

LANG FAMILY HISTORY

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The Lang ancestry has been traced back to Niedernberg, Bavaria [now Niedernberg, Kr. Miltenberg, Unterfranken, Bavaria, Germany]. Niedernberg is on the Main River about 25 miles SE of Frankfurt.

The first occurrence of the name "Lang" in the Niedernberg records is that of Velten and Anna Lang in 1612. In 1651 there are listed "Andreaß Lang", and "Hans Lang". In 1671 is added "Stephl Lang". By 1684 "Andreas and Maria Lang" are listed with "2 sons" and "2 daughters"; and "Christopel and Catrina Lang" are listed with "4 sons". In 1776 is listed "Peter Lang".¹

The first documented "Lang" family in this genealogy is that of Joseph and Katharina [Klug] Lang who lived in Niedernberg, Bavaria during the middle 1700s. They had at least one child:²

Philipp, born October 11, 1746. Died September 6, 1796, at Niedernberg.

- married Margaretha Schmitt, September 21, 1772, _____ Church,

- children: Maria Elisabeth (Mrs. Bernard? Reinhard), Peter (Theresia Rheinhard/Reinhard), Maria Anna (Mrs. _____), Maria Margaretha (died age 8 days), Maria Eve (Mrs. Christof Andres), _____ (died at birth), and Barbara (Mrs. Heinrich Wenzel).

[Philipp Lang worked as a "sutor" (shoemaker).]

[Mrs. Philipp (Margaretha Schmitt) Lang was born _____, 1744, at Mömlingen, Unterfranken, Bavaria; daughter of Johan and _____ [_____] Schmitt. Johan Schmitt was a "sutor" (shoemaker). Margaretha [Schmitt] Lang died September 17, 1821, at _____ .]

Joseph Lang died October? 9, 1783. His wife Katharina [Klug] died the 18th of month?, 1784.

Philipp Lang, son of Joseph and Katharina [Klug] Lang, was born October 11, 1746, Niedernberg. He married Margaretha Schmitt. Margaretha Schmitt was born 1744, Mömlingen, Bavaria [now Mömlingen, Kr. Miltenberg, Unterfranken, Bavaria, Germany]. Her father was Johan Schmitt. Her mother's name is unknown. Johan Schmitt was a "sutor" (shoemaker). Philipp Lang was also a "sutor" (shoemaker). Philipp and Margaretha [Schmitt] Lang had six children while living in Niedernberg:

Maria Elisabeth, born November 11, 1773. Died January/February? 28, 1841, at _____

- married Bernard? Reinhard, _____, 1797, _____ Church,

- children:

[Bernard? Rheinhard/Reinhard was born _____, _____; _____; son of _____ . He worked as a _____ . He died _____ .]

Peter, born December 7, 1775. Died May 27, 1833, at _____

- married Anna Maria Theresia Rheinhard/Reinhard, January 27, 1799, _____, _____ Church,

- children: Heinrich (died age 2), Bernard (Elisabeth Fecher), Maria Eva (Mrs. Johan Dittmaier) [to America], Heinrich (Catherine Scheurich) [to America 1836], Johan (_____), Maria Anna (died age 7 days), and Theresia (Mrs. Christof Klug).

[Peter Lang worked as a "sutor" (shoemaker).]

[Mrs. Peter (Anna Maria Theresia Rheinhard/Reinhard) Lang was born November 24, 1776, at _____; daughter of Johan and [Felizitas Hartmann] Rheinhard. She died May 8, 1843, at _____ .]

Maria Anna, born January 11, 1778. Died May 16, 1826, at _____

- married _____

- children:

Maria Margaretha, born May 14, 1782. Died May 22, 1782, at Niedernberg.

Maria Eva, born June 15, 1783. Died April/June? 24, 1841, at _____

- married Christof Andres, _____, 1818, _____ Church,

- children:

_____, born March 26, 1786. Died March 26, 1786.

¹ These "Lang" names and dates are from: Wagner, Albert. (1994). Niedernberg: Geschichte und Gegenwart einer Gemeinde am Bayerischen Untermain. [Niedernberg: History and present of a community on the Bavarian Lower Main]

² Information about the Lang families in Niedernberg, Bavaria, was provided (2003) by Amelia Kelly, Chicago, IL. She received this information from the Würzburg Diocese Archives, Würzburg, Bavaria, Germany. She is researching her Schrecker-Lang ancestors, and may be related to the Niedernberg Langs.

- married
- children:

Barbara, born May 6, 1787. Died
 - married Heinrich Wenzel, , 1811, Church,
 -children:

Philipp Lang died September 6, 1796, at . His wife, Margaretha [Schmitt] Lang died September 17, 1821, at .

Peter Lang, son of Philipp and Margaretha [Schmitt] Lang was born December 7, 1775, at Niedernberg. He was a “sutor” (shoemaker). He married Anna Maria Theresia Rheinhard/Reinhard, January 27, 1799, in Church, . She was born November 24, 1776, Neidernberg, daughter of Johan and Felizitas [Hartmann] Rheinhard.

Reinhard Genealogy ³

The earliest written record in Neidernberg of the Reinhard name is Hans Reinhardt in the Turkish Tax Register of 1551. The tax was required in 1530 to help fight the Turks who threatened the area for about 200 years after the fall of Constantinople in 1453.

The earliest documented ancestor in this genealogy is Jodalkus Rheinhard who lived in Niedernberg, Bavaria, during the middle 1700s. His wife’s name is unknown. They had a son named Johann. Johann Rheinhard married Margaretha Haas on September 27, 1750. She was born August 8, 1724, Niedernberg, the daughter of Johann Adam and Katharina [Fecher] Haas (their birthdates/places and marriage date/place is unknown).

Johann and Margaretha [Haas] Rheinhard had three children while living in Niedernberg:

Johann Petrus, born 27, 1753. Died November 15, 1813, Niedernberg.

- married Margaretha Schnur, September 15, 1783,

- children: Johann (died age 14), Petrus (died at birth), Anna Maria (twin to Petrus, died age 4 days), Petrus/Peter (Maria Anna Hartlaub) [immigrated to America; departed Bremen, June 6, 1833, settled near Alvada, Seneca County, Ohio], Michael (), Margaretha, twin to Michael (), and Anna Margaretha ().

[Petrus Reinhard worked as a .]

[Mrs. Petrus (Margaretha Schnur) Reinhard was born 1753, Wenigumstadt (near Grobostheim), Bavaria; daughter of . She died November 13, 1813, Niedernberg, Bavaria.]

Anna Margaretha, born October 16, 1755. Died January 7, 1771,

Johann Adam, born February 17, 1759. Died

- married
- children:

Johann Rheinhard’s first wife, Margaretha [Haas] died 1759 at Niedernberg. He then married Felizitas Hartmann on November 16, 1762. Felizitas Hartmann was born March 29, 1739, Leider, Bavaria, daughter of Johann and Maria Magdalena [Wenzel] Hartmann. The Hartmann genealogy has been traced back to the middle 1600s. [See the **Heinrich Lang Ancestor Tree** in the Appendix]

Johann and Felizitas [Hartmann] Rheinhard had nine children:

Eva, born December 1, 1763. Died

- married
- children:

Rebekka, born November 30, 1764. Died January 9, 1765,

Rebekka, born November 12, 1765. Died April 6, 1832, at

- married
- children:

Bernard, born January 22, 1767. Died March 26, 1850, at

- married
- children:

Margaretha, born April 27, 1768. Died

- married
- children:

Heinrich, born March 9, 1770. Died

³ The Rheinhard/Reinhard genealogy was obtained from Tim Reinhart’s “Reinhard Genealogy” web page. He lives in Ohio, and is a descendant of Johann Reinhard and his first wife Margaretha Haas. He has done research in Niedernberg.

- married
- children:

Anna Maria, born April 18, 1773. Died

- married
- children:

Klara, born April 15, 1775. Died

- married
- children:

Anna Maria Theresia, born November 24, 1776. Died May 8, 1843,

- married Peter Lang, January 27, 1799,
- children: Heinrich (died age 2), Bernard (Elisabeth Fecher), Maria Eva (Mrs. Johan Dittmaier) [to America], Heinrich (Catherine Scheurich) [to America 1836], Johan (), Maria Anna (died age 7 days), and Theresia (Mrs. Christof Klug).

[Peter Lang was born December 7, 1775, Niedernberg, Bavaria; son of Philipp and Margaretha [Schmitt] Lang. He worked as a “sutor” (shoemaker). He died September 6, 1796, at .]

Johann Rheinhard died February 9, 1779, Niedernberg. His wife, Felizitas [Hartmann] Rheinhard, died January 13, 1801, Niedernberg.

Anna Maria Theresia Rheinhard/Reinhard married Peter Lang on January 27, 1799, at . Peter worked as a “sutor” (shoemaker). They had seven children while living in Niedernberg:

Heinrich, born November 14, 1799. Died November 11, 1802, at Niedernberg.

Bernard, born May 21, 1803. Died August 7, 1867, at

- married Elisabeth Fecher, November 18, 1833, in Church,
- children: Heinrich, born March 21, 1835 (Maria Reinhard?) [to America 1867]⁴; Johan, born August 22, 1837, died 1886 (Agnes Schlett) [to America 1867]; Joseph, born March 10, 1840, died October 9, 1917 (in Schaaheim); Katharina, born April 4, 1843, died June 2, 1864 (married?); Elisabeth, born July 28, 1845 (Mrs. Christ, in Leider); Agatha, born March (May?) 11, 1848 (Mrs.) [to America 1867]; Friedrich, born June 30, 1851, died 1889 () [to America], and Paul Joseph, born May 16, 1855 () [to America].

[Bernard worked as a .]

[Mrs. Bernard (Elisabeth Fecher) Lang was born November 11, 1809, at ; daughter of A????? and Elisabeth [Hans] Fecher. She died January 7, 1866, at .]

Maria Eva, born May 6, 1806. Died

- married Johan Dittmaier, , 1836, Church,
- children:

[Maria Eva immigrated to America.]

[John Dittmaier was born , ; son of . He worked as a . He died .]

Heinrich, baptized March 17, 1809 (his gravestone reads “geb. 4 Marz 1809”). Died February 21, 1889, Sherrill, Dubuque County, Iowa. Burial in SS. Peter & Paul Cemetery.

- married Catherine Scheurich October 20, 1836, St. John German Church, Baltimore, Maryland [witnesses: Martin Scheurich and Catherine Gerlach]. It was evidently a double wedding with Catherine’s brother, Martin, marrying Catherine Gerlach the same day with the same priest; and they were witnesses for each other.]
- children: Joseph Henry (Elizabeth Meyer), Ignatius/“Ignatz” (Barbara Ziegler), Barbara (Mrs. C. Ulrich Wyss/Wies), Peter (single), Elizabeth (Louisa?) (single), Mary? Theresa (Mrs. Nicholas Brimeyer), Margaret? Maria/Mary (Mrs. John Ziegler), Conrad (Anna Helen Hermes), and Anna Catherine (Mrs. Albert Cummer/Kummer).

[Heinrich Lang immigrated on the *Bark Potomoc*, landing in Baltimore, October 18, 1836. His wife, Catherine Scheurich, was also a passenger. Henry worked as a farmer and shoemaker. He lived in , County, Indiana?, , County, Illinois, and finally bought a farm March 10, 1847, north of Sherrill’s Mount (now Sherrill), Dubuque County, Iowa.

[Catherine (Scheurich) Lang was born , 1812, Niedernberg, Bavaria; daughter of John Adam and Barbara (Haas) Scheurich. She immigrated with her family on the *Bark Potomoc*. She is recorded as “insane” in the 1880 Federal Census for Iowa, Dubuque County; and as “queer” and “insane” in the State Hospital for the Insane commitment papers (1881, 1883) for her daughter Louisa. She died March 11, 1896, Sherrill, Dubuque County, Iowa; burial in SS. Peter & Paul Cemetery. Catherine was recorded as “idiota” on the church death/burial record.]

Johan, born February 3, 1812. Died May 5, 1874, at

- married

⁴ Heinrich Lang (age 32, mason), Agatha Lang (19), and John B. Reinhard (25, “spinster”) immigrated to the U.S., departing Antwerp, Belgium, aboard the *Etna*, landing in New York City, October 19, 1867. According to Wagner (1994), Heinrich was a “Bauer” (farmer); and he and his sister Agatha were single when they emigrated.

- children:

[Johan worked as a .]

Maria Anna, born July 23, 1815. Died July 30, 1815, at Niedernberg.

Theresia, born September 29, 1817. Died October 14, 1872, at

- married Christof Klug, , 1834/1844?, Church,

- children:

[Christof Klug was born , , at ; son of . He worked as a . He died , at .]

Peter Lang died May 27, 1833. His wife Theresia [Rheinhard/Reinhard] Lang died May 8, 1843.

Heinrich Lang, son of Peter and Theresia [Rheinhard/Reinhard] Lang, was born in Niedernberg, Bavaria, March 4, 1809 (his gravestone reads “geb. 4 Marz 1809”). [See the **Heinrich Lang Ancestor Tree** in the *Appendix*] He was a shoemaker. He immigrated to the U.S., departing Le Havre, France, (August 10?, 1836) aboard the *Bark Potomoc*, landing in Baltimore, October 18, 1836 (he is “Henry Lang, age 27” on the passenger list). He is the only “Lang” on the list. There were 110 passengers, all from Bavaria. Next to Henry Lang on the passenger list is the family of Peter (age 44) and Agatha (34) Fecher – Augustina (2), and Anna M. (1/2). Nearby are Margaretha Fecher (28) and Catharina Klug (24), listed as “spinsters from Schaffenburg [probably Aschaffenburg]”. Other surnames listed near Henry Lang are Ruff, Saam, and Clements, and Wolfert. Many of these families settled at St. Peter, Franklin County, Indiana.

Heinrich/Henry Lang married Catherine Scheurich in Baltimore two days after arrival -- October 20, 1836. She had also been a passenger on the *Bark Potomoc*, immigrating with her parents, brothers, sisters, nieces and nephews (all listed as “Scheurig”). Henry and Catherine were married in St. John German Church; Rev. Louis DeBarg, S.J., officiated. Married with them in a double wedding were Martin Scheurich (Catherine’s brother) and Catherine Gerlach. They served as witnesses for each other. The Scheurich families were from Niedernberg, Bavaria, and Henry and Catherine most likely knew each other there but may not have been allowed to marry. Bavaria had marriage laws requiring men to have a certain income or own property before marrying. Perhaps Heinrich’s older brother, Bernard, took over their father’s shoemaker business; and Heinrich had no good source of income. The phone directory for Niedernberg has listings for “Lang”.

Scheurich Genealogy ⁵

Catherine Scheurich was born about 1812 in Niedernberg, Bavaria [now Niedernberg, Kr. Miltenberg, Unterfranken, Bavaria, Germany]. She was the daughter of John Adam and Barbara [Haas] Scheurich. This Scheurich genealogy has been traced back to about 1550, and includes the surnames Fäth/Faith, Fecher, Haas, Hartlaub, Hoch, and Morhard/Morhardt/Moret. [See the **Catherine Scheurich Ancestor Tree** in the *Appendix*] The name “Scheutwerig” [i.e., “Scheurich”] first appears in Niedernberg records in 1692. There are still many listings for “Scheurich”, and some of these other names, in the Niedernberg telephone directory.

The parents of Catherine Scheurich, John Adam and Barbara [Haas] Scheurich, were married January 20, 1799, in Niedernberg. They had at least nine children in Niedernberg before immigrating with their family to America aboard the *Potomac*: ⁶

Adam, born , 1799. Died , 1800, Niedernberg.

Johann Adam, born 1800. Died

- married Barbara , , Church,

- children: Anna M. (Mrs.), Agatha (Mrs.), Martin (), Catherina (Mrs.), Mathias (), Cecelia (Mrs.), a baby (born and died at sea during the voyage to America), and more children born in the U.S.

[Johann Adam Scheurich immigrated 1836 with his family aboard the *Potomac*. He bought a farm near Jasper, DuBois County, Indiana, on February 27, 1837.]

⁵ Catherine's maiden name is written “Scheurig” on the *Bark Potomac* passenger list, “Sherich” in the Baltimore Civil Marriage Records, and “Sherich” in the St. John German Church records, Baltimore. Some variations in Indiana and Illinois records are “Shire”, “Schewrich”, “Scheurich”, “Sheirich”, “Scheirich”, and “Schaeurich”.

⁶ Information about the *Bark Potomac*, and the Scheurich family in Germany; Baltimore; Indiana; Minnesota; and Illinois; is from (2002) Shelly Schmidt, Wheaton, Illinois, and Patricia Westcott, Palm Desert, California. Shelly Schmidt is a descendant of Peter and Elizabeth [Kimmelschuh] Scheurich. Patricia Westcott is a descendant of John Conrad and Margaretta [Scheurich] Pfeffer. They have done research on Scheurich descendants; and are 4th cousins to Janet [Lang] Kortenkamp. Some information about the Scheurich families is from (2003) Amelia Kelly, Chicago. Some information about the Fecher, Hartlaub, Hartmann, and Morhard/Morhardt/Moret genealogies is from (2004) the Zimmermann German web site.

[Barbara (maiden name unknown) was born , 1807, Niedernberg; daughter of . She died ; burial in .]

Anna Maria Eva, born , 1803. Died

- married
- children:

Martin, born June 13, 1806. Died April 9 (?), 1889, Jasper, Dubois County, Indiana. Burial in

- married Catherine Gerlach, October 20, 1836, St. John German Church, Baltimore, Maryland [witnesses: Henry Lang and Catherine Scheurich].
- children: Magdalena/Malinda (Mrs. John Joseph Jacob Hopf), Catherine (died in infancy?), Peter (Regina Doll), John B. (Barbara Brang), Ursula/Ashle? (single), Margaret (died in childhood?) Martin, Jr. (Mary Egg), Joseph (, Elizabeth Boehlein), and Michael (Helen Catherine Schuler) [engineer and part owner of the Scheurich-Schuler Four Mill].

[Martin Scheurich, a farmer, immigrated 1836 aboard the *Potomac*. He is said to have met his wife during the voyage, and they were married two days after landing in Baltimore (it was evidently a double wedding with his sister Catherine Scheurich and Henry Lang being married the same day by the same priest; and they were witnesses for each other). He and his wife settled on a farm on the "Troy road" two miles southeast of Jasper, Dubois County, Indiana.]

[Catherine Gerlach was born June 29, 1813, Nürnberg, Bavaria, Germany, daughter of . She is thought to have immigrated on the *Potomac* to Baltimore, October 18, 1836. She died December 10, 1901, Jasper, Indiana. Burial in

Margaretta, born February 11, 1809 (1811?). Died October 16 (25?), 1877, Jasper, Indiana, Burial in

- married John Conrad Pfeffer, August 28, 1837, Church, Louisville, Kentucky.
- children: Barbara (Mrs. Henry A. Holthaus), William (Mary Jochim), Magdalena (died age 6 months), Joseph (Mary Josephine Miller), John Felix (Mary Elizabeth Bachman), Mary (Mrs. John Joseph Bachman), and George (Mary Selma Schneider, Amelia/"Mollie" Schneider).

[John Conrad Pfeffer was born March (May?) 25, 1804, Rühlkirchen, Hesse-Cassel (Germany); son of Johann George & Maria Anna (Kreuter) Pfeffer. He worked as a . He died December 16, 1883, Jasper, Indiana. His sons William, Joseph and George moved to Champaign, Champaign County, Illinois.]

Catherine, born 1812. Died March 11, 1896, Sherrill, Dubuque County, Iowa. Burial in SS. Peter & Paul Cemetery, Sherrill.

- married Henry Lang, October 20, 1836, St. John German Church, Baltimore, Maryland [witnesses: Martin Scheurich and Catherine Gerlach]. It was evidently a double wedding with Catherine's brother Martin marrying Catherine Gerlach the same day by the same priest; and they were witnesses for each other)
- children: Joseph Henry (Elizabeth Meyer), Ignatius/"Ignatz" (Barbara Ziegler), Barbara (Mrs. C. Ulrich Wyss/Wies), Peter (single), Elizabeth (Louisa?) (single), Mary? Theresa (Mrs. Nicholas Brimeyer), Margaret? Maria/Mary (Mrs. John Ziegler), Conrad (Anna Helen Hermes), and Anna Catherine (Mrs. Albert Cummer/Kummer).

[Catherine (Scheurich) Lang was recorded as "insane" in the 1880 Federal Census for Iowa, Dubuque County. She was described as "queer" and "insane" in the State Hospital for the Insane commitment papers (1881, 1883) for her daughter Louisa. Catherine was recorded as "idiota" on the church death/burial record.]

[Henry Lang was born March 4, 1809 (baptized March 17, 1809), Niedernberg, Bavaria; son of Peter and Theresia (Rheinhard) Lang. He immigrated on the *Bark Potomoc*, landing in Baltimore, October 18, 1836. His wife, Catherine Scheurich, was also a passenger. Henry worked as a farmer and shoemaker. He lived in , County, Indiana?, , County, Illinois, and finally bought a farm March 10, 1847, north of Sherrill's Mount (now Sherrill), Dubuque County, Iowa. He died February 21, 1889, Sherrill, Dubuque County, Iowa; burial in SS. Peter & Paul Cemetery, Sherrill.]

Peter, born September 29 (20?), 1814. Died June 19, 1874, in Colbert, Alabama (while working on a dam) [also thought to have died in Champaign, Illinois]. Burial in St. Mary's Cemetery, Champaign

- married Elizabeth Kimmelschew, September 14, 1840, St. Joseph's Catholic Church, Jasper, Indiana.
- children: Martin J. (Catherine Reagan) [Scheurich & Co, Champaign, Illinois], Adam Joseph (Margarite Schaffer), Jacob (Margaret Tempel), John Marcus (died young), Mary Magdalene (twin to John Marcus, died young), Mary Theresa (Mrs. Andrew Tempel), John E. (Veronica A. Schneider), and 2 other children (probably born in Minnesota).

[Peter Scheurich worked as a construction contractor. He lived in Terre Haute, Indiana (railroad construction between Terre Haute and Indianapolis); moved to Montezuma, Indiana (canal construction); moved 1855 to Wright County, Minnesota (laid out the town of Frankfort, construction, store owner, farmer); moved to Evansville, Vanderburgh Co., Indiana (farmer); in 1861 he moved to Mattoon, Coles Co., Illinois (farming, general merchandising); mid 1860s he moved to Tomales Bay, California (stock and dairy business), about 1861 to the Champaign area of Illinois.]

[Mrs. Peter (Elizabeth Kimmelschew) Scheurich was born February 2, 1824, in Alsace-Lorraine, France/Germany, daughter of . She immigrated in 1838. She died February 9, 1904, Champaign, Illinois; burial in St. Mary's Cemetery.]

Barbara, born 1817. Died

- married
- children:

Magdalena/Malinda ("Madalina" on the *Potomac* passenger list), born February 23/29, 1824. Died January 16, 1889, Jasper, Indiana. Burial in St. Joseph Cemetery, Jasper, Indiana.

- married Michael Hochgesang, Sr., February 27, 1843, St. Joseph's Catholic Church, Jasper, Indiana.

- children: John Baptist (Barbara Catherine Oestreich), Magdalena (Mrs. _____), Margaret Ann (Mrs. Henry Enthofen), Michael Emmanuel, Jr. (Elizabeth Burke, Mary/Marie Margaret/"Maggie" Fleck), Mary Elizabeth (Mrs. Philip Kunkel, Sr.), Katherine (Mrs. John Evangelist Giesler), Theresia (Mrs. Joseph Gutsell), Andrew/"Anthony Joseph (Mary Catherine Boehlein), and Peter Henry (single, died 1880).

[Michael Hochgesang was born September 4, 1819, Lehenhan, Bavaria; son of John and Barbara (Moliter/Molitor) Hochgesang. He was a farmer. He died August 18, 1888; burial in St. Joseph Cemetery, Jasper, Indiana.]

John Adam Scheurich and his family settled on farms near Jasper, Dubois County, Indiana. He died before 1850, Jasper, Indiana. His wife, Barbara [Haas] died April 21, 1855, Jasper. Burial for both was in St. Joseph Catholic Cemetery, Jasper.

It is not known where Henry and Catherine [Scheurich] Lang lived immediately after they were married in Baltimore. Perhaps they went to Jasper, Du Bois County, Indiana, where Catherine's parents and most of her brothers and sisters settled (some passengers arriving on the *Potomac* with Henry and Catherine settled at St. Peter, Franklin County, Indiana). Some documentation has them living in Illinois (town unknown) during the late 1830s and early 1840s.⁷ They had at least two children while living in Indiana(?) and/or Illinois (Missouri?):

Joseph (Henry)⁸, born _____, 1837? (the Civil War Draft Registration (July 1, 1863) for Dubuque Co., Iowa, lists "Joseph H. Lang", "Jefferson Township", age "26", as "married" and born in "Illinois"; the 1870 Federal Census for Stearns County, Minnesota, lists him as born in "Indiana" and age "28") Died May 26, 1875 ("age 39"), Richmond, Munson Twp., Stearns County, Minnesota. Burial in SS. Peter & Paul Cemetery, Richmond.

- married Elizabeth Meyer, _____, 1860, probably SS. Peter & Paul Church, Sherrills Mount (now Sherrill), Jefferson Twp., Dubuque County, Iowa [church records begin 1867].

- children: Katherine (Mrs. John Schlangen), Barbara (Mrs. Sebastian Zeitler; Mrs. Peter Thiesen), Angela (Mrs. Martin Ley), John (Mary Kost; Elizabeth Roeder), Jacob (Mary Schroeder; Theresa Anna Engelhart/Engelhard), Elizabeth (Mrs. Gregor Kost), and Maria/Mary (died age 11).

[Joseph Lang married Elizabeth Meyer when she was 16 years old. They farmed 40 acres near Sherrill, where their first two children were born. In 1864 they took a steamboat to St. Paul, Minnesota, then to Stearns County, built a log cabin, cleared the land, and homesteaded 160 acres in Munson Township (later Eden Lake Township), Section 10, three miles SW of Richmond. In 1875, Joseph apparently had a stroke while going home late one evening, and fell from his wagon. A neighbor, Henry Braegelmann, found him on the road the next morning; but Joseph died later that day.]

[Mrs. Joseph (Elizabeth Meyer) Lang was born about September/October 20, 1844, at Trier, Prussia [Germany], the daughter of John and Barbara (Engel/Engle?) Meyer, Sr. John (b. 1813?) and Barbara (b. August 15, 1820) immigrated about 1853 with their children -- Barbara (b. November 20, 1840; Mrs. Cladius Weber), John P. (b. October 20, 1842; Catherine Lemm), Elizabeth (b. October 20, 1844; Mrs. Joseph Lang), and Jacob (b. April 5, 1848; Julianna Meyer, Mary _____). One or two children are thought to have died and been buried at sea. They family came to Sherrill's Mount, Dubuque County, Iowa, and settled on 40 acres of land. There Margaret (b. January 15, 1854; Mrs. Anton Frank), Catherine (b. April 26, 1856; Mrs. John Braegelmann), Peter (b. January 16, 1861; Catherine Winter), and Nicholas (b. January 28, 1863; Margarey Fredrick) were born. They lived on a farm next to the Henry Lang farm. About 1863 Joseph and Barbara Meyer moved their family to Stearns County, Munson Township, Section 34.⁹

When Elizabeth Lang's husband Joseph died, she was 30 years old with 7 children, ages 3 months to 14 years (two boys, ages 7 and 5). With the help of her children, she continued farming for 5 more years. However, afraid the

⁷ A family story is that they lived near St. Louis. The 1840 Illinois Federal Census, Monroe County, p. 355, has a "Henry Long" family listed (this seems to be near Columbia, Eagle Township). The ages of Henry (30-39), the female (20-29), and child (under 5), perfectly match the Henry Lang family of this history. Also, this Census shows one member of the household was employed in "manufacture or trade." The Henry Lang of this history is listed as a "farmer" and "shoemaker" in the 1870 Iowa Federal Census, Dubuque County. In the 1850 Federal Census, Monroe County, there is no longer a "Henry Long" family listed. There is a conveyance record in Monroe County for a sale between "Henry & Katherine Long" and "Nicholas Schiager" March 6, 1846 (Book 1, p. 360). The land was in the Town of Tomorawa near present-day Hecker (part of the land was in St. Clair County). A "Heinrich Lang" was naturalized in St. Clair Co., Ill, April 1848. The Henry Lang of this history bought land near Sherrill on March 10, 1847. In the 1850 Iowa Federal Census, this Henry Lang family includes two children born in Illinois -- Joseph (age 13) and "Enos" (age 9), and Barbara (age 4) born in Iowa. According to the 1856 State of Iowa Census, they had three children born in Illinois -- Joseph (age 18), "Enis" (age 15), and Barbara (age 10). In this 1856 Census they are listed as having lived in Iowa for 10 years. In the 1870 Federal Census for Stearns County, Minnesota, Joseph is listed as born in "Indiana."

⁸ Most information about the Joseph & Elizabeth [Meyer] Lang family is from the "Lang" chapters in Winifred M. Schaefer's (1970) **Kost-Lang-Schaefer-Traun Family Histories** provided (2000) by Martha A. Nelson, Jefferson, Texas. She is related to the Kost family. Some information is from the biography of "John Lang" in William Bell Mitchell (1915) **History of Stearns County Minnesota**, from the 1856 State of Iowa Census, Dubuque Co., 1850 and 1860 Iowa Federal Censuses, Dubuque Co., and 1870 and 1880 Minnesota Federal Censuses, Stearns Co.

