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### ***Mid-Winter Board Meeting***

The meeting was held January 16 at the Smith Homestead in Jacobus, Pa. President Tom Shelley called the meeting to order and gave opening remarks of remembrance for board member Dennis Gable's mother, Verna Gable, and for Loretta Glattfelder, wife of former board member Donald Glattfelder, and mother of former board member Donetta D'Innocenzo.

*Editor's note:* We again pass along condolences to Rev. Dr. Dennis Gable, whose wife Patricia passed away March 24. We also extend condolences to Director Steve Glattfelder upon the recent death of his father, Laverne, whom we honored at the 2015 reunion as a WWII veteran and as the oldest person in attendance. Please keep Dennis, Steve and their families in your prayers.

Vice President Judy Martin, reporting for the Executive Committee, presented the 2016 budget for the board to review. She also gave out committee assignments.

Philip Glattfelder reported for the Brick Patio Committee. They added two sets of bricks in 2015, one prior to the reunion and a second in the fall that included corrected bricks and replacements for damaged bricks.

Jean Robinson and Philip, reporting for the Historical Committee, encouraged board members to visit the archives located at the York County Heritage Trust library in downtown York. Jean and Philip continue to organize and file items.

The theme for this year's reunion program, *Welcome Home*, will recognize family members who served in Vietnam and Korea. Also, in

2018 we will celebrate our family's 275th year in this country, so we will soon start planning the 2018 reunion program.

There was much discussion on park cleanup and repair/maintenance. Suggestions were made to remove trees and brush along the park road and on the park grounds, and to improve the drainage gutter along the park road, including removing leaves and debris.

There is also a need to address the drain field that runs along the eastern edge of the park, starting adjacent to the pavilion and running to the back (northern) end of the park.

The suggestion was made to plant a few flowers around the pavilion for reunion day. There is a Park Beautification Fund that we decided should be revisited, and that we should try to spark interest in collecting funds for park maintenance and beautification.

Handicap accessibility also needs to be improved. One such improvement in that area would be replacing the stoned area between the pavilion floors with concrete.

We could also have an additional day for cleanup and weed removal earlier in the summer, rather than just the weekend before reunion day.

Judy, reporting for the Reunion Committee, said we will stress the need for everyone to register by the deadline date to avoid running out of meals, which occurred in 2015. As options, attendees could bring their own lunch or not eat lunch. For this year's reunion, we will issue meal tickets, which will be collected when going through the lunch line.

In continuing business, Philip presented information on setting up a scholarship in the

memory of his father, Dr. Charles H. Glattfelder, with the York County Community Foundation. Phil and his sister Christina are donating \$15,000 to start and the CGAA will transfer the Geneva Kaltreider bequest of \$20,000 to that fund.

In August 2015, the Board had decided to add the Kaltreider money to the Glattfelder Education Fund, but the transfer of funds never occurred. A motion to rescind that motion was made and carried. A new motion to transfer the

\$20,000 to the proposed scholarship carried unanimously.

That would bring the total in the new fund to \$35,000. Students with a history or education field of study would be considered first for the scholarship. If there were no applicants in those fields, students with other fields of study would be eligible.

Details of the scholarship are not yet final. They should be available at the reunion and/or in the fall newsletter.

### ***The 2016 Reunion***

July 30-31 are the dates for this year's reunion at Heimwald Park. More details will follow in the reunion letter.

### ***Cleaning up***

The annual park cleanup will be Saturday, July 23, beginning at 9 a.m. Everyone is encouraged to lend a hand.

With fewer people participating in the cleanup day the week before the reunion, we will likely have another day for cleanup earlier in the summer. The earlier cleanup should make things easier on July 23.

### ***Brick Patio***

The deadline for ordering bricks this year is May 7. The cost remains \$75 (see enclosed order form). For more information, contact Philip Glattfelder, 430 Charles Circle, Hallam PA 17406. Call (717) 968-4577 or email to [glatfelterph@aol.com](mailto:glatfelterph@aol.com).

The current patio consists of approximately 5,000 bricks, including more than 1,200 engraved bricks. For details about the brick patio, visit the association's website ([www.glattfelder.org](http://www.glattfelder.org)) for a breakdown of bricks under each son of Casper, along with other statistics and facts about the patio.

For example, as of Dec. 31, Felix's line is the most populated, with 450 engraved bricks or 39.5%, while Solomon is second with 233 (20.4%). There are 211 bricks for Henry (18.6%), 146 for John (12.8%), 48 for Casper (4.2%) and 13 for Michael (1.1%). The John Peter and Friends line has 36 bricks (3.1%).

