



NEWSLETTER

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Phyllis and I Wish You a Very Merry Christmas and Wonderful New Millennium...May Y2K Be Good to You!

1999...WHAT A GREAT YEAR FOR THE ALLSTOTT'S. April saw us on our annual trek back east to visit the kin, kids and grandkids in Texas and Georgia, mixed with visits to Phyllis' aunt and uncle in Alabama and nephew's family in DC. Then we pestered Alstott's in Indiana and Altstatt's in Oklahoma. It was our first visit with Bill, Jenny, Marvin and Louise Alstott since the '94 Corydon Reunion. Bill and Jenny had a cute nest of Robins over their front porch with necks stretching for food. Speaking of food, thanks Marvin and Louise for the sumptuous meal at a beautiful restaurant overlooking the Ohio River. The food and fellowship were superb.

A few days later we popped in on Bill and Georgia Altstatt in OK City. As we approached the city from the east we noticed some of the damage done by the 1999 tornado. But that was nothing compared to the "tornado tour" that they took us on a few days later. What a sight...the May 3rd tornado made a two city block - 40-mile long swath of sheer destruction. Tree tops looked like roots. Cars were smashed and twisted. The twister came to within 3-blocks of the home of Bobby Altstatt, Bill and Georgia's son. As usual, Bill invited other Altstatt's over for a good "jaw" session which included visits by Hershel Altstatt and two of his sisters, Barbara Altstatt and Pat Moses among others.

Then we motored back down into Texas for a reunion of my grandfather, Arthur Allstott's, siblings descendants in Palestine. What a great time, I hadn't been around such a group of Sowell's and Reduses since my grandfather's funeral service in 1945. We gathered at Hoyt and Margaret Helen Clay's home for a Memorial Day weekend of remembrances and catching up...and received memories that will last a lifetime. The highpoint of the event to me was being at East Hill Cemetery where we placed Memorial Day flowers on the graves of Reduses, Sowell's, great-great-grandparents Reason and Mary Bowsher Allstott and great grandmother Sallie Jackson Allstott. The significance of the event was that within a few months Margaret Helen, last in her generation, went home to be with the Lord.

After a few weeks of being home in June, we were off to the fantastic 3rd Family Reunion in Pendleton, Oregon. Our son, Roger, daughter-in-law, Anne, grandson, Geoffrey along with our cousins the Langfords and Baker' attended their first

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Martin Altstatt's 300th Birthday Celebration in Pendleton, OR Brought the 3rd National Reunion to a Rousing Close...with Fireworks!

The Oregon Allstott's, Put On A World Class Reunion in a First Class Way!

From start to finish, nothing was left unturned as Archie and Jeanette Padberg, along with the entire Oregon Allstott family, made sure that all of the 200-plus Reunion Attendees had a marvelous time. As folks were arriving on Friday, July 2nd for registration, Georgia Marshall had her horse and buggy on-site for rides around the Pendleton Convention Center parking lot. And speaking of parking lot, the Convention Center had a special section rigged up for RVers and a super low price of \$10 per night including electricity and camaraderie. Showers, dormitory style, were available in the Convention Center. Not Motel 6, but when you are an RVer, you are used to roughing it. Of course, there were many hotels and motels in town for those of a more "refined" nature. The Doubletree Inn offered a special reunion

discount, but the view they offered was not discounted. Perched up on a hillside on the outskirts of eastern Pendleton, the Inn offered a wonderful view of the hills of eastern Oregon.

The welcome table was a busy spot. You could sign up for many different tours around Pendleton - there was a lot to see and do for anyone who didn't care to sit around the Convention Center and gab all day. One great sight for the Easterners in our group was the Indian Pow Wow which was going on in Pendleton at the same time as our Reunion. Bands of Indians from the Cayuse, Umatilla and Walla Walla tribes in full regalia danced from morning till night. Stands were loaded with handmade jewelry and trinkets of all sorts. If you were weary of shopping there was the Wildhorse Casino just across the parking lot. Many took the Pendleton Underground Tour and others took in the Cowboy Museum at the Pendleton Roundup Grounds.

Each participant was greeted by a goodie bag upon registration Friday and Saturday

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The American Descendants of Heinrich "The Baker" Altstatt Now Have a German Cousin!

January 8, 1999 was a memorable day in the life of the Altstatt family. For on that day I received this e-mail message - "Are you the Jerry Allstott who wrote the book 'Altstatt/Altstatt: a history of the clans?'"

The person who wrote the e-mail note was Hermann Altstatt from Erlangen, Bavaria, Germany. Hermann wanted to know about the history of the Altstatt family and if we had a coat of arms...and he also wanted to obtain a history book.

As Hermann and I corresponded, I found him to be a cousin to the American Altstatt line whose immigrant ancestor was Fred Altstatt. Fred was born in 1856 (pg.84 in the history book) and came to the US in 1873 and eventually settled in Nebraska. American Altstatt descendant Donna Westphallen (pg.88) and her husband, Allan were pleasantly surprised to hear the news of a German Altstatt cousin when they attended the Pendleton Reunion.

Donna and Hermann are both descendants of Heinrich and Katherine Seeburger Altstatt. Heinrich was born in Michelfeld, Germany around 1800. He was a baker by trade and a very outspoken man, as told by Hermann. "Heinrich

The "A" Train Corner

Mike Alstott Helps Put Tampa Bay in First Place With a Big Win Over the Detroit Lions!

The '99 season is looking great at this time for the Bucs. "Alstott's Army has something to shout about as the big "bull" charges into the opposing lines. AND Tampa Bay is in first place in the NFC Central Division.

