

# **The Black Hills** – Site of the 2009 Windemuth Family Reunion



# *Reunion Date: July 8-10, 2009 Rapid City, South Dakota*

Windemuth descendents -- plan now to attend the biennial Family Reunion in Rapid City, South Dakota, July 8-10, 2009! "The Black Hills is an extremely popular vacation destination," according to Sue Cook, reunion co-host. "We think it may become one of your favorite places, too." Sue and her husband Herb have been working for a year planning the

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event with co-host Zetha and Bud Estes.

Reunion activities will take place at the Quality Inn in Rapid City. Centrally located, guests enjoy a free hot breakfast buffet daily. The spacious indoor pool and a fun arcade for the kids make the hotel a family favorite.

Planned reunion events include the opening reception and dinner on Wednesday, July 8th, a family meeting and group photo on Thursday. Friday features a luxury chartered bus



Marvel at Mt. Rushmore and experience buffalo up close at Custer State Park. All part of the 2009 reunion.

tour of Mt. Rushmore, Crazy Horse Memorial, the Iron Mountain Road and Custer State Park. We will then return to the hotel for our Black Hills Family Banquet.

There is plenty of free time to do sight seeing on your own. Visit the Mammoth Site, an active archeological dig, in Hot Springs or the historical town of Deadwood where you find the final resting spot of some of the most colorful characters of the old west; among them Wild Bill Hickok, Calamity Jane and Potato Creek Johnny.

East of Rapid City is the Badlands National Park, a scenic, yet seemingly hostile landscape. As you leave the park, you might be a bit parched from the summer heat. Respite is close by at Wall Drug Store where the Hustead family still promises free ice water, as they did during the Great Depression.

Located on street corners throughout downtown Rapid City are 31 life sized bronze statues of U.S. presidents. While downtown, you will want to visit Landstrom's Jewelry to view their "Original Black Hills Gold Creations". Landstrom's is offering all reunion participants a significant discount by showing your reunion badge.

Come and enjoy family, friends and Western hospitality at its best. See you in the Black Hills!

(More reunion information on pages 5-7)

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# In Search of Family - The Windemuth DNA Project



**Susan Meier** - announces the establishment of the Windemuth DNA Project. She will serve as the Project Administrator and is also Chairman of the Windemuth Family Genealogy Committee.

Is Neal Duane Wintermute in Pennsylvania related to Leonard Noal Wintermote in Nebraska?

The Windemuth Family Heritage 1996 tells us they are sixth cousins, once removed, descending from Johann Christoph Windemuth. But are we sure? After all, genealogists know that 16<sup>th</sup> century documentation can be questionable. Family lore, adopted children and births out-ofwedlock create uncertainty.

In September 2009, Neal and Leonard decided to further examine their relationship. Using Family Tree DNA, a testing laboratory, they submitted DNA samples and waited for the results. The analysis reported that 36 out of their 37 Y-DNA markers are identical. In other words, there is a very high probability that they have a common ancestor within the last 8 generations. This strongly supports our conventional genealogical research that indicates the two are descendants of Johann Christoph Windemuth! "Neal and Leonard's tests launched the Windemuth DNA Project," according to Susan Meier, our genealogy chair. "This project has been established to facilitate the comparison of Y-DNA samples collected from male Windemuth descendants. We hope to build a database that connects family members and eventually links us to Windemuth families in Europe."

The Windemuth DNA project is open to all males with the Windemuth surname or any of its variations. It is limited to males because the basis of Y-DNA analysis rests on the fact that a man passes his Y-DNA virtually unchanged to his male offspring. Hence, male descendants of the same genetic line will have nearly identical Y-DNA.

Females who would like to check their paternal line can ask a male relative with the same surname to be tested.



"While we are confident that the genealogy information our Organization has collected is substantially correct, it is now possible to get a more reliable validation using DNA analysis," said Susan. "By establishing a database of Windemuth DNA, we will answer many questions with greater certainty than we can from conventional research alone. If you are a male with the Windemuth surname or one of its variations, I encourage you to be tested."

Testing is simple and painless. First, obtain a test kit from Family Tree DNA.

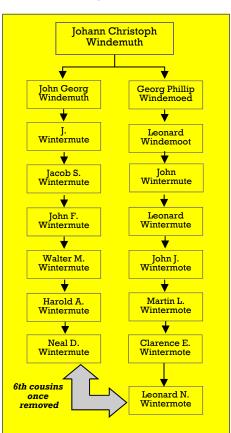
Then self administer a cheek-swab,

return it by mail and wait for the results! The advertised price is \$259 but much less when ordered through the Windemuth Project. Contact Susan Meier for the current cost.

