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### **2018 Reunion**

It was a special weekend, and week leading up to it, for this year's Glattfelder Reunion.

The Anniversary Celebration of 275 years since Casper arrived in America, held July 28-29, included a Saturday bus tour and picnic, and a Sunday program featuring a meal of hog maw and potpie, a historical program presented in a PowerPoint format documenting Casper's arrival in America and his legacy in America, along with a few special guests.

But the Reunion almost didn't happen, at least in the form as it was planned. Nearly five days of heavy rains not only made access to the park extremely questionable, it put the use of the park itself in jeopardy.

However, the Reunion went off with only minor inconveniences. And it turned out to be a great weekend, with comfortable temperatures in the mid-80s and low humidity, similar to, if not better than the previous year.

There were about 40 people on the Saturday bus trip, which began at 9 a.m. from the Glattfelders Station Rail Trail parking lot. More on the bus trip later in the Newsletter.

Reunion-goers then enjoyed the Saturday evening picnic, featuring Sechrist hot dogs with sauerkraut and including entertainment by the Brodbeck's Band.

Sunday, people began arriving about 11:30 a.m., with a meal at 12:30 p.m. By most accounts, the hog maw and potpie were big hits.

Association President Tom Shelley began the program by noting how the Reunion almost did not happen as planned, but would have gone on at the picnic grounds of Salem Lutheran Church in nearby Jacobus. That church was pastored in the early 1900s by Rev. Adam Stump, a name of

great significance to the Glattfelders and the Reunion. Among other contributions, Rev. Stump wrote the lyrics for our reunion hymn, which has been sung at every Reunion since the beginning in 1906.

As he has done for many years, board member Ricky Glattfelder led the singing of the hymn.

Ricky then introduced Debra Krebs of Krouse Travel, who discussed some details of our planned trip to Glattfelden, Switzerland. More on the trip later in the Newsletter.

President Shelley pointed out that numerous dignitaries had been contacted and invited to the Reunion. (Among those were Pennsylvania Governor Tom Wolf, a York County native who has some ancestors buried in the same Wolf's Church cemetery as Casper's son Henry, and the York County Commissioners, including Doug Hoke. Both had expressed some interest in attending until conflicting matters arose.)

One who responded by mail was Pennsylvania Senator Robert Casey Jr., who extended his regards and congratulations on our celebration. "This anniversary is a remarkable milestone and a true testament to your dedication and commitment throughout these many years," Casey wrote. "Thanks to you for all the work you have done and all that you continue to do. I look forward to your continued success."

Two Pennsylvania state representatives from York County did attend: Seth Grove and Kristin Phillips-Hill. Grove represents the district that includes North Codorus Township, in which the Glattfelder Homestead is located, while Phillips-Hill's district includes Springfield Township, in which Heimwald Park is located.

Grove began by showing his appreciation for the wonderful meal, then greeted his "cousins" in

attendance, noting that the Ferree name, which appears in the Glattfelder line, is his mother's maiden name. "Here in York County, we're all related, right?" he joked.

He introduced Phillips-Hill, who noted the Glattfelders' "... incredible family history. Your family has made contributions beyond measure, not just to York County, and to Pennsylvania, but to our nation. And for that, we are truly, truly grateful. And what a blessing, to know who you are and where you come from, and to know that your future continues to be so bright."

She added that she talked to some of the younger attendees, who expressed an interest in public service, then named past contributors from the family, such as Art Glatfelter, a prominent York County businessman; Philip H. Glatfelter, who founded the P.H. Glatfelter papermaking company in Spring Grove; former U.S. Representative Bill Goodling; and former Pennsylvania Governor George Leader.

"So I know that someday we may see yet another name blazoned in our history books," she said. "So thank you so much for all that you've done, all that you continue to do ..."

Grove then presented a certificate of recognition on behalf of the York County Legislative Delegation congratulating the family on its 275th anniversary and the contributions the family has made.

President Shelley then led the memorial service, noting those who had passed away in the last year. They include Bill Goodling; three members of the Brown family -- Stanley, his wife Nona and their son David; Director Emeritus Dean Gladfelter; and Rev. Dr. Dennis Gable, who passed away in January while serving as a member of our board.

The historical program was narrated by historical committee member Jean Robinson, and produced and organized by Jean, Philip Glatfelter, Larry Gladfelter Jr. and Sarah Melcher. The transcript of the program appears later in this Newsletter. A DVD that includes the program is available for sale on the Merchandise Order Form.

Next, President Shelley noted a new addition to the park: a bronze plaque honoring Dr. Noah Miller Glatfelter. More on the plaque presentation appears later in the Newsletter.

The business meeting was called to order by President Shelley, who recognized the board members and the reunion committee for their work in organizing the 275th Anniversary Reunion.

Vice President Judy Martin gave the report of the nominating committee. Board members up for re-election were Jean Robinson, Bonnie Flaharty, Pamela Tuscany-Warren, Stephen Gladfelter and Nelson Brenneman. All except Nelson were willing to serve another three-year term. The nominating committee presented Sarah Melcher to replace Nelson. With no nominations from the floor, nominations were closed and the Secretary was directed to cast a unanimous ballot for the slate of nominees.

President Shelley then recognized two previous board members, John L. Gladfelter and Larry Gladfelter Sr., for their faithful service to the Board, designating them Board Members Emeritus.