Speaking of Mike Alstott (pg.438)...I was in Toys-or-us a couple of weeks ago and came across what every clan member just can't live without...at least every clan member who has grandkids (unless they thought it to put under their own "tree"). It's a genuine NFL licensed *Starting Lineup* Tampa Bay Backfield Duo of Warrick Dunn and Mike Alstott. The set sells for \$14.99. I thought it was unusual to find two sets in California, so I bought one for grandkid Goeffrey and my other kid (Jerry).



AP photo, Ventura Star, Feb. 7, 1999

SURROUNDED: Steve Young and Chris Chandler carry on a conversation around a Hawaiian hula dancer as they wait for the team photo to be taken Saturday in Honolulu. Behind the quarterbacks are Green Bay's LeRoy Butler, left, Tampa Ay's Mike Alstott, center, and Atlanta's Eugene Robinson

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reunion with us. I won't say more about that occasion as that is reported in the next column over.

Lastly, our travels for the year took us to Nairobi, Kenya for Phyllis' nieces, Brenda Kominyo, wedding in late July. We found the "3rd world" to be quite unique from the good ol' USA, but we have to go a long way in finding open and good natured people. While there we treated ourselves to two safaris, one to Massai-Mara Park and another to Nikuru Park. In these two parks we saw all of the "big five" African wild animals, and tried our tastebuds at crocodile, ostrich, and zebra - - along with tastes of some of the tamer fare.

As far as the new millennium, we know that we are expecting a new grandbaby from our daughter, Cherilyn, and son-in-law, Tim the later part of May. Ah, times are a changin'.

I et it didn't I?

That was June Meek's dad's, Robert Enicholas Allstott's, favorite saying when Mama was wanting a compliment on something she had prepared SPECIAL! That seemed to satisfy her need of a compliment from him.

From the Christmas Greeting card of June Meek (pg.290)

These favorite family recipes should keep your mouth watering with delight:

Sister Dollie's Blanc Mange
6 cups milk
1-1/2 cup sugar
1 tablespoon vanilla

Bring milk and sugar to boil; then lower heat to simmer. Stir mixture frequently until it thickens. Keep stirring constantly until done. It will have the consistency of custard with a caramel color. Add vanilla and cool.

Sister Betty's Pink Candy
2 cups sugar 2 tablespoons butter
1/2 teasp. salt 1 cup sour cream

Combine salt, sugar and cream. Cook till forms a soft ball stage. Stir occasionally. Add coloring when it loses gloss; beat & pour into platter to cool. Add vanilla.

Sister Susie's Applesauce Cake
2 cups hot applesauce 2 cups sugar
1 cup raisins 1 cup hot water
2 tsp soda stirred in the hot water
2 tsp cinnamon 1 tsp clove
4 cups flour 1/2 cup chocolate
1/2 cup shortening

Mix together and pour into greased pan. Bake in 350° oven for 30-40 minutes.

Sister Gladys Caramel Pie Filling
1 cup brown sugar 2 tblsp butter
(brown and melt these ingred.together)
2 large tblsp flour 1/2 tsp salt
3 egg yolks 2 cups milk

Mix and stir into butter, sugar and vanilla. Cook in pan in boiling water till done. Cool and put into baked pie shells. Makes

two pies; cover with whipped cream.

Sister Tressie's Potato Salad w/Boiled

Dressing
2 beaten egg yolks 3/4 cup milk
1/2 cup vinegar 1-1/2 tsp salt
1 tsp. mustard 2 tsp sugar
2-1/2 tblsp flour 1 tblsp butter

Mix all together and cook in a pan of boiling water until mixture thickens. Let cool and add a cup or so of thick cream. Pour dressing over diced boiled potatoes and chop onions. Salt and pepper to taste. Decorate with sliced egg and top with a dash of paprika.

Sister Mary's Chocolate Pudding

Beat 3 egg yolks 1 cup sugar
3 tblsp flour 1/2 tsp salt
3/4 cup chocolate lots of butter
add to 2 cups milk

Cook in pan of boiling water, stirring often. When thick, add 2 tsp. vanilla. Beat well several times. (Mary had a secret ingredient poured from a bottle).

When cool, stir in whip cream. Put in pan or bowl and cover with sweetened vanilla whip cream.

Sister June's Corn Bread

1 cup (polenta) corn meal 1 cup flour
1 tsp salt 2 tblsp sugar
1 tblsp baking powder 1 egg
1 cup milk 1/4 cup oil or shortening

Blend the dry ingredients and add to beaten egg, milk and shortening. Stir enough to moisten dry ingredients. Pour into well greased pan. Bake in hot 450° oven for 20 minutes till brown.



Calvin Talhelm Celebrates 92 Years



Kirk, Marjorie, Calvin and Gayle Talhelm

Calvin (pg.452) and Marjorie's family gathered for an afternoon of food and fellowship at their son Kirk's and Gayle's farm, near Evart, MI where the Talhelms live.

42 sons and daughters, grandchildren, great-grandchildren, cousins and friends enjoyed visiting and walking through the woods. In recent years Marjorie's eyesight has dimmed a bit, so Calvin has taken over many of the household duties. Their daughter, Priscilla Whitman, lives nearby and helps regularly. But these duties do not keep him from driving 30+ miles to his country club twice each week for a round of golf, and a game of cards if he can find enough opponents! Article submitted by Everett Aldstadt

Glimpse of the past from the Heppner, OR Gazette-Times, Wed., Aug. 18, 1993

Past Fair and Rodeo queens to be honored in parade



Eva Padberg Griffith was rodeo queen in 1923. She along with 41 other past queens, will be honored during this year's parade.

