



NEWSLETTER

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December 1998

Phyllis and I Wish All of You the Happiest Christmas Season Yet!

It doesn't seem like a full year has gone since sending out the last newsletter. Maybe that's because we both retired last April 1st (April Fool's Day) and we haven't caught up with our tails yet.



Mid-April we jumped into our RV and headed East, visiting Bill & Georgia Altstatt's family in OK City, then onto George & Ruth Altstatt's and Bob and Brenda Gullett's in Pine Bluff, AR before dropping down to our daughter, Cheryl's family in Cartersville, GA. While there, we had lunch with Sam & Janet Baltzer. Next stop, Houston, TX where our newest grandson, Goeffrey Edward Allstott

was born to our son and daughter-in-law, Roger & Anne on May 14. We enjoy eating, so this time we supped with John and Dee Talor, who were in Houston visiting their son and family.

On trip 2 we visited with the Joliet, IL Altstott clan, SD Allstot clan, WA Allstot clan and OR Allstott clan. After gaining 26 lbs we decided to go home to CA.

Trip 3 took us to Europe where we visited Dreieichenhein, Germany and brought back some Altstatt dirt. What fun...I should have retired earlier!



Right: Dreieichenhein, Germany, birthplace of Martin Altstatt in 1699.



Gullett Wins Big In Arkansas!

Receiving over 60% of the vote from her precinct around the Pine Bluff area, cousin Brenda Gullett (page 361) is ready to take her seat in the Arkansas

Legislature. "I wasn't really happy with our current legislator, and I know I could do better at helping the people in my precinct" Gullett said, "...so I ran and WON!" "Of course, I couldn't do it alone, I had many friends helping out."

At one point during the campaigning some of her opponents placards were destroyed. So she and some of her workers spent time replacing the destroyed signs. "I didn't want anyone in the Sunday School class that I teach think that any of my supporters are poor sports," she said, "and eventhough none of our team destroyed any of the signs, I thought helping replace the damaged signs was the "Christian" thing to do.

3rd National Reunion features 300th Birthday Party for Martin Altstatt...with Fireworks!

The Allstott Oregon Clan Led by Archie and Jeanette Padberg Are Getting Ready to Roll Out the Red Carpet in Pendleton, Oregon,...Just for YOU!

Archie writes, "I have gone over the Schedule of Events for the Reunion with Pat Kennedy (representative of the Pendleton Convention Center) and everything is approved by the Center." "Jeanette has a bunch of ideas for the packets that will be handed out at the door and is working on donated prizes and how to do the give-aways." "We are well organized with committee chairmen who are responsible for their part of the Reunion."

Allstotts have been in Oregon since John Wesley Allstott was a trail boss on the Oregon trail back in the 1850s.

And...Pendleton, Oregon, is a great place to hold the 1999 Reunion. Located in this town of a little over 15,000 is the famous Pendleton Woolen Mills, the Pendleton Round-Up and Cowboy Hall-of-Fame, the "Underground" and brand new Tamastlikt Cultural Institute, built by the Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Reservation.

We're talking - THE WILD WEST - and all who come are in for a real treat.

Of course, this is in addition to what reunions are all about...GABBING! MajorLeague style!

Each National Reunion has had at its base reuniting family members that have not seen each other in many years...so don't be surprised at who may show up in your "clan" that you haven't seen for umpteen years. I recall Everett Aldstadt who hadn't seen his Talhelm cousins in over 40 years at the First National Reunion in Harpers Ferry, WVA back in 1989. Or the reunion of Katherine Altstadts Crestline, Ohio, family with her Evansville, IN, cousins at the Second National Reunion held in Corydon, IN in 1994.

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Nearly 100 Oregon Clan Allstotts got together last summer to plan for the upcoming 1999 Reunion - they say...WE'RE READY TO SHOW YOU A GOOD ALLSTOTT TIME!



60+ Altstadts Celebrate with Reunion In Evansville, IN on September 17, 1998

"Lefty" Altstadt (Pg. 77) let it be known that over 60 of his clan gathered at the Howell Recreational Park, in Evansville, for this year's picnic. "Howell has a par 3 golf course that the Altstadts really enjoyed...along with a great potluck."

"Our next get-together will be our annual Christmas Dinner on December 19th at the Knights of Columbus Hall here in Evansville," Lefty said.

Rivers Clan Hold 8th Reunion

Tom and Kathy Rivers report that the Rivers clan held their 8th reunion over the 4th of July Holiday at Spring Mill Park in Mitchell, Indiana.

Forty-five family members, including the Aldstadt branch sisters, Betty Rivers Long and Sally Hewitt (Pg. 469). Betty lives in Indiana and Sally lives in Arizona. The reunion had a dual purpose as it was both a reunion and wedding shower for Kaelie Rivers, who will be married on April 10, 1999, to David Breiter.

Alstott Gathering in Lockport, IL

Good vittles and conversation welcomed Phyllis and I at the home of Bill and Shirley Alstott (PG. 440) in Lockport, IL, while on our Northeast vacation this year. Also in on the fun were Jim & Sharon Alstott, Warren and Mary Rolando, Wayne & BettyMietz, Bill and Dee Alstott, David Alstott, Bill & Annette Hiller, and Bill Alstott, Jr. and kids.

Bill Alstott, of Joliet, IL, presented me with a "Today's Missal" for Aug-Dec, 1989 with quite a few songs in it written by Oregonian, Owen Alstott.



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Fullback Alstott sets tone for Bucs

Blocking, running fuel offense

By Glenn Miller Fort Myers News-Press

TAMPA, Fla. -- Mike Alstott (Pg. 438) looked up from the stool in front of his locker, appearing mildly surprised with the Tampa Bay Bucs trivia just relayed to him. His 31-yard touchdown in Sunday's 20-10 wild-card! playoff victory over the Detroit Lions is the longest run in Tampa Bay's brief Playoff history.

"Oh, really," Alstott said from beneath a pewter-colored Bucs baseball cap. "Maybe we can get some more." Alstott had 68 yards on 11 carries, an average of 6.2.