Also recognized were two people as honorary Glattfelders, with the board determining that they would be called Honorary Friends of the Association.

Lila Fohrman-Shaull is recognized for her care of our archives housed at the York County History Center, and facilitating the sharing of these treasures at our reunions. Robert Kinsley is noted for his efforts in preserving the family homestead and donations improving Heimwald Park. Without the efforts of Bob and his company having recently rebuilt the drainage system, Heimwald Park may have not been usable after recently receiving over 11 inches of rain in less than a week.

Next year's Reunion will be held Saturday, July 27, 2019, returning to the practice of having the Reunion on Saturday. The board will work on a plan to fit in the best of both the current Saturday and Sunday activities.

The business meeting was then adjourned.

Ben Miller, President of the Glattfelder Education Fund, reported on the Nathan Glattfelder and Ives Bricker Scholarship, which was created from a bequest by Charles A. Bricker. The guidelines of the bequest state that only the income on the principal may be used for awarding scholarships. With the recent performance of the investment leaving the fund

short of its mark for 2019, there are no current recipients.

But congratulations were extended to last year's recipients, who both graduated. Matthew Gaikema graduated from Texas A&M, and Truly Sanders graduated from Portland State and has been admitted to the University of Washington's online MLIS program and will begin graduate work in the fall.

Prizes were then awarded. They went to Pauline Gladfelter Garner, the oldest in attendance at 99; Cameron Schott, the youngest in attendance at 11; John Garner and family, who traveled the farthest, coming from Tacoma, Washington; and Peg Pecher, who received the Registrar's prize for being a first-time attendee, accepted by her brother, Tom Clodfelter.

The reunion ended with the closing song.



Pavilion at Heimwald Park

### **Summer board meeting**

The meeting was held August 25 at the Smith Homestead in Jacobus, with 11 members in attendance and three more via teleconference, plus future board member Sarah Melcher.

With President Tom Shelley excused, Vice-President Judy Martin opened the meeting at 10:01 a.m.

All members of the executive committee -- President Tom Shelley, Vice-President Judy Martin, Treasurer Bonnie Flaharty, Assistant Treasurer Dallas Smith and Secretary Larry Gladfelter Jr. -- have agreed to continue to serve. Their re-election passed unanimously.

Philip Glatfelter reported some disappointing news for the brick patio committee. At the time of the Reunion, as well as the Board Meeting, the brick order, which had been placed in May, had yet to be delivered. More on the brick patio later in the Newsletter.

There is currently no chairperson for the development committee, but in that area, Sarah asked about PayPal and Facebook endeavors. Both will be pursued.

For the historical committee, Phil asked about a Park Beautification fundraising page on our website. We do not currently have a page dedicated to that. See more on the subject later in the Newsletter.

Nelson Brenneman, reporting for the property committee, noted that a larger, permanent sign is needed to make those wanting to use the Glatfelters Station Rail Trail parking lot aware that it is reserved for the Reunion the last weekend of July. The board will discuss this at the winter meeting.

Nelson said that some trees need to be trimmed for sight lines at the driveway entrance. Also, a tree recently fell on the power line to the park, and Met-Ed removed some trees when repairing the line. In addition, Environmental Concepts landscapers and one of Kinsley's crews trimmed some other trees.

For the reunion committee, Judy noted that Esther Brenneman Clark will not be able to drive the shuttle van next year. So we need to find a new volunteer to be our shuttle van driver.

Judy also said she was very pleased with the festivities and that all went very well. The program was very well received, especially with the historical program that included photos in the PowerPoint presentation.

Gary Parrish, who catered the event with a fine meal of hog maw and potpie, said he is looking forward to what our Association may have in store for him next year. (We welcome your suggestions for picnic and lunch items.)

Many ideas have been put forward for the 2019 reunion, which will be discussed at the next meeting.

For the Education Fund, Ben Miller reported that everything is currently on hold, as noted on the website, so there have been no scholarship requests. The Dr. Charles H. Glatfelter Scholarship had two applicants: Andrew Gaikema and Kayla Flemmens. Kayla is an education major and received the \$1,000 scholarship. She also received the Larry and Lois Gladfelter Endowed Scholarship awarded to Messiah College students.

Rick Gladfelter reported on the trip to Glattfelden. (See **Trip to Switzerland** later in the Newsletter.)

In new business, an appointment to fill the unexpired position left by Dennis Gable, who passed away in January, was needed, and John Shelley, son of Association President Tom Shelley, expressed interest. It was moved and passed unanimously that John assume the unexpired term.

The next meeting is January 12, 2019.

### **Saturday bus trip**

Approximately 40 Glattfelder descendants took this year's bus trip on Saturday, July 28, starting at the Heimwald Park parking lot.



The stops included Bupp's Union cemetery, where Casper and his son Felix are believed to be buried, along with several descendants. In 1954, the Casper Glattfelder Association of America placed a tombstone for Casper, and did the same for Felix in 2005.



Bupps Union Cemetery

Next stop was Friedensaal Lutheran ("White") Church, where Casper's son John and nine grandchildren are buried. As with Felix, the

### **Celebrating Casper coming to America**

This year's Reunion theme was celebrating the 275th anniversary of Casper Glattfelder coming to America. The weekend program included a bus trip to various family historical sites, new merchandise

Association placed a tombstone for John in the church cemetery in 2005. One of the tombstones located there is for fourth-generation Glattfelder Jonathan, who in 1859 dictated what he knew about the Glattfelder family. Jonathan's son Noah used this information to produce his history of the family.

