

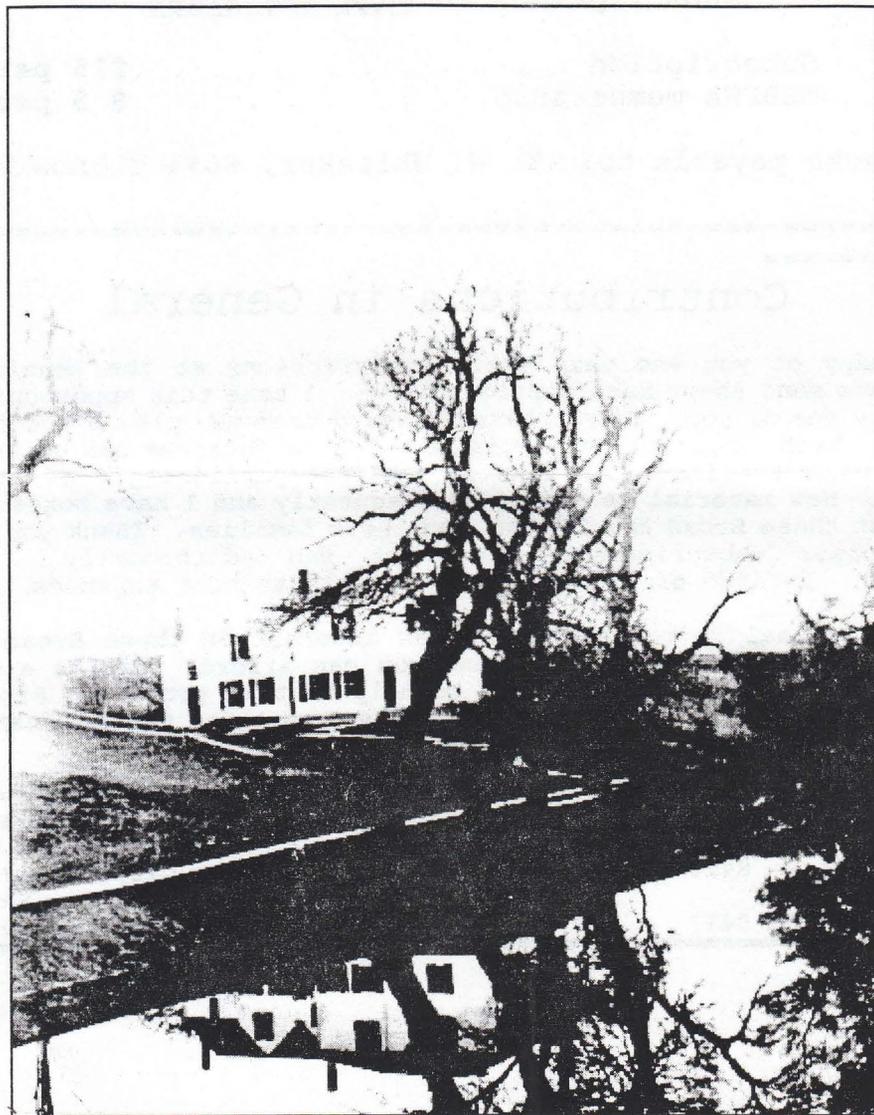
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There were many of you who paid their subscriptions at the Reunion and many others who have sent their subscriptions to me. I take this opportunity to thank each and every one of you. If you haven't heard from me, please accept my thanks at this time. Each is greatly appreciated. Your enthusiasm has buoyed me up and ~~if you wish me to continue, I'd like to continue publishing Bund und Blatt for another year.~~ New material is coming in frequently and I have boxes of material to print about these Broad Bay Germans and their families. Thank you for all who have paid their subscriptions and those who additionally sent extra contributions. Because of you, I have been able to meet expenses this year.

I would again appeal to those who have an interest in these Broad Bay German ancestors. Send a contribution of what you can afford, that is a good way to express your interest and willingness to help in this project. Right now I am looking for anecdotes, pictures, family stories, anything that will shed a little light on the personal lives of our German ancestors.

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1996 OBBFHA REUNION

THIS IS THE YEAR
MAKE YOUR PLANS EARLY

FIRST WEEKEND IN AUGUST

Old German Church

Sunday, 10:a.m.

I haven't heard from any officers but
assume that we can meet there.

1996 is the Year!

HELP URGENTLY NEEDED

Maps of Waldoboro needed. I was thinking that we could provide a great service to the "tourists" and to OBBFHA members and descendants if maps were available of Waldoboro and Nobleboro showing the location of various cemeteries, landmarks, old German homes, businesses, lakes, rivers, falls, mills, etc.

I'm working on this but I am handicapped by ignorance and by not living in the Town of Waldoboro. Stahl isn't much help here, either, for example, he says in one place (Stahl 1:292)

I recall from boyhood days that a number of Werners were buried in the Old Lutheran Cemetery on the shore of Merle Castner's farm.

Now I assume that is the original Lutheran Church lot next to the Moravian Church lot on the east side of the river, close to Richard Castner's lot, but without personally searching and finding someone who knows for sure, I can't be sure.

Again from Stahl (1:290)

Andreas Sukeforth, on 20 Jan 1783, purchased the Merle Castner farm on which John Newbert was then living, for £200, but held it for only a short time, for on 10 Apr 1783 Newbert conveyed the farm to Church Nash, and moved to North Waldoborough. Soon thereafter the Sukeforths settled in Washington, but in the present century have again returned to the town where there are three families in residence, one of which is that of Clyde Sukeforth, coach of the Brooklyn Dodgers.

It would be of some interest to know exactly where Merle Castner's farm is. And many other places of interest.

If you (meaning those of you around Waldoboro or who have direct knowledge) would be interested in helping in this project, please contact me as soon as possible, as I would like to have something available for the Reunion and then copies could be left with the Waldoboro Historical Society, Museum and Library. Don't you think this would be a worthwhile project?

I have copies of Maps of Waldoboro and Nobleboro and can make copies available to researchers. Where are those old cemeteries in which so many ancestors are buried? Someone new to the area would really appreciate a map directing them to their ancestors' cemeteries. I know I would. Now, this is something I cannot do without spending several weeks in the area, so I'm depending on you to help us all out in this undertaking.

Also, there are places of local history that would be interesting if we knew where to find them. Are there any log cabins still standing in Waldoboro? Where did they used to catch the shad/smelt and alewives? Where were the first Saw mills built? The first fulling mill? Grist mills? Where is the oldest house in town? Are there examples of a German constructed home as opposed to Cape Cods?

Do you know where the following places are? Original Church on the east side? Light's Ferry which ran from the "ferry landing" at the original church site? The large rock where the ferry cables were anchored? The Moravian church? Was there a burial ground (God's Acre) there? Where is the large cemetery supposed to be down town where a lot of the settlers of 1751, 1752, 1753 were buried? Where is the George Smouse house? Are there any mansions in town? Any barns from the 1700's? etc. etc.

Where are the Great Falls of the Medomak river? Has anyone written a history of ship-building on the Medomak? Where were the shipyards? Duck Puddle Pond? Little Pond? Southerly Pond? Goose River? Back Cove? Passage Point or Jones Neck? Narrows of Broad Bay River? Haverner's Point? Broad Cove? (The above taken from the Charter for the New Town of Waldoboro in 1773.)

There's an old map in the back of the Bi-Centennial Edition of Waldoboro. Perhaps some of the more important places and cemeteries could be located on it. Just a circled number could suffice. On p. 12 of this edition is a picture of "This bridge was the first over the lower falls." Where is that? Where was Soule Bridge? Albert Howard house built in 1816? Kaler's corner? Orff's corner? Stahl's Tavern? John & Sarah Weaver homestead? On p. 17-23 there are pictures of old houses. Are any of these still standing? Earl Benner residence? George Heyer home? There are many more places listed in the Bi-Centennial edition which I think would be interesting if we knew where they were. Well, I have exposed my ignorance concerning Waldoboro. Of course, I know where some of the places are as I can find them on a modern day map, but others I would like to know. Are there any of you out there who can help in this project? Please let me know.

