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## Horsehair: A Textile Resource Topic of Fall Meeting

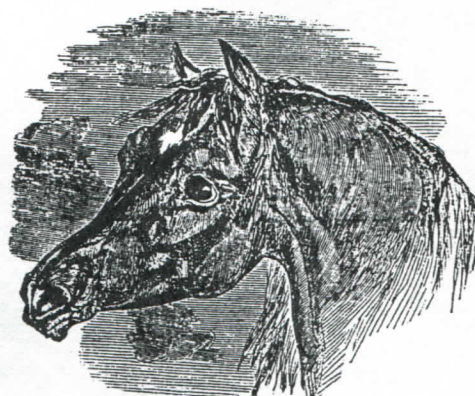
"It was only day before yesterday that horsehair touched most Americans," recalls Marjorie Congram. Just mentioning horsehair recalls for some the sensation of sitting on grandma's sofa!

Mrs. Congram will be the guest speaker at the Society's Fall Meeting, at 2 p.m. on Sunday, November 22, in the Womens Club on Park Avenue in Flemington. Her presentation, including slides, specimens of haircloth upholstery, a belt, necklaces and other miniature objects, will especially interest lovers of antique furniture, textile collectors, and horse owners.

The most apparent use of horsehair was in upholstery on antique furniture. But, it was also used in wigs and clothing – petticoats, bustles and hats. Horsehair is still a viable textile resource, used today in fancy belts, horse gear, and handicrafts.

Marjorie Congram is a free lance writer on antiques, collectibles and local history whose articles have appeared in various newspapers, *Spinning Wheel*, *Western Horseman* and *Nineteenth Century* magazines. She is a former curator at the Marshall House in Lambertville where her efforts publicized events in the lives of the Marshall family and the historic site. Mrs. Congram wrote "Fortunes of the Marshall House In Lambertville" which was published in our Society's *Newsletter*, [Volume 10, 1-3, Fall 1974].

An invitation is extended to members and friends to attend the Fall Meeting and enjoy Mrs. Congram's presentation. Refreshments will be served following the meeting.



## Volunteers Honored

Volunteers are special people! Our volunteers are vital to the daily operation of the Society and the Board of Trustees, to express its appreciation, honored them at a luncheon on Wednesday, April 29, at Muirhead Inn, on Route 202 near Ringoes. This charming dining spot is open by reservation only and hosts Doris and Ed Simpson, who are Society members, catered a splendid repast.

During the past year our volunteers have served the Society in many ways – as library research assistants, meeting hostesses, newsletter committee volunteers, office support, membership secretary, and treasurer. Honored were:

George Kreutler, Manuscript Curator  
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## 1992/1993 Calendar

### 1992

Nov. 22 FALL MEETING – Horsehair: A Textile Resource, Marjorie Congram, guest speaker. Sunday 2 p.m. Flemington Womens Club, Park Ave.  
Nov. 24, 26 Thanksgiving Weekend – library closed  
Dec. 17 HOLIDAY OPEN HOUSE at Doric House 7-9 p.m.  
Dec. 20 HOLIDAY OPEN HOUSE at Doric House 2-4 p.m.  
Dec. 26 Library closed

### 1993

January 2 Library closed  
March 28 ANNUAL MEETING  
April 28 Fourth Annual Volunteer Recognition Luncheon



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**NOTES AND QUERIES**

Address correspondence to Genealogical Committee. Listings of ten lines free to members, 25 cents per line over ten; non-member rate is 25 cents per line.

Remember to enclose a SASE (self-addressed, stamped envelope) with genealogical correspondence if you expect a reply.

**CLIFFORD, CONOVER:** Des info re children of Aaron Conover and Martha Clifford, m. 6 July 1831 Bethlehem Presby. Church. Was there a death or divorce for Martha before October 1834? ADD: Alene A. Stoner, 6330 Blackfoot Dr., Helena, MT 59601.