Tampa Bay quarterback Trent Dilfer said Alstott did more than carry the ball. According to Dilfer, he was a factor in tailback Warrick Dunn rushing for a game-high 72 yards on 18 carries and

Dilfer completing 13 of 26 passes for 181 yards. "He blocked his butt off," Dilfer said. "Mike stepped up and played a great game." The 6-foot-1, 248-pound Alstott, a second-year pro out of Purdue, rushed for 665 yards during the season.

The Bucs have earned the right to advance to play the defending Super Bowl champion Green Bay Packers on the road at legendary Lambeau Field.

The Packers defeated the Bucs in both their NFC Central meetings this season. Alstott knows the Bucs will be underdogs next weekend and few will pick his team to win.

"You never know," Alstott said.

"Talor Made" in Houston, TX (Pg. 399)

Gary Thomas Talor weighed in at 6 lbs, 2.4 oz. at 1:48 a.m. on November 28, 1997 to parents Geoff and Eileen Talor. Grandparents John and Dee Allstott Talor hail from California.

"Allstott Made" in Houston, TX

Goeffrey Edward Allstott weighed in at 9 lbs, 6 oz. at 5:30 p.m. on May 14, 1998 to parents Roger and Anne Allstott (Pg. 363). Grandparents Jerry and Phyllis Allstott hail from Ventura, CA.

Oregon Allstotts Hold Reunion at Heppner Fairgrounds on July 18

Organizers of this year's reunion of the Heppner Allstotts were Archie and Jeanette Padberg of Heppner and Dorothy and Wilbur Jackson.

"Communication is the key" said Padberg who mailed out 58 invitations to designated family members who passed the invitations to their children, and grandchildren, brothers and sisters. "Finding a date or place are flexible," Padberg said. "We used to hold it on Thanksgiving," said Padberg. "After Don (Allstott) was gone, and we started doing it in the summer, traveling was easier and more people could come."

Two years ago, they held it in Heppner and took a bus trip to the old family ranch southeast of town near Barlow Canyon Road. More than 103 descendants attended.

East Oregonian, Monday July 27, 1998



Oregon Allstotts, in Heppner, plan for 1999 reunion

Superintendent
Vicksburg National Military Park

Dear Sir:

Recently I was in Vicksburg, Mississippi, and I drove through your wonderful park. It was beautiful and I enjoyed it very much. The people were very friendly and everything was well kept. After the drive, I went into the Visitors Center and Museum to look up my ancestors. Much to my surprise I could not find them in your records. Thomas Franklin Altstatt was my great Grandfather and he served in the War between the States from Arkansas along with his two brothers. All three boys were captured at Vicksburg, Mississippi.



I am enclosing my Great Grandfather's war records and his picture along with his pension papers. Also I am enclosing a few pages from the Altstatt History book, "A History Of The Clans", by Jerry Allstott.

Thomas Franklin Altstatt died March 2, 1908 and is buried at Owen Chapel Cemetery outside Mena, Arkansas.

I hope this will help set the record straight and they can take their place with the rest of the Boys who wore the Blue and Grey in your wonderful park.

Yours Truly

Bill J. Altstatt, 6601 South Miller, Oklahoma City, OK 73159

Over 50 Allstots Hold Reunion in Wenatchee, WA on July 17-19

The descendants of John Sherman Allstott enjoyed their second bi-yearly family reunion and all were pleased by the increase in attendance since the 1996 reunion.

On Friday, July 17, Rick and Ronetta Peterson hosted a dessert social. We watched old family slides and had many good laughs.

On Saturday we picnicked at the park along the Columbia River. With temperatures reaching 100° we all tried to stay in the shade. Later that afternoon we retreated to Dick and Loretta Watson's to swim and eat again!

On Sunday Rick and Ronetta hosted a farewell brunch.



Dorothy Allstott chats with Dick and Lola Allstott at dessert night at the Petersons

June Allstott Meek Remembrance Book Now Available...What Life Was Like Back Then...



June (Pg. 297) says her book which is about growing up in the R. E. Allstott home in Ten-mile, Oregon sells for \$25.00 plus shipping. If you're interested in a copy, just write her at: 2044 S. E. Grant St., Portland, OR 97214

United States Department of the Interior
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE
Vicksburg National Military Park
3001 Clay Street
Vicksburg, Mississippi 39180

IN REPLY REFER TO:
KIB(VICK-01)
January 26, 1998

Mr. Bill J. Altstatt
6601 South Miller
Oklahoma City, OK 73159

Dear Mr. Altstatt:

Thank you for your kind words concerning your recent visit to Vicksburg National Military Park. It is gratifying to learn that our work is of benefit to and appreciated by the visitors we serve.

We are pleased to inform you that your Great Grandfather and his two brothers are listed on the parole records of the Confederate Garrison of Vicksburg which surrendered on July 4, 1863. As the material you so kindly shared with us suggests, the spelling of the last name has several variations. Your ancestors are listed as follows:

John Allstott, Pvt., 15th Arkansas, Company I
Thomas P. Allstott, Pvt., 15th Arkansas, Company I
David S. Allstott, Pvt., 15th Arkansas, Company I

We have taken the liberty to make a notation on the records of the correct spelling as well as change David to Daniel. We trust our action meets with your approval.

Please let us know if we can be of further service.

Sincerely,
Terrence J. Winschel
Historian

Rubbing elbows with people that share the same ancestry...it's fun, exciting and happening next July!

Writing A Family 's Story Quest for roots leads to chronicle of Allstotts

By DIANE GETTMANN of the East Oregonian

HEPPNER -- When Jerry Allstott came from central Texas to Oregon on a vacation, he was looking for Allstotts. But he had no idea he would write a book containing more than 300 years of family history.

"I came to Hermiston and looked up the Rev. Robert Allstott but he had died. So I went to Don Allstott's," said Jerry. "It happened that the family was having a reunion," he said, and Jerry met more Allstotts than he dreamed. "Still it took me about three years to find where I fit in the family line," Jerry said.

His curiosity was first peaked by a commercial book offered in the mail and listing all the Allstotts in the United States. He purchased the book and that led him to Oregon searching for Allstotts. The Heppner Allstotts had traced their heritage to a German immigrant. A cousin, Pat Wilcox Kennedy, helped Jerry search for his connection to them. Their search identified 28 Allstott immigrants, "all that ever came over from Germany" said Jerry.

Although he has found his roots in Germany, Jerry says, "Basically we're Americans. We were here before it was a country and Allstotts have fought in every war since The Revolution."