Marjorie Freeman just sent me a map which shows many of the cemeteries of Waldoboro. Dr. Nichols sent me a map of Nobleboro which I notice dovetails into many of the German families in Waldoboro. Thanks, each and every one.



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**OLD BROAD BAY GERMANS
REVOLUTIONARY WAR
PENSION APPLICATIONS**

An interesting group of records is the Revolutionary War Pension Applications made by Revolutionary War Veterans and their spouses/widows. I have abstracted the following records. There may be other records but these are all I found. Stahl gives more names in his record, and I have listed more in *Bund und Blatt*, Vol. 4, Number 4, but the following are the names actually on the Pension Applications. Check the above for additional names.

BECKLER, Daniel¹ and Elizabeth. Pvt. Dist. Maine. \$8 per month - 15 Apr 1818. Died 25 Mar 1830. found on the roll enl. 17 May '77, omitted Apr '79.

I, Daniel, say I enlisted Jun 1777 - Capt Abraham Hunt's Co., Joseph Vose Reg & Gen Glover brigade, Mass. Line. Served 3 years. Wit: Edmund Dean James Pochard. 1820 - aged 72 - wife Elizabeth, age 63 in 1820. Elizabeth x said she is widow and they were married June 1777. d. 28 May 1838. In 1836 the widow's brothers George & Frank Miller were living in Waldoboro, aged abt 70 and 72, respectively, Geo. Miller said Daniel "married my sister". Frank Miller's deposition said the same thing. Daniel went and joined the army in company with Charles Wallis or Walk, Charles Heavner, Christian Hoffses, Peter leghr, Valentine Mink and some others from this town, all of whom have drawn pensions.

BENNER, Christopher² of Dennysville. a pvt - Col Brooks - 3 years - pension 8 May 1818. Wife age 62 in 1820 - enlisted 1 Jan 1776 in Capt William Reeds Company, Col. John Barley's Reg. At the Battle of Trenton. Enlisted again in 1781.

BENNER, Peter³ pvt on rolls 9 Apr 1818. Peter died 9 Sep 1833. Abigail said she married on the 1st day of August 1784 - married at Abington by the Rev. W. Niles.

My family consists of five persons: myself, my wife Abigail aged 50, my dau Abigail age 24, William 21, and Catharine 16. My wife is much afflicted with the Rheumatism and unable to labor. I'm able to labour but little. Henry Benner, son of Peter Benner. Peter Benner & Abigail Hunt, 20 Sep 1785, in Abington, Plymouth, Mass. In 1820, Abigail, William, and Catharine Benner, age 24, 21, & 16 respectively at Pittston. Henry, his son was in War of 1812, a fifer, and Nathaniel, a brother of Henry, enlisted in 1812.

BORNHEIMER, Jacob⁴ and Mary. A pvt in Capt Parker and Col. McCobbs brigade. Pension issued 5 Aug 1833 - on 7 Sep 1832 Jacob Burnheimer age 68 born in Waldoboro in 1764 - from the family Bible - enlisted sometime in Apr/May 1780 under Lt. George Ulmer - Mass. State Troops - helped build fort at Cox Head on Kennebec River. In July or August a British Brig chased two vessels and drove them on the beach - we fired at her from the fort and drove her out of the river. Jan 1781 - went on board the state sloop Capt. Curtis - served 2 months at mouth of Kennebec - He says Frank Miller and John Creamer were with him at the Fort on Coxes Head. Frank Miller on board ship also - 8 months - I, Joseph Bornheimer, of Waldoboro, age 56, son of Jacob Bornheimer, late of Waldoboro, dec'd, who was

¹. U.S. Government. Revolutionary War Pension Applications. FHL# 970196. W23573.

². IBID. Christopher Benner. FHL# 970214. S 37586.

³. IBID: Peter Benner. FHL# 970214. W 23597. BLWT 3673-100.

⁴. IBID: FHL# 970291. W3501.

a pvt & Mariner - he died in my house 24 Jan 1851 - widow Mary - 20 Jun 1853. Mary Bornheimer aged 87 - md last day of Oct 1787 at Waldoboro by a German minister named Croner - her maiden name was Mary Hoofses - Conrad Hyer was at my wedding - I Rosanna Hofses of Waldoboro, age 92 - "I well know Mary - She is my sister and is 4 years younger than I am - I was at her wedding. Mary was 22 and I was 26, resided on Dutch Neck. I never married - have always remained single. Mary moved into upper Waldoboro. - I Jacob Ludwig well know Jacob and Mary, I was at their wedding - my father's house was within 30 rods of where Mary lived - on Dutch Neck - I with my father moved from that place, Dutch Neck, to where my father lived until his death. Some 5 miles from that place in 1790 and I know they were married 3 years before - It was the last wedding I attended which lasted 4 days - I was eleven years old when they married - 14 when my father moved from Dutch Neck and am now 77 years of age. - Conrad Heyer says I well knew Jacob & Mary - I was present at their marriage. It lasted 4 days which was not unusual in those time. - Frank Miller says he is 67, served with Jacob Bornheimer - served at the Fort 6 months and on ship two months.

CREAMER, John⁵ - Mass. Pvt in Capt Ulmer's Co. McCobb's Reg't. enlisted under Geo Ulmer in Waldoboro about Apr or May 1780 - marched to Coxes Head - 8 months Capt Jordan Parker's Co. Born in Waldoboro, aged 65 - he remembers Charles Overlock, John C. Mink, Frank Miller and Jacob Bornheimer who were with him. I have no family record or town record of my age - my neighbors tell me I am 69 years old - that I was at least 16 when I served. John C. Mink, age 69, "We left Waldoboro together to Coxes Head and returned together after enlistment was over 8 months.

COLE, Mary⁶ C. not found

DAL, John⁷, Snowdeal [Dall, Deal, Dagh] Pvt in Mass Line under Capt Ausbank & Col Brewer's Reg't for 7 months - 5 Aug 1836 - John Dal of Thomaston, b. in Waldoboro in 1754, age he cannot tell, enlisted at Lynn, Mass. after enlistment he moved to Passamaquady, Maine, then to Thomaston where he has lived 30 years. 1 Jun 1779 he enlisted at Boston in Capt Davis Co. and Col. Sam'l Brewers Reg't for 9 months. Marched from Boston to West Point and placed under command of Capt Burbank - unti 1 Jan next - sent across river with 3 others with clothing for troops at West Point, and got intangled in the ice and was 3 days and 3 nights on the ice - feet and legs badly frozen and was badly frozen - unable to do duty and in a short time discharged - house and papers burnt at Passamaquaddy - 8 Jan 1780. He died 1 Mar 1838. He married on Campabella, a small island 1/3 Nov 1783 to Elizabeth Bridges. Widow Elizabeth executed pension 16 May 1839 at Thomaston, age 73 - 1843 to St. George - in Thomaston 1848. In 1838 John Bridges (no relation listed) was living in Washington County, Maine and stated he was present at the marriage. William Graves a neighbor said the same, 16 May 1839.

William	born 20 Aug 1785	Mary	born 7 Sep 1787
Elizabeth	born 25 Mar 1789	George	born 22 Apr 1789
Hannah	born 28 Oct 1800	John	born 11 Jun 1803
Edward	born 12 Jul 1805	Sally	born 12 Sep 1808

A bill presented in Congress 28 Jun 1836 \$23.33 - John Carl deposition of 1820 - In Jul 1779 - I lately of Unity, Kennebec, to Capt Brewer's Reg't. then at West Point - lameness by freezaing - 30 Mar 1820. Elizabeth b 25 Mar 1789 (20 Mar 1791? md Ashley Goddard 15 Oct 1809)

⁵. IBID: FHL# 970689. S 30968.

⁶. IBID: FHL# 970605. not found.

⁷. IBID: FHL# 970731. W 22909.

