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Through the continued effort of Donald Boyer, our historian, the Association is pleased to announce the publication of volume 6 only two years after volume 5. This volume brings us closer to the end of the publishing of Boyer lines for the 7th Edition. It is anticipated that one more volume will complete all information that has been submitted or researched. Then one or two volumes will follow for appendices and a complete index. Detailed information about this volume including 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 this newsletter.

For a limited time we are offering volume 6 at a pre-publication price of \$45. This price is only good up to and at the reunion date of July 26, 2003. For any orders postmarked later than July 26, 2003 the price will increase to \$50, the same as the earlier volumes in the set. Currently the scheduled delivery of volume 6 is the week before the reunion. After the Association's shipper receives volume 6 it will be 6 to 8 weeks for delivery to you. We expect to have all of the volumes available for sale at the reunion. Please note the address for ordering of all volumes; we have been contracting the book orders to a division of Boyer Printing of Lebanon, PA for a couple of years now. **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 11. 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.

99th Reunion at Boyertown

The Association of American Boyers Inc., 99th Annual Reunion is set for Saturday July 26, 2003 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 in the past few years, we will have a 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. Make sure you get your reservation in as soon as possible as we need a fairly good count before the reunion to assure a quality meal. A genealogical roundtable will be held beginning at 10:30 am. A discussion of genealogy related information will be led by one of the officers of the Association. We invite anyone interested in participating to join in and offer their ideas and experiences. So don't forget to toss those binders of research in the car and bring them along. 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 limited amount of clothing with the Boyer crest and the first six volumes of the 7th edition of **American Boyers**. Enclosed again this year, is a will-call form for books to be purchased at the reunion. We found this extremely helpful in allowing us to make sure that we have the books you want there when you arrive. It does not obligate you to purchase, but allows us to save hauling too many books from our storage contractor. Also, bring your ideas for our 100th reunion which is only one short year away. We hope to see you there and enjoy a day of fellowship with other Boyers. A more detailed schedule can be found on page 3.

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Historian's Column

As this column is being written in late March, the first proofreading of the approximate 1,124 pages for Volume 6 of the Seventh Edition of *American Boyers* has taken place. The text for Volume 6 was completed by your historian on Dec. 31, 2002. Our president, Bill Boyer, has been busy converting the text from the historian's computer program into Pagemaker format so that it will be similar to the previous editions of *American Boyers*. Due to the volume of information received last year, Chapters 214 (IF) through 220 (IL) did not make it into Volume 6, but will be included in Volume 7, which we hope to have available in about two years. Also, the chapter containing the descendants of John Beyer of Windsor Twp., York Co., Pa., which had been shown as Chapter 177 (GU), has been changed to Chapter 229 (IU), which will be included in Volume 7. This change was necessary because the chapter has expanded to about 350 pages and would not fit into Volume 6. The order form for Pre-publication orders for Volume 6 is included with this newsletter. We urge you to order Volume 6 at the reduced pre-publication price. Our goal is to have Volume 6 ready for distribution by our reunion date of July 26.

Work is progressing on the remaining chapters for the Seventh Edition. Volume 7 will begin with Chapter 214 [IF], and will include the remaining chapters that have not yet been published in the seventh edition. Hopefully, they will fit in the approximately 1100 page limit for each volume. We urge you to submit updated information now if your line has not been published in the first six volumes of the Seventh Edition. The anticipated deadline for Volume 7 information will be July 24, 2004. The final volumes 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.

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. All information submitted is appreciated and will be incorporated into its appropriate chapter for later publication.

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

Vol. VI - 2002 - 1,126 pages - Chapters 125 [EU] to 213 [IE] 35,564 names

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

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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:

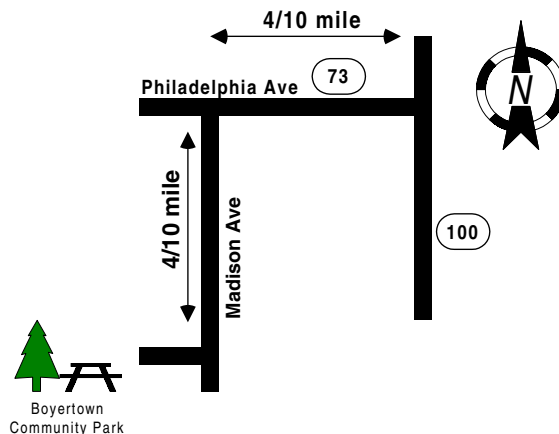
Take Route 100 south to Route 73. Take Route 73 west about 0.4 miles to Madison Ave. Take a left on Madison and go for about 0.4 miles. The Boyertown Community park will be on the right.

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.



Reunion Schedule

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| 10 til closing | — Registration |
| 10:30 am | — Genealogical Roundtable |
| 12 pm til 1:15 pm | — Lunch and Mixer, Catered or bring your own |
| 1:15pm | — 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

Some Humor

The old gent was peacefully sitting in his favorite rocking chair on his front porch. He noticed a young man approach with pad and pencil in hand. "What are you selling, son?" "I'm not selling anything, I'm a census taker." The old gent said, "You're what?" "A census taker. We're trying to find out how many people live in the United States." "Well you're wasting your time with me," the old gent replied, "I have no idea."

