA JARDIN	SAN ANTONIO	TX	78230-2749	210-672-9112
JUNGMAN, HENRY MICHELS	1803 CRESTHAVEN DR	AUSTIN	TX	78704-2752	512-443-2256
JUPE, SR MARY ELIZABETH	515 SW 24TH ST	SAN ANTONIO	TX	78207-4619	210-482-5546
JURGENS, EVALYN K	8022 FALMOUTH DR	AUSTIN	TX	78757-7727	512-452-3648
KAHLE, BARBETH	17508 SAINT ANDREWS DR	POWAY	CA	92064-1235	619-487-9496
KAHLE, JR LOREN F & ELIZABETH	1801 LAVACA APT 15J	AUSTIN	TX	78701-1333	
KAHLICH, GENEVA E	6110 STAGE COACH TRL	SAN ANGELO	TX	76901-4910	915-942-9669
KAHLIG, BEN W	RR 2 BOX 71	LOTT	TX	76656-9622	817-584-4703
KAHN, LISA	4106 MERRICK ST	HOUSTON	TX	77025-2319	713-665-4325
KALINEC, EVELYN & JOE	RR 1 BOX 145	ORANGE GROVE	TX	78372-9730	512-384-2231
KALTEYER, C RONALD & CAROLYN M	4508 BECLAIRE AV	DALLAS	TX	75205-3038	214-526-5264
KALTEYER, CHARLES F	70 SAINT STEPHENS SCHOOL RD	AUSTIN	TX	78746-2524	512-327-9279
KALTEYER, DON P	443 CALUMET PL	SAN ANTONIO	TX	78209-3403	210-826-6225
KALTEYER, STEPHEN F	973 MEMORIAL VILLAGE	HOUSTON	TX	77024-4435	713-725-5050
KALTEYER, WALTER	457 BARRACUDA PL	CORPUS CHRISTI	TX	78411-1521	512-852-6353
KALTWASSER, A C	PO BOX 861	EL CAMPO	TX	77437-0861	409-543-4452
KARNES, NELLIE GROTH	717 EGYPTIAN WAY	GRAND PRAIRIE	TX	75050-6305	214-262-0825
KARPOS, GEORGE T MR/MRS	3415 TERN LAKE DR	KINGWOOD	TX	77339	713-358-4414
KATNER, LAUREN ANN	1492 HAMLET ST	COLUMBUS	OH	43201-2211	614-241-2051
KEATING, KATHERINE V	2312 N CAMPBELL ST	EL PASO	TX	78332-3220	
KELLER, DOLORES DONOP	PO BOX 219	MASON	TX	76856-0219	915-347-6681
KELLEY, MARIAN H	7602 SPRING AVE	MELROSE PARK	PA	19027-3056	
KELM, MRS JAN	7309 WINDSOR DR	HARAHAN	LA	70123-4838	504-738-0431
KIEL, DR & MRS FRANK W	133 SKYLINE DR	COMFORT	TX	78013-2801	210-995-2706
KIESLING, CLARENCE E	PO BOX 955	COMFORT	TX	78013-0955	210-995-2098
KIGHT, LORINE NEUMAN	9814 LA RUE ST	SAN ANTONIO	TX	78217-4514	210-824-8721
KILLEN, ANITA SCHMEDES	4505 ELWOOD RD	AUSTIN	TX	78722-1017	512-459-9303
KING, MRS J T	PO BOX 6	LOMETA	TX	76853-0006	512-752-3527
KINKLER, AMY L	13412 GEORGE RD	SAN ANTONIO	TX	78230-3021	210-492-1464
KINNISON, NANCY	1015 BOWIE ST	LOCKHART	TX	78644	512-376-9389
KIOLBASSA, DOROTHY	RT 2 BOX 149B	FLORESVILLE	TX	78114-9716	210-393-4915
KLAEVEMANN, KARLA	706 THIRD ST	CUERO	TX	77954-2007	512-275-2765
KLEIN, DR RUDOLF M	5226 CATSKILLS DR	WICHITA FALLS	TX	76310-2558	817-692-9080
KLEIN, IRENE S	1022 SANDALWOOD DR	NEW BRAUNFELS	TX	78130-3650	210-625-6575
KLEMENT, WILL & JULIE	RT 4 BOX 185	MISSION	TX	78572	210-682-4958
KLINGER, LEROY W/HELEN L	208 PECAN ST	CIBOLO	TX	78108-3526	210-658-3057
KLINKSIEK, DEBBIE	3702 ORRELL CT	AUSTIN	TX	78731-1908	512-345-6519
KLOESS, ALLAN & CHRISTINE	1821 DOROTHY DR	GRAND PRAIRIE	TX	75051-3705	214-264-5967
KLOPPE, ED & WILMA	6807 DUQUESNE	AUSTIN	TX	78723-	512-926-5525
KLOTZBACH, GINNY & GEORGE O	5612 BAYTON LOOP	AUSTIN	TX	78745-3404	512-892-0314
KNESCHK, NORMAN M	RR 1 BOX 119B	JONESBORO	TX	76538-9609	817-572-3673
KNEZEK, MRS LA VERNE D	4901 RACQUET CLUB DR	ARLINGTON	TX	76017-2627	817-465-2323
KNIGHT, LARRY	RR 1 BOX 19	MARTINDALE	TX	78655-9703	512-357-6619
KNIGHT, MRS MARIA B	455 SENOVA DR	SAN ANTONIO	TX	78216-6455	210-344-3754

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KNOBLAUCH, MR/MRS HUGO S	RR 1 BOX 148Q	ROBSTOWN	TX	78380-9412	512-387-3302
KNOEBEL, JOHN	19634 SAN GABRIEL	HOUSTON	TX	77084-5217	713-492-6827
KNOPP, KENN	407 N CORA ST	FREDERICKSBURG	TX	78624-4213	210-997-7273
KNUPPEL, MAGDALENE	304 HICKORY HOLLOW LN	BREHAM	TX	77833	713-944-0804
KOBERG, FRED	1416 QUAIL RUN	GRAHAM	TX	76450	817-549-3847
KOEHL, DR/MRS MICHAEL F	PO BOX 1424	HUNTSVILLE	TX	77342-1424	409-291-3090
KOEHL, MRS ROBERT C	704 BENS DALE RD	PLEASANTON	TX	78064-2010	
KOEHLER, RUTH & BILL	4500 HYRIDGE DR	AUSTIN	TX	78759-8054	512-345-4409
KOENIG, ELVA OEDING	8516 FM 609	LA GRANGE	TX	78945-5638	
KOENIG, JOHN WELDON	1607 BEN CRENSHAW WAY	AUSTIN	TX	78746-6162	512-328-7805
KOENIG, RODNEY C	2720 UNIVERSITY BLVD	HOUSTON	TX	77005-3440	713-242-0331
KOGER, JEANETTE KNOPP	RR 3 BOX 374	FREDERICKSBURG	TX	78624-9311	210-997-6377
KOHLHAAS, PHILIP V & RUTH I	9 CHAPIN LN	AUSTIN	TX	78746-2541	512-328-3484
KOKINDA, INGRID E	9202 ATTLEBORO ST	SAN ANTONIO	TX	78217-4202	210-654-7170
KOLB, ROSALIE EIMANN	33 PERTHUIS FARMS RD	LA MARQUE	TX	77568-4718	409-935-3433
KOLODZIEJ, ANNAMARIE KRIEG	1500 RESTON DR	RICHARDSON	TX	75081-2652	214-783-1454
KOOCK, FAN. OF BILL	PO BOX 1083	MASON	TX	76856-1083	
KOPPELMAN, MR/MRS WILLIAM P	3909 SIDEHILL PATH	AUSTIN	TX	78731-1417	512-345-3886
KOPPLIN, MR/MRS HILBERT	RR 1 BOX 646	THREE RIVERS	TX	78071-9716	512-786-3024
KOSKA, LEAH A	2123 A 35TH	LOS ALAMOS	NM	87544	
KOTHMANN, JOHN H	328 GLENMOOR ST	FREDERICKSBURG	TX	78624-3432	210-997-3617
KOTT, MS NANCY	PO BOX 5643	AUSTIN	TX	78763	512-472-4981
KOY, DOUGLAS J	4326 WIGTON DR	HOUSTON	TX	77096-4429	713-723-0067
KRACKAU, MRS ALICE	15781 N STATE HWY 123	SAN MARCOS	TX	78666-2046	512-353-7080
KRAUS, KATHERINE	7624 SPRING AVE NE	ALBUQUERQUE	NM	87110-7330	505-256-0697
KRAUSE, DR. ROBERT B & EUGENIA P	820 RIDGEFIELD DR	PLANO	TX	75075-8717	214-516-1800
KRAUSE, GLADYS J	PO BOX 85	ROUND TOP	TX	78954-0085	409-249-3252
KRAUSE, MICHAEL G & CONNIE L	502 COUNTY GLEN ST	LEANDER	TX	78641-2140	512-259-1355
KREBS, JR, ARNO W	1301 MCKINNEY, STE 5100	HOUSTON	TX	77010-3095	713-651-5522
KRETZSCHMAR, JR, SAMUEL L	PSC 41 BOX 3398	APO AE		32935-7144	407-779-4442
KRIEG, ANNA WALTER	4213 DODY ST	CORPUS CHRISTI	TX	78411-3001	512-852-7696
KRIEGL, MR. LAWRENCE H	3905 AMY CIRCLE	AUSTIN	TX	78759-8101	512-345-4977