**RAUDENBACH/RAUDENBUSH, STRAWN, WINE-GARDNER:** Des info re Conrad Winegardner & fam, arriv 15 Sept 1752 on ship "Two Brothers," settled in German Valley. Searching for par, sibs/o Rebecca Raudenbush (Rodenbach) 1770-1821 m. Enoch Strawn, res. Haycock Twp., Bucks Co. PA. All postage returned. ADD: Helen R. Day, 4410 S. Park Dr., Belleville, IL 62223.

**HOFFMAN/HUFFMAN:** Seek par, sib, forebears/o John/Johannes Hoffman, b. ca. 1705; d. 21 Nov 1748; bur Readington, NJ. Mov to NJ, ran large farm near Mettler's Mill. Chil: Catherine, Henry, Mary, Frederick, John, William, Jacob. Will exch info. ADD: Albert D. Hart, 2232 Deer Creek C. C. Blvd., Deerfield Beach, FL 33442.

**BIDDLE, LEIGH, VAN VLIET:** Seek info/corres re John Leigh, m. Euphemia Van Vliet; had ten chil. Known chil: Ichabod Leigh, b. 1821; William Leigh b. 1827, m. Sarah Biddle; Amos Hoagland Leigh, b. 1841. These sons came to Fairview, Fulton Co. IL ca. 1860. Euphemia living at High Bridge in 1887. ADD: Shirley Suydam, 354, E. Central St., Farmington, IL 61531.

**BUCHANNON, CASE, SWASEY:** Want info re Mathias Case of Amwell who d. intestate ca. 1800 leaving heirs: chil/o his dau Ann, wife of Samuel Buchannon, i.e., Margaret, John, Mathias, Sarah, Samuel, Mary, Betsey and Ann Buchannon; Catherine Case, Tunis Case, Mathias Case, Peter Case, William Case, Elizabeth Case, and Philip Case. Was there a relationship between the Case family and Mathias Swasey who liv Bethlehem 1748? ADD: Clyde W. Downing, 11215 SE 220th Pl., Kent, WA 98031.

**CROM/CRUM/KROM, CROTCHLY, DALRYMPLE, MOORE:** Seek info on Benjamin Crum, hus/o Sarah who d. 18 Apr 1862, bur Lower Amwell Old Yard; father of Henry Crum, b. 6 Apr 1815, d. 19 Oct 1897, bur Lower Amwell Old Yard. Also, who was mother of Catherine Moore, b. 21 Oct 1817 and wife of Daniel Moore, b. 17 Feb 1762: Sarah Dalrymple or Sarah Crotchly? Add: Louise Rosett, 1005 Stagecoach Road SE, Albuquerque, NM 87123.

**COWDRICH, GIBSON, HAMBLIN, SMALLEY:** Need birthpl/o Samuel Hamblin, b. 31 July 1773, plus par/o his wife Mary Smalley. Did Samuel and Mary have chil besides their son David R. Hamblin [28 Jan 1795-1867NJ] who m. 1821 Sarah Cowdrich [9 Apr 1800-7 Mar 1877] wid? of John Gibson. ADD: Lila H. Jackson, 2430 N. Baker, McMinnville, OR 97128-2012.

**BILYEU, BURDICK, CURTIS, NAYLOR, RANDOLPH, VAN NEST:** Des info/corres anyone researching these families. William Naylor and Elizabeth were parents of children marrying into these families: Sarah Ann Naylor Van Nest, Mary Elizabeth Naylor Burdick, Agate/Adsett/Aletta Naylor Randolph, Tunison Naylor, Jacob Naylor and John R. Naylor who married Elizabeth Curtis. ADD: Charles Thompson, 2532 Borton Drive, Santa Barbara, CA 93109.

**OPDPYKE, ROSE, STOUT:** Need par, desc/o Rachel Stout, b. 7 May 1789 Hunt. Co. NJ, d. 15 Oct 1865 Macoupin Co. IL, m. 3 Feb 1810 Enos Rose Kingwood Twp. Hunt. Co, NJ. They had four chil, all b. Hunt. Co, moved with parents to Macoupin Co. IL in 1835: Helen Rose Opdyke b. ca. 1810, Sarah Ann Rose Taylor b. 28 Oct. 1814, Andrew Jackson Rose b. 11 Oct 1817, Johannah Rose Gray b. 22 July 1824. ADD: Kathleen Mirabella, 9 Cindy Court, Freehold, NJ 07728.