FARNSWORTH, William⁸ and Abigail. Mass. Pvt and Lt. in Capt Ludwig's Co., Col. Allen's Reg't. 7 Sep 1832 - age 79 - born in St. George Fort at Thomaston 1753 lived at Waldoboro, at time of enlistment. Mar 1775. Sam'l Grays Co. of St. George, now Warren. Mass Militia to Nov following - 8 months - "Jones Neck" on Muscongus River - 5 or 6 miles from Waldoboro - to keep inhabitants from being massacred and to keep enemy boats from coming up the river - Peter Schwartz was in the same company with him. 7 Oct 1777 commissioned a Lt. under Capt Jacob Ludwig in Col. Allen's Reg't to 20 Jan 1778 - 8 months - to Machias and helped build a breastwork there. John McClintock and Eben Jameson can testify - discharged at Machias - died 4 Oct 1837 - widow Abigail - 5 Oct 1837 - 20 Spe 1838 - Abigail aged 89 - they were married Dec 1780 - Lydia Trowbrige, dau of William and Abigail 30 Jul 1839 - original loose papers from Family Bible.

William Farnsworth	b.	26 Sep 1753	
Abigail Stuart, wife	b.	14 Oct 1749	
John	b.	8 Jul 1781 Sunday	d. 6 May 1788
Annmariah	b.	24 Feb 1783 Sunday	
Sarah	b.	4 Dec 1784 Saterdag	
Jane	b.	17 Aug 1786 Thursday	
Lydia	b.	10 Jul 1788 Thursday	
William	b.	8 Jul 1790 Thursday	
John	b.	22 Feb 1793 Fryday	
Daniel F.	b.	21 May 1795 Thursday	d. 20 Jan 1818
Hannah	b.	14 May 1798 Monday	d. 27 Oct 1819

Peter Schwartz, age 75 says he served together with William Farnsworth in Capt Sam'l Gray's Company. John Winchenbach age 77 of Friendship says William Farnsworth served with him as a Lt. in Capt Ludwig's company and Col. Allen on march to Machias - 10 May 1833. Susanna Malcom of Cushing, age 80, says she was well-acquainted with marriage, performed by Shaeffer. Hannah Wiley of Cushing, age 79, Abigail abt 89 - Abigail's maiden name was Abigail Stuart - Dec 1780 - she was the widow of Charles Stuart of Penobscot - 30 Nov 1780 adm as Abigail Stuart & on 30 _____ 1786 as Abigail Farnsworth.

GENTHNER, John⁹ Mass Pvt in Caapt Parker's Co., Col. McCobb's Reg't, for 6 months and 18 days. 24 Dec 1833 - Served from 12 May to 1 Dec 1781 - On 5 Nov 1838 Andrew Genthner, age 74, says he was born in Waldoboro in 1759, from father's family Bible. Resided at Waldoboro when called into service, and has resided there since. Enlisted under George Ulmer a recruiting officer into a company commanded by Capt Jordan Parker and regt of Col Sam'l McCobb Mass State troops middle of May 1781. Marched to Coxes Head near mouth of Kennebec River - military duty, assisted in building the fort - and also the barracks and breastwork he knows Jacob Ludwig and Capt Charles Miller and says John Creamer and Frank Miller were in the service with him at Cockes Head. John Starman and Charles Miller, attest. 74 years of age.

GEORGE, John¹⁰ and Margaret, of Watertown, Lt. Col. Crane - 7 years. died 1820 - the late Margaret George of Thomaston formerly of Watertown, Mass, wife of Capt John George an officer of the Army of the Revolution who died in 1820, from the effects of wounds. Mrs. George died on 8 Sep 1854. "My mother is a dau of the late Margaret. I margaret George Ruggles

⁸. IBID: FHL# 970955. W24180. For his Diary, see *Bund und Blatt*, Vol 4, Number 4, Oct - Dec 1995. p. 96.

⁹. IBID: FHL# 971061. S 31688.

¹⁰. IBID: FHL# 971062. W. 23099. BLWT 805-200.

of Thomaston, I was with my father during his last sickness and at the time of his death at Watertown, Mass 22 Jan 1820. My mother Mrs. Margaret George resided with me, never remarried - I heard my father speak often of his long service as an officer - John George was married to Peggy Main 28 Oct 1787 by Richard Eliot - Watertown, Middlesex, Mass. Town clerk - a volunteer in the battle of Concord & Lexington - 31 Mar 1818 - aged 67 years - 8 Nov 1838 Margaret (Peggy) George appeared age 76 - seriously wounded at Fort Mifflin Siege which ultimately caused his death. She died 8 Oct 1854 at Thomaston.

HEAVENER, Charles¹¹ or Hebner or Hevener. Just 1 card was found. No further data was found. Stahl¹² gives the following service:

Pvt in Capt Jordan Hunt's Light Infantry Co, Col Joseph Vose's Reg't, Continental Army. Served from 1777 to 1780. Also, Seaman on *Lincoln Galley*, commanded by Capt John Curtis, 5 May 1781 to 23 Jul 1781.

HELMERSHAUSEN, FredK. Henrich or Henry F.¹³ pvt in Continental Mass Line in Col Sheldons Conn. line 9 Apr 1818 - 6 Jul 1820 H. Helmerhausen age 70 of Waldoboro - a pvt in Capt Hurburt, Col Sheldeon Regt... in line of Mass. wife age 70 sickly - e years from 11 Mar 1778 to 11 Mar 1781. Had a son a sgt in War of 1812 and he had a son Charles Hilton Hausen at Franklin Grove, Lee Co., Ill. b 1822, age 84 in 1906.

HINDS, Samuel¹⁴ (Continental N.J. line) Mary or Polly - widow of Samuel. I, Samuel Hinds of St. Georges in Lincoln Co., Me. enlisted at Pumpton, N.J. 28 Jul 1780 by Gen Henry Knox in Capt Thomas Patten Co of artillery in Gerneal Venose? Brigade of Artillery and discharged by Gen. Washington 9 Jun 1783 - at Siege of Cornwallis at Yorktown - 18 Mar 1818 - 1820 - age 61 wife Polly age 44 one boy aged 10 years (both in health). I owe \$1000 I have no hope of repaying. 1 Nov 1810 Samuel Hinds & Mary Elwell both of St. George joined in marriage - Joseph Ingraham - 25 Jul 1855. Polly Hinds age 78, widow - Samuel died at St. George 19 Feb 1852. George Gilchrist and John Robinson attest.

HOFFSES, Christian¹⁵ & Margaret. Continental Mass. Line. Only 1 card. No further information here. Stahl¹⁶ gives the following information on Christian: Pvt in Capt Smith's Co, Col Bond's Reg't, Mass line of the Continental Estab. 1776-1776. Pvt in Capt Jacob Ludwig's Co, enlisted 21 Aep 1779, Discharged 1 Nov 1779. Service: 1 month 10 days in Company detached from Col. Mason Wheaton's Reg't by order of Brig. Gen Cushing for service as Guards at Broad Bay.

¹¹. IBID: FHL# 971245. S 16869. BLWT 1975-160-55. or Hebner or Hevener. Just 1 card was all.

¹². Stahl, Jasper Jacob. *History of Old Broad Bay and Waldoboro*. Two Volumes. The Bond Wheelwright Company. Portland, Maine. 1956. I:582.

¹³. Rev War Pension Applications. OP. CIT. Helmerhasen. 11415. S 35403.

¹⁴. IBID: FHL# 971285. W 25778. BLWT 26572-160-55. BLWT 252-60-55.

¹⁵. OP. CIT: Rev. War Pension Applications. FHL# 971299. W 23302. Only this one card. No further information here.

¹⁶. Stahl. OP. CIT: I:582.

HEYER, Conrad, Cornelius.¹⁷ of Waldoboro. Pvt in Col Bond's Mass Line. 9 Apr 1818 - at Burgoyne's defeat - Pension 14 Jul 1819. Enlisted 1 Sep 1775 for 3 years. Discharged 15 Dec 1778 at one time one of Gen Washington's Body Guards - wife 43 Cripple - dau 24 nurse to my wife. Middle of Dec 1775 pvt ibid for discharge at Fort Kiln on North River - 1820 aged 67 wife age 63 dau age 26 Deposition of John Vanner, a pvt in Rev War "I well knew Conrad Heyer - war experiences -" Deposition of Valentine Mine " I was in army from pvt in Capt Fuller's co." [recheck this one]

KEZER, David¹⁸ (Keizer) Mass. Cont. Line. Pvt in Mass Reg't of H. Jackson - 23 Jul 1818 at Columbia, Washington Co., Me.