Then it was on to St. Peter's ("Yellow") Church, which we believe is the church to which Casper and his family belonged and where the younger Casper is buried. Lutheran and Reformed congregations built the church in 1783. The baptisms of 27 of Casper's grandchildren are entered in the church's registry. The younger Casper's tombstone was the third placed by the Association in 2005.

The homesteads of both the younger Casper and another son, Michael, were near the bus route. The next stop was for lunch at Brown's Orchards, which includes property that Michael owned. Margaret Brown, who was the wife of business founder Earl Brown, was a Glattfelder descendant.

Everyone enjoyed the tasty lunch at the popular orchard and farm market.

The last stop before returning to Heimwald was at the York Colonial Complex for several hours of activities at York Colonial Day.

Another planned stop on the tour, Wolf's Church, was cancelled due to the flooding on Route 616. Wolf's is the burial place of Casper's son Henry, whose tombstone is an original (along with wife Margaret).

At Heimwald, reunion-goers were able to view the Glattfelder Homestead, just a short walk from the Glattfelders Station Rail Trail parking lot. Felix, Casper's first-born son, inherited the family homestead, and sometime between 1800 and 1815 built the current stone house.

Our Association friend, Bob Kinsley, remodeled the house after purchasing it in 1991 and currently rents it out. Kinsley, a major York-area contractor, has contributed to several Association projects at Heimwald Park and owns the land around the park.

items, the Sunday lunch of hog maw and potpie and a historical program featuring a PowerPoint presentation documenting the arrival of Casper in America and the legacy he established here.

Historical committee member Jean Robinson presented the following historical program. (A video of the Sunday program is available for sale on our website.)

“We are gathered here at Heimwald Park, much as the descendants of Casper Glattfelder have done for over 100 years. But there is a little more to celebrate today as we mark the arrival of our immigrant ancestor in America, 275 years ago.

“While we are mainly concerned with Casper in America, we'll take a brief look at his forbears. Perhaps it is appropriate that the first reliable evidence occurred on this day in 1570 with the marriage of Adam Glattfelder to Verena Sigi, who were likely Casper's great-great-great grandparents. They were followed by Hans and Margret, married in 1596; Joachim and Anna; Felix and Barbara; and Casper's parents, also named Felix and Barbara, who were married on Jan. 22, 1695.

“Casper was born in 1709 and baptized on July 25 -- we do not know the exact date of his birth. He was one of eight children, with Casper and John Peter the only sons to reach adulthood. Casper married Elisabeth Laufer on April 3, 1731, and they had seven children, with four dying in infancy.

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“In the 1700s, many Germans and Swiss were inspired to seek new lives in the new world. As we know, among them was Casper.

“In 1743, the family joined others from Glattfelden, Switzerland, in making the trip down the Rhine River to Rotterdam. There, they boarded the ship Francis and Elizabeth, which may have looked similar to the ship in this photo, and traveled the 3,000 miles to America, disembarking in Philadelphia on August 30, 1743.

“Along with Casper were several children of his brother, John Peter, who passed away in Switzerland before the family could embark for America. Casper's wife and son John apparently died on the voyage to America or very soon thereafter. Solomon was the lone son who survived the voyage.

“Within a month after arriving in America, Casper, along with brother-in-law Henry Walter, purchased a tract of land in what is today Newberry Township in northeastern York County for 66 pounds, 10 shillings. Three years later, they sold that land as they searched and found an area of York County that reminded them of home. The two claimed land along the south branch of the Codorus Creek, which you can see around us today. The survey made for Casper in 1770 referred to the tract as Beaver Dam; Henry's was called Crooked Meadow.

“Numerous Glattfelder descendants who have visited Glattfelden, Switzerland, have remarked at the similarity of the land along the Codorus Creek and the area around Glattfelden.

“Soon after arriving in America, Casper remarried. With Anna Maria, whose maiden name we don't know, he had six sons (including one, Jacob, who died young). Most Glattfelders trace their roots through one of the sons: Solomon, who was born in 1738 in Switzerland, or Felix, John, Henry, Michael or Casper, born between 1747 and 1758 in York County. We have no record of daughters to his second marriage, though his will indicates there were some.

“An inventory of Casper's estate, made in 1775, reveals that he was a farmer, as well as a carpenter or cabinetmaker. He also took on duties assigned by the county as a road supervisor and a constable, which were of one-year terms.

“Casper was baptized into the Swiss Reformed church. In York County, there was only one German Reformed minister for many years, Jacob Lischy, who baptized at least three of Casper's children. For some years, the Glattfelders considered themselves members of the Reformed congregation in York, and they may have helped organize the Reformed congregation at Shuster's Church.

“Casper died in 1775, at age 66, here in York County, not long before the beginning of the American Revolution. A tombstone placed by our association in 1954 marks his likely burial spot in Bupp's Union cemetery near here. His sons and their descendants -- Casper had at least 55 grandchildren -- spread

across the county, the state, the country and the world. As the descendants spread to various locations, the Glattfelder name also took on various spellings.

