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# Volume V at the Printer!

The headline says it all. Only two years after volume 4, the Association is pleased to announce the publishing of volume 5. This volume moves us past the halfway point for the total number of volumes planned for the 7th Edition. Detailed information about this volume can be found through out the newsletter. A copy of the book's table of contents (minus the page numbers) and the order form for all of the books can be found in the center section of the newsletter.

For a limited time we are offering volume 5 at a pre-publication price of \$45. This price is only good up to and at the reunion date of July 28, 2001. For any orders postmarked later than July 28, 2001 the price will increase to \$50, the same as the earlier volumes in the set. Currently the scheduled delivery of volume 5 is the week before the reunion. After the Association receives volume 5 it will be 6 to 8 weeks for delivery to you. We do hope to have these volumes available for sale at the reunion.

The Association strives to keep the price of the books to as low a level as possible. Realistically other factors do force us to raise prices over time. These include; increased pritning costs, increased postage, packing, handling, funding for future volumes. With publishing and other costs continuing to increase the Association has implemented a shipping and handling fee per book. This will assist us in providing you with your order in as reliable and timely a mode as possible. In addition, it will provide both you the customer and us with better accountability on all orders. Some of these costs may be minimized in the future as we recruit more volunteers to help with this aspect of the Association.

Please note that the address for ordering of all volumes has changed. We are now contracting the book orders to a division of Boyer Printing of Lebanon, PA. DO NOT send any other correspondence to the address for ordering books. Any questions, comments, additional donations, or payments for such things as membership or catered lunches must go to the addresses specified on their related forms. Failure to follow these directions may cause very large delays in processing of your request.

Finally if you are planning to come to the reunion and would like to purchase the Boyer books there then please use the form found on page 13. This is similar to a will-call for tickets. No sending of money is required. We just want to know how many books may be needed at the reunion to guarantee enough are brought that day without having to haul the whole warehouse. Make sure to get that form in as soon as possible so we can have the correct counts ready.

# 97<sup>th</sup> Reunion at Boyertown

The Association of American Boyers Inc., 97th Annual Reunion is set for Saturday July 28, 2001 at the Boyertown Community Park in Boyertown, Pennsylvania. Directions and a simple map to Boyertown and the reunion can be found on page 3. As in other years the Reunion is a chance for Boyers and their descendants to assemble from all over the country for a day of fun and friendly gathering. The pavilion at the park does have seating and picnic tables, and is covered for protection from inclement weather. As always it is a good idea to bring your own chairs as seating can fill up. Back this year, after a rousing success last year, is the catered buffet lunch from Boyer's catering. The cost is very reasonable and we highly encourage your participation. The advanced reservation form and more detailed description can be found inside the last page . A

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# Historian's Column

As this column is being written in April, the first proofreading of the approximate 1,100 pages for Volume 5 of the Seventh Edition of *American Boyers* has taken place. The text for Volume 5 was completed by your historian on Nov. 26, 2000. Our president, Bill Boyer, has been busy converting the text from the historian's computer program into the Pagemaker program format so that it will be similar to the previous editions of American Boyers. Due to the volume of information received

last year, Chapters 125 (EU) through 130 (EZ) did not make it into Volume 5, but will be included in Volume 6, expected to be available in two years. The order form for Prepublication orders for Volume 5 is included with this newsletter. We urge you to order Volume 5 at the reduced pre-publication price. Our goal is to have Volume 5 ready for distribution by our reunion date of July 28.

Work is progressing well on the remaining chapters for the Seventh Edition. Volume 6 will begin with Chapter 125 [EU], and will include as many of the remaining chapters that will fit in approximately 1100 pages. We urge you to submit updated information now if your line has not been published in the first five volumes of the Seventh Edition. The anticipated deadline for Volume 6 information will be July 27, 2002. It is likely that a Volume 7 will be needed to complete the publication of information for the Seventh Edition. The final volume(s) of the Seventh Edition will contain an index of the Boyer-Byers, etc. names, and a name index for all other persons mentioned in the Seventh Edition. All information submitted is appreciated and will be incorporated into its appropriate chapter for later publication.

We encourage everyone to continue to report new information and findings, and thank you for the information that has been received. Information may be mailed to your historian at 990 E. Philadelphia St., York, PA 17403-1121. You may also bring information to the reunion where the historian and assistants will be glad to receive your data.

How should your information be submitted? Printouts from your computer program are acceptable, and even preferred. However, vital facts that sometimes are missing from submissions are month and day of birth, place of birth, death, and burial, birth dates of spouses, city or place of current residence, and occupations. If you are not using a computer, forms for reporting information are available from the historian.

#### **EDITIONS OF AMERICAN BOYERS**

First edition - 1915 - 532 pages - by Dr. Charles Clinton Boyer, Kutztown, Pa.

Second edition - 1916 addenda - 62 pages

Third edition - 1918 addenda - 18 pages

Fourth edition - 1924 addenda - 64 pages

Fifth edition - 1940 - 664 pages - by Melville James Boyer, Allentown, Pa.

Sixth edition - 1963 supplement - 334 pages

Seventh edition - Vol. I - 1984 - 646 pages - Chapters 1 [AA] to 7 [AG] 18,842 names

Vol. II - 1986 - 670 pages - Chapters 8 [AH] to 24 [AX] 19,073 names

Vol. III - 1992 - 776 pages - Chapters 25 [AY] to 31 [BE] 23,146 names

Vol. IV - 1998 - 1,095 pages - Chapters 32 [BF] to 48 [BV] 36,594 names

Vol. V - 2000 - 1,100 pages - Chapters 49 [BW] to 124 ET] 37,096 names

[Seventh edition by present historian, Donald Arthur Boyer, York, Pa.]

Unlike other publications by commercial ventures, for which you may have received a solicitation from time to time, *American Boyers* traces family lines from the earliest known ancestor to the most recent additions, and enables you to determine relationships between individuals.