KRUEGER, MARVIN & LUCIA	5701 COUNTY RD 132	HUTTO	TX	78634-4405	152-759-4451
KRUGER, WELDON MR/MRS	1515 FOXFIRE DR	COLLEGE STATION	TX	77845-5619	
KRUSE, OLAN E	325 SEALE ST	KINGSVILLE	TX	78363-3464	512-592-7602
KUBICEK, ELLEN HAECKER	112 ADOBE DR	SAN ANTONIO	TX	78213-2301	210-342-6129
KUENTZ, PATSY	3901 POPLAR DR	GOLDEN VALLEY	MN	55422-5328	612-377-2352
KUHN, GLADYS FROBOESE	RR 10 BOX 29B	NEW BRAUNFELS	TX	78132-3603	210-438-7450
KURETSCH, RAYMOND & VERLIE	RR1 BOX 71	GANADO	TX	77962-9731	512-771-3769
KUSENBERGER, RUTH	HCR 3 LOT 30 QUAIL RUN III	DEL RIO	TX	78840-9803	210-775-1345
KUYKENDALL, BONNIE	14202 LIGHT BEND	SAN ANTONIO	TX	78217-1312	210-657-1853
LAGLEDER SR, RAY	2714 WOODHAVEN DR	DENTON	TX	76201-1374	817-387-6808
LANNES, MR/MRS WILLIAM J	3314 MARION ST	AMARILLO	TX	79106-6211	806-352-7159
LANGHART, J S	219 MADRID DR	UNIVERSAL CITY	TX	78148-3140	210-658-0593
LANGHOFF, MR/MRS JOHN C	RR 2 BOX 119A	YOAKUM	TX	77995-9525	512-293-6159
LANSFORD, INGRID GIMM	1202 PEACH TREE LN	GEORGETOWN	TX	78626-6118	512-863-6054
LARSON, MR/MRS LEONARD C	2300 DUFF DR	PORT ARTHUR	TX	77642-0534	409-963-1554
LASH, KRISTEN	1110 CR 272	LEANDER	TX	78641-2004	512-259-1664
LAUE, ROBERT W	2541 STEEPLECHASE RD	GALLATIN	TN	37066-5810	615-822-3691
LAVIN, MARY ANN	2502 DANBURY ST	SAN ANTONIO	TX	78217-6020	210-822-2040
LAWLESS, LOIS H	719 EAST 18TH ST	HOUSTON	TX	77008-4420	713-864-0333

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LEHMAN, OLIVER & HILDA	116 DORIS DR	DENISON	TX	75020-7711	903-465-0742
LEHMANN, AGNES	1977 PALACE DR	NEW BRAUNFELS	TX	78130-8337	210-625-5391
LEHMANN, ELIZABETH	604 ATLOW DR	BRENNHAM	TX	77833-5310	409-836-7689
LEHNHOFF, KURT F	1212 GARDENIA DR	NEW BRAUNFELS	TX	78130-5906	210-629-4810
LEONHARDT, EDGAR & LORETTA	RR 1 BOX 62	RED ROCK	TX	78662-9762	512-303-0584
LEWIS, JR, MRS OLIVER	9407 LANTANA DR	SAN ANTONIO	TX	78217-5011	210-824-5449
LEY, DR PHILLIP B & STANCIE D	801 WOODLAND PINE	JACKSON	MS	39208	
LIBRARY ACQUISITIONS	SW TEXAS STATE UNIVERSITY	SAN MARCOS	TX	78666-4601	
LIBRARY OF CONGRESS	EXCH & GIFT DIV, 10 FIRST ST SE	WASHINGTON	DC	20540-0001	
LICATOVICH, JOCELYN	30 SCENIC DR	YANTIS	TX	75497-9401	
LICH, MRS SUSAN	STURDY OAK FARM RT 1 BOX 121	COMFORT	TX	78013	512-995-3961
LICHTE, H W	4208 SOUTHPARK DR	AMARILLO	TX	79109-5127	806-358-0454
LIEHSEL, GERHARD & MARTHA	3939 BROADWAY AVE	FORT WORTH	TX	76117-3544	817-834-7007
LIESE, CARL G T	900 WILDBRIAR DR	LUFKIN	TX	75904-4456	409-634-6566
LIESMAN, RANDY	832 CAANTERBURY HILL	SAN ANTONIO	TX	78209-6030	
LINDEMANN, ANN & JIM	PO BOX 218	INDUSTRY	TX	78944-0218	409-357-2772
LINDEMANN, JEFF W	1509 MONARCH OAKS ST	HOUSTON	TX	77055-3435	713-468-4056
LITTLE III, IRA	3350 OAK CREEK DR	CORINTH	TX	76205-2166	
LITTLE, MARIANNE E,	RR2 BOX 148A	YORKTOWN	TX	78164-9538	
LITTON, MARY HELEN FISCHER	7300 WATERLINE RD	AUSTIN	TX	78731-2053	512-345-0531
LOCY, ANN HEFNER	4728 CROOKED LN	DALLAS	TX	75229-4211	214-361-2097
LOESCH, MABEL	2140 E SCOTT ST	PENSACOLA	FL	32503-4957	904-433-2358
LOHRMANN, LAVINIA E	898 N NEBLETT ST	STEPHENVILLE	TX	76401	---968-4729
LOITZ, ETHEL PAPE	3840 RIDGEWAY DR	SAN ANTONIO	TX	78259-1754	210-497-3594
LUCKENBACH, CARL ALBERT	9605 UXBRIDGE AVE	LUBBOCK	TX	79424-4841	806-794-7547
LUDTKE, DAVID EUGENE	5422 NORDLING RD TRLR 27	HOUSTON	TX	77076-4746	713-694-4178
LUDWIG, KRISTINE	102 DEWITT CIR	HATTIESBURG	MS	39402-1029	601-269-7788
LUDWIG, MR/MRS LESTER F	3214 W WOODLAWN AVE	SAN ANTONIO	TX	78228-4921	210-433-5973
LUEDECKE, JOHN C	4717 HACKAMORE DR N	COLORADO SPRINGS	CO	80916-2626	
LUEDECKE, WILLIAM H	PO BOX 5936	AUSTIN	TX	78763-5936	512-453-5282
LUEDEMANN, MELINDA B	1220 OLD HOMESTEAD	SEGUIN	TX	78155-7912	210-379-7387
LUERSEN, LILLIE SIBLEY	2239 BASSE RD	SAN ANTONIO	TX	78213-4504	210-344-1616
LUKE, DAVID	5517 27TH ST	LUBBOCK	TX	79407-3301	806-797-6541
MAASS, MS META	PO BOX 23	MALONE	TX	76660-0023	817-533-2250
MACHEMEHL, A C	1102 E HACIENDA	BELLVILLE	TX	77418-3313	
MAGERS, RICHARD H	PO BOX 1543	BOERNE	TX	78006-1543	210-249-3344
MAI, WILMA	HC 1 BOX 360	SHARON SPRINGS	KS	67758-9749	913-852-4455
MANNING, MRS VAUGHN E	8623 STARCREST DR APT X3	SAN ANTONIO	TX	78217-4706	210-655-3034
MAPLES, JERRY & URSULA	510 LAS CRUCES DR	IRVING	TX	75063-4639	214-401-3243
MARBURGER, LEE & MARIE	RT 1 BOX 141	SINTON	TX	78387	512-364-1893
MARKS, THOMAS C	601 PASEO CANADA ST	SAN ANTONIO	TX	78232-1110	210-496-6025
MARQUARDT, LEWIS R /DONA REEVES-	2770 SOUTH LOOP 4	BUDA	TX	78610-9510	512-295-5901
MARRS, MARGERY SCHOLL	6154 OLYMPIA	HOUSTON	TX	77057-3525	713-782-8324
MARTIN, DR ANNETTE O	8516 STONE HARBOR	LAS VEGAS	NV	89128	
MARTIN, HELGA	4318 AVENIDA PRIMA ST	SAN ANTONIO	TX	78233-6823	210-654-6142
MARTY, BG/MRS WAYNE	CAMP MABRY, STE 295	AUSTIN	TX	78703-1223	512-465-5174
MASHWINSKI, TILLY	2002 EUBANKS	HOUSTON	TX	77093-8010	
MASSIRER, VAN D	124 CANAAN CHURCH RD	CRAWFORD	TX	76638-3328	817-486-2366
MASSON, MARGARETE S	12302 LONGWORTH LN	HOUSTON	TX	77024-6128	713-461-5393
MATTERN, MR/MRS MICHAEL A	1315 W FOREST DR	HOUSTON	TX	77043-4520	713-493-1903
MATTHEWS, MONIKA	100 WESTLAKE DR	AUSTIN	TX	78746	512-328-1510

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MAUK-ENZONE, JANICE	25 SOUNDVIEW DR	HUNTINGTON BAY	NY	11743-1439	
MAUK, DAMARIS	7150 E GRAND AVE NO 1302	DALLAS	TX	75223-1045	
MAX KADE GERMAN-AM. RESEARCH INST	305 BURROWES BLDG	UNIVERSITY PARK	PA	16802-6203	814-863-9537
MCANANEY, EDNA H	1606 UPLAND DR	HOUSTON	TX	77043-3702	713-465-9084
MCCLAIN, DR MEREDITH	2612 24TH ST	LUBBOCK	TX	79410-1632	806-744-6033
