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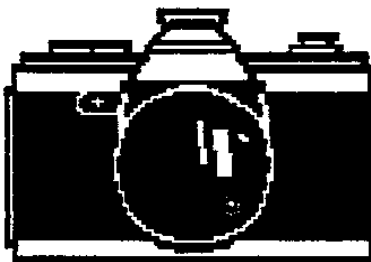
GREETINGS

Another reminder about our 2nd Annual Family Reunion Saturday Aug. 1, 1992 9am until dusk. More about the reunion on inside pages



COMPUTER / CAMBRA AVAILABLE

Gordon will again have his computer set up for individual family printouts and updates. Also I will again have my camera outfit for copying. Please feel free to bring and share any old family heirlooms, pictures or hand-me-downs. Bill Kisabeth will be video taping so if you want a specific shot just ask him.



Congratulations!

Kevin Dean Kisseberth was born January 31, 1992 to Dean and Elaine Kisseberth of Spring, Texas.

OSTRICH SEAL

Our progenitor (direct ancestor) Kunz Kuschwert who is mentioned in Wunsiedel documents between 1442 and 1451 bore an ostrich as an heraldic animal. In those days the nobles authenticated their documents not by signing them but by affixing their seals to them. His grandson Georg Kuschwert was an Innkeeper in the "Zum Straub" (Ostrich Inn) and he also used his seal depicting an ostrich in several of his documents.

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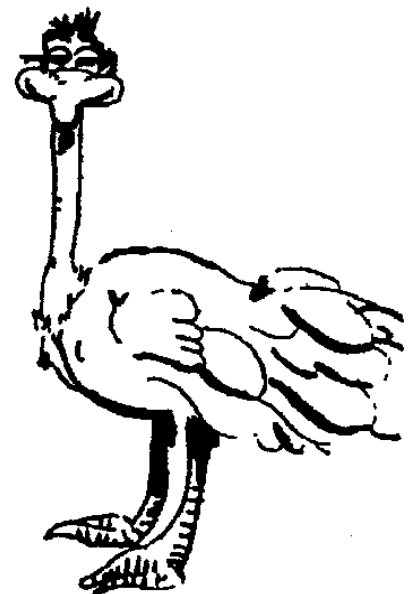
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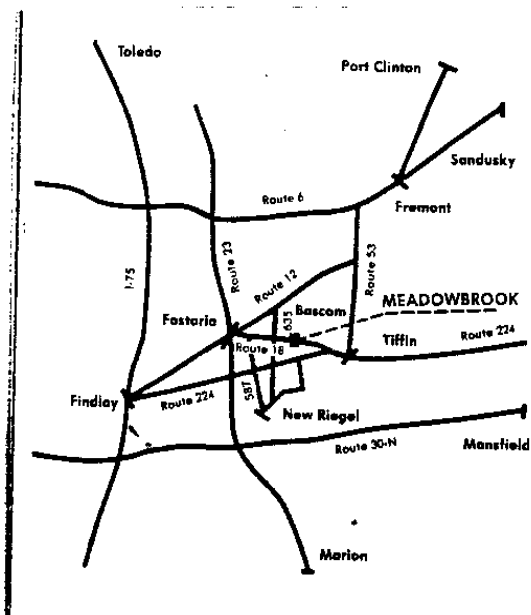
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Reunion update

DATE ; Saturday Aug. 1, 1992
TIME : 9am until dusk
LOCATION : Meadowbrook Park
Bascom, Ohio
419-937-2242

Meadowbrook Park is located on State Route 18 between Tiffin and Fostoria. This is the area where our ancestors first settled in 1832 and will mark the 160th year of our arrival in America from Germany. We again hope you will set aside this date and make every effort to attend. Last year's first family reunion was a huge success with 138 relatives 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 for the big event. If possible we ask you to drop us a note or call us as to how many in your party will be attending. Call or write Gerald or Gordon. Our address and phone numbers are in this newsletter. Bring your favorite dish to pass and your choice of meat. Last year we had a scrumptious array of good ole home cookin'. I heard Bertha Kisabeth will be bringin' her delicious old country stuffed cabbage. Also bring your favorite beverage to drink. There is a swimming pool so have the kids bring their bathing suits. Remember our softball game so put the ball mitt in the trunk.