Eva, the daughter of William and Mary Padberg, grew up on her folks' place in Clark's Canyon. In the 1923 rodeo at the age of 14, she rode with her princess Jane Allstott. Eva was grand marshall for the 1975 fair and rodeo and has ridden in several prades over the years.

Sister Dorris' Maple Bars

2 tblsp fat 1 cup sugar
1 egg 1 cup milk
4 tsp baking powder 1 tsp salt
1/2 tsp cinnamon 3/4 cup flour

Add fat to milk, sugar to beaten egg. Add this to the flour mixed with dry ingredients. Makes a stiff dough. Divide dough in half and knead slightly. Pat out and roll dough to 1/4" on a floured board. Cut into 4x2" strips. Fry in hot fat about 2- minutes. They come quickly to the top. Turn but once. Brown and put on absorbent paper. Spread maple flavor icing on top.

Eat and enjoy!

What bugged us in the First Alstott/Altstatt Book may now be put to bed with help from Wilma Bruce

“Who is the John Alstott that married Anne Barnaby in 1824”.

Wilma Bruce asks the same question the family researchers asked back in the 80s as Apple line looks like it was assigned to the wrong John Alstott in the Second Allstadt/Altstadt/Altstatt History Book

Wilma Bruce (pg. 423) writes: “We really enjoyed our Allstott reunion in Pendleton.

When I gave one of my cousins the Allstott information on our line, she said that the information wasn't right as Lucinda Allstott Apple (pg. 418) in a sworn statement said that she was born near New Albany, IN.

This week I received a copy of Lucinda Allstott Apple's death certificate (Dec. 8, 1828-Oct. 17, 1913). In my experience they ask the name of parents - I anxiously waited for the answer and now share with you that the first name of Lucinda's father is unknown, place of birth unknown, BUT her mother was Annie Barnaby who was born in New Albany, IN.

My reason for writing to you - which Alstott married Annie Barnaby?

Do you suppose that there was another Lucinda Alstott that was born in Casey Co., KY? I understood it was an Apple that gave you Mariah Overstreet as Lucinda's mother. Sure gets confusing! A little more fuel for the fire.

Thanks for your help,

Sincerely,
Wilma

...Back to the real world...

Now that kind of letter really knocks the socks off of someone when they think they have the right puzzle piece in the right slot...quite a few heads went together to be as sure as possible that the Lucinda Alstott, born in Casey County, Kentucky was the proper Alstott that married David Apple. So you know how embarrassed I was when I read Wilma's letter. Where is Sherlock Holmes when you need him?

All I could think to do was look into the Family History Book with the thought that now we had a second Lucinda Alstott. We know that John and Mariah Overstreet Alstott had a daughter named Lucinda born in Casey County, Kentucky.

We now know that there is a second Lucinda, this one born in Indiana. By our old records a John Alstott married an Ann Barnaby in New Albany, Indiana. Back in the 1980s the research team scratched our heads but could not for the life of us find which John married Anne as all Johns were accounted for - so we thought.

It is a fact, that before 1850 only heads of households were listed and other household members were listed as numbers. So...I went to the History book and found all the John Alstott's - Allstott's old enough to be Lucinda's father. Then I looked to see if any children of a John Allstott had unknown children and VOILA! On page 318 we find a John Bartlett Allstot who had an unknown daughter born around 1828. Our Indiana Lucinda was born in 1828. John Allstot's first wife is unknown, but I believe Anne Barnaby now to be the second wife of John Bartlett Allstot (1790). John is believed to have had seven children born in 1824 or before. We know John Bartlett to be a rascal, because my Reason Allstott (page 316) was a baseborn son of John B. Allstott (see page 348). So John had at least one

Piggott Police Department has extensive training in criminal and civil areas



Members of the Piggott Police Department are, from left: Front - Patrolman Kurt Williamson and K-9 officer Hershey. Middle - Patrolman Richard Tippitt, Lt Gary Trout, Piggott Mayor Bud Holcomb, Sgt. Don Poole, and Chief Bill Alstadt. Back patrolmen Terry Burdin, Sam Williams Jr., Scott Redmon, and Randy Dennis. (Times Photo by Anne Winchester)

By ANNE WINCHESTER *Times News Staff*

The officers of the Piggott Police Department have received extensive training in several criminal and civil areas, according to Chief Bill Alstadt. The department is comprised of nine members -- Alstadt, Lt. Gary Trout, Sgt. Don Poole, and patrolmen Richard Tippitt, Randy Dennis, Scott Redmon, Sam Williams Jr., and Kurt Williamson.

The ninth officer is Terry Burdin. In addition to ALETA training, Alstadt said Burdin is also a certified emergency medical technician.

Alstadt said the eight officers are trained in first aid and CPR, firearms, dealing with difficult subjects, crime scene investigations, accident investigations, and courtroom procedures.

Alstadt said most of the Piggott officers are certified to use chemical weapons (pepper spray).

Alstadt said the department has participated in a three-day mock disaster course, sponsored by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA).

He said city emergency and disaster planning is almost completed. He said the plan will be initiated in the event of an earthquake, flood train derailment or tornado.

Alstadt said the plans include a listing of resources available at the schools and factories that can be used during emergency situations.

Alstadt explained that, although the Piggott police officers are trained, they must also receive certification that is updated regularly, and all departmental procedures and policies must be monitored by the Arkansas Department of Standards and Training.

liaison and two known wives in addition to one first wife deferred to him (in the book - page 316).

I get a little gamey to making a projection as to Lucinda Allstott Apple's actual father. But we do, by proof, know her mother was Anne Barnaby.

