**Newsletter of the Wertman Family Association** 

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## **RSVP** by 1 August:

- 2005 WFA Annual Reunion
- Friday-Sunday, 19-21 August
- Berks County, PA

## From the President

Dear Wertman Descendants.

George Philip Wertman settled by 1749 in Lynn Township, present-day Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. One of his sons, Martin, migrated to Berks County, Pennsylvania, with his family before 1800. So, the Wertman Family Association (WFA) is moving to Berks County. You, your relatives, and friends are most cordially invited to attend the annual WFA reunion 19-21 August 2005.

Details follow, but here is a summary of the events. The researcher's meeting will be held on Friday, 19 August. That evening, there will be a family dinner and speaker. The family picnic and business meeting will be held on Saturday, 20 August. On Sunday, 21 August, we will visit several cemeteries where family members are buried and perhaps travel to the locations of former Wertman homes.

## What's inside:

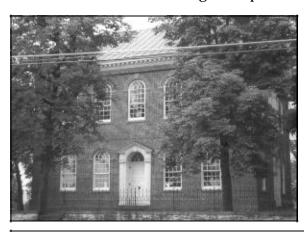
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Please join me in expressing appreciation to Shirley and Richard Daniels for making the arrangements for this year's reunion.

Complete details can be found on the Wertman Family Association Website at <a href="http://freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.com/~wertman">http://freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.com/~wertman</a>. If you have not already done so, please mail your registration to Shirley Daniels, 5487 Sleeping Dog Lane, Columbia, MD 21045. **Registration forms and payment must be received by 1 August.** You may phone Shirley at 410-730-9259, or e-mail rdaniels2@compuserve.com if you have any questions. Hoping to meet you in August, I am,

Yours truly,

Russell C. Dannecker, President Wertman Family Association 6th Great Grandson of George Philip Wertman



Three generations of Wertmans are buried in the graveyard behind old Salem Belleman's Church (above), including Johann Martin (1750-1823). Martin left Lehigh County and is on the 1798 Direct Tax rolls with two of his sons, Daniel and Samuel, in Bern Township, Berks County, PA. At the 2005 WFA Reunion, branches of the family can reconnect!

# Fraktur Can Contain Valuable Data

by Russell C. Dannecker

Last October, I visited Kutztown University in search of someone to translate my Civil War soldier's letters. In their library I found a book entitled *German-American Family Records in the Fraktur Tradition, Volume II: The Franklin and Marshall College Collection,* edited and translated by Corinne Pattie Earnest and Beverly Repass Hock, 1993. The book listed a Wertmann/Brobst fraktur.

George Philip WERTMAN V is my third great grand uncle. A photograph of George Philip Wert-

man V's house, with his name in stone on the front, appeared in the November 2001 *Wertman Lines* newsletter. In April, my wife, Jan, and I went to the college and here is what we found.

### **Actual Text**

WERTMAN // BROBST — To this legally married couple known as George Philipp Wertmann and his lawful wife Magadalena, born Brobst, was born to the world a son the 9th day of August in the year of our Lord 1809. This son was born in Lynn Township in Lehigh County in the state of Pennsylvania in North America, and received through the holy baptism the name Georg Philipp the —- day — in the year — by Reverend —-. The sponsors were Henry Billman.

### **Description**

Birth and baptismal certificate, hand colored angel type print, printed by Carl Kessler, Reading PA, 14" x 17", vertical, written in German fraktur lettering. Added note reads, "The first baptism certificate was destroyed by fire. On that account this could not be completely filled out."

#### Location

Frakturschriften (1762-1878) of the German American Imprint Collection, Franklin and Marshall College, Shadek-Frackenthal Library, Archives & Special Collections, College Avenue, Lancaster, PA.

Shirley Daniels owns the beautifully lettered, German script document on the left. It is a birth and baptismal certificate for her great-grandfather, John Wertman, son of John Wertman and his wife, Mary (Forry), born 21 November 1850 in Tulpehocken Township, Berks County, PA. He was baptized 12 January 1851 by Rev. Leinbach. Sponsors were John Anspach and his wife, Elizabeth (Mary's sister). This 16"x20" vertical fractur from the John Ritter Company in Reading, PA, is adorned with angels, birds, and poetry about life and death.