**McCUNE/McEWEN, PITTENGER:** Need info on par, sib/o Abraham Pittenger, b. 10 Feb 1795 NJ, prob. Hunt Co. In 1820 at Mercersburg, Franklin Co., PA where he m. Jane McCune/McEwen. Died 1863 Clear Spring, Washington Co. MD. Believe Jacob L. Pittenger, b. 2 July 1802 in NJ was bro as both in Mercersburg, PA same time. Jacob d. 1866 at Greencastle, Franklin Co. PA. Any info appreciated. ADD: Arthur F. Pittenger, 22815 Cavetown Church Road, Smithsburg, MD 2783.

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## Society Buys Rare Kase Fraktur



Gertraud Kase's birth in 1771 is the life event memorialized on a rare piece of folk art, an attractively hand-decorated fraktur, bought by this Society. We first learned about its existence in 1988 when Ronald Trauger, a collector/dealer in Pennsylvania German fraktur (taufschein) art brought it to the Society. He was hoping to identify the Amwell Township, Hunterdon County Kase family whose daughter, Gertraud, it recorded.

Fraktur is the term used today to broadly describe examples of calligraphy and manuscript illumination executed in the German tradition in America. It is a folk art form has not usually been attributed to New Jersey. However, Mr. Trauger held an exquisite example of folk art, in which the birth of Gertraud, daughter of Johannes and Margaret Jungin(Young) Kase, born in 1771 in Amwell Township, Hunterdon County New Jersey was commemo-

rated. It was attributed to a well-documented Pennsylvania artist, Johann Freidrich Krebs,<sup>1</sup> whose only known New Jersey decorated document was this Hunterdon County Kase example.

In his brief visit to the Society library, Mr. Trauger was not successful in making Gertraud's Kase family identification. He was kind enough to allow us to photograph his fraktur for inclusion in the Kase files. Then earlier this year he wrote offering to sell the Society his fraktur.

Seize the opportunity! That's precisely what the Society trustees did when Mr. Trauger offered this one-of-a-kind piece of New Jersey folk art. It is the only known fraktur that Freidrich Krebs, the scrivener, ever did for a New Jersey family. His work, with this one exception, was exclusively in eastern Pennsylvania.

Johann Friedrich Krebs [1749-1815] was a Hessian mercenary hired by the British crown to support its cause during the American Revolution. After the war he remained

<sup>1</sup> Shelley, Donald A., *The Fraktur-Writings of Illuminated Manuscripts of the Pennsylvania Germans* (Allentown, PA., 1961).



in the United States, settling in Dauphin County, PA. He taught school and produced a body of notable fraktur work, including birth and baptismal certificates, marriage documents and other illustrated drawings depicting ancient German popular and religious themes. Decorated printed taufscheins attributed to him circa 1780-1810 are represented in numerous collections, the Metropolitan Museum of Art in New York, Museum of Fine Arts in Boston, Abby Aldrich Rockefeller Folk Art Center at Williamsburg, VA as well as other museums and with private collectors. One fraktur similar in style and content to the Kase one is in the New York Historical-Society collection.

Krebs's fraktur drawings exhibit four different methods of decoration over his period of activity, covering about three decades. The four techniques overlap and Style II, such as the Kase fraktur, depicts his technique on printed forms, which he began using about 1790. With the heart-shaped certificate, he used two colors [red and green on the Kase fraktur] and sometimes augmented his drawings with early block stamps or cutouts.

The Kase fraktur/taufschein measures 16 inches by 13 inches and is printed [at Reading Pennsylvania] and written in German by Krebs. It records the birth and baptism of Gertraut, daughter of Mr. Johannes Kase and Margareta Jungin [Young] Kase, who was born the 12th day of November and baptized by Reverend "Nebling" pastor of the Reformed Church at "Neu" Jersey in "Hunderding" County in "Anwell" Township. It is hand-drawn with hearts and flowers, lettered and watercolored in red and green.

