



News from the

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Mid-Winter Board Meeting

On Saturday, January 28, the board of directors met at the Bruce & Ethel Smith homestead in Jacobus. Ten members were present, one attended via teleconference and six were absent.

President Rev. Tom Shelley opened the meeting with a prayer and a special thought to remember deceased past director Richard Glattfelder from East Petersburg, Pa. (More on Richard in the President's Message.)

Judy Martin reported for the Executive Committee, which met earlier in January and discussed mostly the budget and committees. The list of committees appears later in the newsletter.

An email from Philip Glattfelder for the Brick Patio Committee brought to the board's attention a possible safeguard for the preservation of the bricks in the form of a sealant. Certain conditions at the park have discolored some of the bricks and Phil had already bought a liquid that should wash what is supposedly mold off those bricks. Glen-Gery Corp., our brick supplier, suggested a sealant which costs \$35 a gallon. After some discussion, the board decided to have Phil purchase the liquid.

For the Communications Committee, Larry Glattfelder Jr. sent an email noting the number of names on the email list has increased from 200 in 2010 to about 300 at present. The email notification regarding the posting of the newsletter on the website has been very successful, especially the amount of postage saved.

Bryan Miller, reporting for the Property Committee, said that the new gate at the driveway to Heimwald Park has been working out well, and that the next big project is to fix the driveway. Stones are needed along with a pathway for drainage. Drainage from the area around the springhouse down through the park will also be investigated.

Miller also reported on the Education Fund and noted that he has been receiving scholarship applications.

The 2012 Reunion

This year's reunion will be held the weekend of July 28-29 at Heimwald Park. More details will follow in the reunion letter in June.

Park Clean-up Day

The annual park clean-up will be held Saturday, July 21, beginning at 9 a.m. Everyone is welcome to lend a hand. Bring your rake, garden tools, broom or whatever you have to help clean the park and pavilions.

Brick Patio

A chart showing the bricks of the brick patio was on display at last year's reunion, and an updated version is expected to be on display at this year's reunion as well, along with an explanation of how the

bricks have been placed. We plan to place the chart and explanation on the association website in the near future.

The deadline for new brick orders this year is April 28, which allows time for ordering, delivery and placement of the bricks before the reunion in July. The cost remains \$75 each (see enclosed order form). For more information, contact Philip Glatfelter, 430 Charles Circle, Hallam, PA 17406, at (717) 968-4577 or e-mail to glatfelterph@aol.com.

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 that include the most common Glatfelder 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 e-mail to Philip Glatfelter (glatfelterph@aol.com) or Jean Robinson (jrobinson2335@comcast.net).

Scholarship

The Glatfelder Education Fund selection committee is currently in the process of reviewing this year's applicants for the Nathan Glatfelder and Ives Bricker Scholarship Fund. The selection committee will be meeting in April to make this year's selections and then announce the winners at the reunion in July.

Next year's scholarship application period will begin in January. However, anyone interested in starting early can request an application by e-mailing to scholarship@glatfelder.org. Keep in mind that the deadlines may change from year to year, but the requirements will stay the same. A current application will be placed on the Glatfelder website (www.glatfelder.org) in January when the new application period begins.

President's Message

During my years of service to our organization on the Board, I have been privileged to work with many fine directors. All have brought interests, talents and skills that have combined with those brought by their fellow directors to serve the good of all.

Many brought a gift of vision: an ability to see beyond the present moment. Since we are largely an historically-focused organization, it is natural that much of our vision would be turned backward, drawing on our past to inform our present.

Less common has been the gift of forward vision, of drawing on our past not only to inform our present, but also to shape and expand our future.

Director Emeritus Richard I. Glatfelter ("Richard the Barber" or "Richard of East Petersburg", as he was often called in Board discussions so as to distinguish him from Rev. J. Richard of Lancaster) frequently articulated a vision that Heimwald Park could and should be used for more than a Sunday afternoon reunion.

"This just isn't good stewardship" he would say.

And he was right. It was not good stewardship to spend thousands of dollars annually in taxes and insurance to maintain a "place or grove in which reunions may be held from time to time" for just a single day.

His persistence led to the establishment of the Saturday picnic, which, in its early years, was underwritten by his personal financial support. That support has been assumed by George and Susan Glatfelter in recent years, and for that support we remain most grateful. Indeed, could we imagine a reunion weekend without the picnic?

Richard "of East Petersburg" would have been most pleased with the other uses of Heimwald in 2011. Several local scout troops had a campout in May, during which time they repainted the "Familyhaus" or refreshment stand as it is variously known. And in late September, a family which had rented the park for its own reunion decades ago received permission from the directors to rent Heimwald Park once again.