# **2005 Wertman Family Reunion**

The Reunion Committee is pleased to announce the events and schedule for the 2005 Reunion. We hope that you can join us Friday-Sunday, 19-21 August, in Berks County, Pennsylvania.

### Friday, 19 August, 9 a.m.-4 p.m.

Reunion registration and Researchers Meeting at Trainer's Midway Diner, Interstate 78 exit 16. The meeting will be geared toward the challenges faced by family researchers and is open to everyone. Please come! We will break for pre-ordered lunch, Noon-1 p.m. (See *Meals*, page 4.)

Presentation suggestions are needed. Have you discovered information or devised a technique that might interest other researchers? Is there someone or something you'd like to learn about? If you could make a presentation or have any topic ideas, please e-mail Historical Acceptance Committee Chair Tom Young at teyoung@copper.net, telephone him at 570-275-3626, or write to him at PO Box 282, Riverside, PA 17868.

### Friday, 19 August, 5:30-9:30 p.m.

Family social, dinner and speaker (see *Meals*, page 4) at the historic Haag's Hotel, Shartlesville, Interstate 78 exit 23. Reservations and advance payment are necessary. Everyone is encouraged to attend! Reunion registration continues before the family-style dinner at 6 p.m.

Whether or not you attend the dinner, you are welcome to learn about the interesting encounters of German translator Randall Wert at 8 p.m. Randy was born in 1960, and lived most of his life in Lenhartsville, Berks County, PA. He earned a B.A. in Social Welfare and M.A. in Counseling Psychology. He is married to June (Black) and they have two children, Kirsten (20) and Stefan (17). He has been a free-lance translator for 13 years. He has taught German at Kutztown Area High School in Berks County since 2001 and is working toward M.Ed. and full Pennsylvania state teaching certification at Lehigh University. In his spare time, he enjoys coaching, running, hiking, and hunting.

### Saturday, 20 August, 11 a.m.-4 p.m.

Family Picnic at Salem Belleman's Church, 3540 Belleman's Church Road, Mohrsville. This is the church that Martin Wertman and his family attended. (See photo, page 1.) In the church graveyard, three generations of Wertmans are buried:

Martin and Margaretha (Reichelderfer) Wertman; Martin's son Simon, and his wives, Susanna (Bucks) and Elizabeth (Schock); Simon's son, Samuel, and his wife, Hanna (Strauss); Martin's sons, Daniel and John, John's wife, Susanna (Meyer), John's son, William, and his wife, Elizabeth (Koch).

Reunion registration continues at the picnic. There is a pavilion with tables and benches. You may bring your own chair for more comfortable seating. Rest rooms are in the church on the lower level. In case of rain, the event will be held in the church hall on the lower level. Advance reservations and payment are needed for the catered picnic. (See *Meals*, page 4.)

The WFA annual Business Meeting will follow lunch. We will hear committee reports, elect officers, and select a location for next year's reunion.

**Nominees are needed** for the following offices: President, Vice President, Webmaster, Corresponding/Recording Secretary, Genealogical/Historical Secretary, and Treasurer, for two-year terms, and two Directors at Large for four-year terms. The nominating committee will obtain the consent of each nominee before preparing the ballot. Any WFA member in good standing may submit one nomination for each position to Ken Cool, Chair of the Nominating Committee. E-mail <code>kdcool@ctlnet.com</code>, telephone 260-925-0251, or write to 107 S. Baxter, Auburn, IN 46706. The deadline for receiving nominations is 25 July.

### Sunday, 21 August, 10 a.m.

We will meet at the Comfort Inn Bethel/Midway to caravan to church cemeteries where members of the family are buried, such as those at Host, Christ Little Tulpehocken, Zion Blue Mountain, Altalaha, and other locations, if time allows. Former Wertman farms are also in the area.

# Lodging

The Reunion Committee has reserved a block of rooms at the Comfort Inn Bethel/Midway, Interstate 78 exit 16. Our group rate is \$76.28 per night for one or two adults, including 6% tax, for Thursday, 18 August, through Sunday, 21 August.