Reverend John Wesley Gilbert Neveling was a German Reformed minister in New Jersey, known to have served the German Reformed Church in Amwell Township from 1770 until 1782. Although the church building has long been disappeared, it stood in the center of the old German cemetery, now known as Larison's Corner, on the Old York Road between Ringoes and Reaville.

Subsequent study of the Kase material in the Society's library during the interim between Mr. Trauger's offer and our acceptance, identified Gertraut's family. Johannes Kase was a member of the Kase family closely associated with the Amwell Township area. It is documented by Henry Z. Jones, in his *The Palatine Families of New York & New Jersey: Some Later Arrivals 1717-1776* [pp. 136-139], that Johann Philip Käs and Anthony Käs came to America from Germany in the 1720s.

Johannes Kase was possibly born in Germany before his parents, Anthony (Tunis) and Eva Catharina Kase emigrated here circa 1729. Their names last occur on the church books at Rückerth in 1728 in a baptismal record of their unnamed son. Among the children of Peter Young [ -1786] and his wife Elizabeth, was a daughter, Margaret, born 1 October 1733, whom Johannes Kase married. Johannes's estate was probated in Hunterdon County on 4 November 1793. His heirs were Gertraut (anglicized as Charity in her father's will), and her siblings John, who inherited property in Amwell Township, William, Peter, and Godfrey, who each inherited lands in Alexandria Township, Jacob, who

inherited the homestead in Amwell (near Koughstown [Clover Hill]) and Catharine, Mary, Elizabeth and Margaret Kase.

Four Raub brothers, Philip, Peter, George [1705-1780] and Michael, emigrated to America from Germany, arriving at the port of Philadelphia in 1732. They settled in the portion of Bucks County from which Northampton County was later formed. George's grandson, Ludwig Raub and Gertraut Kase were married 2 February 1808 in the German church in Williams Township, and resided south of Easton, Pennsylvania. It remains for Kase/Case family historians to determine how Gertraut and Ludwig met and married. At least three sons and possibly a daughter were born to them. Gertraut's obituary appeared in the 5 February 1835 edition of *Der Friedens-Bothe* published in Allentown, Pennsylvania: "Northampton County: Died - of dropsy on January 17th in Williams Township, Northampton County, Gertrude Raub, wife of Ludwig Raub, aged 63 years, 2 months, 5 days." By calculation, one can determine her birth date as November 12, 1771, the birth date memorialized on the Krebs fraktur.

The Board of trustees acknowledges Society Life member David McGrail, from whom the Trustees sought counsel before making the purchase and who has since made a generous donation toward same. He is the author of "Late Eighteenth and Early Nineteenth-Century Illuminated New Jersey Documents: An introduction and a Checklist" published in *New Jersey History*, Volume 105, Numbers 1-2, (Spring/Summer 1987). Assistance from Frances Wise Waite and Donna Humphrey at Spruance Library, Bucks County Historical Society, and Sandy Froberg, Marx Room, Easton Public Library with research on the Raub family and locating *Introduction Raub Family History*, by Edward B. Raub, 1943.

In the holiday spirit, give a gift to offset the fraktur's purchase price, \$1,500. Usually when the Society finds a significant object to acquire for the collections, donations to purchase it are solicited beforehand. However, in this instance, because of time, the Society made the acquisition with the intention of later soliciting donations toward its cost. The Society welcomes contributions earmarked for the Kase Fraktur Fund which may be sent to Fraktur, Hunterdon County Historical Society, 114 Main Street, Flemington, NJ 08822.

— Roxanne K. Carkhuff

## WANTED - "Santa's Helpers"

TO DECORATE THE DORIC HOUSE  
FOR HOLIDAY TOURS, AND/OR SERVE  
AS HOSTS/HOSTESSES.

CALL 782-1091.