Contact Susan Meier for more information and to order your DNA test kit.

Susan Meier, DNA Project Admin. Phone: (916) 684-5368 (916) 717-3088 E-mail: smeier@windemuth.org

Check out this web site to learn more: www.FamilyTreeDNA.com



Recent DNA genetic testing strongly supports our genealogy research showing that Neal Wintermute and Leonard Wintermote are related through a common ancestor.

# Letter From the Past - Written by J. P. Wintermute in 1901

By Orval Wintermute, Ph.D.

Orval Wintermute, Ph.D., Professor Emeritus at Duke University, recently found a letter in an old family bible from J.P. Wintermute, author of "The Windemuth Family History" published in 1900. Here is its story.

e-mail Orval at: osw@duke.edu

I found this letter in an old family bible as I was cleaning out my house in order to move into a retirement village. The letter was apparently sent to someone in the family of John C. Wintermute who is listed in Vol. 2, page 467 of *The Windemuth Family Heritage* 1996. Since the letter is dated July 13, 1901, it was sent after the 1900 version of *The Windemuth Family History* had been published.

It is possible that someone in the family of John C. Wintermute initiated the correspondence with J.P. Wintermute before the publication of that volume had been completed. On page 151 of The Windemuth Family History, John C. Wintermute is incorrectly entered as John O. Wintermute, and the only member of his family listed is a son Charles. Since my great uncle Charlie was the only one mentioned in the 1900 edition, I suspect that he may have been the one who initiated the correspondence and the one who is addressed by J.P. Wintermute in the letter as "Dear Cousin."

(Below is the full text of the letter.)

#### J. P. Wintermute Dealer in General Hardware, Pumps, Tools Belting, Churns, Cutlery, Etc. Delaware, Ohio July 13, 1901

#### Dear Cousin

Yours to hand but I can't just locate you yet as you don't give your family relationship only your father and there are so many Johns that it don't indicate much. When you write again say place in Jersey you come from and give the full name of your father and uncles and your grandfather's name and then I can place you. I was born near Zanesville but my father George was born on the family homestead west from Stillwater in 1787. The place still belongs to a grandson of my uncle Peter named Peter A., he was a son of Jeptha. My mother was a Lanterman born 1787 near Blairstown. You want to be sure and order one of the Family Historys and that will post you up on all the family name. There were 7 of us children in father's family. I being the youngest aged 69 by next Dec. and the only one of the family living. I have a nephew Dr. G.J.C. Wintermute living up at Celina. He has a family of four daughters. Without question we are related as I have found none of the name but what were related. There were three Emigrators; John George who settled at Stillwater (my great grandfather), Leonard who settled in Sussex above Deckertown and Philip who settled in Pa at Wyoming and was connected with the massacre, his descendents are now nearly all in Canada quite a good many of the younger ones at Buffalo and some at Vancouver British Columbia.

Two Wintermute from this country are in the regular army and are now located in the *Philippines. One Wintermute and his wife are in Alaska.* 

Let me hear from you with some of your history. And don't fail to order one of the historys.

With best regards Truly Yours J.P. Wintermute

P. Wintermute, General Hardware, Belling, Charns, Cutlery,

Front page of the 1901 two-page hand-written letter written by J. P. Wintermute, author of the 1900 "Windemuth Family History".

# Life in Germany - Prior to Emigrating

By Mike Wintermute

Michael A. Wintermute's international travels over the past 35 years has afforded him the opportunity to visit and explore Pfungstadt



Mike Wintermute

and Allendorf, the German towns from which our ancestors emigrated. Mike can be reached at:

#### mikwinc@sbcglobal.net

First of a three part series; this article looks at the events that shaped families, communities and day to day living in Germany during the 100 years prior to the Windemuths' emigration to America. Part 2 and 3 will be published in future newsletters and will examine the lives of our ancestral women and men.

### <u> Part 1</u>

Life was hard; war, extremely cold weather, starvation, pestilence and plagues were all part of daily life.

Johannes Windemuth and his wife Beata raised their family in Allendorf, Hesse-Kassel during the second half of the 17<sup>th</sup> century. Johannes was originally from the small community of Weidenhausen, four miles south of Allendorf.

Their son, Johan Christoph, his wife Mary M. and their children lived in Pfungstadt, Hesse-Darmnstadt, 120 miles, southwest of Allendorf in the early 18<sup>th</sup> century.