To make your reservations, call 717-933-8888. Ask for Audrey Brown, the Manager (usually there 9 a.m.-3 p.m.), and tell her that you are with the Wertman Family Reunion 2005. Please make your reservation as early as possible. The block of smoke-free king and queen rooms will be held only until 1 August at the group rate.

The AAA, three-star motel features 72 rooms, free parking, a heated indoor pool, and a fitness room. Local telephone calls are free. The Comfort Inn Bethel/Midway offers a free breakfast bar for guests.

Other motels and campgrounds are nearby. There are airports in Reading, Harrisburg, and Allentown, within an hour's drive.

### Meals

The Reunion Committee has made arrangements for the following meals. Other meals are on your own. The Comfort Inn Bethel/Midway offers a free breakfast bar for guests. Reservations and payment for Friday dinner and Saturday lunch are needed by 1 August. (See **Registration**, page 9.)

### Friday Lunch, 19 August, Noon-1 p.m.

Those who attend the Researchers Meeting at Trainer's Midway Diner may order any item from the diner's regular lunch menu before the meeting. Lunch will be served in the meeting room at our noon break. Each person will pay for his/her own meal, gratuity and tip.

### Friday Dinner, 19 August, 5:30-9:30 p.m.

Our group will gather at 5:30 p.m. for socializing and dinner at the historic Haag's Hotel in Shartlesville, Interstate 78 exit 23. The all-you-can-eat, family style dinner begins at 6 p.m., and includes ham, chicken, and 15 Pennsylvania Dutch

accompaniments including dessert, milk, coffee or tea. Other beverages may be purchased. The cost is \$15 per adult and \$10 for children age 12-under. We need your reservations and payment by 1 August.

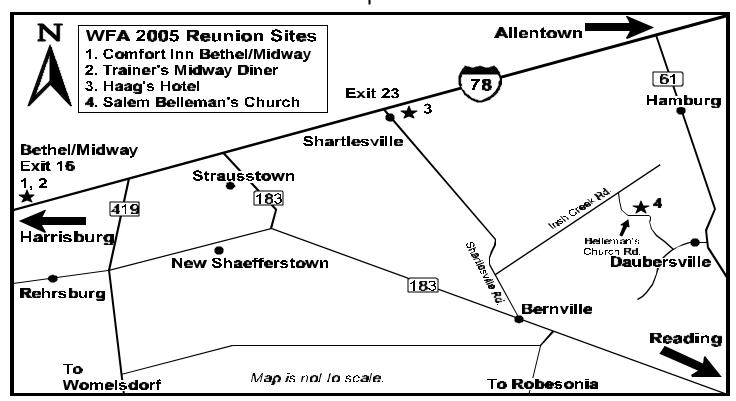
### Saturday Lunch, 20 August, Noon

The entire family can enjoy a picnic lunch at Salem Belleman's Church grove, 3540 Belleman's Church Road, Mohrsville. (See map, below.) From Interstate 78 exit 23, go south on Shartlesville Road. Turn left onto Irish Creek Road. Turn right onto Belleman's Church Road. The church will be on your left.

Kathryn's Katering will provide sliced beef, turkey and ham, potato salad, macaroni salad, baked beans, ring bologna and cheese, sliced American and Swiss cheese, red beet eggs, vegetables and dip, pickles and olives, sliced bread, chips and pretzels. The WFA will provide beverages and dessert. The cost is \$7 per adult and \$3.50 per child (age 3-10). We need your reservation and payment by 1 August.

# For More 2005 Wertman Family Reunion Information:

Contact the 2005 Wertman Family Reunion Committee c/o Shirley Daniels, 5487 Sleeping Dog Lane, Columbia, MD 21045; 410-730-9259 or rdaniels2 @compuserve.com.