Encouraged by the late Don Allstott, Jerry compiled that first research effort into a book in 1984. "When I talked to Don about the book he said, 'I want it all,' meaning he wanted to know all the family history."

That first effort had whetted Jerry's appetite, too. "I found that every family has someone who is the keeper of the pictures. That person is usually the family historian," he said. By contacting them, Jerry began to fill in the blanks on the family tree.

"There are 75+ historians who helped put together

the second book, and the funny thing was none of us knew one another before we started," he said.

With the help of many family "historians," they compiled a history of all the Allstotts (all spellings*) that immigrated to the United States including Johann Casper Alstadt, who was born and died in Dreieichenhain, Germany, 1673-1742. Johann's son, Johann Martin immigrated to Pennsylvania in 1729 and land deeds show he was a neighbor of the grandfathers of Daniel Boone and Abraham Lincoln. "The lines never married, of course, because we were Lutherans and they were Quakers," Jerry explained.

In 1989, after his first book, the Allstotts had their first national family reunion. They chose the site of the Allstadt ancestors homestead in historic Harper's Ferry, WV.

One gem in his book is the story of John Allstadt and his son at Harper's Ferry who were taken hostage with Col. Washington, nephew of President George Washington, by John Brown and his men. They were rescued by Col. Robert E. Lee and J.E.B. Stewart at the Armory in Harpers Ferry. John Allstadt's testimony at John Brown's trial is part of the historical court record.

"We expected 90 people at Harpers Ferry and had planned at first to have it catered. At the last minute we switched it to a potluck. It was a good thing because we had 180 people," said Kennedy.

Their reunions are more than pedigree charts and dry histories. Among the family members at the first national reunion was Dr. Les Allstott and his family Dixieland Band who entertained the group.

In 1994, 320 descendants gathered for their second national reunion in Corydon, Indiana.

Next year, the Oregon Allstotts will host the national reunion at the Pendleton Convention Center.

*13 different spellings have been traced back to Martin Allstatt

Easterners...Follow the Oregon Trail West to Pendleton, Oregon... Then On to a Northwest Vacation...You'll Be Glad You Did!

Westward expansion started at St. Louis with the opening of the Oregon Trail before the American Civil War. The trail over which John Wesley Allstott brought settlers can still be viewed in some areas of the United States today.

If you are coming West for the Reunion, drive to St. Louis and take Interstate 70 to Kansas City. Then take Interstate 29 up to Omaha, NE and switch over to Interstate 80 West. Look for Oregon Trail signs as you drive toward Wyoming. After passing from Wyoming into Utah, turn north at Salt Lake City onto Interstate 84 and continue onto Pendleton.

As you pass through Baker City, OR, be sure to stop at the Oregon Trail Museum. The museum is just a few years old and features a walk through a wagon train as it traveled west over 130 years ago.



3rd National Allstatt/Altstadt/Altstatt Reunion Hosted by the Descendants of Martin Altstatt*

Yes! I am planning to come to the Reunion in Pendleton, OR:

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zipcode _____

Individual cost to attend:

\$40.00 per adult (\$45.00 if mailed after May 31, 1999)

\$20.00 per child (to 13 years)

Number of adults attending _____
Number of children attending _____

Please make your check payable to:

Jerry Allstott

Trim out and mail it with this order form to:

Jerry and Phyllis Allstott,
6537 Hummingbird St.
Ventura, CA 93003

What does my ticket buy?

As the "Clans" do not have a supporting philanthropist, it is imperative that we all chip-in in order to spread the costs of the Reunion overhead.

Your ticket purchase not only pays for the Western Bar-B-Que dinner and two breakfasts, but helps rent the Pendleton Convention Center along with bus services to certain of the free tours. In addition, your ticket purchase buys programs, posters, badges, table decorations and other necessary things needed to make the Reunion a top notch affair. Hey! Phyllis and I are purchasing tickets too.



Pendleton, Oregon
July 3-5, 1999

Please place names of other family members coming to the reunion on the back of this form. Please print clearly, as we will use the spelling for name badges. Thank You!

Alstott / Altstadt / Altstatt, (etc.) 3rd National Family REUNION

Pendleton, Oregon Convention Center July' 3 - 5, 1999

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Friday, July 2:

- Noon to 5:00 p.m. - Registration and get acquainted.
- Noon to 4:00 p.m. - Guided tour through original Pendleton Woolen Mill. Transportation provided (no fee). Tour on Friday only (up to 30 people per tour). Alstott/Altstatt History Store open Saturday only.
- Noon to 5:00 p.m. - Pendleton Round-up Hall of Fame. Rodeo and cowboy memorabilia (no fee). Right next door.

Saturday, July 3:

- 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. - Registration and information.
- 10:00 a.m. to Noon - Assembly and introductions of all clan members and their history. Geneologists Jerry Allstott and Patricia Wilcox Kennedy will be our hosts.
- Noon to 2:00 p.m. - Catered Western Bar-B-Que. Entertainment will feature western folklore, western music and Indian culture and dancing.
- 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. - Johann Martin Altstatt (1699-1769) Birthday Party honoring his 300th birthday. The Convention Center will be open throughout the day to 10:00 P.M.
- 5:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. - Entertainment by members of the families. If you can sing, dance or tell a story or gabb, this time is scheduled for you.

Sunday, July 4:

- 8:00 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. - Catered cowboy breakfast
- 10:00 a.m. - Non-denominational service at the Convention Center led by Rev. Neil Zeise and Allstott family members, or Church of your choice
- 1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. - Photographer available for pictures in the "Happy Canyon" arena. Order your pictures at the Convention Center and they will be mailed to you for a small fee.
- 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. - Clan socializing or tours (transportation provided)
 1. Famous Pendleton Historical Museum. (no fee)
 2. City Underground Tour - Early Pendleton and how the Chinese lived under the City. (A fee is charged)
- 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. - Dinner on your own at one of Pendleton's fine restaurants (see list)
- 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. - Entertainment: "Absolutely Nobody" quartet and other western music is scheduled.
- 9:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. - City sponsored Fireworks. View from the Round-up grounds right, next door to the Center. (no fee)

Monday, July 5:

- 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. - Continental breakfast Farewell until the year 2004. Plan to attend the 2004 planning meeting
- 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. - Free Transportation provided to:
 1. Tamastlikt Indian Culture Center (A fee is charged) Visit the Umatilla, Walla Walla and Cayuse Reservation Center with authentic displays and history from the Indian point of view.
 2. Wild Horse Gambling Casino. (no fee) During the 3rd and 4th of July there will be an Indian Pow Wow held at the Wild Horse Gambling Casino. This will include competition Indian dances by various tribes of Eastern Oregon and Washington.