David Kezer	Age 62	Infirm, little to do for my support
Anna Kezer	Age 59	Sick, unable to support herself
Sally Kezer	Age 18	At an age sufficient to support themselves
Henry Kezer	Age 16	ditto
Susan Kezer	Age 7	Not able to support herself on acct of age

Inlisted at Haverhill in Essex Co. 3 years in Capt John Burnham's and Bowles' Companies. died 10 Dec 1839.

LEHR, Peter¹⁹ and Catharine. Mass/Maine 17.455 Peter Lehr (or Leaher) of Lincoln County, Maine. a pvt in Col Voses' Reg't. of Mass Line for three years Enrolled 10 Apr 1818 at \$8 per month. Cert. of Pension issued 9 Jun 1820 and sent to Ebenezer Thatcher, Judge, Thomaston, Maine. Dead by 28 Dec 1838. Maine 2729 - Catharine Lehr widow of Peter Lehr or Leaher who died on 3 Nov 1822 Lincoln Co Me a pvt in Co of Capt Hunt in Voses' Reg't of Mass line for 2 years. Roll 4 Mar 1834 Real and personal estate 8 Aug 1820. 2 cows, 2 hogs, and a little old furniture. Peter Leghr laborer, wife age 50 dau age 14. Peter Lehr 6 Jul 1820 Peter Leghr age 62, resided in Putnam - 30 Apr 1818 resident in Waldoboro. **CHARLES HEBNER** of Waldoboro, late a pvt in Capt Hunt's Co in First Mass Reg't of Col Vose - I was well acquainted with Peter Lehr, now of Waldoboro, late a soldier in Capt Hunt's Co. Served about two years in Continental Establishment. **CHARLES WALCK** of Waldoboro, late a soldier in Capt Hunt's Co. well-acquainted with Peter Lehr of Waldoboro, about two years he was fulsome being sick, about 2 years service in Rev war against the common enemy. I, **PETER LEHR**, enlisted under Lt. Philip Ulmer at Waldoboro 17 May 1777 for three years and joined Capt Hunt's Co. I faithfully served to 17 May 1780, honorably discharged by Gen'l Wadsworth at Thomaston - 18 Mar 1818. 16 Nov 1838. at Waldoboro before Judge Nathaniel Groton appeared Catharine Legher, a resident of Washington aged 85 years - she is the widow of Peter Legher, a pvt in Rev. She was md sometime in Jan or Feb 1779 by Rev Mr. Schaeffer, a settled minister of the Gospel in Waldoboro. Husband sometime in month of Dec 1778 or Jan 1779 obtained a furlough or temporary leave of absence from the army and came hence to Waldoboro and was married to her at the period above and immediately after marriage returned to service to fill out his enlistment, then returned home to Waldoboro where they lived together as man and wife for many years and had several children - further declares her maiden name was Catharine Broadman. She recalls John Peter Brock

17. IBID: FHL# 971388. Conrad Heyer S 35457. Cornelius BTWT 28.520-160-55.

18. IBID: FHL# 971479. S 35491. (Keizer) Mass. Continental Line.

19. IBID: FHL# 971537. Leaher, or Lehr, Peter & Catharine - Mass. W 24520. Only the title page. FHL# 971546. Lehr, Leaher, Peter & Catharine W 24520. Mass/Maine.

and Margaret Achorn. Rev Schaeffer removed from Waldoboro several years ago and is now dead and kept no record of his marriages that can now be found. Her husband Peter Lehr died on 3 Nov 1822. her x mark. I, **MARTIN BENNER**, of Waldoboro, yeoman, (owe) Peter Lehr \$300 - 2 Nov 1801 - quit claim to land Peter Lehr now lives on at & near Medomack Pond in Waldoboro. Cert. of Catharine Lehr widow of Peter in year 1806 or 07 I relinquished my right of Dower to land sold to John Head of Waldoboro. I, **MARTIN LEHR**, of Washington, aged 60. I am oldest child and son of Peter Lehr and Catharine Lehr. I was married to my wife Mary Lehr in Jun 1805, age 26. That I have eight children now living. My oldest child now living would be 33 years of age. My oldest child now alive is now 29 years. My father lived in Waldoboro and when he died was an inhabitant of Washington. My mother Catharine Lehr is now living and has not intermarried. [ordered to be received and paid]. I, **CHRISTIAN BORNHEIMER**, of Waldoboro, aged 66. I was married to Mary Lehr, dau of Peter & Catharine Lehr of Waldoboro sometime in month of Oct 1806. My wife was 18 years of age. I have kept a Bible.

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|---------------------|----------------|-----------------------------|----------------|
| 1. Lucy | b. 20 Dec 1801 | 2. Katharine | b. 27 Mar 1803 |
| 3. Charles | b. 16 Apr 1805 | 4. Henry | b. 30 Jun 1807 |
| 5. Mary | b. 2 Jul 1809 | 6. Christain | b. 20 Sep 1811 |
| 7. Sally | b. 2 Jan 1814 | 8. Susanna | b. 18 Feb 1816 |
| 9. John H. | b. 3 May 1818 | 10. Eliza Ann | b. 23 Aug 1820 |
| 11. Nancy Ann | b. 27 Nov 1822 | 12. Eliza Jane | b. Jul 1824 |
| 13. Ann Maria | b. 24 Jan 1827 | 14. Benj. P. | b. 24 Mar 1829 |
| 15. Matilda Augusta | b. 28 Feb 1832 | Eliza Ann died 16 Nov 1820. | |

Nancy Ann died 20 Oct 1825. I further depose and say that Lucy, Katharine and Charles are children I had by my first wife. and Catharine Lehr widow of Peter is between 80 and 90. [**HENRY KENNEDY**] I am well acquainted with Martin Lehr, abt age 60 years, known as my neighbor and reputed son and oldest of Peter Lehr and Catharine. 11 Jun 1839. Waldoboro, 18 Jul 1839. I Henry Kennedy clerk of W. carefully examined records from 1773 to 1800 and cannot find any such marriage. Also births and deaths and found nothing to confirm them as husband and wife. Records were kept in imperfect manner that no dependance could be put upon it. I find that from 18 Dec 1777 until 7 May 1787 a period of about 10 years there is not a marriage on record - The marriages before and after this appear to have been kept regular - I account for this ommission as follows: In the latter part of the old book of records where the marriages were kept for over 20 years, there has been 8 leaves torn out - a strip at the bottom of the leaves are left from 1/4 to 1/2 inch wide, which shows that the leaves were torn out in an irregular manner, which cannot be accounted for. Marriages were destroyed with those leaves. [Deeds 70:58] **PETER LEHR** of W., yeoman, for \$200 sold to John Head & Joshua Head of W., a certain tract of land in W., bounded on the S by Charles Broatman, E by Madomack Pond, N by Philip Mink, W by George Miller - 140 acres - and is the same land on which sd Peter Lehr now resides. In wit whereof the sd Peter Lehr and Catharine wife of sd Peter in token of relinquishment of her right of Dower 8 Aug 1807. **WILBERT DAGGETT** of Washington, age 34 - well-acquainted with Peter Lehr late a Rev solder and Pensioner. His death in Washington 3 Nov 1822. Acquainted with Catharine Lehr from my youth. She now lives in Waldoboro. 3 Nov 1838. I, **JOHN BROCK (PROCHT)**, of Waldoboro, aged 80 years, well-acquainted with Catherine Lehr who is now about 80. Her maiden name was Catharine Broadman. I remember her for more than 70 years. In month of Jan or Feb 1779 I was present and witnessed her marriage with Peter Lehr, performed by Rev Mr. Sheffer at his dwelling house in Waldoboro. After his marriage Lehr returned to army and was absent about 1 year, after his return home they were together as man and wife until his death which took place about 18 or 19 years

since. They raised up a large family of children. The sd Rev Mr. Scheffer was a German and kept no record of his marriages that are now to be found. I have lived in Waldoboro since my birth and know that Peter Lehr was a pensioner and is now dead and that aforesaid Catharine Lehr is now living and the widow of sd Peter Lehr and has never intermarried with another person. I, **MARGARET ACHORN**, of Waldoboro, aged 78 years, am well-acquainted with Catharine Lehr, who is now about 85 years of age. Her maiden name was Catharine Broadman. I remember her from my childhood up to this time. In Jan or Feb 1779 I was present and witnessed her marriage with Peter Lehr, performed by Rev Mr. Schaeffer. Same as above.

