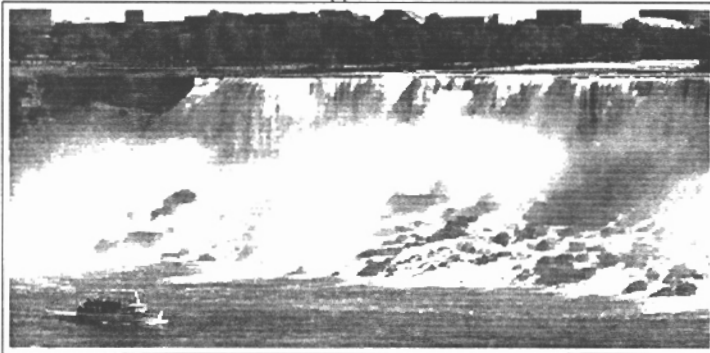


# ◊ Windemuth Newsletter ◊

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## Windemuth Family Reunion, 1999 in Canada



Great News!! The 1999 reunion plans are finalized. August 3rd, 4th & 5th, 1999 Niagara Falls, Canada is a spectacular place to visit. The falls are so breathtaking it is indescribable. It has parkland of 1254 hectares (3099 acres) over 50 kilometres (35 miles) from Lake Erie to Lake Ontario.

Niagara Parks Commissions Main Attractions follow: We loved the Maid of the Mist (U.S. side) or Journey Behind the Falls (Canada side) boat ride. The dining experience in the Minolata Tower Centre in the Pinnacle Restaurant is something else. Another tower experience is the Skylon tower. The falls are illuminated at night and are so beautiful from the towers.

The Great Gorge Adventure, Parke Greenhouse, Botanical Gardens & School of Horticulture, Floral Clock & Lilac Gardens are some of the attractions for a start.

Some other attractions are the Imax Theatre, Marineland, Clifton Hill (variety of shops and attractions), Whirlpool Jet Boat Ride, Casino Niagara and many more.

The Ameri-Cana resort, as Neal stated, is only minutes from the world famous thundering Falls as well as several Golf courses, The Welland Canal, and all the attractions Niagara has to offer. On site facilities include a family restaurant, fine dining room, cocktail lounge, a gift shop and a variety store, an indoor pool complete with (continue page 2)

## Message from The President, Neal Wintermute

The Officers of the Windemuth Family Organization wish every one a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

I would like to encourage everyone to send in their 1999 Windemuth Family Organization dues and donations. It is only through these funds we can continue.

Those sending in their \$10.00 Membership Dues will receive all the Newsletters that we publish. Your dues help to defray the cost of printing and mailing.

The next reunion will be held August 3rd, 4th, and 5th, 1999. It will be in Niagara Falls, Canada at the Ameri-Cana Resort. It is located about fifteen minutes from the falls at 8444 Lundy's Lane. It is in a quiet neighborhood just across from the KOA Campground. There is a local shuttle service to the Falls.

We hope you will take advantage of the opportunity to visit this scenic area and also attend the Reunion. Make your room reservations directly to the Ameri-Cana, mentioning the Windemuth Family Reunion as soon as possible! The telephone number is 1-800-263-3508.

We will be having a Luncheon Buffet on Wednesday. I will need to know how many will be attending. The money for the Luncheon and Registration fee will be paid to the Windemuth Family Organization. Hope to get to meet you at the reunion.

In closing, I wish to thank everyone for their Contributions to the Organization.

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## Windemuth Family Reunion, 1999 (continued)

a whirlpool waterfall, fitness centre, squash courts, tennis court, basketball, sand pit volleyball, shuffleboard and a spacious B.B.Q. and playground area.

There is a KOA campground, again as Neal stated, across the street from the Ameri-Cana for those of you who wish to use these facilities. In the pictures Neal took of it, the grounds look green, with flowering shrubs and trees. KOA is closed til April 1, 1999. The information on a later page is 1998 information so be sure to call 1-800-563-7717 for an update. It is an answering machine, you can leave a message and they will call you back. You can make reservations before April 1, 1999. Remember everything has a 5% Provincial & 7% Goods & Services tax added.

Maybe some of you would like to know something of Niagara's Heritage. In 1641, Niagara appeared on maps as the Indian name of "Onguiaahra" or "Thundering Waters", a name that later became Niagara Falls. Located right on the

border between the U.S. and Canada, Niagara Falls soon became a place of strategic military importance and a border corossing. Nerarby **Fort George and Fort Erie** bear witness to its importance. In the early 19th century Niagara Falls was the place for European royals and nobility to come and witness the wonder of the Falls. In 1827 Niagara Falls opened the first museum in North America, **The Niagara Falls Museum**. Another momento of our "tourist" heritage is the **Niagara Spanish Aero Car** which crosses the whirlpool between two points in Canada. It started operation on August 8, 1916 and is still going strong. To find out more about Niagara's facinating heritage, visit **Lundy's Lane Historical Museum**.

