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Quickies

Attention all readers

I need your help. Please take the time to send along any family news items. We need more (a lot more) family information for our history book and to keep our newsletter going. We really appreciate the obituaries that are sent but would also like happier news items such as accomplishments, travels, education, military, career moves, sports trivia or biographies. Please take the time to jot some family happenings on paper and send it to us. We need your help!. Pictures are always welcome.

—Santa Claus—

There is really a Santa Claus and his name is Wayne Hanna. Cousin Wayne paid us a surprise visit before the holidays and presented us with two bags of home pick Elderberries. What a great surprise. It seems Foster Kisabeth (my dad) let it slip at our last reunion that his favorite was elderberry pie but hadn't had a slice in years. Truly a great and thoughtful gift. We owe you Wayne. Thanks again.

Promotions & Relocation's

On the road again! Congratulations to Robert Foster Kisabeth on his recent promotion and relocation. He will head up the Embassy suites hotel in Williamsburg Virginia. Great job Rob!!!



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Birthday Party

A surprise birthday party was given for Ken Kisabeth (son of Foster and Bertha Kisabeth) at the K of C Hall in Plymouth, Michigan. The gala event was held Saturday January 20th and was attended by about fifty family and friends. Nice job in planning the event.



Kissenberth Update

I received a nice Christmas card from cousins Erwin & Gertrud Kissenberth of Rockledge, Florida. They have been sailing in the Caribbean for the last six months. They are now in the process repairing both their boat and house thanks to Hurricane Erin.

I also received a nice Aerogramme from cousin Manfred Kissenberth of Bludenz Austria. He sent updates of his family and mentioned he has an old family crest which he will send later. He lives in Brazil three or four months out of the year when not in the Alps. His home Bludenz is located in the province of Vor which is near the small country of L in the heart of the Alps.

Congratulations are in order for Steve Kisabeth. Steve is in Zanesville Ohio and is the manager of a large Walmart store. This is a giant step for Steve and will test his management abilities to the highest.

Obituaries

Grace I. Doub

Grace I. Doub, 93, 216 Columbia St., Hicksville, died at 6:37 p.m. Monday, Nov. 6, 1995, at Fountain Manor Care Center in Hicksville where she had resided since October 1994.

Born at Hicksville on Oct. 6, 1902 she was the daughter of Maude (Kisabeth) and Bill Lash.

She was a 1921 graduate of Hicksville High School.

On Nov. 7, 1923, she married Bernnie Doub, and he died in 1969.

Mrs. Doub had worked as a telephone switchboard operator at Hicksville and a book-keeper at City Sales Ford Garage of Hicksville, and retired from Hicksville Community Memorial Hospital after 20 years of employment. A member of St. John Lutheran Church in Hicksville and its Ladies Aide organization, she was a member of L.C.W. Missionary Society and had been a Sunday School teacher for many years. She also was member of Hart's Girls band.



Surviving are a son, Bruce Doub of Kirkland, Wash.; and two granddaughters, Barbara Drexler of Everett, Wash., and Ellen Borup of Santa Fe, NM.

Services were at 1 p.m. Saturday in the St. John Lutheran Church, Hicksville, with Dr. Marcus Lohrmann officiating. Burial was in Lost Creek Cemetery.

Euterpa L Culler

Euterpa L Culler, 95, a longtime resident of 12774 County Road H, Bryan, and recently of 1200 Rays Drive, Bryan, died at 11:55 a.m. Monday Oct. 23, 1995, in Community Hospitals of Williams County-Bryan following a five-day illness.



Born near Edgerton on March 12, 1900, she was the daughter of Eva (Landel) and George Kisseberth. Mrs. Culler, a lifelong area resident, taught at the Edgerton Elementary School.

She was a 1919 graduate of Edgerton High School and was a graduate of Tri-State College, now Tri-State University, in Angola, Ind.

Mrs. Culler was member of the West Bethesda Presbyterian Church and the Jefferson Rural Garden Club.

Surviving are two daughters, Mrs. Gale (Evandna) Rickner of Fort Wayne, Ind., and Mrs. Phil (Lois) Cray of Las Cruces, NM; a daughter-in-law, Charlotte Culler of Bryan; a brother Kermit Kisseberth of Edgerton; 11 grandchildren; and 18 great grandchildren.

Preceding her in death were her husband, LaVon C. Culler in March 1967 and a son, Ralph Culler, in June 1993.

Services were at 11 a.m. Thursday in the West Bethesda Presbyterian Church near Montpelier with the Rev. Tawee Layraman and the Rev. Sudalak Layraman officiating.

John Lee Kisaberth

John Lee Kisaberth, oldest son of John Ivan and Althea Eleanore (Lee) Kisaberth was born April 20, 1920 in Portland Oregon.

He passed away unexpectedly in his sleep the morning of October 26, 1995 at 75 years of age. John had a heart attack June of 1982 and successfully cancer surgery on December 18, 1994 and had recovered very well. He had felt better the last 9 months than he had in years, and was really enjoying live every day.

Known as "Lee" he married the former Alice May Hebener on July 10, 1955. To this union were born three children; Carol Joy, Carl Lee and Cheryl Ann. Carol married Stephen Clark Petiss and they have one daughter, Katie Ann born June 29, 1994 in Portland. Carl Lee is single and works in "high rise" construction while Cheryl is also single and is active in her church.