Registration fees are \$40.00 per person until May 31, 1999.
Thereafter late registration fees will be \$45.00 per person.
Children 12 and under are admitted for 1/2 price.

Please send all registration forms and payments to:

Jerry Allstott
6537 Hummingbird St.
Ventura, CA 93003
Phone: 1-805-650-3747

For information on nearest airports, lodging and RV. parking, please contact:

Georgia Marshall
1314 S W Issac
Pendleton, OR 97801
Phone: 1-541-278-1956

Cuzzin' Contact...

Millie Larson, Lanse PA - (Pg. 482) I have been in Hawaii visiting my daughter, **Joan** from April through June. It's beautiful there. We went to Kuai twice and I got a good sunburn. Joan has lived there since 1993. I visited the "Big Island" in 1995 and found the flowers to be very beautiful.

I had laser surgery done on my eyes in September. With my sister **Edith's** passing away last November, it leaves 6 girls and one boy alive in my generation. My little dog "Pigay" died after 11 years of company. My nephew **Jared Aldstadt** (Roy's son) now lives in Fresno, CA, and is working for an environmental group. My sister **Helen Aldstadt Hoover** attained th age of 92 in August 1998, and is in good health.

Mabel Dudgeon, Oakland City, IN - (Pg. 29) I had a stroke but it is not that serious.

I want to tell you about a very interesting book I'm reading by Peter Marshall and David Manuel: "Sounding Forth the Trumpet". It's history, the years 1837 to 1860.

On page 471 it mentions **John Allstadt** when he's telling about John Brown; "The plan of attack called for the ment to make one more stop on the way: **John Allstadt**, his son and six of their slaves were similarly roused from their sleep and marched back to the armory."

If you like to read history, you would like this book.

Dorothy Alstadt, Rector, AR - (Pg. 75) My husband, **Melvyn**, has just gotten home from the Piggott Community Hospital after a three week stay. We are so thankful he is able to be home. He uses a walker. **Melvyn** was 81 in February. His aunt, **Anna Evans** (Pg. 75) and her daughter **Dorris Carter** came by to celebrate. they live in Corning, AR. **Anna** celebrated her 96th birthday on February 2. **Melvyn** and I have been blessed with 61 years of happy married life.

Last year our youngest granddaughter, **Jennifer**



Alstadt and **Terry Hagan** married in Jonesboro, AR and we now have our first great grandchild, **Kane Madison Hagan**.



Jennifer is attending Arkansas State University in Jonesboro.

This June, our grand-daughter **Cristina**

married **Ben Shaw** in beautiful Eureka Springs, AR. They both graduated from the University of Arkansas at Little Rock in May 1998, and are attending graduate school. Our grandson, **Brian Cassidy** will graduate from Cape Girardeau, MO, College in December.

Dr. Gerald and **Lora Alstadt** of Huntingburg, IN, have visited us twice the last few years. We really enjoy having them.

Kathy Rivers, Edina, MN - (Pg. 469) Wonderful newsletter...our son, **Benjamin**, will be married to **Trisha Ludwig** on February 13, 1999 in Minneapolis. A new grandchild was born in April. Her name is **Sylvia Houghton**, joining her brother **Preston Rivers** age 2. These are children of our daughter, **Cynthia**, and son-in-law, **Bradford Wallin**.

I would like help in starting my search for the first wife of **Johannes S. Alstadt** (Pg. 141), son of **Peter Alstadt**...editor...any takers at helping please contact Kathy at 6409 Indian Pond Trail, Edina, MN 55439.

Pat Kennedy, Medford, OR - (Pg. 295) Beautiful Medford weather.....we had a garage sale last Sat & made a \$200.00 off all our old dumb junk...I could not believe it!

Going to Hermiston this next week, Dad isn't doing very good and **Marv** has some work to do on his doors & furnace repair. Then we hope to get in some R & R time over at the ocean and a little fishing.

Believe I wrote to you that cousin **Bob Allstott Jr.**...died. He looked so good at the Heppner reunion.

Margaret Allstot, Aurora, SD - (Pg. 408) I was glad to see you both and what a nice visit we had.

We lost another Allstot just this week. He was **John (Allstots)** cousin, **Billie Allstot**, son of **William K. Allstot**. He lived in Elkton (near Aurora, SD) and was on oxygen full time along with an ailing heart. His duplex caught fire due to faulty wiring and by the time the first response got there he was near death from smoke inhalation. He died at the hospital. **Billie** was the brother of **Dorothy Trygstad**.



Dorothy Allstot, Tonasket, WA - (Pg. 217) Just a short note to let you know that **Bill** had a light stroke in early October. It affected his right side. His speech is OK. He is in a Rehab Center in Wenatchee. He may soon be coming back to Tonasket. They have really helped him there, but he still needs someone near to see that he doesn't fall. We have had a beautiful fall - lots of sunny days.

We enjoyed eating lunch with you and visiting with you the Friday night of the Allstot Dessert Party before the **Allstot Picnic** in Wenatchee.

There were between 50 to 60 at the picnic on Saturday. Three families from **Jo** and **Vern's** came, and we were pleasantly surprised. On Sunday, everyone went over to **Dick** and **Loretta Allstots** and swam in their pool. She said everyone had a good time. We will have another Allstot picnic in two years.

Alpha Altstatt, Dustin, OK - (Pg. 274) Jerry, we have a new e-mail address. It is altstattma@webtv.net. Our grandson, **Chris Chisman**, who is a 9th grader at Eufaula High School plays in their band. He is so good that he made it to the All Star Band in Taliquah, OK. That is about all that has happened in our family this year.