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# **Reunion Directions**

Boyertown is located almost midway between Reading and Philadelphia Pennsylvania, just 6 miles north of Pottstown. It is located on State Route 73 just 0.4 miles west of State Route 100. From the North:

Take Route 100 south to Route 73. Take Route 73 west about 0.4 miles to Madison Ave. Take a left on Madison and go for about 0.4

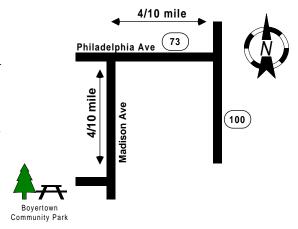
miles. The Boyertown Community park will be on the right.

#### From the South:

Take Route 100 north to Route 73. Take Route 73 west about 0.4 miles to Madison Ave. Take a left on Madison and go for about 0.4 miles. The Boyertown Community park will be on the right.

#### From East & West:

You need to get to Route 100. There are a number of East/West highways that hook up with Route 100. They include I-76 and I-78. After getting to Route 100 use the directions for North and South.



# **Boyer Crest Items**

Boyer crest items have been a staple at many reunions over the years. Currently the supply is very limited. Only clothing items will be available. Due to time constraints we have not been able to research new items or replenish the existing inventory. If you are interested in taking on this task let us know. We are also looking for suggestions for new crest items to be offered at the reunions. Eventually if we get someone in charge of crest items, we may be able to offer some of them (clothing, paper goods) for sale by mail order or through the Boyer web site. In the meantime give us some ideas, especially for the 100th reunion.



# Reunion Schedule

10 til closing 10:30 am 12 pm til 1:15 pm 1:15pm

- Registration
- Genealogical Roundtable
- Lunch and Mixer, Catered or bring your own
- Reunion Program

Planned events include:

Welcome, Boyer Songs, Stories and Anecdotes Election and brief report from officers. Awarding of prizes by Richard Boyer PLUS..... More to be Announced......

Souvenir ribbons will be available at the registration desk.

Crest items will be for sale at the reunion.

The Genealogical Roundtable will consist of a panel of participants. Boyer songs will be led by Harriet Harman and Patricia Lewis. Lunch information can be found on page 15

# Volunteers Desperately Needed

The Association of American Boyers is managed and run by volunteers. Many of the officers have full time jobs and can only spend a limited amount of time on Association business. The more people that we can get to help spread out the workload the more productive everyone can be. Also everyone will get more enjoyment out of the experience. With that said if you have some spare time and would like to help out contact any of the officers by mail, e-mail, or stop and see us at the reunion. Your help would be greatly appreciated by everyone in the Association.

Areas that we could use the most help include: secretary, reunion coordinator, membership list coordinator, and PR director

Also if you would like to help us plan for the future we are in need of individuals to sit on our board of directors. Please seriously consider helping us keep the Association

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The Association of American Boyers is open to all persons with the name of Bayer, Beyer, Boyer, Boyer, Boyer, Byer, Byer, Byer, etc., or anyone married to or descended from anyone with that name.

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An order form for Volumes 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5 of the Seventh Edition is included with this newsletter.

An annual Memorial List containing over 400 names with identification numbers is compiled by the historian each July before our annual reunion. Information for the memorial list is obtained from newspaper obituaries in Indianapolis, Ind., Baltimore, Frederick, Hagerstown, and Westminster, Md., Mullen, and North Platte, Neb., Dayton, and Toledo, Ohio, Allentown, Butler, Carlisle, Chambersburg, Hanover, Harrisburg, Indiana, Johnstown, Lancaster, Lebanon, Norristown, Philadelphia, Pottstown, Pottsville, Reading, Shamokin, Somerset, Sunbury, and York, Pa., and Galax, Va., as well as data sent to us from correspondents. Please send a self-addressed stamped envelope to Bill Boyer, 3435 Livingston Dr., Jefferson MD 21755, and we will send you a copy when the listing for the past 12 months is completed in July.

Recipients of this newsletter are urged to clip items concerning Boyer-Byers, etc., from newspapers, include the date and name of the newspaper, and send them to the historian. We thank those who have sent information and trust that you will continue to send additional news.

Your mailing label contains a Boyer mailing list code above your name on the left. [Example B00601]. Most labels will also contain a Boyer Chapter ID number above your name on the right. [Example BA132]. If this number on the right starts with BW, BX, BY, BZ, CA through CZ, DA through DZ, or EA through ET, your family appears in Volume V.

# From the President

It is time again for my yearly writing of this column. This past year has seen its full of hills and valleys and I always look forward to being able to tell you what has been happening this past year and what we hope will take place in the coming one.

I am excited to be announcing the availability of Volume 5 through out this newsletter. The herculean feat that Donald continues to perform in completing these volumes never ceases to amaze me. We are extremely lucky to have such a devoted individual in our midst.

Particular attention should be paid to the various changes on ordering of books. Our contractor has now taken over all aspects of the book order. The Association does not see any of the orders until after they are completed. Make sure you only send orders to the order address. Anything else may get lost or delayed drastically. Because of this I have created a will-call form for those who may want to purchase books at the reunion. Filling out that form and sending it to us will guarantee a book will be held for you to purchase at the reunion.

I feel like a broken record, but the need is still there for volunteers. I know we all have very busy lives. I can relate to it very much so. The lateness of this newsletter is an example of not having enough time to do everything. Preparing Volume 5, preparing the newsletter, updating the membership list, and mailing the newsletter are all items I did in just the past 6 months. An article elsewhere in the newsletter tells more of our need for volunteers. Please help if you can find the time.