Maybe on some of your free time you would like to go to Fort Erie and see the graves of our ancestors who are buried there. This is where Georg Philip and most of his family went following the Revolutinary War in the U.S.A.

## Schedule

The schedule is pretty loose to allow everyone time to take in the wonderful sights of our northern neighbor, Canada. We hope you will take advantage of this time to get to know her better.

**August, 1999**

**Tuesday- 3th**

**Check in time:** 3:00 P.M.

**Registration:** 3:00 to 6:00  
p.m.

**Wednesday- 4th**

**Officers & Committee Meetings**

9:30 a.m.- Promenade Room

**Luncheon-** 12:00 Noon  
Promanade Room

**General Meeting-** 7:30 p.m.  
Promenade Room  
(Bring your own refreshments)

**Thursday-5th**

**Free time:**

Informal gathering at the B.B.Q. Pit in the evening.

**Friday- 6th**

**Check out-** 11:00 a.m.

Saying goodbye till next time to our new and old friends.

## E-Mail Notes

(From Dick Wintermute, Worthington, Ohio)

Dick's great nephew Rob Wintermute of Pittsburg, California plays football for the Oklahoma Panhandle State University; If you have a computer you can find the OPSU Home page on URL <http://www.opsu.edu/> Go down and click on sports calender and

the 1998 football roster. I did so and found this young man listed. It must be exciting to see your name on a computer for all the world to see, playing for your college in a sport you probably enjoy.

This must be a proud moment for Dick. Thanks for sharing this moment. Dick.

Hope you all  
have a Very  
Merry  
Christmas  
and a Happy  
New Year!!  
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## Museum Acquisitions

(An article from the Newsletter of the Sussex County Historical Society, sent by Dick Wintermute of Worthington, Ohio.)

Museum Acquisitions: Pine blanket chest and documentation that states it was brought over from Germany by the Wintermute family in 1736: Pennsylvania school masters

desk with pigeon hole interior, circa 1840, which belonged to Isaac Wintermute (1784-1834); Mahogany O. G. mirror with painted floral decorations and initialed J.W. believed to belong to John Hankinson Wintermute. (1819-1902?)

Large walking wheel.

Wintermute data- John George (1711-1782) passed these items to son George (1748-1837) to grandson Isaac (1784-1834) to g-grandson John Hankinson (1819-1902?) to g-g-grandson

Joseph (1844-?) to g-g-granddaughter Helen I. Wintermute Kent (1876-1956). John George Wintermute died 1782 and is buried at Stillwater. His son and some of George's children including Isaac, relocated in Fayette Co., Pa.

The above items were purchased from a Wintermute heir and donated to the society by Susan T. Meier, Ph.D. of Elk Grove, California. Susan is a descendant of a brother of George, G Philip Wintermute and Philips' son Leonard.

Maybe on our way to Niagara Falls we can stop in Newton, New Jersey, and see these items. I am descended from the Georg Philip line and this would be of interest to myself.

This newsletter is called the Old Sussex Almanack and is the the Newsletter of the Sussex County Historical Society. this was Vo. XCIV, No. 3, Fall 1998

Johann's father was Johann Windermuth (verstorben) a Burger(citizen) und Wagner in Allendorf an der Werra mit.

The letter included a page and 3/4 full of Windemuth persons and their addresses and telephone numbers. Mary said "This information was given to us by Ruben Sundaran, son,

## Time for Humor

(Sent by Norman Wintermute, Palo Alto, California)

### The Cab Driver and the Preacher

A cab driver reaches the Pearly gates and announces his presence to St. Peter, who looks him up in his Big Book.

Upon reading the entry for the cabby, St. Peter invites him to grab a silk robe and a golden staff and to proceed into Heaven.

A preacher is next in line behind the cabby and has been watching these proceeding with interest. He announces himself to St. Peter. Upon scanning the preacher's entry in the Big Book, St. Peter furrows his brow and says "Okay, we'll let you in, but take that cloth robe and wooden staff."

The preacher is astonished and replies, "But I am a man of the cloth. You gave that cab driver a gold staff and a silk robe. Surely I rate higher than a cabby."

St. Peter responded matter-of-factly: "Here we are interested in results. When you preached, people slept. When he drove, people prayed."

(Thanks, Norm)

**Stop on your way to the reunion in Niagara Falls, Canada and see the Windemuth History at the Newton Museum**

## Win(d)termuth in Pfungstadt

Mary Wintermute Kent of Hurley, N.Y. sent a copy of a letter from Germany from Hans Rothmann, Odenwaldstr. 51, 64319 Pfungstadt, tel. 06157/2328. Included in it was information that Johann Christoph Windermuth. Beruf: Schneidermeister meaning dressmaker in English.

of the family we visited in Miltenber, Germany in Jan. of this year. He got it on his computer."