Also, by reading page 317 under the descendants of John Bartlett Allstot, we find in the third paragraph a reference to the David Apple family. So I find no inconsistency in placing Lucinda into the *unknown daughter* (1828) space under the line of John Bartlett

Williamson was trained and is certified for the K-9 Unit, “They’ve tried to train using several scenarios that involve detecting drugs or tracking lost children.” Alstadt said. He said the bicycle patrol has “very good potential” He said the program is in development with Redmon and Burdin. Alstadt said the department’s training and education continue every day. “We gain knowledge every day that we’re out here working,” he said. “Our education is ongoing.”

Alstadt said the department is presenting several safety programs at the elementary school in addition to its established DARE program.

Alstadt said officers have spoken to driver’s education students, and the “Fatal Vision” program will be presented annually before the Prom.

The Fatal Vision program utilizes face goggles that simulate the disoriented condition a person reaches after consuming alcohol. Alstadt said safety is stressed during the program and how students should not drink and drive.

Alstadt said the department may also sponsor a simulated driving course that would demonstrate the condition of an intoxicated driver.

“We’re a department that is working to serve the public to best meet the residents’ needs. We welcome comments from the public about issues they feel are important,” Alstadt said. “We have got to work together as a community for the benefit of everyone.

“The officers of the Piggott Police Department have received extensive training in several criminal and civil areas, according to Chief Bill Alstadt.

Article abridged from the Piggott Times - Oct. 27, 1999

Allstot on page 318.

So, for all of you with Family History books, please connect the Apple family line on page 423 with the John Bartlett Allstot line on page 318...my line!

Now, Wilma - please accept my sincere apology for this major goof in the Family History Book. My hope is that we are not wrong twice!

Sincerely,
with my head bowed low...Jerry

3rd National Reunion

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morning. Along with sheaves of Oregon wheat and a thimble sized container of dirt from Dreieichenhain, Germany that Jerry and Phyllis Allstott picked up last year on their trip to Europe.

Saturday morning's opening ceremony was

opened with an Indian prayer by one of the chiefs of the Umatilla tribe, this was followed by an Indian dance around the Convention hall by Umatilla tribesmen to the beat of tom-toms and singing. Then the Reunion participants were asked to join in the dance, and most of them did!

Later, descendants of six different Altstadt/Altstott immigrants were introduced. Descendants of Heinrich Altstadt (1800), Rhinehart Alstat (1818), George Altstadt (1831), George Altstott (1831), Ferdinand Altstadt as well as



Above: Phyllis and I enjoy the surry ride around the Convention Center parking lot...an extra treat given by Reunion hostess Georgia Marshall (front seat passenger)

dessert. All through the Reunion there was a bottomless coffeepot available. During lunch, good strummin' western music was provided to add to the festive atmosphere.

On Saturday afternoon we gathered for the Mike Alstott

Below: The united Indian Tribes conducted opening ceremonies for the Reunion



Memorabilia Drawing - -of a "No. 40" jersey, football trading cards and a wall poster. Michael Altstott, of Oklahoma City, grinned from ear-to-ear when Bill Langford, of Portland, OR, handed him the poster he won, just 'cause Michael wanted to win something so bad. It was a thrill for both. Sunday

morning found us back at the "feed troth" eating a hardy cowboy breakfast ... then into the convention hall for morning interfaith worship. Almost everyone who attended the reunion came to the service organized by



Above: Martin Altstott's 300th birthday cake baked by hostess Georgia Marshall (pg.298) represented th bridge between Germany and Martin and Judith's new home of America

Dorris Spencer...they sang choruses led by Karen Zeise, with words projected on a screen. A "Clan" choir delivered special music. Phyllis Allstott was at the keyboard. Scripture was read by quite a few of the Allstott's and Rev. Neil Zeise delivered the message. After the service, all gathered in the Happy Canyon Arena for a group photo. Sunday afternoon was free again for whatever the attendees wished to do.

Sunday evening, July 4th, was highlighted by a huge fireworks display that lasted for over 30 minutes. The city fireworks display was held at the Round-up grounds, which were just next door to the Happy Canyon Arena stands, so all the group was given an

unrestricted view of each boom and blast.

Monday morning many gathered for a continental breakfast and final farewells till our next Reunion gathering.



Far left: RVers Jerry Allstott, Bill and Joan Langford, John and Susan Altstott(Altstott Website Hosts) and Breanna Baker

Above: Music filled the room for the Western Bar-B-Que feast on Saturday



Martin Altstott (1699) made up the "clans" audience. This part of the program was followed by a grand Western Style Bar-B-Qued dinner of tri-tip, chicken and sausage with gobs of salad, baked beans, potato salad, corn on the cob and

Start Making Your Plans Now for July 4th Weekend 2004 for Southern Illinois...The Crossroad of America!

Reunion registered attendees:

Alvis Alstat, Auburn Hills, MI
Barbara Altstott, Oklahoma City, OK
Hershel Altstott, Oklahoma City, OK
Vernon Padberg, Lincoln City, OR
Darcy McNally, Eugene, OR
Justin McNally, Eugene, OR
Al & Eileen Eisenbeisz, Sacramento, CA
Allen & Lois Carstiens, Tucson, AZ
Virginia Peck, Heppner, OR
Clyde Allstott, Heppner, OR
Brian Allstott, Tigard, OR
Dorris Spencer, Lawrenceburg, IN
Neil & Karen Ziese, Lawrenceburg, IN
Rhea & Mary Spencer, Meridian, ID
Ashley & Stephan Spencer
Gale & Jeannel Spencer, Lawrenceburg, IN
Gordon & Ruth Fraser, Brunswick, ME
Paul & Delight Engleman, Indianapolis, IN
Roger & Anne Allstott, Houston, TX
Geoffrey Allstott, Houston, TX
Archie & Jeanette Padberg, Heppner, OR
Bing & Mary Lou Buchheit, Silverton, OR
Allan & Donna Westphalen, El Cajon, CA