Speaking of newsletters I want to apologize for the lateness in receiving it last year. It turns out I actually got it in the mail in very good time, but then the U.S. Postal Service misplaced the sacks of mail in Washington D.C. for a number of weeks. Luckily they were found and eventually sent out. With that said, I am asking that if you have an e-mail address please make sure I get it to add to the database. We expect to see a significant increase in postage between this year and next. I would like to start to e-mail as many people as possible either the newsletter or a Web address that points to a copy of the newsletter allowing you to download it at your leisure. There are some positives to this. First it will be more timely (printing and mailing can take 2 to 4 weeks) since it will be ready right away in electronic form. Secondly numerous pictures and clip art are in color, but because of costs we only print them in black and white. The electronic version would keep all of the color. Third we would save on considerable printing and mailing costs. This goes up every year with no slowdown in sight. So get those e-mail addresses in. Also see the article on the mailing label to determine if we have your e-mail address on file.

Three years and counting till the 100<sup>th</sup> annual reunion. I am still gathering ideas from anyone who will send them to me. Better yet, make up a list and hand it to me at the reunion. Your help would be greatly appreciated as I would like to see this become a very memorable event. Location, activities, entertainment, and events are just some of the areas to be thinking about. I hope to hear from you.

Lastly I would like to mention that my father Lester W. Boyer passed away this past March. Many of you who have been to the reunions over the years may have met him. He helped Thelma Boyer and Helen Boyer at the registration table. He will be deeply missed.

I believe I have written more than enough this year and hopefully have covered numerous topics that may have interested you. Another year as president of the Association is under my belt. Keep remembering that I am only here to help direct and lead, the Association is what you the members make of it. Thanks and take care until next year.

# Gathered again at the 96th Reunion

The 96<sup>th</sup> Annual Boyer reunion was again held in Boyertown, PA last year. The weather was beautiful and comfortable. It was a perfect day for a gathering of friends and relations. All ages were in attendance and the playground equipment saw heavy use by the children there. Approximately 130 were in attendance from all over the United States. Some of the states included: Oklahoma, Kansas, California, Virginia, Ohio, New York, North Carolina, Pennsylvania, New Jersey, and Maryland.

Lloyd Yost was in charge of the genealogical session and facilitated an interesting and informative discussion. Lloyd offered a Boyer research list of Internet genealogical resources. He has used these type of resources to find relatives of his former friends from Elk Co. and help them in their genealogical endeavors. Doris Forman related an experience in using the Internet to get in contact with a relative. Rick Forman told how he found out about an ancestor from the Revolutionary War. Paul Boyer, Lima, OH, also gave some references for using the Internet. Barbara Nisley talked about finding a John Boyer from Berks Co. With the Internet becoming a big part of society there was a lot of interest in the discussion. Ellen Yost told about how to find out if you are eligible for the DAR or SAR. She mentioned the Patriots Index as one such source to use. The session was well received and enjoyed by all.

**Rev. Lloyd Yost** offered prayer before the noon meal. The catering for those that purchased a lunch was done by Boyer Catering of Boyertown. The meal was excellent and when asked how everyone liked it, the response was a resounding applause and agreement to have them back again this year.

After food and fellowship time, the program was begun with **Bill Boyer**, president of the Association, presiding. Bill began with an explanation of the delays in receiving newsletters. He also mentioned that the 100<sup>th</sup> annual reunion was not too far away and planning needed to get started as soon as possible to make it the best reunion in 100 years. The sing-a-long of the Boyer songs was led by **Harriet Boyer Harman** and **Patricia Boyer Lewis** accompanied by Lloyd Yost on the violin. It was suggested that they get recorded for future broadcast on the Boyer web site.

**Donald Boyer**, Association historian, provided the attendees with an update on the publishing of the books. He expected Volume 5 to be ready for press and available for sale next year (2001). He has been reviewing information some of which dates back to 1963. Because of his creation of an ID system it allows him to much more easily find answers to questions. Many of the questions asked at the reunion were answered to the delight of the other researchers.

The **Rev. Paul Boyer** of Lima, OH presided over the election of officers. All the incumbents were nominated without opposition, and were unanimously elected. Bill Boyer thanks all of the volunteers who helped make the day a success: **Paul Boyer**, registrar; **Bob and Eleanor Boyer**, sales of books; **Rosemary and Peggy Boyer**, sales of T-shirts and crest items; **Harriet Harman** and **Patricia Lewis**, catered lunch tickets; **Lloyd and Ellen Yost**, Genealogical forum, and **Janice Boyer**, pictures.

**Rick Boyer**, vice president of the Association, took over as master of ceremonies for awarding of prizes. The prizes went to the following: Oldest man: **Kenneth Boyer**, Selinsgrove, PA, 90 years; Oldest woman: **Eleanor Boyer**, Wyomissing, PA, 84 years; Farthest distance: **Howard Boyer**, California; Youngest child: **Alison Boyer**, Jefferson, MD, 34 months; Birthday on the reunion date: **Paul Boyer**, Lima, OH, 75 years.

Bill closed the program by wishing everyone a safe trip home and to come back again next year. Before everyone left a group picture was taken for the archives.

# Do you know this woman?



We can't remember where we have seen her. Awhile back we had correspondence with someone telling us she was a Boyer and the wife of a ship's captain from Philadelphia. The painter was fairly famous and this copy was found on a museum's web site. We just can't find the documents to tell us more. We seem to remember that here name is Sarah. If you have any insights into this picture let us know. Also if you have other pictures that you would like to share then send us a copy. We can either

scan them in or if you are sending them electronically they should be scanned at 300 dpi (provides good resolution for printing). We can handle almost any format.

## Doing a Family Tree?

Many Boyers are doing it! Why not you? Here are some tips:

Write your own obituary! Provide lots of detail. Be sure the facts are straight, the way you want them. Don't let someone else mess it up!

Interview your family members while their memories are still good. Use audio or video tape recorders. Ask grandma about HER grandma. Save the tapes for the future.

Put captions on your photos. Now. Before you forget!

Scan your photos of tombstones and then use a computer enhancement program to make them legible.