## What Choice?

It's hard to imagine what choice we would make if we were asked to declare our allegiance to a loosely organized group of men from locales so varied that they couldn't be compared in most aspects, without an organized army, established leaders, and a unified monetary system. Yet, this is what was expected of the men of New Jersey in 1776 after the State declared its independence from the King of Great Britain. Loyalties were deep-seated and many families were split by the ocean which separated them. How much did average citizens of rural communities throughout the colonies understand of the complex workings of international politics? Most of them were so busy scratching a living from this new land that they must have fallen exhausted into beds most evenings. They had no local newspapers, were far from urban sophistication – basically isolated from all but major events along the Eastern seaboard. Certainly the movements of the American and British armies in the period right after the Declaration of Independence brought the impact of war very close to home. Local residents soon learned to fear the enemy, especially the enemy from within. Action had to be taken to separate those loyal to the King and those in sympathy with the rebels.

On Sept 1776 the Legislature of the new State of New Jersey set forth an act entitled "An Act for the Security of the Government of New Jersey." This act required citizens to take an oath of Abjuration and Allegiance to the State of New Jersey. There were many who complied with the new law, but there were those who weren't convinced the colonists were moving in the right direction. If a man flatly refused to take the oath, he was permitted to live in the county after posting an extensive bond ensuring that he would "keep the peace and be of good behavior towards all the Leige Subjects of the State." After all, many had been productive members of the community.

The following men of Hunterdon County refused to take the oath in 1776 and 1777 but posted a recognizance bond. The entry below gives the name of the Loyalist and the name of the bondsman. The number of the recognizance bond follows each entry.\*

Loyalist	Bondsman	Bond Number
Josiah Moore	Hezekiah Waterhouse	1427
John Bryant Jr.	William Bryant Sr.	1461
	Samuel Henry	
William Bryant Jr.	William Bryant Sr.	1461
	Samuel Henry	
Abel Thatcher	Roger Park	1439
Peter Slater	Samuel Slater	2194
Stephen Colvin	John Crimer	2195
Jonathan Robbins	Ralph Johnston	2195
Whitsen Birdsall	John Jacob Quick	2264
James Parker	Walter Rutherford	2265
Daniel Cahill	William Campbell	2267
Samuel Birdsall	John Ringo	2268
Benjamin Morgan	Andrew Morgan Sr.	2269
Andrew Morgan Jr.	Andrew Morgan Sr.	2271
Daniel Moore	John Crimer	2195

In 1778 the Sheriff was ordered by the Order of the Court of Quarter Sessions to arrest certain men and collect from each lawful money of the State which "was lately, in the Court of Quarter Sessions of the Peace held at Trenton...awarded against (them) as a fine and debt due to sd. State for (their) refusing to take the Oaths of Abjuration and Allegiance." The men were also to be charged for the court costs. The Sheriff was directed to sell the goods and chattels of the defendant in order to obtain the funds if necessary. The entry below gives the name of each man, any pertinent comments by the Clerk and the number of the Miscellaneous Record from which the information was taken.\*

Edmond Freeman. "Settled and I have the Money now in Court." MR 26230

Several months previous the Sheriff had levied on 2 horses and 1 wagon which remained in his hands "unsold for want of buyers." MR 31170

Peter Slater. "Settled and I have the Money now in Court." MR 26231

In August, the Sheriff had levied on 1 feather bed, 2 coverlets, 1 chest, 1 table, 2 iron potts, 1 large spinning wheel, 1 red cow, 1 yearling calf, 2 horses, and 5 sheep which remained in his hands "unsold for want of buyers." MR 31172

Israel Morris. "No goods to be found." MR 26241

Ambrose Waterhouse. "Settled and I have the Money Now In Court." MR 26242

Previously the Sheriff had levied on 2 horses, beds, and 1 wagon which remained in his hands "unsold for want of buyers." MR 31173

Caleb Oliver. "No goods to be found." MR 21147

David Sutton. "Levied on one yoke of oxen, one horse and 2 feather beds." MR 21148

Isaac Horner. "Levied on one feather bed and bedstead, 1 pillow, 2 sheets, 1 blanket.