Fred Painter, Heppner, OR
Merry Brannon, Heppner, OR
Drew Brannon, Heppner, OR
Russ Brannon, Heppner, OR
Bob & Aloha DeSpain, Heppner, OR
Chris & Louie DeSpain, Scappoose, OR
Robert & Jean Marie DeSpain, Veneta, OR
John & Pat Allstott, Howell, MI
Jim & Kathie Allstott, Plainfield, IL
Everett & Thelma Aldstadt, St. Marys, OH
Ted & Darlene Knowles, Lewiston, ID
Alan & Vickie Parsons, Harrisburg, OR
Harold & Alice Erwert, Hillsboro, OR
Marvin & Pat Kennedy, Medford, OR
Marvin & Louise Allstott, Corydon, IN
Jerry & Phyllis Allstott, Ventura, CA
Bill & Jenny Allstott, New Albany, IN
Beverlie Allstott, New Albany, IN
RD & Alberta Allstott, Athena, OR
Dave Coerts, Portland, OR
Margaret Allstott, Aurora, SD
Gen Young, Brookings, SD
Gene & Viola Allstott, Berryville, AR
Fred & Clarence Hample, Eugene, OR
Diane Caisse, Eugene, OR
Nick Caisse, Eugene, OR
Alex Caisse, Eugene, OR

Bill & Georgia Altstott, Oklahoma City, OK
Tim & Michelle Selander, Eugene, OR
Josh Spencer, Eugene, OR
Timothy Spencer, Eugene, OR
Glen & June Meek, Portland, OR
G. Warner Meek, Milwakiie, OR
Glady's Schumert, O'Fallon, IL
Clyde & Jackie Allstott, Heppner, OR
Allen & Lois Carstiens, Tucson, AZ
Wilma Bruce, Jay, OK
Nadine Lawmaster, Norman, OK
Larry & Sandy Proffitt, Boring, OR
Bill & Joan Langford, Clackamas, OR
Anson & Cindy Baker, Clackamas, OR
Breanna Baker, Clac, Tillamook, OR
Mark & Chris Tubra, Portland, OR
Lyle & Virginia Peck, Heppner, OR
Dob & Jan Benson, Portland, OR
Dennis & Jane Young, Colorado Springs CO
Tex & Juanita Ross, Hermiston, OR
Mike Moore, Hermiston, OR
John & Susan Altstott, Los Altos Hills, CA
Charles & Frances Paul, Bradenton, FL
Wayne & Barbara Alstat, Vergennes, IL
Scott & Cindy Spencer, Middleton, ID
Megan Spencer, Middleton, ID

Marylee Spencer, Middleton, ID
Dorothy Trygstad, Huntington Beach, CA
Scott Walenda, Burlington, WA
Lynn Walenda, Burlington, WA
Aaron Walenda, Burlington, WA
Alta Melvin, Marysville, WA
Gary & Diane Jackson, Gresham, OR
Maxine Van Cloostere, Elkville, IL
Marlene Dodge, Jefferson, OR
Randy & Debbie Van Cleave, Modesto, CA
Otie & Glenda Wilcox, Hermiston, OR
Richard & Dorothy Allstott, Pendleton, OR
John & Linda Padberg, Hermiston, OR
Rick & Pam Marlette, Evergreen, CO
Floyd & Dottie Pearson, Fresno, CA
Kelly Brinson, Sacramento, CA
Amy Brinson, Sacramento, CA
Ashley Brinson, Sacramento, CA
Glenn & Sharon Alstat, Murphysboro, IL
Lyn Liss, Vernon, NJ
Al & Eileen Eisenbeisz, Sacramento, CA
Ewald Wuschke, Vancouver, BC
Wilbur & Dorothy Jackson, Heppner, OR
Mark Alstat, Auburn Hills, MI
Patricia Moses, Oklahoma City, OK
Michael Altstott, Oklahoma City, OK
Michael Altstott, New Salisbury, IN

Marva Alstott, Salem, IN
Kathy Simpson, Pendleton, OR
Bob & Georgia Marshall, Pendleton, OR
Lola Padberg, Hood River, OR
Janet Allstott, Bend, OR
Lee & Catherine Allstott, Howell, MI
Carolyn Grogan, Ellensburg, WA
Ron & Jan Hansen, Shoreline, WA
Stephanie Hansen, Shoreline, WA
James Melvin, McKenmore, WA
Carl & Diane Bloetscher, Grose Ilee, MI
Rachael Bloetscher, Grose Ilee, MI
Kathryn Bloetscher, Grose Ilee, MI
Sean Padberg, ZigZag, OR
Dan Padberg, ZigZag, OR
Nancy Padberg, ZigZag, OR
Kate Padberg, ZigZag, OR
Debbie Allstott, La Grande, OR
Charles & Stephanie Durfee, Eagle, ID
Alexis Durfee, Eagle, ID
Dan & Mary Erwert, Mulino, OR
Lisa Erwert, Mulino, OR
Bud & Laurel Laney, La Crosse, WA
Ed & Carla Alstat, Sandy, OR
Nick Alstat, Sandy, OR

Katie Alstat, Sandy, OR
Cyde Allstott-Estes, Heppner, OR
Cory & Cheri Proffitt, Portland, OR

My apologies for anyone who may have been inadvertently left out

Phyllis and I wish to express our thanks to all those who attended, and remember those who - due to health or other reasons were unable to come. We especially missed Bill Altstott of Joliet, IL, Forrest and Mildred Hoffmaster of Linthicum Heights, MD, "Doc" and Betty Alstad of Salem, VA, Katie Bauers of Caseyville, IL, and our daughter, Cherylyn Vaughan of Cartersville, GA...who all attended the first two reunions. We all hope you have the opportunity to join us again in 2004 in Illinois.