This letter will be in my files or Rebecca's as soon as I get it sent to Rebecca. Any request for copies will be honored.

## *Gail Wintermute, Jr. (Excerpts from Scranton, Pa. The Sunday Times. June 21, 1998 )*

(Sent to Neal Wintermute by Mary Kent and then sent to me, Janice Wintermute Snyder)

Gail Wintermute was recently selected as the National MS Society's Father of the Year. The honor goes to a man who has outstanding accomplishments as a parent despite the challenges posed by multiple. Gail received the award on May 29 in Harrisburg at the 26th MS dinner of Champions.

"Gail has moved from the workplace to the home place," Peggy Carrick of Clarks Summit wrote in a letter nominating him for the honor.

Gail continued to work for another five years after the diagnosis (in 1991). After consulting with his wife Deb, a medical secretary, he quit working.

"Now I'm a stay-at-home dad. I take care of the house and the kids", Gail said. "that's been a big adjustment for all of us, not just me." Gail said, laughing heartily. "But I think we've done pretty good with it." The Wintermutes

have two children David, 14 and Sarah, 11.

Gail does all the grocery shopping, laundry and cooking and 60 percent of the housecleaning.

Multiple sclerosis affects the central nervous system. Gail compared his body to a house that's wired for electricity. Flip the switch, and ordinarily the lights go on. In a person with MS, there's a short circuit because the coating around the nerves, called myelin, has come off. "The messages don't go to the right places," Gail said.

He used another image to explain his problems with short term memory: a filing cabinet. "When my brain says this is where we're going to store (information), it goes into the wrong filing cabinet. And then when I go to pull it back out of that filing cabinet, it doesn't come out of the right place. It's a very hard process to live with."

Twice a week, Gail goes to an exercise class sponsored by Allied Services. Physical

therapists work with MS patients on stationary bicycles, treadmills and weight machines.

He also attends a semimonthly support group that meets at Allied.

Until a cure is found, he counsels people who, are newly diagnosed with MS. and concentrates

on being upbeat about his life, even though he admitted he sometimes veers between being captain of his ship to asking for help in rowing the boat.

"I learned that it is critical to keep a positive outlook and a sense of humor," Gail.

told the 1,000 people at the Awards dinner.

What a marvelous outlook on life, this man has. It's that Windemuth Gene that is the spark plug. (J.W.S)

***Remember  
to order  
The Windemuth  
Heritage, 1996  
for your families'  
genealogist  
for  
Christmas !***

## *Ordering The Windemuth Heritage, 1996*

There are a small quantity of the Heritage Books left for persons who would like to send one as a christmas gift. You can get one sent by contacting Rebecca Lewis  
12412 Andes Ave.  
Bakersfield, CA 93312  
The check for the amount of \$113 is to made out to The Windemuth Family Organiza-

tion and sent to Rebecca who will forward it on to our treasurer, Leonard Wintermute.

This makes a nice present for someone who is doing Genealogy on the Windemuth line. It includes the vital data and stories about each person who sent one or had one sent by someone else. It is quite inter-

esting to read some of the older generations struggle in the new world. With the advent of Internet we have received information on some of the women and their line.

Some of our cousins are diligent researchers and have worked very hard to complete the line of descendants.

## *1999 Windemuth Family Organization Reunion Reservation Form*

Please send this form to: *The Windemuth Family Organization, President, Neal Wintermute, RR2 Box 83, Mehoopany, PA 18629-9620 . If any questions telephone (717) 833-2345. Deadline for reservations is June 25, 1999.*

The only meal that will be on the reservation form will be a Luncheon on Wednesday, August 4, 1999. The price will include the 8% Provincial & 7% Goods & Service tax and tip. All quotes on Provincial accommodations are done in the American Dollar.

Full Name (including Middle) and if female Maiden Name:

(Please include Children's names and everyone who is attending the reunion even if not relatives for name tag purposes.)