Margaret E. Bernhardten, wife of Johann Georg Windemuth, and her family lived in Kerzenheim, 15 miles southwest of Worms in Rhenish Baveria, before emigrating to America.

The towns were small and rural; Allen-

dorf was the largest with perhaps 1,000 residents, while Pfungstadt, Kerzenheim and Weidenhausen each had populations of a hundred or so.

Founded in the 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> centuries, these towns were well established by the 1600s. Constructed of exposed timber, houses were substantial and comfortable. Many are still standing today. Our ancestors probably lived in relative comfort using fire places for heat.

The "Medieval Warm Period" occurred between the 9<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> centuries. Abundant crops led to a threefold increase in population. During the  $14^{th}$ century the weather turned cold and it was no longer possible to feed the large population. Many died of starvation and disease.

The cold weather, known as the "Mini Ice Age", continued into the 19<sup>th</sup> century. The winter of 1709 was so long that

farm land in central Germany remained frozen in April.

The Thirty Years War started in 1618 over religious issues. It rapidly expanded into a major freefor-all as the Roman Empire fought to regain control over northern Europe.

Armies from throughout

Europe roamed central Germany in bands of 10-12 thousand. Living off the land, they used torture and cruelty to forcibly take food and livestock from the local residents.

Nearly half of the population of central Germany died, most from starvation. Towns were burned, some completely destroyed.

Even after a peace treaty ended the war in 1648, poor diet, disease and plague continued to afflict the population.

Johannes Windemuth and his wife Beata were born during this war and were teenagers when it ended. Two of their three children died as toddlers during the 1670s. Johannes was a wagon maker, member of the Guild and probably lived a middle class life.

His only surviving child, Johan Christoph was born in 1676 and orphaned at the age of 18. He later became a member of the Tailors Guild and married Mary M. in Pfungstadt in 1702. They had five children, two of whom died before by age three. Mary M. died in 1717, when their youngest son was 6 years old. Johan C. was remarried within the year to Anne E. Wambold. The family emigrated to America between 1731 and 1737.

Margaret E. Bernhardten was born in 1721 in Kerzenheim, in Rhenish Bavaria. She, along with her father John P., mother, and sister began their emigration to America in 1736. After spending a year in England, they arrived in Philadelphia in 1737 where the third daughter was born.

*"Life was hard; war, extremely cold weather, starvation..."*  The life experiences of the Bernhardt family in Kerzenheim were similar to those of our Hessen ancestors during this period. Then in 1688, the Nine Years War started.

French King Louis

XIV invaded Rhenish Bavaria, also known as the Lower Palatine. The King claimed the Palatinate as the rightful inheritance of his daughterin-law, even though she had no legitimate claim. Germany and the Roman Empire allied and forced the French army to withdraw.

King Louis XIV ordered his army to destroy and burn everything as they withdrew from the Palatinate. People were given 3-days notice to evacuate before their villages were destroyed. Thousands were left destitute without homes, shelter or food and were forced to beg on the streets of Europe to survive.

### **Windemuth Family Newsletter** January 2009

#### Dear family.

We'd love to see you at 2009 reunion! If you have never been to the Black Hills in western South Dakota, this is your grand chance! We've scheduled a bus tour to visit some of the highlights in the area and allowed free time for you to explore on

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your own. We are proud to offer activities and experiences for all ages and interests.

The Black Hills is a popular va-

cation destination and we think it may just become one of your favorite places, too. We have trails for hiking (one is 114 miles long), parks, lakes and streams for fishing, camping and picnicking, abundant wildlife, monuments, and splendid caves. Black Hills Gold jewelry is manufactured in the area and a tour of one of the factories is planned. Landstrom's is offering reunion attendees discounts on their jewelry.

See you at the reunion!!

Herb and Sue Cook

Zetha Estes, Herb and Sue Cook

2009 Reunion Hosts

# You are Invited To the 2009 Reunion

For information on things to see and do in the Rapid City area, please contact:

Rapid City Convention & Visitors Bureau P.O. Box 747 Rapid City, SD 57709 (800) 487-3223 www.rapidcitycvb.com

Zetha Estes Phone: (605) 342-7918 E-mail: zeth@rushmore.com

Herb and Sue Cook Phone: (605) 342-2648 E-mail: susiecsings@aol.com

### Life in Germany (Continued from page 4)

The people of the Lower Palatine began a mass immigration to America in 1709. Queen Anne of England, out of compassion, provided passage, refugee camps in England and land grants in Pennsylvania for the German Palatines. The immigration continued into the 1730s as tens of thousands of Palatines, joined by Germans from other regions, emigrated to North America.