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

Volunteers 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. 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.

Web Site Status

The Association's web site www.americanboyers.org had a brief appearance for a period of a couple of months. It had a very promising beginning, but is now in limbo. The web hosting provider who had offered us free hosting had to fold due to the current economic downturn. Because of time constraints the book and newsletter have taken priority. Once the dust settles in the next month or two we are extremely confident we will have the web site back up with some useful information. Now that we have access to a digital camera the first order of business will be to post pictures from the 99th reunion this summer. Keep your fingers crossed and browsers ready.

Gathered again at the 98th Reunion

The 98th Annual Boyer reunion was again held in Boyertown, PA last year. The weather was beautiful and comfortable. It was a wonderful day for friends and relatives to gather together. Approximately 90 were in attendance from all over the United States. Some of the states included: Iowa, Tennessee, Texas, Connecticut, South Carolina, California, Virginia, Ohio, New York, Pennsylvania, New Jersey, and Maryland.

Bill Boyer (IE218) was in charge of the informal genealogical roundtable. He told about the numerous research opportunities that existed on the Internet. Others also shared their research experiences. **Lloyd Yost** mentioned some of the web sites that he had explored. 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 started with a brief discussion of the 100th reunion coming in a few years and requested any ideas for it. The annual sing-a-long of the Boyer songs was led by **Harriet Boyer Harman** and **Patricia Boyer Lewis**. After the songs Bill asked for hands of first timers to the reunion of which there were many.

Donald Boyer, Association Historian, provided the attendees with an update on the publishing of the books. He stated he was working on Volume 6, with a deadline for new information before the end of the summer. With plans for printing in 2003. He mentioned information about a number of publications and articles he had seen over the past year. Much data continues to come in and he plans to add it to the index.

Bill thanked the many volunteers for their help for the day and a hearty round of applause was given to them. He also mentioned that the attendance was down, but may have been partially due to the events of September 11th the year before. Everyone hoped that more people would venture out in the future.

Election of officers was presided over. All the incumbents were nominated without opposition, and were unanimously elected.

Rick Boyer, Vice President of the Association, took over as master of ceremonies for awarding of prizes. The prizes went to the Oldest man, Oldest woman, Farthest distance, Youngest child, Married longest.

Bill closed the program by wishing everyone a safe trip home and encouraged to come back again next year.

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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.

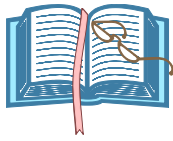
An order form for Volumes 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6 of the Seventh Edition is included with this newsletter.

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 EU, EV, EW, EX, EY, EZ, FA through FZ, GA through GZ, HA through HZ, or IA through IE, your family will appear in Volume VI.

An annual Memorial List containing over 500 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.

Editors Note: The memorial list is also available in electronic form via e-mail. Send an e-mail request to wboyer@erols.com and we can send you a copy in Adobe® Reader PDF format.



Boyer Family Stories

A Sampler from Volume VI and future volumes

The items below are taken from entries in the forthcoming volumes of the 7th Edition of our history, *American Boyers*. References are to chapter and family member.

JOSEPH HENRY BOYER, (EZ237) b. Feb. 29, 1884, Coalville, Summit Co., Utah, d. Mar. 11, 1967. Farmer. He was very active in helping to build prominent buildings in Upton, Utah, and doing such things as putting in the telephone and electric lights in the community. He was active in community affairs and at the time of his death was the oldest sheepman in Summit County.

WILLIAM BYARS, (FK11D) b. Nov. 18, 1776, d. Feb. 12, 1865. Founder of Emory & Henry College. Member of House of Delegates from Washington Co., Va., 1809-12. Major and later a Colonel in War of 1812.

LEWIS BOYER (GQ4) was born 1755/56, near Hagerstown, Md., and died Saturday, Sept. 23, 1843, Springcreek Twp., Miami Co., Ohio; buried in Old Wesley Chapel Cemetery, Orange Twp., Shelby Co., Ohio, where his gravestone shows he died Sept. 19, 1843. He served in the Revolutionary War as a life-guard to General Washington. He was promoted to Lieutenant, 2nd Battalion, 58th Regiment of Virginia, on Mar. 27, 1781, by Governor Henry Lee. His original discharge papers, which presented him with the horse, arms and accouterments in his possession as a gratuity, were signed by George Washington at Philadelphia on Dec. 10, 1783.

HUGH le BOWIER (HF) was born about 1303-1343. He lived at Newcastle-under-Lyme, Co. Stafford, England, where he received a grant of protection in 1365. A Bowyer Pedigree chart prepared by the College of Arms, London, is in the possession of the Maryland Genealogical Society, Baltimore, having been presented to them in 1934 by Hon. John Philip Hill. Many Bowyer descendants are listed on this chart; since most of them remained in England, they are not enumerated in this chapter. A son was Thomas.