“While Casper was not alive for America's fight for independence, numerous relatives were and did join the fight, with descendants also putting their lives on the line for all of America's battles, which were documented in recent reunion programs.

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“Solomon, who was baptized Feb. 23, 1738, is buried in Salisbury in southwestern Pennsylvania, with many of his line having settled in that area and in northern Maryland. Most of their names were and are spelled Glotfelty.

“A new tombstone for Solomon was placed in 2005.

“Felix, the first son born to Casper in America about 1747, inherited the family homestead and enlarged it over the 40 years he owned it. The stone house, which he built sometime between 1800 and his death in 1815, still stands here across the meadow. Anybody today is welcome to walk across the meadow and take a look at the house. It replaced a log or frame house that was standing on the property at the time of the federal direct tax in 1798.

“Among our merchandise items today is a Cat's Meow replica of the homestead.

“Felix married Maria Elizabeth Rennoll, and they had 10 children. A tombstone placed at Bupp's Union by the Association in 2005 marks the probable site of Felix's grave.

“One of the oldest surviving artifacts of Glattfelder interest is a bible located in the Glatfelter Room at the Lancaster Theological Seminary. It belonged to Felix's son Jacob, who left York County in 1800. The bible, which was printed in Ephrata, near Lancaster, in 1795, eventually made its way to our Association. The CGAA gave the bible to the seminary in 1991 to place in the Glatfelter Room. The room was named in honor of former Association president Rev. J. Richard Glatfelter, who was a seminary graduate and administrator.

“John was baptized July 30, 1751, along with twin son Jacob, who died young. John purchased a farm in what is now Springfield Township and reared his family on the 240-acre tract, located near Friedensaal's (or "White") Church, which was another stop on the bus trip yesterday. John and his wife Catherine, whose maiden name is unknown, had eight children. He is buried in that same cemetery, with the Association also placing a tombstone for him in 2005.

“Henry, who was born Aug. 13, 1752, bought a 139-acre farm in Springfield Township east of Bupp's Union Cemetery in 1782. In 1802, he bought from his brother-in-law a farm near Stoverstown, where he died in 1833. Henry married Margaret Heilman, and the two had eight children. He was the last surviving son of Casper and is buried at Wolf's Church north of here.

“Michael bought a farm in 1781 in what is now Springfield Township and sits on property now owned by Brown's Orchards and Farm Market, which was our stop for lunch on the bus trip. While the Browns are currently caretakers of Michael's former homestead, there is further significance because the wife of orchard founder Earl Brown, Margaret, was a Glattfelder descendant through Felix. Sadly, three of Earl's kin -- son Stan, Stan's wife Nona and their son David -- passed away within the past year.

“Michael and his family lived there for 28 years before moving to Washington County, in western Pennsylvania. He married Anna Maria Hesson on Sept. 5, 1780, and they had seven children. The exact date of Michael's birth is unknown, but he died in 1824 and is buried in western Pennsylvania. His estate papers refer to him as Michael Clodfelter.

“The younger Casper, born in 1758, also purchased a farm in what is now Springfield Township in 1785. He purchased the land from Jacob Kersh, who is believed to be the father of Casper's wife, Maria Eva. Casper and Maria Eva had 13 children, most of whom left York County. When he died in 1823, Casper owned 174 acres. He is buried at St. Peter's "Yellow" Church and his was the third marker placed by the association in 2005.

“Among the more precious items in our Association archives is a worship book dated 1801 that was bequeathed by the elder Casper to his youngest son.

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“One of the great themes in American history is the movement of people into new lands. Casper had at least 55 grandchildren, most of whom were born after his death, and many left York County in search of better opportunities. In fact, the emigration actually began with Solomon.

“Among the descendants of note are former Pennsylvania Governor George Leader; former U.S. Representative Bill Goodling; former Temple University president Millard Glatfelter; Arthur J. Glatfelter, who was well-known in York County for his insurance agency and philanthropy, and was a major contributor to our Association; and Philip H. Glatfelter, who founded the P.H. Glatfelter paper mill in Spring Grove in 1864 and for whom Glatfelter Hall at Gettysburg College is named.

“All have passed away and aren't here with us today, but all, except Philip, were here at the 250th Anniversary Reunion in 1993, and appear on the video of that celebration, which can be seen on a laptop in the Historical Building and is available for sale.

“While all but Philip, who didn't attend the first reunion in 1906 and passed away before the second, appeared at reunions at one time or another, many other descendants of Casper and his sons have been coming to York County for over 100 years, to a park within sight of the old homestead at Glatfelters Station: Heimwald Park. As Dr. Charles H. Glatfelter, a York County native, longtime Association board member, past president and historian, would say about those attending a reunion for the first time, they're returning home, to Heimwald, the ‘home woods.’

“Dr. Charles put many, many hours into the Association. He furthered the historical research begun by Dr. Noah Glatfelter, who was born, and became a teacher in, York County, before going on to serve in the Civil War, become a doctor in St. Louis and a renowned botanist, and wrote an early family history in 1901. Both Dr. Charles and Dr. Noah, as of today, have plaques honoring them here at the park.