# What Else Is Interesting in Berks County?

There are plenty of things for people of all ages and interests to do in Berks County during your free time! There will be more information at the reunion, but here are a few ideas:

- Do some research at the Berks County Genealogical Society, Historical Society of Berks County, Kutztown Area Historical Society, or Tulpehocken Settlement Historical Society
- Enjoy the view from Mt. Penn's Pagoda
- Explore parks
- Hunt for antiques
- Look for covered bridges
- Play golf or mini-golf
- Relax at a spa
- Shop (Reading is famous for its outlets!)
- Stock up on outdoor gear at Cabela's
- Taste wine, beer, or pretzels
- Tour rural roads
- Visit the Air Museum, African-American Museum, Conrad Weiser Homestead, Daniel Boone Homestead, Doll Museum, Firefighters Museum, Gruber Wagon Works, Museum of Historic Vehicles, Railroad Museum, or other historic sites



Renovations to St. James U.C.C. exposed the old log church. Early Wertmans in the Danville area probably supplied some of the logs for this early church building.

## 2004 Minutes

by Lois Wheeler, Secretary

Please review these minutes and bring any corrections to the 2005 Business Meeting.

## Researchers Meeting

Russ Dannecker called the meeting of researchers together at 9:20 a.m. on August 13, 2004, in Danville PA, with a welcome and a thank you to the committee who made the reunion possible.

He announced that Ed Wertman was ill with a blood infection causing a high fever, but he was coming along well. Anita Reid was absent because of the recent death of her mother. Last September, Russ spent a week with Anita, who has a freezer full of genealogical materials, including 60 years of photos and negatives. Anita started with a 4,500-name Wertman database. She now has an 11,000-name database. While looking after a grandchild, Anita has inventoried cemeteries, researched funeral home records, and abstracted countless newspaper articles. The work continues.

A brief history of the early Wertman settlers of the Danville area was given.

The Historical Acceptance Committee reported little progress during the year. Ed Sterrett asked to step down as a committee member although he will remain as an advisor.

There has been no change in our web site, http://freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.com/~werman.
Newsletters and reunion information are added each year. We are getting 1.6 to 1.7 hits per day.

DNA research was discussed. It is still too expensive and too little information is gained. We hope to pursue this matter further in the future.

Tom Young presented extensive information on Wertman land records and estate distributions of the area.

Russ Dannecker followed this with information on the Civil War records of local Wertman men. Russ has printed a booklet summarizing the Civil War records of all Wertmans.

A huge picture of the 1924 reunion was shown. Several people were able to recognize themselves in the picture.

After a break for lunch, Tom Young gave information on the Wertmans that were buried in the cemetery where we were to have our picnic the next day.

Tom also presented some problems encountered with possible variants of the spelling of Wertman, such as Woertman, Werthman, Wortman, and Werkman, that may have connections to our family.

Hal and Brenda Merz presented information on the migration routes of the Wertmans from Pennsylvania to Ohio with some historical background and what is known about Michael and Catherine Wertman of Trumbull Co. OH.

### Dinner at Busters

The group gathered at 6 p.m. at Buster's Bar and Grill in Danville. This was a light-hearted place for our group. The meal was delicious, beautifully served (even to orchids on our plates), and the manager gave us very special attention.

Sis Hause, our speaker for the evening, was outstanding. Her interesting talk made her love of Danville obvious. First she invited us to walk through the town during our stay and described points of interest and beauty. Then, she asked us to imagine what the scene would have looked like to our ancestors when they first arrived there and to visualize the hardships involved in the trip from Northampton. She discussed their method of transportation, what they might have brought with them, what they wore, who they left behind, and how they obtained their land. Descriptions of the Susquehanna and reasons for its importance to the area were given. The presentation ended with details of the local iron industry.

### **Picnic**

The picnic on Saturday, August 14, at St. James United Church of Christ was attended by 44 people. Some of the early Wertmans attended this church. Work was being done on the church and some of the logs in the original building were exposed so that we could see them. Prior to enjoying the picnic fare of chicken, hot dogs and hamburgers, grilled before our eyes, with all of the trimmings, Tom Young led us through the church cemetery. He pointed out the many Wertman family burials and gave some of their history.

The picnic was held in a large pavilion. President Russ Dannecker had prepared a family chart showing descendents of George Philip I. This chart was so long that it completely wrapped around the pavilion. It was great fun as we all tried to locate our branch on the chart.