⁹ The immigration date for the John and Barbara Meyer family, and their ages and birthplaces, are based on the 1856 Iowa State Census (printed page, 396) and the 1860 Federal Census for Dubuque County, Iowa (printed page, 167). However, according to Winifred M. Schaefer's. (1970). **Kost-Lang-Schaefer-Traun Family Histories**, "Elizabeth Meyer . . . had been brought to America from Trier by her parents, John and Katherine [sic] Meyers [sic] when she was only nine weeks old." This should probably read "9 years old." The birthdate and birthplace for Elizabeth Meyer is from this book. Some information about this family is from the biography of "John P. Myers [sic]" in William Bell Mitchell (1915) **History of Stearns County Minnesota**; and some is from the website of Steven M. Condon, New Haven, Iowa -- <http://home.att.net/~drystream/home.html>. Mr. Condon's gg-grandparents were John and Barbara Meyer, and he has done research on their descendants.

children would not be able to handle a team of horses, she replaced them with oxen. She remarried in October 7, 1890, to Michael Hammer, Sr., a widower with 4 grown children; and they moved to Richmond. She served Richmond and the surrounding area as a midwife. Michael Hammer was born August 9, 1824, Biensfeld, near Muldesheim, Bavaria. He immigrated about 1853, settling in Buffalo, New York, where he operated a meat market for two years, before moving to a farm 4 miles west of Richmond. His first wife was Anna Maria Sauer, who died about 1888. Michael Hammer died May 23, 1913, at Richmond. Elizabeth ("Grandma Hammer") died December 7, 1931 ("age 87"), at Richmond; burial for both was in SS. Peter & Paul Cemetery, Richmond.]¹⁰

Ignatius/"Ignatz"/"Enos", born January 15? (October 22?), about 1840-42 (1838?).¹¹ Died October 26, 1910 ("age 72"), at Sherrill, Iowa. Burial in SS. Peter & Paul Cemetery.

- married Barbara Ziegler, April 26, 1866, in SS. Peter & Paul Church, at Sherrill, Iowa.

- children: Peter (Lena Summer), John Baptist (single), Henry (died age 1), Anna Maria (died age 4 mos.), Henry (single), Louise (Mrs. Peter Brimeyer), Michael (Theresa Hehl), Mathilda/"Tillie" Margaretha (Mrs. Jacob Henkel), Edward Mathius (Mary Fabricius), Adam (died at birth), and Barbara Bertha (Mrs. John Pfohl).

[Ignatz Lang farmed near Sherrill, Dubuque County, Iowa. During the Civil War he served as a private in Co. E, 21st Regiment, First Iowa Volunteer Infantry.]

[Mrs. Ignatz (Barbara Ziegler) Lang was born October 19, 1846, Thalexweiler, Rhineland, Prussia (Germany), the daughter of Johann Baptist and Catherine (Schirra) Ziegler. She died at age 39 during the birth of her daughter Barbara, December 22, 1885, Sherrill, Iowa; burial in SS. Peter & Paul Cemetery.]

About 1846/47, Henry moved his family to Dubuque County, Iowa. On March 10, 1847, he paid cash for 80 acres from the U.S. Land Office for \$1.25/acre. This was near Sherrill's Mount [now Sherrill], Jefferson Township, in the E ½ of the NE ¼ of Section 11. On June 17, 1847, he purchased an additional 40 acres in the SE ¼ of the SE ¼ of Section 2 [See the **Sherrill Area Map** in the *Appendix*]. Henry farmed, but also worked as a shoemaker.

While at Sherrill, Henry and Catherine [Scheurich] Lang had several more children:

Barbara, born 1845-1849? (in Illinois?).¹² Died between 1886 and September 2, 1889, at . Burial in

- married C. (Christian?) Ulrich Wyss/Wies, , in Church, at.

- children: Bertha (Mrs. Peter Ziegler), Ewald/Edward (), Alma (Mrs.), and Barbara (died in childhood or adolescence).

[C. Ulrich Wyss was born , 1837-1839?, , Switzerland; the son of . He served as a drummer during the Civil War in Company H, First Regiment, Iowa Volunteers. He was wounded after only a few months. Following the war he and his brother Johann/John owned a stationary, book, and music store in Dubuque. He died September 15, 1892, Wood VA Hospital, Milwaukee; burial in Wood (VA) National Cemetery, in the Civil War section of the Cemetery. Some of his children lived in Chicago, and some in Dubuque.]

Peter, born January? , 1848?. Died October 6, 1927 ("78 years old"), Sherrill, Iowa. Burial, SS. Peter & Paul Cemetery, Sherrill.

- single.

[According to Iowa Hospital for the Insane records (1881, 1883) Peter was "queer" and "insane."]

Elizabeth (Louisa), born January? , 1848? (twin of Peter), Died (before 1927), at . Burial in

- single.

[On March 8, 1881, the Dubuque County Board of Commissioners committed Louis Lang to the Iowa Hospital of the Insane, Independence. She was "33 years old." According to hospital records she was "quarrelsome & talkative & reticent", and suffered from "dementia." Hospital records also say her twin brother and her mother were "queer." She was committed again March 26, 1883, because she was "troublesome and violent" and "insane and dangerous (county records). Hospital records say she was "perfectly uncontrollable." She was also in the "Insane Asylum at Independence, Iowa" at the time of Heinrich Lang's Dubuque County probate records, September 2, 1889.]

(Mary?) Theresa, born May 15, 1850. Died March 6, 1880, at Sherrill. Burial in SS. Peter & Paul Cemetery, Sherrill.

- married Nicholas Brimeyer, May 7, 1868, in SS. Peter & Paul Church, at Sherrill.¹³

- children: Barbara (died age 5 months), Helena/"Lena" (died age 12 days), Martin (Katherine/"Katie" Dorothy Kintzle, Anna Mock), Ludwig (died in infancy), twins Anna (died age 16) & John (Catherine Theisen), Clara (died age 7), Louisa (Mrs. Peter Pfohl), and Louis (died age 19 days).

[Nicholas was born August 2, 1843, at Fentange, Luxembourg, the son of Mathias and Catherine (Andre) Brimeyer. He was a farmer near Sherrill, Iowa.]

- After his wife Theresa (Lang) died, Nicholas Brimeyer married Elizabeth Zoller, January 23, 1883, in SS. Peter & Paul Church, Sherrill.

¹⁰ Information about Michael Hammer is from his obituary, provided (2000) by Ann Hefenieder, Billings, MT. He is her gg-grandfather.

¹¹ Various birthdates/places are recorded: "Declaration for Pension", March 12, 1907 ("January 15, 1842, Illinois", "age 65"); Iowa State Archives "Certificate of Service" ("October 22, 1839, Illinois"); Iowa State Census, July, 1856 ("age 15, Illinois"); Federal Censuses: November, 1850 ("age 9, Illinois"), 1860, June 19 ("age 20, Illinois"), 1870, June 16 ("age 28, Illinois"); 1880, 1900, June 4 ("age 58, born January 1842, Illinois") ; **Dubuque Times Journal** obituary (1838); Dubuque County death certificate ("October 22, 1838, St. Louis, Missouri"); SS Peter & Paul Cemetery, Sherrill, gravestone ("gest. 26 Oct 1910, alter 72 jahre").

¹² Various birthdates/places are recorded: Iowa State Census, July 1856 ("age 10, Illinois"); Federal Censuses: November 1, 1850 ("age 4, Iowa"), June 19, 1860 ("age 14, Iowa").

¹³ Some information about Nicholas Brimeyer was provided in 1998 by Robert Brimeyer, Dubuque.

- children: Bertha R. (Mrs. Jacob Bleile), Leo S. (Catherine Link), Rosina E. Mrs. John Rolwes), Josephine C. (Mrs. Alois P. Herkes), Elizabeth (died age 8 months), twins Henry F. (single) & Francis/"Frank" H. (single), Arthur F. (Leona Link), Felix R. (Anna Wagner), and Alphonse J. (Eleanor Hansen).

[Mrs. Nicholas (Elizabeth Zoller) Brimeyer, was born August 11, 1858, the daughter of Jacob & Anna (Belken) Zoller. She died February 6, 1942, Dubuque; burial in St. Francis Cemetery, Balltown, Iowa.]

[Nicholas Brimeyer died December 14, 1909, Dubuque; burial in St. Francis Cemetery, Balltown.]

(Margaret?) Maria/Mary A., born about May 1852. Died March 21, 1901 ("age 49"), Balltown, Iowa (Jackson County?). Burial in St. Francis Cemetery.

- married John Ziegler, April 20, 1880, in SS. Peter & Paul Church, at Sherrill.

- children: Ildora/"Ilda"/"Hilda?" (single), Louis (single), Henry (), Bertha (Mrs. Henry Sessar), John N. (Donita ?) [John's burial record at St. Francis, Balltown, says he was born in Canada], and Edward (single).

[John Ziegler, was born October 13, 1854, Danville, Pennsylvania; the son of John & Catherine (Schirra) Ziegler. He was a farmer. He died March 5, 1934, Sherrill; burial in St. Francis Cemetery, Balltown, Iowa.]

Conrad, born October, , 1854 (January , 1855)¹⁴ Died November 16/18, 1926, at Fulda, Saskatchewan, Canada. Burial in St. Joseph Cemetery.

- married Anna Helen Hermes, January 23, 1877, in SS. Peter & Paul Church, at Sherrill, Iowa.

- children: Mathias/Matthew (died age 6 days), Bertha (died age 19 days), Mary Ann (), Mary Ann (Mrs. Daniel Cummings¹⁵, Mrs. Frank Wesley/Wesslie), Christina (Mrs. Joseph Meyer), Matilda/"Tillie" E. (Mrs. Frank Kirchner), Joseph (twin to Matilda, died age 21), William (Mary Eckl), Margaret/"Maggie" (Mrs. Henry Lennards/Lennartz), Ida Catherine (Mrs. Michael Lemmerich/Lammerich/Lamarche/La Marche), Elizabeth/"Elsie" Katherine (Mrs. Joseph Edward Schreiber), Anna Ledivina/Lydwina/"Lydia" H. (Mrs. Joseph Meyers), Loretta Marcella (Mrs. Michael Grieman), Michael K. (Johanna Miller), and Joseph.

[Conrad Lang was a farmer. He and his family (except for Mary and Christina) moved to a farm south of Lake Henry, Stearns County, Minnesota (Lintonville Post Office, Kandiyohi County) in about November 1901. Michael was born at Lake Henry in 1903. The Benedictines at the nearby St. John's Abby, Collegeville, Minnesota, wanted to start a German settlement in Saskatchewan, Canada, and advertised in Minnesota and Iowa that land could be homesteaded (free land from the Canadian government). Conrad Lang moved his family to Fulda, Saskatchewan, Canada, in 1906. His homestead was on the NW Part, Section 6, Township 40, Range 23, Meridian W2.]

[Mrs. Conrad (Anna Helen Hermes) Lang, was born September 16, 1857/58 (1861?), at Iowa/Illinois(?), daughter of Mathias & Anna Maria (Krenks) Hermes. Mathias Herme was born March 24, 1828/29, Dollendorf, Rhineland, Prussia (now Blankenheim-Dollendorf, North Rhine-Westphalia, Germany). Mathias Hermes (26), wife Anna (33), and child Margaretha (9 mos.), departed Antwerp, Holland, aboard the ship *George Hurlbut*, and arrived New York City, June 25, 1855 (it is thought Margaretha died at sea). [Also on this ship: Peter Hermes (32), Veronica ("Feinikee", 27"), Mathius (5), Catherine (3), and Peter (9 mos).] Mathias died September 2, 1919, burial in the St. Anne Cemetery, Fulda, Saskatchewan, Canada. It is not known when or where his wife Anna Maria died. Anna Helen (Hermes) Lang died September 4/5, 1945, Annaheim, Saskatchewan, Canada; burial in St. Anne Cemetery, Fulda, Saskatchewan, Canada.]

(Anna) Catherine, born November 25, 1857.¹⁶ Died October 1, 1885, at Sherrill. Burial in

- married Albert Cummer/Kummer, January 23, 1877, in SS. Peter & Paul Church, Sherrill.

- children: Catherine (Mrs.), Henry (Anna), Martin (), John Peter (), and William ().

[Albert Cummer was born September 22, 1856, at Balltown, son of Henry & Sophia (Birkie) Kummer. He was a farmer. Catherine Lang was his first wife. On November 23, 1886, he married Margaret Rettenmeier (born about 1864), and they had four children -- Francis (), Elizabeth/"Elsie" (Mrs. Jack Gassman), Louis Matthew (Barbara "Link"), and George (). After Margaret died he married Maggie(?) ? . They had one child, Doloras (Mrs. Harold Habel); and there were four stepchildren He died December 23, 1923, Balltown; burial in , Balltown.]

Henry Lang died February 21, 1889 ("80 years old"), at Sherrill. Catherine [Scheurich] Lang died March 11, 1896 ("83 years old, idiot"), at Sherrill. Burial for both was in SS. Peter and Paul Cemetery, Sherrill, Iowa.

¹⁴ Most of the information about the Conrad Lang family was provided in 1997 and 2000 by Dianne Tonnie, Swift Current, Saskatchewan, Canada. Her husband Arnold's grandmother was Mrs. Frank [Matilda Lang] Kirchner. Dianne has done extensive research on the descendants of Conrad and Anna Helen [Hermes] Lang. She also provided (2000) the information about the Mathias Hermes family. Some information was provided (2002) by Miles & Corinne Kohle, Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, Canada. Miles' mother, Katherine, was a daughter of Michael and Ida [Lang] Lemmerich. They have done extensive research on the family of Michael and Ida [Lang] Lemmerich and their descendants.

¹⁵ Maureen [Cummings] Baeten, Oakfield, WI, has done extensive research on the Cummings ancestry. Her grandmother was Mrs. Daniel [Mary Ann Lang] Cummings.

¹⁶ Information about the Albert & Catherine [Lang] Cummer family provided (1997) by Judy Dupont, Dubuque. She is a great granddaughter. Some info provided (2007) by Adam Cummer, Balltown, Iowa, a great grandson. They are 3rd cousins once removed to Janet [Lang] Kortenkamp.

Ignatius/Ignatz/Enos Lang was born January 15? October 22?, 1840-42? (1838?) in Illinois (St. Louis, Missouri?). His parents, Henry and Catherine [Schuerich] Lang moved from Illinois to Sherrill, Iowa, about 1846/47.

Ignatz enlisted in the Union Army August 16, 1862, was mustered in August 23, and began basic training August 25, at Camp Franklin, Dubuque. He became a private in Company E, 21st Regiment, First Iowa Volunteer Infantry [military records have him as "Enos Long"]. On enlistment he is described as "22 years old, 5'6", gray complexion, gray eyes, and dark hair." [He enlisted with C. Ulrich Wyss and his brother John Wyss. C. Ulrich Wyss was in Company H, 1st Regiment, Iowa Volunteers, and John Wyss was in the 3rd Independent Battery, Iowa Light Artillery.]

On September 16, 1862, the 21st Regiment left Dubuque by steamboat (*Henry Clay*), and two barges in tow, for St. Louis, reaching Rolla on the 23rd.

During the war Ignatz served in Missouri, Arkansas, Mississippi, Tennessee, Texas, and Alabama. Among the battles he participated in were the Battle of Hartville (Missouri), January 9-11, 1863; Battle of Port Gibson/"Thompson's Hill" (Mississippi) May 1, 1863; Battle of Champion's Hill/"Baker's Creek" (Mississippi), May 16, 1863; Battle of Big Black River Bridge (Mississippi), May 17, 1863; Siege and Assault of Vicksburg (Mississippi), May 18-July 4, 1863; Siege of Spanish Fort (Alabama), March 27-April 8, 1865; and the Siege of Fort Blakely (Alabama), April 2-9, 1865. Seventy-seven members of the regiment were killed or mortally wounded, and 173 died of disease or accident.

C. Ulrich Wyss was wounded a few months after enlisting; however, John Wyss and Ignatz were together in all the same battles and sieges, and were mustered out together at Baton Rouge, Louisiana, on July 15, 1865.¹⁷

On April 16, 1866, Ignatz Lang, son of Henry and Catherine [Scheurich] Lang, married Barbara Ziegler, daughter of Johann Baptist and Catherine {Schirra} Ziegler, in SS. Peter and Paul Church, Sherrill, Iowa [Witnesses: Peter & Catherine Stillmunkes].

Ziegler Genealogy¹⁸

Barbara Ziegler (Mrs. Ignatz Lang) was born October 19, 1846, at Thalexweiler, Rhineland, Prussia [now part of Leback, Kr. Saarlouis, Saarland, Germany]. She was the daughter of Johann Baptist and Katherina [Schirra] Ziegler. Johann was the son of Nikolaus and Margaretha [Fries] Ziegler.

The Ziegler genealogy in Germany has been traced back to about 1635, and includes the surnames Britz, Clemann/Klemann, Dell, Friedrich, Hartmann, Hoffmann, Kramer, Lang, Mark/Marc, Mauer, Metzger, Poth/Poot/Port, Schäfer, Schmitt/Schmidt, Schweitzer, and Strasser. [See the **Barbara Ziegler Ancestor Tree** in the *Appendix*]

Nikolaus Ziegler (a farmer), was born April(July?) 11, 1775, at Schellenbach, Rhineland, Prussia [now Schellenbach, Kr. Saarlouis, Saarland, Germany]. He married Margaretha Fries on March 12 15?, 1816, Saarwellingen, Rhineland, Prussia [now Saarwellingen, Kr. Saarlouis, Saarland, Germany]. She was born May 20, 1788, at Saarwellingen, the daughter of Mathias and Gertraude [Strasser] Fries. Nikolaus Ziegler had been married to Angela Eckert, June 6, 1805, at Thalexweiler. Angela [Eckert] Ziegler died November 11, 1815, at Schellenbach. They had three children: Barbara (born December 12, 1805), Nikolaus (born October 23, 1807, Thalexweiler), and Gertrud (born July 30, 1813, Thalexweiler; died December 25, 1815).

Nikolaus Ziegler and his second wife Margaretha [Fries] had several children while living in Thalexweiler:

Maria, born December 29, 1816. Died May 27, 1828, Thalexweiler.

Johann/John Baptist, born March 22, 1819. Died September 18, 1873, at Sherrill. Burial in

- married Katharina/Catherine Schirra, November 30, 1844, in Church, at

- children: boy (died at birth), Barbara (Mrs. Ignatz Lang), Maria (died age 1 week), Nikolaus (died age 7), Margaretha (died age 8 mos.), John (Mary Lang), Peter (Bertha Wyss), Catherine (Mrs. Peter Lex), Elizabeth (Mrs. Joseph Kretz), Maria/Mary A. (Mrs. Louis Backes), twins Margaret/"Maggie" (Mrs. Edward Julius Goodman, later Mrs. Jacob Roesner), a boy (died in childbirth), girl (died in childbirth), boy (died in childbirth), and Nicholas (single).

¹⁷ Information about Ignatz Lang's service in the Civil War is from Military Service Pension Papers, and from The Twenty-first Regiment of Iowa Volunteer Infantry: A narrative of its experience in active service (including a military record of each officer, non-commissioned officer, and private soldier of the organization), compiled by George Orooke, Late Adjutant (1891). Ignatius Lang is listed in this book as "Enos Long." Some information is from Civil War Regiments at Ancestry.com.

¹⁸ Information about the Ziegler and Schirra ancestries was provided in 1991 and 1995 by Nancy [Roginske] Stuhlman, Eagle, Wisconsin (Nancy is a descendant of Johann/John Baptist and Katharina [Schirra] Ziegler, and has made several trips to Germany researching these ancestries); in 1997 by Elisabeth [Ziegler] Ziegler, Eppelborn, Saarland, Germany (she and her husband are distant cousins of the American Zieglers); and in 2005 from Suzanne M. [Kelly] Dugas who has traced the Ziegler ancestry back to the middle 1600s through parish records in the Bistum Archives, Trier, Germany. She is a 9th-cousin-once-removed to Janet Lang, with Peter Schmitt/Schmidt (c1650-1712) the common ancestor. Information about the Peter Ziegler family was provided in 1997 by Robert MacFarlane, Champaign, Illinois. He is a descendant of Peter Ziegler.

[Johann/John Ziegler was a farmer near Sherrill, Iowa. He also worked as a tailor.]

[Mrs John (Catherine Schirra) Ziegler, was born September 6, 1822, Dirmingen, Rhineland, Prussia (Germany); the daughter of Peter and Anna Maria (Mayer) Girra . She died March 14, 1895, Sherrill, Iowa; burial in St. Francis Cemetery, Balltown, Iowa.]

Jacob, born April 22, 1821. Died January 14, 1830, Thalexweiler.

Stephen, born November 12, 1823. Died in the America.

Margaret, born November 9, 1826. Died May 27, 1828, Thalexweiler.

Peter, born March 20(22?), 1830. Died March 21, 1902, at Dubuque. Burial in Mount Calvary Cemetery, Dubuque.

- married Sophia Winter, May 18, 1856, in _____ Church, in Fishing Creek Township (near Danville), Pennsylvania.

- children: Mary Anne (Mrs. Henry P. Mentz), John N. (Louise Klein), Catherine R. (Mrs. William Becker), Margaret M. (single), David T. (Sarah M. Brownson), T. Peter (Effe Vogalsburg), George E. (Mae Clark), Henry (Josephine C. Joos), Charles M. (Catherine Weiland), Martha (Mrs. John P. Mettel), William (died age 12), Clara (single), and Elizabeth/"Lizzie" C. (died age 8).

[Peter Ziegler worked in Danville as a puddler in an iron mill. During the Civil War he joined Company D, 53rd Pennsylvania Militia, and later Company C, 210th Pennsylvania Infantry. He was discharged June 10, 1865. He brought his family to Peru Township, Dubuque County, about 1867. He was a produce gardner, selling his produce in the "Farmers Market" in Dubuque. His farm was where the present John Deere plant is located.]

[Mrs Peter (Sophia Winter) Ziegler, was born June 9, 1840, Danville, Pennsylvania; the daughter of _____. She died December 14, 1907, at Dubuque, Iowa; burial in Mt. Calvary Cemetery.]

Nikolaus Ziegler died March 19, 1836, at Thalexweiler. Margaretha [Fries] Ziegler died December 13, 1871 ("84 years old"), at Sherrill, Iowa. Burial was in SS. Peter & Paul Cemetery, Sherrill.

Johann/John Baptist Ziegler, son of Nikolaus and Margaretha [Fries] Ziegler, married Katharina/Catherine Schirra, daughter of Peter and Anna Maria [Mayer] Girra, on November 30, 1844 (place unknown).

Schirra Genealogy

Katharina/Catherine Schirra was born September 6, 1822, at Dirmingen, Rheinland, Prussia [now part of Eppelborn, Kr. Neunkirchen/Saar, Saarland, Germany ¹⁹]. Katharina/Catherine Schirra's parents were Peter and Anna Maria [Mayer] Girra. Peter Girra was born September 17, 1770 (place unknown). The names of his parents are not known. Anna Maria Mayer was born 1779 (place unknown) Her parents were Georg and Catharina [Bronder] Mayer. Peter Girra and Anna Mayer were married September 10, 1801 in Dirmingen. [See the **Katharina Schirra Ancestor Tree** in the *Appendix*] Peter Girra was a farmer ("Ackerer").

It is not known if Peter and Anna Maria [Mayer] Girra had any children besides Katharina/Catherine:

Katharina/Catherine, born September 6, 1822. Died March 14, 1895, at Sherrill, Iowa. Burial in St. Francis Cemetery.

- married Johann/John Baptist Ziegler, November 30, 1844, _____, in _____ Church, at _____

- children: boy (died at birth), Barbara (Mrs. Ignatz Lang), Maria (died age 1 week), Nikolaus (died age 7), Margaretha (died age 8 mos.), John (Mary Lang), Peter (Bertha Wyss), Catherine (Mrs. Peter Lex), Elizabeth (Mrs. Joseph Kretz), Maria/Mary A. (Mrs. Louis Backes), twins Margaret/Maggie (Mrs. Edward Julius Goodman, Mrs. Jacob Roesner) & a boy (died in childbirth), girl (died in childbirth), boy (died in childbirth), and Nicholas (single).

[John Baptist Ziegler, was born March 22, 1819, Thalexweiler, Rhineland, Prussia (Germany); the son of Nikolaus and Margaretha (Fries) Ziegler. He and his wife Catherine immigrated to the U.S. in 1853, and lived at Danville, Montour County, Pennsylvania. About 1856 they moved to Sherrill's Mount (now Sherrill), Dubuque County, Iowa. He was a farmer near Sherrill, Iowa; he also worked as a tailor. He died September 18, 1873, Sherrill, burial in SS. Peter & Paul Cemetery.]

Johann/John Baptist and Katharina/Catherine [Schirra] Ziegler had five children while living in Thalexweiler:

boy, died at birth.

Barbara, born October 19, 1846. Died December 22, 1885, at Sherrill. Burial in SS. Peter and Paul Cemetery, Sherrill.

- married Ignatius/Ignatz Lang, April 26, 1866, in SS. Peter & Paul Church, at Sherrill.

- children: Peter (Lena Summer), John Baptist (single), Henry (died age 1), Anna Maria (died age 4 mos.), Henry (single), Louise (Mrs. Peter Brimeyer), Michael (Theresa Hehl), Mathilda/"Tillie" Margaretha (Mrs. Jacob

¹⁹ This part of Germany has been part of France during certain periods in history, and her birthplace is sometimes given as "France". Also, there have been various spellings of the name "Schirra" in family history records, for example: Schira, Schara, Scherer, Scherrah, Girra, Gerard, and even D'Cherra. The name, probably adopted as a French Christian name when this family converted from paganism in early French history, seems to have evolved from the French "Gerard" to "Girra" to the more Germanic "Schirra" and its variations.

Henkel), Edward Mathius (Mary Fabricius), baby boy (died at birth), and Barbara Bertha (Mrs. John Pfohl).

[Ignatz Lang, was born January. 15? October. 22?, 1840-/42 (1838?), at ? , Illinois (St. Louis, Missouri?), the son of Heinrich/Henry and Catherine (Scheurich) Lang. He farmed near Sherrill, Dubuque County, Iowa. During the Civil War he served as a private in Company E, 21st Regiment, First Iowa Volunteer Infantry. He died October 26, 1910, Sherrill, Iowa; burial in SS. Peter & Paul Cemetery.]

Maria, born November 28 (December 3 ?), 1848. Died December 10, 1848, at Thalexweiler, Germany.

Nikolaus, born June 25, 1850. Died October 29, 1853, at sea during immigration.

Margaretha, born January 29, 1853. Died November 3, 1853, at sea during immigration.

In October 1853, John and Catherine [Schirra] Ziegler immigrated with their family to the United States. At this time their family included Barbara who was seven years old, son Nikolaus who was three, and another daughter Margaretha who was only nine months old. Nikolaus and Margaretha died at sea during the ocean crossing. Accompanying John and Catherine on this voyage to America was John's brother Peter, and their mother Margaretha, who was 65 years old. John filed his "Declaration of Intent" citizenship papers on May 15, 1854, in Danville, Montour County, Pennsylvania.

In 1854, John and Catherine [Schirra] Ziegler were living in Danville, when a son, John, was born.

John, born October 13, 1854. Died March 5, 1934, Dubuque. Burial in St. Francis Cemetery, Balltown, Iowa.

- married (Margaret?) Maria/Mary Lang, April 20, 1880, in SS. Peter & Paul Church, at Sherrill, Iowa

- children: Ildora/"Ilda"/"Hilda?" (single), Louis T. (single), Henry (), Bertha (Mrs. Henry Fessar/Sessar?), John N. (Donita ?) [John's burial record at St. Francis, Balltown, says he was born in Canada], and Edward (single).

[John Ziegler farmed near Balltown, Dubuque County, Iowa.]

[Mrs. John (Mary Lang) Ziegler, was born about May 1852, Sherrill, Iowa, daughter of Heinrich/Henry and Catherine (Scheurich) Lang. She died March 21, 1901 ("age 49"), Balltown, Iowa; burial in St. Francis Cemetery.]

John and Catherine [Schirra] Ziegler then moved, with John's mother Margaretha, to Sherrills Mount [now Sherrill], Dubuque Co., Iowa, about 1856.

John's brother, Peter, stayed in Danville, and worked as a puddler in an iron mill. He married Sophia Winter May 18, 1856, in Fishing Creek Township, near Danville. During the Civil War he joined Company D, 53rd Pennsylvania Militia, and later Company C, 210th Pennsylvania Infantry. He was discharged June 10, 1865. He brought his family to Peru Township, Dubuque County, 1867 or 1868. He was a produce gardner, selling his produce in the "Farmers Market" in Dubuque. The John Deer plant now stands on the former site of Peter Ziegler's home and produce farm.

John Ziegler purchased a farm for \$119 cash from Michael Gassmann on November 3, 1856. [See the **Sherrill Area Map** in the *Appendix*]. John Ziegler also worked as a tailor while living at Sherrill.

John and Catherine [Schirra] Ziegler had fifteen children. Five were born in Germany before immigrating; and one, John, was born in Danville (see above). Nine more children were born while living at Sherrill:

Peter, born July 29, 1856. Died December 3, 1928 ("age 72"), at Dubuque. Burial, St. Francis Cemetery, Balltown.

- married Bertha Wyss/Wies, March 8, 1886, in SS. Peter & Paul Church, Sherrill, Iowa.

- children: Peter Arthur/"Art", Jr. (single), Walter John (single), Ewald Nicholas (single), Lillian Josephine (Mrs. William F. Bries) , Alma Margaret (Mrs. Charles W. Roginske), and LaVerne (Mrs. Lloyd G.Coopersmith).

[Peter Ziegler .]

[Mrs. Peter (Bertha Wyss/Wies) Ziegler, was born February 21, 1866, Dubuque, the daughter of . She died October 5, 1938; burial in Holy Cross Cemetery, Milwaukee.]

Catherine, born February 24, 1858. Died September 18, 1938, at Chicago, Illinois. Burial, St. Boniface Cemetery, Chicago.

- married Peter Lex , in Church, at Balltown, Iowa

- children: Otto Peter (Gladys Ash), "baby Lex" (died in infancy).