“In 1906, three Glatfelter descendants, Rev. Adam Stump, Samuel Glatfelter and Granville Glatfelter, ‘a self-constituted committee’ as they called themselves, began plans for a reunion, the first of which was held September 8, 1906, in woods on the property of James Messersmith, not far from here near Loganville. By all accounts, including by the editor of the Glen Rock Item newspaper, who estimated that there were 1,200 in attendance, it was a success. By newspaper accounts, the largest attendance was nearly 2,500 in 1919.

“The reunion's location from 1907-1912 was on the property of Solomon Falkenstine, located just north of here. In 1907, ‘the scene was a remarkable one for this or any other county of the state,’ one York newspaper reported.

“The railroad tracks that run along the York County Heritage Rail Trail were in use during the time of the early reunions, and a report in the 1907 Glen Rock Item estimated that about 500 people came to the reunion by train.

“Heimwald Park was purchased in 1913, from Martin Glatfelter, one of the Association's directors, on land that was owned initially by Casper's brother-in-law, Henry Walter. The reunions have been held here ever since.

“Reporting on the 1913 reunion, the York newspapers declared that, ‘so far as is known, the Casper Glatfelter Association of America is the only organization of its kind in the United States today incorporated and owning its own meeting ground.’ It is possible the same can be said today.

“In his book, *The Casper Glatfelter Association of America: The First 100 Years*, Dr. Charles wrote, ‘Anyone who has attended many reunions and studies the registration book long enough will repeatedly encounter many familiar names. As a result, faces and personalities will return to mind: a reunion leader; someone who sang a solo or delivered a recitation; a person remembered for nothing more dramatic than coming year after year to reunions, and just being there; the spouse of a Glatfelter, who over a period of time has become one in fact as well as name; or a seventh, eighth or ninth generation Glatfelter for whom the annual return to Heimwald is a given.’

“Thank you for coming today, for the 113th reunion, to celebrate our Glatfelter heritage, and to honor our immigrant ancestor, Casper, who came to America in 1743, 275 years ago.”

## President's Message

Most years, this fall newsletter arrives just before the American Thanksgiving holiday. The origin of the feast was a meal shared between the European settlers of the Massachusetts Bay Colony and the Native Americans whose agricultural wisdom helped to ensure a bountiful harvest.

Attention to the role of Native Americans has increased in recent weeks through the controversial DNA test results publicized by Massachusetts Senator Elizabeth Warren, which indicate that she may have some Native American ancestry. The precise percentage would, of course, depend on the number of generations she is removed from that ancestor.

Ancestral affinity is determined by geometric progression, by the powers of two. We have two parents, who in turn had two parents; thus, we all have four grandparents, eight great-grandparents, etc. The percentage of bloodline thus decreases with each generation from a half to a quarter to an eighth and so on.

Thus, for many of us in the eighth or ninth generation from Casper, our Swiss blood is 1/64th or 1/128th. And depending on the generation, there are 63 or 127 other ancestors who can assert the same claim.

The mathematics also implies that, as the ancestral generations expand, the number of possibilities of centuries-old calamities, which could have jeopardized our very existence, increases. What would have happened if the ship Francis and Elizabeth had capsized in the open Atlantic?

Our 275th Reunion program was one of the catalysts for my "what if" speculations. For the first time, I was able to identify the land first settled by the Glattfelder refugees in Newberry Township, York County. As we know, the Swiss immigrants did not stay there long. For me, that is a very good thing.

My lineal paternal ancestry has been traced to Jacob Zschille, who was baptized in Leipzig, Germany, in 1696. He settled in East Hempfield Township, Lancaster County, in the 1740s. His son moved to an island in the Susquehanna River directly west of the infamous Three Mile Island. Shelley Island remained in the family for generations until it was bought by the power company.

The generations expanded along both banks of the Susquehanna River, intermarrying with such early northern York County families as the Garretsons, Crulls and Prowells. But not Glattfelders -- they had long departed from the north bank of the Conewago Creek to the South Branch of the Codorus Creek. For all of us, that is a very good thing.

Considering the fragility of our existence at this time of Thanksgiving, let us be mindful of the words of the Psalmist, "It is a good thing to give thanks unto the Lord and to sing praise to your name, O Most High!"

*J. Thomas Shelley*

### Anniversary and other merchandise

As part of this year's celebration of Casper Glattfelder coming to America 275 years ago, several new merchandise items were added, including golf shirts and T-shirts with the 275th Anniversary logo; Anniversary pins; and Anniversary tote bags.

In addition to items featuring the Anniversary logo, we introduced three new items: Cat's Meow replicas of the Homestead and the Heimwald Park pavilion, and Christmas cards featuring the Homestead.

Also available for sale at this year's Reunion were DVDs of the 250th Anniversary. Those are still available, along with a DVD of this year's Sunday program, and of past Reunions.

In addition, printed programs from past Reunions can be purchased. Contact Philip Glattfelder at 717-968-4577 or at [glattfelderph@aol.com](mailto:glattfelderph@aol.com) to find out which years are available. Cost is \$1.50 each, including postage.

With the Christmas holiday not far away, many of the items would make wonderful Christmas presents. What better way to say Merry Christmas

to your Glattfelder relatives and friends than with a card featuring the Glattfelder Homestead.

And, since all proceeds go to the Casper Glattfelder Association of America, you'll be helping the Association as it continues its mission of maintaining Heimwald Park and organizing each year's Reunion.