Hermann Altstadt

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Altstadt was sometimes a hot-head, my father told me. When Heinrich called his apprentices early in the morning the whole village of Michelfeld woke up!"

I asked Hermann to write a few words about his findings on the Altstadt clan in Germany and possible links to his American cousins. He wrote: "I am a member of the Siemens (Corporation) Genealogical Circle at Erlangen. With over 4,000 specific genealogical books at our disposal and many interested retired Siemens managers and engineers interested in research, a lot of time is spent studying ancient manuscripts. I am just a beginner, but I have found out some interesting facts:

1. The brother of Casper Altstadt (Martin Altstadt's father) (pg.134) named Johannes was a hunter in Spredlingen, Grafschaft Yseburg in the year 1703.

2. I have linked my family to Burkhart Altstadt (pg.572). Burkhart's great-grandfather Jakob and Jakob's brother Heinrich were born in Michelfeld, near Heidelberg. I also went to Bad Salzungen (in former GDR) and visited Karl Altstadt who came from Tiefenort. His family also goes back to Michelfeld.

3. Johann Heinrich Alsted, the philosopher and minister (1588-1638) had a father named Jacob Alstetten (1546-1622). Jacob ministered in Herborn und Bellersheim. I think maybe there is a link with Alstetten and Altstetten, Switzerland (???)

I hope in further research to link my Michelfeld with Dreieichenhain.

By interacting with Hermann via the internet, I have found someone who is very interested in how all the Altstadts/Altstatts may have a common link. The Oregon Altstadts, (pg.130) who live around Portland, can also trace their roots back to Michelfeld. Can it be that the Altstadt puzzle of where we all fit together will be found in the new millennium? Hermann and I have talked about getting together and working on a clan trip by the American Altstadts/Altstatts to the land of their ancestors in 2003. Our tentative plans are for us to get together in 2001 and go over a proposed tour that would take us to the hometowns of most of the Altstadt/Altstadt/Altstatt immigrants. Would you be interested in such a tour in 2003? Information for the tour is found in this newsletter on page 6.

2004...Start Making Plans for Our Next Reunion in the Land of Lincoln!

Wayne Alstat and his daughter, Yvonne, are excited about the opportunity to host the next Altstadt/Altstadt/Altstatt Reunion in Southern Illinois. They are putting together a Alstat Reunion for this summer especially to get the ball rolling in their clan for the 2004 Reunion. More to come in future newsletters.

Let's go to Germany in 2003



I am interested in information on the Germany Tour which will occur in the fall of 2003. Although a date is not set. The tour will probably occur the last two weeks of September 2003.

I had initially looked at May as a good time to tour the area, but a close friend from Germany said that we shouldn't miss the fall color change...that was her favorite time of the year to visit her family in Wiesbaden. So I say "Ask a German -- they know the season they like best in their own homeland."

This information is **non-binding** at this time. I just want to see if we can get a minimum of 50 participants who are very interested in going...if the price is right...so please let me know as soon as you can. Over 40 people signed up at the Pendleton Reunion for information. If you have ever cared about walking in your ancestor's footsteps, you shouldn't miss this opportunity!

Check the appropriate box:

I am only interested in information on the Germany Tour and will see how it fits into my schedule

I would like to commit to the Germany Tour and will send my deposit to you when it is asked for in the 2001 newsletter

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip code _____

I am looking at a minimum of 50 persons to make the trip from St. Louis or Chicago to Frankfurt and back. If we have another 50 persons who commit themselves in 2001 we will book two tour buses. The more people go, the better the group rate.



Reunion Caps... Yes, I Have a "Few" Extra

My optimism went out of whack on ordering caps for the '99 reunion to the point that I have over 150 left. In the whole rest of my life I cannot picture me wearing all 150 leftover caps! OUCH!

Therefore, if you were not one of the fortunate ones to have attended the '99 Reunion but wish you could have a remembrance of that event...*I have just the cap for you!*

The "official" reunion cap is white with red logo (see above) and one size fits all.

Cost includes: cap - \$2.25 ea.
box - \$1.50
postage - \$2.00

Total per cap: \$5.75
Price for box of two caps: \$6.10
Price for box of four caps: \$7.75

I can fit 1 cap or 4 caps into the same box. The savings is in the box and postage on a larger quantity. Please hurry...stock should deplete by 2010.

Yes! I would like to order a 1999 Commemorative Reunion Cap

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip code _____

Quantity ordered _____ Total cost enclosed _____
(don't forget mailing charge)

Interested in the Germany Tour
- Fill out the reverse side and
send to:

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

Want to help optimistic Jerry
out of a fix with Phyllis? -
BUY A CAP!