[Peter Lex, was born May 15, , at , the son of . He worked as a . He died , Chicago; burial in St. Boniface Cemetery, Chicago.]

Elizabeth, born June 24, 1859. Died February 24, 1915, at Dubuque. Burial in Mt. Calvary Cemetery, Dubuque, Iowa..

- married Joseph Kretz, October 10, 1876, in SS. Peter & Paul Church, at Sherrill.

- children: Carol (died in infancy), John Henry (Catherine Nesler; Agnes Wilberding-Reiff), Joseph Edward (Mary Bisang), Ernest Peter (Josephine Schueller), Adam Alphonse (Anna Willging), William Edward (Margaret Kelson), Catherine (Mrs.George Weitz), Elizabeth (Mrs. Joseph Buechle), Maria/Mary Margaret (Sr. Miriam, Franciscan Sisters of Perpetual Adoration, La Crosse, Wisconsin), Charles (died at birth),

Cornelius Nicholas (), Louisa Eva (Mrs. Arthur Cummer), and Helen Frances (Mrs. Hubert Evan Meyers).²⁰

[Joseph Kretz , was born February 29, 1852, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, the son of Peter & Maria Magdalena (Koch) Kretz. He worked for a railroad, later as a farmer at Balltown, and retired to Dubuque. He died January 18, 1919, Dubuque; burial in Mt. Calvary Cemetery.]

Maria/Mary A., born April 8, 1861. Died August 14, 1932, at Dubuque. Burial, Mt. Calvary Cemetery.

- married Ludwig/Louis Backes, April 20, 1880, in SS. Peter & Paul Church, at Sherrill.

- children: Elizabeth/"Lizzie" (Mrs. Martin H. Buckley), Josephine (Mrs. Richard Klindt), Martha (Mrs. George Bardill), Walter P. (Coletta E. Mukall), Peter (), and Amanda? (Mrs.).

[For many years Mrs. Louis (Mary Ziegler) Backes operated the "Bluffside" rooming house in Dubuque.]

[Louis Backes, was born March 30, 1856, Richardsville, Iowa, the son of Casper & Joanna (Weiss) Backes. He operated a grocery store in Balltown, Iowa. He died May 2, 1916, Dubuque; burial in Cemetery, Richardsville.]

Margareta/"Maggie", born September 4, 1863. Died December 6, 1927, at Dubuque. Burial in Mt. Calvary Cemetery.

- married Edward Julius Goodman, December 10, 1885, in SS. Peter & Paul Church, at Sherrill.

[Goodman's first wife, Emma Brown, had died. They had a daughter Clara (Mrs. John Jecklin)]

- children: Edward Julius (Anna Graf).

[Edward Julius Goodman, was born May 29, 1853, Sherrill, Iowa, the son of Carl and Maria (Müller) Gütman. He worked as a . He died February 2, 1897, at ; burial in Methodist Cemetery, Balltown, Iowa.]

- married Jacob Roesner, , in Church, at

[Jacob Roesner had one son from a previous marriage: Anton ()]

- children:

[Jacob Roesner, was born , at , the son of . He worked as a . He died , at ; burial in .]

boy (twin of Margaret), died at birth September 4, 1863, at Sherrill. Burial in SS. Peter and Paul Cemetery, Sherrill.

girl, died at birth,

boy, died at birth October 6, 1867, Sherrill, Iowa. Burial in SS. Peter & Paul Cemetery, Sherrill.

Nicholas, born September 16, 1869. Died December 4, 1922, at Balltown, Iowa. Burial in St. Francis Cemetery, Balltown.

- single.

John and Peter Ziegler's mother, Margaretha [Fries] Ziegler, died December 13, 1871 ("84 years old") at Sherrill, Iowa. Burial was in SS. Peter and Paul Cemetery, Sherrill.

John Ziegler died September 18, 1873, Sherrill, Iowa. Burial in SS. Peter and Paul Cemetery, Sherrill. Catherine [Schirra] Ziegler died March 14, 1895 ("age 72¼"), Sherrill, Iowa. Burial was in St. Francis Cemetery, Balltown, Iowa.

Barbara Ziegler, daughter of Johann and Catherine [Schirra] Ziegler, married Ignatz Lang, son of Heinrich/Henry and Catherine [Scheurich] Lang, on April 26, 1866, in SS. Peter and Paul Church, Sherrill [witnesses: Peter & Catherine Stillmunkes]. He and Barbara farmed. [See the **Sherrill Area Map** in the *Appendix*]. They had at least seven sons and four daughters:

Peter, born January 15, 1867. Died November 21, 1925, at Dubuque. Burial in Mt. Calvary Cemetery.

- married Lena Summer, November 20, 1902, in SS. Peter & Paul Church (record at St. Anthony Church, Dubuque).

- children: two children (both died at birth), Carl (Bonita Kauffmann), and Carol (Mrs.).

[Peter owned a hardware store corner of 16th and Central, Dubuque. He lived at 319 Kaufman Ave.]

[Mrs. Peter (Lena Summer) Lang was born , at , Switzerland, the daughter of . She died , at ; burial in .]

John Baptist, born September 12, 1868. Died December 15, 1933 ("age 65"), at Dubuque. Burial, SS. Pete & Paul Cemetery, Sherrill.

- single.

Henry, born May 23, 1870. Died August 21, 1871, at Sherrill. Burial in SS. Peter & Paul Cemetery, Sherrill.

Anna Maria, born November 23, 1871. Died April 18, 1872 ("age 5 mos."), at Sherrill. Burial in SS. Peter & Paul Cemetery, Sherrill.

Henry, born June 9, 1873. Died October 28, 1929 ("age 56"), at Sherrill. Burial in SS. Peter & Paul Cemetery, Sherrill.

- single:

Louisa, born May 29, 1876. Died January 10, 1954, at Dubuque. Burial in St. Francis Cemetery, Balltown.

²⁰ Information about the children of Joseph and Elizabeth [Ziegler] Kretz was provided in 1998/1999 by Sherri Myers-Wray, Kenosha, Wisconsin. Her grandparents were Hubert & Helen Frances [Kretz] Myers. Some information was provided (1999) by Stacy Sabers, Dubuque. Her g-g-grandfather was John Henry Kretz.

- married Peter Brimeyer, February 15, 1898, in St. Francis Church, at Balltown, Iowa.
- children: Hubert Ignatius (Isabelle Anna Riniker), Veronica (Mrs. Michael Engling), Eleanora (Mrs. Francis/Frank Jochum), Bernadette (Mrs. John/Jack Engling), Cornelius (Selena Klein), Edward Nicholas (Gladys Mehl), Wilfred (Lillian C. Klein), Raymond John (Alvina Josephine Ellerbach), and Carl H. (Orvelyn M. Link).

[Peter Brimeyer was born September 16, 1871, at Sherrill, Iowa, the son of Mathias & Magdalena (Gassman) Brimeyer. He was a farmer. He died October 25, 1942, at Balltown; burial in St. Francis Cemetery, Balltown.]

Michael, born April 27, 1879. Died October 8, 1953, at Wazeka, Wisconsin. Burial in

- married Theresa Hehl, May 16, 1905, in SS. Peter & Paul Church, at Sherrill.
- children: Alvina (Mrs. Ted Maxwell).

[Mrs. Michael (Theresa Hehl) Lang was born December 9, 1884, Schamberg, Württemberg, Germany, the daughter of Theodore & Caroline (Strobel) Hehl. She died , at ; burial in .]

Mathilda/"Tillie" Margaretha, born April 4, 1880. Died January 1, 1935, at Dubuque. Burial in Mt. Calvary Cemetery.

- married Jacob Henkel, August 1, 1899, St. Francis of Assisi Church, Balltown, Iowa.
- children: Viola Catherine/Carol? (Mrs. Robert Claude Wright, Mrs. William/"Billy" F. Sheehan), Raymond J. (Ruth Lehman), Cleon Edward/"Shorty" (Virginia Headly), and Francis Milton Peter (single, missing in action, May, 1945, while serving as fireman 1/c aboard a submarine).

[Jacob Henkel was born June 5, 1874, at , Germany, the son of Henry & Katherina [Kessler] Henkel. He immigrated about 1887. He worked as a farmhand until moving to Dubuque about 1900. He worked for A.Y. McDonald as a moulder. He died January 5, 1930, at Dubuque; burial in Mt. Calvary Cemetery.]²¹

Edward Mathias, born March 18, 1883. Died June 27, 1936, at Dubuque. Burial in Mount Calvary Cemetery, Dubuque.

- married Mary Fabricius, August 28, 1906, in St. Mary's Church, at Dubuque.
- children: Joseph (died at birth), Marie (Sr. Miriam Therese, Maryknoll), Edward (single), Cornelius/"Neil" (Gertrude Berg), and Clarence Anthony/"Tony" Joseph (Rev. Anthony Lang, Dubuque Diocese).

[Edward Lang farmed at Balltown, Dubuque Co., and later worked for A.Y. McDonald Mfg. Co. in Dubuque.]

[Mrs. Edward (Mary Fabricius) Lang was born July 28, 1886, Dubuque, Iowa, the daughter of John Peter and Elizabeth (Weber) Fabricius. She died April 7, 1973, Dubuque, Iowa; burial in Mt. Calvary Cemetery.]

Adam, born December 20, 1884. Died December 20, 1884, at Sherrill ("baptized by Catherine Ziegler"). Burial in SS. Peter & Paul Cemetery, Sherrill. [Dubuque County Death Record; SS. Peter & Paul Church Death Record.]

Barbara Bertha, born December 22, 1885. Died March 10, 1965, at Dubuque. Burial in SS. Peter & Paul Cemetery, Sherrill.

- married John Pfohl, April 24, 1906, in St. Francis of Assisi Church, at Balltown.
- children: Roy (Viola Kintzle), Leona (Mrs. Henry Hafkemeyer).

[John Pfohl was born November 12, 1877, Sherrill, the son of George & Margaretha (Hohmann) Pfohl. He worked as . He died November 16, 1976, at ; burial in .]

Barbara [Ziegler] Lang died during the birth of her 11th child, Barbara, on December 22, 1885, at the age of 39. Burial was in SS. Peter and Paul Cemetery, Sherrill, Iowa.

Ignatz Lang died October 26, 1910, at Dubuque, Iowa. Burial was in SS. Peter and Paul Cemetery, Sherrill.

Edward Mathias Lang, son of Ignatz and Barbara [Ziegler] Lang, married Mary Fabricius, daughter of John Peter and Elizabeth [Weber] Fabricius, on August 28, 1906, in St. Mary's Church, Dubuque.

Fabricius Genealogy ²²

Mary C. Fabricius was born July 28, 1886, at Dubuque, Iowa. Her parents were John Peter Fabricius and Elisabeth [Weber] Fabricius, who were married May 25, 1882, in St. Mary's Church, Dubuque. John Peter Fabricius and Elisabeth Weber had emigrated from the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg.

²¹ Information about the Jacob and Mathilda/"Tillie" [Lang] Henkel family was provided (1999) by Al Miller, Dubuque, grandson of Robert and Viola [Henkel] Wright (later, Mrs. William Sheehan; and (2002) by Michelle [Wright] Wade, daughter of Robert and Viola [Henkel] Wright.

²² Most of the information about the Fabricius and Weber genealogies in Luxembourg was provided by Mr. Jean-Pierre "Ady" Jung (Colmar-Berg, Luxembourg). In 1995, I placed an ad in a Luxembourg genealogy magazine asking for information about John Peter Fabricius and Elisabeth Weber. Mr. Jung answered my ad, and during the following year sent dozens of photocopied documents (with translations from German and French) related to the Fabricius and Weber genealogies. He was not related, but knew people in his town who were distant cousins of the American Fabricius families. After the first two letters from him, I sent him thirty American dollars to cover his research expenses, even though he hadn't asked. He wrote back thanking me for the "greenbacks," and commenting about me sending him money:

"Thank you very much, but please, please do not repeat it in the future. I am not doing research for any material compensation. Take it for my small personal tribute to the sacrifice of those G.I.s who fought during the Battle of the Bulge for the freedom of Luxembourg's people, and of those many thousands buried in Luxembourg ground at Hamm near Luxembourg-city, with their General George Patton of the 3rd Army. My joy is in giving service to a U.S. citizen."

Jean-Pierre "Ady" Jung, May 31, 1995

Mary Fabricius' father, John Peter Fabricius, was born Jean-Pierre Fabricius at Schieren, District of Diekirch, Luxembourg, on December, 26, 1855. His parents were Michel and Marguerite [Gaspar] Fabricius. [See the **Jean-Pierre Fabricius Ancestor Tree** in the *Appendix*] He immigrated to the U.S. in 1879.

Gaspar Genealogy

Marguerite Gaspar was born February 12, 1817, at Grosbous, District of Redingen (formerly District of Osperen), Luxembourg. Her parents were Nicolas and Marie Elisabeth [Neuens] Gaspar. This Gaspar genealogy has been traced back to Dominicus Gaspar who died 1762 in Hostert, Luxembourg.²³ [See the **Nicolas Gaspar Ancestor Tree** in the *Appendix*]

Nicolas Gaspar was born May 25(17?), 1781, at Nagem, Luxembourg. He married Marie Elisabeth Neuens, March 9, 1806, at Grosbous. She was born about 1783 at Grosbous, Luxembourg. Her parents were Nicolas and Anna Catharine [Majery/Meyery] Neuens.²⁴

Nicolas and Anna Catharine [Majery/Meyery] Neuens had at least eleven children in addition to Marie Elisabeth while living in Grosbous:

Marie Elisabeth, born January 20, 1783. Died August 23, 1855, Grosbous.

- married Nicolas Gaspar, March 9, 1806, Church, Grosbous.
- children: Marie (Mrs. Jean Peter Zeimer), Jean Nicolas (Catherine Welter), Marguerite (Mrs. Michel Fabricius), Peter (Maria Weber), and Anton ().

[Nicolas Gaspar was born May 25(17?), Nagem, Luxembourg, son of . He died September 9, 1842 ("age 61?"), at Grosbous.]

Marie Elisabeth, born October 23, 1784. Died March 3, 1785, Grosbous.

Marie born December 22, 1785. Died

- married Francois Trauffler, Februarz 20, 1814, Church, Grosbous.
- children:

[Francois Trauffler was born May 17, 1790, at Grosbous; son of . He died .]

Pierre, born February 20, 1788. Died February 16, 1866, Grosbous.

- married Marie Elisabeth Reiff, August 8, 1818, Church, Vichten.
- children: Eve (Mrs.), Nicolas (Anne Marguerite Beck), Anne Marguerite (Mrs. Andre Heiderschei), Phillip (Anne Catherine Glaesener), Francois (Elisabeth Nemes), Marie (Mrs. Jean Dahlem), Marie Elisabeth (Mrs. Michel Wirtgen), Jean (Angelique Kleyer), & Nicolas ().

[Marie Elisabeth Reiff was born April 14, 1793, at Vichten; daughter of Theodor and Reiff. She died February 25, 1874, Grosbous.]

Nicolas, born February 1, 1790. Died January 1, 1864, Grosbous.

- married Barbe Linden, March 31, 1819, Church, Heidersheid, Luxembourg.
- children: Anna Marie (Mrs. Charles Joseph Boset), Jean (Marguerite Huberty), Nicolas (Marie Schwartz), and Marie (Mrs.).

[Barbe Linden was born September 28, 1792, Heidersheid, daughter of . Died April 6, 1851, Heidersheid.]

Francois Rd, born December 1, 1791. Died January 15, 1864, Grosbous.

- married
- children:

Jean Nicholas, born October 9, 1783. Died

- married Anne Catherine Thull, 1861, Church,
- children: Marie (Mrs. Jean Claude Beck).

[Anne Catherine Thull was born 1820, at ; daughter of . She died October 23, 1867, Schiffflange.]

Pierre, born September 30, 1796. Died April 8, 1797, Grosbous.

Marie Catherine, born April 29, 1798. Died May 1800, Grosbous.

Nicolas, born May 19, 1800. Died

- married Julienne Bock, August 16, 1837, Church,
- children:

²³ This Gaspar genealogy was provided (2005) by Rose Ann [Huwe] Scott, Madison, WI, a descendant of Nicolas & Marie Elisabeth [Newens] Gaspar. She is a 4th cousin to Janet [Lang] Kortenkamp. Rose Ann obtained this genealogy from her cousin Luella [Gaspar] Hughes, who has done extensive research on the Gaspar ancestry and descendants.

²⁴ Cyrill Neuens, Wiltz, Luxembourg, provided (2007) info about Neuens ancestry and descendants. She is a 5th cousin to Janet [Lang] Kortenkamp, descended from Nicolas and Anna Catharine [Majery/Meyery] Neuens.

[Julieinne Bock was born November 14, 1810, Vianden; daughter of . She died .]

Guillaume, born March 12, 1802. Died March 13, 1802, Grosbous.

Phillip, born March 21, 1803. Died .

- married Anne Marie Wampach, January 9, 1828, Church, Bigonville.
- children: Eve (Mrs.), & Nicolas (Anne Brandenburg).

[Anne-Marie Wampach was born September 20, 1806, Bilsdorf; daughter of Nicolas and Marguerite (Kerger) Wampach. She died May 9, 1844, Bilsdorf.]

- married Anne Catherine Glaesener, Church, Colmar Berg.
- children:

[Anne Catherine Glaesener was born , ; daughter of . She died .]

While living at Grosbous, Nicolas and Marie Elisabeth [Neuens] Gaspar had at least six children:

Marie, born September 7, 1812. Died June , 1893. Burial June 20, 1893, Cemetery, Earling, Shelby County, Iowa.

- married Jean Peter Zeimen, February 18, 1835, Church, Grosbous, Luxembourg.
- children: Pierre/Peter (Theresa Gaul), and Antoine ().

[Jean Peter Zeimen was born May 7, 1807, Dellen, Luxembourg, son of Franz and Marie [Müller] Zeimen. He worked as a day laborer. He died March 8, 1881, Grosbous; burial in Cemetery, .]

Jean Nicolas, born 14 October 1810 Died 20 December 1889, Dubuque, Iowa. Burial in St. Catherine Catholic Cemetery, Mosalem Twp, Dubuque County, Iowa.

- married Catherine Welter, May 12, 1846, Church, Grosbous, Luxembourg.
- children: Lambert (Julia Sophia Elizabeth Meyer)²⁵, Nick (), Mikael (), Eve (Mrs. Maiers), John (), Peter (), Theresa (Mrs.), Monika (Mrs. Leos), and (Hoffman).

[Mrs. Jean Nicolas (Catherine Welter) was born July 31 (August 5?), 1818, at Buschrodt, Luxembourg; daughter of Peter & Anne (Kunsch) Welter. She died February 11, 1903, at Dubuque; burial in St. Catherine Catholic Cemetery, Mosalem Twp, Dubuque County, Iowa.]

Marguerite, born February 12, 1817. Died May 4, 1878 ("age 61"), at Schieren. Burial.in

- married Michel Fabricius, January 28, 1845, in Church, at Ettelbruck, Luxembourg
- children: Richard? (Catherine Watgen), Michel (died about age 14), Cathérine (Mrs. Jean Bertemes?), Catherine (died age 27), Jean-Pierre/John Peter (Elisabeth Weber), Marguerite (Mrs. Francois Wilmes), and Pierre ().

[Michel Fabricius was born October 11, 1817, Schieren, the son of Pierre and Marie Cathérine (Styrr/Stirn). He was a farmer and also the Mayor of Schieren. He died June 11, 1890 ("age 73", Schieren; burial in .)

Peter, born . Died . Burial

- married Maria Weber,
- children:

Antoine, born , 1822? Died , at . Burial

- married Catherine Goetz, , at

Nicolas Gaspar died September 19, 1842 ("age 61"?), at Grosbous. His wife Marie Elisabeth [Neuens] died August 21, 1855 ("age 72"), at Grosbous.

Nicolas Pierre Fabricius is the earliest documented Fabricius ancestor in this genealogy. His parents were Pierre (born in Boevange/Attert, Luxembourg) and Marguerithe [unknown] Fabricius. Nicolas Pierre Fabricius married Régina Klein on November 25, 1728, at Schieren, Diekirch, Luxembourg (her parents were Mathias & Helene [Papier] Klein.

Nicolas and Régina [Klein] Fabricius had at least nine children while living at Schieren:

Jean Baptiste, born March 4, 1728. Died 1729, Schieren..

Marie Catherine, born June 15, 1730. Died

- married
- children:

Elisabeth, born April 3, 1731. Died

- married
- children:

Jean Mathias, born October 15, 1733. Died

²⁵ Lambert Gaspar moved to Quorn/Kingsley, Plymouth County, Iowa. In 1907 he moved his family to a farm near Granville in East Orange Twp, Sioux County. Some of his children moved to Orient, South Dakota. Brothers Michael moved to Alton, Iowa; and Peter to Sioux City, Iowa.

- married
- children:

Jean Nicolas, born January 6, 1734. Died 1735., Schieren.

Marie Catherine, born March 15, 1737. Died 1738, Schieren.

Nicolas, born September 21, 1740. Died

- married
- children:

Georges, born June 14, 1743. Died

- married Magdalena Mey/May, January 16, 1776 Beaufort, Luxembourg.

- children:

[Mrs. Georges (Magdalena Mey/May) Fabricius was born , Beaufort; daughter of . She died .]

- married Appoline Laschet, January 18, 1797, Beaufort.

- children:

[Mrs. Georges (Appoline Laschet) Fabricius was born , Beaufort; daughter of . She died .]

Elisabeth, born April 12, 1748. Died

- married
- children:

Nicolas Fabricius died January 8, 1769, at Schieren. It is not known when his wife, Régina [Klein], died.

George Fabricius, son of Nicolas and Regina [Klein] Fabricius, married Magdeleine Mey/May (parents unknown) on January 16, 1776. They had at least two children while living at Beaufort (German spelling is “Befort”), Luxembourg:

Pierre, born , 1771. Died October 23, 1849, Schieren, Luxembourg.

- married Marie Catherine Styrr/Stirn, February 15, 1799, Beaufort, Luxembourg.

- children: Michel (), Jean (), Mathias (), Nicolas (Marie Wilhelmus, Anne Marie {Waldbillig} Melsen), Michel (), and Michel (Marguerite Gaspar).

[Mrs. Pierre (Marie Catherine Styrr/Stirn) Fabricius was baptized March 15, 1775, Schieren, daughter of Pierre and Marie (Schiltges) Styrr/Stirn. She died July 25, 1846, Schieren.]

Mathias, born October 14, 1778. Died February 10, 1846, Beaufort, Luxembourg.

- married Marie Madeline Kessler, June 30, 1802, Beaufort.

- children: Francois Pierre (Catherine Bollig).²⁶

[Mrs. Mathias (Marie Madeline Kessler) Fabricius was born , daughter of . She died .]

Magdeleine [Mey/May] Fabricius died September 24, 1787, at Beaufort, Luxembourg. Her husband George Fabricius died March 21, 1823, at Schieren.

Pierre/Peter Fabritius, son of George and Magdeleine [Mey/May] Fabricius, married Marie Cathérine Styrr/Stirn), daughter of Pierre and Marie [Schiltges] Styrr/Stirn at Beaufort, Luxembourg, on “29 Pluviose, Ann IX” (French First Republic Calender, 1791 - ca. 1815), which translates to February 15, 1799 (There were eleven couples married in Beaufort on that day, apparently part of some nuptial fair).

Styrr/Stirn Genealogy

The parents of Marie Cathérine Styrr/Stirn were Pierre and Marie [Schiltges] Styrr/Stirn from Schieren. Their birth and marriage dates are not known.

Pierre and Marie [Schiltges] Styrr/Stirn had nine children while living in Schieren:

Marie Catherine, baptized March 23, 1771. Died

- married ?

Nicolas, baptized January 12, 1773. Died

- married ?

²⁶ Francois Pierre Fabricius, a taylor, immigrated about 1852 to Pittsfield, MA. He was a first cousin once removed to Jean Pierre Fabricius who immigrated to Dubuque in 1879. Francois Fabricius married Catherine Bollig, January 21, 1830, in Beaufort. She was born April 29, 1805, Beaufort. They had 12 children -- Anne Catherine (1830-1837), Peter (1831-1837), Anne Catherine (b. 1836), Agnèse (b. 1837), Antoinette (b. 1839), Angela (1840-1845), Wilhelm (b. 1841), Susanne (d. 1844), Nicolas (b. 1845), Catherine (1847), Mathias (b. 1849), and a son (“born dead” 1851). It is not known how many of these children immigrated to Pittsfield with their parents. Francois Fabricius died at Pittsfield (date unknown), and his wife Catherine [Bollig] Fabricius died June 18, 1873, Pittsfield. Some information about the Pittsfield Fabricius families was provided (2004) by Bonnie Morgan, Towson, Maryland. Antoinette Fabricius was her great-grandmother.

Jean, baptized January 13, 1774. Died

Marie Cathérine (born in the house called "Reiters"), baptized March 15, 1775. Died July 25, 1846, at Schieren. Burial

- married Pierre Fabritius, February 15, 1799, in Church, at Schieren.

- children: Michel (), Jean (), Mathias (), Nicolas (Marie Wilhelmas, Anna Marie [Waldbillig] Melsen), Michel (), and Michel (Marguerite Gaspar).

[Pierre Fabritius was born , 1771, Beaufort, the son of George and Magdeleine (Mey/May) Fabricius. He was a day laborer farmer. He died October 23, 1849, Schieren; burial in .]

Michel, baptized June 6, 1777. Died

- married ?

Jean, baptized June 6, 1777. Died

- married ?

Nicolas, baptized May 2, 1778. Died

Marie Catherine, born , 1786? Died January 28, 1787, at Schieren. Burial

Pierre, born , 1787?. Died December 11, 1790, at Schieren.

Pierre Styrr/Stirn died February 28, 1793, at Schieren. His wife Marie died some time before this.

Marie Cathérine Styrr, daughter of Pierre and Marie [Schiltges] Styrr/Stirn, married Pierre/Peter Fabritius on February 15, 1799, at Schieren. He was a day laborer farmer. His parents were George and Magdeleine [Mey/May] Fabricius. The parents of George Fabricius were Nicolas and Regine [Klein] Fabricius.

Pierre/Peter and Marie Cathérine [Styrr] Fabritius had at least seven children while living in Schieren:

Georges, born June 11, 1800. Died

- married Margaretha Mathieu, April 11, 1831, Wahl, Luxembourg.

- children: Mathias (Elisabeth Damit).²⁷

[Mrs. Georges (Margaretha Mathieu) Fabritius was born , daughter of Jean and Susanne (Goergen) Mathieu. She died .]

Michel, born , , 1801?. Died July 12, 1870 ("age 70"), at Schieren. Burial

- married ?

Jean, born "1 Brumaire An XIV" (October 23, 1805). Died

- married ?

Mathias, born , 1807?. Died August 6, 1877 ("age 70"), at Schieren. Burial

- married ?

Nicolas, born November 11, 1812. Died, January 27, 1891 ("age 80 years"), at Schieren. Burial

- married Marie Wilhelmus, , in Church, at

- children: Richard [born February 19, 1843 in Paris (Reully). His father was a field guard. He married Cathérine Wattieu on March 13, 1872, in Ettelbruck.]

[Mrs. Nicolas (Marie Wilhelmus) Fabritius/Fabricius was born , at , the daughter of . She died April 10, 1859, Schieren; burial in .]

- married Anne Marie [Waldbillig] Melsen, April 15, 1860, in Church, Schieren.

- no children.

[Mrs. Nicolas (Anne Marie Waldbillig) Fabritius/Fabricius was born June 18, 1797, to Michel and Catharina [Wagner] Waldbillig, of Stegen. She was the widow of Nicolas Melsen, who died March 25, 1848. She died , at , burial in .]

Michel, born March 6, 1816. Died July 12, 1870, at Schieren. Burial

- married ?

Michel, born October 11, 1817. Died June 11, 1890, at Schieren. Burial

- married Marguerite Gaspar, January 28, 1845, in Church, at Ettelbruck, Luxembourg.

- children: Richard? (Catherine Watgen), Michel (died age 14), Cathérine (Mrs. Jean Bertemes), Cathérine (died age 27), Jean-Pierre (Elizabeth Weber), Marguerite (Mrs. Francois Wilmes), and Pierre ().

[Michel Fabricius was a farmer, but also served as the Mayor of Schieren.]

²⁷ There is a family story handed down that John Peter Fabricius (who immigrated to the U.S. in 1879) had a brother who emigrated from Luxembourg to South America.. This was probably his cousin Mathias, born March 13, 1834, Wahl, Luxembourg, who married Elisabeth Damit, May 18, 1865, in Mecher, Luxembourg. She was born June 2, 1844, Bavigne, Luxembourg; the daughter of Franz and Margaretha [Thill] Damit. The Luxembourg Gazette, June 4, 1889, p. 5, shows Mathias Fabricius (age 50), from "Böven" (Bavigne, Luxembourg), leaving on the ship Calabria, May 8, 1889, from Antwerp to Villaguay, Entre Rios, Argentina, with 31 passengers. Accompanying him were his wife Elisabeth [Mergen] (age 44), and ten children -- Franz (23), Jean Pierre (21) [married Marie Reding], Andre (19), Johann (17), Nikolas (15), Marie (13), Margaretha (10), Johann Baptiste (8), Louis (5), and Joseph (2). Some information about the Argentina Fabricius families was provided (2004) by Bonnie Morgan, Towson, Maryland. There were 40 listings for "Fabricius" in the Argentina phone book for 2004.

[Mrs. Michel (Marguerite Gaspar) Fabritius/Fabricius was born February 12, 1817, Grosbous, Luxembourg, the daughter of Nicolas and Marie Elisabeth (Neuens) Gaspar. She died May 4, 1878, Schieren; burial in .]