Also the following under lease or a virbill (sic) bargain for one year, viz; 1 dining table, 1 looking glass, 1 feather bed, 2 blankets, 2 coverlets, 1 rug, 1 bedstead, 6 seting chairs." MR 21149

Edward Stevenson. "Levied on 3 horses, 3 cows, grain in the ground." MR 21150

John Emly. "Levied on 10 horses, 20 cattle, grain in the ground." MR 21151

George Fox. "Levied on 3 cows, 1 feather bed." MR 21152

John Allen. "Levied on 1 horse, 1 cow, 5 seting chairs, 1 feather bed and bedding." MR 21153

Joseph Moore. "Levied on 6 horses, 1 yoke of oxen, 4 cattle." MR 21154

John Lake. "Levied on 4 horses, 6 cattle, 2 feather beds and bedsteads, grain in the ground." MR 21155

Arthur Stevenson. "Levied on 2 horses, grain in the ground." MR 21156

Samuel Stevenson. "Levied on 3 horses, 3 cows, grain in the ground." MR 21157

Reverend William Frazer. "Settled." MR 31171

As in any time of conflict there are always those who speak out against what they believe is wrong. John Vent of Kingwood Township, yeoman, was one of these. In May



1778, the jurors of the Court of Common Pleas found him guilty of "being a pernicious and disaffected man and a person of a turbulent mind and seditious disposition and conversation" who "falsely, maliciously, advisedly and seditiously intended to terrify...the good subjects of this state in order to dispose them to favour the pretensions of the enemy and to alienate the affections of the People from the present government." The suit arose from a conversation that Vent had with Jonathan Hide and Josiah Moore in Kingwood Township in April 1778. Vent said that he damned "the Congress and all their Proceedings." Vent declared that he had two brothers in the British army commanded by General Sir William How and wished that he was with them. Stephen Barton was the foreman of the jury which indicted John Vent. The disposition of the case is not recorded. (Indictment 3150)

The same charges of seditious words were brought against John Stillwell of Hopewell Township. Supposedly on 4 Jan. 1777 he told Jacob Quick, a subject of the State, that for two days he had been writing "Protections" as an agent of the King of Great Britain. (It is presumed that these Protections were documents used by residents to obtain protection from the English army - passes, etc.) For these he had received "hard money." He admitted that he would do it again. Whether he ever got the chance again we do not know. (Indictment 3151-1/2)

John Magard of Lebanon Township took action against the State a month later. With four others he carried guns and bayonets belonging to the United States to the Enemy. Magard was indicted by the jury of which Abraham Prall was the foreman. Evidence was brought against him by Mary Clifford but again the documents do not give the final results of the case. (Indictment 2428)

And then there are those who, like John McClane, was charged with "going over to the enemy." (Recognizance 2285)

— *Phyllis B. D'Autrechy*

\*The records mentioned in this article are found in the Archives of the Hunterdon County Clerk under the following Record Group Numbers:

- Recognizances. Record Group 294
- Miscellaneous Records. Record Group 293
- Indictments. Record Group 295

## Paulene Stothoff Retires

With deep regret the Board of Trustees accepted Paulene Stothoff's resignation as Membership Secretary at its September meeting. Paulene has faithfully performed her responsibilities since succeeding Miss Edith Jones in 1967. Back then the Society had only about 200 members, whereas now there are over 500 members through the Country and three outside the United States.

The Board and the members will miss Paulene's pleasant manner and efficiency in handling your membership matters. To her goes our appreciation and thanks for twenty-five years of volunteer service to our Society.

## NOTES AND QUERIES

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DILTS, HOLCOMBE, JUNG, KUHL, WILSON: Writing family history and need par/o George Dilts, b. 1769, d. 1853, m. Mary Kuhl, b. 1771, d. 1855, dau/o Leonard Kuhl and Margaret Jung. Also, who was namesake of their son Samuel Wilson Dilts (1809-1874) who married Ethalinda Holcombe (1817-1889)? ADD: Alice Branca, 1115 Meadow Lark Ln., Winter Haven, FL 33884.