MILLER, Frank²⁰ of Mass. Lincoln County. Pvt in Capt Parker's Co, Col McCobb's Reg't, Mass Line for 6 months 4 days. \$20 per annum - 4 Mar 1831. Declaration Act of 7 June 1832 - age 67 - In May 1780 inlisted - 1781 - on board the state sloop, Capt Curtis in state sev. no battles mentioned. resided Waldoboro. In town 7 Sep 1832. I, **JACOB BORNHEIMER**, of Waldoboro, Frank Miller enlisted with me in month of Apr or May 1780 in Capt Jordan Parker's Co and Col. McCobb's Reg't stationed at Coxes Head and served 6 months. He helped build the fort at Coxes Head and also the Barrack for the troops. Jan 1781 Frank Miller served with me 2 months on board the states Sloop at the mouth of Kennebec river, Caapat Curtis was captain of sd sloop and received a written discharge. Jacob Bornheimer. 7 Sep 1832 **FRANK MILLER** of Waldoboro, age 67, b in Waldoboro 1764, a record of his age in his family Bible, lived in Waldoboro at the time of enlistment, resided in Waldoboro ever since, and resides there still. Apr or May 1780 he enlisted under Lt Ulmer in Capt Jordan Parker's Co, Col Samuel McCobb's Reg't, Mass State Troops. 6 months - stationed at Coxes Head near mouth of Kennebec river, helped build sd fort and also several barracks for troops. Sometime in Aug or Jul a British armed Brig chasen two vessels into the river, not a great way from the fort, sd brig drove them up high and dry on the beach and sd Fort fired on sd brig and compelled her to quit the river.

MINK, John²¹ C. Pvt in Capt Baker, Col. McCobb's Maine Militia. Entered 1776 Discharged 1781 - Rev. War. Pvt in Capt Parker, Col Hunt's Mass Line - 14 months \$44 per month - 4 Mar 1831. 9 May 1855 - John C. Mink aged 96 years of Waldoboro, pvt in Capt Baker Reg't of Infantry Col McCobb enlisted or volunteered at Coxes Head on Kennebec River abt 1776 for 3 years - discharged 1781 & in Capt Hunt's co at Broad Bay and Lt. Geo Ulmer. I, **JOHN C. MINK** b in W. 1763, a record in family Bible in my possession, lived in W. at time of enlistment, resided in W. since. 1st of May 1780 Pvt in Mass State troops in Capt Jordan Parker's co & Col Samuel McCobb at fort at Coxes Head at mouth of Kennebec river until last of Dec following - 8 months of service. He helped build sd Fort and barracks - on the Brig (as related by others) 1 May 1781 enlisted in Capt Reeds Co, Col Hunter Regt served until 1 Jul -2 months. From Coxes Head marched to Muscongus River "Dutch Neck" abt 3 miles from W. served 1 st of Nov - 6 months. 14 months in service. From "Dutch Neck" marched to St. Georges River to protect town of Thomaston from being invaded by the British tories - at Thomaston Mr. Talman's house was burned by British tories and was there whne a tory by the name of Beam was taken as a spy and condemned to be hung and was within 60 yds of sd Bram when he was hung. Andrew Genthner, Frank Miller & Jacob

²⁰. IBID: FHL# 971724. S 31863. of Mass.

²¹. IBID: FHL# 971739. 171487. S. 31254. B.L.W. 30.908-160-55.

Bornheimer were with him. I, **FRANK MILLER**, of W., aged 67 - that John C. Mink, of So. Waldoboro, served at Coxes Head and while I as on the Schooner *Enterprise*, he was at Coxes Head. & helped build the fort and barracks - 7 Sep 1832. I, **JACOB H. BURNHEIMER**, of W., say John C. Mink served with me in Capt Jordan Parkers Co, Col McCobbs reg't at Coxes Head and served at "Dutch Neck" in Capt Reeds Co, Col Hunters reg't May and Jun 1781. I was not in the service then but the co was stationed near my father's house and used to see him every day. Jacob Bornheimer.

MINK, Paul²², of W., pvt Capt Ulmer Co & Col McCobb's Reg't 7 months 25 days - died 7 Jul 1839 - Paul Mink of W., 7 Sep 1832, aged 79 years, born in W. 1753, lived in W. at time he was drafted & where he has lived ever since and still continues to reside. 1 May 1779, drafted out of Capt Schneder's Co into Capt Philip Ulmer's and marched by Ulmer to Damariscotta on to towns end now called Boothbay - stayed a fortnight or 3 weeks - they went on board the transport to Baggaduce - that sometime in June 1779 we arrived at Baggaduce or Penobscot where we were landed in the boats and took our small arms with us. Whe we were being landed, the British retired into their fort. After we landed the canon from the shipping (Warren or Hunter) or both - and further avers he served sometime in the month of Jan or Feb and Mar 1781 on board state Sloop, Capt Curtis for two months. He further avers that Jacob Bornheimer & John Creamer were with him at Coxes Head and who certify to his having served. Jacob Burnheimer also on board State sloop - He is know to Jacob Bornheimer, Gen Denny McCobb, Isaac Groton, Esqr and most other persons in Waldoboro. 7 Sep 1832 - Denny McCobb & Isaa Groton b/o W., aged 67 - concur in above. 17 Jun 1833 - name of Frank Miller appears in payroll of Capt Jordan Parkers - Enlisted 26 May 1781, discharged 1 Dec 1781 - 6 months and 4 days. Pd $\$$ 3 per month. We dug several trenches and threw up breastworks to protect us from the fire of the enemy. He well remembers, while digging the trenches, one **CHRISTOPHER NEWBIRI** who was with us, he was just raising himself up with a shovel full of dirt, when a 6# shot from the fort of the enemies, struck one of his arms, he thinks it was his left arm just above the elbow and shattered it so much that nothing but the skin held it on, he was within at least four feet of him when the shot struck him and recollects of hearing him say as he fell "I am dead." I think one of the marines cut the skin which held his arm and buried it and then bound up his arm and we carried him to the river, from thence he was taken to the hospital on Fort Point, so-called - he also says he recollects of **SAMUEL BOGGS** being shot by either the British or Americans. He can't tell which - Boggs and some tohers were out shooting cattle - he thinks however that he was killed by the British - This was the 2nd or 3rd day after we landed at Baggaduce - some weeks after this (He don't recollect precisely how many) a British fleet came from Halifax and drove our vessels up the river as far as Sanders Point, so called, where the Transport we went from Boothbay on, was burnt by us to prevent the enemy from getting hold of us - He also says that the ship Warren was burnt about the same time - He also further says that the hospital on Fort Point was burnt by us after first taking out the wounded and sick - He further says he thinks the retreat up the river was sometime in August. That after the transport was burnt, he slept in the woods all night and the next day he marched thro the woods to Camden where we remained on duty about two months and got home sometime in the middle of Nov 1779 and making the service on that expedition as much

²². **IBID.** FHL# 971,739. S. 18126. 18995.

as 6 1/2 months - and he further avers while at Baggaduce he recollects of shooting a cow and taking 11 oxen, 4 cows from the British - He further says he enlisted sometime in Oct 1780 under Capt Jacob Ludwig, Jacob Bornheimer, Lt and Winchenbach as sgt, stationed at a place called Jones Neck, 6 miles from Waldoboro on the Muscongus river where he served two months. That Jacob's company was stationed there for the purpose of guarding the coast - He does not recollect whether he received any written discharge - Martin Benner, Charles Overlock, Francis Keizer can certify. Gen Lovell was c/o at Baggaduce and Commander Salston c/o the fleet - Denny McCobb, Isaac Groton. I, **MARTIN BENNER**, of W., age 72, says Paul Mink was drafted into Capt Philip Ulmer Co, Gen Lovell c/o and commander Saltonstall commander of the fleet - I was in the sd Philip Ulmer's co with him. Verbal discharge. Martin Benner. I, **GEORGE HOCH** of W., say that Paul Mink served with me 6 1/2 months at Baggaduce - that he was drafted out of Capt Schenck's co into Philip Ulmer's co, Col McCobb regt. from Waldoboro to Townsend and then in a transport to Baggaduce - He returned thro the woods, to Camden and served out the balance of his term making the service at Baggaduce and Camden 6 1/2 months. Was with sd Mink at Baggaduce when he killed a number of cattle which belonged to the British. Geo. X Hoch. I, **CHARLES OVERLOCK**, of W., age 72 years say that Paul Mink a Rev Sol from W., served with me in Capt Jacob Ludwig's co of Militia from about the 1 Oct 1780 until about the 1 of Dec following - making 2 months - at "Jones Neck" on Miscongus river, abt 4 miles from W. One Jacob Bornheimer was our Lt and one Winchenbach our sgt. They are both of them now dead. Sd co was stationed there for guarding the coast in case of attack from British Tories.