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Area Code \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone Number \_\_\_\_\_

Registration \$20.00 per Family \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Luncheon \$15.66 per person \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Luncheon \$11.73 per child \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
7 yrs & younger

Donations \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Total \$ \_\_\_\_\_

(Make checks payable to Windemuth Family Organization)

### **Luncheon Buffet (Adult)**

Soup du Jour  
Assorted Deli Sandwich and Wrapped Sandwich Platter  
Vegetable Odyssey Platter with dip  
Pasta Primavera Salad  
Caesar Salad  
Tomato & Cucumber Salad  
Fresh Seasonal Fruit Plate  
Coffee/Tea

### **Children's Luncheon**

Chicken Fingers & Fries  
Drink  
(It may vary)

## *Hotel Accommodations*

*Each party will be responsible for making their own reservation at the resort. The prices are U.S. Dollars and per night. Must be made before June 25, 1999*

### Ameri-Cana Resort and Conference Center

8444 Lundy's Lane  
Niagara Falls, Ontario, Canada L2H 1H1  
1 (800) 263-263-3508

Ask for Windemuth Family Organization

#### Room Rates

**Single:** \$99.00 U.S. per room, per night (1 bed-2 people) **Double:** \$110 U.S. per room, per night (2 beds -2 people)

**Family Suites:** \$249.00 U.S. per room, per night ( 4 beds- 6 people)

**Family Rooms:** \$179.00 U.S. per room, per night (3 beds- up to 4 people)

**Extra Person Charge (Adults) :** \$10.00 U.S. per person, per night

Above rates are net, non-commissionable and subject to all applicabe taxes. (5% Provincial & 7% Goods & Services)

## *Niagara Falls KOA Kampground*

### DAILY BASE RATE..... 1998 (CANADIAN FUNDS)

Accommodations	Rate for 2 people	Elec.	W & S	WES	30 Amp A/C
CAMPSITES	\$28.00	30.00	32.00	34.00	36.00
Add: Extra Adult	5.00				
Extra Child (4-7)	3.00				

**DEDUCT:** 10% with KOA VALUE CARD, if presented at time of registration.  
Cards available at all KOA's for \$10.00 and valid for two years.

**RESERVATIONS:** MASTERCARD, VISA OR MONEY ORDER

**DEPOSIT:** \$25.00 CAMPSITE

All reservations must be accompanied by a deposit to be held.

Cancellation policy \$5.00 SERVICE CHARGE 48 hours notice must be given or deposit is forfeited. Please advise if arrival time is after 6:00 P.M.

Money order deposits please write reservation date and phone number with area code. In 1998, we are currently paying 30% exchange rate. This means every U.S. \$1.00 is worth \$1.30 Can.

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## Concerning Officers and Committee Member

I will repeat the article from the November, 1997 Newsletter by publishing a list of the officer's and committee members with their phones and e-mail so you can contact any one of us.

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&  
Happy New Year  
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If you have any questions or information you would like to share with any of us or ask of us, please feel free to do so. We have tried to scatter the members of the committees out in different places so contact would be easy. Of course with the phone and e-mail it is easy anywhere in the world.

Thanks everyone for your fine support with the payment of your dues.

### Information: Maria Julia Huber, wife of George Philip Wintermute

Johannes Hendricus Hover b. 1705 came to Philadelphia in 1735 and settled in Smithfield, Pa before 1742. This was on the west side of the Delaware river in present Monroe County, PA and only a few miles from the Stillwater area. He was admitted a member of the Reformed Dutch Church at Smithfield on 22 June 1745 on 6 June 1745 Susana Holeyson his wife was admitted,

having been a Lutheran.

It is believed that a Johan Michael Huber who married Elizabeth Mennes, Catharian Huber who married Peter Conterman (Countryman, Gunderman, etc) and Maria Juliana Huber Wintermute were perhaps siblings to Johan Hendricus (Henry). In the "Memorial of the Moravian Church" it is related that the brethern (Moravians) kept and

preached a school in the upper valley of the Delaware on the Jersey shore in 1746 and 1747 and were ministered to by a Joseph Shaw who came on the same ship as Johan Michael Huber and were the first colonists who arrived at Bethlehem, PA in June 1742. On page 75 in speaking of Johan Michael Huber it says "lost a sea in a hurricane on the passage to St. Thomas in Oct 1747



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Greetings

*Merry Christmas and Happy New Year from the Windemuth Family Organization !*

### *Information: Maria Julia Huber, continued.*

***Thanks everyone  
for the articles  
which you have  
made available  
for use in the  
Newsletter. It  
makes my work  
easier.  
Janice W. Snyder***

along with the missionaries Joseph and Mary Shaw. There was another Johan Michael Huber who arrived 21 Aug 1750 on the ship "Anderson". He is perhaps the one who married Elizabeth Mennes and had a son Johannes baptised Feb. 1753 Walpack sponsored by Peter Counterman and Catharine Huber.

The Hubers are mentioned in the parish registers of Trippstadt situated at or near Holzwald, six

miles south of Kaiserslautern. Several Hubers came to Philadelphia in 1740's and 1750's.

Information from J. Kelsey Jones, Genealogy committee person.

Thanks everyone for the articles which are available for use in the Newsletter. Keep sending your ideas. It helps each and everyone with the Genealogy work.

### **Member- ship**

I would like to remind all of you that the 1999 membership dues should be paid now as 1999 is arriving shortly.

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