So check out what is available on the enclosed merchandise list. Contact Philip with any questions.

### **Trip to Switzerland**

One of the highlights for many Glattfelder descendants over the years has been visiting the homeland, Glattfelden, Switzerland. Some have done that on their own; others have been part of trips organized by the Association.

Such is the case again, as a Glattfelder Family Trip is being offered for 2019. Debra Krebs of Krouse Travel (a Glattfelder descendant on her mother's side through Felix) offered information for the trip at this year's Reunion. As of the writing of the Newsletter, 17 have signed up for the trip. Reservations will be accepted at least through November 30, with a \$300 deposit required.

The cost of the trip is an estimated \$4,600, including airfare, hotels, daily breakfast, one lunch, four dinners and transportation to the airport for those leaving from the York area.

Briefly, the 10-day trip, from August 31-September 9, 2019, includes scenic views of the mountains, lakes and towns of Switzerland, Zurich, St. Moritz, Lake Geneva, the Alps, northern Italy and the principality of Liechtenstein. A special lunch at a traditional Swiss working farm in Berne and a trip to the top of Mount Pilatus to enjoy heavenly views are some other highlights.

And of course, on the final day of the tour, you will visit our "home town" of Glattfelden, less than 20 miles north of Zurich.

For more information on the trip, email Debra Krebs at Krouse Travel ([dkrebs@krousetravel.com](mailto:dkrebs@krousetravel.com)) or call 717-515-8448. Information is also available on our website, [www.glattfelder.org](http://www.glattfelder.org).

### **Honoring Dr. Noah**

The idea of placing various plaques at Heimwald Park had been raised a few times over the years. Most recently, upon sifting through the association's archives, historical committee member

Philip Glattfelder mentioned at a past board meeting that there had been correspondence with several of Dr. Noah Miller Glattfelder's descendants that included talk of a plaque for Dr. Noah.

At last year's reunion, Philip broached the subject with one of Dr. Noah's descendants, Sarah Melcher, and soon the ball started rolling.

Sarah, Dr. Noah's great-great granddaughter, and her father, Albert Melcher, spearheaded the effort and it came to fruition. At this year's Reunion, the plaque was presented during the Sunday program.

Sarah, who will join the Association's Board of Directors in January, gave a short talk about Dr. Noah and the plaque.

"Noah, as a young man, had been given a number of spider diagrams ... that his father Jonathan had given to him," she said. "They were the actual family tree, drawn out on some paper. And Noah had had that for a very long time."

"Late in his life, he was living in St. Louis and pulled out these family trees, and said, 'I have to do something with these. I'm the only one who has this knowledge from Jonathan.' From that, he put together the book that is the first source of the documentation of the Glattfelder family."

Along with his informative book, Dr. Noah was a big part of the formation of the Reunion and the Association.

A video of the presentation and Sarah's talk at this year's Reunion appears on our website. Dr. Noah's book, with the 1910 supplement, is available on the merchandise order form.

Although the plaque was still not in place by our August 25 board meeting, our Association friend Bob Kinsley came through once again and the plaque was placed soon thereafter. It now appropriately stands next to Dr. Charles H. Glattfelder's plaque, honoring the two most prominent historians in our family.

### **Park beautification**

As part of the 275th Anniversary celebration of Casper Glattfelder coming to America this year, the Association made numerous improvements to the park, along with the usual upkeep -- which, obviously, only continues to get more expensive.

The first beautification project at the park was landscaping, performed by Environmental Concepts. Fortunately, that work was covered

entirely by a generous gift from the Glatfelter Insurance Group, which was the business begun by one of our more supportive Association directors, the late Arthur J. Glatfelter Jr.

The second part of the “beautification” was probably what allowed the Reunion to be held at Heimwald Park, instead of elsewhere. Thanks to Bob Kinsley, the drainage system that his company installed kept the park grounds from becoming a soggy mess as the area received more than 11 inches of rain the week before Reunion Weekend.

Bob’s crew also did a marvelous job of rolling the driveway and fixing the drainage there. It would have been nearly impassable without major work.

While that work was performed at less than cost, it was not free. In accordance with past practices for major capital improvements, we paid the Kinsley bill, over \$6,000, by borrowing from the Endowment Fund. That fund must now be replenished, and the restoration will require more than just a couple of dozen patio bricks per year.

Every newsletter includes a form with opportunities for donating. The long dormant “Park Beautification” item is revived so that gifts may be designated for the projects which helped to make our 275th Anniversary a success.

### **Brick Patio**

Since 1993, when the Association came up with the idea of placing a brick patio with inscribed bricks at Heimwald Park, we have placed over 1,200 inscribed bricks on the 5,000-plus brick patio.

This year was one of the few that our brick order was not received in time for the reunion. In fact, the order did not arrive until over a month later. The Association, along with numerous reunion-goers anxious to see their placed bricks at this year’s Reunion, were quite disappointed in the situation. We have already moved on to another brick company, which has expressed an interest in providing our bricks and has assured us that it can get them to us in a timely manner.

While the recent order, which includes new inscriptions and replacements with updated death dates or for damaged bricks, was not able to be viewed at this year’s Reunion, they were placed in September.

An updated chart of the brick patio will soon appear on the Association website, along with an explanation of the layout of the named bricks.