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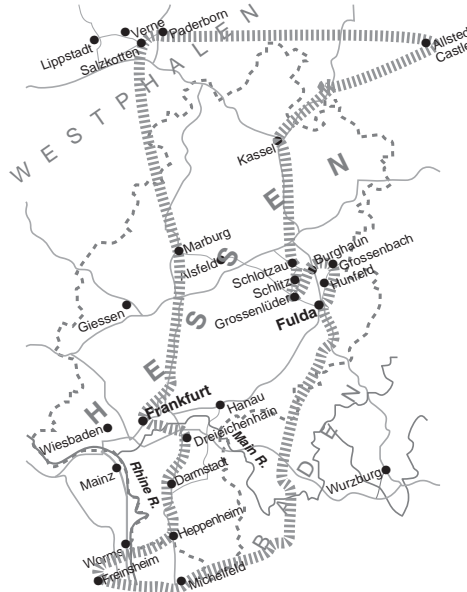


Main street of Dreieichenhain Germany



Allstedt Castle in Saxony Anhalt

Let's go to Germany in 2003



Estimated costs: in US\$
Airfare: \$882 r/t (est. courtesy Ruth Fraser)
Lodging: \$90. per night per person
lodging usually includes
continental breakfast
Tour company: \$800 per person
- other meals are at your expense when not covered
by the tour company, tour company may include
lodging cost
Remember these are only
estimated costs in 1999 figures

In the fall of 2003, Phyllis and I would like to invite all of our clans to a tour in the land of our ancestors...**GERMANY!**

We would all meet at Chicago O'Hare Airport or at the St. Louis Airport...whichever works best for our budgets to get us across the pond. (Airfare estimate is from Chicago or St. Louis, not from your city of departure.)

We will fly into Frankfurt, Germany using the best reasonably priced air carrier.

We will then spend ten-twelve wonderful days touring, eating, sleeping and shopping...first, touring south from Frankfurt - down through Dreieichenhain, where the historical society will take us on a tour of the old city...on to Darmstadt and Heppenheim...over to the walled Renaissance city of Freinsheim...down through Mannheim and on to Michelfeld...then up to Fulda and a visit to the old cathedral, then on to Grossebach. We then turn westward to Grosseulder... then Schlitz. We then stretch into Saxony Anhalt to the Allstedt Castle 60km west of Halle...onward and northwestward Westphalia and visit Paderborn and Verne before returning to Frankfurt for a city tour and send off dinner.

We then fly back to our U.S. departure site and back home. We do not plan on traveling continuously...we will catch our breath on certain days and have time for shopping.

Our German cousin, Hermann Altstadt (a descendant of Bernard Altstadt (1730) of Erlangen, Germany, will accompany me on an early pre-planning walk-through in 2001 and I am looking forward to his assistance in planning this Grand Clan Tour.

Talk to others in your family about this grand excursion... start saving now! 2003 is just around the corner. Clip out the form and send to Jerry Allstott if you have any interest in the tour



Pauline Horton

January 15, 1919 - August 16, 1999

Mrs. Pauline Horton (pg. 249) of Grand Junction passed away Monday, August 16, 1999 at St. Mary's Hospital. She was 80 years old.

Pauline was born January 15, 1919 at Okema, OK to Thomas Lafayette and Lena Pearl Edwards Altstadt. She spent her childhood in and graduated high school at Seminole, OK. She attended East Central College and studied to be a teacher of English and History. Pauline was a loving mother and faithful wife. On September 10, 1940, she married William G. Horton. He passed away in December 1990. His job took them to Texas, Colorado, South Dakota, Utah, Virginia, Oregon and New Mexico. They had been in Grand Junction since 1986.

Pauline was a member of Clifton Christian Church and was interested in family genealogy and Christian studies. Pauline was a wonderful cook and always had a full cookie jar for her grandchildren. No one in the family could match her German chocolate cake and she left a treasure trove of family recipes.

Survivors include her sons and daughters-in-law, Nolan Wm. and Virginia Horton of Layton, UT, Walter D. and Loureen Horton of Seattle, WA, Paul and Shari Horton of Denver, CO; daughter and son-in-law, Marilyn and Fred Wolsterman of Palmer, AK; sisters, Betty Altstadt Lawrence of Shawnee, OK and Jo Altstadt Doss of Wichita, KS; nine grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren.

Edith Alstott

March 20, 1909 - April 4, 1999

Mrs. Edith Alstott (pg. 202) of Howell, MI (husband of Webster Alstott, deceased) passed away April 4, 1999. Aunt Edith turned 90 years of age on March 20th. The family had a nice birthday party in her honor with 65 people in attendance.

Surviving are sons and daughter-in-laws: Guy William and Gloria Alstott, John Webster and Patricia Alstott and Lee and Catherine Alstott and daughter and son-in-law: June and Carl Bloetscher; grand children, great-grand children and great-great grandchildren.

Funeral services were on April 7, 1999 at the MacDonald Funeral Home, Howell, MI.

Margaret Helen Sowell Clay

October 30, 1919 - November 4, 1999

Services for Margaret Helen Sowell Clay, 80, of Palestine, will be 2 p. m. Monday at First Christian Church with Dr. Tom Rousseau officiating. Burial will follow in the East Hill Cemetery in Palestine under the direction at Harrington/Land of Memory Funeral Home.

Mrs. Clay died Thursday at a Houston hospital.

Mrs. Clay was a lifelong member of First Christian Church, Palestine. She taught for 36 years in Palestine schools, mostly at Ben Milam and Lamar Elementary. She was a member of the Harvey Woman's Club, the Newcomer's Welcoming Club, and a former member of the Texas State Teacher's Association.

Mrs. Clay is survived by her husband, Hoyt Clay of Palestine, two nieces, six great-nieces and nephews and 11 great-great nieces and nephews.

Pallbearers will be Mark Cargill, Ted Echard, Doug Parsons, J. R. Woodard Mark Master, and Ivan Neel.

Cuzzin' Contact...

Melvyn Altstadt Celebrates 82 Years



Octogenarian Melvyn Altstadt is shown with family members Ben Altstadt, Kane Hagan and Jennifer Altstadt Hagan. Kane is Melvyn and Dorothy Altstadt's first great grandchild.