# **Annual Business Meeting**

President Russell Dannecker opened the business meeting of the Wertman Family Reunion on August 15, 2004, at St. James United Church of Christ in Danville, PA. He extended thanks to the Danville reunion committee, Elva B. Young, Tom Young and Althea Wertman, for the fine job they had done in making the reunion a success.

Mary Alice McLaughlin moved and Richard Daniels seconded to accept the minutes from the 2003 reunion.

Shirley Daniels produces our newsletter and sends printed copies to 57 organizations. Only dues-paying members who request a mailed copy receive a hard copy of the newsletter; others receive it by e-mail.

Shirley Wertman gave the Treasurer's report. We are in good shape financially with roughly \$2,800 in the bank. A move to accept the Treasurer's report was made by Elva Young and seconded by Mary Alice McLaughlin.

The Reunion Committee report was given by Elva Young. Thirty people attended the research meeting on Friday, 37 were at the dinner Friday evening, and 44 attended the picnic. The following states were represented: GA, IN, MD, NJ, OH, PA, RI, VA. It was noted that the meeting room was very nice. Acceptance of the committee report was moved by Ed Sterrett and seconded by Shirley Daniels.

Mary Ellen Wagner has developed an excellent compilation of reunion notes from the past.

The Historical Acceptance Committee reported little activity during the year. Ed Sterrett moved the report be accepted and Richard Daniels seconded the motion.

Ken Cool agreed to be chairman of the Nominating Committee for 2005.

Hal Merz suggested we purchase a hand-held scanner for the organization. Discussion included problems of who would buy it, who would keep it, and that it would be hard to transfer around. It was agreed that no action would be taken at this time, but consideration of such a purchase would be made by the Historical Acceptance Committee.

Ken Cool attended a local flea market in the morning, where he found a deed for sale of land from Simon Wertman to John and Magdalena Wertman in 1837. Russ and Jan Dannecker reimbursed Ken for the purchase and donated the deed to the organization. Russ and Jan also displayed a rug beater from the Danville area, purchased in New England, with the name Wertman on it.

Next year's reunion will be held from August 19 to 21 in Berks Co., PA. This is home ground for Martin's kin. The Reunion Chair will be Shirley Daniels. Acceptance of this item was moved by Elva Young and seconded by Ed Sterrett.

After the business meeting, a very successful auction of items handcrafted by members was held. Donors for the annual auction included: Bernadine Sterner, hand made wreaths; Mary Ellen Wagner, a collection of needlework: and Ruth Ann Feil. a comfort basket. The sale of these items added \$188 to our treasury.

### Attendees. 2004 Reunion

From Tom Young, 2004 Reunion Chair

### Researchers (30)

GA Ed/Nancy Sterrett

IN Ken Cool

MD Shirley/Richard Daniels

MD Ruth Dyche

N.J Bob/Pearl Holston

N.J Heidi Newall

OH Nancy Johnson

OH Hal/Brenda Merz

OH Shirley Null

OH Frank Strickling

OH Rosa Strickling

OH Lois Wheeler

PAPat Cooper

PARuth Ann Feil

PA Kathryn Heilman

PA

Mary Alice McLaughlin

Bernadine Sterner PA PA

Mary Ellen Wagner

PA Shirley/Larry Wertman

PA Tom/Elva/Heather Young

RI Russ/Dot Dannecker

VA Katherine Bucher

### Dinner (37)

GA Ed/Nancy Sterrett

IN Ken/Carol Cool

MD Shirley/Richard Daniels

Ruth/Gary Dyche MD

Bob/Pearl Holston NJ

Nancy/Gerald Johnson OH

OH Hal/Brenda Merz

OH Shirley Null

OH Frank/Judy Strickling





Rosa Strickling (left) was the "most senior lady" at the 2004 Reunion; Herb Dannecker (right) was the "most senior gentleman."