HIXSON, PATTISON, STRINGFIELD (SPRINGFIELD): Need info re William Hixson, b. ca. 1650, will probated 3 Dec 1722, NJ. William's wife Mary was dau/o John and Margaret Pattison. One of William and Mary's children was Joseph Hixson [ -1775] Hunt. Co. NJ, who m. Margaret [maiden name unknown]. Their son Joseph Hixson m. Susannah Stringfield (Springfield?) and mov to VA, then Green Co. TN where he d. 1804. ADD: Cheryl McCloskey, 815 Niewahner Dr., Villa Hills, KY 41017.

GARY, LAIR, YOUNG: Des info re par/o William Lair and Annie Young whose dau, Elizabeth D. Young, [ca. 1821-1907] m. John S. Gary. ADD: Gerald B. Varner, 272 Ward Ave., Apt. 25-O, , Bordentown, NJ 08505.

APGAR: The 19th annual Apgar Family Reunion, Saturday, 18 September 1993; Cokesbury United Methodist Church, Cokesbury, NJ. For more information regarding reunions and a copy of the family newsletter write: George Apgar, Jr., 218 Kemsey Drive, North Brunswick, NJ 08902.

## Membership Report

A warm welcome is extended to members of the Hunterdon County Historical Society who have recently joined the Society.

Paula-Carol J. Alger, Derry, NH  
 Elmer P. Bogart, Sequim, WA  
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*Mrs. Frederick Stothoff*  
 Membership Secretary



## ACQUISITIONS

Artifacts, publications, manuscripts, Family Bibles, and other materials representative of the history of Hunterdon County and the families who resided here are welcome additions to the Historical Society collections. To the donors of recent gifts the Society expresses appreciation.

*Fraktur* produced by Johan Freidrich Krebs, 1793, recording the birth of Gertraut Kase daughter of Johannes and Margaret Jungin Kase. Purchased by the Society.

*Conewago, Pa., Dutch Reformed Church Baptisms 1769 – 1793, Settlers From New Jersey Starting About 1765*, compiled by John L. Ely, 1966. Donated by Fred Sisser III, Bridgewater, NJ.

*Stout and Allied Families*, compiled by Herald F. Stout, Third Edition 1986. Donated by Lewis Thompson, Basking Ridge, NJ.

Raft dog [see illustration *Hunterdon Historical Newsletter*, 28:1, page 636] donated by Karl Lackemacher, Flemington, NJ.

Guide to 30 volumes of Warren County cemetery records deposited by William Maxwell Chapter DAR with Hackettstown Historical Society. General William Maxwell D.A.R. Guide to Cemetery Records of Warren County and Nearby Pennsylvania. Donated by Hackettstown Historical Society, Ruth E. Scarborough, Coarchivist, Hackettstown, NJ.

*The Mercer County Genealogical Quarterly*, Volume 1, Issue #1 March 1992; Volume 1, Issue #2 June 1992. Donated by compiler Richard Hutchinson, Hightstown, NJ.

Eight Dufford family charts compiled by Harold L. Gunter, 1970. Donated by Russell T. Dufford, Jr., President of the Dufford-Swackhamer Genealogical Society, Lynchburg, VA.

*Care of Family Papers and The Home Library*, Shannon Zachary, published by Cornell University Library Department of Preservation and Conservation, Ithaca, NY, 1992. Donated by Janet T. Riemer, Pennington, NJ.

Family record of John Hann [1790- ] and wife Sarah Warford [1788- ], married 1811, recorded in a Bible printed in 1855. Donated by Mary W. Turner, Titusville, FL.

*Swackhammer-Dufford Genealogical Society Bulletin*, Summer 1992. Donated by the Society, Ruth Hartman, Editor, New Monmouth, NJ.

Transcript of diary kept by Christiana [Vogt] Bogard (1773-1836) on a trip from Nova Scotia to Albany, NY in 1792. Donated by Edith Andrews, Summerfield, NJ.

