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# Dellinger; Knecht; Pfeffer; Silar; and allied families

A Family History Newsletter



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### WELCOME

#### Hello everyone;

Welcome to the WINTER 2007 issue of this family newsletter. I've included you on my mailing list because you are close family, a gen-cousin or genealogist who shares a common interest of searching for information on the family surnames associated with my paternal family line.

Along with a new format, "Genealogy News" and "Family Facts" sections make their debut in this newsletter. Jacob Dellinger, (my 5<sup>th</sup> great- grandfather) is the subject the "Ancestor Profile"

article. I have also included an update on my paternal family database online at Rootsweb's WorldConnect Project, and recent happenings with regard to the website at RootsWeb's Freepages.

As always we will attempt to keep the newsletter brief but informative and hope you will enjoy reading it. If you do not want to remain on my mailing list please let me know and I will stop sending to you. To read my previous newsletters, visit this link Newsletter Archives.

# A QUOTE TO NOTE

"Darkness cannot drive out darkness; only light can do that. Hate cannot drive out hate; only love can do that."

- Martin Luther King, Jr., 1929-1968 -

# **ANCESTOR PROFILE**

#### Johann ''Jacob'' Dellinger 1697-1777

Johann Jacob Dellinger was a citizen and farmer in Oberacker, Baden-Wurttemburg, Germany. Although references are made to Germany, a single united Germany did not exist until 1871. The most probable region or principality of his birth was the present day German State of Rhineland-Palatinate, Hesse, Baden-Wuerttemberg, all of which adjoin the Rhine River or the Alsace-Lorraine region. It is noted that persons from these various areas were referred to as Palatines or as being from Palatinate.

On the 27th of August 1733 the ship "Elizabeth" sailed into the Philadelphia harbor from Rotterdam. Within the list of passengers were Jacob Dellinger aged 33 years, a farmer; his wife, Maria Barbara aged 28 and their son Johan Frederick (Friederich) aged 8. In January of 1734 Jacob is known to have been in Chestnut Hill, a short distance north of Germantown, when his daughter Maria Barbara was baptized on 3 January 1734 by Rev. John Casper Stoever. The early Dellingers were members of the Lutheran Church.

Following their stay in the area in the Philadelphia area, Jacob and his family moved west to what is now York County, Pennsylvania. The route that Jacob and his family took from Philadelphia to York Co., (then Lancaster Co.), is not specifically known. Lancaster County had been formed in 1729 from Chester County, one of the original three counties of Pennsylvania, which had been created in 1682. Around 1729 the first white settlements were made within the present limits of York County. At first the settlements were few and Indians for the most part occupied the county. In 1749 York County was created from part of Lancaster County.

The exact date of Jacob's settlement west of the Susquehanna River is not yet known. The Dellinger name first appears in the Canadochly Union Church records in 1755. Jacob and his wife

are shown as sponsors for Maria Barbara Hermann on 15 May 1758 at the Canadochly Lutheran Church in Lower Windsor Township, York Co., Pennsylvania. The first land record



Canadochly Church, Lower Windsor Twp.

discovered so far is Jacob's Warrant for land in 1762. This would have been his first step in obtaining a patent or deed from the sons of William Penn who were at that time the Proprietors of the Colony of Pennsylvania. This warrant, dated 31 May 1762, was for 100 acres of land from the Penn Family. The land was located in Windsor Twp., York Co., Pennsylvania. Jacob may have lived on the site some years before requesting the Warrant, Survey and Patent, because this typically was the case. The area in which he settled was originally part of Hellam Township, which was formed in 1738, while part of Lancaster County. The area later became Windsor Township in 1758 and remained so until 1838 when Lower Windsor Township was created.

Articles of Agreement were signed between Jacob Dellinger, Sr. and Jacob Dellinger, Jr. on 12 Feb 1776(5). Both lived in Windsor Twp., York Co., Pennsylvania. Part of the agreement was that if John Dellinger, son, came back from the Army, he was to be a party to the Agreement. John did return from service in the Continental Army. These articles name payments or benefits to the following heirs of Jacob Dellinger I. Named heirs were: Jacob Jr., son, got the 260 acre farm plus equipment and stock, but had to provide for Jacob, Sr. and his wife for their lifetime. Fred Dellinger, son, got L20. Joseph Dellinger, son, got L20. John Dellinger, son, on return from war got half the land. Joseph Tritt, grandson, got L10. Margaret Tritt, granddaughter, got L10. John Nicholas Howert, grandson, and son of Michael Howert, got L10. Philip Gohn, son-in-law, got L20. Paul Shafer is a witness to this agreement.

Jacob died in 1777 soon after the aforementioned Articles of Agreement were written. He was probably laid to rest in the old Canadochly Church graveyard.