CHARLES BOYER (II1) was born Aug. 28, 1899, in Figeac, southern France, and died Aug. 26, 1978, at Paradise Valley, a luxurious desert suburb northeast of Phoenix, Ariz. In his early twenties he became a leading actor of the French stage. Brought to Hollywood to star in French versions of English language films, he eventually mastered the English language and began a career in Hollywood that spiraled upward, encompassing over 75 films. He earned a degree in philosophy from the Sorbonne in Paris. He became an American citizen in 1942.

JOHN BOYER (IM2) b. 1812, Sumner Co., Tenn., d. Sept. 7, 1857, during the Mountain Meadow Massacre in Utah. John was one of the many people who lost their lives while on the way to California during the Gold Rush, as there was a John Boyer listed as a member of a wagon train that left Fort Smith, Ark., in the 1850's. He married Nancy Paskell, b. 1812, Tenn. They were listed in the 1840 census of Pope Co., Ark. They were listed in the 1850 census of Johnson Co., Ark., along with their children and James Edward, possibly her uncle. The 1860 census of Sabastian Co., Ark., listed Nancy and the children, but not John. In the probating of the estate of John's father, Henry Boyer (1- IM), in 1861, in Johnson Co., Ark., "the heirs of John Boyer living in Sabastian Co., Ark." were mentioned, indicating that John was dead. Children: Sarah J., Lavania, Nancy, and William H.

----- **BOYER** (IP) was the father of two sons, William, and Caleb. These boys, when aged 9 and 7, were placed as stow-a-ways on a ship leaving France. This was during a French uprising and because the lives of these boys were in danger, the parents were forced to hide them on a ship headed for New York to get them away from the trouble. They never saw them again.

CLARENCE LEONARD BOYER (IU13123), b. Jan. 1, 1894, at Rummel's Mill near Butler, Richland Co., Ohio, d. Aug. 1, 1972, at Staunton, Va., where he is buried in Thornrose Cemetery. Colonel, U.S. Army. Graduated from Ohio State Univ. in 1920 with the degree of Civil Engineer. He served with the 4th Ohio Infantry on the Mexican border, 1915-16, and with the 44th U.S. Infantry, 13th Division during World War I. Asst. Div. Eng., N.Y. Central R.R., 1920-26. Structural engineer, Office of Supervising Architect, Washington, D.C. Member of War Dept. General Staff, 1937-38. Entered Morocco with 15th Army, World War II; U.S. representative for Southern Morocco, making official visits to Taureg tribes in Sahara Desert and Arab kingdoms. Entered Italy with the invasion forces, and acted as engineer reconnaissance officer until Rome was taken, when he was flown to London and joined the invasion forces into France at Cherbourg. He was reconnaissance engineer with the armies through France, Belgium, Holland and Germany, and was in the first detachment to reach Berlin. After capture of Berlin, he commanded and organized the railway service. Resided at Staunton, Va., after retirement. Married (1) Aug. 19, 1918, Florence Lucille Yarnell. She resided at Takoma Park, Md., in 1973. Children: Rodney L., Jean M., and Patricia A. Married (2) 1947, Berlin, Germany, the Countess Eugenie von Liedert, who died Aug. 27, 1972. She resided at Staunton, Va. Violin virtuoso and orchestra leader, dau. of Count Robert von Liedert, St. Petersburg, Russia. No children.

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On the next four pages is the table of contents as it appears in Volume VI of the 7th Edition of *American Boyers* (minus the page numbers). You will find an order form for ordering any of the volumes of American Boyers on page 10. Please read order form carefully as fulfillment could be delayed if improperly completed.