Judy Stubbs, Nashville, TN - (Pg. 197) I have recent Internet contact with two separate descendants of KY **Daniel Alstott** (1765-1806)! We've really just begun contact and exchanging information. I haven't asked for their snail mail addresses yet, but I'm going to go ahead and give them yours so you can collect some more descendants.

I have a theory on who **Polly/Mary Devers** (1775-1840) is and so I hope they will pursue that line of research.

I had a brief flurry of correspondence with someone who allegedly had the identity of **Nicholas Alstott's** (1725-1784) wife, but it doesn't quite

compute. I'm not ready to "go public" with their information since I don't want to pass along questionable information without any documentation.

Chris Naberheis (Pg. 198) and I are pooling funds to get someone to check some of the Rockingham Co. court house records re. **Robert Williams**.

I'm not too hopeful, since I have already read all the court minutes for a long time span, but who knows? Genealogists have to be optimists, don't they?

I'm hoping to retire a year from this summer or fall and then ancestors, watch out!

Darlene Watson, Kilawna, B.C. - (Pg. 224) The writeup you had on **Mike Alstott** in the last Newsletter was really enjoyed by us since we are big NFL fans.

We also enjoyed the news about the Reunion in Oregon and surely will be going. I was glad to see there will be RV facilities as we will bring our 5th wheel. We look forward to seeing you in Oregon!

Fred Painter, Heppner, OR - (Pg. 293) Weather certainly has been goofed-up here this year. The farmers have never seen so much rain. Take care and will see you this summer.

Frank Hall, Denison, TX - (Pg. 272) I am sending some pictures of **Pleasant John** and **Citha Altstatt's** grave, Uncle **Frank** and Aunt **Gayther Altstatt's** grave and **Rollo** and **Sadie Altstatt's** grave. I also have a video tape of the cemetery at Dustin, OK.

My father and mother were **Ernest** and **Bonnie Hall**. My sister **Pauline** lives in Cherokee Kansas. My sister, **Ruby**, is deceased and is buried in Garland, OK cemetery, east of Stigler. My brother **Oscar** died and is buried at Spiro, OK. I have three step brothers, **Bill**, **Gene** and **John Hall**.

I don't know too much about my uncles and aunts on my side of the family. I was never around them too much after I came home from the Navy. I went to California and worked in the ship yards. I left ther and came to Texas. I have been here ever since.

I would like to know about the rest of my side of the family.

Rev. Damian L. Dietlein (OSB), St. Meinrad, IN - (Pg. 112) I enjoyed the write-up in the *East Oregonian* dated July 27, 1998. Also sounds like you had a great trip and time in Europe. Definitely sounds like you are making good use of your retirement and that's wonderful.

My **SOCIAL** calendar is beginning to ease up. Would you believe that I officiated at the wedding of a cousin in St. Louis, MO on Sept. 26th and at the wedding of another cousin in Wentzville, MO on Oct. 3rd which prevented me from attending **Dr. Diane Dietlein's** wedding in Birmingham, AL also on Oct. 3rd. Can't win 'em all.

We're finally getting some cooler weather this week and I've been looking forward to that as my one classroom is not air-conditioned.

Brenda Gullett, Pine Bluff, AR - (Pg. 361) I'll bet you are really enjoying retirement. One of the Pine Bluff Altstatts came by the Rehab Clinic where **Ryan** worked this summer. He identified himself as a distant cousin. **Ryan** (son) thought that was really neat.

Ryan is all involved in school. He was selected as the number one kicking recruit to watch by a state-wide recruiting newsletter. **Ryan** and I are going up to the (AR) Razorback game on Saturday and will see **Grant** (son). **Bob** is busy with his practice, school board and being the team doctor for the football team.

I am super busy trying to learn my new legislative job. It is fun, but quite overwhelming! As you know, I won by almost 60% of the primary vote and do not have an opponent in November.

Bill Altstatt, Oklahoma City, OK - (Pg. 256) (Phone conversation on Nov. 20, 1998) **Hershel Altstatt** and I have been havin' fun in the Rockingham County, VA/DC area huntin' ancestors. We found a little on the Alstot's, mainly about **Edward Tiffen Alstot** and some on **Catherine Alstott**. We are going to try to find the Alstot property here and go up to Reading, PA and visit **Judith Altstatt's** grave and visit the Schwarzwald Church and Altstatt property if we have a chance.

Dick & Natalie Hill, Argyle, TX - (Pg. 499) Trying to catch up. Our granddaughter, **Olivia Hill**, was born Dec. 26, 1996, in Hampton, VA. **Dick** had his second successful cataract surgery in Feb. '97, and I was hospitalized in March with Meniere's Disease which causes vertigo. I had successful ear surgery in May which took care of that.

Our tarantula, **Harry**, did not fair as well. He/she died this summer.

In October, Natalie attended the opening of the Memorial for Women in the Military at Arlington National Cemetery. It was a very impressive and heart warming service.

From there she visited relatives in Maryland and West Virginia including her cousin **Forrest Hoffmaster** and his wife, **Mildred**.

Forrest and Mildred Hoffmaster, Linthicum Heights, MD - (Pg. 499) We have been quite busy on local AARP trips this year. The end of November we enjoyed visiting Harpers Ferry and visiting with cousins, **Natalie Hill**, **Mary Lou Dalton** and **Elizabeth Nichols**. At 5:30 p.m. we met at the KOA Campgrounds Hall for a 50th High School Reunion banquet. I was able to have a dance with each of my three cousins.

Richard & Stephanie Alstadt, Bethel Park, PA - (Pg. 34) Our biggest event in 1997 was the family vacation to Florida in October. It was the first plane flight for **Jason** and **Valerie**. We visited the Magic Kingdom, EPCOT and MGM Studios. Next was "Gatorland" and then Kennedy Space Center.

For Halloween, **Jason** (11 years old), dressed up in a #40 **Mike Alstott** Buccaneer jersey and trick-or-treated as a football player. **Valerie** (8 years) dressed up as a pumpkin.

Ruth Fraser, Brunswick, ME - (Pg. 201) The end of May, 1997, **Gordon** and I went on an Alaskan cruise. It was AWESOME! We panned for gold and saw many wild animals and beautiful Mt. McKinley!

In July, brother **Carroll** and **Mary Engleman** celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary. I flew back to Indiana to surprise them. The siblings and family bombarded in on brother **Paul** and **Delight Engleman** and I believe there were 32 family members there.