Marie Cathérine [Styrr/Stirn] Fabricius died July 25, 1846 (“age 73”); and her husband Pierre/Peter Fabricius died October 23, 1849 (“age 70”), both at Schieren.

Michel Fabricius, son of Pierre/Peter and Marie Cathérine [Styrr/Stirn], married Marguerite Gaspar, daughter of Nicolas and Marie Elisabeth [Neuens] Gaspar, on January 28, 1845, at Ettelbruck, Luxembourg. Michel was a farmer, but also served as Mayor of Schieren. Michel and Marguerite [Gaspar] Fabricius had approximately seven children while living at Schieren:

Richard?, born , 1843. Died
- married Cathérine Watgen,
- children:

[Mrs. Richard (Cathérine Watgen) Fabricius was born , at ; daughter of . She died , at ; burial in .]

Michel, born , 1847? Died August 25, 1861, at Schieren. Burial
Catherine²⁸, born February 12, 1849 Died August 14, 1884 (“age 35”), at Marnach, Luxembourg. Burial
- married Jean Bertemes,
- children: Victorine (Mrs.), Alfred (Barbara Seiler), and Adolf ().

[Jean Bertemes was born March 26, 1854, Marnach, the son of Pierre & Barbara (Schleich). He worked as a coachman in Paris, and later as a farmer near Marnach. He died April 24, 1926, at Marnach; burial in .]

Catérine, born December 30, 1853. Died February 17, 1882 (“age 27”), at Schieren. Burial

Jean-Pierre/John Peter, born December 26, 1855. Died December 25, 1938, (“age 83”), at Dubuque. Burial in Mt. Calvary Cemetery.
- married Elisabeth Weber, May 25, 1882, in St. Mary’s Church, Dubuque, Iowa.

- children: Agnes (Mrs. Joseph Wallig), Mary C. (Mrs. Edward Mathius Lang), Elizabeth (single), Catherine (single), Peter (Catherine/”Kitty” Stephenson), Susan (died age 3), and taken in and raised Karl Walech (Vivian Herold).

[John Peter Fabricius immigrated to Dubuque, Iowa, in 1879. He worked for awhile as a teamster, but was then employed as a night watchman for 35 years at the Iowa Coffin Company in Dubuque.]

[Mrs John Peter (Elisabeth Weber) Fabricius was born February 21, 1854, daughter of Pierre and Agnes (Hartert) Weber. She died August 2, 1914, Dubuque, Iowa; burial in Mount Calvary Cemetery.]

Marguerite, born December 22, 1857. Died July 21, 1927, at Colmar, Luxembourg.

- married Francois Wilmes, January 20, 1886, in Church, Berg, Luxembourg.
- children: Charles ().

[Francois Wilmes was born November 20, 1853, Colmar, Luxembourg, the son of He worked as a . He died July 21, 1940, Colmar; burial in .]

Pierre, born June 28, 1859. Died , at .
- married ?

Marguerite [Gaspar] Fabricius died May 4, 1878 (“age 61”), at Schieren. Her husband Michel died June 11, 1890 (“age 73”), at Schieren. According to correspondence in 1995 with Jean-Pierre A. Jung, Colmar-Berg, Luxembourg, “the ‘Fabricius’ house, except the barn, is still existing at Schieren.” Mr. Jung sent a color photo of the house.

Jean-Pierre/John Peter Fabricius, son of Michel and Margarite [Gaspar] Fabricius, immigrated to America May 20, 1879, the year after his mother’s death. John Peter Fabricius declared intent to become an American citizen on July 7, 1886, in Dubuque County, Iowa. He married Elisabeth Weber, daughter of Pierre and Agnes [Hartert] Weber, on May 25, 1882, in St. Mary’s Church, Dubuque, Iowa.

Weber Genealogy

Elisabeth Weber (Mrs. Peter Fabricius) was born February 21, 1854, at the Webershof (Grewenhof; Gre’wenhaff) municipality of Ermsdorf (near Medernach), District of Diekirch, Grand-Duchy of Luxembourg. In 1995, Mr. Jean-Pierre A. Jung, of Colmar-Berg, Luxembourg, sent a color picture of the Weber house at Webershof

²⁸ Much information about Cathérine Fabricius was provided (2000) by Jean Bertemes, Luxembourg City, Luxembourg. Cathérine [Fabricius] Bertemes was his great grandmother.

The Weber genealogy in Luxembourg has been traced back to before 1753, and includes the surnames Schroeder, Audrit, Welter, and Erpelding. [See the **Elisabeth Weber Ancestor Tree** in the *Appendix*].

Elisabeth Weber's parents were Pierre/Peter and Agnes [Hartert] Weber. They were married February 26, 1851, at Ermsdorf. Pierre/Peter Weber was born February 2, 1821, at Medernach. Agnes Hartert was born April 24, 1823, at Holsthum, Rhineland, Prussia. [Holsthum was part of Luxembourg until the Treaty of Vienna in 1815, when this part of Luxembourg was ceded to Prussia.]

Pierre/Peter and Agnes [Hartert] Weber had at least four children while living at the Webershof municipality of Ermsdorf (near Medernach):

Agnes, born January 17, 1852. Died October 17, 1890 (38 yrs. 9 mos.), at Dubuque. Funeral, St. Mary's. Burial in Mt. Calvary Cemetery, Dubuque.

- married Michael Majerus, about 1878, in _____ Church, at Dubuque?
- children: August (_____), Adam (_____), and Theresia (Mrs. _____).

[Michael Majerus ("Magerus" in 1880 census) was born May 10, 1846, at Schieren, Luxembourg, the son of _____. He worked as a hotel/boardinghouse keeper, 646 Clay St., Dubuque _____. He died July 11, 1904, at Dubuque; burial in Mt. Calvary Cemetery, Dubuque _____.]

Elisabeth, born February 21, 1854. Died August 2, 1914 ("age 58"), at Dubuque. Burial in Mt. Calvary Cemetery, Dubuque.

- married Jean-Pierre/John Peter Fabricius, May 25, 1882, in St. Mary's Church, Dubuque.
- children: Agnes (Mrs. John Wallig), Mary C. (Mrs. Edward Mathius Lang), Elisabeth (single), Catherine (single), Peter (Catherine/Kitty Stevenson), Susan (died age 3), and taken in and raised -- Karl Joseph Walech (Vivian Herold).

[Elisabeth Weber worked as a waitress for Michael Majerus in his hotel/boarding house, Dubuque.]

[John Peter Fabricius was born December 26, 1855, son of Michel and Marguerite (Gaspar) Fabricius. He worked for awhile as a teamster, but was then employed as a night watchman for 35 years at the Iowa Coffin Company in Dubuque. He died December 25, 1938, Dubuque, Iowa; burial in Mt. Calvary Cemetery.]

Anna, born July 3, 1856. Died _____, at _____. Burial in _____.

- married Jean Walich, May 10, 1881, _____ Church, Ermsdorf, Luxembourg.
- children: Jean Pierre (Catherine Kauhten), Theobald Nicholas (Genevieve Rupp), Charles (Josephine Schmidt), Marie (Mrs. Jean Peffer), Michel (_____), and Victor (Helen Berwick).

[Jean Walich was born June 12, 1849, at Ermsdorf, Luxembourg, the son of _____. He worked as a _____. He died November 23, 1922, at Webershof, Luxembourg, burial in _____.]

Charles, born _____, Died _____, at _____. Burial in _____.

-married ?

It is not known when or where Pierre/Peter and Agnes [Hartert] Weber died.

Elisabeth Weber and her sister Agnes immigrated to America in 1872. It is not known when Anna immigrated, nor if any other members of this family immigrated. Elisabeth Weber worked as a waitress for Michael Majerus in his hotel/boarding house at 646 Clay St., Dubuque.

Elisabeth Weber, daughter of Pierre/Peter and Agnes [Hartert] Weber, married John Peter Fabricius, son of Michel and Margaret [Gaspar] Fabricius, on May 25, 1882, in St. Mary's Church, Dubuque. They had six children:²⁹

Agnes, born April 15, 1883. Died August 8, 1951, Dubuque, Iowa. Burial in Mt. Calvary Cemetery.

- married Joseph Wallig, _____ after August, 1914, in _____ Church, at _____
- children: taken in and raised -- Karl Joseph Walech (Vivian Herold).³⁰

[Joseph Wallig was born February 21, 1887, at _____, the son of _____. He worked as a _____. He died February 10, 1977, Dubuque; burial in Mt. Calvary Cemetery.]

Mary C., born July 28, 1886. Died April 7, 1973, Dubuque, Iowa. Funeral, Sacred Heart. Burial, Mt. Calvary Cemetery.

- married Edward Mathius Lang, August 28, 1906, in St. Mary's Church, Dubuque, Iowa.

²⁹ Much of the information about the John Peter and Elisabeth [Weber] Fabricius family was provided in 1990 by Mary Fabricius (Dubuque, Iowa.)

³⁰ Karl Joseph (born Charles Nicholaus) Walech was born June 5, 1918, Dubuque, Iowa; son of Charles and Josephine [Schmidt] Walech. His father Charles died October 18, 1918, during the Spanish flu epidemic. For some reason his mother left him with relatives and supposedly moved to Miami County, Ohio. His father was born February 15, 1887, Webershof, Luxembourg; son of Jean and Anna [Weber] Walich. His father came to the U.S. with brothers John Victor and Theobald Nicholas. Anna Weber was a sister of Elisabeth -- Mrs. John Peter Fabricius. Karl Walech married Vivian Herold, October 6, 1951, St. Joseph Church, Cresco, Iowa. Vivian Herold was born April 2, 1922, the daughter of William and Gertrude [Slebiska] Herold. Karl and Vivian [Herold] Walech had three children -- Terrence Karl (Jean Wambach), Gerilyn Marie (Mrs. George Hogeman), and Steven Gerard. Information about the Welich/Walech familied was provided (2000) by Jean [Wambach] Walech, San Marcos, California.

- children: Joseph (died at birth), Marie (Sr. Miriam Therese, Maryknoll), Edward (single), Cornelius/Neil (Gertrude Berg), and Clarence Anthony Joseph (Rev. Anthony Lang, Dubuque Diocese).

[Edward M. Lang was born March 18, 1883, Sherrill, Iowa, the son of Ignatz and Barbara (Ziegler) Lang. He farmed at Balltown, Dubuque Co., and later worked for A.Y. McDonald Mfg. Co. in Dubuque. He died June 27, 1936, Dubuque, Iowa; burial in Mt. Calvary Cemetery.]

Elizabeth, born July 14, 1887. Died November 4, 1972, Dubuque, Iowa. Burial in Mt. Calvary Cemetery.
-single.

[Elizabeth worked for H.P. Glover, Co., a men's clothing factory.] ³¹

Catherine/"Kate", born June 13, 1889. Died July 14, 1968, Dubuque, Iowa. Burial in Mt. Calvary Cemetery.
-single.

[Catherine worked for H.P. Glover, Co., a men's clothing factory.]

Peter M., born December 18, 1890. Died August 23, 1991 ("age 100"), at Dubuque, Iowa. Burial in Mt. Calvary Cemetery.
- married Catherine/"Kitty" Stephenson, June 10, 1925, in St. Matthew's Church, at St. Louis, Missouri.
- children: Mary (single), John (Margaret Rankin, widow with three children), and James (Mary Ann Sullivan).

[Peter became a woodcarver, and in 1940 started the Fabricius Company of Dubuque -- ornamental carving of alters, communion railings, etc. for churches. Peter's son James has carried on this business to the present day. During World War I Peter served in the front line with the mortars.]

[Mrs. Peter (Catherine/"Kitty" Stephenson) Fabricius was born August 24, 1889, Bunker Hill, Illinois, the daughter of George and Mary [Dwyer] Stephenson. She died February 22, 1982, Dubuque; burial in Mt. Calvary.]

Susan, born October 18, 1893. Died December 24, 1896, at Dubuque. Burial in Mt. Calvary Cemetery.

Karl Walech (adopted), born June 5, 1918, Dubuque, Iowa; son of Charles and Josephine [Schmidt] Walech.

- married Vivian Herold, October 6, 1951, in St. Joseph Church, Cresco, Iowa.

- children: Terrence Karl (Jean Lambach), Gerilynn Marie (Mrs. George Hogerman), and Steven Gerald ().

[Mrs. Karl (Vivian Herold) Walech was born April 2, 1922, at , the daughter of William and Gertrud [Slibiska] Herold. She died , at ; burial in .]

John Peter Fabricius worked as a teamster, but was later employed as a night watchman for 35 years at the Iowa Coffin Company in Dubuque. He never kept in touch with his family in Luxembourg, only writing a letter shortly before his death. A reply came after his death, but was destroyed by his daughter Elizabeth (as remembered by Mary Fabricius).

Elisabeth [Weber] died August 2, 1914, at the 1703 Elm St. residence (3rd Ward). Her funeral was in St. Mary's Church. John Peter Fabricius died December 25, 1938 ("age 83") at his residence, 1703 Elm St., Dubuque. Burial for both was in Mount Calvary Cemetery, Dubuque, Iowa.

Mary Fabricius, daughter of John Peter and Elisabeth [Weber] Fabricius, married Edward M. Lang, son of Ignatz and Barbara [Ziegler] Lang, on August 28, 1906 in St. Mary's Church, Dubuque. Edward worked for the A. Y. McDonald Mfg. Co. in Dubuque.

Edward and Mary [Fabricius] Lang had five children:

Joseph, stillborn, , Dubuque, Iowa. Burial in

Marie, born August 12, 1907. Died October 8, 1985, Maryknoll, Ossining, New York. Burial in Maryknoll Cemetery, Ossining, NY.
- became a Maryknoll Missioner Sister (Sr. Miriam Therese), Final Profession , January 6, 1936.

[Marie Lang worked after high school before entering Maryknoll, Ossining, NY, April 5, 1930. She professed January 6, 1933; Final Profession January 6, 1936; taking the name Sr. Miriam Therese. After Maryknoll Teachers College, she was assigned to Hawaii where she was a teacher and principal in Wailuku, Maui, Punahou and Kalhikai/Kalahiki. She got her BA and MA at the U. of Hawaii. In 1955 she returned to Maryknoll Center, Ossining, to be Novice Mistress and then became Dean of the College in 1961. In 1964 she was assigned to Africa where she was headmistress at Marian Secondary School in Morogoro, and taught English Literature in Bukoba. She returned to the U.S. in 1972 because of ill health, and worked at part-time assignments: Director of Mission Projects Office, Secretary in the Physical Plant Office, in the Mission Institute, and on a National Seminary Research Project.]

Edward J., born November 12, 1909. Died July 18, 1977, Dubuque, Iowa. Burial in Mt. Calvary Cemetery.
- single.

[Edward Lang worked for an insurance company in Dubuque.]

Cornelius/"Neil", born December 4, 1910. Died May 8, 1984, Indianapolis, Indiana. Burial in Garden of St. Matthew, Washington Park North Cemetery.

- married Gertrude Berg, May 16, 1938, in Sacred Heart Church, Dubuque, Iowa..

³¹ In 1953, Richard Bissell, Vice-President of H.P. Glover, wrote a humorous novel **7½ cents** about a fictitious pajama factor in a fictitious Iowa town where the employees went on strike for a wage increase of 7½ cents. This novel became the basis for the 1954 hit Broadway musical "Pajama Game", and the 1957 movie of the same name starring Doris Day

- children: [LIVING CHILDREN DELETED].

[Neil Lang work for Dubuque Fire and Marine Insurance, and later for American States Insurance, Indianapolis.]

[Mrs. Neil (Gertrude Berg) Lang was born June 6, 1912, Dubuque, Iowa, the daughter of Frank J., Sr., and Mary (Oeth) Berg. She died August 21, 2003, Dayton, Ohio. Burial in Garden of St. Matthew, Washington Park North Cemetery, Indianapolis, Indiana.]

(Clarence)Anthony/"Tony" Peter Joseph, born March 6, 1914. Died June 2, 1990, Dubuque, Iowa. Burial, Mt. Calvary Cemetery.
- ordained a Catholic priest.

[Rev. Anthony/"Tony" Lang sold insurance for several years; received a BA in philosophy from Loras College, Dubuque, in 1942; studied theology at Catholic University; and was ordained June 8, 1946, in St. Raphael's Cathedral, Dubuque. He said his first mass at Sacred Heart Church, June 9. He was associate pastor at Immaculate Conception Parish, Lansing, Iowa, 1946-48. He was then appointed to the faculty at Loras College. In 1949-51 he did graduate studies at the Dominican House, River Forest, Illinois. He received his PhD in philosophy from the North American College, Rome, 1956. He was a professor in the Philosophy Dept. at Loras for 35 years until his retirement in 1984. He also served on the Archdiocesan Board of Clergy Examiners, and was Chaplain at Mary of the Angels Home, Dubuque.]

Edward Lang died June 26, 1936, at the family residence, 2285 Washington Street (5th Ward?). Mary died April 7, 1973, at her home, 2414 Windsor Avenue (5th Ward?). Burial for both was in Mount Calvary Cemetery, Dubuque.

Cornelius/"Neil" Lang, son of Edward and Mary [Fabricius] Lang, was born at Balltown, Jefferson Township, Dubuque County, on December 4, 1910. He married Gertrude Berg, daughter of Frank J. and Mary [Oeth] Berg, Sr., on May 16, 1938, in Sacred Heart Church, Dubuque.

Berg Genealogy

Gertrude Berg was born June 6, 1912, at Dubuque, Iowa. She was the daughter of Frank J. Berg, Sr., and Mary [Oeth] Berg, married September 1, 1886, at Sacred Heart Church, Dubuque, Iowa.

Frank J. Berg's parents were Leonard and Margaret [Reinfried] Berg. Leonard Berg was born April 14, 1823, at Bensheim, Hesse-Darmstadt [now Bensheim, Kr. Bergstraße (Heppenheim), Hesse, Germany]. His parents were Johann Berg and Maria Anna [Ritzert] Berg. Johann Berg was born September 22, 1777, at Fehlheim, Hesse-Darmstadt [now Fehlheim, Kr. Bergstraße (Heppenheim), Hesse, Germany]. Fehlheim is just north of Bensheim. Maria Anna Ritzert was born June 23, 1786, at Fehlheim. They were married February 29, 1808, Bensheim (There is no church in Fehlheim). Johann and his family emigrated from Bensheim to Butler County, Pennsylvania, about 1834.

The Berg ancestry has been traced back to Ober-Hambach, Hesse-Darmstadt, in the 1700s; and to Weschnitz/Fürth, Hesse-Darmstadt, in the 1600s. Surnames related to this ancestry include Arzberger, Braun, Haffner, Ritzert, Schroeder, Treusch, and Wagner. ³² [See the **Leonard Berg Ancestor Tree** in the *Appendix*] ³³

Bensheim is a very old town on the Bergstraße, a main route used by the Romans. The Bergstraße runs north and south along the foothills between the Rhine River to the west and the Odenwald (Oden Forest) to the east. This area was devastated during the 30 Years War (1618-1648), and all the citizens were wiped out. Before the war there were 16 houses in Fehlheim; in 1641 there were five. In succeeding years, immigrants re-populated this area. The Berg family immigrated to Fehlheim from Ober-Hambach and Weschnitz, Hesse-Darmstadt. These towns are in the Odenwald, east-southeast of Fehlheim and Bensheim. ³⁴

Ritzert Genealogy ³⁵

³² Information about the Berg ancestry in Weschnitz/Fürth and Ober-Hambach, Hesse-Darmstadt, was provided (2002) by Edward Dunn, Gardena, CA. Herman J. Berg (1810-1898) was his gg-grandfather.

³³ Ralf Doersam, Berlin-Schoeneberg, Germany, wrote (2001) that a Johann Berg was born March 18, 1777, Mörlenbach, Hesse-Darmstadt, son of Johann Nikolaus and Maria Katharina [Becker] Berg, married June 7, 1763, Mörlenbach. There was also a Johann Berg born March 11, 1775, Mörlenbach, son of Johann Peter and Gertrud [Eisenhauer] Berg, married January 12, 1773, Mörlenbach. This information was obtained from **Familienbuch Fürth, Vol. I-II**.

³⁴ Information about the origin of the Berg family in Fehlheim is from Charles Lantzy & Mary Lou Godleski. (1999). **Angert & Ritzert Genealogy, plus related families**. The authors also report a Peter Berg moving to Fehlheim in 1726 from Mörlenbach, Hesse-Darmstadt; and a Peter Berg in a 1682 Hesse census for the town of Groß und Klein Breitenbach, Hesse-Darmstadt. These towns are in the Odenwald.

³⁵ Information about the Ritzert genealogy was obtained (1998) from Carol [Ritzert] Kennedy, Washington, Massachusetts, who has done extensive research. Carol Kennedy is a 9th cousin to Janet [Lang] Kortenkamp, with a common ancestor -- Peter Ritzert (whose father, Paul Ritzhart, was living in Schwanheim, Hesse-Darmstadt [Germany] in 1588). [See the **Leonard Berg Ancestor Tree** in the *Appendix*]. Information was also obtained from

Maria Anna Ritzert was born June 23, 1786, at Fehlheim, Hesse-Darmstadt [now Fehlheim (part of Bensheim), Kr. Bergstrasse (Heppenheim), Hesse, Germany]. Her parents were Johan Adam and Gertrude [Kalt] Ritzert.

Kalt Genealogy

Gertrude Kalt was the daughter of Johan Michael and Sophia [Krastel] Kalt. [See the **Gertrude Kalt Ancestor Tree** in the Appendix] Other surnames in this ancestry are Berg, Hübner, and Unger.

Johann Michael and Sophia [Krastel] Kalt lived in Hartenrod, near Kröckelbach (near Fürth), Hesse-Darmstadt [now Fürth Kr. Bergstraße (Heppenheim), Hesse, Germany]. They had six children: ³⁶

Joseph Adam, born November 24, 1738. Died February 5, 1799, at
 - married Eva Katharine Gassner, January 17, 1764, Church,
 - children:

[Mrs. Joseph Adam (Eva Katherine Gassner) Kalt was born , at ; daughter of Gassner. She died July 30, 1770.]

- married Appelona Killian, January 7, 1771, Church,
 - children:

[Mrs. Joseph Adam (Appelona Killian) Kalt was born , at ; daughter of . She died , at .]

Anna Elisabeth, born October 9, 1740. Died August 5, 1741, at

Anna Margaret., born June 29, 1741. Died June 30, 1741, at

Lorenz, born February 6, 1744. Died December 27, 1817,

- married Anna Elisabeth Berg, February 20, 1770, Church,
 - children: Appollonia (Mrs.), Joann Adam (), Eva Elisabeth (Mrs.), M. Elisabeth (Mrs.), and Leohard ().

[Mrs. Lorenz (Anna Elisabeth Berg) Kalt was born April 20, 1746, at ; daughter of . She died November 20, 1778, at ; burial .]

- married Margaretha Eisenhauser, January 6, 1779, Church,
 - children: Eva Katherine (Mrs.), Maria Katherine (Mrs.), Anna Maria (Mrs.), Margaretha (Mrs.), and Joachim (Anna Katherina Unrath),

[Mrs. Lorenz (Margaretha Eisenhauser) Kalt was born September 25, 1742, at ; daughter of . She died December 28, 1807, at ; burial .]

Eva Katherine, born January 4, 1746. Died

- married Peter Fath, November 24, 1768, Church, Fürth, Hesse-Darmstadt

- children:

[Peter Fath was born , at Gadern, Hesse-Darmstadt; son of . He worked as . He died , at .]

Gertrude, born September 9, 1748. Died , Fehlheim, Hesse-Darmstadt. Burial at

- married Johann Adam Ritzert, July 14, 1772, St. George Church, Fürth, Hesse-Darmstadt.

- children: Conrad (C. Hilgenreiner), Antonius (died young), Catharina (Mrs. Lorenz Angert), Maria Barbara (Mrs.), Elisabeth (Mrs. Joannes Georgius Heppert), Maria Ann (Johann Berg), Maria Eva (Mrs.), and Casper (Margaret Reisler).

[Johann Adam Ritzert was born August 12, 1742, Fehlheim, Hesse-Darmstadt; son of Michael and Anna Catherine (Dreysigacker) Ritzert. He worked as a . He died January 15, 1796, Fürth, Hesse-Darmstadt. Burial in]

- married Joseph Berg, February 29, 1808, Church, Bensheim, Hesse-Darmstadt.

- children: none

[Joseph Berg was born , son of . He worked as a . He died]

Johann Michael Kalt died November 18, 1775, Fürth, Hesse-Darmstadt. His wife, Sophia [Krastel] Kalt, died , at .

the book -- **Angert & Ritzert Genealogy, plus related families** by Charles A. Lantzy & Mary Lou Godleski (1999), and from the book by James & Marcella Ritzert () . Also, a Ritzert genealogy is in **Darmstädter Geschlechterbuch** (1937) by Bernard Koerner & Otfried Praetorius.

³⁶ Information about the Kalt ancestry is from Lantzy, Charles A., & Godleski, Mary Lou. (1999). **Angert & Ritzert Genealogy, plus related families**. Some information was provided (2001) by Martin Weber, Tulsa, Oklahoma. His gg-grandfather, Johann Adam Kalt, a tailor, son of Joachim & Anna Katherina (Unrath) Kalt, was born July 23, 1827, Krockelbach (near Fürth). He married Anna Katharina Golz, November 28, 1850, in the Catholic church, Fürth. They immigrated to Springfield, Ohio, in 1852, and he changed his name to Weber. They moved to Chicago about 1864. Martin Weber and Janet [Lang] Kortenkamp are 5th cousins once removed.

Gertrude Kalt, daughter of Johan Michael and Sophia [Krastel] Kalt, married Johann Adam Ritzert, July 14, 1772, Fürth, Hesse-Darmstadt.

Johann Adam Ritzert was born August 12, 1742, in Helheim, Hesse-Darmstadt, son of Michael and Anna Catherine (Dreysigacker) Ritzert. It is thought that the early Ritzert ancestors were peasants attached to the Frankenstein Castle on the Rhine near Darmstadt; and that at least one of the Ritzerts fought for the English as a Hessian mercenary in the American Revolution. The Ritzert genealogy has been traced back to Paul Ritzert, who is mentioned in the "Tax of the Turks" of 1566. He is listed in the 1588-1892 "Mustering List" for Schwanheim, Hesse-Darmstadt [now Schwanheim (part of Bensheim), Kr. Bergstraße (Heppenheim), Hesse, Germany]. His name was spelled "Rutzchart" and "Ritzhart." This name is Old German for "Richard." Other surnames in this genealogy are Bender, Dreysigacker, Herrmann, Heuser, Lambert, Landgraff, Nungesser, Schneider, and Stumpf. [See the **Leonard Berg Ancestor Tree** in the *Appendix*]

Johan Adam and Gertrude [Kalt] Ritzert had at least seven children while living in Fehlheim:

Conrad, born November 19, 1773. Died January 27, 1843, Fehlheim. Burial in

- married C. Hilgenreiner, , Church,

- children:

[Mrs. Conrad (C. Hilgenreiner) Ritzert was born . at , daughter of . She died , at .]

Antonius, born August 20, 1776. Died young.

Catharina, born June 15, 1779. Died September 12, 1842, Fehlheim. Burial in

- married Lorenz Angert, April 16, 1799, St. Georg Church, Bensheim.

- children: Nikolaus (), Dorothea (), Conrad (Ursula Heppert), Johann (), Johann (), Katharina (Mrs.), Maria Eva (Mrs.), Dorothea (Mrs.), and Michael (Elizabeth Blechschmidt).

[Lorenz Angert, was born March 5, 1769, Fehlheim, son of Joann & Anna (Landgraff) Angert. He worked as . He died December 20, 1830, Fehlheim; burial in .]

Maria Barbara, born November 3, 1781. Died

- married

- children:

Elisabeth, born December 7, 1784. Died

- married Joannes Georgius Heppert, July 28, 1807, Church, Gernsheim, Hesse-Darmstadt.

- children: Johannes (died age 10), Ursula (Mrs. Conrad Angert), Margaretha (Mrs.), Anna Maria (Mrs.), Barbara (Mrs.), Johann (), Eva (Mrs.), and Georg

[Joannes Heppert was born , son of Jacob & Anna (Hof) Herppert. He worked as "Landwirt." He immigrated spring 1832. He died , at .]

Maria Anna, born June 23, 1786. Died January 14, 1864 ("age 78"), Butler, Pennsylvania. Burial in Cemetery.

- married Johann Berg, Church,

- children: Herman J. (Martha E. Crouse), Johann/John, Sr. (Martha Eyth), Eva Maria/Mary (Franz/Francis Xavier Mangold), Maria Anna (died age 9), Joann Ludwig (), Leonard (Margaret Reinfried), Maria Ursula (died age 7 months), George? (), and Elisabeth/"Lizzie" (John Christman).

[Johann Berg was born about 1777, Hesse-Darmstadt (Germany), son of . He immigrated 1834 to Butler County, Pennsylvania. He worked as a . He died after 1850?, Butler County, PA?, burial in Cemetery.]

Maria Eva, born August 23, 1788. Died

- married Johann Schmidt, before 1811,

- children: Maria Eva (Mrs. Michael Clouse/Clauss), Herman Joseph (), Elisabeth (Mrs. Frank Reott), George (), Conrad (), Barbara (Mrs. Pfraengle), and Magdalene (Mrs. Jacob Schmoker).

[Johann Schmidt immigrated to Butler County, Pennsylvania, before 1832.]³⁷

Casper, born May 27, 1793. Died , 1860, Oakland Township, Butler County, Pennsylvania. Burial in St. Peter's Cemetery, Butler, Pennsylvania?

- married Margaret Reisler, June 5, 1821, St. George Church, Bensheim, Starkenburg.