The Windemuths and Bernhardtens remained in Germany until the 1730s. Life for these families must have been acceptably comfortable or they would have emigrated sooner.

Life did improve in Germany after each of these two wars and people were able to accumulate some wealth. A few were able to sell their assets before emigrating in the 1730s.

Perhaps our ancestors were this fortunate. Except for G. Philip Windemuth who settled in Pennsylvania, the Windemuths and Bernhardtens did not receive land grants and both families purchased land in America after they arrived.

# The Windemuth Family Heritage 1996

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Include your street and postal mailing address, and an e-mail address if you have one.

### Great gift for birthdays

# 2009 Reunion Information Rapid City, South Dakota July 8-10, 2009

**<u>Reservation Deadlines</u>**: We encourage you to plan your trip and register early. Please complete and mail the reunion registration form on page 7. Room availability can be guaranteed only if received by:

Hotel Reservation Deadline:June 8, 2009Reunion Registration Deadline:June 15, 2009

Hotel Reservations: For room reservations, contact our headquarter hotel directly.

**Quality Inn** 1902 N. LaCrosse St. Rapid City, SD 57701 **605-342-3322** 

When calling, please mention you are attending the Windemuth Family Reunion (Group #6802) to receive these special room rates.

Single Room (1-2 guests)	\$99.99
Double Room (3-4 guests)	\$99.99

The local room tax is 10%. Queen, king and non-smoking rooms are available for the same price. The hotel provides a complimentary hot breakfast buffet each morning, and will reimburse your shuttle cost from the airport.

### Check-in & Reception Dinner: Reunion

check-in begins in the Spruce Room of the hotel at 4PM on Wednesday. At 7PM, a spaghetti dinner buffet (included in your registration fee) will be served.

**Mt. Rushmore Bus Tour:** Our luxury charter bus will pick us up at the hotel and take us on a 7 hour narrated tour. We will visit Mt. Rushmore and the Crazy Horse Memorial before having lunch at the Heritage Village. Then we drive the scenic Iron Mountain Road and visit Custer State Park. Lunch and all admission fees are included. You won't want to miss this tour.

<u>Reunion Sch</u>	<u>iedule:</u>
Wed., July 8th:	
Officers Meeting	12:00-3:00 <b>PM</b>
Hotel Check-in	2:00 <b>PM</b>
<b>Reunion Check-in</b>	4:00-9:00 <b>PM</b>
Reception Dinner	7:00 <b>PM</b>
Thu., July 9th:	
Breakfast	7:30-8:30AM
Family Meeting	9:00-10:30AM
Group Photo	11:00AM
(Sight Seeing and Fre	ee Time)
Fri., July 10th:	
Breakfast	7:30-8:30AM
Mt. Rushmore Bus Tour	8:45AM-4:00PM
Family Banquet	5:30-8:30 <b>PM</b>
Sat., July 11th:	
(Additional sight seeing a	and departure)

**Black Hills Family Banquet:** Our Family Banquet will be held Friday night at the Quality Inn's Spruce Conference Room. We will enjoy a buffet featuring roast beef in rosemary, baked chicken, mixed garden greens salad, jello fruit parfait salad, garlic mashed potatoes, beef gravy, dinner rolls, beverage and a special cake prepared by our host, Zetha Estes.

**Sponsorships:** We want our reunion to be inclusive and fun for all. We also realize that the registration and banquet cost may prevent some family members from attending. Please consider adding a voluntary contribution to your registration so that we can assist those who may otherwise be unable to attend. A special thanks is extended to those who have provided this extra support in the past and those who will offer it for the 2009 reunion.

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# **Registration Form -- 2009 Windemuth Family Reunion**

Complete one registration form for each family or single adult attending the reunion. (A family consists of parents and children less than 18 years of age.) Mail this completed form with full payment to:

#### Gene Dennis, 9095 S. Saginaw #12, Grand Blanc, MI 48439, USA

Make checks payable in US dollars to: <u>Windemuth Family Organization</u>. Registration <u>deadline is June 15, 2009</u>. Questions: Contact Gene Dennis; phone (810) 694-7735; e-mail: <u>gdennis@windemuth.org</u>

#### List each family member attending:

Be sure to include first and middle names. Also include the maiden name (in parenthesis) of each married female :

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Black Hills Family Bar Sponsorship:*	Adults (age 13 and above) Youth (age 6-12)	@ \$22.00 each @ \$11.00 each	\$ \$

\*<u>Note:</u> We want our reunion to be inclusive and fun for all. If you find the cost prevents you from attending, please attach a note to this registration and we will find a sponsor to cover your registration and banquet cost.