Loring "Doc" Alstadt, Salem, VA - (Pg. 518) Now we are one year closer to the next reunion - thanks to your ceaseless efforts. I can't express adequately how appreciative I am to know there are other Alstatts.

Sally Allstot, Harlan, IA - (Pg. 399) I had an angioplasty done last Dec. 4th. They put two stents in and although I am tired, I am feeling better each day. All of my children are fine.

Here's hoping each of you enjoy the Holiday's and may God bestow upon us a gloriously happy and healthy New Year!

Alma Says, "BOOS Are Not Just for Halloween!"

by Alma Alstott (Pg. 297)

I want to tell you this little story which I thought was pretty interesting. Your Allstott book (Pg 145) states that Hans Martin Altstatt sold an acre of ground in Berks Co. PA for the Schwarzwald Lutheran Church in March 1753. And between 1781 and 1811 the pastor was a Rev. William Boos! (Pat Kennedy has a copy of the Church records where Rev. Boos married/baptized some Altstatts. ie., Adam Alstatt to Sara Gehr on 19 October 1794 and Sara Allstatt to Daniel Hoch on 26 July 1801). This perked my interest because my granddaughter Kendra (Judy's dau.) married William Boutell Boos in 1993. I thought - "could it be possible that there was a connection with the Allstatt and Boos line way back then??" SO - I have done quite a bit of searching on this Rev. Boos- he had a very interesting life but I do not believe that he is related to our Bill Boos.

On my last trip to the Salt Lake City History Research Library, I was able to trace my grandson Bill's line back to Germany: He goes back to a George Boos who was born in Dittelsheim, Hesse-Darmstadt, Germany on 8 August 1846. His parents were Michael and Maria Christina (Schuppert) Boos. George came to America in 1855 at age eight. So, on my trip to SLC in April, I will try to find out who brought him over, hopefully the name of the ship, etc. Bill is so excited that I have found several generations of his family because he didn't know much about any of them. A very fascinating family. They did not settle in Penn. but went to Wisconsin and eventually to Minnesota where some of them are yet. Henry P. Boos, the son of George became a dentist, founded a dental laboratory.

I know that you can imagine me down in the German basement at SLC trying to read German and figure out what I was looking at. I also met a young German translator there who had a friend doing a thesis on the town of Dittelsheim by tracking the people who left there and learning where they went and what they did. He was glad to hear what I could tell him about the "BOOS" family and was going to pass it on to the other fellow. Do you know if Darmstadt is close to where the Allstatts originated? I'll have to study your book again. Isn't Genealogy fun???

Editor... Darmstadt is located around 10 miles from Dreieichenhain, the hometown of Martin Altstatt. Also, the land on which the Schwarzwald Church rests today is on part of the original Altstatt land purchased in 1734.

Stephen Averill and Stella Mae (Alstat) George Remembered

Stephen A. George was the son of Stephen George and his wife, Rebecca (Green) Beard. He was born April 15, 1888, in Smith County, TX. After Stephen A. had completed the rural school, he prevailed on his father to let him continue his education. He convinced his father that by continuing his education, it would be possible for him to help the family more. Stephen A. went to work for his mother's brother in a drug store and also attended school. He was paid \$8.00 a month and his room and board, half of his pay he gave to his father. He eventually obtained enough education to teach school.

He taught school and also worked as an apprentice pharmacist. In time, he used his skill as a pharmacist to pay his way through law school. Using his skill as a pharmacist and teacher, he paid his way to night school and attended Dallas Law School. This same law school was later to join with the Southern Methodist University Law College.

He met and married Stella Mae Alstat. She was born May 1, 1890 in Crandall, Texas. Her parents were George A. Alstat (Alstott, Pg. 192) and Belle Crandall. Stella was teaching school in Crandall when they married. Incidentally, the town of Crandall is suppose to have been named after her mother's people.

To this couple were born the following children: James

Ambrose Altstadt (Pg. 117)

Ambrose Altstadt, age 86 of Perham, MN died Monday, August 25, 1997. Visitation held Wednesday, August 27, 1997 at Schoeneberger Funeral Home, Mass at 7:30 p.m.

Funeral services will be held Thursday, August 28 at St. Stanislaus Catholic Church, Perham, MN at 11:00 a.m. with Rev. David Kieder and Rev. Leo Otto officiating. Interment will be held at St. Joseph's Cemetery, rural Perham.

Ambrose was born May 29, 1911 in Perham Township, to George and Elizabeth (Krekelberg) Altstadt. He attended St. Joseph's School in rural Perham. Ambrose was united in marriage to Margaret Gruber on January 17, 1934 in St. Paul, MN. Margaret passed away January 20, 1994. They were married for 60 years. To this union, three children were born.



Shortly after they were married, they returned to the family farm in Perham Township where they resided until 1971. His life was spent farming and working as a carpenter.

Ambrose was a member of the Sacred Heart Catholic Aid Society and the Knights of Columbus. This gentle man was known by his family and friends as being kind-hearted and understanding. He will be greatly missed by everyone. Survived by daughter, Dianne (Mike) Rohde; sons: George (Ardith) Altstadt and Roger (Susan) Altstadt; sister, Mary Ann "Biddy", (Don) Simon; special friend, Shirley Baumgardner; sisters-in-law: Nettie Altstadt; Mary Altstadt; 9 grandchildren; and 11 great-grandchildren.

Preceded in death by 4 brothers; 6 sisters; granddaughter, Theresa Altstadt; 2 great grandsons.

WALTER JACKSON (Pg. 278)

Walter "Bud" passed away March 22, 1998. Born at home, Sept. 30, 1922, in Oklahoma City. Graduated from Central High School. Served in U.S. Coast Guard throughout World War II, receiving 4 stars, and victory ribbons. Married to Ellen Marjorie Altstadt for fortytwo years. He was an employee of Radiology Consultants for over 40 years.

He was preceded in death by loving wife, "Marge", his parents, two sisters, and brother. He is survived by nine children, Rita, Cathy, Perry, Tim, Debbie, Chris, MaryAnne, David and Lori; 18 grandchildren, and 3 great grandchildren.

Special family thanks to loving aunt, and sister-in-law, Sylvania Melton.