MINK, Valentine²³, of W, abt Middle of Dec 1775 I enlisted to serve on a privateer in army of American Revolutionary War in Mass Line and Continental Establishment. to serve against the Common enemy for 1 year and then more, under Capt Fuller in Col. Bond's Reg't - transferred to Capt Smith's Co. in sd Bond's Reg't and after the death of Col. Bond, Lt. Col. Alden was promoted to the command, discharged at Peeks Kiln on North River. 10 Apr 1818. - 4 Apr 1821 - Valentine Mink aged 66 of W., pvt in Capt Sutter Reg't of Col Hatch, Mass Con't. Estb'. Real Estate None, Personal Estate 1 cow, 6 sheep, 1 swine, house hold furniture. Valentine X Mink. 10 May 1818 Mary Mink age 56, sickly Philip 22, John 13, Godfrey 9, Susan 16, Margaret 14. - Dec 1775 in Col Bond's Reg't, Mass. Line, Cold Alden 1777. - I **CONRAD HYER** of W, late of the Army of American Rev War, a pvt in Capt Smith's Co and Col Bond's Reg't, am well-acquainted with Valentine Mink of W. - I **JOHN VANNER** of W, late of Army of Rev War - well acquainted with Valentine Mink of W., [same as above].

OTT, Beulah²⁴, widow of **PETER OTT**, pvt in Maine, Plummer's Co 6 mos pv under Ulmer 2 mos 16 days. 3 Jan 1839 - Beulah Ott aged 80 years of Camden, Waldo Co.,, says she is the widow of Peter Ott, a pv't at Castine - John Plummer's Co., Lt. John Ballard, marched from Camden for Machias and served at the Garrison of that pnce til latter part of March following - 4 months - 1 Jun 1789 enlisted as pvt at Camden in Co of Militia, Capt Philip Ulmer & joined the expedition to Baggaduce - 3 mos - garrison at Pine Hill in Camden, 5 mos - 12 mos. Beaula was md to Peter Ott 17 Jan 1788. Peter died 16 Oct 1825. I **ELIZABETH HARKNESS**, age 74, says Peter Ott and Beulah Upham were married in Camden, I was a witness, performed by Mason Wheaton, Esqr. Peter Ott was my brother. I was then 24. I

²³. IBID: S. 37251. 13.606. FHL# 971739.

²⁴. IBID: FHL# 971853. W. 21884 4155.

have preserved a record of the birth of my oldest son John Harkness which was on the 13 Aug 1787 and I distinctly recollect that the marriage took place the succeeding winter - Jan, I think. Beulah has lived near me ever since and I know her to be the widow of Peter Ott, soldier in War of Revolution.

OVERLOCK, Charles²⁵, a pv't in Capt. Jordan, Col McCobb's Reg't. 10.15. 6 Nov 1832 - age 72 - born in W., in 1760 - has a record of his age. Inlisted at W, resided W ever since Rev War. abt 1 May 1779 Capt Philip Ulmer's Co, 2 or 3 weeks after marched by Capt Ulmer to Damariscotta, on to Town's End - now called Boothbay - 2 or 3 weeks - helped build fort at Coxes Head and erected the barracks - British armed vessel chased 2 vessels into the Kennebec River and compelled them to run the vessels up high and dry on the beach - the British also fired upon the fort & Barracks - served at Fort on Coxes head until sometime in Sept following when he returned home - further avers that after returning home he enlisted under Capt Jacob Ludwig, Oct same year - called to Jones Neck - to guard the country - 6 1/2 mos. - at Baggaduce - 4 mos at Coxes Head & 2 mos at Jones Neck - whoe served about 12 1/2 months. **PAUL MINK** was in service with him, to Baggaduce & Jones Neck and **JOHN C. MINK** was with him at Coxes Head and I **CONRAD HYER** of W., aged abt 85, acquainted with Charles Overlock, [same as above]. I **JOHN CREAMER** of W., abt 65 years says Charles Overlock was a Rev Soldier in Capt Jordan Parker's Co and Col McCobb's Regt' Served with him at Coxes Head and Jones Neck. MR. **JOHN STARMAN**, a clergyman of W., and **CHARLES MILLER** of W., say "We are well-acquainted with Charles Overlock, abt 72" I **PAUL C. MINK** of W., age 79 says Charles Overlock was a Rev War soldier of W., enlisted into Capt Philip Ulmer's Co., Col McCobb's Reg't on exped. to Baggaduce now Castine. I **JOHN C. MINK** age 70, was with him at Coxes Head, etc. [same as above].

SNOWDEAL, John²⁶ and Elizabeth Dal. [Only title page here] See John Dal.

ULMER, George²⁷, of Camden, pvt Col Vose Reg't - 3 years, 6 Jun 1820 Geo Ulmer age 60 a resident of Montville, pvt in Capt Hunt Col Joseph Vose Reg't Line of Mass Cont. Estab. 3 Apr 1818 - Schedule of Real and Personal Estate: 1 hog, furniture, grindstone \$2.50, 1 dining table, 4 chairs, I hold a note on Isaac Ulmer \$25. 1 pot, 1 tea kettle, a demand against Martin Ulmer \$15 other articles for cooking \$15 - I am indebted to Capt Wm Norwood and others upwards of \$200. George Ulmer, laborer - living with me: Mary 63 years, my wife very feeble and lost the use of her right hand. 3 Apr 1818. George Ulmer of Camden age 57 years resident of Camden enlisted in army of U.S. at W., 17 May 1777 in Co of Capt Charles Huntt in 1st reg't of Col. Joseph Vose, Brig Gen Glover's Brigade - served to 7 May 1780, discharged near West Point, NY, skirmishes at White Plains and at Flour town (so called) Rhode Island.

ULMER, Philip²⁸, In 1775 he engaged with all the ardor of youth in the Military Service of his country - 21 Oct 1814 - First as a Sgt in a Co. of Infantry in the

²⁵. IBID: FHL# 971854. S. 1699.

²⁶. IBID: FHL# 972243. W. 22909. no further information.

²⁷. IBID: FHL# 972434. S.35683. Pension 11401.

²⁸. IBID: FHL# 972434. S. 19963.