MCCLUSKEY, WILLIAM, JR.	5932 RICHMOND AVE	DALLAS	TX	75206-6840	214-827-3677
MCCOLLOCH, MRS T R	608 S UNION ST	RICHMOND	TX	77469-3329	713-232-3370
MCDONALD, MR & MRS C J JR	PO BOX 742	TATUM	TX	75691-0742	903-678-3653
MCELVEEN, EVELYNE BRAUTIGAM	12615 PINEROCK LN	HOUSTON	TX	77024-4008	713-468-2570
MCFARLANE, MARY HELEN & HOCK, DIANE	4109 FIRSTVIEW	AUSTIN	TX	78731-3903	512-472-3316
MCGINNIS, DOROTHY S	5610 GRANGER PL	SAN ANTONIO	TX	78240-2433	210-684-0755
MCKINNEY, ELIZABETH DEHNEL	3425 MEADOW CREEK LN	SACHSE	TX	75048-4181	
MCLENNAN, ABBIT S	16619 FORT OSWEGO	SAN ANTONIO	TX	78247-1033	210-655-9274
MCNEILL, JOHN W	42 WILLOWDALE DR	ROCHESTER	NY	14618-2330	
MEADOR, JOEL R	RR 2 BOX 341B	LULING	TX	78648-9531	512-540-4815
MEARSE, LINDA	2841 PASO DEL ROBLES	SAN MARCOS	TX	78666-1001	512-396-6182
MEIER, JEAN M	7211 WESTOVER DR	GRANBURY	TX	76049	817-579-0029
MEIER, WILLIAM J	9116 LINWOOD AVE	SHREVEPORT	LA	71106-6510	318-222-0685
MEINERS, CAROLYN A	1034 S MADISON ST	LA GRANGE	TX	78945-3304	409-968-3806
MEINERS, HARVEY W & RENATE	12349 SCHUSTER RD	ROUND TOP	TX	78954-5207	409-249-5349
MELCHER SR, J C	624 N COMMERCE ST	PORT LAVACA	TX	77979-3037	512-552-6139
MELLENBRUCH, JULIA	4102A AVENUE H	AUSTIN	TX	78751-4725	512-451-4467
MELLOR, DORIS R	6889 OAKWOOD GRV	HOUSTON	TX	77040-4403	713-849-2911
MENARD, JR ENIL GEORGE	7157 WEBBWOOD WAY	SAN ANTONIO	TX	78250-3402	210-647-0602
MENKING, MRS AMELIA	601 N PARK BLVD APT 805	GRAPEVINE	TX	76051-6912	817-488-7669
MERCER, KATHLEEN K	11310 WILLIAMSBURG DR	HOUSTON	TX	77024-7420	713-952-0703
MEREDITH, HUGH E	1301 INVERNESS APT 2B	HUNTSVILLE	TX	77340-5630	409-291-2408
MERRELL, CRES & CYNTHIA GRUETZNER	8408 ELKCRIDGE AVE	LUBBOCK	TX	79423-3008	806-745-3893
METZGER, OSCAR F	479 SUMMIT CR	FREDERICKSBURG	TX	78624-5042	210-997-1082
MEURER, MR/MRS HUGO	2324 WESTOAK DR	AUSTIN	TX	78704-5817	512-442-6518
MEYER, DOROTHY E	RR 5 BOX 161A	VICTORIA	TX	77901-2018	512-578-1010
MEYER, MARY	550 SAINTS HVN	SAN ANTONIO	TX	78220-1943	210-337-6254
MEYER, WILLIE L	19754 HIGH BLUFF RD	HELOTES	TX	78023-2900	210-695-9156
MICHAEL, MARIAN	405 W 37TH ST	AUSTIN	TX	78705-1313	512-453-3788
MICHALKE, MR/MRS ARNOLD D	4616 STAR FLOWER DR	CHANTILLY	VA	22021	703-263-0272
MICKLITZ, KARL N	PO BOX 366	BROOKSHIRE	TX	77423-0366	713-375-5094
MILBITZ, MR/MRS RUDOLF	2101 FAWKES LN	ROANOKE	TX	76262-9048	817-431-1417
MILLER, COL/MRS HARVEY FISHER	9006 SYCAMORE CRK	DRIPPING SPRINGS	TX	78620-9776	512-858-7540
MILLER, DOROTHY L	540 SOLANO DR NE	ALBUQUERQUE	NM	87108-1048	505-265-9198
MILLER, HELEN J	809 DICKENS DR	WACO	TX	76710-5707	817-772-7257
MILLER, HORACE D	PO BOX 301	WINNSBORO	TX	75494-0301	903-365-7334
MISTROT, GUS & BERNICE	12800 BRIAR FOREST DR APT 83	HOUSTON	TX	77077-2206	713-531-1956
MISTROT, PHYLLIS	3003 WINDMILL ST	SUGAR LAND	TX	77479-1603	713-980-4661
MITCHELL, DIANE	4620 17TH	LUBBOCK	TX	79416-5706	806-782-0716
MITTICA, SANDRA FRIEDSAM	3740 LEITCH'S WHARF ROAD	PRINCE FREDERICK	MD	20678	410-535-5377
MOLLENHAUER, MRS BERNADINE H	122 BEECHWOOD LN	SAN ANTONIO	TX	78216-7342	210-824-5514
MONTFORT, RODNEY G	9205 SAN JUAN PASS	AUSTIN	TX	78737-3039	512-288-5899
MOON, A ROSE	3914 PERM CIRCLE	PASADENA	TX	77504-2320	713-941-5223

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MOORE, JO ANN	2115 KENWOOD AVE	AUSTIN	TX	78704-4439	512-444-4044
MOORE, JUDY	P O BOX 177	OXFORD	MD	21654-0177	410-226-5357
MOORE, LODENE	188 ELMER KING RD #100	BELTON	TX	76513	817-939-7530
MORGAN, JAMES D	3528 GRANADA DR	FORT WORTH	TX	76118-5951	817-284-7022
MORGAN, MARJORIE ANN	1744 GLEN ROAD	KERRVILLE	TX	78028	210-257-6263
MORRIES, MARGARET	RR 1 BOX 136A-2	COMFORT	TX	78013-9630	210-995-3264
MORRIS, REBECCA ROBINSON	1718-14TH PLACE	PLANO	TX	75074-6402	214-740-6934
MORROW, MR/MRS W H	4011 ROCKLEDGE DR	AUSTIN	TX	78731-2943	512-345-2038
MORROW, MS MELL	4102 YOUNG RD APT 2112	PASADENA	TX	77504	
MOSES, NELLIE KINKLER	1927 E LAUNDALE DR	SAN ANTONIO	TX	78209-2043	210-826-5862
NOZISEK, BETTY	3314 SHADY SPRINGS	SAN ANTONIO	TX	78230-4931	210-342-3027
NUEGGE, W H	810 NW 9TH ST	GRAND PRAIRIE	TX	75050-5337	214-262-7720
MUELLER, LEO O JR	1903 ELTON LN	AUSTIN	TX	78703-2917	512-476-3357
MUELLER, MR HANS J	395 ROCKY SPRINGS RD	WIMBERLEY	TX	78676-5518	512-847-9174
MULLENS, DELLA R	8 TOURNEY CV	AUSTIN	TX	78738-1119	512-261-8597
MUNKE, SHARON USELTON	11527 SAYANORA CT	SAN ANTONIO	TX	78216-3526	210-340-1832
MYSKA, DOROTHY	2519 4TH ST	ROSENBERG	TX	77471-5919	
NAGEL, ARTHUR & BERNICE	15 WASP CREEK RD	BOERNE	TX	78006-7120	210-537-4830
NAGEL, LEROY F (TED)	4203 VENADO	AUSTIN	TX	78731-2020	512-345-0206
NASH, MRS CHARLENE	RR 2 BOX 30	LAMPASAS	TX	76550-9601	512-556-5087
NAUMANN, QUENTIN F	5459 BRIARBEND DR	HOUSTON	TX	77096-5001	713-723-3104
NEELY, DR/MRS R A	105 E HACIENDA ST	BELLVILLE	TX	77418-3103	409-865-2839
NELSON, CAROL J	804 YARPON VALLEY RD	AUSTIN	TX	78746	512-328-9023
NELSON, DR/MRS F MURPHY	1419 RIDGEHAVEN DR	AUSTIN	TX	78723-2528	512-453-8196
NELSON, MARIAN HILBIG	RR 1 BOX 455	RED ROCK	TX	78662-9756	512-303-0028
NESBITT MEMORIAL LIBRARY	529 WASHINGTON ST	COLUMBUS	TX	78934-2326	409-732-3392
NEUMAN, MARIE A	35531 STENZEL RD	BROOKSHIRE	TX	77423	713-375-5001
NEUMANN, MRS KERMIT	7722 JANAK DR	HOUSTON	TX	77055-3613	713-682-2446
NEUMANN, REV CHARLES W, SM	520 FORDHAM AVE	SAN ANTONIO	TX	78228-4821	210-436-3762
NEUSE, EDGAR & MARY JEAN	RR 1 BOX 11C	GONZALES	TX	78629-9700	210-672-3696
NEWHOUSE, PATRICIA A	6337 LAKESHORE	DALLAS	TX	75214-3613	214-821-3220
NIEDERS. STAATS- & UNIVERS.BIBLIOTHEK	GOETTINGER SIEBEN 1	37070 GOETTINGEN		GERMANY	