*Mayflower Families In Progress: Degory Priest of the Mayflower and His Descendants for Five Generations*, by Mrs. Charles Delmar Townsend, Robert S. Wakefield, FASG, and Margaret Harris Stover, published by the General Society of Mayflower Descendants 1992. Donated by the Society of Mayflower Descendants in the State of New Jersey, Mrs. Carl B. Hansen, Secretary, Westfield, NJ.

Two books published by Picton Press, Camden, ME and purchased for the Historical Society library: *Westerwald to America, Some 18th Century German Immigrants*, by Annette Kunselman Burgert and Henry Z Jones, Jr., F.A.S.G., 1989.

*The Albany Protocol, Wilhelm Christoph Berkenmeyer's Chronicle of Lutheran Affairs in New York Colony, 1731-1750*, edited by John P. Dern, reprinted 1992, first published 1971.

*Descendants of Adam Reger 1739-1949* compiled 1921 by Anna Reger Gaston, revised and extended in 1950 by members Mabel Gaston and Helen Rawson Cook, General Frelinghuysen Chapter, Daughters American Revolution, Somerville, NJ. Donated by Fred Sisser III, Bridgewater, NJ.



## Hunterdon County Census of 1875

A periodic enumeration of the population of the United States has been taken by the federal government every ten years beginning in 1790. As many of you know, the Federal census of 1920 was opened for public research this year.

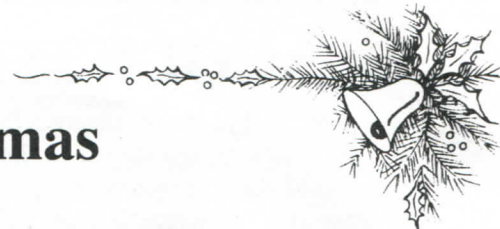
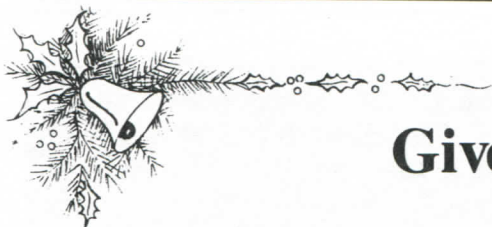
Unfortunately the census records for New Jersey are missing until 1830.

New Jersey began its own enumeration in the middle of the decade beginning with 1855 and continuing until 1915, of which none are indexed. In the archives of the Hunterdon County Clerk, a partial set for Hunterdon County 1855 is stored, for which an index has been compiled.

According to the *Guide to Family History Sources in the New Jersey State Archives*, there are only incomplete sets for two counties of the 1875 New Jersey census. A complete set of the 1875 New Jersey census of Hunterdon County has been discovered in the County Clerk's archives and a computerized index of over 44,000 names has been completed. The census provides the name of the resident (all members of a household), age, sex, native or foreign-born, color, birthplace of individual and parents, and occupation. There are also agricultural and industrial schedules for most of the townships.

Using the index, research may be done on the census records in three ways: 1) The records may be examined at the office of County Clerk Dorothy Tirpock, Lower Search Room, Hall of Records, Main Street, Flemington. 2) A copy of the census page may be had for 50 cents each when you visit the office in person. By mail the cost is \$1 per page for a copy of each census page and requests must be accompanied by a check made out to the Hunterdon County Clerk. 3) If you just wish to have the index checked for the surname of interest to you, send a SASE (self-addressed, stamped envelope) to the Hunterdon County Cultural & Heritage Commission, marked to the attention of Phyllis D'Autrechy, County Administration Building, Flemington, NJ 08822.





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For mail orders, order by number and add \$1.50 postage and handling for the first item and 50¢ for each additional one. Please make checks payable to *Hunterdon County Historical Society* and send to the Society, 114 Main Street, Flemington, NJ 08822 before 10 December. Orders may be picked up at Society headquarters on Thursdays. Please call (908) 782-1091 between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m.

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