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3— EU13 ISAAC BOWYER, of Allen Co., Ohio
2— EU3 DAVID BOWYER, of Alleghany Co., Va.
2— EU8 ISAAC BOWYER, of Morrow Co., Ohio
3— EU82 JACOB BOWYER, of Carbondale, Ill.
3— EU89 JOSEPH BOWYER, of Paulding Co., Ohio
5— EU8921 JOSEPH FRANCIS BOWYER, of Albuquerque, N.M.
5— EU8924 EDWARD G. BOWYER, of Monroeville, Ind.
5— EU8981 JOSEPH M. BOYER, of Hillsdale Co., Mich.
- Chapter 126 (EV) PETER BOYER, of New Jersey
2— EV2 JAMES BOYER, of Washington Co., Pa.
3— EV24 PETER BOYER, of Allegheny Co., Pa.
- Chapter 127 (EW) "SQUIRE" BOWYER, of Gloucestershire, England
3— EW1A ALFRED ALBERT ERNEST BOWYER, of Hartford, Conn.
- Chapter 128 (EX) _____ BOYER, of Pennsylvania.
2— EX1 PETER BOYER, of Hemple, Mo.
- Chapter 129 (EY) JEAN BOUYER, from France to New York
4— EY221 SAMUEL BOYER, of Saint John, New Brunswick
- Chapter 130 (EZ) ISAAC BOYER, of North Shields, England
2— EZ2 ISAAC BOYER, of Upton, Summit Co., Utah
- Chapter 131 (FA) JOHN BOYER, of Northampton Co., Pa.
3— FA15 COURTLAND BOYER, of Washington, D.C.
- Chapter 132 (FB) _____ BOYER, of Randolph Co., Ill.
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- Chapter 133 (FC) _____ BOYER, of Kent Co., Md.
3— FC12 THOMAS HANSON BOYER, of Galena, Md.
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4— FD212 WILLIAM BOYER, of Eureka City, Nev.
- Chapter 135 (FE) DAVID BYERS, from Ireland
- Chapter 136 (FF) PHILIP BIER, of Baltimore, Md.
- Chapter 137 (FG) _____ BYERS, of Chester Co., Pa.
2— FG1 SAMUEL BYERS, of Washington Co., Pa.
3— FG11 WILLIAM BYERS, of Scioto Co., Ohio
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4— FG14D WILLIAM BYERS, of Butler Co., Pa.
3— FG17 EBENEZER BYERS, of Lawrence Co., Pa.
3— FG18 ANDREW BYERS, of Belmont Co., Ohio
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4— FG183 THOMAS BYERS, of Mills Co., Iowa
4— FG184 ANDREW BYERS, of St. Joseph Co., Ind.
2— FG2 ANDREW BYERS, of Fayette Co., Pa.
4— FG233 ANDREW BYERS, of Hancock Co., Ill.
3— FG26 SAMUEL BYERS, of Mercer Co., Pa.
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4— FG268 JAMES BYERS, of Venango Co., Pa.
- Chapter 138 (FH) DAVID BYERS, from north Ireland to Lancaster Co., Pa.
2— FH1 DAVID BYERS, of York Co., now Adams Co., Pa.
2— FH3 JOHN BYERS, of Cumberland Co., Pa.
- Chapter 139 (FI) HUEY BYERS, of southern Indiana
- Chapter 140 (FJ) HEDWICH BAIER, of Netzschkau, Saxony
- Chapter 141 (FK) JOHN BYARS, of Louisa Co., Va.
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 4— FK158 HARRELL BYARS, of Warren Co., Tenn.
 5— FK1581 JOSEPH GILL BYARS, of Adams Co., Ill.
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- Chapter 142 (FL) _____ BAIER, of Germany
 2— FL2 JOHN ANDREW BEYER, of Saratoga Springs, N.Y.
- Chapter 143 (FM) _____ BEYER, of Germany
 2— FM1 JOHN JACOB BEYER, Germany to Penna.
 2— FM2 ADAM BOYER, of York Co., Pa.
 3— FM25 MICHAEL BOYER, of Frederick Co., Md.
 3— FM28 JOSEPH BOYER, of Somerset Co., Pa.
 6— FM28117 SIMON BOYER, of Westmoreland Co., Pa.
 5— FM2813 MICHAEL BOYER, of Fairfield Center, Ind.
 6— FM28144 SAMUEL BOYER, of Westmoreland Co., Pa.
 5— FM2815 ABRAHAM BOYER, of Dixon, Ill.
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 6— FM2B357 JAMES HAMILTON BOYER, of Quinter, Kan.
 5— FM2B38 GEORGE WASHINGTON BOYER, of Charles Town, W.Va.
 6— FM2B381 GEORGE WILLIAM BOYER, of Chicago, Ill.
 2— FM3 JOSEPH BOYER, of York Co., Pa.
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 5— FO1623 JOHN S. BYERS, of York Co., Pa.
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- Chapter 148 (FR) JACOB BYERS, of Cumberland Co., Pa.
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- Chapter 149 (FS) ADAM BEYER, of Germany
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 2— FU1 JAMES BOYER, of Queen Anne's Co., Md.
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- Chapter 153 (FW) _____ BOYER, of Lancaster Co., Pa.
 2— FW1 JOSEPH KERR BOYER, of Brown Co., Ind.
 3— FW14 JONATHAN JOSEPH BOYER, of Clay Co., Ill.



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- Chapter 154 (FX) PHILIP BOYER, of Frederick Co., Md.
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 4— FY132 WILLIAM RILEY BORROR, of Anderson Co., Kan.
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 4— FY158 MANASSAH BORROR, of Clinton Co, Ohio
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 2— FY3 JACOB BORRER, of Hardy Co., W.Va.
 3— FY31 MARTIN BOYER, of Warrick Co., Ind.
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 2— GB1 JACOB BYER, of New Castle, Ind.
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 3— GH14 HUGH BOYER, of Tompkins Co., N.Y.
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 2— GI1 DANIEL BOYER, of Westmoreland Co., Pa.
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 Chapter 167 (GK) JOHN BOYER, from Germany to Dauphin Co., Pa.
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 2— GN1 CATHERINE BOYER married Philip Ried/Reid/Rieth
 Chapter 171 (GO) JOHN BOYER, of Smyrna, Del.
 Chapter 172 (GP) JONAS BOWYER, of Greenbrier Co., W.Va.
 2— GP1 DAVID W. BOYER, of Hardy, Ark.
 Chapter 173 (GQ) JACOB BOYER, from Germany to Pa. and Rockingham Co., Va.
 2— GQ4 LEWIS BOYER, of Miami Co., Ohio
 Chapter 174 (GR) _____ BOYER, information lacking
 2— GR1 BENJAMIN D. BOYER, of Lehigh Co., Pa.



