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# Spring 2017

The **52nd annual Weyerbacher Reunion** will be held on Sunday July 9, 2017 at Silver Creek Park, Route 212, Springtown, PA rain or shine. **We will offer a picnic-style lunch sponsored by the Weyerbacher general fund. Menu items include hot dogs & hamburgers. Please bring a covered dish or dessert to share along with your own drinks, plates and utensils.** 

#### **Reunion Schedule of Events:**

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

**12:00**: BBO lunch

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

Games to follow inc. 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 last year were 8:30 and 10:30 A.M. Times may vary this year. 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 proceeding 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 and photos on display spanning multiple generations including a copy of the 1751 ship's log. Additional family information is available at <a href="http://www.weyerbacher.net">http://www.weyerbacher.net</a>.

Our Facebook page can be found at: <a href="https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100006635583544">https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100006635583544</a>

"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 Robin Jones weyerbacher@optimum.net. Books will also be available at the reunion for \$60.00. All proceeds help recharge the Weyerbacher Reunion general fund.

T-Shirt sale: There is a <u>very</u> limited number of Weyerbacher red & blue on white shirts: M, L and XL for \$10.00 each, and many Medium Youth (10-12 months) for \$3.00 each. Add \$2.00 for each shirt if mailing. Please help me sell out this year!

#### Other reunions:

## Descendants of John Adam and Elizabeth Weierbach, Sr

June 3, 2017 11:00-???

South Annville Church Grove

Food supplied: meatballs, hot dogs, rolls, condiments and ice cream.

Bring a dish to share.

Crystallein-717-514-6959 or c47e@verizon.net

Karen-717-272-3065 or pepkvp@comcast.net

**Descendants of Adam & Elizabeth Weierbach**. Contact Bobbie Seeley at 716-945-0491 for info on time and place.

### Descendants of John & Catherine Weyerbacher Hoover

Sunday September 3rd

Kylertown, Clearfield Co.

Lunch at 12:00 with a service held at the Old Sylvan Grove Church at 2:30.

Call Janet Larson for details 814-345-5318 or e-mail jrlarson18@verizon.net

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 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!

#### Births, Marriages Deaths, etc.

Warren Wirebach always included notices which I have happily continued. However, this is the first year in which I received NO contributions. This is very discouraging. I hope we will have many notices next year. Contact me any time during the year with your significant events: <a href="https://www.weyerbacher@optimum.net">weyerbacher@optimum.net</a>

Over the years the number of elders attending our reunion has dwindled, with no sustaining next generation to replace them. The last couple reunions however have shown signs of positive momentum! 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 **52nd family reunion**. It is our desire to keep the reunion going for as long as makes practical sense. This will not be possible indefinitely without your participation. We hope to see you and your family on July 9th.

To encourage those who live far from the reunion, the following short list of places to visit is being provided, all of which are within an approximate hour of our reunion site. It is hoped that you might consider an extended weekend in the area to reconnect with family members and stay awhile.

Colonial Philadelphia and other many other attractions within the city

The Pocono Mountains Region

The Weyerbacher Brewery in Easton

Bethlehem, a beautiful city with interesting shops and restaurants and also

"The Sands Casino Resort"

"The Crayola Experience", Easton, good fun for youngsters

The "Lost Caverns", Hellertown

Hershey Park, town of Hershey: Roller coasters, water rides etc.

Dorney Park & Wild Water Kingdom", Allentown: Roller coaters, water rides etc.

Delaware Water Gap: Located between Easton & NJ offering wonderful hiking on the

Appalachian Trail and canoe/kayak rentals on the Delaware River.

There many diverse colleges to tour for your aspiring student(s).

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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#### 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, Perkasie, PA 18943.

Dues: \$5.00 per household—Payable to: Weyerbacher Family Reunion
Mail to: Harry Weierbach, 1413 Schoolhouse Road, Perkasie, PA 18944

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