### ***Obituaries***

Members of the historical committee continue to collect obituaries for Glattfelder family members. As the family tree continues to grow, that task becomes more and more difficult.

The list of deaths printed in the reunion programs will be limited to those with the most common Glattfelder names in their obituaries, and we will list others by request. To do so, mail obituaries to the association address (PO Box A, Jacobus PA 17407), or email Jean Robinson ([jrobinson2344@comcast.net](mailto:jrobinson2344@comcast.net)) or Philip Glattfelder ([glatfelterph@aol.com](mailto: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 the Korean and Vietnam wars.

As part of the annual reunion, we will recognize descendants who served in those wars. The Association is aware of some ancestors who served in the war, but we are looking for additional names, along with 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](mailto:jrobinson2335@comcast.net) or Philip Glatfelter at [glatfelterph@aol.com](mailto:glatfelterph@aol.com), or mail to the association, PO Box A, Jacobus, PA 17407.

### ***Scholarships***

The Glattfelder Education Fund selection committee is currently in the process of reviewing applications for the Nathan Glattfelder and Ives Bricker Scholarship. They have many applicants that meet the requirements for the scholarship.

The selection committee will meet in May to make the selections and will announce the winners at the reunion in July.

The next scholarship application period will begin in January 2017. You can request an application by sending an email to [scholarship@glattfelder.org](mailto:scholarship@glattfelder.org). The Glattfelder website, [www.glattfelder.org](http://www.glattfelder.org), will have a current application available in January.

Sally Trout, a four-year scholarship recipient, is graduating from Lafayette College in May. Heather Gladfelter will also be graduating in May from Drury University. We extend hearty wishes to each as they pursue their fields of endeavor.

### ***President's Message***

Recently, Director Philip Glatfelter informed me of a visit he had paid to the campus of the Lancaster Theological Seminary of the United Church of Christ to see the "Glatfelter Room" located on the second floor of the library.

"I wasn't sure what to expect, whether it was a 'museum' or 'library' or whatever. It's basically a meeting room. I found a plaque, stating that the room is named for [past CGAA president] J. Richard and another of those who donated money, including Art [Glatfelter], our association, and Mom and Dad [Dr. Charles and Miriam]. Though most of the room is basically a meeting room and a 'library,' one wall has a case with Glattfelder information. Among the items there is a Bible of Jacob Glatfelter (Clotfelter), who, I believe, is Casper's grandson through Felix."

This exchange brought back many memories, for I had spent three years commuting to that campus in the early 1980s pursuing a Master of Divinity degree. My arrival at that institution was only a couple of years after Rev. J. Richard's. At that time, my interest in genealogy, which had peaked while in high school, had fallen into a trough. I may have spoken with him concerning our mutual ancestry, but it is unlikely.

Following the birth of my son, and, especially, upon assuming a pastorate of a congregation whose membership had a significant percentage of Glattfelder descendants, my interest in our Swiss heritage began to climb. That led me to this association and a warm relationship with Rev. J. Richard "Dick" Glatfelter, as he would identify himself on the phone.

In November 2007, I, along with most of the directors, attended the memorial service for Lenora "Lee" Glatfelter, Rev. J. Richard's wife. The Reverend David Bushnell read a poem he had written called Snow Angel, which reflected on an event that had taken place at a retreat the previous year.

As he read the first lines, I began to "hear" this music in my mind, so at the service's close I asked Pastor Bushnell if I might have a copy of the poem.

I was slightly troubled that the poem did not have a strong Christian proclamation, so within the week I had written a second stanza.

The music remained in my head until the new year. When I realized that what I had "heard" was in the key of D, I was delighted because that would allow for this setting to form a seamless segue into the Richard Hillert canticle, "This is the Feast of Victory of our God," found in the Lutheran Book of Worship (1978), The United Methodist Hymnal (1988), Evangelical Lutheran Worship (2007) and several others.

In June 2008, I presented the following composition to Dick:

*Snow angel, spread your wings  
The impression of your life  
Frozen for a season  
Melts in the sunshine of love  
And the memories soak in  
filling the well of gratitude.*

*Death angel, fold your wings  
The suppression of our life  
Frozen for all seasons  
Ends in the Sonrise of love  
And His memory soaks in  
from the wine spring of Great Mercy.*

*J. Thomas Shelley*

### ***Endowment in Dr. Charles' Honor***

Thanks to two of his students, Dr. Charles H. Glatfelter will be honored by Gettysburg College with a new endowment, which will provide a paid internship for a student interested in history.