John Lee Kisaberth was a very talented person; well known for his trumpet playing. He had played with the Brass Ensemble at the large East Hill Church for over ten years. During the latter part of his Air Force duty in France and England during W.W.II he was chosen to help entertain the troops. John was also an excellent builder-constructor of homes, a law office and a church. The assessor could identify his homes by the quality and would ask the owner if he (John) had been the builder.

John Lee Kisaberth lived by his Christian principles; was admired, loved and respected by family and a multitude of friends. All who knew him felt it a privilege to have been a part of his life and receive his wisdom and influence.

William Burdette Kisabeth

(1913-1995)

William Burdette Kisabeth passed away unexpectedly Saturday September 23, 1995 at his home on South Pennsylvania Road in Lansing, Michigan.

He was the third son of William Earl and Carrie May (McClellan) Kisabeth. Born May 27, 1913 in Hicksville township, Defiance County, Ohio, Bill grew up farming in Seneca County Ohio. The family moved to Plymouth Michigan in 1929 settling at 399 Ann Street.



William was the first Kisabeth to graduate from Plymouth High School. This occurred in 1931. Since then there has been over twenty Kisabeths to wear the cap and gown for PHS.

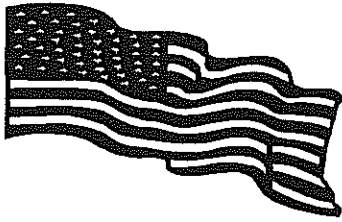
He married Margaret Eden Straub on August 18, 1937 and she also graduated from Plymouth High School. Bill

worked for the Atlantic and Pacific Tea Co., Pere Marquette railroad and The John Deere Company. He was at Deere from 1942 until retiring in 1975 at the age of 62. Among the positions he held in the thirty - three years at Deere were general laborer, partsman, mechanic and finally warehouse Forman. Burdette listed photography as his hobby and has provided many excellent pictures for the "Kisabeth Family History" project started by his two nephews. Surviving him beside his dear wife Margaret are two brothers, Foster of Plymouth and Robert of Kiawah Island, South Carolina. Two sisters also survive: Mrs. Margaret D'Haene of Northville, Michigan and Mrs. Geneva Birchall of New Richmond, Ohio. He also leaves seventeen nephews, six nieces and several grandnephews/nieces on the Kisabeth side.

Three brothers, Denzel, Glenn and Philip are deceased.

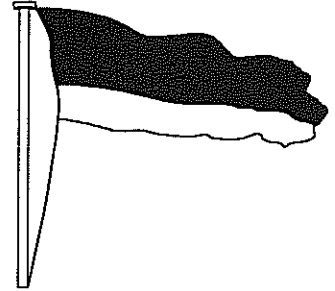
Bill and Margaret attended all five of our reunions at Meadowbrook Park in Bascom, Ohio. They looked forward to these gatherings and sometimes would spend a few extra days in and around our ancestral homeland.

1996 Reunion Notes



Date: Saturday August 3, 1996

Location:
Meadowbrook Park
Bascom, Ohio
419-937-2242



Meadowbrook Park is located on State Route 18 between Tiffin and Fostoria, Ohio. This is the area where our ancestors first settled in 1832 and will mark the 164th year of our arrival in America from Germany. We hope you will set aside this date and make every effort to attend. Last year's family reunion was a success with over 70 people showing, many not knowing each other. Our family motto "You are only a stranger here but once." Please tell all your uncles, aunts and cousins to show up for the big event. If possible we ask you to drop us a note or call us as to how many in your party. Call or write Gerry or Gordon. Bring your favorite dish to pass and your choice of meats. Last year we had a scrumptious array of good ole home cooking. Also bring your favorite beverage to drink. There is a swimming pool so have the kids bring their bathing suits. Remember our softball game and egg toss, so put the ball, mitt and wash cloth in trunk. No reservations needed just come and have fun. Everyone is welcome. Those flying or driving in from a distance just bring a beverage and chips from the nearest grocery store, there will be more than enough "meat and potatoes" brought by the closer relatives.

STOP IN FOR A MINUTE & BROWSE THROUGH OUR PICTURE AND COMPUTER EXHIBIT TENT.

Our host motel for the 1996 reunion will be the Findlay Inn, Findlay Ohio. Findlay is only about a 15-20 minute drive from Bascom (reunion site) and it's located right off I-75. We have reserved some room and more can be had. The room rate is 57.95 plus tax. Call and make reservation now and tell the Hotel you are with the Kisabeth party. The hotel is located in the heart of Findlay. Take exit 157 off I-75 head east. The address is 200 E. Main Cross and the Phone number is 419-422-5682 or 1-800-825-1455.

Note: After the reunion we have made reservation at Rock-N-You Pizza .

This is a gourmet pizza buffet including salad and soft drinks .

Kids 8-13 \$4.00 / Adults \$7.35 which includes tax and tip. all you can eat

Liquor is served. If Pizza is not desired you can order off the dinner menu . We will have our own private room . We have reservation for 30 but we can up the count at any time. Directions will be at the reunion. The restaurant is in Findlay. Let us know if you want to attend the evening Pizza party.

QUESTIONS ???

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