# **Boyer Family Stories**



## A Sampler from Volume V and future volumes

The items below are taken from entries in the just published Volume V of the 7th edition of our history and some from future volumes, American Boyers. References are to chapter and family member.

**THOMAS BOWYER** (DE) and his wife, Mary Bibby, lived in England. The historian's correspondent, Joseph Bowyer (3—DE21) reported that he could trace his ancestry to Alfred Bowyer who lived in England in the reign of Henry I (1100-1135).

**JAMES SNOW BOYER**, (DG11) b. 1830, near Dover, Del., d. Feb., 1874; drowned while duck hunting. He was alone, it was thought, and took a cramp when attempting to shoot. The gun kicked, throwing him overboard. When found, two ducks were floating in the stream ahead of the boat.

WILLIAM H. BOYER, (DG13) b. about 1834. After several years of farming in the vicinity of Dover, Del., William went West to seek his fortune in stock raising in Nebraska, making a specialty of horses. Married, Mar. 18, 1857, Cecil Co., Md., Susan Moore. His family followed him West, but on the way his wife was stricken and died in Chicago, Ill., where the daughters remained and took up theatrical careers. The sons were in Nebraska when last heard from.

**ALEXANDER SELDON BOYER** (DU) was born about 1818 in Pennsylvania, and died Apr. 5, 1866, in Bloomer, Chippewa Co., Wisconsin, after suffering from heart, lung, and liver problems. When a small boy his family moved to Tennessee. At age 22, his father gave him \$500.00 in gold and silver which he put in a body belt and wore around his waist. He went to Chippewa Falls, Wis., where he worked in a lumber mill for two years. From there he went to Bloomer Prairer, Wis., and bought a farm. He served with Company I, 30th Wisconsin Infantry, 1863-1865, having joined the Union Army at Eau Claire, Wis., in December, 1863, when he reported he was forty-one years old.

**MERRITT ERNST BOYER**, (DX331) b. Apr. 16, 1891, Fountain Hill, Pa., d. Jan. 19, 1980, Effort, Pa.; buried at Towamensing Cem., Palmerton, Pa. Surveyor for the plant and real estate department of New Jersey Zinc Co., Palmerton, Pa., for 47 years, retiring in 1961. Previously he was a surveyor for the Lehigh & New England and Lehigh Valley railroads. President, The Association of American Boyers, Inc., 1919-1920.

**JOSEPH LOUIS BOYER**, II, (DX3312) b. Nov. 11, 1920, Palmerton, Pa., d. Nov. 2, 1992; buried at Lakeside Cem., Minneapolis, Minn. Grad., Cornell Univ., 1942, civil engineering. He worked as an engineer for the top-secret Manhattan Project during World War II.

WILLIAM BUYERS (EA1) was born Mar. 7, 1737. He lived in Salisbury Twp., Lancaster Co., Pa., in 1761, when he sold 61 acres to Thomas Sharp, his stepfather. This deed, recorded at Lancaster, says that Sharp would pay him a house and lot 273 in Carlisle, and either 200 acres in York County or a tract in Cumberland County. This same deed says that William was planning a voyage to Europe. Married Jean ——. They settled in North Carolina, but later, due to the hostility of the Indians, moved to Cloud Creek, Oglethorpe Co., Georgia.

**WILLIAM BOWYER**, (EE1) born in Virginia, came to South Carolina, where he became a very wealthy planter. The Civil War swept away his fortune.

**GEORGE W. BOYER**, (EK11E) b. 1850, Marysville, Ohio, d. 1905. Livestock commission merchant. Married Mary Jane Crowe, b. 1860, Dixon, Ill., d. 1906. "My parents," wrote Mrs. Clyde Fishback (5— EK11E2), "were very refined and cultured, mother being a noted oil painting artist; also gifted in music, embroidery, Haviland china, decorating, and a noted soprano. Father was a keen business man and made several fortunes in the meat business in Lincoln in 1878 and in the livestock business in Omaha and Sioux City....

**FREDERICK BEYER**, (ER1) b. July 9, 1855, Delphos, Allen Co., Ohio. Merchant tailor, Delphos, Ohio. Recorded on page 619, *History of Allen Co., Ohi*o, 1885, by Beers. Married, May 20, 1880, Louisa Koenig. Frederick and Louisa were among the leaders in musical circles of Delphos, Ohio. He was director of a musical society, and drum major of Delphos band.

MARY LOUELLA BOYER, (EZ235) b. Sept. 17, 1880, d. Aug. 12, 1881. One day her mother was carrying her down the street in Salt Lake City, Utah, when she met a gypsy woman. The gypsy woman was much taken by the baby and wanted her mother to give her the baby. When the mother refused she said, "Well, you will never have her to raise." Not long thereafter the baby died.

**JOSEPH CLINTON BOYER**, (FB1) b. Sept. 12, 1820, Randolph Co., Ill., near the Gasconada River, d. Apr. 17, 1904, Leon, Iowa. Mrs. Remple (5- FB1511) noted that he served in the Civil War; that he was with Sherman on the "March to the Sea," was Chaplain and a quartermaster. Later he became a prosperous farmer, well-educated, and had taught school in Illinois before his marriage. Married, 1845, in St. Louis, Mo., Mary Louise DeRousse, of Prairie Du Roucher, or Kaskaskia. "She was a 2nd cousin of the Marquis de Lafayette."

# **Volume V Table of Contents**

On the next four pages is the table of contents as it appears in Volume V of the 7th Edition of *American Boyers* (minus the page numbers). After the last page of the table of contents you will find an order form for ordering any of the volumes of American Boyers. Please read order form carefully as fulfillment could be delayed if improperly completed.

Chapter 49 (BW) GEORGE BEYER, of Hereford Twp., Berks Co., Pa.