> OH Rosa Strickling

OH Lois Wheeler

PA Herb/Issy Dannecker

PARuth Ann Feil

PA Kathryn Heilman

PA Mary Alice McLaughlin

PA Bernadine Sterner

PA Mary Ellen/Peter Wagner

PA James/Althea Wertman

PA Shirley/Larry Wertman

PA Tom/Elva/Heather Young

RΙ Russ/Jan/Dot Dannecker

#### **Outing (44)**

Ed/Nancy Sterrett GA

Ken/Carol Cool IN

MD Shirley/Richard Daniels

MD Ruth/Gary Dyche

Bob/Pearl Holston NJ

OH Nancy/Gerald Johnson

OH Hal/Brenda Merz

OH Shirley Null

OH Frank/Judy Strickling

OH Rosa Strickling

OH Lois Wheeler

PA Pat Cooper + guest

PA Harry Dannecker + two guests

PA Herb/Issy Dannecker

PA Ruth Ann Feil

PA Mary Alice McLaughlin

PA Dave/Joan Roberts

PA Bernadine Sterner

PA Mary Ellen/Peter Wagner

PA James/Althea Wertman

PA Shirley/Larry Wertman

Tom/Elva/Heather Young PA RI Russ/Jan/Dot Dannecker

VA Katherine Bucher

# Eighty Years Ago: 1925 Family Reunion

WFA President Russell Dannecker has photocopied a Wertman Family Reunion ledger with old records covering 1922-1937. The Sixth Annual Reunion was held 25 July 1925 at Victory Park in Slatington, PA. Secretary Robert A. Wertman kept the following minutes and list of those attending.

[Ledger page 21]

"Sunday, June 7<sup>th</sup>

"Its been moved & seconded that Oscar Wertman has been appointed as a committee of one to hire a band for the reunion limit of money to be paid for same \$75.00.

"Its been moved & seconded that James Smith print 600 post cards as invitations for the Wertman Reunion.

"Its been moved & seconded that James Smith print 300 programmes for Reunion.

"Its been moved & seconded that Mrs. Ella Wertman purchase 400 Blue Badges not including committee Badges."

[Ledger pages 153, 155]

"Victory Park, Slatington Pa/ July 25, 1925

"The 6<sup>th</sup> annual meeting of the Wertman Reunion was called to order by the Pres. George Wertman. After a prayer by the Rev. Snyder and a hymn by the members the regular routine of business was transacted.

"The following officers were nominated: Pres. George Wertman; Vice. Pres. Robert T. Wertman; Sec. Robert A. Wertman; Treas. Henry J. Wertman; Historian Mervin Wertman. There being no opposition for the offices, a motion was made and seconded that the sec. cast a ballot for each and every candidate. The following officers were elected: Pres. George Wertman; Vice. Pres. Robert T. Wertman; Sec. Robert A. Wertman; Treas. Henry J. Wertman; Historian Mervin Wertman.

"The members were entertained by Miss Ruth Eyrich who recited a few snappy recitations. A collection was then taken taught the expenses of the band; am't collected being \$47.31.

"Victory Park was again selected as the meeting place of the next reunion but the time was changed from the last Sat. in July to the second Sat. in August.

"The Rev. Snyder then gave a very pleasing & interesting talk and also presented the following gifts: For the oldest lady present a silver thimble: Mrs. Elias Moser. For the oldest gentleman present a purse: Mr. Philip Wertman. For the youngest child present a silver spoon: Miss Dorothy Eleanor Smith.

"A motion was made and seconded that all outstanding bills be paid. The following were the receipts for the day: Collection \$47.31; Badges \$51.66; Park \$5: Total \$103.97.

"The Pres. George Wertman thanked all those who served on committees for all their favors & good works.

"The meeting was then closed with a singing of a hymn by the members."