- children: son (died at birth), Herman Joseph (Barbara Leihfritz), Johann Conrad (Elizabeth Windishee), Franziska (died before age 1), Katharine (Mrs. John Lippert), John (Margaret Delap)³⁸, Adam (Mary Tracy), Eva (Mrs. Martin Eyth), George (died age 30, single), Barbara (Mrs. John Krimm), Francis (Mary Geibel), Mary (Mrs. Leopold Sturm), and Elizabeth (Mrs. John Geibel).

[Mrs Casper (Margaret Reisler) Ritzert was born , daughter of & Eva () Reisler. She died October 28, 1884, ; burial in St. Peter Cemetery, Butler, PA?]

³⁷ Information about the Johann Schmidt family was provided (2006) by Joyce [Bauldoff] Rauschenberger, Butler, PA. She is descended from Johann Adam & Gertrude [Kalt] Ritzert, and is a 4th cousin to Janet [Lang] Kortenkamp.

³⁸ John Ritzert moved to Kansas, and later to Fairbury, Jefferson Twp., Nebraska. He went by the surname of "Richard" and "Richards".

[Casper Ritzert was a day laborer in Germany. He came to the U.S. in February 1832, accompanied by his wife and her parents, four children, and nephew John Berg. They landed at Baltimore, after a voyage of 42 days. After a short stay there, they went to Chambersburg, PA, and then on to Centre Twp., Butler County, traveling by wagon and camping overnight. Mr. Ritzert purchased land in Oakland (Centre?) Township, erected a log cabin, and cleared the land of timber. He became a U.S. citizen on October 15, 1840, Butler County.]³⁹

Johann Adam Ritzert died January 15, 1796, at Fürth. His widow, Gertrude [Kalt] Ritzert, then married Joseph Berg, February 29, 1808, at Bensheim. They had no children. Gertrude [Kalt-Ritzert] Berg died at Fehlheim, Hesse-Darmstadt, date unknown.

Johann Berg, son of Johann Nicolaus and Sabilla [Schroeder] Berg, married Maria Anna Ritzert, daughter of Johan Adam and Gertrude [Kalt] Ritzert, on February 29, 1808, in Bensheim, Hesse-Darmstadt.

Johann and Maria Anna [Ritzert] Berg had at least eight children while living in Bensheim:^{40 41}

Herman J., born October 8, 1810. Died March 9, 1898, at . Burial in Calvary Cemetery, Butler County, PA.
 - married Martha E. Crouse, , Church,
 - children: Mary (Mrs.), Louisa (Mrs. McBride?), Herman J. (Barbara Riesenman/Riesman), Margaret B. (Mrs. Nichols?), Cecelia J. (single), Francis/"Frank"? X. (single?), and George ().

[Herman J. Berg filed a Declaration of Intent to become a U.S. citizen on October 3, 1838; and was naturalized October 10, 1840 (sponsor: Joseph Brown). Herman worked as a merchant. He was retired and living in Butler, Butler County, Pennsylvania, in 1870.]

[Mrs. Herman (Martha E. Crouse) Berg, was born November 3, 1816, Washington, D.C., daughter of Henry & Dorcas Ann (Hall) Crouse from Poland. She died January 15, 1880, at . Burial in Calvary Cemetery, Butler.]

Johann (John, Sr.), born June 9, 1812. Died June 9, 1884, at Butler City, PA. Burial in Calvary Cemetery.

- married Martha Eyth, 1840, in St. Peter Church?, Butler, PA?
 - children: Mary (Mrs.), John, Jr. (), Magdalene (Sr. , Sister of Mercy, Sacred Heart Convent, Ridgely, MD), Margaret T. (single?), Martha (single?), Elizabeth (Mrs. George A. Cypher), Anna E. (single?), Henry A. (), Marcus J. (), Louis E. (Amelia K. ?), and Charles P. ().

[Mrs. John (Martha Eyth) Berg, Sr., was born July 28, 1822, at Binsdorf, Germany, daughter of Marcus/Marx and Elisabeth (Häfele) Eyth. They immigrated in 1839 to Butler County. She died July 4, 1903; burial in Calvary Cemetery, Butler, PA.]⁴²

[see footnote ⁴³ for information about John Berg, Sr.]

³⁹ Information about Casper Ritzert from: Brown, Robert C. (1895). History of Butler County, Pennsylvania. R.C. Brown & Co., Chicago; and from (2010) Richard Ruswick, Ithaca, NY. His wife is a descendant of Caspar & Margaret Ritzert, and a 4th cousin once removed to Janet [Lang] Kortenkamp.

⁴⁰ Information about the Berg family in Bensheim from LDS film #0939394 (Catholic Kirchenbuch, Taufen 1816-1826, Bensheim, Hessen, Germany). In the Bensheim Catholic Church records there are at least two other Berg families, perhaps related:

1. Ludwig and ? [Schlink?] Berg: children: Henricus Antonius, born October 15, 1817; Margaretha, born January 7, 1822, died September 5, 1822; and Margaretha, born July 2, 1825, died July 2, 1826.
2. Michael and Eva [Ritzert] Berg (living in Fehlheim): children: Elisabeth, born January 8, 1818; and Catherina, born September 26, 1824.

⁴¹ Some information about the Johann & Maria Anna [Ritzert] Berg family in Germany and Butler County, PA, obtained (1999) from Carol [Ritzert] Kennedy, Washington, Massachusetts. Carol Kennedy is a 9th cousin to Janet [Lang] Kortenkamp, with a common ancestor -- Peter Ritzert (whose father, Paul Ritzert, was living in Schwanheim, Hesse-Darmstadt [Germany] in 1588). [See: **Leonard Berg Ancestor Tree** in *Appendix*]

⁴² Some information about the Eyth family was obtained (2000, 2002) from James Stephen Angert, Honolulu, Hawaii. His grandmother was Anna Christina Eyth, descended from Marcus/Marx Eyth.

⁴³ "John Berg, Sr., was born in Hesse Darmstadt, Germany, June 9, 1812, and was a son of John and Marian Berg. He was educated in his native land, and there learned the baker's trade. In 1832 he immigrated to the United States, in company with his uncle, Casper Ritzert, and first settled in Chambersburg, Pennsylvania, where he found employment in a rolling mill. He afterwards removed to Pittsburg, and worked at his trade until 1835. In that year he came to Butler [in Butler County, Pennsylvania] and opened a small bakery and grocer store upon the site of the hardware house now occupied by George A. Cypher & Company, which building he afterwards erected. He carried on business here until about 1848, when he and his brother Herman leased the property on the corner of Main and Cunningham streets, erected a warehouse and engaged in a general store, produce and wool business, under the firm name of John Berg & Company. This partnership lasted until 1870. In that year Mr. Berg founded the banking house of John Berg & Company, which has been in successful operation for the past twenty-four years. In 1874 he erected the brick building, 121 South Main street, and taking into partnership his son-in-law, George A. Cypher, engaged in a hardware business, under the name of Berg & Cypher, until his death. In 1880, in partnership with his son John, he embarked in a general grocery and wool business, which they carried on until 1882. Mr. Berg was one of the pioneer oil operators on the Allegheny river, Venango county, in 1859, in connection with H. J. Klingler, and was extensively engaged with other operators during the early oil days of Venango and Butler counties. In partnership with Mr. Klingler he shipped, in 1863, 1,000 barrels of crude oil to Liverpool, which was one of the first shipments of petroleum made to England. It was consigned to Boulton, English & Brandon, and was sold by the ton. He was also associated with Mr. Klingler in the lease, of 12,000 acres of oil lands, which they finally abandoned, and which afterwards proved to be the richest oil field in Butler county. He was one of the largest, if not the largest, real estate owners in the borough and county. Mr. Berg was a Whig in politics until the organization of the American or Know Nothing party, when, because of the sympathy existing in the Whig party with Know Nothingism, he became a Democrat. In religious faith he was a Catholic, and, with his brother, was among the pioneers of St. Peter's church of Butler,

(Eva) Maria/Mary, born November 8, 1816. Died April 23, 1899 ("age 82 yrs."), at Dubuque. Burial in the German Catholic Cemetery (now Mt. Calvary), Dubuque, Iowa.

- married Franz/Francis Xavier Mangold, November 14, 1841, in _____ Church, at _____, Butler Co., Pennsylvania.

- children: Maria (died age 1 yr. 8 mos.), and Henrietta (died age 5)..

[Francis Xavier Mangold was born October 4, 1817/18?, Seltz, Alsace, France, the son of _____ & Julianna? (_____) Mangold. He immigrated about 1835/36; declared intent to become a U.S. citizen September 5, 1838, and naturalized October 10, 1840 (Allegheny County, PA). He came to Dubuque in 1840, and was a business man and property owner in Dubuque, running a bakery and confectionary store, saloon, etc., on Main Street between Third and Fourth Sts (south 20 ft. of Lot 70), usually in association with Leonard Berg. He returned to Pennsylvania to marry Mary Berg in 1841, and spent the winter of 1841/42 in St. Louis. They lived at 735 Clay St. He later purchased a farm near Wilde St., and engaged in farming and mining. After his wife died he moved to 394 Bluff St. (NE corner of Fourth and Bluff). He died December 25, 1901, Dubuque; burial in St. Mary Catholic Cemetery (now Mt. Calvary Cemetery).]⁴⁴

Maria Anna, born November 18, 1818. Died February 27, 1828., at Bensheim. Burial _____

Joann Ludwig, born December 28, 1820. Died _____, at _____ . Burial in _____

- married: _____ ?

Leonard, born April 14, 1823. Died January 3, 1883, Dubuque. Burial in Mt. Calvary Cemetery.

- married Margaret Reinfried, November 14, 1852. in St. Mary's Church, Dubuque, Iowa.

- children: Margaret Mary (Mrs. Ernest J. Voggenthaler), Louisa (_____), Frank J., Sr. (Mary Oeth), George C. (Valentine Schulte), and Joseph Herman (_____).

[Leonard Berg immigrated about 1834, age 11, with his family, and lived in Butler County, Pennsylvania. He came do Dubuque, Iowa, in the spring of 1844(?), and began working in a bakery. He was a baker by trade. In 1850 he went to California (Gold Rush of '49?) for about 18 months. After returning to Dubuque, he worked for many years as a saloon keeper ("Lager Beer Saloon"), usually in association with Francis Mangold. He later worked for the Illinois Central Railroad in their yard. He died January 3, 1883, Dubuque, Iowa, burial in Mt. Calvary Cemetery.]

[Mrs Leonard (Margaret Reinfried) Berg was born July 13?, 1835, Pittsburgh?, the daughter of Xavier and Margaret (Wunderle) Reinfried. She died May 27, 1915, Dubuque, Iowa; burial in Mt. Calvary Cemetery]

Maria Ursula, born August 28, 1825. Died April 16, 1826, at Bensheim. Burial _____

?George, born _____ 1826. Died March 15, 1882, Dubuque. Burial in _____

- married _____, _____, in _____ Church, at _____

Elisabeth /"Lizzie", born _____, 1828. Died _____, at Springville, Iowa?. Burial in _____

- married John Christman, August 7 (16?), 1852, in _____ Church, at Dubuque.

- children: Leonard B., Cecilia (Mrs. Charles Wesley Daniels), Fannie (Mrs. Alfred Flude), Jacob, Anna Belle (Mrs. Fenton Hann), & 4 deceased as of 1911.

[John Christman was born 1826, at _____, France, the son of _____. He immigrated to Pennsylvania at age 9, but came to Dubuque in 1835. He worked in the mercantile business for 9 years. In 1862 he moved to Springville, Linn Co., Iowa. He was in the mercantile, coal & lumber business. He also served as the first agent for the Milwaukee Railroad Company at Springville. He died October 26, 1889, at Springville, leaving a large fortune, five residences, and a large store building to his widow. Burial was in _____.]

Johann and Maria Anna [Ritzert] Berg immigrated 1834 to Butler County, Pennsylvania. In the 1850 Federal Census for Butler County, Butler Borough (p. 041) they were living with son Herman and his family. Johann Berg died about 1850. Maria Anna [Ritzert] died January 14, 1864, at the residence of her son, Herman, in Butler. She was 78 years old. [Another source says she died in the District of Columbia.]

Leonard Berg, son of Johannes and Maria Anna [Ritzert] Berg, came to the U.S. about 1834 at age 11 with his father, and lived in Butler County, Pennsylvania. He came to Dubuque in the spring of 1844(?), and began working in a bakery. He was a baker by trade.

In 1850 Leonard went to California (Gold Rush of '49?) for about 18 months. After returning to Dubuque he married Margaret Reinfried, daughter of Xavier and Margaret [Wunderle] Reinfried, on November 14, 1852, in Sacred Heart? Church.

and gave liberally towards the erection of that building. He married Martha, daughter of Roman Eyth; and nine children blessed this union, as follows: Mary; John; Magdelene, a Sister of Mercy in the Convent of the Sacred Heart, Ridgely, Maryland; Margaret; Elizabeth, deceased wife of George A. Cypher; Henry A.; Annie; Mark; Louis; and Charles. Mr. Berg died June 9, 1884; his widow survives at the age of seventy-one years." [pp. 743-744, "Biographical Sketches" in Brown, Robert C. (1895). History of Butler County, Pennsylvania, R.C. Brown & Co., Chicago.]

⁴⁴ Some information about the Francis X. & Mary [Berg] Mangold family was provided (2002) by Patricia Savage, Prineville, Oregon. She included a copy of Francis X. Mangold's probate records (which list many Berg nieces and nephews living in Dubuque; St. Louis, MO; and Butler County, Pittsburgh, and Allegheny, PA. Patricia Savage has Mangold ancestors. She also provided information about Francis X. Mangold's sister – Carolina (Mrs. John Pauli) who lived in St. Charles, Missouri. The 1860 Federal Census has a "Juliana Mankolds" age 68 born "France" living with the John & Carolina Pauli family. St. Peter Catholic Cemetery has a burial for "Juliana Manngold" born 1797, died February 13, 1866.

Reinfried Genealogy

Margaret Reinfried came to Dubuque in 1835 from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, with her parents, Xavier and Margaret [Wunderle] Reinfried. She was only an infant, having been baptized at St. Patrick Church, Strip District, Pittsburgh, on July 26, 1835 (sponsors: Georg Wunderle and Margaret Wunderle).

Wunderle Genealogy

Margaret Wunderle was probably born in Hesse-Darmstadt [now Hesse, Germany] about September(?) 1814/15(?).⁴⁵ She may have been born at or near Gernsheim, Hesse-Darmstadt. ⁴⁶The names of her parents are not known nor whether she had any brothers or sisters. ⁴⁷ It is not known when she immigrated to the United States. [See the **Margaret Wunderle Ancestor Tree** in the *Appendix*] According to her obituary:

[She] was a native of Germany, and came west at an early day, reaching St. Louis in 1830. In 1832 she removed to the then small and insignificant village of Dubuque, and has remained here ever since.

***Dubuque Daily Times**, May 10, 1871*

Margaret Reinfried's father was Xavier Reinfried, born April 8, 1812, at Schwarzach (bei Bühl), Baden [now part of Rheinmünster, Kr. Rastatt, Baden-Württemberg, Germany]. It is not known where or when Xavier Reinfried and Margaret Wunderle were married (there is no marriage record in St. Patrick or St. Paul Churches, Pittsburgh, between 1831 and 1835).

Xavier Reinfried's parents were Johann Martin and Barbara [Harbrecht]/Habrecht Reinfried. Johann Martin Reinfried was born June 23, 1770, son of Martin & Maria Anna [Scholl] Reinfried. Martin Reinfried died April 4, 1779, Schwarzach. Barbara Harbrecht was the daughter of Josef and Rufina [Dorn] Harbrecht. [See the **Xavier Reinfried Ancestor Tree** in the *Appendix*]

Johann Martin Reinfried and Barbara Harbrecht were married April 27, 1795, in Schwarzach. They had ten children while living at Schwarzach:⁴⁸

Sebastian, born January 18, 1796. Died

Johann Martin, born November 5, 1797. Died

Katharina, born November 15, 1798. Died

Maria Anna, born July 26, 1801. Died May 8, 1873, Schwarzach.

Willibald, born February 5, 1804. Died September 13, 1818, Schwarzach.

Josef, born October 29, 1806. Died

Martin, born July 6, 1809. Died

Xaver/Xavier, born April 8, 1812. Died January 3, 1869, Dubuque, Iowa. Burial in Mt. Calvary Cemetery.

- married Margaret Wunderle, _____, in _____ Church, Pittsburgh? (Dubuque?)

- children: Margaret (Mrs. Leonard Berg), Catherine (Mrs. _____), Christina (Mrs. Jacob Suess/Suehs?), Mary (Mrs. Charles Schreiber), Francis/Frank L. (Susan Jaeger), Joseph R. (Louisa Hilsob), and Cecelia Lena (Mrs. _____).

[Xavier Reinfried came to Dubuque in 1835, first working as a tailor but later opening a grocery store. He eventually became a wealthy property owner in Dubuque, and retired at a young age.]

[Mrs. Xavier (Margaret Wunderle) Reinfried was born about September? _____, 1814/15?, Baden? (Hesse-Darmstadt?), daughter of _____. She died May 9, 1871, Dubuque, Iowa; burial in Mt. Calvary Cemetery.]

Marcus, born April 25, 1815. Died

Gregor/Gregory, born November 8, 1818. Died October _____, 1903, at Dubuque, Iowa. Burial in _____

⁴⁵ The 1836 Iowa Territorial Census for Dubuque County has her age as "over 21". Federal Censuses: 1840 (age 20-30"); 1850, December 5 ("age 35, Germany"). The 1856 Iowa State Census has her "age 43, born in Germany". The Federal Censuses: 1860, July 17 ("age 42, Hesse"); 1870, August 3 ("age 47, Hesse Darmstadt"). In the 1880 Census several of her children list her as born in "Baden".

⁴⁶ Her oldest daughter, Margaret (baptized in Pittsburgh, 1835), married Leonard Berg born in Bensheim, Hesse-Darmstadt (only 6 miles north of Gernsheim). Leonard immigrated to Butler County, PA, about 1833. Several Wunderle families emigrated from Gernsheim; at least one settled in Butler County -- Christina [Wunderle] Witt (born 1805). There seems to have been some connection between Butler County and Dubuque.

⁴⁷ There is an "Elizabeth Wonderlin" in the 1850 Federal Census, Dubuque Co. death records; from Germany, a widow, died April, age 85.

⁴⁸ Information about the Reinfried ancestry in Germany was obtained from LDS film #1057395 [Katholische Kirchenbuchduplicate, 1810-1870, Taufen, Heiraten, Tote, Schwarzach (A. Bühl), Baden, Germany]; and (2005) from Rolf Federle, Bühl, Baden-Württemberg, Germany. There are many Reinfried families recorded in the Schwarzach Catholic Church records during the 1700s and 1800s. And there were many Reinfried emigrants from Baden [see: Hacker, Werner -- **Auswanderungen aus Baden (Immigrants from Baden)**].

- married Mary Margaretta Weinzierl/Weinzerle/Weinzerl/Weinsettler/Winzierl?, February 12, 1850, in St. Raphael Church, at Dubuque, Iowa.
- children: Mary (died in infancy?), Amelia (Mrs. George W. Wunderlich), Bertha Cecilia B. (Mrs. William H. Vath), Anna (died in childhood), Clara R. (Mrs. Albert F. Glasson), Frederic (died in infancy), Catherine (Mrs. Frank M. Blake), and _____ (Mrs. A. R. Bradford).

[Gregory Reinfried arrived June 15, 1847, New York City, aboard the *Croton* from La Havre, France. He worked as a streetcar driver in Dubuque.]

[Mrs. Gregory (Mary Margaretta Weinzierl/Weinzerle/Weinsettler?) Reinfried was born September 26, 1827, at , Bavaria, the daughter of . She died January 17, 1920 ("93 years old"), at Dubuque; burial in Cemetery.]

Xavier Reinfried immigrated to America in 1831, when he was 18 years old. Xavier lived four years in Pittsburgh before coming to Dubuque in 1835.⁴⁹ At his death the *Dubuque Herald*, January 5, 1869, wrote:

Another early settler has departed. Scarcely three hundred of the thousand who made the village of Dubuque, thirty-five years ago, have remained in Iowa or have lived to see the little village of "Dubuque's Mines" become a city of 25,000 inhabitants. Among those who came to Dubuque before the permanent settlement was two years old, was Xavier Reinfried, then of the age of twenty-two. He was one of the first German immigrants who began in that early day to make permanent homes in what has since become the State of Iowa. At that time the whole region north of Missouri and of Illinois was part of Michigan territory, and while Mr. Reinfried resided in Dubuque he was for two years a citizen of Wisconsin territory, and eight years a citizen of Iowa territory before it became a state. Though dying at the moderate age of only fifty-six, he lived to see railroads extend from the eastern coast to his adopted home west of the Mississippi, and by connections, extend over 1,200 miles further westward. He lived to see steam ferry boats take the place of the canoe for crossing the river, and even the ferry boats give way, for the purpose of commerce, to an iron railroad bridge, over which 1,260 freight cars passed in the first week of its operation.

He became a member of the Early Settler's Association in 1865, and, for that reason the members will do his memory honor. Mr. Reinfried was born in the city of Schwazag [sic], in the Duchy of Baden, in Germany, in 1813 [sic]. At the age of eighteen he emigrated [sic] to the United States and stopped awhile at Pittsburg [sic], Penn. Hearing the fame of the Dubuque lead mines he came here to try his fortune, in a place where few knew his language and with little means to establish himself in business. He had in his native land learned the art of the tailor, and his first employment in Dubuque was that of making men appear better dressed. But he soon saw that more money could be made in that early day of pioneers in selling groceries than by the use of shears, needle and thread, (for that was before the days of sewing machines;) and he accordingly opened a store on what is now Main street, and in a few years made money enough, properly invested in real estate, to make him comfortable for life.

Mr. Reinfried has done but little business except to collect his rents and enjoy the pleasure of seeing his real estate rapidly increase in value.

In his first year in Dubuque he had no German companionship except Mr. Heigel and five or six others. But thousands of Germans followed him and now about one-fourth of our city population are Germans or of German descent, and hundreds of them, like Mr. Reinfried, are prosperous in business, and as highly esteemed for their enterprise as he when he kept a store on the site of the present bookstore of Grosvenor & Harger. The same property now belongs to his estate.

He leaves a widow and eight children. His children are nearly all grown up to be men and women, and his only other relative in Dubuque is a brother, Mr. Gregor Reinfried.

Dubuque Herald, January 5, 1869

Xavier Reinfried married Margaret Wunderle 1834? at , in Pittsburgh? (in Dubuque?). He was naturalized in Dubuque on August 21, 1839.

Xavier and Margaret [Wunderle] Reinfried had eight to ten children, some of them were:⁵⁰

Margaret, born July 13, 1835. Died May 27, 1915 (age 80), at Dubuque. Burial in Mt. Calvary Cemetery.

- married Leonard Berg, November 14, 1852, in St. Mary's Church, at Dubuque, Iowa

⁴⁹ Xavier Reinfried appears in the 1836 Iowa Territorial Census for Dubuque County (p. 14) as "Sofair Runefrit." In the household were one male under 21, and two females (one under 21, and one over 21). He appears in the 1840 Federal Census for Iowa, Dubuque County (p. 67) as "Sophia Rinefried, age 20-30, head of family" with three females -- "20-30," "5-10," and "under 5."

⁵⁰ Much of the information about the families of Xavier and Margaret [Wunderle] Reinfried, and George and Margaretta [Weinsetter (Weinzerle?)] Reinfried was provided by Rev. Loras C. Otting, Director, Archives and Historical Records, Archdiocese of Dubuque, Dubuque, Iowa. Incidentally, he found an entry "Elizabeth Reinfried (Madame Reinfried), died May 25, 1850, 85 years old."

- children: Margaret Mary (Mrs. Ernest J. Voggenthaler), Louisa (), Frank J., Sr. (Mary Oeth), George C. (Valentine Schulte), and J. Herman ().

[Leonard Berg was born April 14, 1823, Bensheim, Hesse-Darmstadt, the son of Johann and Anna Maria (Ritzert) Berg. He immigrated about 1834, age 11, with his family, and lived in Butler County, Pennsylvania. He came do Dubuque in the spring of 1844(?), and began working in a bakery. He was a baker by trade. In 1850 he went to California (Gold Rush of '49?) for about 18 months. After returning to Dubuque, he worked for many years as a saloon keeper ("Lager Beer Saloon"), usually in association with Francis Mangold. He later worked for the Illinois Central Railroad in their yard. He died January 3, 1883, Dubuque, Iowa, burial in Mt. Calvary Cemetery.]

Catherine, born 1838?. Died , at . Burial in
- married Joseph Huber, , in Church, at
- children:

Christina, born 1841?. Died , at . Burial in
- married Jacob Suess, June 30, 1860, in Church , at
- children:

[Jacob Suess was born , at , the son of . He worked as a . He died , at ; burial in .]

Mary, born 1843. Died , at . Burial in
- married Charles Schreiber, , in Church, at
- children:

[Charles Schreiber was born , at , the son of . He worked as a saloon owner and bartender. He died , at ; burial in .]

Francis/Franz/"Frank"/"Fred"? L., born October 13, 1846. Died July 10, 1931, at Dubuque. Burial in Mt. Calvary Cemetery.
- married Susan Jaeger June(July?) 5, 1871, in the "Rock Church (on Eighth St.), at Dubuque.
- children: Frank N. (Alice Lorenz), Frederick/"Freddie" (), Albina Agatha (Mrs.), Bertha Maria (Mrs. Edward Knippel), and one other child.

[Frank Reinfried owned the Jaeger & Reinfried Hardware Store for 5 years, but then sold the store in about 1897 to F.M. Jaeger. He then spent 35 years in the undertaking business.]

[Mrs. Francis (Susan Jaeger) Reinfried was born 1850, at , the daughter of Johann & Agatha (Glab) Jaeger.. She died November 1934, at ; burial in .]

Joseph R., born October 11, 1848. Died October 22, 1918, at Dubuque. Burial in Linwood Cemetery.
- married Louisa Hilsob (Heilstob?), December 18, 1872, in Church, at
- children: Charles/"Carl" Joseph (), Lulu (single), (Mrs. John Pleyte), Clarence (), Alfred (), Eleanora Louise (Mrs.), Lorenz Edward (), and Martha Henrietta ().

[Joseph Reinfried was a harness maker, and later was a grocer at 1796 Clay St. He joined the Dubuque Fire Department in 1864, and was Chief from 1884 until his death in 1918. He was 2nd Vice President of the Iowa Fireman's Assoc. when it was incorporated in 1886.]

[Mrs. Joseph (Louisa Hilsob/Heilstob?) Reinfried was born , at Fountain City, Wisconsin(?), the daughter of . She died , at ; burial in .]

Louisa, born 1851-1853? Died March , 1871. Burial in Cemetery.
- single.

Anna, born , 1857. Died in infancy?

Cecilia Lena, born February 27, 1859. Died , at Dubuque. Burial in
- married John Latenser, August 23, 1881, in Church, Dubuque.

[Cecelia Reinfried was age 10 when her father died, and age 11 when her mother died. She then went to live with her brother-in-law, Jacob Suess, who became her principle guardian.]

[John Latenser was born 1854, Dubuque, son of Lorenz and Mary (Wille) Latenser. He died .]

According to Josiah Conzett:

Next to the Miller Block [on Main St. (between 5th and 6th?)] was the large 2 story frame building of Xavier Reinfried, a German. They lived in the upper part. The ground floor was a saloon & sort of lodging house. In the boom times of 1854 to 1857, he sold this property for a fortune and retired. They were related to the Mongolds [sic]. Chas. Schreiber married the oldest daughter and, with her money, he got his start in [the saloon] business. (p. 54)

Conzett, Josiah (1841-1913). **Recollections of people and events of Dubuque, Iowa, 1846-1890.**

Xavier Reinfried and his family retired to a residence on the southeast corner of 19th and White streets (5th Ward, 3rd Ward?). Xavier died January 3, 1869 ("age 56") at the family residence. The funeral was from St. Mary's Church. Burial was in Mt. Calvary Cemetery, Dubuque. In the 1870 Federal Census his wealth is listed as "\$50,000" (which is

about \$700,000 in 2005 dollars). His wife Margaret [Wunderle] Reinfried died May 9, 1871 ("age 56"). Funeral was from the family residence. Burial was in Mt. Calvary Cemetery, Dubuque.

Leonard Berg, son of Johann and Anna Maria [Ritzert] Berg, married Margaret Reinfried, daughter of Xavier and Margaret [Wunderle] Reinfried, on November 14, 1852, in St. Mary's Church, Dubuque. They had seven children (only four survived):

- Margaret Mary, born January 1, 1853/54? Died before June 19, 1901, at Dubuque. Burial in
 - married Ernest J. Voggenthaler, , in Church, at
 - children: Leona (Mrs.), and William ().
 [Ernest Voggenthaler was born , at , the son of . He worked as
 a . He died , at ; burial in .]
- Louisa, born , 1856/57? Died (before 1880), at . Burial in
- Frank J., Sr., born December 3, 1859. Died February 3, 1939, at Dubuque. Burial in Mt. Calvary Cemetery.
 - married Mary Oeth, September 1, 1886, in Sacred Heart Church, at Dubuque, Iowa.
 - children: Ella (Mrs. George Kutsch), Herman/"Dick" P. (Melinda Manderscheid), Emma (Mrs. Charles Tapelt),
 Leonard/ "Scoop" (single), Grace E. (Mrs. Harold Winders), Raymond A. (Mary Seely), George Bertrand
 (Cecelia Louise Harold), Frank J., Jr. (Bessie Peters), and Gertrude (Mrs. Cornelius/ "Neil" Lang).
 [Frank J. Berg, Sr., was a pharmacist and owned a drug store at 534 Romberg Ave. for 63 years.]
 [Mrs. Frank (Mary Oeth) Berg, Sr., was born January 1, 1864, Dubuque, Iowa, the daughter of Peter and
 Catherine/"Kate" (Kisch) Oeth. She died March 29, 1836, Dubuque; burial in Mt. Calvary Ce*metery.]
- George C., born 1867/68? Died March 7, 1941?, at Dubuque? Burial in
 - married Valentine Shulte, , in Church, at
 - children: George B. (), Margie (Mrs.).
 [Mrs. George (Valentine Shulte) Berg was born , at , the son of
 . He died , at ; burial in .]
- Joseph Herman, born 1873/74? Died , at Chicago, Illinois? Burial in
 - married , in Church, at
 - children:

Leonard Berg first worked in a bakery with Francis Mangold. About 1854 he helped Mr. Mangold build a building on the east side of Clay Street at 731. Here he ran a saloon for many years ("Lager Beer Saloon") in the lower part, and his family lived upstairs.