NIERMANN, WILHELM	STEMWEDER BERGSTR. 84	32351 STEMWEDE-WEHDE		GERMANY-AIRMAIL	05773-1618
NIESNER, MR/MRS FRANKLIN D	406 BERKSHIRE LN	VICTORIA	TX	77904-1749	512-575-1929
NISWANGER, MARY ANN	PO BOX 308	PROSPER	TX	75078-0308	214-347-2905
NOACK, MARVIN & CAROL	4001 DRYDEN RD	PORT ARTHUR	TX	77642-2842	409-985-2003
NORTHWEST HS GERMAN CLUB	RR 2 BOX 42	JUSTIN	TX	76247-9604	817-430-0036
NOVOSAD, MRS HELEN REMMERT	HC 4 BOX 1017	BURNET	TX	78611-9644	512-793-6555
NUNLEY, BETTY JORDAN	1505 VILLAGE WEST DR	AUSTIN	TX	78733-1976	512-263-5572
OENHAUS, MARY B	7110 NEFF ST	HOUSTON	TX	77074-3312	713-774-2036
OBSTA, ROBERT & DORIS FISCHER	4306 GUY GRANT RD	VICTORIA	TX	77904-2223	512-575-4303
O'CONNELL, JAMES J	P O BOX 866	YORKTOWN	TX	78164-0866	
OESTREICH, CHARLES H	2269 S ABBEY LOOP	NEW BRAUNFELS	TX	78130	210-606-4617
O'KEEFE, HEIDI	732 W COLL ST	NEW BRAUNFELS	TX	78130-5625	210-625-4712
OVERSTREET, CAROLYN LINDEMANN	PO BOX 1089	CENTER POINT	TX	78010-1089	210-634-2455
OWEN, FRED	918 ROCKY SPRING RD	AUSTIN	TX	78753-2418	512-836-0988
OZAN, CECIL R, JR	307 HAVERHILL DR	SAN ANTONIO	TX	78228-3104	210-735-6090
PACE, JOAN L	P O BOX 3121	SAN ANGELO	TX	76902-3121	915-949-6134
PANDEY, CHRISTA	1907 AMBER RIDGE	COLLEGE STATION	TX	77845-5536	
PANKRATZ, MERVA & GEORGE	15 THUNDER VALLEY RD	BOERNE	TX	78006-8116	210-249-2855
PARKER, CATHERINE L	22 PINE CREEK CT	HOUSTON	TX	77017-6717	713-946-9137

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PARKER, JANINE GITTINGER	114 CRESTVIEW DR	SAN ANTONIO	TX	78201-2650	210-732-5063
PARMA, MR/MRS FRANK	3311 CAROLINE WAY	RICHMOND	TX	77469-9680	713-342-4898
PARRIS, MIRIAM E	1907 RUNNING BROOK DR	AUSTIN	TX	78723-3445	512-928-2777
PARROTT, LISA	111 TYLER TER	SAN ANGELO	TX	76905-8207	915-651-5908
PARSONS, W GASTON	345 PRINCE DR	NEW BRAUNFELS	TX	78130-5353	210-609-5735
PATTERSON-WILLIAMS, PATRICIA	PO BOX 1714	CORPUS CHRISTI	TX	78403-1714	512-992-3383
PANEL, THOMAS ERNST/CONCORD OIL	105 S SAINT MARYS ST STE 1500	SAN ANTONIO	TX	78205-2807	210-224-4455
PEARCE, LAVERNE S	221 WOODLAND AVE	NEW BRAUNFELS	TX	78130-6062	210-629-7267
PEEBLES, MR/MRS HERBERT H	5566 TILBURY DR	HOUSTON	TX	77056-2018	
PELHAM, JOY C	2706 W 49 1/2 ST	AUSTIN	TX	78731-5002	512-452-9725
PELLUSCH, ELISABETH VETTER	14 NASSAU	ROCKPORT	TX	78382	512-729-5965
PEMBERTON, GARY	829 NORTH PARK RIDGE	NEW BRAUNFELS	TX	78130-8319	210-629-6016
PENDARVIS, BETTY	11781 SE 162 ND	CLACKAMAS	OR	97015	
PENKERT, MR/MRS LEONARD W	1029 FRANCES DR	ROSENBERG	TX	77471-2107	713-232-4183
PENSHORN, MR/MRS HARVEY	3730 HUNDRED OAKS DR	SAN ANTONIO	TX	78217-3410	210-655-8463
PERKINS, IDA B	PO BOX 244	COMFORT	TX	78013-0244	512-995-3807
PERKINS, III, ROY O	PO BOX 244	COMFORT	TX	78013-0244	512-995-3807
PERZYNSKA, KINGA, CATHOLIC ARCHIVES	PO BOX 13327	AUSTIN	TX	78711-3327	512-476-4888
PESSARRA, MR/MRS JOSEPH H	RR 1 BOX 3834, RIVER RD	FREEPORT	TX	77541-9206	409-233-5035
PFEFFERKORN, MR/MRS PETER	11708 D-K RANCH RD	AUSTIN	TX	78759-3770	512-258-6240
PFEIFER, VIRGIL D	4101 KINGSTON DR	CORPUS CHRISTI	TX	78411-5018	512-855-3434
PFEIFFER, BARBARA KLAR	204 PRIMERA DR	SAN ANTONIO	TX	78212-2053	210-826-5815
PFEIFFER, BEN	HC 61 BOX 104-2	FREDERICKSBURG	TX	78624-9148	
PFEIFFER, MARIA WATSON	213 WASHINGTON ST	SAN ANTONIO	TX	78204-1336	214-222-1586
PFEIFFER, MR/MRS ROY	2106 WEBERWOOD DR	SOUTH CHARLESTON	WV	25303-3015	304-342-5440
PFENNIG, ROBERT H	912 EMPIRE ST	EL CAMPO	TX	77437-2823	409-543-2309
PFLUGER, GLADYS	PO BOX 324	PFLUGERVILLE	TX	78691-0324	512-251-3185
PHELPS, MR/MRS RICHARD	6005F COUNTRY CLUB DR	VICTORIA	TX	77904-1630	512-572-4575
PHILLIPS, BETTY JEAN	5828 PARKMONT CI	EL PASO	TX	79912-5325	----584-8489
PHILLIPS, ELLYN WEDEMAYER	PO BOX 1965	MIDLAND	MI	48641-1965	
PHILLIPS, LINDA OHLENBUSCH	PO BOX 188	WALLIS	TX	77485-0188	409-532-2293
PHILLIPS, MRS PAULINE	410 KENT ST	YOAKUM	TX	77995-4402	
PINKERT, DORA	RR 2 BOX 176	SLATON	TX	79364-9525	806-828-3036
PINO, BARBARA	232 MEADOWBROOK DR	SAN ANTONIO	TX	78232-2117	210-494-2212
PLAGENS, FR JAMES	PO BOX 1188	BRADY	TX	76825-1188	915-597-2324
PLATT, MS JANELLE K	3726 RAU DR	DICKINSON	TX	77539-6117	713-534-2602
PLOWMAN, PAT	P O BOX 401	HITCHCOCK	TX	77563-0401	409-986-5681
POLINARD, HERBERT L	609 E COURTHOUSE ST	CUERO	TX	77954-2701	512-275-5749
POMPER, IRMGARD CHRISTINA	7921 GOFORTH RD	DALLAS	TX	75238-4134	214-343-4747
PONYKAL, MRS ERNA	RR 3 BOX 620	BRENNHAM	TX	77833-9411	409-836-7059
POPP, MOST REV BERNARD F	4535 LORD RD	SAN ANTONIO	TX	78220-3543	210-648-3420
POPP, MR/MRS BEN J	550 CARROL DR	WILLIS	TX	77378-8727	409-856-4758
PORTNER, ANGELINE	RR 2 BOX 31	NEW ULM	MN	56073	507-359-2121
POWELL, KATHARINE G	5366 FIELDWOOD DR	HOUSTON	TX	77056-2708	713-961-0054
POWELL, MR/MRS H ROBERT	2505 BERENSON LN	AUSTIN	TX	78746-1917	512-327-4456
PRESCOTT, CAROLYN	1303 SOUTH 6TH	AUSTIN	TX	78704-2321	512-462-2589
PRESSLER, HERMAN & ELSIE	2133 PINE VALLEY DR	HOUSTON	TX	77019-3507	713-526-9563
PRESSLER, JUDGE PAUL	5118 HOLLY TERRACE DR	HOUSTON	TX	77056-2100	713-622-4491
PREWITT, CHRISTA	PO BOX 992	ELGIN	TX	78621-0992	
PRILOP, MRS LLOYD T	2602 INDIAN RIDGE DR	SAN ANTONIO	TX	78231-1905	210-492-6907
PRINZ, KATHARYNE	4236 SURREY ST	FORT WORTH	TX	76133-1050	817-927-0924



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PRINZ, MERLE E	128 SKYLINE RD	GEORGETOWN	TX	78628	512-869-7957
PRONSKA, ERIC & MARIA	3901 LAKEPLACE LN	AUSTIN	TX	78746	512-328-0575
PROSKE, WYRLE & EBERHARD	7004 TWIN CREST DR	AUSTIN	TX	78752	512-453-3356
PRUESSNER, ROBERT D	PO BOX 772	CALDWELL	TX	77836-0772	409-272-3945
