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GREETINGS:

REUNION TIME AGAIN! Mark your calendars. July 13th we will observe our 32nd annual reunion. Early church services will be at 8:00 and 9:30 a.m. at Trinity Lutheran (Springfield) Church in Pleasant Valley. The altar flowers will be in memory of our ancestors. This is the church where Johann Nicholas Weyerbacher was one of the six men who established the Lutheran and Reformed Faiths in 1761. Weierbachs still worship here.

Picnic time is from Noon to 2:00 p.m. at Silver Creek Park, Route 412 between Springtown and Pleasant Valley, Bucks County, Pennsylvania. A business meeting, followed by entertainment, will be held at 2:00 p.m.

Back again by popular request will be our guests from previous programs, Keith and Karlene Brintzenhoff who delighted us with their 'Pennsylvaniaanisch Deitch' dialect songs as well as folk and country numbers. We will all be able to join them again as they lead us through the Schnitzalbank dialect song!

Something new! The Bucks County Genealogical Society is beginning a new project as a service to the community of Bucks County, as well as to the genealogical community. They will collect, preserve and perhaps publish a history of the founders of this County.

How to qualify: By being a descendant of a settler who came to Bucks County before 1775.

What to do: Write for Ancestor Charts to Bucks County Genealogical Society, P.O. Box 1092, Doylestown, Penna. 18901. Attn: Colonial Ancestry. Further instructions then will be sent to you.

How do YOU qualify? Your immigrant ancestor was Johann Nicholas Weyerbacher who came to Springfield Township, Bucks County in 1751 with his three sons, Isaac, Johannes and Henry. These are YOUR ancestors. After your application is checked and found eligible you will be issued a certificate certifying you to be a direct descendant of a pioneer settler of Bucks County. You can then hang this on the wall.

News from the Weyerbacher Brewing Company of Easton, Pennsylvania. A copy of their first newsletter was received, Volume 1, Issue 1, Spring 1997. Brewmaster is Daniel Weirback and he recommends a visit to Easton this summer. Visit the new Crayola Visitors Center, the Canal Museum, many interesting spots in Easton AND the Weyerbacher Brewery at 20 South 6th Street, Easton, Penna. 18042.

Family reunions coming up - the descendants of Catharine Weyerbacher and John Hoover, at Sylvan Grove, near Kylertown in Clearfield County, August 31st, 1997. Afternoon services will be held in the old Methodist Church. Along the way there view the famous 'Elephant' now attached to a garage on the former Benny Roos farm along Rolling Stone Road. The elephant, 107 years old, was an advertisement for Streamers Clothing Store in Pittsburgh and was brought to this area by Ed Hoover, one of Catharine's descendants.

The reunion of the Cressman Family will be held October 4th at the Old Mill in Hellertown. Plans are not yet firmed up so watch the papers. Lots of Weyerbacher descendants in the Cressman family.

YOU ONLY LIVE ONCE

BUT IF YOU LIVE RIGHT

ONCE IS ENOUGH!

Deaths of the following Weyerbacher descendants (or spouse) have been reported to me during the past year. The sympathy of the Reunion is extended to their families.

James R. Cottrill	54	Connersville, Indiana
Lawrence J. Curry, Jr.	88	Bethlehem, Penna.
Freda M. Hedrick (Mrs. Ralph)	88	Chesapeake, West Virginia
Leland S. Hedrick	94	Phoenix, Arizona
Alma E. Nelson (Mrs. Norman)	92	Bethlehem, Penna.
Mabel A. Seifert (Mrs. Albert)	92	Ashland, Penna.
Carrie V. Wasser (Mrs. Roy)	79	Catasauqua, Penna.
Miriam H. Wasser (Mrs. Kenneth)	81	Bethlehem, Penna.
Carlton S. Weaver	79	Bethlehem, Penna.
George W. Weierbach	74	North Fort Myers, Florida
Pauline F. Weierbach (Mrs. Warren)	70	Bethlehem Township, Penna.
Juliana M. Weirback (Mrs. Maynard)	75	Hellertown, Penna.

"One generation passeth away, and another generation cometh; but the Earth abideth forever."

Ecclesiastes 1:4

When someone you love becomes a memory, the memory becomes a treasure.

(From the Weierbach Memorial in Ebenezer Cemetery, Lebanon, PA)

And on September 29th of last year we celebrated LIFE with the 100th birthday of Emma Weierbach Weiland. She was the daughter of the late William and Annie Wurster Weierbach and a 3rd great grand daughter of the Immigrant Johann Nicholas. She was the widow of John Weiland. Emma was the recipient of a dozen red roses from the Reunion.

I have a record of two other cousins reaching the Century mark. Sarah Emily Weierbach Tilton (1844-1947) of Easton and Emily Weierbach Mackay (1871-1971) of Philadelphia. Were there any other Weyerbacher descendants who made it to 100? If so, tell me about them.

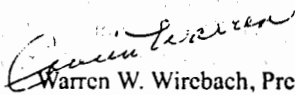
Vandalism again! The second time in three years at Springfield Cemetery. Sixteen Revolutionary War-era headstones at Trinity Lutheran Church in Pleasant Valley. Repairs were made to those damaged previously but will this continue. . .

How are you managing with the mortgage? Getting it paid off? Don't fret. Back in 1754 our Immigrant Ancestor Nicholas Wireboch had a mortgage with the General Loan Office of the Province of Pennsylvania on his 163.5 acres on a branch of Cooks Creek, Bucks County for L52 10s 0d. Runs in the family!

And what's new? How about a family cook book? Judy Weierbach would like to put together a family cook book and is collecting recipes. If you have a favorite one which was handed down in the family send it to her. If possible tell her a little about the person who used it and made it a favorite in the family. Post it to Judy Weierbach (Mrs. Harry) 1431 Schoolhouse Lane, Perkasic, PA 18944.

That about covers it. See you on the 13th.

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HOUSE BLESSING FROM THE VILLAGE OF WEIERBACH

Friede den Kommenden
Freude den Bleidenden
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Peace to those who are coming
Joy to those who are staying
Blessing to those who are departing