25th Continental Reg't commanded by Col. William Bond which was one of the 1st that marched into Canada after Gen Montgomery's defeat and in 1776 to an Ensign - and soon after detached to command the schooner *Isabella* at 8 guns in the river St. Laurence and served until our defeat of Canada - returned to states in army and early in 1777 received a first Lt. commission in First Mass Reg't of Col Joseph Vose - In 1778 was discharged from army at own request on account as was well known at the time by his superior officers as well as those of his own grade - his having been superceded by the appointment of another to fill the vacancy of a captain to which he thought he had senior pretensions. In 1779 command a detached co of militia against Majorbibaduce at mouth of Penobscot River - 14 Aug he was wounded in the thigh by a grape shot from the enemies batteries - the immediate effect was a large contusion which in 2 or 3 weeks mostly subsided and indicate no lasting ill consequence but Philip Ulmer has reason to believe tht a pain long and frequent and severely felt and a dibility constantly experienced in that lim owe their origin to the aforesaid wound, corroborated by opinion of sundry respectable gentlemen of the faculty who have been consulted upon the subject. In 1780 he was appointed major to certain companies of detached militia from counties of York, Cumberland and Lincoln. Stationed at Camden for the defence of that extreme frontier against the excursions of the enemy at Penobscot - When the bearers of peace and Independence dawned upon our country he was then in the prime and vigor of life, which for a season maintained an ascendancy over the effects of his wound, turned his attentions to civil avocations and was thereby enable to rear and support a numerous family in a decent, het humble grade of life and while he enjoyed this felicity he felt a reluctance to making any applications to government for assistance. He hopes were revived in 1809 as he as appointed sailing master in Navy of U.S. Dismissing other pursuits he was at considerable trouble and expence, but by a circular order by the Navy Department, he was deranged at the expiration of 3 months from the date of his appointment. He now finds himself without resources or employment in the vale of life and sinking under the Decays of Nature accelerated by his past service and suffering in the cause of his Country. He is poor or otherwise he would still be silent. Without any certain income or practible means to supply the wants of a family which although lessened by the settlement of some of his children, is not small. He appeals to your honors that he may receive a pension or some relief in the eve of life which cannot be long, Lincolnville, 3 Oct 1814. Philip Ulmer. - 22 Jan 1816, I, Philip Ulmer, age 65.

I have purposely not commented on this treasure-trove of Revolutionary and Family History data because I want the descendants of these here-in-mentioned German Revolutionary War Veterans to have the joy of searching through these records and coming up with their own tid-bits of information. Like a black walnut, one has to break open the shell, and then with a sharp probe, extract each tasty morsel one by one. Happy hunting.

OLD BROAD BAY FAMILY HISTORY ASSOCIATION

For some time now, the Old Broad Bay Family History Association has been on my mind. I have thought of its inception and the hard work that several individuals did to bring the idea to its fruition. Richard Castner and Richard Warner and, and I hesitate to name names as there are so many and I'm afraid I will leave some out. But I have been thinking of you all. This was over five years ago. I'm amazed and gratified that it is still around and growing stronger.

Also, I was thinking of the uniqueness of this organization. I don't know of a Family History Association devoted to the ancestors and descendants of about 160 families! Of course, there are associations dedicated to one family name or to an immigrant ancestor, including some in the Broad Bay area, which have met for years and years. One could mention here the Hoffses Family Reunion which has been held for over 100 years in and around the Waldoboro area. But I'm not aware of a family association that has the background that this association has.

There are some community and historical associations, dedicated to a community or an historical event, such as Gettysburg, Concord, Bunker Hill, Shiloh, etc. But this organization, purporting to gather under its wings, such a diverse community of names, but all having their genesis in the Palatinate of Imperial Germany.

For some time now, I have been struggling with our Whitaker Family Association and wondering if we should continue as an Ancestor Organization or to break up into smaller, family units. In the same way, I have been thinking about our Old Broad Bay Family History Association.

Then, I went back into the Constitution of the Whitaker Family Association and re-discovered that we already had our "Mission Statement". All we have to do is to re-vitalize and make work what is already in place.

It shall be the objective of this organization to maintain family unity and fellowship, to emulate and honor the spirit of family forebears by collecting, preserving, and unifying all historical and biographical records

With that in mind, I then went to the proposed "Constitution and Bylaws" of the Old Broad Bay Family History Association:

Objectives: to acquire, preserve, restore, maintain and support land, cemeteries, etc. of historic interest or related to the German families and their neighbors . . . to encourage genealogical and historical research relating to the early settlers . . . and disseminate and publish such data . . . to bring descendants of the German settlers and the families with whom they intermarried together via reunions, seminars, workshops, and such gatherings in order to enhance relationships and preserve and promote their German-Yankee heritage . . . educate the descendants concerning their heritage and encourage them to foster an appreciation thereof . . . to support whatever efforts may be identified in the future which may further the aforementioned purposes of the OBBFHA, and cooperate with other organizations, including (but not limited to) Waldoboro Historical Society, Waldoboro Public Library, German Protestant Society.

Again I realized that the "Mission Statement" is in place. We just need to put it to work. Then I began to think of each of you, as a member of the Old Broad Bay Family History Association. For the most part, you have sent to me the results of your research, you have shared your ideas and hopes and aspirations with me. You have parted with your hard-earned money to subscribe and help me in my tasks. You have supported me, with your records, with your financial help

and with the spirit of the work in which we are engaged. For this I am truly thankful and I am humbled by the encouragement and devotion that you have given me. Thank you, each and every one.

I am honored and humbled by your support. You represent a great generation in the history of Old Broad Bay. You have the time, the means, and the energy to do a great work in helping to make this work go forward (as visualized in the above objectives.) Nearly every one of you desires to do the right thing. And in most instances you are doing it.

At a time when more and more are slipping away from family values, you are turning back to more traditional and standard family values. You are beginning to recognize the need to have a substantial balancing factor in your lives. And our Family Association can help supply some of these needs. Our sturdy German Protestant ancestors felt the need in their lives to live close to their traditional values and they instilled those time-honored values in their offspring.

I feel a tremendous enthusiasm for this work. I have dedicated the past six years almost exclusively in German-American research, correspondence and the quarterly newsletter, *Bund und Blatt*. Literally hundreds and thousands of hours have been spent in trying to make the records more correct, more complete, more useable, more available to you all. I have not succeeded in this respect as I would have liked to have done. But the picture never looked brighter. The opportunities were never greater. We have more at our fingertips (literally) that we could have dreamed of even six years ago.

Now I have a responsibility in this work. Gary Horlacher has a responsibility in this work, which he is working hard to fulfill. Every member of this Association has a responsibility to do his or her part in advancing the objectives of this association. I have been working hard within the Whitaker Family Association to interest the up and coming generations, ones who will have to carry on this work someday. We are making up coloring books for the very young and making maps of family historical interest. For example, one young man and his family will be canoeing down the Jordan river with their video camera and filming a few places of historical interest to descendants of Captain John Robinson and Abigail Parsons, who lived in that area for a few years. Captain John Robinson is the son of Simeon Robinson and Hannah Hyler and Simeon is the son of Major Haunce Robinson and Priscilla Hyler, our first German descendant.

None has a more compelling responsibility than do the young descendants of our intrepid German pioneers. They have a responsibility to emulate and to carry on the time-proved values of their original German ancestors. They are young. They have energy. They have convictions in their hearts. They just need to be turned on! How can we do that? How can we interest the younger generation and bring them out to the family reunions? How can we get them interested in finding out more.

Our Family History Association can stand as an anchor of stability, an anchor of values, in a world whose values are shifting. We can stand for something. The Old Broad Bay Family History Association needs every one of you. It needs your strength. It needs your energy. It needs your enthusiasm.

Once in a while we run across someone who is critical; who says we shouldn't be doing this or that, that we ought to forget about what we are trying to do and that we should let others, . . . etc. etc. Now, I am always open to constructive criticism, to suggestions to move the work along, but I have little patience for those would tear the work apart and throw out the baby with the bath water.

I remind you that this work has not been moved forward by critics. It has been moved forward by men and women of faith, who have done their part, large or

small, in expanding it. Let me suggest that we continue to move forward, in a positive way, as a fitting tribute to those crusty individuals who subdued the wilderness, put down the Indian attacks, and somehow wrested a living from the stoney, unyielding soil and the dangerous sea.

It's important to remember that your ancestors are not just names, but people. There is a bonding that goes on as you research your ancestors. You feel like you know them and love them even if you didn't really know them in life. I am not even related to most of the Germans with whom I am working, but each one holds a special place in my heart and it thrills me when I discover a new name to add to the family tree. Yes, I have grown to love these old German ancestors of ours. Many of you know of what I write, that there is a special closeness that comes when you are working with your ancestors.

May I suggest that you, too, revitalize, reorganize, revamp your Family History research and work. As you get family members organized and begin to work with them in the research and gathering stages, you will find great joy in the work.