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 3— GT14 HENRY BOYER, of Gratiot Co., Mich.
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 2— GX1 LEVI E. BYERS, of Adams Co., Pa.
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 4— GY113 JAMES EDWARD BYERS, of Nashville, Tenn.
Chapter 182 (GZ) JOSEPH GEORGE BOYER, from Germany to Lancaster, Pa.
Chapter 183 (HA) WILLIAM BOYER, of York, Pa.
Chapter 184 (HB) DANIEL BOYER, of Bedford Co., Pa.
Chapter 185 (HC) DAVID BOYER, of New York
Chapter 186 (HD) FREDERICK BYERS, of Penna.
 3— HD11 JOHN S. BYERS, of Creede, Colo.
Chapter 187 (HE) WILLIAM BOYER, of Schuylkill Co., Pa.
Chapter 188 (HF) HUGH le BOWIER, of Co. Stafford, England
Chapter 189 (HG) Sir HENRY BOWYER, of Denham, England
Chapter 190 (HH) STEPHEN BOYER, from Pa., to Miami Co., Ohio
Chapter 191 (HI) _____ BYERS, of Maryland
 2— HI1 GARRET BYERS, of Belmont Co., Ohio
Chapter 192 (HJ) WILLIAM BOYER, from England to Wis., to Spink Co., S.D.
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Chapter 195 (HM) VALENTINE BOYER, of Gladwyne, Pa.
Chapter 196 (HN) ELIAS BOWYER, from Va., to Tenn., and Greene Co., Mo.
 3— HN23 JOHN HENRY BOUYER, of Aurora, Mo.
Chapter 197 (HO) JOHN BOYER, of Bath Co., Va.
Chapter 198 (HP) CATHERINE ANNA LOUISA BOYER married Abraham Young Banta, of Bend, Ore.
Chapter 199 (HQ) MATILDA BOYER married Solomon Sterner, of White Haven, Pa.
Chapter 200 (HR) WILLIAM BOYER, of Lynn, Mass.
 2— HR1 EUGENE WILLIAM BOYER, of Birnamwood, Wis.
Chapter 201 (HS) PHILIP BEYER, from Europe to Montgomery Co., Pa.
Chapter 202 (HT) OLIVER WEBSTER BOYER, from Allegany Co., Md. to Somerset Co., Pa.
 Chapter 203 (HU) ABRAHAM BIARS, of Greene Co., Pa.
Chapter 204 (HV) JOHN WILLIAM BOYER, of Benton Co., Ark.
Chapter 205 (HW) SAMUEL BOYER, of Centre Co., Pa.
 2— HW1 JACOB BOYER, of Green Co., Wis.
 3— HW12 WILLIAM HENRY BOYER, of Richland Co., N.D.
Chapter 206 (HX) PHILIP BOYER, of Maryland.
Chapter 207 (HY) JOHN BOYER, of Stevens Point, Wis.
Chapter 208 (HZ) JOHN BOYER, of Cecil Co., Md.
Chapter 209 (IA) NICHOLAS BOYER, of Germany
 2— IA1 PETER M. BOYER, of Palmyra, Pa.
Chapter 210 (IB) JOHN BOYER, from Pa. to Platville, Ill.
Chapter 211 (IC) JACOB BOYER, of Mahanoy City, Pa.
Chapter 212 (ID) EDWARD A. BEYER, of Bloomington, Ill.
Chapter 213 (IE) HUBARTIS BOYER, of Frederick Co., Md.
 3— IE23 JOHN BOYER, of Montgomery Co., Md.
 5— IE2316 THOMAS WEBSTER BOYER, of Philadelphia, Pa.
 4— IE263 EZRA BOYER, of Higginsville, Mo.

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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From the President

Having just finished proofing my foreword for volume 6 of *American Boyers* I commented there that I have been going to reunions off and on for close to thirty years and have been an officer for over fifteen of those years. It seems that it has not been that long, but time does go by too fast. I remember my early reunions at Long Park in Lancaster, PA. We had over 1,000 people in attendance. It is my hope that we can recreate this enthusiasm in the coming years. I am glad to be part of the Association as our momentous 100 year anniversary approaches. I hope everyone is looking forward to it as much as I am. We are working on a variety of ideas, which are detailed in another column of this newsletter.

We are still in need of volunteers in the Maryland, Pennsylvania, Virginia area. Folks in this area are close enough to attend meetings and work with Association officers in a timely fashion. Even if you don't live in this area we are still very interested in your help. We are looking for volunteers to work on the web site, transpose some early Boyer data to prepare it for publication, and to assist in getting the word out about us.

Finally I want to again apologize for being behind on answering correspondence. Time is a factor in my life these days. Work and family will always come first, but I am making a major effort to get organized and things are starting to improve. In the meantime, please be understanding and remember we are a volunteer organization. Take care until next year and I hope to see many of you for our 100th.

Murphy's Law for Genealogists

The public ceremony in which your distinguished ancestor participated and at which the platform collapsed under him turned out to be a hanging.

Your grandmother's maiden name that you have searched for for four years was on a letter in a box in the attic all the time.

The spelling of your European ancestor's name bears no relationship to its current spelling or pronunciation.