## NEWS OF INTEREST TO THE FAMILY HISTORIAN A "Fulton" Family Encounter

Last September Fred and his wife Lynn took a 10 day road trip to Michigan and Canada. While visiting Sault St. Marie, MI they met Roberta and John Hirth of Harriman, New York. The Hirth's have spent all but one month this year living on the road in their RV home having just recently returned from Alaska. What a pleasant surprise to for Fred to find out that Roberta is also an avid genealogist. She has been hosting the Fulton mailing list at RootsWeb for many years. Apparently Roberta is able to accomplish this while traveling the country via a satellite hook-up in their motor home. If any of our readers has the FULTON surname in their database and would like more information we recommend that you check-out the following websites that Roberta has forwarded to me: Fulton web page at:

http://www.frontiernet.net/~elisa96/hirth/fulton.htm

Search the Fulton-L Archives at this URL:

http://listsearches.rootsweb.com/cgi-bin/listsearch.pl?list=Fulton

**Browse the Fulton-L Archives at this URL:** 

http://archiver.rootsweb.com/th/index/fulton

#### **Can You Identify Any of These People???**

The following correspondence was recently received from Melissa Fitzkee. Melissa is a gencousin who shares ancestors through my/our Ilges (Ellis) line. She is seeking the identity of several individuals in the following photograph. As most if not all of the subscribers of this newsletter have ancestors from southeastern Pennsylvania particularly York County you might have information that she needs to solve this mystery. Melissa may be contacted at mzfitz40@aol.com.



Ok! Fellow Ellwein relations lend me a hand if you can. At our yearly Hake family reunion we discovered a photograph that belonged to my late Aunt Laura. My Uncle Carl who is 82 claims the older son in this photo is Jerome Franklin Diehl son of Jerome Solomon Diehl and Agnes M Ellwein. He is standing center behind who we believe is Agnes Mahala Ellwein and Calvin Glatfelter. Calvin was married to Agnes's cousin Euphema Shutter. Euphema's mother was Leah Ellwein. After Euphema died Calvin moved in with Agnes Ellwein Diehl who was also a widow.

The male on the left of the photo is Raymond (Berger) Diehl. He is the son of Agnes and David Berger who were married in 1901. David split before or shortly after Raymond was born so he always went by Diehl.

I considered that one of the older girls in front may be the wife of John Diehl the oldest son of Agnes. He was married to a gal named Beulah, but the other photo I have of them does not match any of the girls listed.

My grandmother Sarah was the oldest girl and is not in this photo. The two in front may also be Ida and Laura?

Can you identify any? Did Euphema Shutter have any children to Calvin Glatfelter before she died? Could they be her daughters?

My Family Tree is on RootsWeb

## A "FAMILY TREE" TREE GROWS AT ROOTSWEB

My Family Tree is on RootsWeb

#### Abel Family Update Of Two New Generations Back To 1639. Beissel And Wagner Surnames Added To List Of Direct Ancestors.

An updated version of my paternal lineage database was recently uploaded to the World Connect site at RootsWeb.com. <u>12</u> new names have been added during the past three months. It now has information on <u>1,241</u> persons, which include, not only ancestral grandparents, but also aunts, uncles, and cousins. Since the database is updated quarterly to coincide with the publishing of this newsletter you are all reminded to take a look at what is new with our family history research. If you do check the database site you may find some new information that will enhance your own research or you may find some errors in ours that we need to know of.

To access the database just click on the following link: My Paternal Ancestors: Dellinger; Knecht; Pfeffer; Silar and allied families. You may also access our family tree by going to http://worldconnect.rootsweb.com/. On that page you will see on the left column a box entitled "jump to a specific tree". Type in *fgsiler* and click on "go", or just search for any name in the database and you will be taken to that record.

Of course we would always welcome any new information that you may have on our common ancestors.

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# WHAT'S NEW AT THE WEBSITE??

Photographs and images archives developed for ancestral county locations. 101 Best Websites now at "Websites and Web Pages We Like".

Because we usually update this site several times between the publishing of this Newsletter you are reminded and encouraged to take a look at what is new with regard to the family information and genealogical resources contained at this internet site. As with the database you may find some new information that will enhance your own research or you may want to advise of some new information that we can include at the site. Either way I would appreciate an email from you just to let me know that you've found your way to our online website.

#### **NEW AND REVISED SURNAME PAGES:**

Abel; Born; Bracher; Clement; Ilges; Lieberknecht

\*All of the previously existing surname pages have been revised.

#### **NEW SOURCE DOCUMENTS: \***

Ilges (Ellis);

\*Most if not all of the new surname pages also include new source documents

#### **NEW ANCESTRAL LOCATION PAGES:**

United States of America USA STATES - New Jersey; Alabama; Colorado; Florida; Illinois; Georgia; North Carolina; Texas; West Virginia USA COUNTIES: Burlington County, NJ; Nelson County VA; ENGLAND - Somerset, UK; Gloucestershire, UK; Wiveliscombe, UK; Yorkshire, UK; GERMANY - Dillingen NORTHERN IRELAND - Northern Ireland; Antrim; County Down FRANCE - France; Alsace; Photo and Image archives developed for the following counties: Los Angeles, CA; Fluvanna, VA; McMinn, TN; Tulare, CA; York, PA; Nelson, VA

FAMILY FACTS ABEL SURNAME	
Top Occupations for Abel in 1880	Top Places of Origin for Abel
General Public Abel	Place of Abel Origin ts
Farmer	Germany 364 Preussen 94 England 45
Carpenter 2% Farming 3%	England45Bavaria25Baden20
Butcher 2%	France 19

The "Family Facts" article features a surname of a direct ancestral line. To find additional information on this family follow the links to the website: <u>ABEL</u>, and the database <u>ABEL</u>.

# **CONTACT INFORMATION**

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