The Daily Oklahoman, Tuesday, March 24, 1998

Austin, born 1911, Texas; Woodrow, born March 20, 1912, Texas; Doris, the only girl; and S.A. George, Jr.

Stephen A. and his wife Stella arrived in Ardmore, OK, after July 1, 1916, with two young sons, J.A. and Woodrow. They established a home at 224 9th Avenue, N.W., but later moved to Bixby, S.W. S.A. George, always remembered the promise he had made his father, that if he was allowed to continue his education, he would always help members of his family. True to this pledge, as often and whenever he was called upon, he was always ready to lend a helping hand. Stella was a kind, considerate person. Like her husband, she, too, always stood ready to help where needed. Stella died November 3, 1945, and is buried at Rose Hill Cemetery. Later S.A., Sr., married Helen Smith, and they established a home in Southwest Ardmore. He died February 25, 1970.



A Grand Lady!

Herthel Belle Carlson (page 452) daughter of Jessie Salome Altstadt Shire turned 95 on November 24, 1997. On that same day, Herthel's Great Grand Nephew, Joshua Timothy Lewis, son of Ryan and Kim Lewis was born.

Family and friends gathered for Herthel's 95th birthday on November 28 at the K of C Hall in Streetsborough, Ohio. Four generations of loved ones traveled from every compass direction...West from California, South from Texas, and East from Maryland to Northern Ohio eager to celebrate the life of this wonderful matriarch! We ate, we danced and we smiled 95 Years Apart!

On January 9, 1998, a few short months after the 95th birthday celebration, Herthel passed away at Lake West Hospital in Willoughby, Ohio. She was born November 24, 1902 in Rocky River. Herthel was an independent woman! She was an alumni of Andrews School for Girls in Willoughby. She was employed by Carlings Brewely in Cleveland retiring in 1967 after 26 years of service.

Herthel was devoted to her family. She is survived by her daughters, LaVerne Calhoun of Eastlake, Ohio and Anita McNamara of Ashtabula, Ohio; son, Norman (Bud) Carlson of Lake Forest, California; 11 grandchildren and 15 great grandchildren. Her husband, Glenn L. Carlson; son, Glenn A. Carlson; and sister, Irene Robinson are deceased.

Robert M. Allstott (Pg. 293)

1929-1998

BEND, OR -- Robert M. (Bob) Allstott, 69, of Bend, died Friday, Aug. 7, 1998 at St. Charles Medical Center, following heart surgery.

Mr. Allstott was born Jan. 8, 1929 in Hermiston to Robert E. and Donna Allstott. A third-generation Oregonian, he lived in rural communities throughout his home state. He attended Eastern Oregon State College in La Grande, earning a masters degree in education. He taught school in Union and was a school principal in Seneca, Lakeview, Mapleton and John Day.

On Aug. 22, 1954, he married Janet West in Arlington.

He retired in 1986 and moved to Bend. Throughout his life he promoted the value of education. Mr. Allstott loved people and felt that talking was the "music of life." He encouraged others and enjoyed telling stories and jokes.

He was active in the Lions Club and its organ donor program. Was a lifetime member of the United Methodist Church and served in the U.S. Army in Okinawa. He enjoyed hunting and fishing with his son and college friends.

Survivors include his wife, Janet; children, Deb Allstott, identical twins, Becky O'Malley and Laura Schob, and fraternal twins Mike Allstott and Lisa Shanklin; sisters, Shirley, Darlene and 11 grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Tuesday, Aug. 11 1998 at the United Methodist Church, Bend. Burial followed at Pilot Butte Cemetery.

The Hermiston Herald, Tuesday, Aug. 18, 1998.

Steven A. and Stella Mae (Alstat) George article written by Judge Woodrow George. O.D. Barber. and PVN

Research of Bill Altstatt as found in:

"Indian Territory and Carter County Pioneers" by Norton & Sulton

Christine Altstatt Leggett (Pg. 286)

91, longtime Norman resident, died peacefully in her sleep Tuesday, Nov. 11.

Services are scheduled for 10 a.m. Thursday, at Primrose Chapel, with Dr. Lavonn Brown officiating. Burial 2 p.m. Thursday, at Okmulgee Cemetery, under the direction of Primrose Funeral Service.

She was born Aug. 31, 1906, the daughter of Abbie Litz Altstatt and Edna Boatman Altstatt, farmers from Sebastian County, AR. She moved with her family to Okmulgee in 1921, where her father found a job at a local refinery. In Okmulgee she met Grady C. Leggett, a native of Blossom, TX, and, like her father, a refinery worker. They were married on March 15, 1924, and were married for 64 years until Mr. Leggett's death in 1988.

During those years, the couple lived in towns throughout the southwestern oil and gas fields: Okmulgee, Graham and Madill, OK, Holliday, TX, and Lovington, NM In 1965, the Leggetts retired to Norman, where she became an active member in the First Baptist Church. She spent her life in service of her family, friends, church and community.

She is survived by two daughters and sons-in-law, Mary Elizabeth and Pete Jackson of Lindsay, and Jo Ann and Paul C. "Pete" Jennings of Salado, Texas; a sister, Myrthine Manfredi of Middletown, Conn.; a brother, Mauri Fritz "Buddy" Altstatt and his wife, Evelyn, of Lovington, N.M.; a sister-in-law, Janice Altstatt of Norman; four grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren; and many nieces and nephews.

Dorothy Laura Potts (pg. 550)

A funeral will be held at 1 p.m. Friday, March 6, 1998, in Vancouver funeral Chapel for Dorothy Laura Potts, who died March 3 at age 92.

Dorothy Laura Altstadt was born Feb. 11, 1906, in Forrest, IL. She was valedictorian of the Forrest High School Class of 1924. In 1926 she married John Potts. They moved to Portland, OR in 1930. She was a homemaker until 1961, and then she and her husband traveled the world until the mid-1980s. They moved to Vancouver, WA in 1988. Her husband died in 1994; a grandchild also died earlier. Survivors include her daughter, Jeanette Hillend, five grandchildren; eight great-grandchildren; and four great-great-grandchildren.

Interment will be in Park Hill Cemetery.