One of the two former students, Barbara Holley, a 1954 Gettysburg graduate from Hanover, knew "Charlie" as a child. Her grandparents lived across the street from him in Glen Rock.

Holley and 1966 graduate James Madison of Bloomington, Ind., gave initial gifts totaling \$25,000 for the endowment in honor of Dr. Charles, who was a professor of history at Gettysburg College from 1949-1989.

The endowment provides a paid internship for a student with a strong interest in history to work with archival collections and conduct historical research using primary sources. Current funding will support one student for one semester each year.

"It is our hope that many of Charlie's former students will learn of this fund and contribute to it," said Robin Wagner, Dean of the Library at Gettysburg, for an article in the college's upcoming newsletter. "If we can reach \$100,000, the earnings will actually support a full-time summer internship experience, including housing. ... Now we will have the opportunity to offer a paid

summer experience, thanks to the generosity of Holley, Madison and hopefully others who Charlie influenced over the years."

One such person is Gettysburg Professor of History Michael Birkner, who remarked in the article, "From his teen years, working in the York Historical Society collections for high school projects, through his retirement, Charlie was an archives addict. For him, the joy of discovery was at the heart of the historical enterprise.

"This internship will honor Charlie's example as a researcher and benefit rising generations of Gettysburg students who share what Charlie always called, in one of his classic earthy phrases, his commitment to 'looking into the horse's mouth.'"

*Editor's note:* Robin passed along in an email that, in addition to often seeing Dr. Charles at the archives, she was one of several people who used to take him meals after Miriam passed away. "He liked pork chops!" Robin said in the email.

Dr. Charles was a CGAA director for 61 years, serving as treasurer, president and, most notably, historian. He passed away in 2013.

### ***Helping in no small way***

One Glatfelter relative has shown that sometimes little things mean a lot.

Carol Glatfelter, a mathematics teacher at Gettysburg High School, was able to help a special needs student win a national award recently.

Glatfelter owns Great Escape Miniature Horses near Gettysburg, where she has nine miniature horses. One of those horses, Twilight, helped Gettysburg High senior Cy Youngblood receive the National All-Star award from the American Miniature Horse Registry.

Youngblood earned the award after showing the yearling filly at a ranch between Gettysburg and Harrisburg in June.

“This is the first award of this type that any of my miniatures has received,” said Glatfelter. “When I saw that award, it was like, ‘Wow!’ ”

Glatfelter said she loves working with special needs and lower level math students. She met Youngblood when he became a member of her horse club.

“Cy and I share a love for horses and I asked him if he wanted to try his hand at showing my miniatures,” Carol commented in an email to the CGAA. She urged him to compete and he agreed.

Youngblood acknowledged the contribution of Glatfelter’s horse to earning the award. “She is gentle and the most wonderful and beautiful horse you could ever meet,” Youngblood said in a Feb. 14 article in the York (Pa.) *Sunday News*.

Youngblood is working with driving two more of Carol’s horses and will be showing all three at shows in May and June. The nationals will be held in September in Oklahoma, where Cy, who is of Native American descent, will meet up with family members who live in Oklahoma and Texas.

Carol has been teaching at GHS for 14 years and is married to Daniel Glatfelter, who has a construction business in Gettysburg. Daniel’s family is from southern Lancaster County. His father is Donald and his mother,

who passed away in 2015, was Helen, and he has three sisters and two brothers.

### ***50 years ago -- trying to survive***

In 1966, a new CGAA president took office. It was a time of great concern for the association board members.

In Chapter 12, entitled The Low Point, 1965-1967, of the booklet written by Dr. Charles H. Glatfelter (*The Casper Glattfelder Association of America: The First Hundred Years, 1906-2005*) the continuation of both the association and its reunion were in doubt. “For many Glatfelters, there were now more attractive things to do on an August Saturday afternoon than sing a 1906 reunion hymn, listen to a youngster sing a solo or recite a poem or listen to long and boring speeches about the glories of long-dead Glattfelders,” Dr. Charles wrote.

Certainly, it can be said that similar distractions exist today.

Before the 1965 reunion, CGAA President Ernest S. Glatfelter talked of past reunions when trains brought many attendees to the reunion and the field across the road was full of cars, which was overflow from the park itself. As many as 1,000 people could be expected. In the mid-1960s, it was difficult to attract 200.

The new CGAA president, in 1966, began by asking whether the association, if indeed it was dying, deserved “a decent burial.” One board member suggested the park be offered for use as a public recreational facility.