You finally find the birth of your ancestor, only to find they were born before their parents.

None of the pictures in your recently deceased grandmother's photo album have names written on them.

When at last after much hard work you have solved the mystery you have been working on for two years, your aunt says, "I could have told you that"

The 37 volume, sixteen thousand page history of your county of origin isn't indexed.

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We expect to have all 6 volumes available for purchase at the reunion. By sending this form in you are under no obligation to purchase if you decide you are not interested.

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JOHN BYER (JE1) was born Jan. 31, 1777, Lancaster Co., Pa., died Feb. 12, 1859, Washington Co., Md. He is recorded on page 274 of the *History of Leitersburg District, Washington Co., Md.* He came to Washington Co., Md., about 1800. He engaged in milling and distilling near Leitersburg, and also operated a tannery and other industries. Captain in the local militia. Later he moved to Hagerstown, Md., where he owned the Antietam House, a hotel. His will was made Jan. 15, 1859, and was probated Feb. 15, 1859. He married (1) 1803, Catharine Study, who died after two children were born. Children: Frederick, and Anna Margaret. He married (2) Aug. 24, 1809, Washington Co., Md., Elizabeth Lantz, b. June 18, 1789, d. Jan. 27, 1841; buried at St. Paul's Evan. Lutheran Church Cemetery, Leitersburg, Washington Co., Md., where John is also buried. No children.

JOHN BOYER (JJ12), b. Apr. 15, 1828, Claiborne Co., Tenn., d. May 31, 1913, McDonald Co., Mo., of blood poisoning after getting a thorn in his foot. In 1849 he went to California in the Gold Rush; later returned to Missouri. Farmer. When the Civil War broke out, John volunteered, but his people were still in Tennessee and he didn't want to fight against them, so he went to Little Rock, Ark., to join. While he was in the war he was a blacksmith and shod mules. Married (1) 1852, Elizabeth Angeline Wheeler, b. Apr. 17, 1824, Tiff City, Mo., d. July 10, 1885. Both buried in Price Cem., May, McDonald Co., Mo. Children: Infant Son, Sarah F., John H., and James D. Married (2) May Mayberry. Divorced at Pineville, Mo. Child: Esther E. Married (3) -----, who was much younger than he was. They were not married very long when he paid her approximately \$700.00 to leave, which she did.

JOHN BOYER (JS1), b. 1788 in Pa. He lived in Newstead, Erie Co., N.Y., before 1812. He was a Captain in the Army during the War of 1812. According to family information, he raised and outfitted his own company. He was stationed for several months in Lewiston, Maine. A letter which he wrote to his wife while there is in the possession of L. W. McCord (5- JS1314). Farmer. Supervisor in 1846 and 1847. Married Olive -----, b. 1794 in Conn. Both are reported to be buried at Newstead, Erie Co., N.Y. Children: Jacob, Roxanna, and Harriet E.

JAMES VALENTINE BORER (JT5211), b. June 5, 1847, Union Twp., Perry Co., Ind., d. Mar. 31, 1929. Farmer. Operated the ferry that his father owned. Also operated with his father a flat boat which ran to New Orleans. Married, Apr. 29, 1874, Anna Liza Suddarth, b. Feb. 9, 1852, d. Sept. 9, 1890. Both buried in Stephenson Cem., near Dexter, Ind. Children: Pernia A., Mattie J., Sidney A., Oliver C., and Joseph C.

LAWSON BOYER (JY) died Nov. 30, 1863, of wounds received in action near Rappahannock Station, Va., during the Civil War. He resided in Frederick Co., Md., and enlisted Aug. 13, 1862. He served as a Private in the Seventh Regiment Infantry, Company G, Maryland Volunteers. His parents have not been reported. He married, license issued Mar. 27, 1856, at Frederick, Md., Phebe A. Crouse, who was born about Jan., 1838. She married (2) Oct. 17, 1867, Lewis M. Smith. Only child of Lawson Boyer: Emma H.

JONATHAN BOYER (KC15), b. Aug. 7, 1845, baptism recorded by Stoystown Lutheran Church, Somerset Co., Pa., d. 1924. Served as a Private with Pa. Vol., Civil War, spending 15 months and 27 days in the Andersonville prison. Farmer. Married (1) Anna Mariah Sell, b. 1838, Hooversville, Pa., d. 1918. Both buried at Hooversville Ref. Cem., Shade Twp., Somerset Co., Pa. Children: John P., Mitas G., Peter M., Amaniah, Walter J., Lenora, and Charles G. Married (2) Anna Tressler.

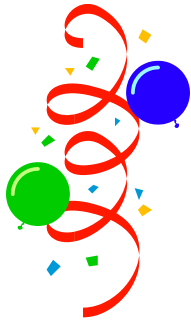
HOWARD "LOBBY" BAIER (LD4), b. June 8, 1890, Lebanon, Pa., d. Oct. 7, 1989, Lebanon, Pa., aged 99 years. Served in France with 316th Machine Gun Battalion during World War I. He retired as Vice-President, former George Krause Hardware Store, Lebanon, Pa., after 52 years employment. Avid hunter and fisherman. Lutheran. Married Mary E. Hetrick, who died 1969. Both buried at Mt. Lebanon Cem., Lebanon, Pa.