Hugh Marcus Altstatt (pg. 262)

Hugh "Bronco" Altstatt, 90, of Heavener, died Saturday, August 1, 1998, in Heavener, OK. He was in the saw mill business for 41 years before retiring as foreman at Burnett Lumber Co. He was a member of First United Methodist Church in Heavener and a longtime resident. Funeral was 10 a.m., Monday, in Dowden Funeral Home Chapel with burial at Memorial Park in Heavener.

He is survived by one daughter, Peggy Johnson of Heavener; two sons, Gene of Heavener and George of Pine Bluff, AR; 12 grandchildren; 22 great-grandchildren; and 10 great-great-grandchildren.

The above photo indicates that he was an avid gardener at his home next to the Waldron road.

The Heavener (OK)

Ledger, August 6, 1998



We have two great possible Reunion sites for 2004... So Don't Miss the Planning Session in Pendleton!

Joyce Edna Mae Allstot Weir (pg. 216)

Dec. 22, 1910 - Mar. 6, 1998

Born December 22, 1910, at Denbigh, ND, Joyce was the second child of John Sherman Allstot and Bertha Phillips. Over the next 18 years, the family moved to Brant, Alberta, then to Tonasket, WA, Florida and back to Tonasket. During that time three brothers, John, Bill and Dick and two sisters Jo and Ollie, joined Joyce in the Allstot family.

Joyce married "the boy next door." She worked at the Tonasket Drug Store and Walter Weir worked at the Weir Corner Service Station next to the drug store. They eloped to Wenatchee on August 21, 1931. For 26 years, Walter and Joyce lived in Tonasket, raising their family, JoEllen and Jim, and were active in church and community interests.

After Walter passed away in 1957, she moved to Spokane where both her children lived. There she returned to school and graduated as a licensed practical nurse. In Spokane she worked at Holy Family Hospital, volunteered at the Westminster Food Bank and was active at Whitworth Presbyterian Church. She served there as a Sunday School teacher and as a Deacon. Her home was open to any who needed a temporary place to be sheltered, comforted and nurtured.

She is survived by her two children; Jo Ellen Jones and Jim Weir, four grandchildren; Jim and Jennifer Jones, Wendy and Rick Weir; eleven great-grandchildren, Gabriel, Tony, Marchs and Alisha Rodriguez, Lindsey, James and Leeann Dillon, Laura and Christopher Hutchinson, Keiko and Tomo Weir; two brothers; Bill Allstot and Dick Allstot; brother-in-law, Vern Wills and sister-in-law, Dorothy Allstot, along with twenty nieces and nephews who share many loving memories of their Aunt Joyce.

Bonnie Rae Franklin (pg. 269)

Died on July 13, 1998, in the Henryetta, Oklahoma Hospital at the age of 73.

She was born Bonnie Rae Altstadt on April 7, 1925 in Auburn, AR. She was the daughter of the late Henry Pool Altstadt and grand-daughter of Pleasant John Altstadt.

Memorial services were held at 2:00 p.m., Thursday, July 16, 1998, at the United Methodist Church in Henrietta. Reverend George Palmer officiated and Rev. Jack Cleaver assisted. She leaves behind her husband of 53 years, Claude Franklin.

Tressie Wilcox (pg. 295)

1909 - 1998

HERMISTON - Mrs. Wilcox, 88, of Hermiston, died Tuesday, July 28, 1998, at Good Samaritan Center in Hermiston.

Tressie Venus Allstott was born Nov. 12, 1909, at Eight Mile Canyon near Heppner, to Robert E. and Mary Elizabeth Wardwell Allstott, Sr. On Oct. 12, 1929, she married Charles B. Wilcox, at Heppner. They moved to Hermiston in 1935. She worked as a practical nurse at the original Hermiston Hospital and she and her husband were founders of Wilcox Furniture Store.

She was baptized in the Christian Church. She enjoyed the outdoors, hunting, fishing, flowers and gardening.

Survivors include her husband of 68 years, Charles Wilcox; son, Otis; daughter, Patricia Kennedy; sisters, June Meek and Dorris Spencer; eight grandchildren and 20 great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by a son, Robert in 1986.

Burial to follow at the Hermiston Cemetery.

Memories of Tressie Wilcox

by grandson, John D. Kennedy

My Grandmother, My Friend.

Last night my parents and I had a great time telling stories about Tressie and also about our life in Hermiston some 35 years ago. She was by many standards an ordinary, simple woman, raised in a time when her focus in life was to support her husband and raise her children. She lived through a depression that shaped the lives of many of the people her age. That experience made her frugal and cautious.

Money was saved for a rainy day and spent carefully. Grandma had a way of distributing gum that made such a simple thing seem like an incredible reward. Half sticks of gum were distributed occasionally and full sticks of gum from grandma were cause for celebration. To this day I think of grandma when someone offers me a stick of gum.

Oh how I would love to be 11 years old again grandma. I looked so forward to those summer days I spent with you and grandpa. Anticipating the fish we would catch and clean, waking up each morning to your breakfasts. I loved your stories and the way you made me feel special. The unique things about camping with you two that my friends at home did not understand like the pee can we all shared.

Life seems fragile yet Tressie lived a good solid one. It was not a life cut short but was an extended life filled with many great experiences and love all around. There will never be another one like you.



Edith Altstadt

McDowell (pg. 482)

July 10, 1915 -

November 26, 1997

1998 History Book Owners...Only 192 books left!

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Phyllis and I will probably sell the remaining books at the 1999 Reunion. If you would like a copy...please order now - \$45.00 by check to **Jerry Allstott, 6537 Hummingbird St., Ventura, CA 93003**. The book contains over 600 pages and shows 800+ photographs of the histories of the 28 Altstadt/Altstadt/Altstatt immigrants to the U.S. since 1729.

Thanks to to the many of you who help defer costs on the newsletter

My sincere thanks to each of you for supporting the "All-Clans" Newsletter with your wonderful articles and your yearly (\$2.00) monetary support. The 1998 Newsletter is devoted, in part, to the 1999 Reunion in Pendleton. For those who have given far-and-above your \$2.00 yearly support...that "extra" went toward the cost of mailing 1,000+ invitations for this Reunion to all the "Clans" members that I have addresses for.

Your "Extra" goes toward MANY stamps and invitations and guarantees our Reunions' health. ...Again...**THANK YOU ALL!**