It is fitting that these expanded uses occurred during Richard the Barber's final year of life. Richard departed this world on Nov. 20 ... vision realized, mission accomplished. "Well done, good and faithful servant."

Rev. J. Thomas Shelley

Financial Page

In 2011, we were very fortunate that our investments had earnings that were \$778 above the 2010 earnings. 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 stands at \$74,985.

While general contributions decreased by about \$1,300, the sale of DVDs and proceeds from other merchandise sales more than made up for that in 2011. We owe a great debt of gratitude to Larry Gladfelter Sr. and Larry Gladfelter Jr. for their work in creating, duplicating and fulfilling orders for the two DVDs that they created from their trip to Glattfelden, Switzerland, and from the 107th annual reunion in 2011. They have very generously donated all proceeds from the sale of these DVDs to the Association.

Our one significant cost last year was the installation of a steel gate on the entrance driveway into the park. The total cost for this project was \$2,697, and is included in Park Maintenance. Other expenses were within budget.

Due to our overall favorable financial experience last year, we realized a net gain of \$3,306 in the General Fund, which stands at \$29,701.

General Fund 2011

Income

Reunion events	\$ 2,406	
Contributions	4,899	
Merchandise proceeds, net	1,893	
Park rental income	150	
Earnings from investments	<u>5,363</u>	
Total income		\$ 14,711

Expenses

Park maintenance & operating costs	\$ 6,631	
Reunion expenses	2,986	
Postage, printing, records & web site	<u>1,788</u>	
Total expenses		\$ 11,405
Receipts over expenses		\$ 3,306

Dallas L. Smith, treasurer

Committees

Brick Patio: Philip Glatfelter (Hallam), Jack Gladfelter, Harold Creager.

Communication: Larry Gladfelter Jr., Lori Dudney, Dallas Smith, Philip Glatfelter (Hallam).

Development: Larry Gladfelter Sr., Lori Dudney, Rev. J. Richard Glatfelter

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

Property: Bryan Miller, Ben Miller, John L. Gladfelter, John Shelley.

Reunion: Jean Robinson, Judy Martin, Bonnie Flaherty, Bonnie Bain, Dallas Smith, Bryan Miller, Donald and Loretta Glatfelter.

Glatfelter Education Fund Selection Committee: Bryan Miller, Lori Dudney, Rick Hoover, Rev. Dr. Dennis Gable.

2012 Directors

Rev. J. Thomas Shelley – Loganville PA

Judith Martin – Dallastown PA

Dallas L. Smith – York PA

Larry E. Gladfelter Jr. – Edgemont PA

John L. Gladfelter – York PA

Bonnie Bain – New Kingstown PA

Bryan L. Miller – York PA

Rev. Dr. Dennis Gable – Dover PA

Ben Miller – Jacobus PA

Kristine Hake – Jacobus PA

Bonnie Flaherty – York PA

Jean Robinson – Red Lion PA

M. Richard Hoover –

State College PA

Pamela Tuscany-Warren –

Cape Canaveral FL

Christina E. Glatfelter – Aspers PA

Larry E. Gladfelter Sr.–

New Oxford PA

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Casper Glattfelder Association of America Order Form

Patio Bricks

Name: _____ Date _____

Address: _____
Street Town or City State Zip

Telephone: _____ Email address: _____

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

April 28, 2012 is the mailing deadline for bricks to be placed for the 2012 reunion.

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

Mail to: Dallas L. Smith, P O Box A, Jacobus, PA 17407

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 _____

Line 2 _____

Line 3 _____

Brick 3

Brick 4

Line 1 _____

Line 2 _____

Line 3 _____

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.**

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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.

Due to the increased costs of printing and mailing, we have discontinued sending newsletters to those who have made no contribution or have not attended a reunion for the past three years.

Email subscription: If you want us to notify you via email when the newsletter is available on our website, please include your email address above. Unless you indicate otherwise, this will also remove your name from our regular mailing list.

Alternatively, you may add yourself to our email list by going to www.glattfelder.org. Click on Join Our Mailing List, and fill out the online form.

Dr. Noah's book

Please note that a reprint of Dr. Noah M. Glatfelter's 1901 book **The Descendants of Casper Glattfelder** (including the 1910 Supplement) is now available from Philip Glatfelter on the Merchandise Order Form. The book is spiral-bound for ease of use in doing genealogical research. Cost is \$12.50 each.