The deadline for ordering bricks for next year’s Reunion is May 10, 2019. Cost remains \$75 (see enclosed order form). For more information, contact Philip Glatfelter, 430 Charles Circle, Hallam, PA 17406, call (717) 968-4577 or e-mail to [glatfelterph@aol.com](mailto:glatfelterph@aol.com).

### **Scholarships**

As noted in the first section of this newsletter, the Education Fund will not be awarding any scholarships for the 2018-2019 school year. According to the guidelines for the Nathan Glatfelter and Ives Bricker Scholarship, awards may be made only from the income, and not from the principal.

Check the website for changes. Inquiries concerning the scholarship must be emailed to [scholarship@glatfelter.org](mailto:scholarship@glatfelter.org).

Another scholarship, The Dr. Charles H. Glatfelter Scholarship, was awarded for the first time in 2018, going to Kayla Flemmens. The scholarship is set up through the Adams County Community Foundation, and a report from ACCF indicates that two scholarships may be available in 2019.

The scholarship is open to all students, though it was set up with Glatfelter descendants in mind. For more on the scholarship, visit either our Association or the ACCF website.

A third scholarship, The Larry and Lois Gladfelter Endowed Scholarship, is also available.

### **Obituaries**

Members of the Association’s historical committee continue to track family members and accumulate corresponding obituaries. However, the list of deaths for reunion programs will be limited to those that include the most common Glatfelter names in their obituaries; other names will be listed by request. To do so, mail obituaries to the Association at PO Box A, Jacobus, PA17407, or email Jean Robinson ([jrobinson2344@comcast.net](mailto:jrobinson2344@comcast.net)) or Philip Glatfelter ([glatfelterph@aol.com](mailto:glatfelterph@aol.com)).



# Casper Glattfelder Association of America Merchandise Order Form

<b>Ship to:</b>		
<b>Address</b>		
<b>City</b>	<b>State</b>	<b>ZIP</b>
<b>Telephone or email</b>		

**Pay to: Philip Glattfelder**  
**430 Charles Circle**  
**Hallam PA 17406**  
**717-968-4577**

<i>275th Anniversary Items</i>	Price	Shipping	Quan.	Amount
<b>Golf shirt</b> , embroidered 275 <sup>th</sup> anniversary logo, no pocket <input type="checkbox"/> Red L XL 2XL <input type="checkbox"/> California blue S M XL 2XL <input type="checkbox"/> Black XL (2XL is \$22.00)	\$20.00	\$ 5.00		
<b>T-shirt</b> , 275 <sup>th</sup> anniversary logo <input type="checkbox"/> Red 2XL XL L M S <input type="checkbox"/> California blue XL (2XL is \$13.00)	11.00	4.00		
<b>Tote bag</b> , 275 <sup>th</sup> anniversary logo <input type="checkbox"/> Kelly green <input type="checkbox"/> Navy <input type="checkbox"/> Hot pink <input type="checkbox"/> Red	10.00	4.00		
<b>Cat's Meow replica</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Glattfelder homestead <input type="checkbox"/> Heimwald Park Pavilion	18.00	6.00		
<b>275<sup>th</sup> anniversary pin</b> 3 for \$3.50	1.50	2.00		
<b>DVD: 113<sup>th</sup> Reunion with 275<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Theme (2018)</b>	10.00	3.00		
<b>Christmas card</b> with Glattfelder homestead drawing 5 for \$9.00, 10 for \$16.00	2.00	2.00		

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

<b>Golf shirt</b> , embroidered coat of arms, no pocket <input type="checkbox"/> Light Blue XL <input type="checkbox"/> White M L XL <input type="checkbox"/> Ash Gray S M XL <input type="checkbox"/> Maroon L XL <input type="checkbox"/> Tan L <input type="checkbox"/> Green L <input type="checkbox"/> California blue XL 2 for \$29.00	\$16.00	\$ 5.00 2 / 8.00		
<b>Golf shirt</b> , embroidered coat of arms with pocket <input type="checkbox"/> Green L XL <input type="checkbox"/> Maroon L XL <input type="checkbox"/> Light blue L XL	22.00	5.00		
<b>Golf shirt</b> , silk screen on pocket PRICE REDUCED <input type="checkbox"/> Green S L <input type="checkbox"/> Maroon S	6.00 2 / \$10	3.00 2 / 4.00		
<b>Sweatshirt</b> with coat of arms Light gray S M L XL (XL is \$20.00)	18.00	6.00		
<b>T-shirt</b> with coat of arms <input type="checkbox"/> Military green S M L XL 2XL <input type="checkbox"/> Red M L XL <input type="checkbox"/> California blue S M L XL (2XL is \$13.00 + \$6.00 shipping)	11.00	4.00		
<b>T-shirt</b> (6 different spellings of Glattfelder) PRICE REDUCED <input type="checkbox"/> Red M XL <input type="checkbox"/> Ash gray S L XL <input type="checkbox"/> Maroon S M L <input type="checkbox"/> Dark green S M	6.00 2 / \$7	4.00 2 / \$6.00		
<b>T-shirt</b> (8 different spellings of Glattfelder) <input type="checkbox"/> Dark green S M L XL 2XL <input type="checkbox"/> Light blue S <input type="checkbox"/> Red S XL <input type="checkbox"/> Maroon L XL <input type="checkbox"/> Navy XL (2XL is \$13.00 + \$6.00 shipping)	11.00	4.00		
<b>Baseball cap</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Red <input type="checkbox"/> Green	12.00	4.00		
<b>Tote bag</b> with coat of arms <input type="checkbox"/> Green <input type="checkbox"/> Gray <input type="checkbox"/> Turquoise <input type="checkbox"/> Red	8.00	3.00		
<b>Ballpoint pen</b> , printed with <i>Glattfelder Reunion</i> & website address <input type="checkbox"/> Red <input type="checkbox"/> Green <input type="checkbox"/> Blue <input type="checkbox"/> Black	.50 3 / \$1	.50		
<b>Coat of arms</b> , full color print on parchment paper, 5" x 7" PRICE REDUCED	3.00	1.00		

