



News from the
**Casper Glattfelder
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Mid-Winter Board Meeting

The meeting was held January 10 at the Smith Homestead in Jacobus, Pa. Twelve board members were in attendance, with two participating by teleconference. Three were unable to attend.

Vice president Judy Martin reported for the Executive Committee. The budget was presented and approved, and committee assignments remained the same. It was recommended that a postcard be sent out to reconnect with family members on old mailing lists with whom we have lost contact. Philip Glattfelder expressed his willingness to pay for the mailing. More on the postcard and accompanying web survey later in the newsletter.

John L. Glattfelder, reporting for the brick patio committee, noted that there are replaced bricks at Heimwald Park as well as others that Art Glattfelder may have stored at his farm. Those bricks should be moved to the park, though the eventual fate of those bricks has not been determined. In addition, Philip was updating statistics about the patio that will be noted on the website once they are complete. More on the brick patio later in the newsletter.

The 2015 Reunion

The 2015 reunion will be held July 25-26 at Heimwald Park. More details will follow in the reunion letter.

Cleaning up the Park

The annual park clean-up day will be Saturday, July 18, beginning at 9 a.m. Everyone is encouraged to come and lend a hand.

Reporting for the Communication Committee, Larry Gladfelder Jr. passed out Google Analytic reports on the website. More on the reports later in the newsletter. President Tom thanked Dallas Smith and Philip for their continued work on the newsletters.

Philip, reporting for the Historical Committee, said that work has been started on reunion program information dealing with Glattfelders in the wars, with World War II being this year's topic. It was suggested that period music be included at the reunion. Jean Robinson has already been in contact with a family member who may provide a uniform along with other information.

Nelson Brenneman reported for the Property Committee. Soft spots exist on the park grounds. Eliminating these areas will likely involve use of a backhoe. Also, some trees and branches need to be removed.

Ben Miller reported for the Education Committee. He read thank-you letters from the recent recipients of the Ives Bricker Scholarship.

Brick Patio

The deadline for ordering bricks this year is May 2. Cost remains \$75 per brick. (The Brick Order Form appears at the end of this newsletter.) For more information, contact Philip Glatfelter, 430 Charles Circle, Hallam, PA 17406, call (717) 968-4577 or e-mail to glatfelterph@aol.com.

The current patio consists of approximately 5,000 bricks, including about 1,100 engraved bricks. A breakdown of bricks under each son of Casper, along with other statistics and facts on the patio, will be listed on the website in the near future.

For example, Felix's line is the most populated, with 447 engraved bricks or 39.8 percent, while Solomon is second with 232 (20.6 percent). There are 209 bricks for Henry (18.6 percent), 142 for John (12.6), 48 for Casper (4.3) and 13 for Michael (1.1). The John Peter and Friends line has 36 bricks (3.0).

Obituaries

As the family tree continues to expand, tracking family members and accumulating corresponding obituaries has become more and more difficult. Members of the historical committee are continuing the task as best they can.

However, the list of deaths for reunion programs will be limited to those with the most common Glattfelder names in their obituaries, and others will be listed by request. To do so, mail obituaries to the association address (PO Box A, Jacobus, PA 17407) or send an email to Jean Robinson (jrobinson2335@comcast.net) or Philip Glatfelter (glatfelterph@aol.com).

Glattfelders and the wars

The association will continue its series of themes of Glattfelders who served in battle, focusing this year on World War II.

As part of the annual reunion, we will recognize descendants who served in those wars. Numerous ancestors who served in the war are known by the association, but we are looking for additional names, along with any photos, documents, letters

or artifacts from those wars to display at the reunion.

Anyone with such information should contact Jean Robinson at jrobinson2335@comcast.net or Philip Glatfelter at glatfelterph@aol.com, or mail to the association, PO Box A, Jacobus, PA 17407.

Postcard, survey

A proposal by directors Jean Robinson and Philip Glatfelter to attempt to "re-connect" with Glattfelder family members was approved at the January board meeting. In early March, approximately 650 postcards were sent to names from our older mailing lists.

On the postcards, recipients were asked if they would like to receive the newsletter, and if they had any suggestions for the reunion, reunion weekend, reunion program, newsletter or merchandise.