# **Family News**

*Reunions, births, marriages, deaths and missing addresses* 

Send information and updates to:

Gene Dennis 9095 S Saginaw #12 Grand Blanc, MI 48439 e-mail: gdennis@windemuth.org

# **Missing Family Members:**

The Post Office returned newsletters mailed to the following family members indicating expired or no forwarding addresses. Please contact us if you can provide updated mailing information on these individuals.

Surname	First	Middle	Address	City	St/Pr
Buckingham	Cynthia	Irene	310 18th St NW	Puyallup	WA
Diffenbaugh	Donald	Louis	3605 Paul St.	Alexandria	VA
Doutt	Lori	L.	72 East High St.	Union City	PA
Mankovich	Vera	Eleanor	213 Meadow Lane	Oldsmar	FL
Short	Diane	Miner	1731 Howe Ave Apt 285	Sacramento	CA
Wintemute	Р.		64 Shaw	Hamilton	Ontario
Wintermute	Frank	Irving	85 Locktown Sergeantsville Rd	Stockton	NJ
Wintermute	Lane	R.	3392 Harrison Ave	Astoria	OR
Wintermute	Richard	D.	PO Box 2840	Glen Ellyn	IL

### **Information Request:**

Lois Tiller writes: Does anyone have a photo of John Force Wintermute and his wife Electa Ward? John is the son of Jacob Sends Wintermute and Eliza Hatfield Force. If so, please contact Lois Tiller at loistiller@verizon.com.

### **Birth Announcement:**

**Fred Lund** reports a new grand daughter **Catherine Elizabeth Lund**, born on Sept. 6, 2008. His son Daniel married a Chinese girl and he is wondering if his grandchildren are the first Windemuths to have Asian blood?

### **Death Announcements:**

**Lois Hassall** passed away Sept. 26, 2008, in Gasport, NY. This information was reported by her daughter Linda Leighton.

**Crystal Lucille Heffelfinger** died April 2, 2007, in Zanesville, Ohio. She was born Feb. 27, 1918 in Coshocton County to the late Clarence and Faun Wintermute Miller. She taught elementary education for five years and married Rev. Dale Heffelfinger in 1942. Crystal's death was reported by Tricia Shumate Lewis.

**William Clark McNeal** died January 5, 2008 in New Orleans, LA at age 77. He began his career as a deckhand for Oil Transport Company and worked himself up to Executive VP of the firm . Bill was nationally respected for his work with the inland marine industry and his commitment to the community. His death was reported by his wife Carolyn McNeal.

### **Glen Edward Wintermute**

died November 9, 2006 at his home in Colorado. His wife, Leona (Plenzig), had preceded him in death on January 18, 2001. This information was reported by his son, Dr. Dave Wintermute.

### Grace York Wintermote of

Douglas, WY died Aug. 12, 2003. No further information is available.

# Visit the Old Country - Home of our ancestors

Susan Gale Wintermute is hosting a 2010 Windemuth Family Reunion in or near Pfungstadt, Germany, the ancestral town of the Windemuth's before they emigrated to North America.

Susan, born in New Jersey, now resides in Germany where she teaches at a local university. Her knowledge of Germany makes this an outstanding opportunity for family members wanting to visit their ancestral homeland.

Reunion details will be finalized during the 2009 reunion in Rapid City, and the probable date will be early fall 2010. Review the January 2008 newsletter for additional details. It can be found at:

#### www.windemuth.org

So far, 10 families (approximately 20 people) have indicate their desire to attend. Susan would like to hear from you if you are interested and/ or would like to receive more information as it becomes available.



If you wish to attend the 2010 reunion in Germany, please contact:

Susan G. Wintermute Heiligengeiststr, 40 **D-21335 Lueneburg** Germany E-mail: swintermuth@aol.com Left: Near Pfungstadt are the ruins of the Castle of Frankenstein.

Below: The oldest continually used town hall in Germany is located in Lueneburg.



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	<u>Life Members</u>
	<b>Carole Wintermute Birnie</b>
	Gene Winfield Dennis
	Cathy Snover Ingraham
	Thomas Michael Louden
	Marcia Jane McManus
	Susan Theresa Meier
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	William R. Wintermute II
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Annual Contribution: Please consider contributing \$15 US annually so we can keep our Windemuth family heritage alive for future generations. Many family members find it convenient to pay two or more years ahead.

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Whatever amount is right for you, please send your check made payable to:

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The Newsletter for descendants of Johann Christoph Windemuth

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