[Ledger pages 24, 25, 27, 29]

Mr. David W. Moser, Turbitville, Northumberland Co., Pa

Mr. & Mrs. John J. Geiger, 351 Locust Ave., Danbury, Connecticut

Mr. & Mrs. Harrison E. Geiger, 41 Cottage Ave., Danbury, Connecticut

Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Geiger, Kempton, PA

Mrs. Wagner, 132 N. 12<sup>th</sup>, Allentown

Mr. & Mrs. Robert A. Wertman, Catasauqua

Mr. & Mrs. Clarence Wertman, Catasauqua

Mr. & Mrs. George Wertman, Allentown

Mr. Wm. Reichenbach, 113 Ellsworth St., Allentown

Mr. & Mrs. Wm. Sharbaugh, 223 Peach St., Lehighton

Mr. & Mrs. Edgar Sharbaugh, 330 N. 2<sup>nd</sup>, Lehighton

Mr. LeRoy Wertman, 4<sup>th</sup> St., Slatington

Mr. & Mrs. Charles Sthare, 337 N. 3<sup>rd</sup> St., Lehighton

Mr. & Mrs. Howard Wertman, 504 Gordon St., Allentown

Mr. & Mrs. Oscar Wertman, Slatington

Mr. Norman Wertman, Slatington

Mr. & Mrs. Howard Dannecker, 19 S. Fulton St., Allentown

Mr. & Mrs. Elias Moser, New Tripoli RFD 1

Mr. & Mrs. Paul Gable, 123 Northampton Ave., Beth.

Mrs. Charles Kemmerling, 331 N. 14<sup>th</sup> St., Allentown Mr. & Mrs. Frank Smith, 331 N. 14<sup>th</sup> St., Allentown

Miss Mamie Sthare, 337 N. 3<sup>rd</sup> St., Lehighton Mr. & Mrs. James A. Wertman, So. Allentown RFD 3

Mr. & Mrs. Howard Miller, 824 Lumber St., Allentown

Mr. & Mrs. Ray Schaffer, 4<sup>th</sup> St., Slatington

Mr. & Mrs. Leonard Steigerwalt, 400 4<sup>th</sup> St., Lehighton

Mr. & Mrs. Edwin A. Auger, 272 N. 8<sup>th</sup> St., Lehighton

Mr. & Mrs. Luther Buskirk, S. Front St., Lehighton

Mr. & Mrs. Edward Bretz, 249 N. Front St., Lehighton

Mrs. Wm. Schlear, Barnesville RFD 1

Mr. & Mrs. Alvin Herring, Barnesville RFD 1

Mr. & Mrs. Peter Guess, Barnesville RFD 1

Mr. & Mrs. Wm. Lorah, Mahanoy City

Mrs. Edna Clappier, Catawissa

Mr. Philip Wertman, Lehighton

Mr. & Mrs. Charles Guers, Mahanoy City, 925 E. Pine

Mr. & Mrs. John E. Schleer, Barnesville

Mrs. Thomas Eck, 332 E. 10<sup>th</sup> St., Northampton

Mr. & Mrs. John P. Steigerwalt, 423 Coal St., Lehighton

Mr. & Mrs. Robert T. Wertman, Fullerton

Mr. & Mrs. James Fatzinger, Lehighton

Mr. Charles Fink, Germansville

Mr. & Mrs. Jefferson Wertman. Andreas

Mr. & Mrs. Ira Wertman, Andreas

Mr. & Mrs. Ellsworth Wertman, 110 Duke St., Hummelstown

Mr. & Mrs. James McCarty, 419 Pine St., Tamaqua

Mr. Chester Wagner, 926 Oley St., Reading

Mr. & Mrs. Wm. Redman, 509 Marion St., Reading

Mr. & Mrs. James Eyrich, Elverson, Chester Co.

Mr. & Mrs. Tilden Kleintop, Daniesville

Mr. David Wertman, Audubon, N.J.