The request for suggestions goes out to you as well. You can contact us by emailing to survey@glattfelder.us; mailing to Casper Glattfelder Association, P.O. Box A, Jacobus, PA 17407; or going to our website, www.glattfelder.org, and clicking on SURVEY.

Also on the postcard, we ask, as we do here, that this message be passed along to any relatives who might be interested in learning more about the family and the association.

Picture this

One of the suggestions we have already received in response to our postcard mailing came from Harry F. Gladfelter. He suggested that a painting be done of the area near Heimwald Park and/or the homestead that can be sold to family members.

We think it is an intriguing idea. Maybe you think so too. Let Philip know if you would be interested in buying a painting should it be made available, and how much you might want to spend on it. And if there are any Glattfelder artists who might want to delve into the task, we would obviously be greatly interested to hear from you.

President's Message

*O fatherland, we think of thee
And honor those who crossed the sea,
And found a home for you and me,
'Neath stars and stripes of liberty*

With those words from over a century ago, the descendants of Casper Glattfelder "gather in reunion" every year, recalling our heritage as Swiss-Americans.

In this second decade of the new century – and our second century of holding reunions – we have not only honored our immigrant ancestors but also those who have worn the uniform of this land of liberty through her various conflicts and who have fought under the stars and stripes of our flag.

This series of reunions – beginning in 2011 with the participation of our family in the American Revolution – will continue this year with the honoring of the rapidly shrinking "greatest generation" who fought in World War II.

In 2016, the focus will be on Korea and Vietnam, the conflicts of the Cold War.

In 2017, the series will draw to a close with remembering those who have fought in the global war on terror; including the descendant who was killed at the Pentagon on September 11, 2001.

That will bring us to 2018, which, being the 275th anniversary of the arrival of our family in America, is worthy of a great celebration.

It is toward that year and onward that the survey recently announced by email and post card is addressed. What are topics or themes which could be used for future reunions? What would be of interest to a family which now reaches from coast to coast and from border to border – and beyond?

And in the intervening years, how can we continue to build on our legacy? The things that we are doing well, please affirm. The areas in which we could improve, please offer suggestions on how we could do better.

And in all things, let us keep a spirit of "goodly fellowship and cheer" to strengthen our "ties of consanguinity."

Rev. J. Thomas Shelley

Scholarships

The Glattfelder Education Fund selection committee is currently in the process of reviewing the applicants for the Nathan Glattfelder and Ives Bricker Scholarship. There are again many applicants that meet the requirements for the scholarship. The selection committee will meet in May to make the selections and then announce the winners at the reunion in July.

The next scholarship application period will begin in January 2016. However, anyone interested in starting early for next year can request an application by sending an email to scholarship@glattfelder.org. A current application will be placed on the Glattfelder website, www.glattfelder.org, in January.

Emily & Lindy Levis are graduating in May: Emily from the University of Virginia (Arts and Sciences) and Lindy from James Madison University (English). The Scholarship Committee wants to commend them on their post-secondary education accomplishments and extend them best wishes on their future endeavors.

Reunion revisited

The Rev. Adam Stump, Samuel F. Glatfelter and Granville Glatfelter gathered for a meeting which had a large significance to the Glattfelder family.

At one point during their discussion, the three agreed, "Let's have a reunion."

And so they did.

That meeting, in December 1905, set in motion what has happened for 109 years: the Glattfelders Reunion. This year will be the 110th reunion.

The meeting of Stump and the two Glatfelters actually happened twice, in a manner of speaking. Ten years ago – can it actually be that long ago – the 100th Reunion was held with great fanfare. Among the highlights of that reunion was a dramatic presentation in which Adam, (portrayed by Rev. J. Richard Glatfelter), Sam (portrayed by Robert Proseri) and Granville (portrayed by Richard L. Glatfelter) again met to discuss plans for a reunion.

In the third and final scene of the presentation, the three talk about those in attendance – "There must be thousands," said Granville – at the Reunion, held that first year at Messersmith's Woods. Out of the approximately 450 in attendance at the 2005 Reunion, numerous attendees participated in the third scene by standing, identifying themselves and relating who in their family was at the first reunion. Among those was Thomas Clodfelter from Brookfield, Ill., who, filled with emotion, was able to say, "I'm descended from Michael. I'm most certainly the first person ever to make that claim at a Glattfelders Reunion."