- 2— BW1 JOHN BOYER, of Butler Co., Pa.
- 5— BW1236 ISAAC RICE BOYER, of Wadsworth, Ohio
- 5— BW123B JOSEPHAS RICE BOYER, of Beach, N.D.
- 5— BW124A ABRAHAM BOYER, of Beaver Co., Pa.
- 4— BW128 DANIEL LONGANECKER BOYER, of Owen Co., Ind.
- 3— BW15 GEORGE BOYER, of Ashland Co., Ohio
- 3— BW1A SAMUEL BOYER, of Venango Co., Pa.
- 3— BW1C HENRY BOYER, of Medina Co., Ohio
- 3— BW31 GEORGE BOYER, of Schuylkill Co., Pa.
- 4— BW312 IRWIN BOYER, of Northumberland Co., Pa.
- 3— BW34 JOHN BOYER, of Montgomery Co., Pa.
- 2— BW5 PETER BEYER, of Montgomery Co., Pa.
- 2— BW6 JACOB BOYER, of Montgomery Co., Pa.

Chapter 50 (BX) JOHN HENRY BEIER, from Germany to Tulpehocken Twp., Berks Co., Pa.

- 2— BX1 GEORGE BEYER, of Westmoreland Co., Pa.
- 3— BX11 ASAMUS BOYER, of Armstrong Co., Pa.
- 4— BX111 JOHN BOYER, of Schuylkill Co., Pa.
- 4— BX116 ABRAHAM BYERS, of Allegheny Co., Pa.
- 4— BX11C SIMON BYERS, of Armstrong Co., Pa.
- 5— BX11C6 JOHN WESLEY BYERS, of Warren Co., Pa.
- 5— BX11C7 SAMUEL F. BYERS, of Greene Co., Mo.
- 5— BX11C9 JOSIAH BYERS, of Butler Co., Pa.
- 3— BX15 JOHN BYERS, of Butler Co., Pa.
- 2— BX2 ASAHEL BOYER, of Schuylkill Co., Pa.
- 3— BX57 JOHN BOYER, of Columbia Co., Pa.
- 4— BX572 JOHN BOYER, of Northumberland Co., Pa.
- 4— BX5C2 PHILIP BOYER, of Schuylkill Co., Pa.

Chapter 51 (BY) CHARLES F. BOYER, of Palmyra, Pa.

Chapter 52 (BZ) JONATHAN BOYER, from Md. to Carroll Co., Ind.

- 2— BZ2 JOHN WILLIAM BOYER, of Topeka, Kan.
- 2— BZ23 RUEBEN TOWNE BOYER, of Albuquerque, N.M.
- 3— BZ44 ATLANTA AUGUSTA BOYER, of Bremerton, Wash.

#### Chapter 53 (CA) HENRY BOYER, of Frederick Co., Md.

- 2— CA3 PETER BOYER, of Muskingum Co., Ohio
- 4— CA315 WILLIAM PETER BOYER, of Harvey Co., Kan.
- 5— CA3154 EARL CLEOTOUS BOYER, of Highgrove, Calif.
- 4— CA316 LEWIS BOYER, of Sedgwick Co., Kan.
- 3— CA34 JOHN BOYER, of Van Buren Co., Iowa
- 3— CA37 BASIL BOYER, of Scotland Co., Mo.
- 4— CA373 LOYD BOYER, of Umatilla Co., Ore.
- 3— CA38 DAVID BOYER, of Licking Co., Ohio
- 3— CA3A WILLIAM BOYER, of Tazewell Co., Ill.
- 3— CA3B ANDREW BOYER, of Scotland Co., Mo.
- 3— CA51 DAVID WASHINGTON BOYER, of Van Buren Co., Iowa
- 3— CA54 BASIL BOYER, of Muskingum Co., Ohio
- 3— CA58 THOMAS WESLEY BOYER, of Licking Co., Ohio
- 4— CA584 ISAIAH BOYER, of Wayne Co., Iowa
- Chapter 54 (CB) JACOB BEYER, of Lancaster Co., Pa.
- Chapter 55 (CC) JACOB BOYER, from Md. to Jefferson Co., Ind.
- Chapter 56 (CD) MATTHEW BOYERS, from Ireland to Gallatin, Tenn.
- Chapter 57 (CE) MELCHOIR BEYER, from Germany to Frederick Co., Md.
- Chapter 58 (CF) Dr. JOHN BYERS, of Lewes, Del.
  - 3— CF11 JOHN ALFONSA BYERS, of Hancock, Md.
  - 3— CF12 JOSEPH BYERS, of Blairsville, Pa.



#### Chapter 59 (CG) AUGUSTIN de BOYER, of France

- 3— CG11 WILLIAM BOYER, of Kent Co., Md.
- 7— CG111112 AUGUSTINE MONTGOMERY BOYER, of Tompkins Co., N.Y.
- 7— CG111113 THOMAS BOYER, of Tiffin, Ohio
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- 2— CH1 HENRY BOYER, of Stokes Co., N.C.
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- Chapter 62 (CJ) JACOB BOYER, of Union Co., Pa.
- Chapter 63 (CK) —— BAYER, of Germany
  - 3— CK11 SAMUEL BOYER, of Montgomery Co., Ohio
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  - 3— CK12 SOLOMON BOYER, Frederick Co., Md., to Montgomery Co., Ohio
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- Chapter 66 (CN) PILLARD BOYER, of Laprairie, Quebec
- Chapter 67 (CO) CONRAD BYERS, of Shepherdstown, W.Va.
  - 4— COA39 ISAAC NEWTON BYERS, of Sangamon Co., Ill.
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- Chapter 73 (CU) JOHN BOYER, of Lebanon Co., Pa.
  - 3— CU33 PHILIP BOYER, of Dauphin Co., Pa.
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- Chapter 75 (CW) WILLIAM BOYER, of Philadelphia, Pa.
  - 2— CW1 WILLIAM NORMAN BOYER, of Tarkio, Mo.
  - 3— CW12 JESSE R. BOYER, of Rockford, Ill.
- Chapter 76 (CX) Sir EDMUND BOWYER, from England to Va.
- Chapter 77 (CY) JOHN BEYER, from Germany to Montgomery Co., Pa.
  - 2— CY1 DAVID BEYER, Frederick Co., Md., to Blair Co., Pa.
  - 4— CY119 SAMUEL BEYER, of Indiana Co., Pa.
  - 5— CY1191 JOHN HARVEY BEYER, of Punxsutawney, Pa.
  - 4— CY153 ABRAHAM BEYER, of Clearfield Co., Pa.
  - 5— CY1553 WILLIAM M. BEYER, of Kansas City, Mo.
  - 4— CY15B ASA BEYER, of Atchison Co., Kan.