Let's not forget technology at this stage of the game. There are many wonderful things that we can do right now to become involved in the latest technology. I am in the process of getting a page on the WWW internet. E-mail is becoming more readily available. On-line Genealogical services are becoming more and more available. Even some German research can be done on-line. Tape recordings and video tape recordings can preserve the older generation in pictures and sounds.

A good family project would be to visit with older members of the family and ask them family history related questions and record for posterity on tape or video. We have a few choice video tapes of my father abt 85 years of age, singing some of the old songs only he remembered. It's never too late, in fact, remember, many of us are the "older generation", it is now up to us to do and hopefully, as we do it, we include our younger generations.

Also I'm in the middle of making up two or three hour "tours" of our ancestral homes, lands, barns, fields, etc. where our children and grandchildren could take short, self-guided tours of where our ancestors lived, worked, died and were buried, along with pictures, stories, anecdotes, etc.

I would like to do this in the Broad Bay area, including the St. Georges and Medomak Rivers. Isn't there anyone out there to whom one or some of these suggestions sound interesting? Let me know.

1996 Reunion

I won't be able to make it to the 1996 Reunion

I haven't heard from any officers

So I don't know of any plans

Being made at this time.

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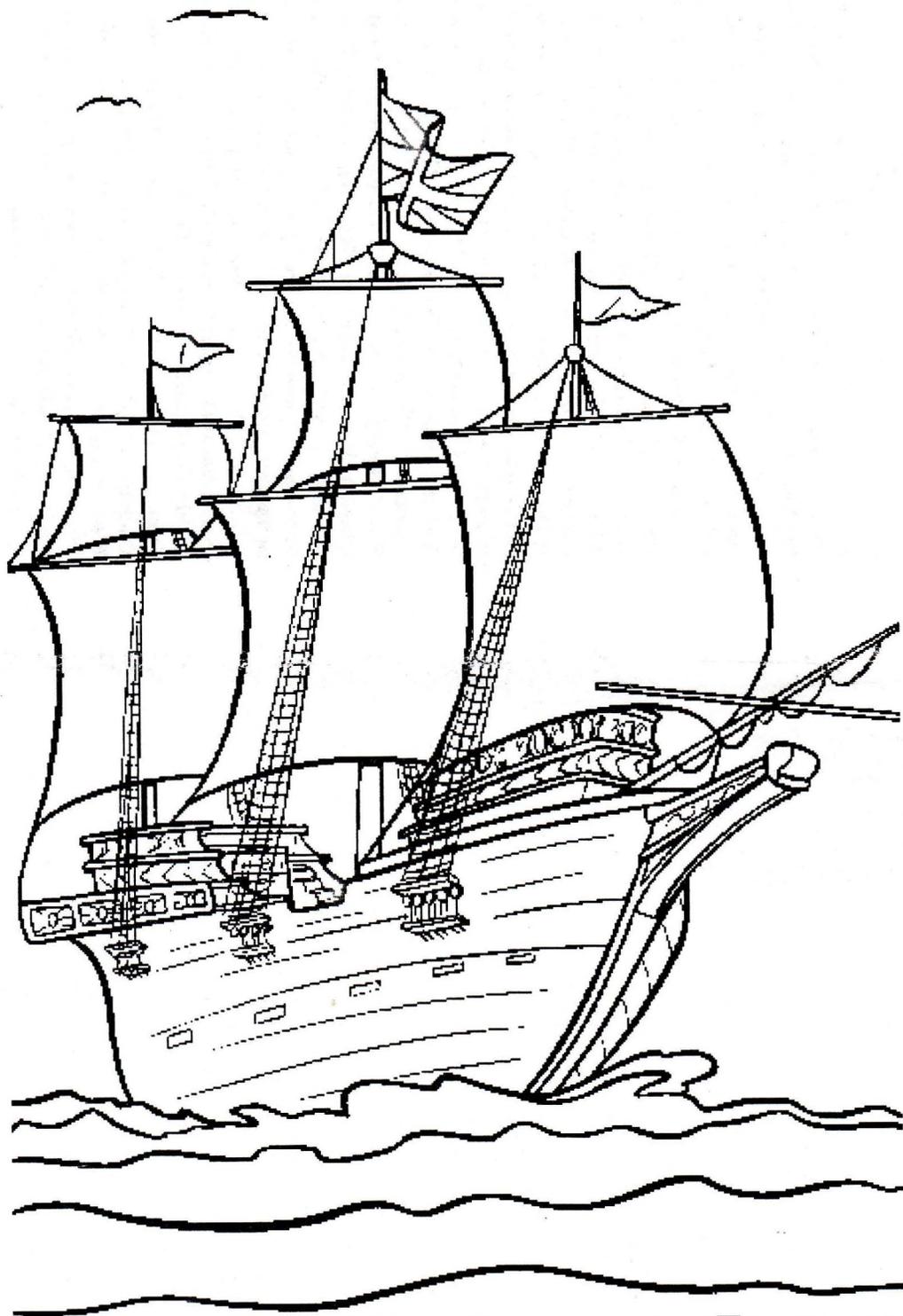
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And move us along!

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Antoni* (Anton), Bausser*, Becker, Beckler*, Beisch, Beller, Benner*, BirkenbaueI*, Bornemann, Bornheimer*, Brodtmann* (Broadman), Burkhardt* (Burkett), Christ, Daurenheim*, Demuth*, Dickendorff, Dies/Theis* (Dice), Derhinger, Dochtermann* (Tochtermann), Doerfler* (Doerflinger), Eichorn* (Achor), Eisele, Elflein*, Engel*, Engelbert, Feiler* (Feyler), Feilhauer*, Flenderick*, Genthner*, Georg* (George), Getsinger, Grimmer, Grob, Gross*, Hahn*, Heidenheim* (Huettenheim), Heiler** (Hyler), Heun* (Hein), Heisler*, Heyer, Hild* (Hilt), Hoch*, Hoffses*, Holzapfel, Huebner* (Heavener), Iselen, Janson, Jung* (Young), Kammerer* (Comery), Kastner* (Castner), Keizer, Kintzel* (Kinsel), Claus*, Klein* (Cline), Koehler* (Kaler), Korr/Korrss, Kraemer* (Creamer, Crammer), Krebs (Crapes), Kroehn*, Kuebler*, Kueblinger* (Kiblinger), Kuhn (Coon, Cone), Kumaler (Comler), Lagenauer*, Lang* (Long), Lauer* (Lowry; Lowery), Leben Zelner* (Levensaler), Leight* (Light), Leissner*, Loesch* (Lash), Low, Ludwig*, Martin*, May*, Mellen*, Mueller* (Miller), Mink* (Mank), Moser, Neubert* (Newbert), Neuhaus* (Newhouse), Orff*, Oberlach* (Overlock), Pracht* (Prock), Rapp, Reich* (Rich), Ried* (Reed, Reid), Rehfuss (Refuse), Reisser (Razor), Riegner, Roemele (Remily), Rodner, Rominger*, Roth* (Rode, Rhodes), Rost**, Schaeffer/Schoefner (Shephard), Schencks* (Shanks), Schmaus* (Smouse), Schmidt* (Smith), Schnaudiel* (Snowdeal), Schneider* (Snider, Snyder), Schotts (Shoats), Schumacher*, Schuhmann* (Shuman), Schwartz (Black), Siegrist* (Sechrist), Seitensberger* (Sidensparker), Seiter* (Seiders), Seitlinger* (Sidelinger), Seitz* (Sides), Stahl* (Stall, Stoll), Storer*, Treible* (Treupel, Dribble), Ukele* (Ukley, Eugley), Uhlman**, ULMER*, Unbehend (Umberhine), Vogler** (Fogler), Wagner*, Walch* (Walck), Wallis (Wallace), Walter, Waltz*/Woltz, Weber* (Weaver), Wier/Weier, Welt, Wiest*, Weyel* (Weyl), Weller* (Willard), Werner* (Warner, Vannah), Winchenbach* (Wincapaw, Wink), Wolfahrt*, Wolfsgruber* (Wolsgrover), Wunderer*, Ziegler, Zuberbueler*

* - found in Germany ** - found in Switzerland

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