The Reunion Weekend included numerous events, such as a tour of the Glatfelter paper mill in Spring Grove (157 in attendance), a Friday reception (224), a Saturday bus tour (143) and a Saturday dinner (234). The reunion included descendants from 21 states, as well as representatives from Glattfelden, Switzerland. Former Pennsylvania Governor George M. Leader and former U.S. Representative William F. Goodling, both Glattfelder descendants, were also in attendance.

In addition to the reunion anniversary, it was noted in 2005 that the Glattfelder Education Fund, Inc. was celebrating its 10th year. That makes this year the 20th for the worthy cause. This non-profit corporation was set up to receive and administer the \$100,000 bequest from Charles A. Bricker (1912-1993), a Glattfelder descendant through both of his parents, to be used for scholarships to students pursuing an undergraduate education.

Gone but not forgotten

Two recent deaths of significance include former Directory Emeritus Joann C. Jones and prominent York attorney Henry B. Leader.

Jones of Armagh, Pa., died March 26 at age 81. She was the first descendant of Solomon to serve as a Director, and the first person living outside of the Adams-York-Lancaster region to serve. Despite a 300-mile, five-hour round trip, Joann faithfully attended our meetings and never asked for (but graciously accepted) the ability to join us by teleconference in her final years on the board.

Leader, the brother of former Pennsylvania Governor George M. Leader, was a Glattfelder descendant through two lines. He did a great service to the Association in 2005-2006 when, free of charge, he orchestrated the reconstitution of the Bupp's Union Cemetery Trustees, an effort initiated through our desire to place a replication monument in the cemetery for Casper's son (and Henry's ancestor) Felix.

Big screen relative

There are a fair share of prominent names who can trace their ancestry to Casper Glattfelder. There are almost certainly some we don't know about.

Now, we know about one more.

A recent email from Laurelai K. Nowicki (Peters) revealed that 1950s actor James Dean is descended from John Peter, Casper's brother.

Dean earned fame as a cultural icon after starring in the movie *Rebel without a Cause* in 1955, in which he portrayed troubled teenager Jim Stark. The other two roles that defined his stardom were loner Cal Trask in *East of Eden*

(1955) and surly ranch hand Jett Rink in *Giant* (1956).

Dean's legendary status was cemented when he died prematurely in a car crash in September 1955, at the age of 24. He became the first actor to receive a posthumous Academy Award nomination for Best Actor. In 1999, the American Film Institute ranked him the 18th best male movie star on its **100 Years...100 Stars** list.

Lauralei informed us that while doing family research years ago she learned of Dean's relationship. Here's how:

John Peter's daughter Barbara, who married Felix Hildebrand, had a daughter Catherine, who married Jacob Schmuck.

Catherine and Jacob had a son Eli, who was born in York County, married Margaret Felton and had a daughter Agnes, who was born in Indiana in 1849.

Agnes married Levi L. Wilson, and they had a son, John William. He married Minnie Mae Slaughter and they had a daughter Mildred Marie.

Mildred married Winton A. Dean; they were the parents of James Byron Dean.

Possibly some of our Glattfelder relatives already knew of this tie to the family. If any family members know of other such famous Glattfelders, certainly let us know.

Lighting the way

Association president Thomas Shelley has been involved with law enforcement officers for many years. He has seen what good those officers do while also dealing with the tragedies that befall them.

In January, as part of National Law Enforcement Appreciation Day, Shelley honored officers who have fallen in the line of duty by stringing more than 2,500 blue lights on his Loganville, Pa., property.

"It's a public statement of faith," Shelley said in a York Daily Record article.

Shelley said in the article that several of the bulbs could be for officers in York County killed while on duty. Two in particular had their

own bulbs: Northern Regional Officer David Tome and York County Sheriff's Deputy Ed "Skip" Schroeder Jr.

Tome's death struck close to home, being the grandson of one of Shelley's neighbors.

"There is one group of people holding protests saying 'black lives matter.' There is another group of people holding counter-protests saying 'blue lives matter.' What we really need to start saying is: 'All lives matter'," Shelley said.

Stretching far and wide

At the January board meeting, director and webmaster Larry Gladfelter Jr. passed out Google Analytics reports for the association website for the last three months, and pointed out some interesting numbers.

Obviously, the most number of sessions on the site were from the United States. Perhaps surprising was that nine other countries showed up on the list. Canada and Mexico were not too surprising, along with the Glattfelder home country, Switzerland. But others, such as Italy, Russia, Spain and Portugal, were less expected.