QUEBEDEAUX, MR/MRS MARCEL	231 MASSAU DR	SAN ANTONIO	TX	78213-4048	210-344-8687
QUINN, ALLAN S	7739 KIVA DR	AUSTIN	TX	78749-2919	512-892-7078
QUIRING, STANLEY & DARLENE	911 HOLLY HILL DR	SUGAR LAND	TX	77478-2666	713-242-4249
RAABE, ANNIE T	2724 BILLOXI LN	MESQUITE	TX	75150-1116	214-279-4413
RAAZ, LILLIE	RR 1 BOX 88	SHINER	TX	77984-9752	512-594-3870
RABROKER, MGR EDWARD	PO BOX 608	GRANGER	TX	76530-0608	512-859-2223
RAHE, ALTON J	940 OAK LN	NEW BRAUNFELS	TX	78130-6069	210-625-4529
RAMEY, EVELYN P	9615 EMNORA LN	HOUSTON	TX	77080-5315	713-464-6854
RANLY, MRS EMOGENE M	8425 AHERN DR APT 909	SAN ANTONIO	TX	78216-5723	210-342-6501
RAY, TINA R	11852 MORGAN LN	GARDEN GROVE	CA	92640-2536	714-750-5092
RAYMOND, LOUISE	602 WEST MARY JANE DR	KILLEEN	TX	76541-7942	817-634-4643
REDFORD, THOMAS M	8452 FREDERICKSBURG RD BOX 193	SAN ANTONIO	TX	78229-3375	210-342-7214
REEDER, RICHARD A	1409 N BROADWAY	BALLINGER	TX	76821-3901	409-865-9336
REESE, CHRISTY	P O BOX 65	KENNEY	TX	77452-0065	409-865-9336
REETZ, JEANNINE	626 W ELMIRA	SAN ANTONIO	TX	78212-5120	210-227-6186
REHLER, MARTHA	821 LONE STAR DR	NEW BRAUNFELS	TX	78130-2932	210-609-3127
REICH, BRUNO & DIANA	14189 HOWARD RD	DAYTON	MD	21036-1017	301-596-9182
REICHSSTEIN, DR ANDREAS	EBBERSREYE 111 H	D-22159 HANBURG	GERMANY-AIR MAIL	77901-3523	512-575-4272
REINHART JR, MR/MRS OLIVER J	PO BOX 98	D'HANIS	TX	78850-0098	210-363-7373
RENKER, JUDITH CLARK	4010 DEER TRL	TEMPLE	TX	76504-3616	817-778-5960
RESCH, KATHLEEN	3203 KING ST	AUSTIN	TX	78705-2225	512-452-5236
RHOADES, SHIRLEY	1607 CHATHAM AVE	AUSTIN	TX	78723-1812	512-452-5891
RIBA, JONATHAN F	1009 WHIPPOORHILL CT	ARLINGTON	TX	76014-1339	817-274-5782
RICHTER, AUBREY M	17151 DERR RIDGE RD	MOODY	TX	76557-3022	817-986-2629
RICHTER, WALTER	3901 AVENUE G	AUSTIN	TX	78751-4705	512-452-5117
RICHTER, WILLIAM H	301 E PHEASANT DR	AUSTIN	TX	78753-4231	512-836-7083
RICKARD, DONNA MAE	607 TULIP ST	COULEE DAM	WA	99116-1245	509-633-0494
RICKE, LUCILLE E	1302 OVERHILL ST	HOUSTON	TX	77018-4224	713-681-4514
RIEDEL, E A	14526 MCMAIR ST	HOUSTON	TX	77015-5422	713-453-1607
RIEDEL, FLORENCE	565 S WALNUT AVE	NEW BRAUNFELS	TX	78130-5861	210-625-2760
RIEDEL, LUCILLE - DECEASED	1639 OLD MARIAN RD	NEW BRAUNFELS	TX	78130-7703	210-651-6739
RIEGLER, JAMES	3113 SESBANIA DR	AUSTIN	TX	78748-2603	512-280-6043
RIGGS, EVA CLAIRE	4329 QUAIL HOLLOW RD	FORT WORTH	TX	76133-6737	817-294-4978
RIPPLE, JANICE KRISTOF	PO BOX 135	CLAUDE	TX	79019-0135	806-226-5461
RIPPS, MR/MRS CORNELIUS A	PO BOX 727	LYTLE	TX	78052-0727	210-772-3923
RITTMANN, CARMEN B	710 RITTMANN RD	SPRING BRANCH	TX	78070-4915	210-904-4526
RITTMANN, FERDYNE K	769 LAKESIDE PASS	NEW BRAUNFELS	TX	78130-9548	210-629-1203
ROBERTS, MARY E JOERIS	3751 BOVD AVE	GROVES	TX	77619-3516	409-962-4738
ROBERTSON, CHARLIE VON (SCHUBERT)	414 HERMITAGE DR	SEGUIN	TX	78155-5334	210-379-2716
ROBINSON-ZMAHR, ROBERT R "BOB"	PO BOX 39776	SAN ANTONIO	TX	78218-6776	210-655-8722
ROBINSON, ADA MAY	1390 W CROSBY ST	SLATON	TX	79364-3610	806-828-6304
ROBINSON, ELSIE ZMAHR	P O BOX 18287	SAN ANTONIO	TX	78218-0287	210-655-8709
ROBINSON, ROBERT J	PO BOX 1	QUITMAN	GA	31643-0001	912-263-5151
RODE, DR/MRS ARTHUR	RR 1 BOX 1228	FREDERICKSBURG	TX	78624-9504	210-997-3482
ROEHRIG, MARGARET	1805 W 30TH ST	AUSTIN	TX	78703-1825	512-323-5208
ROESNER, ROBERT H	24814 SADDLESPUR LN	KATY	TX	77494-5627	713-392-6958
ROESSING, MARIE R	2416 LITTLE JOHN LN	AUSTIN	TX	78704	

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ROGERS, GERHILD B	8100 HILLRISE DR	AUSTIN	TX	78759-8605	512-345-1729
ROHLFS, DR CLAUD & DORIS	730 BABCOCK APT 4310	SAN ANTONIO	TX	78201-2665	210-734-1081
ROHRBACH, CHAS MATHIAS	4502 E HORSESHOE	SAN ANTONIO	TX	78228-2116	210-432-6626
ROITSCH, MR/MRS LE ROY C	RR 1 BOX 276A	LEXINGTON	TX	78947-9769	512-273-2767
ROMBERG, JACQUELYN	1898 FORT RD	SHERIDAN	WY	82801-8320	307-674-7609
ROSE, ANNA	8303 GREATVIEW ST APT 111	SAN ANTONIO	TX	78230-3851	210-525-8709
ROSENBAUM, MELVIN F	725 FM 1959 RD APT 804	HOUSTON	TX	77034-5483	713-481-4598
ROSENBERG, MINNIE WEIDNER	318 BLUE BONNET BLVD	SAN ANTONIO	TX	78209-4633	210-826-0468
ROSENTHAL, MRS LILLIAN	504 E SAN ANTONIO ST	NEW BRAUNFELS	TX	78130-5139	210-625-4181
ROSSNER, LOUIS M & WILLOWDEEN	319 BREES BLVD	SAN ANTONIO	TX	78209-4825	210-824-5927
ROST, CLAUDIA	3920 BAHLER AVE	MANVEL	TX	77578-2823	713-489-9600
ROTHBERGER, FRED A	2106 AIROLE WAY	AUSTIN	TX	78704-3227	512-442-8558
ROTHERNEL, MRS DOROTHY NOAK	2504 BROOKBEND DR	BRENHAM	TX	77833-9245	
ROTHLISBERGER, SOPHIE M	4415 RIO D'ORO APT 139	SAN ANTONIO	TX	78233-6762	210-342-6685
RUDD, BARBARA LUDEKE	6100 GAINSBOROUGH RD	AMARILLO	TX	79106-3417	806-352-1058
RUHMANN, DOROTHY B	PO BOX 516	PORTLAND	TX	78374-0516	512-643-6021
RUHNKE, SR, DR/MRS E V	301 STEPHENS LOOP	MATHIS	TX	78368-9410	512-547-5934
RUSSELL, MR/MRS DAVID P	2922 DOUBLE LAKE DR	MISSOURI CITY	TX	77459-3908	713-261-7521
RUST, MR/MRS DAVID	5410 LANCASHIRE DR	SAN ANTONIO	TX	78230-4122	210-341-5894
SACRAMENTO GERMAN GEN SOC	PO BOX 660061	SACRAMENTO	CA	95866-0061	
SAN ANGELO GEN & HIST SOCIETY	PO BOX 3453	SAN ANGELO	TX	76902-3453	
SAN ANTONIO	600 SOLEAD	SAN ANTONIO	TX	78205-1208	210-207-2500
PUB.LIB.TEXANA/GENEALOGY					
SAUCIER, EVELYN	4404 BALCONES WOODS DR	AUSTIN	TX	78759-5205	512-345-0882
SAUR, CARL F & ETHEL B	1141 HWY 46 S	NEW BRAUNFELS	TX	78130	210-625-0731
SAWYER, R G	2923 GABRIEL VIEW DR	GEORGETOWN	TX	78628-2707	512-869-5163
SCARBOROUGH, VIRGINIA DAVIS	111 LONG DRIVE CT	RICHMOND	TX	77469-4948	713-342-2323