Accommodations

Alvada Penwood Motel
3027 S US RTE, Alvada
419-595-2247

FOSTORIA MOTEL
435 W Lytle St, Fostoria
419-435-8161

Hotel Stalworth
25 E Market St, Tiffin
419-447-0891

Riverview Inn Motel *
1927 S St. Rte 53, Tiffin
419-447-6313

*Most Kisabeth's staying here

The birth of Adam Kisabeth was on November 27th, 1848 in Loudon Township, Seneca County, Ohio, and he was a son of Philip and Elizabeth (Daum) Kisabeth, who came to Seneca County in 1842. Philip was born in the small German farming village of Nieder-Kinzig on January 14, 1815, and was the son of Georg Friedrich Kisseberth and Maria Catharina Schimpf. The family immigrated to Tiffin, Ohio in the fall of 1842. One brother, Johann Georg Kisseberth was the first in the family to immigrate, having relocated in Tiffin ten years earlier. Along with Philip, his wife and small son George there were two other brothers, his only sister Margaretha Elisabetha and his parents who made the long journey to America that year. Adam's mother died in Loudon Township February 10, 1880 of Dropsy and his father passed away May 10, 1892 in Defiance County at the home of his daughter Amelia (Kisabeth) Sholl.

A Existing land and tax records indicate Philip owned a 40 acre parcel in Section 34 Loudon Township located about 1/4 mile south of the intersection of Ohio Interstate 587 and US Highway 224. This was to be the family home for the next thirty-three years.

The old homestead was the scene of the boyhood labors and pleasures in which Adam Kisabeth indulged, and he became familiar with the curriculum in the public schools, where he pursued his studies during the winter months, aiding in the labors of the farm though the summer season. In February 1872 he was united in marriage to Miss Nancy Stahl and they had four children, as follows: Chauncey Orlo, better know as "C.C." a stationary engineer; Bessie M. ,the wife of George Kempfer; Jesse Edward, who was a rural mail carrier in Fostoria and also operated a service station there; Orley Elsworth, who farmed the Kisabeth homestead in Jackson Township.

A For a time Adam lived in Defiance County where two of his children were born but the actual old homestead of Adam Kisabeth was located in section twenty-eight of Jackson Township, Seneca County. The original house still stands today where Miss Ina Kisabeth, granddaughter of Adam presently resides. Land transactions between Adam Kisabeth and his father Philip Sr. resulted in the two exchanging farmland in Loudon Township, Seneca County and Mark Township, Defiance County in December 1887.

M Adam spent almost his entire life in agricultural pursuits and only put away the plow and laid down the hoe within his last few years, when he decided to move into town, and enjoy some of the comforts for which he had labored so long and industriously. His first wife and mother of all four of his children, Nancy Stahl died October 3, 1905. Adam remarried in 1907 to Mrs. Ella Martin who shared his home in retirement.

Adam developed blood poisoning while repairing some machinery and in tightening a nut, the monkey wrench slipped and bruised the back of his hand. The cause of death was listed as erysipelas or red skin. The medical definition is acute disease of the skin

and subcutaneous tissue caused by a treptococcus and marked by spreading inflammation. Also called "St. Anthony's Fire" this condition unless the disease is promptly treated, death may result, particularly in the very young and in the case of Adam the late middle to old aged. It was reported that the skin was not even broken, but gangrene set in soon after and his life could not be saved. This injury occurred on a Tuesday and by the following Sunday Adam had died. He passed an existence of a number of years in this county, during which he was held in high esteem, and was mourned by a large circle of friends on his death, October 27, 1912.

written August 1990
by Gerald L. Kisabeth



ADAM KISABETH FAMILY - taken about 1892
Back row: Bessie(Kempher), Jesse and Orley
Front row: Chauncey, Adam and Nancy(Stahl).

GERMAN VILLAGES OF OUR ANCESTORS

WUNSIEDEL - This was a medieval settlement in northeast Bavaria called the Fichtelgebirge (The Fichtel Mountains). Our progenitor Kunz Kuschwert was a wealthy citizen of this town. He lived around 1450

Wertheim - Located on the main river this old town is located in Baden Wurttemberg southeast of Frankfort. George Kuschwert was a innkeeper at the "Zum Strauß".

Kirch Brombach - Located in the Odenwald area of Hesse. 50 miles southeast of Frankfort. Alexander Kissebeth was our famous person in the area.

Nieder-Kinzig - This small village also in Odenwald is located just north of Kirch Brombach. Philip Kisabeth Sr. was born here in 1815.