JEROME G. BYERS (LH) was born 1819-22, probably in Washington Co., Pa., died Oct. 2, 1864, Andersonville prison in Georgia. He was a carpenter, 5 ft. 9 in. tall, with blue eyes, dark hair, and a medium complexion. He enlisted in the Civil War on Feb. 25, 1864, with the Ringgold Cavalry, 22nd Pa. Vol. Cavalry, Co. E. He was captured by the enemy at Lost River Gap, Va., May 10, 1864. Married, Nov. 24, 1842, Jane Johnston, b. 1820, d. June 7, 1892; buried at Mt. Zion Church Cem., Nottingham Twp., Washington Co., Pa. Children: David J., Sarah J., Mary, George D., Margaret, Nancy, Isabel, William E., John H., and Jerome D.

NANCY BEYER (LP4) died Sept. 5, 1994, at St. Luke's Medical Center, Milwaukee, Wis.; buried in Holy Sepulcher Cemetery. She served in the Women's Army Corps from 1943 to 1945. Her unit was part of the Normandy Invasion in 1944. She is credited by the British Broadcasting Co. with being the first WAC to land in Normandy during the invasion. Married Eugene R. Olszewski, who died Dec. 29, 1966. South Milwaukee, Wis. Children: Mary, Margaret, Charles, Anne, Madeline, Thomas, Patricia, and Michael.

Local Reunions

In the past we offered space in the newsletter for other local family reunions. We would like to start doing this feature again. Please submit a brief notice of your reunion and it will be added in the next newsletter (2004). Also if you are having a reunion in the Pennsylvania, Maryland, Virginia, or West Virginia area and would like an officer of the Association to come and talk, let us know. We can't guarantee anything, but if it is not too far we would be glad to share some of the history of the Association with your family.



100th Anniversary Information



The 100th anniversary is only one year away. We have had some suggestions from members and the officers have also discussed plans for this once in a lifetime event. We are still working out specifics, but are looking at the following features:

- Two day event - one day of workshops and trips, one day of picnic and programs.
- Trips to Boyer and historical sites.
- Looking to meet in the Harrisburg, PA area as it seems central to many interesting venues.
- Hoping to have it on our traditional 4th weekend of July, but availability of space may require a one-time change.

We are planning to send out a special announcement later this year with more concrete information so you can make plans. One of the ideas we have been entertaining is to have this at a college which would provide us with facilities for workshops, the picnic, and accommodations.

Here are some questions we would like you to think about and give us a response. You can either e-mail us or jot down some information on the back of the membership form and send it to us.

1. Would you prefer a one or two day event?
2. Are you thinking of coming and how many may be attending?
3. Would you be interested in helping out at the 100th reunion?
4. Do you like the idea of trips? Workshops?

One of the biggest questions that remains is how many of you will be coming. We know this may be too early, but if you have a thought that you might be coming let us know at the reunion. Or fire off an e-mail or quick note to us and we will start a rough count.

We are still open to any ideas that you may have. We need your help. Do you know some good things that worked well for other reunions you attended? If so let us know. For all of these 100th anniversary related items you can contact any of the officers at the reunion, through the mail (addresses are on page 2), or for some via e-mail. 100th anniversaries only come around once so help us make it a great one.



10 Family Rules - from a Frustrated Genealogist

1. Go Forth and Multiply
2. Pack up and move to a different location many times
3. Use names other than those given to you
4. Refuse to talk about your family or ancestors
5. Make up interesting stories that can't be verified
6. Make spelling changes to your name regularly (And anything else important, or otherwise)
7. Have many different birth dates
8. Do not record any kind of family information
9. Claim to have come from a different Country (preferably one that doesn't keep records)
10. Do not save any family correspondence



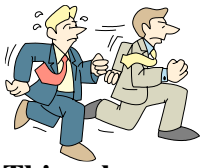
In Memoriam



It has come to our attention that Vera Wolfe passed away in December of 2002 just 4 months shy of her 100th birthday. Many of you that have attended the reunions over the past years will remember her as the oldest woman recipient from Tower City, PA. She would come up to the microphone and regale us with stories and song, many of which were in Pennsylvania Dutch. She was also proud of the fact that she had no need for doctors. She was a bright spot at our gatherings and will be missed.

Logo Status

We would like to thank Harry Bolton and Anne Marie Hankee Evans for submitting ideas for the 100th anniversary logo. These were very nice, but we would still like to see more ideas. Please send them (preferably in electronic form) to any of the officers. The Officers of the Association will judge the entries. The winner will get a goodie package of items with the logo and in addition the logo will appear in the appendices of the 7th Edition of **American Boyers** when published. Please help us and be a part of our history.



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.

Boyer's Food Markets, founded in 1949 in Orwigsburg, Pa., by the late **Harold S. Boyer** (AW953), has expanded to 16 stores in eastern Pennsylvania by adding a store in Shoemakersville, Pa.