SCATES, ANNIE WESCH	159 FENNEL DR	SAN ANTONIO	TX	78213-2852	210-342-8225
SCHACK, EDMUND	3301 PARK LAKE DR	WACO	TX	76708-1507	817-752-7682
SCHAEFER, GUDRUN	VILLA JULIE	76835 WEYHER		GERMANY	
SCHAEFER, MARY JANE	RR 1 BOX 107C	PORT LAVACA	TX	77979-9770	512-552-1511
SCHAEFFER, PFARRER BURKHARD	KOONANSSTR 8	57078 SIEGEN-GEISWEID		GERMANY	
SCHARF, IRENE F	PO BOX 305	HELOTES	TX	78023-0305	512-695-8008
SCHATZKAMMER	WERNER KITZLER, U of SD	VERMILLION	SD	57069	
SCHEEL, CLARENCE & JEAN	717 POINT OF THE PINES DR	COLORADO SPRINGS	CO	80919-8139	303-528-5482
SCHEIDER, MAX B	8811 WESTERKIRK DR	AUSTIN	TX	78750-3611	512-258-8635
SCHLEICHER, MR/MRS FRANK C	1505 RIDGECREST DR	AUSTIN	TX	78746-2218	512-327-0327
SCHLICKENRIEDER, ANNELIES	9024 24TH AVE NE	SEATTLE	WA	98115-5808	206-526-2974
SCHLINKE, MRS WALTER	RR 1 BOX 10	NORDHEIM	TX	78141-9732	512-938-5222
SCHLORTT, MINNIE	PO BOX 69	KNIPPA	TX	78870-0069	512-934-2623
SCHMALZ, JEAN E & BETTY	1014 BARTLETT RD	KATY	TX	77493-2206	713-391-0944
SWOGETINSKY					
SCHMIDT, B C	5409 GLOUCESTER LN	AUSTIN	TX	78723-4814	512-926-1474
SCHMIDT, DR/MRS RODNEY D	P O BOX 4099	AUSTIN	TX	78765-4099	512-926-3876
SCHMIDT, MRS INGE	OHKAMPRING 12	22339 HAMBURG 63		GERMANY-AIRMAIL	
SCHMIDT, WELDON J	9006 CULLEN LN	AUSTIN	TX	78748-1710	512-282-3267
SCHMULEN, JR, DR JAMES A	5506 DANA POINT DR	ARLINGTON	TX	76017-3527	
SCHNEIDER, ALBERT W	208 S MCKINNEY ST (MOVED LEFT NO ADDRESS)	RICHARDSON	TX	75081-4121	
SCHNEIDER, JR LEONARD	1406 MUSTANG LN	SAN MARCOS	TX	78666-1120	512-392-3293
SCHNEIDER, LILLIAN	238 SHARMAIN PL	SAN ANTONIO	TX	78221-1842	210-922-9190
SCHOELLMANN, ELIZABETH	PO BOX 88	NADA	TX	77460-0088	409-758-3418

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SCHOTT, THOMAS L	22922 BANDERA HWY	HELOTES	TX	78023-9609	210-535-6323
SCHREINER COLLEGE, LOGAN LIB	2100 MEMORIAL BLVD HWY 27	KERRVILLE	TX	78028-5697	
SCHROEDER, BERT	2507 TOWN BRIAR ST	SAN ANTONIO	TX	78238-5015	210-684-9692
SCHROEDER, CLYDELLE J	RR 1 OBX 305	YORKTOWN	TX	78164-9737	512-564-4107
SCHROEDER, KATHLEEN	109 HIGH VISTA	SAN ANTONIO	TX	78233	210-655-3048
SCHROEDER, LARRY	P O BOX 6062	EL PASO	TX	79906-3547	
SCHROEDER, MR/MRS ROBERT E	303 KING ARTHUR	VICTORIA	TX	77901-1824	512-573-7133
SCHROEDER, MR/MRS PARRY J	702 OLD COLONY DR	RICHMOND	TX	77469-2123	713-342-9049
SCHUBERT, KAREN S.	6132 CAREW ST	HOUSTON	TX	77074-7410	713-771-6521
SCHUESSLER, DARLENE	15330 MORNING DOVE DR	HUMBLE	TX	77396-2226	713-441-2943
SCHULDT, MR/MRS ERBEN	1865 SAMS WAY	BEAUMONT	TX	77706-3135	409-866-8917
SCHULTZ, CAPT STEVEN P	107 JOHN GLENN	DEL RIO	TX	78840-2314	210-774-0799
SCHULTZ, MR IVAN D	703 INDIGO ST	SAN ANTONIO	TX	78216-3407	210-344-6965
SCHULTZ, MR/MRS VERNON C	9302 WENDOVER ST	SAN ANTONIO	TX	78250-2047	210-681-6939
SCHULTZE, RUTH ANN	STAR RT BOX 74	POTEET	TX	78065	210-742-4148
SCHULZ-BEHREND, GEORGE	1100 GASTON AVE	AUSTIN	TX	78703-2508	512-472-6312
SCHULZE, ARTHUR E	8807 MOBUD DR	HOUSTON	TX	77036-5321	713-988-5585
SCHULZE, WESLEY N	HC 2 BOX 239W	CANYON LAKE	TX	78133-2105	210-935-2432
SCHUMACHER, JR, CARL W	5655 LYNBROOK DR	HOUSTON	TX	77056-2010	713-965-0039
SCHUMANN, IRIS T CA	1079 FREDERICKSBURG RD	NEW BRAUNFELS	TX	78130-6019	210-625-5656
SCHUMANN, MELBA	1034 LIBERTY PARK DR APT 325	AUSTIN	TX	78746-6853	512-329-8811
SCHUMANN, WALTER ARTHUR	1110 VISTA VALET APT 714	SAN ANTONIO	TX	78216-1730	210-493-5456
SCHUSTER, MR/MRS N A	4 STAYTON CI	HOUSTON	TX	77024-6725	713-932-0425
SCHUTZ, THEODORE J	PO BOX 597	LA GRANGE	TX	78945-0597	409-968-5920
SCHUTZE, C A & SUZANNE	PO BOX 3547	AUSTIN	TX	78764-3547	512-447-5507
SCHUTZE, SHARI J	2711 GREENLEE DR	AUSTIN	TX	78703	512-478-8310
SCHUTZE, STUART	9719 SHADYDALE LANE	DALLAS	TX	75238-4232	214-343-2743
SCHWAB, CURTIS A	1636 SHADOW VALLEY DR	OGDEN	UT	84403-4627	801-479-0930
SCHWAUSCH, MARVIN D	3109 FREEMONT ST	ROUND ROCK	TX	78681-3842	512-244-0784
SCHWAUSCH, MR/MRS ELDOR	1550 CR 31	COPPERAS COVE	TX	76522-9999	817-547-3249
SCHWAUSCH, STEVE & JULIE	212 BLANKET DR	COPPERAS COVE	TX	76522-1044	817-547-4938
SCHWENKE, MARK	6011 WOLFBORO DR	HOUSTON	TX	77041-5899	713-937-5899
SCHWETTMANN, DUANE	800 S CHAPPELL HILL ST	BRENNHAM	TX	77833-4220	409-836-3229
SCOTT, HERTHA L	PO BOX 405	MOULTON	TX	77975-0405	512-596-4858
SEALE, VERA A WARNCKE	8036 LENORE DR	HOUSTON	TX	77017-1625	
SEARLS, MRS NORENE	447 SARATOGA DR	SAN ANTONIO	TX	78213-3441	210-344-6109
SECKER, FRED	6628 VELASCO AVE	DALLAS	TX	75214-3759	214-827-2132
SEELIGER, GUS	3314 WILLIAM BREWSTER DR	IRVING	TX	75062-4269	214-255-3518
SEFFEL, STEPHEN D	RR 4 BOX 664	BLANCO	TX	78606-9754	210-833-4696
SEIDEL, EDMUND O	9507 E VALLEY VIEW LN	SAN ANTONIO	TX	78217-3316	210-824-1932
SEIDEMAN, CHARLES H	11109 SPICEMOOD CLUB DR	AUSTIN	TX	78750-2858	512-258-2993
SEIFERT, LESTER W J, DIED 9-3-96	1210 UNIVERSITY BAY DR	MADISON	WI	53705-2253	
SELMAN, JEANETTE	7521 JONQUILL ST	SAN ANTONIO	TX	78233-2702	210-653-3174
SEMBRITZKY, MR/MRS L A	PO BOX 544	FREDERICKSBURG	TX	78624-0544	210-997-2286
SENSENEY, MRS LORE A	127 MOONSTONE DR	SAN ANTONIO	TX	78233-6540	210-655-4720
SENTZ, RAINER & KARIN	23 PARKLANE DR	RANSON CANYON	TX	79366	806-829-2660
SERIALS DEPT, LIBRARY	UNIVERSITY OF HOUSTON	HOUSTON	TX	77204-0001	
SETTEMEYER, MRS HELEN	PO BOX 83	CASTELL	TX	76831-0083	915-247-3441
SHADDOCK, MR/MRS CARROLL	1715 SOUTH BLVD	HOUSTON	TX	77098-5419	713-524-8744
SHELTON, FRONIE K	P O BOX 145	MOUNTAIN HOME	TX	78058-0145	210-896-3332
SHELTON, WALDEN E & ANN ROSSNER	7920 ROLLING ACRES TRL	BOERNE	TX	78006-4037	210-981-4952