<b>Ceramic mug</b> with Glattfelder crest, 6 spelling variations & website <input type="checkbox"/> Blue <input type="checkbox"/> Dark green	PRICE REDUCED	2 / \$5 3 / \$7	2 / 3.00 3 / 4.00		
<b>Ceramic mug</b> with Glattfelder crest, 8 spelling variations & website <input type="checkbox"/> Blue <input type="checkbox"/> Dark green	(\$5.00 each + \$3.00 shipping)	2 / \$8 3 / \$11	2 / 4.00 3 / 5.00		
<b>Notepad</b> with coat of arms, 6" x 8.5"    Dark blue	PRICE REDUCED	4.00	2.00		
<b>Static cling</b> , clear, with red coat of arms, 3" x 3.5"	PRICE REDUCED	2.00 2 / \$3 3 / \$4	1.00		

### *Other Merchandise*

Blank <b>greeting cards</b> & envelopes, set of 3 ink drawings: old homestead at Glatfelter Station, original Heimwald pavilion, & family church in Glattfelden, Switzerland		3.00 2 / \$5	1.00		
<b>Postal cards</b> with coat of arms and its interpretation		3 / \$1 10 / \$3	1.00		
<b>Glattfelder emblem</b> (on first page of newsletter) in full color on heavy paper, 5"x 7"		2.00 2 / \$3	1.00		
Booklet: <b>The Casper Glattfelder Association: The First 100 Years 1906 – 2005</b> by Dr. Charles H. Glatfelter (2005); 39 pages; 8.5" x 11"		7.00	3.00		
Booklet: <b>The Early Glattfelder Family in America: An Overview</b> by Dr. Charles H. Glatfelter (1993); 59 pages; 5.5" x 8.5"		7.00	3.00		
Book: <b>The Descendants of Casper Glattfelder</b> (1901) and the <b>1910 Supplement</b> by Noah M. Glatfelter, MD of St. Louis, MO; spiral bound reprint; 160 pages total		10.00	3.00		
DVD: <b>250<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Reunion</b> (1993)		10.00	3.00		
DVD: <b>A Visit to Glattfelden, Switzerland</b>		10.00	3.00		
DVD: <b>Switzerland Plus</b>		10.00	3.00		
DVD: <b>106<sup>th</sup> Reunion with Revolutionary War Theme</b> (2011)		10.00	3.00		
DVD: <b>107<sup>th</sup> Reunion with War of 812 Theme</b> (2012)		10.00	3.00		
DVD: <b>108<sup>th</sup> Reunion with Civil War Theme</b> (2013)		10.00	3.00		
DVD: <b>109<sup>th</sup> Reunion with Spanish American &amp; WW I Theme</b> (2014)		10.00	3.00		
DVD: <b>110<sup>th</sup> Reunion with WW II Theme</b> (2015)		10.00	3.00		
DVD: <b>111<sup>th</sup> Reunion with Cold War Theme</b> (2016)		10.00	3.00		
DVD: <b>112<sup>th</sup> Reunion with John Peter Glattfelder Theme</b> (2017)		10.00	3.00		
DVD: <b>113<sup>th</sup> Reunion with 275<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Theme</b> (2018)		10.00	3.00		
DVD: <b>Celebration of the Life of Arthur Glatfelter</b> (2013)		7.00	3.00		
DVD: <b>A Conversation with Congressman William Goodling</b> (2012)		7.00	3.00		
DVD: <b>160<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Reenactment of Rebel Raid on Hanover Junction</b> (2013)		7.00	3.00		
<b>Make check payable to: <u>PHILIP GLATFELTER</u></b>		<b>Grand Total \$ _____</b>			



# 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 10** is the mailing deadline for bricks to be placed for the 2019 reunion.  
Make check payable to: **Casper Glattfelder Assoc.**  
Mail to: Bonnie Flaharty, treasurer, 30 New Village Greene Dr., Honey Brook PA 19344

For further information, contact Philip Glattfelder at 717-968-4577

- 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 \_\_\_\_\_

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Line 2 \_\_\_\_\_

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Line 3 \_\_\_\_\_

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### Brick 3

### Brick 4

Line 1 \_\_\_\_\_

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Line 2 \_\_\_\_\_

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Line 3 \_\_\_\_\_

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## My contribution to the Casper Glattfelder Association

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_ General Fund \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Email\*\* \_\_\_\_\_ Endowment Fund \* \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Newsletter Donation \$ 5.00

Park Beautification \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**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  
30 New Village Greene Dr.  
Honey Brook PA 19344

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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