#### Chapter 78 (CZ) LUDWIG BEYER, of Northampton Co., Pa.

- 4— CZ151 JOSEPH BOYER, of Luzerne Co., Pa.
- 5— CZ1513 HOWARD BOYER, of Bonner Springs, Kan.
- 3— CZ18 HENRY BOYER, of Luzerne Co., Pa.
- Chapter 79 (DA) JOHN PETER BAYER, from Wurtemberg, Germany, to Montgomery Co., Pa.
  - 2— DA1 CHARLES ESLINGER BOYER, of Kankakee Co., Ill.
  - 2— DA4 JOHN ESLINGER BOYER, of Boone Co., Ind.

**Ancestors** from CANADA to ARIZONA and many places in between

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Chapter 80 (DB) JONAS BYERS, York Co., Pa., to Washington Co., Pa.
Chapter 81 (DC) —— BOYER, sons Jean and Faustin settled in La.
Chapter 82 (DD) JAMES BOWYER, of Amherst, Va.
Chapter 83 (DE) THOMAS BOWYER, of England
    2— DE1 JEREMIAH BOWYER, of Camden, N.J.
Chapter 84 (DF) GEORGE BAYER, from Germany to Mercer Co., Pa.
Chapter 85 (DG) JAMES BOYER, of Kent Co., Md.
    2— DG1 GEORGE BOYER, of Kent Co., Del.
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Chapter 90 (DL) —— BEYER, of Eisleben, Germany
    2— DL1 CARL JOHANNES BEYER, from Germany to America
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    2— DM1 ANDREW BAYER, from Germany to Lehighton, Pa.
Chapter 92 (DN) JOHN A. BAYER, of Germany
    2— DN1 J. H. BAYER, from Germany to Woodson Co., Kan.
Chapter 93 (DO) JOHN BEYER, from Germany to Peru, Ill.
Chapter 94 (DP) —— BOWYER, of England
    3— DP11 SAMUEL BOWYER, of Chestertown, N.Y.
Chapter 95 (DQ) WILLIAM HENRY BOYER, from Md. to Harvey Co., Kan.
Chapter 96 (DR) JACOB BAYER, of Schoenau, Germany
    3— DR11 THEODORE T. BOYER, of Schuylkill Co., Pa.
Chapter 97 (DS) JOHANNES GOTTFRIED BEYER, of Germany
    3— DS11 FREDERICK ADELBERT BEYER, of German Valley, Ill.
Chapter 98 (DT) JACOB BEYER, of Ranstadt, Germany
    2— DT1 HENRY BEYER, from Germany to Brooklyn, N.Y.
Chapter 99 (DU) ALEXANDER SELDON BOYER, of Chippewa Co., Wis.
    2— DU6 CALVIN HENRY BOYER, of Keith Co., Neb.
Chapter 100 (DV) VALENTINE BEYER, of Thuringia
    2— DV1 HERMAN BEYER, of New York, N.Y.
Chapter 101 (DW) LUDWIG BIER, from Germany to Erie, Pa.
Chapter 102 (DX) JOHANNES BEYER, from Germany to Philadelphia, Pa.
    2— DX3 JOHN BOYER, from Germany to Lehigh Co., Pa.
Chapter 103 (DY) JAMES BOYER, of England
    3— DY11 JONATHAN BOYER, of Poughkeepsie, N.Y.
Chapter 104 (DZ) CHARLES BYERS, from Germany to Clarion Co., Pa.
Chapter 105 (EA) JOHN BUYERS, from Ireland to Lancaster Co., Pa.
Chapter 106 (EB) JOHN GEORGE BOWYER, from England to Harlingen, Tex.
Chapter 107 (EC) GEORGE BOYER, of Harrisburg, Pa.
Chapter 108 (ED) ANNA BIER, of Germany, married Franz Quade
Chapter 109 (EE) WILLIAM BOWYER, from England to Va.
Chapter 110 (EF) —— BOYER, grdau. in Md. Chapter 111 (EG) —— BEYER, of Stattsburg, Germany
    3— EG11 MARTIN BEYER, of New York, N.Y.
Chapter 112 (EH) CARL BEYER, of Teitz, Germany
    3— EH11 HERMAN BEYER, of New York
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2— EM1 PHILIP BYERS, of Franklin Co., Pa.

BEIER, of Berks Co., Pa. Chapter 118 (EN)

Chapter 114 (EJ) —— BEYER, of Germany

Chapter 119 (EO) ANDREW BYER, from Bavaria to Blair Co., Pa.

Chapter 113 (EI) OSCAR EUGENE BEYER, from Germany to N.Y.

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2— ET2 ADAM BOWYER, of Botetourt Co., Va.

NOTE: In addition to listing the founder of each chapter, we have also listed above those Boyers who founded large groups of descendants in states or counties away from the original settlement area. A complete name index of the entire seventh edition is planned for the final volume or volumes of this seventh edition.

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#### Stories from page 6

**WILLIAM BOYER**, (FD212) b. about 1846, d. Mar. 14, 1908. At the age of sixteen he joined the Northern Army as a drummer boy under an assumed name and went from there into the cavalry. He was there until about the end of the War, for he spent the last five months in Belle Isle Prison. After release he went home and his own mother did not know him.