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SHERRILL, ALMA A	11327 CHACO CYN	SAN ANTONIO	TX	78245-2808	210-673-6614
SHICK, TRAVIS M 2 LT	P O BOX 35340	FORT WAINWRIGHT	AL	99703-0340	907-452-3465
SHULTZ, DR MARIE	2847 SHOAL CREST AVE	AUSTIN	TX	78705-3514	512-472-1362
SHURLEY, JAY & ERWINA BODE	P O BOX 1277	BASTROP	TX	78602-1277	512-303-1445
SHURTLEFF, VELMA FOGLE	1705 FOREST HILL DR	AUSTIN	TX	78745	512-448-4920
SIDEN, JOHN	180-3 DEERWOOD CIR	WEST SACRAMENTO	CA	95691	916-371-3367
SIEBOLD, MARGIE W	319 METZ AVE	SAN ANTONIO	TX	78223-2425	210-532-9446
SIMS, MRS SAMUEL E	11621 BLALOCK FOREST ST	HOUSTON	TX	77024-6403	713-782-1280
SLATON, HIGNON R	RR 1 BOX 240	ANDERSON	TX	77830-9702	409-874-2314
SMALLEY, LUCILLE M	8611 MORLEY ST	HOUSTON	TX	77061-3334	409-645-5266
SMITH, MARILYN	1716 SENA ST	DENTON	TX	76201-2520	817-383-4410
SMITH, MR/MRS A M	4355 FOLSOM DR	BEAUMONT	TX	77706-7432	409-898-3094
SMITH, SELMA M	718 N OLIVE ST	SEGUIN	TX	78155-3238	210-379-5508
SMITH, STANLEY H	3715 TWISTED OAKS DR	SAN ANTONIO	TX	78217-3422	
SMITH, STARITA	PO BOX 670	AUSTIN	TX	78767-0670	512-445-3609
SMITH, SUE & C AUBREY	4231 WESTLAKE DR B1	AUSTIN	TX	78746-1460	512-328-9180
SMU CUL/DEG PERIODICALS	PO BOX 135	DALLAS	TX	75275-	
SNELL, RONALD R	1811 HEATHERGLEN LN	AUSTIN	TX	78758-3571	512-834-8759
SOKOLYK, HERTA	1211 DONNA KAY DR	KERRVILLE	TX	78028-3453	210-257-4948
SOPHIENBURG MUSEUM & ARCHIVES	401 W COLL ST	NEW BRAUNFELS	TX	78130-5619	210-629-1572
SOUTH TX GENEALOGY SOCIETY	PO BOX 754	BEEVILLE	TX	78104-0754	
SPEARS, NOA	121 E MARIPOSA	SAN ANTONIO	TX	78212	210-822-3930
SPEIR, MR/MRS ELWYN D	15 LAS BRISAS	AUSTIN	TX	78746-5328	512-327-4665
SPENCER, MRS DOROTHY B	9606 LANTANA DR	SAN ANTONIO	TX	78217-4516	210-824-5141
SPENCER, MS ROBIN MICHEL	100 WYNNEDALE RD	HARBERTH	PA	19072-1727	610-664-4886
SPIES, WELDON A	4403 ELSEY ST	HOUSTON	TX	77009-2827	713-694-2661
SPILLER, MARCELLA D	2605 EUCLID AVE	AUSTIN	TX	78704-5418	512-442-3140
SPINN, GILBERT HERMAN	1303 WOODSON LN	BRENNHAM	TX	77833-4336	409-836-2552
SPRECHER, THELMA	2402 RADCLIFFE DR	ROWLETT	TX	75088-5648	409-945-0863
STADE, THOMAS H	4015 W 7TH ST	FORT WORTH	TX	76107-1621	817-737-7819
STAHELY, WILLIAM P	1905A ROCKNOOR DR	AUSTIN	TX	78703-2030	512-476-3071
STALEY, EDWARD P	1101 HARDING AVE	MUSCLE SHOALS	AL	35661-2542	205-383-3603
STANLEY, MARY L HOHLT	PO BOX 800122	HOUSTON	TX	77280-0122	713-465-6521
STANZEL, ELOUISE ERNST	603 HWY 317	ASHDOWN	AR	71822-8466	501-898-2654
STARR, LILLIAN O	RR 1 BOX 379	RED ROCK	TX	78662-9759	512-839-4448
STATE HIST SOCIETY, AQUIS. S.	816 STATE ST	MADISON	WI	53706-1482	
STAUFFER, DR/MRS CURTIS C	9206 SUNLAKE CT	COLLEGE STATION	TX	77845-8738	409-693-3888
STEENKEN, MRS CLARISSE E	230 HILLWOOD DR	SAN ANTONIO	TX	78213-4622	210-342-8973
STEFFEK, MRS ELLEN	RR 4 BOX 381	HALLETTSVILLE	TX	77964-9428	512-798-4205
STEGLICH, LEROY	PO BOX 105	WARDA	TX	78960-0105	409-242-5395
STEPCHICK, BETTINA J	7921 GOFORTH RD	DALLAS	TX	75238-4135	214-343-4747
STEPHENS, MR/MRS HARTZELL O	3318 ROSEWOOD DR	TEMPLE	TX	76502-1331	817-778-3816
STERZING, PHIL	1407 W 51ST ST	AUSTIN	TX	78756-2607	512-467-0483
STEWART, ERIKA M	1112 HARRIS ST	NACOGDOCHES	TX	75964-5214	409-569-6560
STEWART, MR/MRS TED	2314 ISLAND WOOD RD	AUSTIN	TX	78733-2117	512-263-9449
STIEGHAN, DON L	223 BOKOSHE CI	LOUDON	TN	37774-2753	615-458-2142
STOCKMAN, ROBERT L	10748 100TH ST SE	ALTO	MI	49302	616-891-8932
STOEBNER, LLOYD F	7341 ELLIS RD	FORT WORTH	TX	76112-4303	817-457-8182
STOEBNER, WILLIE MAE	RR 1 BOX 196	BURLINGTON	TX	76519-9710	817-697-2793
STOEPLER, GEORGE	PO BOX 745	EDEN	TX	76837-0745	915-869-6791
STOETZNER, PATTI	115 LONG WOOD AVE	AUSTIN	TX	78734-4651	512-261-3893

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STRANGE, ESTHER MILLER & LLOYD	1 HUNTERS POINTE	KERRVILLE	TX	78028	210-895-1007
STRUVE, ARNO	701 2ND ST	ABERNATHY	TX	79311-4015	806-298-2209
STUDER, MR/MRS G E	105 LARRY LEE DR	KERRVILLE	TX	78028-6523	210-896-2096
SUCHYTA, SUZANNE DIEBEL	115 CALYPSO DR	AUSTIN	TX	78734-5180	512-261-4931
SW COLLECTION, TEXAS TECH U	PO BOX 41041	LUBBOCK	TX	79409-1041	
SWANSON, VICTORIA	1549 NORRIS RD	WICHITA FALLS	TX	76302-3407	817-767-3851
SWICKHEIMER, DAVE & LINDA	PO BOX 1184	GOLIAD	TX	77963-1184	512-645-3680
TATSCH, ANITA	RT 2 BOX 314	SPICEWOOD	TX	78669-9106	512-693-2894
TATSCH, BERTA RUTH	7925 ROCKWOOD LN APT C-208	AUSTIN	TX	78757-8049	512-452-3324
TAYLOR, MARGARET	2515 RIATA LN	HOUSTON	TX	77043-1833	713-462-1698
TAYLOR, VIVIAN FROELICH	RR 3 BOX 263	WEIMAR	TX	78962-9747	409-263-5416
TEINERT, GLORIA MAE	11901 MUSTANG CHASE	AUSTIN	TX	78727-6629	512-345-3890
TELGE, ELMER A	1019 PRINCE ST	HOUSTON	TX	77008-6428	713-862-3540
TEMPLETON, BARBARA	15020 AFTON CT	MONTCLAIR	VA	22026-1038	703-680-6836
TEXAS PRECISION MFG INC (HOEVE FAMILY)	P O BOX 3640	LUBBOCK	TX	79452-3640	806-741-1166
TEXAS STATE HISTORICAL ASSC	RICHARDSON HALL 2, UNIV STA	AUSTIN	TX	78712-1206	
TEXAS STATE LIBRARY - TECH SERV	PO BOX 12927 CAPITOL STA	AUSTIN	TX	78711-2927	
TEXAS WENDISH HERITAGE MU LIBRARY	RR 2 BOX 155	GIDDINGS	TX	78942-9769	409-366-2441
THE GENEALOGICAL RECORD,HGF	PO BOX 271466	HOUSTON	TX	77277-1466	
THEIS, MR/MRS WALTER	704 OVERHILL	KERRVILLE	TX	78028-2935	210-895-1064
THOMAS, JR, DR/MRS SELLERS J	106 MAPLE VALLEY RD	HOUSTON	TX	77056-1008	713-627-8431
THOMAS, MRS MARY F	2109 ROCKWOOD CI	BRYAN	TX	77807	409-822-1520
THOMAS, RUTH WIESE	1506 S JACKSON	BRENNHAM	TX	77833-4536	409-836-5380
THOMPSON, ANNA	2116 LYNNBROOK DR	AUSTIN	TX	78748-2131	512-282-1933
THOMPSON, BRENDA	11109 READVILL LN	AUSTIN	TX	78739-1706	512-301-1085