Least expected on the list? Brazil. It ranked second to the U.S. for sessions.

That could be an anomaly, but if the Glattfelder line extends there, it would be most interesting to learn how.

A quick look at a few other numbers: Of the 1,097 sessions, 599 users accessed the site using Chrome and 183 used Safari, and 879 got online from their desktop with 146 by mobile device.

Cub Scouts

Again this year, Cub Scout Pack 69 plans to have a camp-out at Heimwald Park the weekend of May 15 – 17. Former board member Bryan Miller assists the Cub Scouts.

In exchange for use of the park, the scouts perform some work there. This time, they will paint the rest of the pavilion posts which were not painted before, and remove fallen branches.

Including the leaders, about 40 people will be involved in this win-win endeavor. Our only costs are the portable toilets and the paint.

Financial Page

In 2014, earnings on our investments were \$ 492 above 2013. The majority of these investments are from the Endowment Fund. This income helps to support the general expenses of Heimwald Park. Our Endowment Fund now stand at \$ 81,761.

General contributions were up \$ 557, but since we did not have a bus trip and did not collect much from merchandise sales, our total income was down by \$ 2,194.

The installation of new rain gutters and toppers for the park pavilions was the most significant cost in 2014. This cost was \$ 3,970 and is included in park maintenance expenses. Since we now have a “paid” webmaster, our website costs also increased. All other expenses were fairly consistent.

With expenses higher than income last year, the Association had a net loss of \$ 2,292 in the General Fund, which stands at \$ 27,377 as of December 31, 2014.

General Fund 2014

Income

Reunion events	\$ 2,357	
Contributions	3,064	
Merchandise proceeds, net	166	
Earnings from investments	5,435	
Total income		\$ 11,022

Expenses

Park maintenance & operating costs	\$ 7,387	
Reunion expenses	2,665	
Postage, printing & website	3,262	
Total expenses		<u>\$ 13,314</u>
Difference		(\$ 2,292)

Bonnie Flaharty, treasurer

Committees

Brick Patio: Philip Glatfelter (Hallam), Nelson Brenneman, John L. Gladfelter, Dean Glatfelter, Jack Gladfelter, Harold Creager

Communication: Larry Gladfelter Jr., Donetta D’Innocenzo, Dallas Smith, Philip Glatfelter (Hallam), Pamela Tuscany-Warren

Development: Larry Gladfelter Sr., Executive Committee members

Historical: Jean Robinson, Christina Glatfelter, Philip Glatfelter (Hallam), Larry Gladfelter Sr., Larry Gladfelter Jr., Jutta Creager

Property: Nelson Brenneman, Ben Miller, John L. Gladfelter, John Shelley, Dean Glatfelter, Curtis Glatfelter

Reunion: Jean Robinson, Judy Martin, Bonnie Flaharty, Bonnie Baim, Dallas Smith, Ben Miller, Donald and Loretta Glatfelter

2015 Directors

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Casper Glattfelder Association of America Merchandise Order Form

Shipping Information			<i>Make check payable to:</i>		
Name			Philip Glatfelter		
Address			430 Charles Circle		
City	State	ZIP	Hallam PA 17406		
Telephone or email			717-751-4833		

Merchandise with the GLATTFELDER COAT OF ARMS (As shown at the top of this order form.)