According to Josiah Conzett:

The brick house and store next [731 Clay St.] was built about the same time [1856-1857] as the Pier's by Mr. Mangold. It was the saloon and residence of Mr. Berg. Here Chas. Schreiber was a bartender up to 1856, when he went to John McClay, then on Main St. He, a few years after, married one of the Xavier girls who was then quite wealthy. Her money enabled him to buy an interest in the business.
 (p. 30)

Conzett, Josiah (1841-1913). **Recollections of people and events of Dubuque, Iowa, 1846-1890.**

When Leonard Berg died he was working for the Illinois Central Railroad in their yard.

Leonard Berg died January 13, 1883 ("age 58") at his residence at 731 Clay St. Margaret [Reinfried] Berg died May 27, 1915 ("80 years of age"). Burial for both was in Mount Calvary Cemetery, Dubuque.

Frank J. Berg, Sr., son of Leonard and Margaret [Reinfried] Berg, married Mary Oeth on September 1, 1886, at Sacred Heart Church, Dubuque.

Oeth Genealogy ⁵¹

⁵¹ Some information about the Oeth ancestry in Germany was obtained in 1996 from Peter Joseph Oeth (Dubuque, Iowa), son of Bernard Joseph and Catherine [Stoffregen] Oeth; and in 1997 from Patti [Oeth] Carr, (Dubuque), daughter of Irvin Anthony and Lucille Catherine [Kelly] Oeth. They got this information from Raymond Gene Oeth (Houston, Missouri) in 1993. Evidently, Raymond Oeth had done research in Germany. Raymond Oeth also said that a John Peter Oeth, born about May 11, 1830, in Nieder-Ingelheim, married a Anna Elizabeth Beyer and moved to Canton, Missouri, where they raised a large family. Raymond Oeth no longer lives in Missouri, and attempts to contact him have been unsuccessful. Emigration information for the Oeth families was provided by Helmut Schmal (U. of Mainz, Germany). Patti [Oeth] Carr has also done extensive research on Oeth descendants in the U.S. Some information about the Oeth ancestry in Germany was obtained from Limcon, Barbara. (Summer 1993). "Hartkoff

Mary Oeth was born January 1, 1864, at Dubuque, Iowa. Her parents were Catherine/Kate [Kisch] and Peter Oeth. She was baptized January 17, 1864, St. Mary Church [Godparents: "Andrea Oeth and A. Maria Kiesch"].

Kisch Genealogy

Catherine/"Kate" Kisch [Mrs. Peter Oeth] was born February 24, 1840, at Trier, Rhineland, Prussia [now Trier, Kr. Trier, Rheinland-Palatinate, Germany]. This information is from her funeral card (in the 1900 Federal Census she is recorded as born in "February 1841"). Her obituary says she "came to this country with her parents when she was ten years old [1850/51?]. For two years the family lived in Syracuse, Onondaga County, New York. Since that time [she] had been a resident of Dubuque." Her mother was Antoinette [maiden name unknown] Kisch, born about 1811, and died January 15, 1873, Dubuque (her obituary says she died at age "61 years"). The name of Catherine's father is not known, nor the dates and places of his birth and marriage.⁵² [See the **Catherine Kisch Ancestor Tree** in the *Appendix*]

Antoinette and (Wilhelm/William?) Kisch may have had at least two children:⁵³

Catherine/"Kate", born February 24, 1840/41. Died March 23, 1925; burial in

- married Peter Oeth, March 9, 1861, St. Mary Church, Dubuque.

- children: Wilhelm/William (died age 1), Maria/Mary (Mrs. Frank J. Berg, Sr.), Andreas/Andrew Peter (died age 9), , Johan/John (Mary Link), Francis/Frank C. (Mary Lang, later Anna M. Schwab), Karl Peter (died age 3), Emma Elizabeth (died age 6 mos.), twins Peter Heinrich/Henry (died age 16 days), and Herman Peter (), Antonia/Antonette/Nettie Agatha (Mrs. John Kurt, later Mrs. Carl Jungk), Adelina Crescentia "Grace" (Mrs. Frederick/Frank Roedell), and Anthony Joseph (Clara Permantier).

[Peter Oeth was born April 6, 1838, in Ohio? (Cincinnati?), or Indiana?, son of Peter and Elizabeth (Beck) Oeth. He came to Dubuque with his parents when he was 12, on May 7, 1850. He worked as a grocer, a carpenter, and as a contractor in building construction and church alter construction. He died May 7, 1900, Dubuque; burial in St. Mary's German Catholic Cemetery (now Mount Calvary Cemetery, Dubuque).]

Maria/Mary, born 1847. Died , at . Burial in Cemetery.

- married Conrad Sauter, January 17, 1866 (1864?), St. Mary Church, Dubuque.

- children: Catherine/"Katie" (Mrs.), William (), and Charles ().

[Conrad Sauter was born about 1841, Ohio (probably Perry County); son of Andrew & Anastasia [Straub] Sauter, who emigrated from Bieringen, Württemberg, in 1832. Conrad evidently moved to Dubuque County because several of Anastasia's siblings came to Delaware and Dubuque Counties; and Conrad's sister, Mary Ann had moved to Delaware County. Conrad worked as a stone mason in Peosta, Dubuque County, Iowa. His family is in the 1870 Federal Census for Peosta, Vernon Twp., Dubuque County, Iowa; but not in the 1880 Census for Vernon Twp. He appears in the 1880 Census for Thompsonville, Perry County, Ohio, as "Conrad Souders, stone mason" with children "William (16), Cathraine (15), Charles (10), Francis (6), Andrew (4), Margret (2), and Mary (5)". However, his wife is listed as "Cathraine." She was "Kate Rei" according to the Perry County Probate Birth Book #1. They were married July 1, 1873, Chapel Hill, Perry County, Ohio. When and where his first wife, Mary, died is unknown. Conrad Souders and his family moved to Ottumwa, Wapello County, Iowa, about 1886. His wife Catherine is in the 1900 census, but not Conrad. When and where he died is unknown. Catherine died at Ottumwa in 1920. Children William, Catherine, and Charles were married in Ottumwa.]⁵⁴

Antoinette [maiden name unknown] Kisch died January 15, 1873, Dubuque (her obituary says she died at age "61 years"). The name of Antoinette's husband (Wilhelm/William?) is not known, nor when and where he died.

Catherine/"Kate" Kisch, daughter of Antoinette and ? Kisch, married Peter Oeth, March 9, 1861, St. Mary Church, Dubuque. He was born in Ohio? (Cincinnati?), or in Indiana?, on April 6 or 7, 1838?. His parents were Peter and Elizabeth [Beck] Oeth, who emigrated from Germany in 1836.

Peter Oeth, Sr., was born February 3, 1807, at Nieder-Ingelheim, Rhein-Hessen, Hesse [now Ingelheim (am Rhein), Kr. Mainz-Bingen (Mainz), Rheinland-Palatinate, Germany]. This Oeth ancestry has been traced back to about 1650. [See the **Peter Oeth Ancestor Tree** in the *Appendix*] There are some records in the 1500s containing the surname "Oeth." However, much of the town was destroyed, along with many records, in a war about 1650, and

and Oeth Family Records." *Saga of Southern Illinois. Vol. 20, Issue 2.* Barbara Limcon, Los Angeles, obtained her information from Herr Blum from the city archives in Ingelheim am Rhein, Germany, who has been compiling family histories from these records. Some information was obtained (2000) from Jerry H. Collins, Waukegan, Illinois.

⁵² The 1860 Federal Census for the City of Dubuque (printed page 661) has a "Catherine Keisch, age 19, born in Prussia" living with the Thomas and Mary Fahrty family. Thomas was "age 30, born in Wisconsin," and Mary was "age 28, born in Ohio." They had three children – Alma (4), Anastasia (3), and John (1).

⁵³ Catherine/"Kate" [Kisch] Oeth named her first daughter "Maria/Mary" (godmother: "A. Maria Kiesch"). Maria/Mary [Kish] Sauter named her first daughter "Katie." Perhaps Catherine/"Kate" [Kisch] Oeth and Maria/Mary [Kish] Sauter were sisters. They named their first sons "William"; if they are sisters perhaps their father's name was "Wilhelm/William".

⁵⁴ Information about Conrad Sauter's ancestry; his parents and siblings in Perry Count, Ohio; and the history of his wife and children in Ottumwa, Iowa; was provided (2006, 2007) by Leon Straub, Appleton, WI.

ancestor connections between these Oeths has not been made. Also, a plague killed about 500 people in this town during only a few months just several years prior to 1650.

The earliest documented Oeth in this genealogy is Johann Oedt/Oth, born about 1650 at Ober-Ingelheim.⁵⁵ He is listed as a Catholic and as serving in the council during the ongoing war. His wife was Agnes [maiden name unknown], listed as a Lutheran. She was born about 1650 (place unknown). They married at Nieder-Ingelheim, in the Catholic Church about 1676. They had eight children while living at Nieder-Ingelheim:

Marie Judith, born about 1678. Died

- married ?

Johann Jakob, born about 1679. Died July 1, 1680, at Ober-Ingelheim. Burial in

Hans Jakob, born January 27, 1684. Died

- married ?

Johann Daniel, born August 19, 1686. Died

- married Johanna Maria Elisabeth Arcularius, February 23, 1713, Church, Nieder-Ingelheim.

- children: Johann Andreas (died age 1), Philipp Jakob (), Jakob Andreas (), Johann Henrich (), Anna Christina (), Maria Anna Theresia (), Johann Philipp (died age 4), Klara Elisabetha (), Johanna Gertraud (), and Maria Philippina ().

[Johann Daniel Oeth was a baker by trade.]

[Mrs. Johann (Johann Maria Elisabeth Arcularius) Oeth was born , at , the daughter of . She died , at ; burial in .]

Abraham, born about 1687. Died 1689, at Nieder-Ingelheim. Burial at Nieder-Ingelheim.

Johannes, born June 7, 1687. Died January 18, 1714 (? See his second marriage), at Nieder-Ingelheim. Burial at Nieder-Ingelheim.

- married Anna Gertraud Demmer, June 13, 1706, Church, Nieder-Ingelheim.

- children: Johann Andreas (Lukretia Hardt), Johannes (Anna Katharina Odernheimer), Jacob Freiderich (), and Maria Rosina (died age 4).

[Johannes Oeth was a member of the Reformed Church, and was a tailor by trade.]

[Mrs. Johannes (Anna Gertrude Demmer) Oeth was born June 7, 1687, Ober-Ingelheim, the daughter of . She died January 18, 1714, Nieder-Ingelheim; burial in .]

- married Anna Katharina Elisabetha Grass, May 12, 1715, Church, Ober-Ingelheim.

- children: Maria Rosina? (), Maria Juliana? (), Maria Sophia Elisabetha? (), Anna Christina? (), and Maria Philippina? (). [Their father is listed as dying in 1714.]

[Mrs. Johannes (Anna Katharina Elisabetha Grass) Oeth was born January 3, 1694, at Nieder-Ingelheim, the daughter of . She died , at ; burial in .]

? , born about 1689. Died at birth.

Henrich Wilhelm, born about 1690. Died

- married?

Johann Oedt/Oth died May 16, 1703 (place unknown). It is not known when/where his wife Agnes [maiden name unknown] died.

Johannes Oed, son of Johann and Agnes [maiden name unknown] Oedt/Oth, married Anna Gertraud Demmer on June 13, 1706, at Nieder-Ingelheim. She was born June 7, 1687, at Ober-Ingelheim. The names of her parents are not known. Johannes Oeth was a member of the Reformed Church, and a tailor by trade.

Johannes and Anna Gertraud [Demmer] Oed had four children:

Johann Andreas, born February 6, 1707, at Nieder-Ingelheim. Died November 1, 1790, at Nieder-Ingelheim. Burial at Nieder-Ingelheim.

- married Lukretia Hardt, January 31, 1736, Church, Nieder-Ingelheim.

- children: Andreas (), Kasper (Barbara), Georg Friederich (single?), Gertruda (Mrs. Daniel Crolli), Anna Margaretha (single), Maria Wilhelmina Elisabeth (Mrs. Johann Christian R. Riegel), and Johann Kaspar ().

[Johann Andreas was a member of the Reformed Church. He was a baker by trade.]

[Mrs. Johann Andreas (Lukretia Hardt) Oeth was born , 1709, Nieder-Ingelheim, the daughter of Bertrum H. and Maria Sibylla (Weyl) Hardt. She died June 14, 1782, Nieder-Ingelheim; burial in Cemetery, Nieder-Ingelheim.]

Johannes, born October 14, 1708, at Ober-Ingelheim. Died November 8, 1772, at Ober-Ingelheim. Burial at Ober-Ingelheim.

- married Anna Katharina Odernheimer, October 30, 1736, Church, Ober-Ingelheim.

⁵⁵ There are several Oeth families still living in Ingelheim, Hesse, Germany.

- children: Johann Phillip (), Johann Henrich (), Johanna Elisabeth (), Johann Andreas (Maria Margaretha Baum), and Johannes ().

[Mrs. Johannes (Anna Katharina Odernheimer) Oeth was born April 10, 1707, at Nieder-Ingelheim, the daughter of , . She died October 20, 1787, at Nieder-Ingelheim, burial in Cemetery, Nieder-Ingelheim.]

Jacob Friederich, born March 12, 1711, at Nieder-Ingelheim. Died
- married ?

Maria Rosina, born July 1, 1713, at Ober-Ingelheim. Died 1717, at Ober-Ingelheim.

Johannes Oeth's wife Anna Gertraud [Demmer] died January 18, 1714, at the age of 26. Johannes then married Anna Katharina Grass on May 12, 1715, at Ober-Ingelheim. She was born January 3, 1694, at Nieder-Ingelheim. The names of her parents are not known. They are thought to have had five children while living at Nieder-Ingelheim:

Maria Rosina, born March 30, 1717. Died

Maria Juliana, born April 26, 1719. Died

Maria Sophia Elisabetha, born January 4, 1722. Died

Anna Christina, born March 8, 1724. Died

Maria Phillipina, born October 8, 1725. Died

Johannes Oeth died ? , at Nieder-Ingelheim. It is not known when his second wife Anna Katharina [Grass] died.

Johann Andreas Oeth, son of Johannes and Anna Gertraud [Demmer] Oeth, married Lukretia Hardt, a member of the Reformed Church, on January 31, 1736, at Nieder-Ingelheim. She was born 1709 at Nieder-Ingelheim. Her parents were Bertrum H. and Maria Sibylla [Weyl] Hardt. Johann Andreas Oeth was a member of the Reformed Church, and a baker by trade.

While living at Nieder-Ingelheim, Johann Andreas and Lukretia [Hardt] Oeth had eight children:

Andreas, born November 11, 1736. Died
- married ?

Kasper, born (christened December 17, 1737). Died

- married Barbara ?

- children: Wilhelm (), Katharina (), Barbara (), and Johannes ().

[Mrs. Kasper (Barbara ?) Oeth was born , at , the daughter of . She died , at ; burial in .]

Georg Friedrich, born February 18 (13?), 1739, . Died July 15, 1816, Nieder-Ingelheim.

- married ?

Johannes, born August 15, 1741. Died July 15, 1816, at Nieder-Ingelheim. Burial at Nieder-Ingelheim.

- married Maria Katharina Mitz, February 10, 1766, Church, Nieder-Ingelheim.

- children: Andreas (Maria Dorothea Saalwachter, Marie Katharina Oster), Wilhelmina (Mrs. Jacob Henrick Huck), Kasper (), Lukretia (Mrs. Karl Baur), Johannes (), Johann Bernhard (), Johann Peter (), and Johann Georg ().

[Mrs. Johannes (Maria Katharina Mitz) Oeth was born September 27, 1747, Nieder-Ingelheim, the daughter of Johann Balthasar and Maria Elisabeth [] Mitz. She died February 6, 1813, Nieder-Ingelheim; burial in Cemetery, Nieder-Ingelheim.]

Gertruda, born May 28 (25?), 1744. Died

- married Daniel Crolli (Crollins?), September 16, 1766, at Nieder-Ingelheim.

- children: Johan Jakob (), and Johannes ().

[Daniel Crolli was born , at , the son of . He was a school principle at Friedericksheim, Bavarian Rheinpfalz (now Rheinland-Pfalz). He died . ; at burial in .]

Anna Margaretha, born April 2 (June 15?), 1747. Died June 15, 1767, Nieder-Ingelheim. Burial at Nieder-Ingelheim.

Maria Wilhelmina Elisabeth, born October 14, 1749. Died May 7, 1812, Nieder-Ingelheim. Burial at Nieder-Ingelheim.

- married Johann Christian R. Riegel, November 20, 1777, Church, Nieder-Ingelheim.

- children: Johann Jakob ().

[Johann Christian R. Riegel was born 1746?, at , the son of . He worked as a . He died March 22, 1809, at Nieder-Ingelheim; burial in .]

- married Jacob Henrick Huck, November 19, 1793, Church,

- children: Jakob (), and Johannes ().

[Jacob Henrick Huck was born _____, at _____, the son of _____. He worked as _____ a _____. He died _____, at _____; burial in _____.]

Johann Kaspar, born March 7, 1752. Died April 22, 1826, Nieder-Ingelheim. Burial at Nieder-Ingelheim.

- married Anna Maria Schweickhardt, May 30, 1782, _____ Church, Nieder-Ingelheim.
- children: Johannes Mathias (Johanna Elisabeth Hermann), Johannes (Charlotte Margaretha Weitzel, Elisabetha Dien), ⁵⁶ Philippina (Valentine Kappel), Georg Fredrich (Anna Maria Kohl), Johann Jakob (_____), Julianna (died age 1 month), Maria Katharina (died age 2), Johann Bernard (Johanna Elisabeth Saalwachter), Johann Kaspar (Philippine Reisinger), and Juliana (single?).

[Mrs. Johann (Anna Maria Schweickhard) Oeth was born June 23, 1757, Nieder-Ingelheim, the daughter of Johannes and Maria Elisabeth Dorothea [Winterheimer] Schweickhard. She died July 8, 1826, at Nieder-Ingelheim; burial in Cemetery, Nieder-Ingelheim.]

Johann Andreas Oeth died November 1, 1790, at Nieder-Ingelheim. His wife, Lukretia [Hardt], died June 14, 1782, at Nieder-Ingelheim.

Johannes Oeth, son of Johann Andreas and Lukretia [Hardt] Oeth, married Maria Katharina Mitz, February 10, 1766, at Nieder-Ingelheim. She was born September 27, 1747, at Nieder-Ingelheim, daughter of Johannes Balthasar and Maria Elisabetha [maiden name unknown] Mitz.

While living at Nieder-Ingelheim Johannes and Maria Katharina [Mitz] Oeth had nine children:

Andreas, born June 27, 1767. Died _____

- married Maria Dorothea Saalwachter, July 3, 1792, _____ Church, Nieder-Ingelheim.
- children: none.

[Mrs. Andreas (Maria Dorothea Saalwachter) Oeth was born December 3, 1748, Nieder-Ingelheim, the daughter of Johannes Kasper and Christ Elisabeth [Schmidt] Saalwachter. She was 44 years old when Andreas married her. She died August 10, 1794 (she died about 2 years after they were married), at Nieder-Ingelheim; burial in Cemetery, Nieder-Ingelheim.]

- married Maria Katharina Oster, November 8, 1794, _____ Church, Nieder-Ingelheim.
- children: Anna Barbara (Mrs. Johann Freidrick Hebel; Mrs. Johann Georg Pfannes), Johannes (Katharina Dorothea Saalwachter), Johann Jakob (died age 6), Anna Maria (Mrs. Jakob Mitz), Peter (Maria Elisabeth Beck), Julianna Magdalena (died in infancy), and Andreas (died in infancy).

[Andreas Oeth, his wife and son Johannes and his family served notice in 1837 that they planned to immigrate to North America.]

[Mrs. Andreas (Maria Katharina Oster) Oeth was born June 14, 1769, Nieder-Ingelheim, the daughter of J. Kasper and Juliana Magdalena [Winterheimer] Oster. She died _____, at _____; burial in _____.]

Wilhelma Elisabeth, born January 6, 1770. Died December 21, 1833, Nieder-Ingelheim.

- married Jacob Henrick Huck, November 19, 1793, _____ Church, Nieder-Ingelheim.
- children:

[Jacob Henrick Huck was born _____, at _____, the son of _____. He worked as _____ a _____. He died _____, at _____; burial in _____.]

Kasper, born August 26 (24?), 1773. Died _____

- married ?

Lukretia, born March 15, 1776. Died April 11, 1822, Nieder-Ingelheim. Burial at Nieder-Ingelheim.

- married Karl Baur (Bour?), September 28, 1806, _____ Church, Nieder-Ingelheim.
- children:

[Karl Baur was born _____, at _____, the son of _____. He worked as a _____. He died _____, at _____; burial in _____.]

Johannes, born May 2, 1779. Died January 15, 1837, Nieder-Ingelheim. Burial Nieder-Ingelheim.

- married Anna Maria Hausser, _____ 1809,

⁵⁶ Johannes ("the Second, age 56") and Elisabetha [Deim] Oeth (39) served notice to immigrate to North America in 1842 [*Grossherzoglich Hessische Zeitung* # 152/1842], with children (first two from Johannes first marriage) Philippine (24), Charlotte (22), Nikolaus (11), Katharina (4), Margaretha (2). They served notice again in 1843. They left Germany, Port of Bremen, on Nov 15, 1843, with their children: Nickolus, 14; Katharine, 9, Margarethe, 6; Juliane, 1; and from Johannes' first marriage: Karl, 27; and Elisabetha, 32 (married to Adumus Fleishman) and their three children. Johannes was a carpenter ("Zimmerman") and member of the Reformed Church. They landed at Philadelphia, but were turned away because of an outbreak of small pox, and were diverted to New Orleans. Philippine/Philopena Oeth (born June 17, 1814) married Simon Stang, September 28, 1844, in Vanderburgh County, Indiana. The family story ("to be taken with a grain of salt" according to Mimi Stang, Salem, OR) is that Simon Stang was a Catholic priest, and they had to run away to America to get married. Mimi Stang's husband is a 6th cousin to Janet Lang, with common ancestors Andreas and Lukretia [Hardt] Oeth. There are descendants of Johannes and Elisabetha [Deim] Oeth living in the Evansville, Indiana, area, in Posey, Vanderburgh, and Warrick Counties.

- children: Georg Johann (died age 2), Maria Margarete (Mrs. _____), George (Charlotta Roos, later Elizabeth Wehr)⁵⁷

[Mrs. Johannes (Anna Maria Hausser) Oeth was born 1774, at Eppelsheim, Hesse, the daughter of George and Barbar (Fitting) Hauser. She died April 20, 1820, at Nieder Ingelheim; burial in _____ .]

- married Anna Maria Hartkopf, December 2, 1820, _____ Church,
- children: Johann Matthias (died age 21), Anton (Charlotte Becker)⁵⁸, Charlotte (died age 3 weeks), and Johann (Anna Maria Charlotte Bender).

[Mrs. Johannes (Anna Maria Hartkopf) Oeth was born August 31, 1790, at Nieder Ingelheim, Hesse, the daughter of Johann Matthias and Sibylla (Schwichardt/Schweickhardt) Hartkopf. She died November 15, 1858, at Nieder Ingelheim; burial in _____ .]

Johann Bernhard, born _____ (christened March 2, 1781). Died March 11, 1782, Nieder-Ingelheim.

Johannes Bernhard, born December 25, 1782. Died July 30, 1810, in hospital, St. Cyprien, _____ (was in 16th Reg. Grenadire)

- married ?

Johann Peter, born June 3, 1785. Died June 18, 1864, Nieder-Ingelheim. Burial at Nieder-Ingelheim.

- married Eva Charlotte Heep, March 22, 1813, _____ Church, Frei-Weinheim, Rhein-Hessen, Hesse [Germany].

- children: Johann Peter (_____), Jakob Adam (_____), Friederich Wilhelm (died age 4 months), and Peter (died age 10 months.)

[Johann Peter Oeth was a farmer.]

[Mrs. Johann Peter (Eva Charlotte Heep) Oeth was born _____ 1787?, at Frei-Weinheim, the daughter of _____ . She died June 26, 1864, at Frei-Weinheim; burial in _____ .]

Johann Georg, born February 15, 1792. Died November 21, 1869, Nieder-Ingelheim. Burial at Nieder-Ingelheim.

- married Elizabeth Schweikhard, August 2, 1828, _____ Church, Nieder-Ingelheim.

- children:

[Mrs. Johann Georg (Elizabeth Schweikhard) Oeth was born _____, at _____, the daughter of _____ . She died _____, at _____; burial in _____ .]

Maria Katharina [Mitrz] Oeth died February 6, 1813, at Nieder-Ingelheim, burial at Nieder-Ingelheim. Her husband, Johannes Oeth, died July 15, 1816, at Nieder-Ingelheim.

Andreas Oeth, son of Johannes and Maria Katharina [Mitz] Oeth, married Maria Dorothea Saalwaechter, July 3, 1792. She was born December 3, 1748, at Nieder-Ingelheim. Her parents were J. Kasper and Christ Elizabeth [Schmitz] Saalwaechter. Dorothea was 44 years old when she married, and died about July or August 1794, just 2 years after the marriage. There were no children.

Andreas Oeth then married Maria Katharina Oster, on November 8, 1794. She was born June 14, 1769, at Nieder-Ingelheim. Her parents were J. Kaspar and Juliana Magdalena [Winternheimer] Oster.

J. Kasper Oster was born about November 18, 1739, in Nieder-Ingelheim. Juliana Magdalena Winternheimer was born about December 14, 1735. They were married January 27, 1761, in Nieder-Ingelheim. They had 7 children:

Johann Wilhelm, born October 22, 1761. Died _____

- married _____

Kasper, born July 14, 1763. Died _____

- married _____

Maria Juliana, born May 27, 1766. Died _____

- married _____

Maria Katharina, born June 14, 1769. Died _____

- married Andreas Oeth, November 8, 1794,

⁵⁷ George Oeth (born April 3, 1815) immigrated to America about 1852, with his first wife Charlotta [Roos] (born June 6 (July 21?), 1813; daughter of Jacob R. and Christina [Maldeus] Roos). They immigrated with their children: Anna Christina (Mrs. ? Hook), George (_____), Katharina (Mrs. _____), Charlotte (Mrs. _____), and Johann (_____). They settled in Lake Creek, Williamson County, Illinois. A son, Anton, was born in Lake Creek. He married Elizabeth Johann Holler, December, 20, 1885, in Mt. Vernon, Posey County, Indiana. Mrs. George [Charlotta Roos] Oeth died November 16, 1876, Marion, Williamson County, Illinois, burial in Huck Cemetery. George Oeth then married Elizabeth Wehr, October 27, 1877. George Oeth died December 30, 1887, in Marion, Williamson County, Illinois, burial in Huck Cemetery.

⁵⁸ Anton Oeth (born April 14, 1824/26?) immigrated to America with his wife Charlotte [Becker] (born June 19, 1822; daughter of Johann and Johanna Elisabeth [Saalwaechter] Becker. They immigrated with 1 year-old daughter Johanna Elizabeth [Mrs. Peter Hartkopf]. They departed La Havre, France; arrived New Orleans, November 17, 1852. He was listed as a 28 year-old farmer. He was a member of the Independent Evangelical Protestant "Lutheran" St. Matthew Church, Lake Creek, Williamson Co., Illinois. He died February 12 (December 2?), 1898, Lake Creek, burial in Baia Cemetery. His daughter married Peter Hartkopf, April 6, 1869, Marion, Williamson Co., Illinois. She died March 17, 1932, Marion, burial in Rose Hill Cemetery. There was at least one other child born in Lake Creek – John M., born January 2, 1862. He married Caroline Landermeier, August 8, 1889, Mt. Vernon, Posey Co., Indiana. He died April 11, 1939, New Harmony, Indiana, burial in Maple Hill Cemetery.

- children: Anna Barbara (Mrs. Johann Freidrick Hebel; Mrs. Johann Georg Pfannes), Johannes (Katharina Dorothea? Saalwachter), Johann Jakob (died age 6), Anna Maria (Mrs. Jakob Mitz), Peter (Maria Elisabeth Beck), Julianna Magdalena (died in infancy), and Andreas (died in infancy).

[Andreas Oeth was born June 27, 1767, at Nieder-Ingelheim; son of Johannes and Maria Katharina (Mitz) Oeth. Andreas, his wife Maria Katharina, their son Johannes and his family, all served notice in 1837 in Rhein-Hessen that they planned to immigrate to North America. It is not known when or where Andreas died.]

Maria Elisabeth, born April 26, 1772. Died
- married

Anna Barbara, born March 6, 1775. Died
- married

It is not known when or where J. Kasper Oster died. His wife Juliana Magdalena [Winterheimer] died April 2, 1819, place unknown.

Maria Katharina Oster married Andreas Oeth on November 8, 1794. While living in Nieder-Ingelheim, they had seven children:

Anna Barbara, born July 22, 1795. Died
- married Johann Friedrich Hebel, July 6, 1819, Church, Nieder-Ingelheim.
- children:

[Johann Friedrich Hebel was born , the son of . He worked as a . He died , at ; burial in .]