Mrs. Alvester Bechtel, New Tripoli RFD 1

Miss Catherine Geiger, 272 N. 8<sup>th</sup> St., Lehighton

Mr. & Mrs. Dr. Alvin Wertman, Tannersville

Mrs. Alice Kistler, Tannersville

Miss Mamie Delp, Tamaqua

Mrs. George Keltz, Tannersville

Mr. & Mrs. Moses Wertman, 4<sup>th</sup> St., Lehighton

Mr. & Mrs. Granville Billman, N. 5<sup>th</sup> St., Lehighton

Mr. & Mrs. George Geiger, Lehighton

Mr. James E. Geiger, 152 E. Bacon St. Palo Alto

Mrs. Harry Glein, 404 Pine St., Tamaqua

Mrs. Ida Wolf, 827 Springarden St., Easton

Mr. & Mrs. Albert H. Wertman, Weatherly

Mr. & Mrs. Harry Wertman, Weatherly

Mrs. Wm. Wertman, Weatherly

Miss Laura Wertman, Weatherly

Mrs. Rose Rehrig, Weatherly

Mrs. Sarah Held, Lehighton

Mr. & Mrs. Victor Hand, 2<sup>nd</sup> St., Lehighton

Mr. & Mrs. L. O. Wertman, New Ringold RFD 2

Mrs. Lewis Mantz, Andreas

Mr. & Mrs. Elmer Hunsicker, 514 Carlton Ave., Beth.

Mr. & Mrs. John Mimm, Orsurgburg

Mr. Willis A. Wertman, Tamaqua

Mr. & Mrs. Amandus Wertman, Quakake

Mr. & Mrs. Oliver Kleckner, New Ringold

Mr. Carl Wertman, Weissport

Mr. Warren Wertman, Middleport, Pa

Mr. & Mrs. Frank Mace, Weissport

Mrs. Eliza Wertman, Weissport

Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Wertman, Emerald

Mrs. Katie Fenstermacher, Emerald

Mr. & Mrs. John Hunsicker, 710 High St., Bethlehem

Mr. & Mrs. Robert Thomas, 710 High St., Bethlehem

Mr. & Mrs. Clifford Hunsicker, 527 Pine St., Bethlehem

Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Middecamp, Lehighton

Mr. & Mrs. Jere Biebleheimer, Andreas

Mr. John McLean, Coaldale

Mr. & Mrs. Wm. O. Minnick, 324 1<sup>st</sup> St., Slatington

Mr. & Mrs. Henry Lorah, Allentown RFD 3

Mr. Victor Wertman, Lehighton

Mr. & Mrs. George Wertman, Jersey City

Mr. & Mrs. James Smith, Allentown

Mr. & Mrs. Mervin J. Wertman, Allentown R. 3

Mr. Jonas Wertman, Allentown R. 3

Miss Maude Wertman, Allentown R.3



Above: These descendants (and their spouses) of George Philip Wertman attended the 2004 Wertman Family Outing in Danville, PA. Below: The group enjoyed dinner together.





Above: The Susquehanna River was once congested with travelers and commerce. Right: Danville's former train station has been preserved as a garden/craft shop.



# 2005 Wertman Family Reunion Registration Form Friday-Sunday, 19-21 August 2005 Berks County, Pennsylvania

Please Print					
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Address					
City/State/Zip					
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Friday, 19 August	Number attending	Cost per person	Total cost		
Researchers Meeting, Midway Diner		\$0	\$0		
Dinner at Haag's, adult		\$15	\$		
Dinner at Haag's, age 12-under		\$10	\$		
Speaker 8 p.m., Randall Wert		\$0	\$0		
Saturday, 20 August	Number attending	Cost per person	Total cost		
Catered picnic, adult		\$7	\$		
Catered picnic, age 3-10		\$3.50	\$		
<ul> <li>Wertman Family Association dues of \$20 per family are due 1 July 2005</li> <li>Mailed copies of the newsletter are only sent to those individuals whose dues are paid</li> <li>You may attend the reunion without joining the Wertman Family Association</li> </ul>					
Annual Dues 2005-2006	\$20 per family, due 1 July		\$		
Total cost, Friday, 19 August	Dinner at Haag's Hotel, from above		\$		
Total cost, Saturday, 20 August	Catered picnic at Belleman's Church		\$		
Grand total, check enclosed	2005 Reunion Events, Meals, Dues		\$		
Will you be staying at the Comfort Inn Bethel/Midway?					
When do you expect to arrive? 🔲 Thur. 🔲 Fri. 🔲 Sat. 🔲 Morning 🔲 Afternoon 🔲 Evening					

# Please make your check payable to the Wertman Family Association Mail your check and Registration Form to:

2005 WFA Reunion, c/o

Shirley Daniels, 5487 Sleeping Dog Lane, Columbia, MD 21045

# If you have questions

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No meal refunds after 1 August 2005

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### Please Send Your Dues

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