In early 1967, the board made the decision to “do what we can” to continue the reunion. Though the number of reunion-goers will likely never reach those of the early 1900s, the association and its reunion regained more solid footing, and they both continue to this day.

Looking back from 2016, it seems the board’s decision was a wise one.



# 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 7, 2016** is the mailing deadline for bricks to be placed for the 2016 reunion.  
Make check payable to: **Casper Glattfelder Assoc.**  
Mail to: Bonnie Flaharty, treasurer, 3090 East Prospect Road, York PA 17403

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

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### Brick 3

### Brick 4

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# Casper Glattfelder Association of America

## Merchandise Order Form

<b>Ship to:</b>			<b>Pay to: Philip Glatfelter</b>		
Address			430 Charles Circle		
City	State	ZIP	Hallam PA 17406		
Telephone or email			717-968-4577		

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

	Price	Shipping	Quan.	Amount
<b>Golf shirt</b> with embroidered color coat of arms PRICE REDUCED <input type="checkbox"/> Yellow S M <input type="checkbox"/> Granite Blue S M	\$ 12.00	\$ 3.00		
<b>Golf shirt</b> with white printing on pocket <input type="checkbox"/> Green S L XL PRICE REDUCED <input type="checkbox"/> Maroon M L <input type="checkbox"/> Aqua M L <input type="checkbox"/> Light blue L <input type="checkbox"/> Ash Gray S M <input type="checkbox"/> White (with black printing) M L XL	12.00	3.00		
<b>T-shirt</b> with coat of arms <input type="checkbox"/> Military green S L XL <input type="checkbox"/> Red L XL <input type="checkbox"/> California blue S M L XL	10.00	3.00		
<b>T-shirt</b> (6 different spellings of Glattfelder) <input type="checkbox"/> Dark green S M PRICE REDUCED <input type="checkbox"/> Light blue L <input type="checkbox"/> Ash gray S L XL <input type="checkbox"/> Maroon S M L XL	5.00	2.00		
<b>T-shirt</b> (8 different spellings of Glattfelder) <input type="checkbox"/> Dark green S M L <input type="checkbox"/> Light Blue XL <input type="checkbox"/> Red S M L	10.00	3.00		
<b>Baseball cap</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Red <input type="checkbox"/> Dark blue <input type="checkbox"/> Green    PRICE REDUCED	12.00	3.00		
<b>Ballpoint pen</b> with Glattfelder Reunion & website address <input type="checkbox"/> Ruby <input type="checkbox"/> Sapphire <input type="checkbox"/> Onyx	.50 3 / \$1	.50		
<b>Crying or sweat towel</b> , white with blue coat of arms, 11" x 17"	5.00	1.00		
<b>Coat of arms</b> , full color print on parchment paper, 5" x 7"    PRICE REDUCED	3.00	.60		
<b>Ceramic mug</b> with Glattfelder crest, 6 spelling variations & website    PRICE REDUCED <input type="checkbox"/> Blue <input type="checkbox"/> Dark green	2 / \$5 3 / \$6	1.50 2.50		
<b>Ceramic mug</b> with Glattfelder crest, 8 spelling variations & website    \$5.00 each or <input type="checkbox"/> Blue <input type="checkbox"/> Dark green	2 / \$8 3 / \$10	1.50 2.50		
<b>Notepads</b> , dark blue with white coat of arms, 6" x 8.5"    PRICE REDUCED	5.00	1.00		
<b>Static cling</b> , clear, with red coat of arms, 3" x 3.5"    PRICE REDUCED	1.50	.50		

### OTHER MERCHANDISE (many items reduced)

Blank <b>greeting cards</b> & envelopes, set of 3 ink drawings: old homestead at Glatfelter Station, original Heimwald pavilion, & family's church in Glattfelden, Switzerland	5.00	.50		
<b>Glattfelder emblem</b> (on first page of newsletter) in full color on heavy paper, 5" x 7"	2.00	.50		
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	2.00		
Booklet, <b>The Early Glattfelder Family in America: An Overview</b> by Dr. Charles H. Glatfelter (1993); 59 pages; 5.5" x 8.5"	4.00	1.00		
CD, <b>Glattfelders/Glotfeltys Who Served in the Union Armies in the American Civil War</b> by Patrick T. Smith (2013); 297 pages; 8.5" x 11"	12.00	1.00		
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 combined	10.00	2.50		

**Make check payable to: PHILIP GLATFELTER                      Grand Total    \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

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