**JOSHUA BYERS**, (FR6) b. about 1788, Cumberland Co., Pa., d. about 1832, Wheatfield Twp., Perry Co., Pa. Enlisted as a private, Feb. 14, 1814, War of 1812; saw service in Capt. David Moreland's Co., 5th Regt., Pa. Militia; discharged Aug. 22, 1814 at Albany. N.Y. His pay for 6 months service was \$48.00. He fought in the Battle of Niagara Falls, July 25, 1814.

**JOHN NICHOLAS BEYER**, (FS112) born about 1730, at Kleinich, district of Bernkastel. On Apr. 27, 1748, he and Johann George Baertges were permitted by the Sponheim Government of Trarbach, German Palatinate, to go away to Pennsylvania "in order to perfect themselves in their chosen trade." Yet in case they do not return within three years, they must buy themselves free of vassalage, toward which end their coming inheritance is sequestered. He has not been identified in Pennsylvania; another John Nicholas Beyer of similar age is 2- BG2.

# New Life Members

These are Association members who have become life members over the past year. If you donated recently to be a life member and your name isn't in this list don't worry we will make sure to add you in the next one. Thank you to all of you who assist the Association through your donations.

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### Reunion from page 1

Genealogical roundtable will be held beginning at 10:30 am. A panel will offer ideas in genealogical research, and invite questions and experiences from those attending. The park has lots of things for the kids to do. Besides playground equipment, there are ball fields and a public swimming pool. Available at the reunion for purchase will be a variety of Boyer crest items and the first five volumes of the 7th edition of **American Boyers**. We hope to make this a reunion to remember. So come on out. A more detailed schedule can be found on page 3.

# **Bequests**

Although this has been mentioned in the newsletter in the past, it is being brought to your attention again. The directors are always looking for alternative funding methods to help facilitate the projects done by the Association. Many times innovative ideas are not brought to light because of limited funds. Therefore we are mentioning this to ask members to keep the Association in mind when planning in the future.

Cash, securities, etc. may be gifted to the Association through a specific bequest in either your will or a living trust. Such gifts may be designated for a special purpose such as providing funding for genealogical research, publication of books, or scholarships. Your will or living trust may earmark a fund in memory of a loved one or perhaps in remembrance of an ancestor in your family line.

A good alternative to a specific bequest is to specify a percentage of your estate for the Association. Still another is to direct that the residue of your estate pass to the Association after all specific bequests to family and friends have been satisfied. In addition, a bequest may be contingent upon the eventuality that some legatees may not survive you. Keep in mind that these are only suggestions and that the Association is in no way forcing these options on anyone, but is only looking at other means to assist the Association in surviving financially.

Genealogists Examine Needed Evidence At

Lots Of Grave Yards



# **Boyers on the Move**

## Compiled by Donald Boyer



This column, appearing in each of our newsletters, provides interesting items on recent events in the lives of Boyer family members. Contributions for future issues are welcome. Family ID numbers, where known, are from our genealogy.

**Clara (Graff) Boyer**, widow of Emmett Boyer (GM161), of Elderton, Armstrong Co., Pa., celebrated her 98th birthday Mar. 12, 2001. Hard work has kept her healthy and self-sufficient. She still cooks, bakes, cleans, and makes extra money by quilting.

**Laurada Byers**, widow of Russell G. Byers (FG267), a *Philadelphia Daily News* columnist who was stabbed to death Dec. 4, 1999, is creating a living memorial in the form of the Russell Byers Charter School, which plans to open in the fall of 2001.

**Richard Beyer** opened Chefie's Gourmet Cinnamon Rolls & Bakery at Central Market in York, Pa., Mar., 2001. His grandmother and great-grandmother each had bake shops in Carnegie, Allegheny Co., Pa. He picked up the "Chefie" nickname while working as head chef in a Pittsburgh steak house.

**B. Marie Byers** (BR366) was honored in Jan. and Feb., 2001, for her 30 years of service on the Washington County (Md.) School Board, from which she retired in November. A scholarship fund has been established in her name. She also received an honorary National Lifetime PTA Membership.

**Harlan Bayer**, a Waynesboro, Pa., contractor and land developer, was elected president of Habitat for Humanity of Franklin County, Dec., 2000.

**K. David Boyer, Jr.**, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of TROY Systems, Inc., Fairfax, Va., an information technology company, was selected by the Penn State Board of Trustees for the 2000 Distinguished Alumni Award.

Boyer's Food Markets, Orwigsburg, Pa., added the Great Valu store in Quakertown to the 12 food markets they operate in Oct., 2000. Company president is **John Boyer** (AW953).

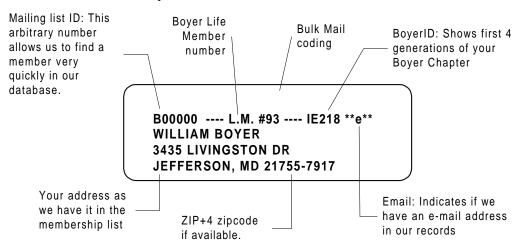
**Charles E. "Tilt" Byers** (GX143), New Oxford, Adams Co., Pa., 82, was honored by New Oxford borough in Oct., 2000, for his professional baseball career as a pitcher.

**Paul Bye**r, Conemaugh Twp., Somerset Co., Pa., who rewrote the Somerset County basketball record book, was named the 2000 Outstanding Player in Apr., 2000.

## Your Mailing Label

We have gotten lots of questions over the years about what the various codes that appear on the mailing label mean. Not everyone has all of them, but we thought we would provide a short guide/diagram to help you understand the format. By looking at your Boyer ID and reading the Historian's column you can get an idea of which volume you are in, if you don't already know. We try to keep this information as correct as possible. If you know of any additions or changes please let us know.