	Price	Shipping	Quan.	Amount
Embroidered golf shirt <input type="checkbox"/> Yellow <input type="checkbox"/> Granite Blue <input type="checkbox"/> Green <input type="checkbox"/> White <input type="checkbox"/> Gray <input type="checkbox"/> Aqua <input type="checkbox"/> Maroon S M L XL* XXL* Special order: XXXL*	\$ 18.00	\$ 4.00		
Silk-screened golf shirt, white printing on pocket <input type="checkbox"/> Green S L <input type="checkbox"/> Maroon S	13.00	3.00		
Silk-screened pullover sweatshirt, black printing <input type="checkbox"/> Light Gray L <input type="checkbox"/> Dark Gray L	12.00	4.00		
Packaway jacket (light-weight rain jacket) – white with black printing M	15.00	3.00		
T-shirt (different spellings of Glattfelder) <input type="checkbox"/> Maroon <input type="checkbox"/> Navy <input type="checkbox"/> Light Blue <input type="checkbox"/> Ash gray <input type="checkbox"/> Dark green <input type="checkbox"/> Red S M L XL* Special Order: XXL* XXXL*	10.00	3.00		
* Add \$1 for sizes XL, XXL, XXXL				
Baseball cap <input type="checkbox"/> Red <input type="checkbox"/> Dark blue <input type="checkbox"/> Green	15.00	2.00		
Canvas tote bag, 18" x 19" x 4" <input type="checkbox"/> Hot pink <input type="checkbox"/> Turquoise <input type="checkbox"/> Gray <input type="checkbox"/> Red <input type="checkbox"/> Green	10.00	3.00		
Crying or sweat towel, white with blue coat of arms, 11" x 17"	5.00	1.00		
Coat of arms, full color print on parchment paper, 5" x 7"	4.00	.60		
Ceramic mug with Glattfelder crest and 7 spelling variations <input type="checkbox"/> Maroon <input type="checkbox"/> Dark green	4.00 2 for \$6	1.50 2.50		
Postal cards with coat of arms and interpretation of heraldic symbols; pack of 5	1.00	.60		
Notepads, dark blue with white coat of arms, 6" x 8.5"	6.00	1.00		
Clear static cling with red coat of arms, 3" x 3.5"	2.00	.60		

OTHER MERCHANDISE

	Price	Shipping	Quan.	Amount
Blank greeting cards & envelopes, set of 3 ink drawings: old homestead at Glatfelter Station, original Heimwald pavilion, & family's church in Glattfelden, Switzerland	6.00	.60		
Glattfelder emblem (on first page of newsletter) in full color on heavy paper, 5" x 7"	3.00	.60		
Booklet, The Casper Glattfelder Association: The First 100 Years 1906 – 2005 by Dr. Charles H. Glatfelter (2005); 39 pages; 8.5" x 11"	8.00	2.00		
Booklet, The Early Glattfelder Family in America: An Overview by Dr. Charles H. Glatfelter (1993); 59 pages; 5.5" x 8.5"	4.00	1.00		
Illus. book or CD, Glattfelders/Glotfeltys Who Served in the Union Armies in the American Civil War by Patrick T. Smith (2013); 297 pages; 8.5" x 11"	20.00 15.00	4.00 1.00		
Book, The Descendants of Casper Glattfelder (1901) and the 1910 Supplement by Noah M. Glatfelter MD of St. Louis MO; spiral bound reprint; 160 pages combined	10.00	2.50		

Make check payable to: PHILIP GLATFELTER Grand Total \$ _____

Net proceeds from sale of merchandise go to the Casper Glattfelder Association of America

My contribution to the Casper Glattfelder Association

Name _____

Address _____

Telephone _____ General Fund \$ _____

Email** _____ Endowment Fund * \$ _____

Newsletter Donation \$ 5.00

TOTAL \$ _____

* A gift of \$25 or more to the Endowment Fund may be made *in memoriam*.

This gift is in memory of _____

Make check payable to: **Casper Glattfelder Assoc.**

Mail to: Casper Glattfelder Assoc.
c/o Bonnie Flaharty, treasurer
3090 East Prospect Rd.
York PA 17403

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Reminder: The board of directors has requested that everyone receiving this newsletter contribute at least \$5.00 annually to help cover the costs of preparing, printing and mailing the newsletter and the reunion invitation letter.

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Casper Glattfelder Association of America Order Form

Patio Bricks

Name: _____ Date _____

Address: _____
Street or PO Box Town or City State Zip

Telephone: _____ Email address: _____

Please order and place _____ bricks, at **\$75** each = \$_____ Total

May 2, 2015 is the mailing deadline for bricks to be placed for the 2015 reunion.

Make check payable to: **Casper Glattfelder Assoc.**

Mail to: Casper Glattfelder Assoc., 3090 East Prospect Rd., York PA 17402

For further information, contact Philip Glattfelder at 717-751-4833

One name per brick, with **year of birth** or **years of birth and death**.

Be sure to explain briefly how this person **is related to Casper Glattfelder**.

Photocopy this form if you wish to order more than four bricks.

Brick 1

Brick 2

Line 1 _____

Line 2 _____

Line 3 _____

Brick 3

Brick 4

Line 1 _____

Line 2 _____

Line 3 _____