THOMPSON, CHARLES & JANICE L	6203 SUGAR HILL	HOUSTON	TX	77057-1144	713-465-6221
THOMPSON, JANET & CARL	1334 HILLCREST FOREST	CANYON LAKE	TX	78133-5001	210-899-2679
THOMPSON, SUZANN M	2116 LYNNBROOK DR	AUSTIN	TX	78748-2131	512-441-8769
THONHOFF, ROBERT H & VICTORIA B	617 N ESPLANADE ST	KARNES CITY	TX	78118-2522	512-780-3582
TIEDT, MRS LEOLA K	510 N FRANKLIN ST	LA GRANGE	TX	78945-1916	409-968-5639
TIEMANN, DR/MRS KENNETH E	4103 FARHILLS DR	AUSTIN	TX	78731-2811	512-345-0406
TISINGER, EMILY SONSEL	11611 HIDDEN QUAIL DR	AUSTIN	TX	78758-3664	512-339-0433
TOLZMANN, DR DON HEINRICH	6829 WESTIN ROG	CLEVESNATI	OH	45002-9412	
TOWELL, JUDY MINICA	10 WOODSIDE CUTOFF RD	VICTOR	MT	59875	406-961-4408
TRAINHAM, JANE A	1903 DORIS DR	AUSTIN	TX	78757	512-419-0451
TRAUGOTT, MRS BETTY	464 W VILLARET BLVD	SAN ANTONIO	TX	78221-3950	210-927-3461
TRAUGOTT, ROEMER	3514 GREEN SPRING DR	SAN ANTONIO	TX	78247	210-494-4567
TREIBS, MR/MRS GLEN	RR 4 BOX 268	FREDERICKSBURG	TX	78624-9546	210-997-7356
TRENCKMANN, MRS HELEN	2602 THOMAS DR	AUSTIN	TX	78703-1641	
TREPT, T J	532L7 MONETA LN	DALLAS	TX	75236-1823	214-298-0033
TREPTOW, REV/MRS HENRY F	1436 GLOUCESTER PT	KERRVILLE	TX	78028-2733	210-257-3021
TREYBIG, ARLISS	PO BOX 1236	EL CAMPO	TX	77437-1236	409-543-3730
TUBBS, GEORGIA	PO BOX 101	ROUND TOP	TX	78954-0101	409-249-3042
TURNBO, VERDA	1108 FOLTS AVE	AUSTIN	TX	78704-2117	
TURNER, ALICE M	489 SUMMIT CIR	FREDERICKSBURG	TX	78624-5025	210-997-7402
TURNER, MRS EDD R	135 PLAZA DR #1118	KERRVILLE	TX	78028-2206	210-896-8069
TURNER, MRS ERNA	230 GRUENE RD	NEW BRAUNFELS	TX	78130-3214	
TURNER, TEMPLE HILD	1729 PARK DR	BOERNE	TX	78006-5843	210-336-2307
TUSIA, BARBARA	11304 SIERRA BLANCA	AUSTIN	TX	78726-1435	512-219-6235
TUTTLE, MRS JO	2202 W NORTH LOOP BLVD APT 149	AUSTIN	TX	78756-2307	512-453-0701

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UECKER, JERALD	16501 BLACK ROCK RD	GERMANTOWN	MD	20874-3209	301-963-1210
UGAC-USA, INC	9330 ACADEMY RD	PHILADELPHIA	PA	19114	516-239-1174
UHLIG, LARRY A	RR 1 BOX 72	CAT SPRING	TX	78933-9605	409-732-5238
UNITED GERMAN-AMERICAN COMM. OF USA	515 HUNTINGDON PIKE	ROCKLEDGE	PA	19046-4451	215-379-1722
UPSHAW, RUBY O	19614 ENCINO BROOK ST	SAN ANTONIO	TX	78259-2318	210-496-5235
UTSA LIBRARY SERIALS/ITC	6900 N LOOP 1604 WEST	SAN ANTONIO	TX	78249-0671	210-458-5506
VAN RIPER, TOMMIE HALSLEY	11917 RAINEY MDW LANE	SAN ANTONIO	TX	78233-2852	210-657-2570
VAN WINKLE, LESTER J	126 RIOJAS DR	KERRVILLE	TX	78028-9145	210-995-2558
VANCE, MRS NOLAN R	4831 WEST LAWTHOR DR APT 207	DALLAS	TX	75214-1849	
VARIAN, THOMTHY G	4831 CANYONBEND CIR	AUSTIN	TX	78735-6604	512-892-1926
VAUGHAN, MURIEL LUEDTKE	3209 BREEZE TER	AUSTIN	TX	78722-1911	512-477-5572
VEST, MS MAXINE	RR 1 BOX 340	MC DADE	TX	78630-9725	
VICTORIA PUBLIC LIBRARY	302 N MAIN ST	VICTORIA	TX	77901-6505	
VODICKA, HELEN	7015 CREIGHTON LN	AUSTIN	TX	78723-1537	512-926-8691
VOELKEL, EUGENE & JANE	4 RAVENS PERCH	BRYAN	TX	77808-9719	409-774-4405
VOGT, MARILYN	337 FM 474	BOERNE	TX	78006-7809	210-537-4228
VOIGT, WENDEL G	1215 MATTAPAN DR	PFLUGERVILLE	TX	78660-2927	512-251-0990
VOLKMANN, MR/MRS HENRY	3737 SEGUIN DR	DALLAS	TX	75220-6328	714-352-0627
VOLLMER/DOUGLASS, ALMA JO	2001 HIGHLAND HILLS	SUGAR LAND	TX	77478-4362	713-980-3872
VOLTIN, A T & DORIS	RR 2 BOX 188	ROSEBUD	TX	76570-9553	817-583-4768
von DONOP, PAUL E	1524 12TH ST NW	WASHINGTON	DC	20005-4432	202-265-8160
VON ROEDER, FLORA	2515 SHAKESPEARE ST APT 2	HOUSTON	TX	77030-1028	713-666-6085
von ROSENBERG, BYRON & SHARON	P O BOX 1721	COPELL	TX	75019-1721	
von ROSENBERG, CLYDE & KATHY	103 JIB LN	GEORGETOWN	TX	78628-9312	512-869-7592
von ROSENBERG, DALE U & MARJORIE	104 HIGH TRAIL DR	GEORGETOWN	TX	78628-4515	512-864-0117
VON SCHWEINITZ, HELGA	2319 VILLAGE CIR	AUSTIN	TX	78745-2734	512-441-2089
VON-MASZEWSKI, W M	2222 CHERRY LN	PASADENA	TX	77502-4043	713-477-2318
WAAG, ETTA	6406 ROOS RD	HOUSTON	TX	77074-6326	713-774-5661
WACHHOLZ, EDWARD R	1801 OLD MILL CREEK RD	BRENNHAM	TX	77833-9152	409-836-9032
WACKWITZ, F H	RR 2 BOX 605W	VAN ALSTYNE	TX	75495-9633	903-482-5061
WADE, MARY D	8826 ROWAN LN	HOUSTON	TX	77036-5346	713-777-5394
WALKER, VIRGINIA S	410 GLENOAK DR	SAN ANTONIO	TX	78220-3508	210-648-0143
WALLACE, JAMES O	PO BOX 13041	SAN ANTONIO	TX	78213-0041	210-344-9879
WALLACE, RUDOLPH W	P O BOX 2616	SAN ANGELO	TX	76902-2616	713-479-6989
WALSHAK, JOAN	RR 4 BOX 139	GONZALES	TX	78629-9334	210-672-3087
WALSTON, DAVID	6760 HIALEAH	BEAUMONT	TX	77706-5429	409-835-0074
WALTER, THERESA C	542 CLEARFIELD DR	NEW BRAUNFELS	TX	78130-6108	210-625-9751
WALTER, WILLIAM DAVID	12910 YOUNGFIELD DR	CYPRESS	TX	77429-3809	713-370-8992
WARD, RUTH	407 PECAN DR SW	MCQUEENEY	TX	78123-9719	210-557-5554
WARMKE, NANCY	746 CORTLANDT ST	HOUSTON	TX	77007	
WARNEKE, JEAN	310 LE GRANDE	AUSTIN	TX	78704	512-443-5488
WARNER, CAROL K	6205 FARRINGTON RD #L-1	CHAPEL HILL	NC	27514-9274	512-345-6025
WASKOW, DANIEL	806 VAL VERDE DR	COLLEGE STATION	TX	77845-6527	409-696-7113
WEAVER, BEVERLY B	612 N GLENVIEW	MESA	AZ	85213-6841	210-829-0889
WEAVER, NEVILEE A	18710 ROSEHILL RD	TOMBALL	TX	77375-3545	713-351-6291
WEBER, AL & SAN ARCHER	6704 TAMPA COVE	AUSTIN	TX	78723-2843	512-926-5673
WEBER, PAULA	1435 CHURCH HILL PL	RESTON	VA	2094-1232	703-904-0677
WEDEMEYER, PHIL D	12115 OVERCUP	HOUSTON	TX	77024	713-461-4316
WEDEMEYER, W C	3301 WYNMORE DR	MACO	TX	76706-4270	817-662-2896
WEEDIN, MRS ELEANOR F	520 ARGO AVE	SAN ANTONIO	TX	78209-4404	210-826-0806

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