- married Johann Georg Pfannes, October 26, 1824, Church, Aspberg, Kr. Neckar, Württemberg [Germany].
- children:

[Anna Barbara (Oeth) Pfannes came to the U.S. with her husband probably sometime before 1825.]

[Johann Georg Pfanne was born , at , the son of . He worked as a , at ; burial in .]

Johannes, born January 28, 1797. Died
- married Katherine Dorothea? Saalwachter, April 8, 1828, Church, Nieder-Ingelheim.
- children: Peter (), Johannes (), Jakobine (Mrs.), Leonhard (), and Friederich ().

[Johannes & Katherine Dorothea? Oeth, probably immigrated to the U.S. in 1837, with their children and Johannes Oeth's parents]⁵⁹

[Mrs. Johannes (Katherine Dorothea?) Oeth was born , at , the daughter of . She died , at ; burial in .]

Johan Jacob, born March 16, 1801. Died September 5, 1807, Nieder-Ingelheim. Burial Nieder-Ingelheim.

Anna Maria, born January 1, 1804. Died
- married Jakob Mitz, January 29, 1824, Church, Nieder-Ingelheim.
- children: there were four children when this family emigrated about 1836.

[Jakob Mitz was born , the son of . He was a farmer. He probably came to the U.S. about 1836 with his family, and with his brother-in-law, Peter Oeth and his family. Jakob Mitz died , at ; burial in .]

Peter, born February 3, 1807. Died August 28, 1855, Dubuque, Iowa. Burial in Dubuque City Cemetery (now, Linwood Cemetery)
- married Maria Elizabeth Beck, September 14, 1834, Church, Nieder-Ingelheim.
- children: Jacobina (Mrs.), Peter (Catherine Kisch), Andrew (Margaret/Maggie Vetter), and Elizabeth (Mrs. John Zimmerman).

[Peter Oeth was a "Schreiner," a joiner, i.e., maker of tables, chairs, doors, etc. He served notice on February 11, 1836 (Mainzer Zeitung # 54/1836) that he ("age 29") planned to immigrate to North America in 1836, with his wife Maria Elisabetha Beck (24), daughter Jakobina (9 months), and with his sister, Anna Maria and her husband Jacob Mitz (a farmer) and their four (minor) children. Peter supposedly settled in Ohio (Cincinnati?), and/or Indiana?]

[Mrs. Peter (Maria Elizabeth Beck) was born November 5, 1811, Neckargemünd. Baden, the daughter of Johann Jakob and Anna Maria (Odenwald) Beck. She died November 2, 1883, Dubuque, Iowa; burial in Linwood Cemetery.]

Julianna Magdalena, born August 7, 1809. Died October 2, 1809, Nieder-Ingelheim. Burial at Nieder-Ingelheim.

Andreas, born November 11, 1810. Died January 10, 1811, Nieder-Ingelheim. Burial at Nieder-Ingelheim.

⁵⁹ Johannes Oeth ("Ackersmann und Wurt," i.e., farmer and innkeeper), age 40, served notice on February 10, 1837 [Mainzer Zeitung # 56/1837] that he planned to immigrate to North America in 1837 with his wife Dorothea (33), and children Peter (8), Johannes (5) Jakobine (4), Leonhard (2), Friedrich (1), and with Andreas ("farmer, age 70") and wife Katharina [Oster] (69).

Andreas Oeth, his second wife Maria Katharina [Oster], and their son Johannes and his family, all served notice in Rhein-Hessen that they planned to immigrate to North America in 1837. Johannes was an “Ackersmann und Wirt” (farmer and innkeeper).

It is not known when or where Andreas Oeth and his wife Maria Katharina [Oster] died.

Peter Oeth, son of Andreas and Maria Katharina [Oster] Oeth, married Marie Elizabeth Beck, daughter of Johann Jakob and Anna Maria [Odenwald] Beck, September 14, 1834, at Nieder-Ingelheim. Peter Oeth was a “Schreiner” (i.e., a joiner -- makes tables, chairs, doors, etc.).

Beck Genealogy ⁶⁰

Maria Elisabeth Beck was born November 5, 1811, at Neckargemünd, Baden [now Neckargemünd, Kr. Rhein-Neckar-Kreis (Heidelberg), Baden-Württemberg, Germany]. She was baptized the next day “in the reformed community”. Her father was Johann Jakob Beck, an inland sailor, and her mother was Anna Maria [Odenwald]. ⁶¹ The birth date and place for Johann Jakob Beck in not known.

Johann Jakob Beck and Anna Maria Odenwald were married February 2, 1806 in _____ Church, Neckargemünd. They had one child:

Maria Elisabeth, born November 5, 1811. Died November 2, 1883, Dubuque. Burial in Linwood Cemetery.

- married Peter Oeth, September 14, 1834, _____ Church, Nieder-Ingelheim.

- children:

[Peter Oeth was born February 3, 1807, Nieder-Ingelheim; son of Andreas and Maria Katharina [Oster] Oeth. He was a “Schreiner” (a “joiner”, i.e., maker of tables, chairs, doors, etc.). He immigrated 1836 to the U.S. He supposedly settled in Ohio (Cincinnati?) and/or Indiana. He moved to Dubuque in 1850 where he was a carpenter. He died August 28, 1855, Dubuque. Burial in Linwood Cemetery.]

Odenwald Genealogy

The Odenwald genealogy has been traced back to the 1540s, and includes the ancestor surnames Schell, Stein, Mercy/Mersy, Welker/Welcker, Ziegler, Maurer, Hoffmann, Mäurer, Schmich, Welsch, Vielhauer/Vielhauer, Schnellbach/Schölbach, Beck/Bock, Mewrer, Bentz, and Stumpf. [See the **Elisabeth Beck Ancestor Tree** in the *Appendix*]

Peter Oeth, son of Andreas and Maria Katharina [Oster] Oeth, married (Maria) Elisabeth Beck on September 14, 1834, in Nieder-Ingelheim. They had at least one child while living in Nieder-Ingelheim:

Jacobena, born May?, 1835? Died 1836?. Burial

- married ?

Peter and Elisabeth [Beck] Oeth served notice in Rhein-Hessen on February 11, 1836 (*Mainzer Zeitung* # 54/1836) that he (“age 29”) planned to immigrate to North America in 1836, with his wife Maria Elisabetha Beck (24), daughter Jakobina (9 months), and with his sister Anna Maria and her husband Jacob Mitz (“Ackersman,” i.e., farmer) and their four (minor) children [however, they are not on the passenger list]. Peter and Elisabeth [Beck] Oeth left the port of Bremen, Germany, on the *Gustav*, and arrived at Baltimore on October 15, 1836. Traveling with them was the family of Henry (a weaver) & Elisabeth Schweikart, Casper Schweikart (a shoemaker), and Andrew Oster (a gardener), all from Nieder-Ingelheim. Peter and Elisabeth Oeth settled in Cincinnati and later in Indiana.

Peter and Elisabeth [Beck] Oeth had at least one child while living in Cincinnati and at least two others in Ohio or Indiana:

Peter, born April 6, 1838, Cincinnati (Indiana)?. Died May 7, 1900, at Dubuque. Burial in Mount Calvary Cemetery.

- married Catherine/ “Kate” Kisch, March 9, 1861, in St. Mary Church, at Dubuque, Iowa

- children: Wilhelm/William (died age 1), Maria/Mary (Mrs. Frank J. Berg, Sr.), Andreas/Andrew Peter (died age 9), ,
Johan/John (Mary Link), Francis/Frank C. (Mary Lang, later Anna M. Schwab), Karl Peter (died age 3),

⁶⁰ All the information about the Beck and Odenwald ancestry in Germany was obtained in 1997 from Rolf Odenwald, Neckargemünd, Baden-Württemberg, Germany. Rolf Odenwald is a 7th cousin to Janet [Lang] Kortenkamp, with common ancestors – Johan Martin and Anna Barbara [Mercy] Odenwald, married 1700 in Dilsberg, Baden [Germany].

⁶¹ Documentation for Maria Elisabeth Beck’s birth and baptism was obtained from Friedrich Wollmershäuser (Oberdischingen, Germany), a professional genealogist specializing in Baden-Württemberg.

Emma Elizabeth (died age 6 mos.), twins Peter Heinrich/Henry (died age 16 days), and Herman Peter (), Antonia/Antonette/Nettie Agatha (Mrs. John Kurt, later Mrs. Carl Jungk), Adelina Crescentia "Grace" (Mrs. Frederick/Frank Roedell), and Anthony Joseph (Clara Permantier).

[Peter Oeth worked as a carpenter and contractor. He also served two terms as Fifth Ward alderman for Dubuque, and as president of Sacred Heart Conference of the St. Vincent de Paul Society. He probably converted to the Catholic faith for his marriage to Catherine Kisch. The family lived at 2170 Jackson St.]

[Mrs. Peter (Catherine/"Kate" Kisch) Oeth was born February 24, 1840(?), Trier(?), Rhineland?, the daughter of Antonetta (maiden name unknown) and ? Kisch. She died March 23, 1926, Dubuque, Iowa; burial in St. Mary's German Cemetery (now Mt. Calvary Cemetery).]

Andrew, born August 12, 1841, Indiana? Died November 2, 1910, at Dubuque. Burial in Linwood Cemetery.

- married Margaret/"Maggie" Vetter, August 14, 1867, in St. Mary Church, at Dubuque, Iowa

- children: adopted Frederick [born Korman] (Jennette/"Jennie" Goff).

[Andrew was a Civil War veteran. He served four and a half years in the Fifteenth Missouri Infantry. A Civil War Pension was allowed June 1881 (Certificate #190,970) for \$1.00/month. The ailment was listed as "shl wd r hip." Andrew worked as a plasterer.]

[Mrs. Andrew (Margaret/"Maggie" Vetter) Oeth was born December 12, 1842(43?), at , Bavaria, the daughter of . She immigrated 1848. She died January 21, 1905, at , burial in Linwood Cemetery.]

Elizabeth, born December 24, 1843, Indiana. Died November 6, 1909 ("age 66"), at Dubuque. Burial in Linwood Cemetery.

- married John Joseph Zimmerman, November 28, 1866 (Justice of the Peace), solemnized in Church, at

- children: William W. (Julia ?), John J. (died age 15 months), Frank L. (), Charles L. (), and Caroline (Connors).

[John Zimmerman was born , 1845?; at , Austria, son of . At the outbreak of the Civil War, he enlisted in Company H of the First Iowa Infantry. He later re-enlisted in Company G of the Fifteenth Missouri Infantry, and served until the end of the war. He worked as a . He died May 28, 1915, Dubuque, burial in Linwood Cemetery.]

Peter and Elisabeth [Beck] Oeth and their children moved to Dubuque on May 7, 1850. Peter was a carpenter.

Peter Oeth, died August 28, 1855 ("in his 47y") at Dubuque. Burial was in the Dubuque City Cemetery (now Linwood Cemetery). Elizabeth [Beck] died November 2, 1883 ("aged 73 years"), in Dubuque. The funeral was from the residence at 257 (3357?) Couler Ave. (now Central Ave.). Burial was in Linwood Cemetery.

[There is a Dubuque County marriage record for an Elizabeth Oeth and Heinrich Somitag (or Sonntag) performed by J.F. Bates, JP, dated June 7, 1856. The relationship of Elisabeth Oeth to the other Oeth families is unknown.]

Peter Oeth, son of Peter and Elizabeth [Beck] Oeth was born in Ohio? (Cincinnati?), or in Indiana?, on April 6, 1838.⁶² Peter Oeth came to Dubuque with his parents when he was 12, on May 7, 1850. For a short time he worked as a grocer at the corner of Couler Ave. (now Central Ave.) and Eagle Point Ave. He later became a carpenter and lived on the east side of Couler Ave. (now Central Ave.), three lots south of Eagle Point Ave. Later he moved to 2170 Jackson St. (the southeast corner of Jackson St. and Eagle Point Ave.). He eventually became a contractor in building construction and church altar construction. At his death it was reported:

Mr. Oeth was one of the oldest, well known and esteemed residents of Dubuque. He had lived in this city exactly fifty years when death came.

Mr. Oeth had been prominent in business, social and political circles. He was engaged in the carpenter and contracting business for many years and built many of the city's best structures. He ably represented the Fifth Ward in the council for two terms. He was a member of several Catholic organizations among which were the St. Aloysius, Pius-Alphonsus and St. Vincent de Paul Societies. He was president of the St. Aloysius Society for many years and was the head of the de Paul Society at the time of his death.

The Dubuque Herald, May 8, 1908

Peter Oeth, son of Peter and Elizabeth [Beck] Oeth, married Catherine/"Kate" Kisch, on March 9, 1861, in St. Mary's Church, at Dubuque. She was the daughter of Antonette [maiden name unknown] and ? Kisch.

⁶² The Federal Censuses give various places for Peter Oeth's birth: 1850, December 7, ("age 12, born Indiana"); 1870, August 6 ("age 32, Ohio"). There is a Peter "Ocke" or "Ootu" (probably "Oeth") in the 1840 Census for Washington Twp., Allen Co., Indiana, with two male children under 5.

Peter and Catherine/"Kate" [Kisch] Oeth had at least 12 children: ⁶³

Wilhelm/William, born September 16, 1861. Died June 22, 1863, at Dubuque. Burial in Linwood Cemetery.

Maria/Mary, born January 1, 1864. Died March 29, 1936, at Dubuque. Burial in Mount Calvary Cemetery.

- married Frank J. Berg, Sr., September 1, 1886, in Sacred Heart Church, at Dubuque, Iowa.

- children: Ella (Mrs. George M. Kutsch), Herman P. "Dick" (Melinda Manderscheid), Emma (Mrs. Charles Tapelt), Leonard/"Scoop" (single), Grace (Mrs. Harold Winders), Raymond/"Butch" A. (Mary Seeley), George B. (Cecelia Louise Harold), Frank J., Jr. (Bessie Peters), and Gertrude (Mrs. Cornelius/"Neil" Lang).

[Frank J. Berg, Sr., was born December 3, 1859, Dubuque, the son of Leonard and Margaret (Reinfried) Berg. He was a pharmacist and owned Berg Drug Store in Dubuque. The family lived at 2264 Prince St. He died February 3, 1939, Dubuque; burial in Mt. Calvary Cemetery.]

Andreas/Andrew Peter, born November 18, 1865. Died September 24, 1875, at Dubuque. Burial in Mt. Calvary Cemetery.

Johan/John, born December 23, 1867. Died December 29, 1950, at Dubuque. Burial in Mt. Calvary Cemetery.

- married Mary Link, 1899, in Church, at Dubuque.

- children: Florence (Mrs. John Manny Evans), Peter Earl (Ruth Hayes, later Margaret/"Peg" Gullman), Philip F. (Hortense J. "Maxine" Oberhoffer), Margaret (Mrs. Lyle Willis, later Mrs. John Freeman), John Vincent (Irma M. Kruger, Lorraine Finkenaue), Bernard Joseph (Catherine/"Katie" Stoffregan/Stoffregen, Alice Strief Wilwert), and Robert Louis (Rose Mary Lolwing).

[John Oeth worked on farms and loved horses and other animals. The family lived at 2768 Jackson St.]

[Mrs. John (Mary Link) Oeth was born , 1879, Dubuque, the daughter of . She died April 13, 1971, Dubuque; burial in Mt. Calvary Cemetery.]

Franz/Francis/"Frank" Conrad, born November 9, 1869. Died March 14, 1936, at Dubuque. Burial in Mt. Calvary Cemetery.

- married Mary A. Lange, , in Church, at

- children: Mary (Mrs. Harry Brown).

[Mrs. Frank (Mary Lange) Oeth was born Aug 23, 1873 , at ; the daughter of . She died April 24, 1894 (age 20), four days after giving birth to daughter, Mary; burial in Mt. Calvary Cemetery.]

- married Anna M. Schwab October 10, 1900. in Church, at

- children: Mildred C. (single, died age 26), Alfred Joseph (Helen Fichtel), Cleophas/"Cleo" Aloyius (Marie Shea, Eileen Kassar), Herbert P. (single), Irvin Anthony (Lucille Catherine Kelly (lived at 489 S. Grandview, Dubuque), Annetta Kohlman), Arthur/"Art" Herman (Mary Janet Schmidt), Grace Margaret (single).

[Frank Oeth lived at 2156 Jackson Street. He worked as a carpenter, and for 28 years in the Dubuque Post Office, retiring in December. 1924. He was a member of the Community Band and organizer of the Oeth "German Band." He was Secretary of the Dubuque Musician's Union for 25 years. He played the base drum and tuba.]

[Mrs. Frank (Anna M. Schwab) Oeth was born June 9, 1872, Potosi, Wisconsin; the daughter of Henry & Catherine Schwab. She died August 25, 1934; Dubuque; burial in Mt. Calvary Cemetery, Dubuque.]

Carl/"Charlie" Peter, born May 25, 1872. Died October 25, 1875, at Dubuque. Burial in Mt. Calvary Cemetery.

Emma Elizabeth, born December 19, 1873. Died July 3, 1874, at Dubuque. Burial in Mt. Calvary Cemetery.

Peter Heinrich/Henry, born July 11, 1875. Died July 27, 1875, at Dubuque. Burial in Mt. Calvary Cemetery.

Herman Peter, born July 11, 1875. Died June 10, 1938, at Dubuque. Burial in

- married Mary M. Yates, , in Church, at

- children: Kenneth P. (), and son (died in infancy).

[Mrs. Herman Peter (Mary M. Yates) Oeth was born August 24, 1875, Dubuque, the daughter of Robert and Josephine [Simplot] Yates. She had three sisters. She died October 26, 1944, at her residence, 2138 Jackson St., Dubuque; burial in Linwood Cemetery.]

[Herman Peter Oeth lived at 2138 Jackson St. He worked as a bookkeeper and shipping clerk at Myers-Cox Co. for 35 years. He belonged to Sacred Heart Church.]

Antonia/Antoinette/"Nettie" Agatha, born September 7, 1877. Died February 3, 1943, at Dubuque. Burial in

- married John Kurt, , in Church, at

- children: Harold (), Arnold (), Leo P. (), and Marian (Mrs. Lavern Hall).

[John Kurt, born 1874, at , son of . He worked as a . He died , at 1913, Dubuque, burial in Mt. Calvary Cemetery.]

- married John Carl Jungk, , in Church, at

- no children. several stepchildren from Carl Jungk's first marriage – Lucille (Mrs.), Clarence (), Florence (Mrs.), Arthur F. (), Julius P. (), and Walter J. ().

[John Carl Jungk was born August 25, 1877, at , the son of . He worked as a . He died , at ; burial in .]

Adelina Crescentia ("Grace"), born June 8, 1880. Died June 16/18?, 1906, at Dubuque. Burial in Mt. Calvary Cemetery.

- married Frederick/"Frank" G. Roedell, September 25, 1901, in, Church, Chicago, Illinois.

- children: Harold Frederick ().

⁶³ Much of the information about the Peter and Catherine [Kisch] Oeth family was provided in 1997 by Rev. Loras C. Otting, Director, Archives and Historical Records, Archdiocese of Dubuque, Dubuque, Iowa.

[Frank G. Roedell was born , at , the son of . He worked in the post office in Dubuque. He died , at ; burial in .]

Anthony/"Tony" Joseph, born October 15, 1882. Died , at Chicago, Illinois? Burial in - married Clara Permantier, , in Church, at - children: Esther (Mrs.), Ruth (Mrs.), and June (Mrs.).

[Mrs. Anthony Joseph (Clara Permantier) Oeth was born , at , the daughter of . She died , at ; burial in .]

Peter Oeth died May 7, 1900, at home, 2170 Jackson St., southeast corner of Eagle Point Ave. and Jackson St.. Catherine/Kate [Kisch] Oeth died March 23, 1925 ("age 85"), at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Carl Jungk, 713 Lincoln Ave. (5th Ward?) Burial for both was in the St. Mary's German Catholic Cemetery (now Mount Calvary Cemetery), Dubuque.

Mary Oeth, daughter of Peter and Catherine/"Kate" [Kisch], married Frank J. Berg, Sr., son of Leonard and Margaret [Reinfried] Berg, on September 1, 1886, at Sacred Heart Church in Dubuque. They lived at 2264 Prince Street. Frank was a pharmacist and owner of the Berg Drug Store at 534 Romberg Ave. His obituary says:

Mr. Berg was in good health until last Monday night and worked in the store until that time. He was the oldest pharmacist in age and record of service in this entire community, and had been engaged in the drug business for the past 63 years. A life-long member of the Catholic Church, he attended the Sacred Heart parish, and was a member of the Holy Name Society, and the St. Aloysius Society. He was a charter member of Marquette Court of the Catholic Order of Foresters No. 811, and a member of the National Association of Retail Druggists and the Iowa Pharmaceutical Association.

Dubuque Telegraph Herald, February 4, 1939, p. 4

Frank J. Berg, Sr., and Mary [Oeth] Berg had at least nine children:⁶⁴

Ella, born July 5, 1887. Died January 7, 1929, at Dubuque. Burial in Mt. Calvary Cemetery.

- married George M. Kutsch, , in Church, at - children: Jeanette (Mrs. Leo Heitzman), Ethel (Mrs. Joseph Spautz), George B. (), Robert (died in Wisconsin), Eldon J. (), and twins Rose (Mrs. Wayne Kueter) & Ruth (Mrs. Jerome Urbain).

[George M. Kutsch was born December 30, 1888, Dubuque, the son of . He worked as a . He died October 23, 1981, at ; burial in Mt. Calvary Cemetery.]

Herman P. ("Dick"), born August 8, 1889. Died September 4, 1973, at Dubuque. Burial in Mt. Calvary Cemetery.

- married Melinda Manderscheid, , in Church, at - children: Robert F. (Mary Keneally)

[Herman/"Dick" Berg ran Enterprise Printing Co. around 17th and Central Ave. They lived above the print shop.]

[Mrs. Herman "Dick" (Melinda Manderscheid) Berg was born June 11, 1893, Dubuque, the daughter of . She died September 15, 1974, Dubuque; burial in Mount Calvary Cemetery.]

Emma, born October 20, 1891. Died March 15, 1973, at Knox, Indiana. Burial in Crown Hill Cemetery, Knox, Indiana.

- married Charles Tapelt, December 10, 1923, in Church, Chicago, Illinois. - children: Gloria (Mrs. Wayne Cussier).

[Charles Tapelt was born September 25 1880, Dubuque, the son of . He lived in Chicago and worked at Olen Carpet Cleaning. He died August 18, 1960, Knox, Indiana; burial in Crown Hill Cemetery, Knox.]

Leonard/"Scoop", born April 3, 1895. Died May 18, 1975, at Dubuque. Burial in Mt. Calvary Cemetery.

- single.

[Leonard/"Scoop" Berg worked at Brunswick Mfg. (phonographs) until it closed. He then worked at Klauer Mfg.]

Grace Elizabeth, born September 2, 1897. Died August 22, 1987, at Dubuque. Burial in Center Grove Cemetery,

- married Harold Winders, October 1, 1919, in Church, at - children: Eugene/"Gene" John. (Jacqueline /"Jackie" Clerc), Juanita/"Nita" Mary (Mrs. William Martin), and Roger Daniel (Arlene Pzalzgraf).

[Harold Winders was born January 12, 1900, Dubuque, the son of . He worked as a bus driver for 30 years in Dubuque. He and his family lived at 2459 Cherry. He died September 28, 1973, Dubuque; burial in Center Grove Methodist Cemetery.]

⁶⁴ Some of the information about the Frank J., Sr., and Mary [Oeth] Berg family was provided by Mrs. Neil [Gertrude Berg] Lang in 1990. She is the daughter of Frank and Mary [Oeth] Berg.

Raymond /"Butch" A., born April 15, 1901. Died November 21, 1973, at Dubuque. Burial in Mt. Olivet Cemetery, Key West, Dubuque County, Iowa.

- married Marie/Mary Seeley, February 20, 1922, in _____ Church, at Dubuque.

- children: Kathleen (Mrs. Cyril Woerdehoff), Betty (Mrs. Eldon Lange), Lynn (Mrs. Robert Willett), Mary (Mrs. Boet), Leah (Mrs. Daniel Kruser), Carolyn (Mrs. Leonard Grotegut), Raymond A. (single?), Donald W. (single), and Joseph L. (single).

[Raymond/"Butch" Berg was a pharmacist in Chicago, then worked for Dubuque Packing Co.. The family lived at 267 Southern Ave., Dubuque.]

[Mrs. Raymond/"Butch" (Mary Seeley) Berg was born _____, 1902, at Dubuque, the daughter of Samuel and Bridget (Powers) Seeley. She died _____ 1962, at _____; burial in _____ .]⁶⁵

George Bertrand, born February 26, 1904. Died January 23, 1949, at Seattle, Washington. Burial in _____

- married Cecelia Louise Harold, June 7, _____, in Church of the Immaculate Heart, at _____

- children: Dorothy (Sr. George, Dominican), Judith (Mrs. Ralph Arthur/"Art" Willison, Jr.), Barbara (Mrs. C. David Lynn), Carolyn (Mrs. David R. Seeman, later Mrs. _____), and Virginia/"Ginny" (Mrs. R. Lee Gardner, later Mrs. Dan Dahle.).

[George sold meat for Armour Co. in Dubuque. He moved to Seattle around the Depression era.]

[Mrs. George (Cecelia Louis Harold) Berg was born _____, at _____, the daughter of _____. After her husband died she married _____ Willison, in Seattle. She died _____, at _____; burial in _____.]

Frank/"Faygo" J., Jr., born May 13, 1908. Died December 28, 1982, at Mountain Home, Arkansas. Burial in Baxter Memorial Gardens, Mountain Home.

- married Bessie Peters, August 25, 1945, in _____ Church, at Chicago, Illinois.

- no children.

[Frank/"Faygo" J., Jr. worked as a druggist in Chicago. He retired in Mountain Home, Arkansas.]

[Mrs. Frank/"Faygo" J.(Bessie Peters) Berg, Jr., was born _____, at _____, the daughter of _____. She died _____, at _____; burial in _____.]

Gertrude/"Gert", born June 6, 1912. Died August 21, 2003, Dayton, Ohio. Burial in Washington Park North Cemetery, Indianapolis, Indiana.

-married Cornelius/"Neil" Lang, May 16, 1938, in Sacred Heart Church, Dubuque.

- children: [LIVING CHILDREN DELETED].

[Cornelius "Neil" Lang was born December 4, 1910, Balltown, Iowa, the son of Edward and Mary (Fabricius) Lang. He worked in the insurance business as an underwriter in Dubuque and Indianapolis. He died May 8, 1984, Indianapolis, Indiana; burial in Garden of St. Matthew, Washington Park North Cemetery.]

Mary [Oeth] Berg died March 29, 1936 ("age 72"). Mary and Frank Berg, Jr., were going to celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary that year. Frank J. Berg, Sr., died February 3, 1939 ("age 79"). He was the oldest pharmacist in Dubuque, and worked until the week of his death. He was in the drug business for 63 years. Burial for both was in Mount Calvary Cemetery, Dubuque.

Gertrude/Gert Berg, daughter of Frank J., Sr., and Mary [Oeth] Berg, married Cornelius/"Neil" Lang, son of Edward and Mary [Fabricius] Lang, May 16, 1938, at Sacred Heart Church, Dubuque. Neil Lang was born December 4, 1910, at Balltown, Dubuque County, Iowa. They lived at 2264 Prince St. for one year, then another year at 2266 Prince St., and at _____ Seminary Ave.(?), before finally settling at 2414 Windsor Avenue. Neil began working at Dubuque Fire and Marine Insurance in 1927 as a file clerk, and worked his way up to vice president of underwriting.

Neil and Gert [Berg] Lang had five children:

[LIVING CHILDREN DELETED].

In 1953, Neil Lang moved his family to 880 Loras Blvd. They lived here until Dubuque Fire and Marine was acquired by American States Insurance of Indianapolis, Indiana. Neil and his family moved to Indianapolis in 1963. They lived at _____ College Avenue, until buying a house at 5252 Norwaldo Street. Neil worked with American States until retiring in 1974 as chief of underwriting audit. He spent his retirement years growing roses and other flowers, vegetable gardening, and visiting his children.

Neil Lang died May 8, 1984. "Gert" eventually moved to live with her son John and his family in Dayton, Ohio. She later lived at Friendship Village Health Center, Dayton. She died on August 21, 2003, Trotwood, Ohio. Burial for both was in Garden of St. Matthew, Washington Park North Cemetery, Indianapolis.

⁶⁵ Information about Mary Seeley provided by (2007) Colleen [Powers] Budz, Romeoville, IL.