The Bob and Elizabeth Boyer Scholarship Fund was created by **J. Robert Boyer** (U3238) and **B. Elizabeth Boyer** for deserving students in Frederick and Washington counties, Maryland. Bob is the retired owner of the Bob Boyer Insurance Agency, Boonsboro, Md.

Kevin Boyer (U3784), 25, was born with spina bifida, a spinal cord defect. A shunt which had been installed in him exploded when he was 10 years old, and he was in a coma for three and a half months. He now drives his own car, lives in his own apartment and works part time at the busy reception desk at ARC of Washington County, in Maryland. He is also an advocate for adults who suffer brain injury.

Since retiring from his 30-year career as a principal and teacher in Washington County (Md.) schools, **Joe Byers** (U1224) has devoted much of his time to writing stories for such outdoors-oriented publications as Field & Stream, Outdoor Life, American Hunter, Safari and Bowhunter. A lifelong hunter, he is hunting field editor for Heartland USA magazine. He uses the pen name William Joseph when he authors more than one story in a single volume.

Andy Byer (U982), a sophomore forward for Conemaugh Township High School in Somerset Co., Pa., scored his 1,000th career point in Feb., 2003. His cousin, Paul Byer, class of 2000, is the township leading scorer in basketball with 2,502 points.

Doug Boyer (BDC54), New Bloomfield, Pa., funeral director, set up a 20 by 24 foot Lionel O-gauge train display in the basement of his business to continue a tradition of his boyhood. He asked for donations of canned goods to benefit the needy in exchange for viewing his model train layout.

Carol and Tim Moyer purchased the former Boyer's Market at 620 S. Reading Ave. in Boyertown, Pa., from **Ronnie Boyer** (AC122) when he retired and moved to Delaware. The market was founded in 1908 and was in the Boyer family for three generations. The store has a large hoagie fund-raiser business. The new owners have no plans to change the name of Boyer's Market.

Earl Boyer (FM283) of Berlin, Pa., was inducted into the Somerset County Oldtimers Baseball Association Hall of Fame. He played shortstop and hit for average as well as power.

Christi Boyer, wife of **Dean Boyer** (BH141), of Plainview, Neb., was selected as the Wrestling Coach's Wife of the Year by Nebraska Wrestling Illustrated, an on-line statewide wrestling magazine.

Rose Boyer, widow of **Barry Boyer** (BU413), has 24 miniature horses on her 8-acre farm along Route 34 in Perry Co., Pa. She bought her first miniature horses in 1987. Every year she leases her horses to Perry County 4-H members to use in performances.

Dr. Ben Hoover (BV856) of York, Pa., has a collection of 800 toy firefighting vehicles, of which 135 are on display through June in the lobby of the Historical Society Museum, 250 E. Market St., York, Pa.

Claire Boyer, 13, daughter of **Steve** and **Margaret Boyer** (BH141), Mullen, Neb., and her 25-year-old Quarter Horse, Lumpy, won the championship in junior barrel racing at the state 4-H horse exposition in Grand Island, Neb., July, 2002.

Life Member Notice

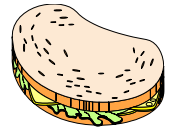
Due to considerable time constraints and book deadlines the Life Member list was not compiled in time. It will be back next year with all those that have not been published. In addition, we will be planning a surprise for all life members of the Association for the 100th anniversary. More information on this will be announced in a future newsletter. We thank many of the life members for their continued support of the Association.

Some More Humor

A census taker walked up to a woman who was sitting on a porch. After introducing himself, he said, "How many children do you have?" The woman answered, "Four." The census taker asked, "May I have their names, please?" The woman replied, "Eenie, Meenie, Minie, and George." Confused, the census taker said, "May I ask why you named your fourth child 'George'?" She replied, "Surely, because we didn't want any Moe."



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 in past years. 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 cut 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 15, 2003. We need to get a fairly accurate count for planning and prepayment to the caterer by that time. The cost if you preregister is \$7.00 for adults, \$3.00 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 \$7.50, \$3.50, and free respectively. You may notice that we had to adjust the cost slightly as the caterer increased his prices to us. 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.

Reunion Buffet Lunch Registration Form

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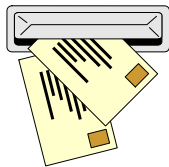
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Membership, Correspondence & Address Changes

We would like to remind you that when corresponding with officers of the Association please send along a self-addressed stamped envelope. The cost of replies is not small, as we get large numbers of requests for information. Also, please be aware responses may take some time. Many of us work full-time and can only spend a fraction of our time on Association business. We will try to get back to you as soon as possible, but it could be weeks to months based on availability of time.

Membership donations are completely voluntary. We do not remove individuals from our mailing list for not making yearly donations. We feel it is important to keep members up-to-date to when the book relating to their family becomes available. Keep in mind all donations are essential in helping us meet our goals in a timely fashion.

When moving or if you have a change of address, **PLEASE** keep us informed. We have discontinued having the newsletters returned to us for address correction by the post office. The cost was becoming too great. Therefore, we have no way of knowing if there is a change without you letting us know. We don't want anyone to miss an issue of the newsletter, so help us keep our address information current. Thank you.

Membership Donation Form

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