

Weyerbacher Descendants

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Spring 2016

The **51st annual** Weyerbacher Reunion will be held on Sunday July 10, 2016 at Silver Creek Park, Route 212, Springtown, PA rain or shine. **We will again offer a picnic-style lunch as sponsored by the Weyerbacher general fund. Menu items include hot dogs, burgers, soft drinks and chips. Please bring a dessert to share if you wish.**

Reunion Schedule of Events:

11:00: Sign in and meet & greet your cousins.

12:00: BBQ lunch

2:00: Short business meeting followed by group photo.

Games to follow, including Judy Weierbach's always fun trivia game and Harry Wirebach's bingo bonanza! Many prizes for all.

Please consider bringing a small gift or two.

All are invited to attend morning worship at the Trinity Lutheran Church in nearby Pleasant Valley. Services are at 8:30 and 10:30 A.M. This is the church Johann Nickolas Weyerbacher helped establish in 1761.

Johann Nickolas Weyerbacher along with his wife Catharina Magdalena and 5 of their 11 children emigrated to Pennsylvania in 1751, settling in Pleasant Valley, Bucks County in 1754. They were wool weavers and farmers. We offer a tour of the Trinity Church where Johann's family and ensuing generations worshipped, and the adjoining graveyard where preceding generations of Weyerbachers were laid to rest. In addition, nearby is the original farmstead property, long since broken up among many different owners, but their 19th Century home can be easily viewed from the road.

As always, there will be many family documents on display—photo albums spanning many generations, including past reunions, documents going back to the 1751 ship's log. Additional family information is available at www.weyerbacher.net.

“The Weyerbachers of Pennsylvania” book published in 2011 which includes nearly 14,000 names, can be purchased for \$65.00 through lulu.com or by contacting me. Books will also be available at the reunion for \$60.00 (no postal charge). All proceeds help recharge the Weyerbacher Reunion general fund.

T-Shirt sale: There is a very limited number of Weyerbacher red & blue on white shirts: M, L, XL and XXL for \$10.00 each, and many Medium Youth (10-12 months) for \$3.00 each. Add \$2.00 for each shirt if mailing.

Other Reunions:

The Lebanon Reunion: Saturday June 11th at 11:00: Descendants of John Adam & Elizabeth Weierbach, Sr. at the South Annville Church Grove, Lebanon, PA. Contact Crystallein-717-652-3237 or c47e@verizon.net
Karen-717-272-3065 or pepkvp@comcast.net

The Lancaster Reunion: September 24th Descendants of Adam & Elizabeth Weierbach. @ “Oregon Dairy” (restaurant) 2900 Oregon Pike Lititz, PA. Contact Bobbie Seeley at 716-945-0491 for info on time and place.

The Hoover Reunion Sunday September 4th; Descendants of John & Catherine Weyerbacher Hoover, Kylertown, Clearfield Co. Lunch at 12:00 with a service held at the Old Sylvan Grove Church at 2:30. For details, call Janet Larson (814) 345-5318 or e-mail jrlarson18@verizon.net

The “Weyerbacher Brewery” located on Line Street, South Side Easton conducts tours, weyerbacher.com. Cousin Dan Weirback has been very generous in the past reunions by donating some of his fine product for prizes.

Seeking good homes for family documents pertaining to the following cousins:

The Applebachs
Deborah Lynne Gehman
Bertie Ross
Mary Shaffer
Henry H. Weierbach (Civil War Vet)
William M. Weierbach (Civil War Vet)
William Herbert Weierbach
Sarah Martha & Mark Hubert Weierbach of Willard & Pauline
Jeremiah Weierbach, grandfather of Evelyn Price
The Weisel Family
Everhard Wireback

Also, I am looking for any photos or other documents associated with Lily Weierbach’s oldest sister Ida Weierbach Weiss. Please contact me at weyerbacher@optimum.net!

Family updates:

Births

Naomi June Davis born September 10, 2015, daughter of Rachel and Esker

Ethan Lee Hudson born March 14, 2016, son of Andrew & Dayna Hudson

Marriages

Rachel Staub married Esker Shane Davis on February 14, 2015

Jennifer Lynn Gulick married John Joseph Brinker. on March 19, 2016

Deaths

Ruth Elizabeth Wireback March 4, 2015

Nancy Holtzclaw Weirbach September 4, 2015

Lenhart Henry Elner Jr. December 28, 2015

Please keep us posted on your family news. We would like to add your updates to our next reunion letter, and also for a possible future second edition of our Weyerbacher book. Please contact either Robin Jones (weyerbacher@optimum.net) or Terry Lee (webmaster@weyerbacher.net)

NEW!!

I was approached by a cousin at last year's reunion about starting a Facebook page as a way to potentially connect with additional cousins. The page can be found at: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/1006202436095757/>. I am looking for a couple cousins who would like to manage the site. Please contact me ASAP.

Over the years the number of elders attending our reunion has dwindled, with no sustaining next generation to replace them. If you are interested in researching your roots, or if it has been a long time or your first time attending, I encourage you to make arrangements to bring your family and join us in celebrating our **51st family reunion**. It is our desire to keep the reunion going for as many years as makes practical sense. This will not be possible indefinitely without your participation. Last year's turnout was one of the best in recent memory. Let's keep the momentum going! We hope to see you and your family on July 10th.

Special thanks and love always to our founders Lily Weierbach and Warren Wirebach. Their vision and desire to bring cousins together annually as a break from their busy lives, to greet and catch up with each other, is still being celebrated every second Sunday in July on the grounds where it all began in 1966. How pleased they would be.

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HOUSE BLESSING FROM THE VILLAGE OF WEIERBACH

Freide den Kommenden; Peace to those who are coming

Freude den Bliedenden; Joy to those who are staying

Segen Scheidenden; Blessing to those who are departing

This reunion newsletter was written by Robin Jones, weyerbacher@optimum.net.

FAMILY BUSINESS

Several years ago it was voted to implement annual dues of five dollars per family to cover the costs of printing and mailing the newsletter and park rental. We would like to send as many electronic newsletters as possible to save mailing costs. If you wish to continue to receive the newsletter via USPS mail, please renew your dues annually. If you receive the newsletter electronically, your contribution would also be appreciated. Send dues to Harry Weierbach: 1413 Schoolhouse Road, Perkasio, PA 18943.

WEYERBACHER FAMILY REUNION ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP FORM

Dues: \$5.00 per household—Payable to: **Weyerbacher Family Reunion**

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