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24. Marriage record (October 20, 1836) for "Henricus Lang" and "Catharina Sherich" (witnesses: "Martino Sherich" and "Catharina Gorlochen"). Marriage record for "Martonus Shierich" and "Catherina Gerlachen" (witnesses: "Henricus Lang" and "Catharina Sherich"). [St. John's German Catholic Church, Archdiocese of Baltimore, Roman Catholic, Baltimore City: parish records 1804-1841; deaths 1820-1845 (film M1525, Maryland State Archives)].
25. "Frankfort Township" (pp. 718-721) in Franklyn Curtiss-Wedge (1915), **History of Wright County, Minnesota, Vol. II**. Contains information about "Peter Scheyrich", i.e., Peter Scheurich.
26. The Biographical Record of Champaign County, Illinois (1900). Contains a biography (pp. 412-413) of Martin Scheurich, son of Peter and Elizabeth [Kimmelschew] Scheurich.
27. Conveyance record in Monroe County for a sale between "Henry & Katherine Long" and "Nicholas Schiager" March 6, 1846 (Book 1, p. 360). **Monroe County, Illinois, County Clerk Conveyance Records, 1816-1900** [1845-1848, LDS #1317839].
28. Naturalization record for "Heinrich Lang", St. Clair Co., Ill, April 1848 (correspondence with **St. Clair Co. Genealogical Society**, October 5, 1995).
29. Henry & Catherine [Scheurich] Lang family -- **Federal Census**: [? Illinois, Monroe County, 1840, p.355]; Iowa, Dubuque County, 1850, printed page 74; 1860, p. 167; 1870, p. 310; 1880, p. 341. **Iowa State Census**: Dubuque County, 1856, p. 354.]
30. Schmitt, James H. (1995). **Sherrill: Then and now**.
31. **Death Register of SS. Peter & Paul Catholic Church (1867-1937)**, Sherrill, Jefferson Twp, Dubuque Co., Iowa.
32. Computer printouts, 1997, of SS. Peter & Paul, Sherrill, Iowa, church records as transcribed by Judy Dupont, Dubuque. She is a descendant of Albert & Margaret [Rettenmeier] Cummer. Albert Cummer's first wife was Anna Catherine Lang.
33. Gravestones (SS. Peter & Paul Cemetery, Sherrill, Dubuque County, Iowa) for "Heinrich Lang, Geb. 4 Marz 1809, Gest. 21 Feb 1889", and "Katharina Lang, Gest. 11 Marz 1896, alter 83 Jahr".
34. Most of the information about the Joseph Lang family was obtained from the "Lang" chapters in Winifred M. Schaefers (1970) **Kost-Lang-Schaefers-Traun Family Histories** provided (2000) by Martha A. Nelson, Jefferson, Texas. She is related to the Kost family. Some information was obtained from biographies for "John Lang" and "John P. Myers [sic]" in William Bell Mitchell (1915) **History of Stearns County Minnesota**.
35. **Civil War Draft Registration** (July 1, 1863), Dubuque Co., Iowa, for "Joseph H. Lang", "Jefferson Township", age "26", "married", born in "Illinois".
36. Some information about the John and Barbara [Engel/Engle] Meyer family is from the website of Steven M. Condon, New Haven, Iowa – <http://home.att.net/~drystream2/misc/meyerstories.html>. Mr. Condon's ggg-grandparents were John and Barbara Meyer, and he has done extensive research on their descendants.
37. **1870 Federal Census**, Stearns County, Minnesota, lists Joseph Lang as born in "Indiana" and age "28").

38. **Index to Gravestones of Stearns County as of 1974-1976**, compiled by Stearns County Genealogists, Inc., St. Cloud, 1982.
39. Information about Michael Hammer was obtained from his obituary, Richmond **Standard**, May 10, 1913, provided (2000) by Ann Hefenieder, Billings, Montana. Michael Hammer was her gg-grandfather.
40. Grave marker for Mrs. John [Margaret Mary Lang] Zeigler, St. Francis Cemetery, Balltown, Iowa.
41. Correspondence (1997, 2002), from Dianne Tonnies, Swift Current, Saskatchewan, Canada, regarding the family and descendants of Conrad Lang (1854-1926). Dianne's husband Arnold's grandmother was Mrs. Frank [Matilda Lang] Kirchner. He is a third cousin to Janet [Lang] Kortenkamp.
42. E-mail correspondance (2002) by Miles & Corrinne Kohle, Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, Canada, regarding the family and descendants of Conrad Lang (1854-1926). Miles' mother, Katherine, was a daughter of Michael and Ida [Lang] Lemmerich. He is a third cousin to Janet [Lang] Kortenkamp.
43. Information about the Albert & Catherine [Lang] Cummer family was provided (1997) by Judy Dupont, Dubuque. She is their great granddaughter. Some info was provided (2007) by Adam Cummer, Balltown, Iowa, a great grandson. They are 3rd cousins once removed to Janet [Lang] Kortenkamp.
44. Dubuque County Probate Records for Heinrich Lang, Feb. 15, 1889 to Nov. 17, 1892.
45. **Certificate of Service (State Archives of Iowa)** for "Enos Long (Ignatz Lang)", for service as "a private in Company E of the 21st Regiment of Iowa Infantry Volunteers." Dated November 2, 1984.
46. **The Twenty-first Regiment of Iowa Volunteer Infantry: A narrative of its experience in active service (including a military record of each officer, non-commissioned officer, and private soldier of the organization)**, compiled by George Orooke, Late Adjutant (1891). Ignatius Lang is listed in this book as "Enos Long."
47. War Department pension papers for "Enos Long" (Ignatz Lang). Dated February 21, 1889 to September 5, 1911. The reason for pension: "Asthma to a great extent of which he is troubled for many years. As he verily believes that he contracted said disease while in the service of the United States Army," July 26, 1890.
48. Application for marriage license for "Enos Long [Ignatz Lang] and Barbara Ziegler", Dubuque County, Iowa. Dated April 16, 1866.
49. Correspondence June 17, 1995, from Nancy Stuhlman regarding the Lang, Ziegler, and Schirra ancestry. Very extensive research has been done on the Ziegler and Schirra ancestry by Nancy Stuhlman (born Roginske, and great-granddaughter of Johann and Katharina [Schirra] Ziegler). Almost all the information on the Ziegler and Schirra ancestry in this history was collected by Nancy. She very generously shared her research, and provided me with a "History Sheet" for Katharina Schirra, and a "History Sheet" for Johann Ziegler. Nancy has made several trips to Germany gathering information and documentation, and says, "Within the community of Dirmingen is a lovely, large old stone residence. Built in the 1700's, the building is unique as carved in stone over the large main entrance of the structure is the inscription: "SCHIRRA + ZIEGLER." She describes the countryside around Dirmingen as similar to Sherrill and Dubuque. Nancy continues to maintain contacts with Zeigler cousins in Germany, particularly Dr. Franz and Elisabeth Ziegler, Eppelborn, Saarland, Germany.
50. Correspondence January 21, and February 6, 1997, from Elisabeth Ziegler, Eppelborn, Saarland, Germany. She sent a brochure about the Eppelborn area, and an ancestor chart (dated February 2, 1997) for Barbara Ziegler. Elisabeth and her husband, Franz, are both distant cousins of Barbara Ziegler.
51. E-mail correspondence (2005) with Suzanne M. [Kelly] Dugas, Brighton, Michigan. She has traced the Ziegler ancestry back to the middle 1600s through very extensive research with parish records in the Bistum Archives, Trier, Germany. She is a 9th cousin to Janet Lang, with Peter Schmitt/Schmidt (c1650-1712) as a common ancestor.
52. Information about the children of Joseph and Elizabeth [Ziegler] Kretz was provided in 1998/1999 by Sherri Myers-Wray, Kenosha, Wisconsin. Her grandparents were Hubert & Helen Frances [Kretz] Myers. Some information was provided (1999) by Stacy Sabers, Dubuque. Her g-g-grandfather was John Henry Kretz.
53. Correspondence, January 3, 1991, from Thomas Goodman (grandson of Julius Edward and Margareta [Ziegler] Goodman). He provided "Children of Johann Ziegler and Katharina Schirra (Girra) Ziegler," a one-page document prepared by Nancy Stuhlman (daughter of Alma [Ziegler] and Charles Roginske).
54. "Declaration of Intent" to become a citizen of the U.S. for John Ziegler, Montour County, Danville, Pennsylvania. Dated May 15, 1854.
55. "Declaration of Intent" to become a citizen of the U.S. for Peter Ziegler, Montour County, Danville, Pennsylvania. Dated May 14, 1855.
56. John & Catherine [Schirra] Ziegler family [**Iowa State Census, Dubuque County, 1856**, printed page 392 ; **Federal Census, Iowa, Dubuque County**, written page 33; **1870**, printed page 323; **1880**, p. 342]
57. "Family Group Record" [for John Ziegler and Catherina D'Cherra] compiled by Nancy Stuhlman.
58. "The Ziegler Family" compiled by Rosemary McInerney, 1977.
59. "Family Group Record" [for "John Ziegler Family (Jr.)"].
60. "Family Group Record" [for "Mary Ziegler Backes Family"].
61. "Family Group Record" [for "Katherine Ziegler and Peter Lex"].
62. "Family Group Record" [for "Peter Ziegler Family"].
63. Marriage certificate for Peter Ziegler and Bertha Wyss, dated March 8, 1886.
64. Obituary for Louis Backes, **Dubuque Daily Times**, May 2, 1916.
65. Obituary for Nicholas Ziegler, **Dubuque Telegraph Herald**, Dec. 4, 1922.
66. "Standard Certificate of Death" for Nicholas Ziegler, dated Dec. 4, 1922.
67. Obituary for Margaret (Ziegler) Roesner (Mrs. Jacob Roesner), **Dubuque Telegraph Herald**, Dec. 7, 1927.
68. "Standard Certificate of Death" for Peter Ziegler, December 3, 1928.
69. Obituary for Peter Ziegler, **Dubuque Telegraph Herald**, Dec. 4, 1928.
70. Obituary for Mary [Ziegler] Baches (Mrs. Louis Baches), **Dubuque Telegraph Herald**, Aug. 15, 1932.
71. "Standard Certificate of Death" for John Ziegler, dated March 5, 1934.
72. Obituary for John Ziegler, **Dubuque Telegraph Herald**, March 5, 1934.
73. Death Certificate for Bertha [Lang] Ziegler (Mrs. Peter Ziegler), Nov. 5, 1938.
74. Obituary for Margaret Ziegler (single), **Dubuque Telegraph Herald**, Jan. 5, 1941.
75. Ignatius Lang and Barbara Ziegler marriage record (April 26, 1866), SS. Peter & Paul Church, Sherrill, Dubuque County, Iowa.
76. Ignatz & Barbara [Ziegler] Lang family [**Federal Census, Iowa, Dubuque County, 1880**, printed page 342; **1900**, p. 164]

77. Correspondence, February 11, 1991, from Karl Walech. Karl provided information from Mary Lou Meyer (daughter of Raymond Brimeyer) and Gerald/"Greg" Brimeyer, who together wrote the "Mathius Brimeyer Family Tree," Sister Edna Pfohl (daughter of Louisa [Brimeyer] and Peter Pfohl) who wrote the "Nicholas Brimeyer Family Tree," Ray Brimeyer (son of Louisa [Lang] and Peter Brimeyer); Roy Pfohl (son of John and Barbara [Lang] Pfohl); Carol Gantenbein (granddaughter of Louisa [Lang] and Peter Brimeyer), Nancy Stuhlman (daughter of Alma [Ziegler] and Charles Roginske); Leona Hafkemeyer (daughter of Barbara [Lang] and John Pfohl); and a family group sheet for the Peter Ziegler family by Rosemary McInerny (1977).
78. **Brimeyer (a family history)** by Mary Lou Meyer and Gerald (Greg) Brimeyer (compiled about 1978).
79. Some information about Nicholas Brimeyer was provided in 1998 by Robert Brimeyer, Dubuque.
80. **Nicholas Brimeyer Family Tree** by Sister Edna Pfohl (compiled about 1976).
81. Grave marker for Peter and Louisa [Lang] Brimeyer, St. Francis Cemetery, Balltown, Iowa.
82. Correspondence (1999) with Al Miller, Dubuque, regarding the family of Ignatz and Catherine [Ziegler] Lang, most specifically their daughter Mrs. Jacob [Mathilda/"Tillie" Lang] Henkel. Al Miller is a grandson of Robert and Viola C. [Henkel] Wright.
83. Correspondence (2002) with Michelle [Wright] Wade, regarding the family of Jacob and Mathilda/"Tillie" [Lang] Henkel. She is the daughter of Robert and Viola [Henkel] Wright.
84. "Certificate of Baptism" for Barbara Lang born December 22, 1885 (dated April 23, 1958, SS. Peter and Paul Church, Sherrill, Iowa).
85. **The Pfohl Family Tree** by Sister Edna Pfohl (compiled about 1977).
86. **Dubuque County Register of Deaths** record for Ignatz Lang.
87. Family portrait of the Ignatz Lang family (persons named by Neil Lang).
88. Obituary ("Soldier Answers Last Roll Call") for Ignatz Lang, **Dubuque Times Journal**, October 27, 1910.
89. Correspondence, October 26, 1990, from Mary Fabricius (daughter of Peter and Catherine [Stephenson] Fabricius). She reported information obtained that October from Karl Walech (Karl was taken in and raised by Agnes [Fabricius] Wallig).
90. Family portrait of the John and Elisabeth Fabricius family (persons named by Mary Fabricius, daughter of Peter and Catherine [Stephenson] Fabricius).
91. Correspondence, April 11, 16; May 31; June 2, 15, August 23, December 12, 19, 31, 1995, January 13, 20, 28, 1996, from Jean-Pierre A. Jung, Colmar-Berg, Luxembourg, regarding the Fabricius ancestry. He provided me with all the photocopies of birth, marriage, and death certificates from Luxembourg. He also sent color photos of the Fabricius ancestor house in Schieren, and Weber ancestor house in Webershof, near Medernach, Luxembourg.
92. Fabricius/Stirn/Gaspar/Neuens/Weber/Hartert family tree (Rev. 5) compiled by Jean Pierre A. Jung, August 23, 1995.
93. E-mail correspondence (2007) with Cyrill Neuens, Wiltz, Luxembourg. She provided info about Neuens ancestry and descendants. She is a 5th cousin to Janet [Lang] Kortenkamp, descended from Nicolas and Anna Catharine [Meyery] Neuens.
94. Marriage record for Peter Fabricius and Maria Catherina Styr, dated 27 Pluriose, Year 7 (February 15, 1799), Befort, Luxembourg.
95. Death record for Catharina Fabritius ("age 60"), wife of Jean Seyl ("tailor"), dated February 28, 1793, Schieren, Luxembourg.
96. Birth record for Jean Fabritius, son of Pierre Fabritius and Marie Stirn, dated October 23, 1805, Schieren, Luxembourg.
97. Death record for Marie Stirn, born at Schieren, widow of Pierre Fabritius, dated July 25, 1846, Schieren, Luxembourg.
98. Death record for Pierre Fabritius ("age 70"), born at Beaufort, widower of Marie Stirn, dated October 23, 1849, at Schieren, Luxembourg..
99. Birth record for Michel Fabricius, son of Peter Fabricius and Marie Stirn, dated March 6, 1816, Schieren, Luxembourg.
100. Birth record for Michel Fabricius, son of Peter Fabricius and Marie Stirn, dated October 11, 1817, Schieren, Luxembourg.
101. Marriage record for Michel Fabricius and Margaretha Gaspar, dated January 28, 1845, Ettelbruck, Luxembourg.
102. Birth record for Margaretha Gaspar, dated February 12, 1817, Grosbous, District of Osperen, Luxembourg. Witnesses: Pierre Nevens, Secretary of the Township, age 29; and Nicolas Klein, age 31.
103. Death record for Nicolas Gaspar ("age 51, Farmer"), dated September 20, 1842, Grosbous, District of Redingen, Luxembourg. Witnesses: Jean Nicolas Gaspar, age 32, farmer; and Pierre Frauffer, age 27, farmer.
104. Death record for Maria Elisabeth [Neuens] Gaspar (Mrs. Nicolas Gaspar), dated August 24, 1855, Grosbous, Luxembourg. Witness: Anton Gaspar, age 33, farmer; and Nicolas Neuens, age 36, business man.
105. Marriage record for Nicolas Fabricius and Marie Waldbillig [widow of Nicolas Melsen], dated April 15, 1860.
106. **Mosalem Township (The Township Series: The Resource Books of Dubuque County Townships)**, 1988.
107. Death record of Marguerite [Gaspar] Fabricius, dated May 4, 1878, Schieren, District of Diekirch, Luxembourg.
108. Birth record for Jean Pierre Fabricius, dated December 27, 1855, Schieren, District of Diekirch, Luxembourg.. Witnesses: Dominique Thilmann, teacher, and Nicolas Fabricius, field-guard.
109. Death record for Michel Fabricius ("age 70"), dated July 12, 1870, Schieren, District of Diekirch, Luxembourg.
110. Death record for Jean Fabricius ("age 6 weeks"), son of Richard Fabricius ("age 31") and Caterine [Watgen] ("age 24"), dated August 27, 1874, Schieren, District of Diekirch, Luxembourg.
111. Death record for Mathias Fabricius ("age 70"), dated August 6, 1877, Schieren, District of Diekirch, Luxembourg.
112. Death record for Catherine Fabricius ("age 27"), dated February 17, 1882, Schieren, District of Diekirch, Luxembourg.
113. Death record for Catherine Fabricius ("age 35"), dated August 19, 1884, Schieren, District of Diekirch, Luxembourg.
114. E-mail correspondence (2000) with Jean Bertemes, Luxembourg City, Luxembourg, regarding Cathérine Fabricius. Cathérine [Fabricius] Bertemes was his great grandmother.
115. Death record for Michel Fabricius, farmer, dated June 11, 1890, Schieren, District of Diekirch, Luxembourg. Witnesses: Nicolas Ries, aged 45, son-in-law of the deceased; and Nicolas Thewes, musician, age 56, acquaintance of the deceased, living at Schieren
116. Death record for Nicolas Fabricius, dated January 27, 1891, Schieren, District of Diekirch, Luxembourg.
117. Marriage record for Peter Weber and Angnes Hartert, dated February 26, 1851, Ermsdorf, District of Diekirch, Luxembourg.
118. Birth record for Angnes Weber, daughter of Peter Weber and Angnes Hartert, dated January 17, 1852, Ermsdorf, Luxembourg.
119. Birth record for Elisabeth Weber, daughter of Peter Weber and Angnes Hartert, dated February 21, 1854, Ermsdorf, Luxembourg.
120. Birth record for Anna Weber, daughter of Pierre Weber and Agnes Hartert, dated July 3, 1856, Webershof at Ermsdorf, Luxembourg.
121. E-mail correspondence (2000) with Michael Zeimen, Bay City, Michigan, about Jean Peter & Marie [Gasper] Zeimen. They are his ggg-grandparents.

122. E-mail correspondence (2004) with Bonnie Morgan, Towson, Maryland, regarding the Pittsfield, Massachusetts, Fabricius families and the Argentina Fabricius families. Bonnie Morgan is a great-granddaughter of Antoinette [Fabricius] , Pittsfield, Masseurhsets.
123. Marriage record for John P. Fabricius and Elizabeth Weber, dated May 24, 188; witnesses: Maria Schlueter, & Rev. Johannes.
124. Obituary for John P. Fabricius, Dubuque Telegraph Herald, Dec. 26, 1938.
125. Correspondence, April 18, 1995, from John M. Webber, regarding the Weber & Fabricius ancestry.
126. Obituary for Michel Fabricius, Luxembourg Gazette, July 8, 1890, p. 8.
127. Obituary for Elisabeth [Weber] Fabricius, Luxembourg Gazette, August 11, 1914, p. 7.
128. Obituary for Agnes [Weber] Majerus, Luxembourg Gazette, October 15, 1890, p. 8.
129. E-mail correspondence (2000) with Mrs. Terry (Jean) Walech, San Mateo, California, regarding the Weber and Walich/Walech ancestry and families.
130. Certificate of Baptism for Cornelius Ignatius Lang, born December 4, 1910, baptized January 10, 1911, St. Francis of Assisi Church, Balltown, Iowa.
131. Obituary for Edward M. Lang, Dubuque Telegraph Herald, June 28, 1936.
132. Grave marker for Edward M. Lang, Mount Calvary Cemetery, Dubuque, Iowa.
133. Obituary for Mary C. [Fabricius] Lang (Mrs. Edward M. Lang)
134. Grave marker for Mary C. [Fabricius] Lang (Mrs. Edward M. Lang), Mount Calvary Cemetery, Dubuque, Iowa.
135. Correspondence (1998/99) with Carol [Ritsert] Kennedy, Washington, Massachusetts, regarding the Ritzert genealogy. Carol Kennedy is a 9th cousin to Janet [Lang] Kortenkamp, with a common ancestor -- Peter Ritzert (whose father, Paul Ritzert, was living in Schwanheim, Hesse-Darmstadt [Germany] in 1588). [See the **Leonard Berg Ancestor Tree** in the *Appendix*].
136. E-mail correspondence (1999) with Mary Lou Moss Godleski, Weston, Massachusetts, regarding the children of Johan Adam & Gertrude [Kalt] Ritzert.
137. Charles Lantzy & Mary Lou Godleski. (1999). **Angert & Ritzert Genealogy, plus related families**
138. Koerner, Bernhard, & Praetorius, Otfried. (1937). **Darmstädter Geschlechterbuch**. Druet und Verlag von G. U. Starke, Görlitz. [includes Ritzert genealogy]
139. E-mail (2001) from Ralf Doersam, Berlin-Schoeneberg, Germany, with Kalt, Krastel, and Ritzert genealogy in **Familienbuch Fürth, Vol. I-II**. He also provided information on Berg families in Mörlenbach (near Fürth), Hesse-Darmstadt from his records. He has ancestors from this area.
140. Some information about the children of Johan Adam & Gertrude [Kalt] Ritzert was obtained from Mary Lou Moss Godleski, Weston, Massachusetts.
141. Correspondence (2001) with Martin Weber, Tulsa, Oklahoma, regarding the Kalt ancestry. He is a 5th cousin once removed to Janet [Lang] Kortenkamp; with a common ancestor -- Johann Michael Kalt (? - 1775), Fürth, Hesse-Darmstadt [Germany].
142. Herrmann, Dr. Fritz. (1924). **Heimat- und Stammbuch der Familie Herrmann aus Schwanheim a.d. Bergstraße**. Darmstadt: Selbstverlag
143. E-mail (2002) from Edward Dunn, Gardena, California, providing information about the Berg ancestry in Fehlheim, Ober-Hambach, and Weschnitz/Fürth, Hesse-Darmstadt. Herman J. Berg (1810-1898) was his gg-grandfather.
144. Catholic Kirchenbuch, Taufen 1816-1826, Bensheim, Hessen, Germany (LDS film # 0939394) [Berg family births/baptisms/deaths].
145. Birth/baptism record for Eva Marie Berg, November 8, 1816, Catholic Church, Bensheim, Hesse-Darmstadt.
146. Birth/baptism/death record for Maria Anna Berg, November 18, 1818, and February 27, 1828, Catholic Church, Bensheim, Hesse-Darmstadt.
147. Birth/baptism record for Joann Ludwig Berg, December 28, 1820, Catholic Church, Bensheim, Hesse-Darmstadt.
148. Birth/baptism/death record for Maria Ursula Berg, August 28, 1825, and April 16, 1826, Catholic Church, Bensheim, Hesse-Darmstadt.
149. Birth/baptism record for Leonard Berg, April 14, 1823, Catholic Church, Bensheim, Hesse-Darmstadt.
150. Heinemeier, Dan C. (2002). **A social history of Hesse**. Heinemeier Publ., Arlington, Va.
151. **History of Butler County Pennsylvania**. (1883). Waterman, Watkins, & Co., Chicago.
152. Communication, August, 1990, from Mrs. Neil Lang (born Gertrude Berg), who also provided materials compiled by Karen Lynn (daughter of David and Barbara [Berg] Lynn), and Mrs. Thomas Peterson (born Katherine Mary Willison, daughter of Ralph and Judith [Berg] Willison).
153. Brown, Robert C. (1895). **History of Butler County, Pennsylvania**, R.C. Brown & Co., Chicago. [Berg & Ritzert biographies]
154. "John Christman" (p. 134), and "Fenton M. Hann" (p. 763) in Brewer, Luther Albertus. **History of Linn County, Iowa: From its earliest settlement to the present time (1911)**. Chicago: The Pioneer Publishing Co.
155. Correspondance (2000, 2002) from James Stephen Angert, Honolulu, Hawaii, regarding the Marcus/Marx and Elisabeth [Häfele] Eyth family. His grandmother was Anna Christina Eyth, a descendant of Marcus/Marx and Elisabeth [Häfele] Eyth.
156. "Mangold, Franz Xavier, and Maria Eva Berg", p. 510, in Faulkinbury, Jim W. **Die Deutschen von Iowa und deren Errungenschaften (Germans of Iowa and their achievements: Extract of Biographical Sketches** (based on: Eiboeck, Joseph. (1900). **Die Deutschen von Iowa und deren Errungenschaften**).
157. Correspondance (2002) with Patricia Savage, Prineville, Oregon, who provided information about the Francis X. & Mary [Berg] Mangold family. She has Mangold ancestors. She included a copy of Francis X. Mangold's probate records. She also provided information about Francis X. Mangold's sister – Carolina (Mrs. John Pauli) who lived in St. Charles, Missouri.
158. Leonard Berg [**Federal Census, Iowa, Dubuque County, 1850**, printed page 110.]
159. Marriage record for Leonard Berg and Margaret Reinfreid, Nobember 14, 1852.
160. Katholische Kirchenbuchduplicate, 1810-1870, Taufen, Heiraten, Tote, Schwarzach (A. Bühl), Baden (LDS film #1057395) [Reinfreid families].
161. Katholische Kirchenbuch, Taufen 1780-1820, Schwarzach (A. Bühl) Baden (LDS film #0999035) [Reinfried families].
162. Baptismal record for Xaver Reinfried, April 8, 1812, Catholic Church, Schwarzach (bei Bühl), Baden.
163. Baptismal record for Gregor Reinfried, November 8, 1818, Catholic Church, Schwarzach (bei Bühl), Baden.
164. E-mail correspondence (2005) with Rolf Federle, Bühl, Baden-Württemberg, Germany, regarding the ancestry of Xavier Reinfried. Mr. Federle provided information about Xavier's grandparents, and his brothers and sisters.
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167. Correspondence from Rev. Loras C. Otting, Director, Archives and Historical Records, Archdiocese of Dubuque, Dubuque, Iowa., December 24, 1996 regarding Cathedral and St. Mary's baptismal records for Reinfried families; January 21, 1997, regarding Reinfried burials in Mt. Calvary Cemetery, Dubuque; Reinfried obituaries in Dubuque papers; and Wunderle records at the Cathedral (none).
168. Xavier and Margaret [Wunderle] Reinfried family [Iowa Territorial Census, 1836 ("Sofair Runefrit"); Iowa State Census, Dubuque County, 1840, p. 67 ("Sophia Rinefried"); 1856, printed page 1133; Federal Census, Iowa, Dubuque County, 1850, p. 112; 1860, p. 184.]
169. Marriage record for "Gregory Reinfried and Margaret Weinsettler", Feb. 12, 1850, Rev. Hattenberger, Marriage Records, Roll #2, #1035386, Book 1, 1851-1858, p. 132 (Carnegie Stout Public Library, Dubuque, Iowa)
170. Obituary for Joseph R. Reinfried, Dubuque Telegraph Herald, Oct. 23, 1918, and Dubuque Times Journal, Oct. 23, 1918.
171. Obituary for Frank L. Reinfried, Dubuque Telegraph Herald, July 12, 1931.
172. Obituary for Mrs. Susan [Jaeger] Reinfried (Mrs. Frank Reinfried), Dubuque Telegraph Herald, Nov. 5 & 6, 1934.
173. "Jaeger Genealogy" <http://home.comcast.net/~jaegerz/emigration.htm>
174. Obituary for Mrs. Clara R. [Reinfried] Glasson (Mrs. Albert Glasson), Dubuque Telegraph Herald, July 29, 1926.
175. Obituary for Mrs. Catherine [Reinfried] Blake (Mrs. Frank Blake), Dubuque Telegraph Herald, April 21, 1929.
176. Obituary for Mrs. Celia [Reinfried] Vath (Mrs. William Vath), Dubuque Telegraph Herald, July 21, 1930.
177. Obituary for Frank Reinfried, Dubuque Telegraph Herald, April 12, 1926.
178. History of Dubuque County 1880. (biography of Joseph Reinfried)
179. Obituary for Xavier Reinfried, "Death of an Old Settler", Dubuque Daily Times, Jan. 5, 1869.
180. Obituary for Xavier Reinfried, Dubuque Herald, Jan. 5, 1869.
181. Dubuque County Probate Records for Xavier Reinfried, February 28, 1861 - May 12, 1871.
182. Dubuque County Probate Records for Cecelia Reinfried, May 13, 1871 - March 12, 1872.
183. Obituary for "Mrs. Reinfried", Dubuque Daily Times, May 10, 1871.
184. Obituary for "Mrs. Margaret Reinfried", Dubuque Daily Times, May 10, 1871.
185. Obituary for Mrs. Margaret [Weinzerle/Weinzierl?/Weinsettler?] Reinfried (Mrs. Gregory Reinfried), Dubuque Times Journal, Jan. 17, 1920; Dubuque Telegraph Herald, Jan. 17, 1920.
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221. Grave marker for Katherina [Kisch] Oeth (Mrs. Peter Oeth, Jr.), Mount Calvary Cemetery, Dubuque, Iowa.
222. Grave marker for "Children": Andrea, Karl, Wilhelm, Emma, and P. Heinrich [next to markers for Peter Oeth and Katherina Oeth], Mount Calvary Cemetery, Dubuque, Iowa.
223. Obituary for Frank J. Berg, Sr.
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226. Grave marker for Frank J. Berg, Sr., Mount Calvary Cemetery, Dubuque, Iowa.
227. Grave marker for Mary [Oeth] Berg (Mrs. Frank J. Berg, Sr.), Mount Calvary Cemetery, Dubuque, Iowa.
228. Grave marker for Herman Berg, Mount Calvary Cemetery, Dubuque, Iowa.
229. Grave marker for Melinda [Menderscheid] Berg (Mrs. Herman Berg), Mount Calvary Cemetery, Dubuque, Iowa.
230. Grave marker for Grace [Oeth] Roedeil (Mrs. Fred Roedeil), Mount Calvary Cemetery, Dubuque, Iowa.
231. Information about Mrs. Raymond [Mary Seeley] Berg, provided (2007) by Colleen [Powers] Budz, Romeoville, IL.
232. Certificate of Baptism for Gertrude Maria Berg, born June 6, 1912, baptized May 16, 1912, Sacred Heart Church, Dubuque, Iowa.
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234. Obituary for "Neil" Lang from an Indianapolis newspaper.
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