**NOTE**: We have added a designation if we have an e-mail address for you on file. If you see a "\*\*e\*\*" as displayed in the mailing label diagram you do. If you don't please e-mail Bill Boyer (wboyer@erols.com) so he can add it to the database. For the reason behind this request check the President's article.



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- (8) Thou shalt propagate misleading legends, rumors, & vague innuendo regarding your place origination
  - (A) you may have come from : England, Ireland, Scotland, Wales....or Iran.
  - (B) you may have American Indian ancestry of the tribe.....
  - (C) You may have descended from one of three brothers that came over from\_\_\_\_\_
- (9) Thou shalt leave NO cemetery records, or headstones with legible names.
- (10) Thou shalt leave NO family Bible with records of birth, marriages, or deaths.

#### Two more for good measure

- (11) Thou shalt ALWAYS flip thy name around. If born James Albert, thou must make all the rest of thy records in the names of Albert, AJ, JA, AL, Bert, Bart, or Alfred.
- (12) Thou must also flip thy parent's names when making reference to them, although "Unknown" or a blank line is an acceptable alternative.









## **Legal Services Needed**

The Association is still in need of some pro bono legal services. If you live in the Maryland, Pennsylvania, Virginia, or the Washington DC area and would like to help please contact Bill Boyer; his address can be found on page 2. Areas of special need include copyright, tax and charter law.

# Top Ten Genealogy Mistakes to Avoid

#1: Don't Misspell the Word Genealogy

#2: Don't Trust Everything You See In Print

#3: We're Related to...(Someone Famous)

#4: Don't Be Satisfied With Names & Dates

#5: Beware the Generic Family History

#6: Don't Accept Family Legends Without Question

#7: Don't Limit Yourself to the Current Spelling of Your Surname

#8: Don't Neglect to Write Down Your Sources

#9: Don't Assume that Everything You find on the Internet is reliable

#10: Don't Put Off Talking to Relatives

This was borrowed from an Internet site. If you are interested in getting more details about each of these items or to get more genealogy information check out:

http://genealogy.about.com/mbody.htm and search for "genealogy top ten"

## **Association Website Status**



The Association of American Boyers web site is moving towards a new beginning sometime this year. Due to numerous time constraints including publishing of Volume 5 it has not progressed past the point of the layout and initial banner designs, as seen in the graphic with this article. The Association has been in contact with volunteers to help move this along. We are currently evaluating Web hosting companies. If you know of one that is good and inexpensive send us a line. Keep in mind that we will be coming up at the address http://www.americanboyers.org, which currently just has a placeholder. Watch for the unveiling.

# **Boyer Memorabilia**

The Association is still looking for any old Boyer memorabilia you may have lying around the house or stashed away in boxes. If you are interested in either donating or loaning it to us let us know.

One of the things we would like to accomplish is to get a copy of every newsletter, program, reunion announcement that has ever been produced by the Association over the years. Besides creating an archive we want to scan them into digital form for eventual display on the American Boyers web site. Then they will be available to the world.

Start digging around and let us know what you may have to share.



# **Boyer Patents**

We are still looking for anyone intersted in help ing with inputting the existing data or gathering new information.

In 1949 J. Harold Byers submitted to the Association his research on all known patents granted to Boyers (and various derivations of the name) from the period of 1849 through 1948. It is a very interesting piece of work, but due to cost limitations in the past it has never been published. The Association hopes to rectify this and include it in appendices planned for the Index volumes. If someone is interested we would love to further update this information to include patents granted in the past 50 years. Any work would be copyrighted to the Association, but any contributor would be acknowledged in the book. With the existence of the Internet and many government agencies going on-line some of this data may be more readily accessible. If you have some spare time and this sounds interesting to you contact Bill Boyer for more information.

# Become a Volunteer Today!



# **Catered Lunch Information**



The catered lunch is back again this year. We will have Boyer's Catering back this year, as many have told us they did such a marvelous job last year. We know many of you travel long distances to attend the reunion and it can be difficult to bring along a lunch. Now don't let that worry you, because available at the reunion will be a catered buffet at very reasonable prices. For those interested the buffet consists of broasted chicken, all the trimmings for making cold cuts sandwiches, potato salad, red beet eggs, baked limas, along with other snacks. Also included are drinks (iced tea, lemonade, water). Let us reiterate that the buffet is an option, those who wish to bring their own meals can do so. If you want to take advantage of the buffet we strongly request that you use the form provided below and preregister by July 20, 2001. We need to get a fairly accurate count and prepayment to the caterer by that time for planning. The cost if you preregister is \$6.00 for adults, \$2.50 for children ages (4-6), and children ages 3 and under are free. If you decide to register at the reunion the prices go up to \$6.50, \$3.00, and free respectively. Again please preregister if at all possible as there will only be a **limited** number of tickets available at the door. For those that do preregister there will be a table at the reunion where you can pick up your tickets.

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# **Internet Genealogical Resources**

There are literally millions of sites to find genealogy information. Below are some of the top sites relating to genealogy (updated for 2001). They in turn have many links to other sites. You could and will spend countless hours wondering around looking at tons of information. Some of it very useful and some that requires more research. The first item on the list is an excellent place to congregate and share information as we do check in there every so often. New to the list this year is number 8 the Mormons' database is now on-line for searches. Good luck and if you find some worthwhile sites drop us a line and we will add them to the next newsletter and/or the Association's website.

- 1. Boyer Family Genealogy Forum http://genforum.familytreemaker.com/boyer/
- 2. Cyndi's List http://www.cyndislist.com
- 3. Rootsweb http://www.rootsweb.org
- 4. RAND Genealogy Club http://www.rand.org/personal/Genea/
- 5. U.S. Library of Congress http://www.loc.gov
- 6. The USGenWeb Project http://www.usgenweb.org
- 7. Helm's Genealogy Toolbox http://genealogy.tbox.com/genealogy.html
- 8. LDS Family Search http://www.familysearch.org
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