Dorothy Altstadt, Rector, AR - (pg.75) Brian Cassidy, our youngest grandson, graduated 1st December from Southeast Missouri State College with honors. He is now working in St. Louis. His brother, John, married Brandy Erhardt on August 6, at St. Paul Catholic Church in Fenton, MO. Our youngest son, Bill, became Piggott Police Chief on January 1, 1999 (see article).

Our son, Ben, comes once a week to purchase groceries for us as Melvin is homebound and I don't drive. Ben brings his grandson, Kane Hagan, with him. We hope you are both staying well.

Kathy Rivers, Edina, MN - (pg.469) We enjoyed two weddings this year. Our son, Ben, married on February 13th but Ben and Trisha didn't have their wedding reception till July so we had to miss the Pendleton Reunion. On April 10, 1999 our daughter, Kaelie married David Breiter. So, we sent along wedding photos for the newsletter.



Ben and Trisha Rivers wedding on Feb. 13, 1999



Kaelie Rivers and David Breiter wedding on April 10, 1999

John and Susan Altstadt, Los Altos, CA - (pg.564) Hope you all are well this Advent season. I ran into something (a reference) yesterday that you probably already know about, but here it is anyway. www.chm.davidson.edu/PAGenWeb/records/Stoeve rBaptisms.txt search for Altstadt, and you will find John and Judith being baptismal witnesses in 1734!

Alpha and Melbourn Altstadt, Dustin, OK - (pg.274) Catherine Renee Doughtit was married to David Kee -- Nov. 28, 1998 in Jacksonville FL. Catherine is the Daughter of Darlene and Steve Doughtit. The grand daughter of Melbourn and Alpha Altstadt. Two new great-grand daughters...Sadie Lynn Earls father is Marshall Lee Earls Jr. Ashley Nickcole Pendley's parents are Darlene Christine and Steve Pendley. Proud grandparents are Darlene and Steve Doughtit. Great grandparents are Melbourn and Alpha Altstadt.

Gail Marchesi, St Louis, MO - (pg.186) Jerry, we met at the first reunion in Harpers Ferry. I'm Elmer Altstadt's niece. My husband had a serious heart attack after the reunion and we were in DC an additional month. I'm sorry I haven't kept up with communications. I never was good at pen and paper. However, I got a computer a year ago, and just this afternoon I decided to yahoo the Altstadt name, and am shocked I found you. I should have figured you would be on the net Since I have been on line, I find it quite easy to communicate. I promise I won't loose touch with the clan now. I'll search the site, I'm sure I'll find things I have missed. Just wanted to say hi first, and wanted you to know I am still alive.

Mark Altstadt, Evansville, IN - (pg.77) My name is Mark Altstadt from the great state of Indiana. We had our Altstadt xmas party on December 5 at Tumbleweeds Mexican House. Some of my family is interested in the Germany Clan trip. E-mail me any updated on the next big reunion coming up. We would like to get a tour of Altstadt's together and watch our cousin Mike Alstott play somewhere around Evansville. I'm the son of Clarence "Lefty" Altstadt also of Evansville. It's been nice that I finally found our webpage and I think you've done a good job on it. Until we talk again have a nice holiday.

Russell Dailey, Port Neches, TX - (pg.363) I received my Family History book and am very pleased. It is beautiful and well. I do have a question, however. On page 134, you show the birth date for Anna Elisabeth Riegel (the wife of Johann Caspar Altstadt) as August 1697. You also show the couple being married on September 27, 1698. May I assume that there was a typo and that Anna's year of birth was 1679? I just want to get my facts straight. Thanks.

Editors note: Thanks for the super snoop job Russell. Unfortunately, when things are down in black and white they become "gospel". And being the human that I am - goofs do occur (see John Allstot/Anne Barnaby article) I can only say that I tried my best, but in the 1697 case I just missed the transposing - please, everyone take out your books and make the correction to page 134 before you finish the newsletter! Eventually all the family charts will go on the Altstadt Website (I'll probably have to take a year's sabbatical from all my other stuff to be able to find the time to do it). While talking to Wayne Alst about the 2004 Reunion the other day I told him that most all of the remaining clan generations in the next five years would use the web and not even care about books. So I am looking at accuracy when data is transferred to the website, and if there is any goof - it can easily be fixed with the flip of a mouse.

Jackie Higdon, Louisville, KY - (unknown at time of family History printing but should be connected through Polly Cabell pg.418) You accredited Mary 'Polly' (Alstott) Cabell with a 2nd marriage to Charles Carter on Dec. 28, 1832. I have seen this bond, however, according to the records of my 3rd gr. Grandfather, William E. Cabell's will, he died on Jan. 30, 1835. Polly signed her signature in 1837 as Polly Cabell. Therefore, she cannot be the same 'Polly' who married Carter in Lincoln Co., in 1832. I've often wondered if it wasn't the widow of Daniel Alstott (1756) who married this Carter. Any thoughts?

Another thing...John and Mariah Allstott's daughter, Susan - b. 1834. In the same cemetery where John Allstott is buried (Casey Co., KY) there is a grave for a Susan Ward. The stone only inscribed with her birth and death years; 1834-1878. I will search for a marriage bond between her and a Ward.

Jeanie Haigh, San Francisco, CA - (pg.126) I correspond with Damien Dietlein. Our Hagman branch from Gertrude Altstadt Hagman has a small reunion every couple of years at my home. I've been married to David Haigh for 18-years. We have no kids, but we do have a very spoiled dog. We are currently starting our own web-based business.

I work at a senior services center so I realize the importance of family and history. I've realized how

valuable it is to share stories and keep the generations together. My goal with our branch is to orchestrate our get-togethers at Easter and reunions.

Dee Talor, West Hills, CA - (pg.399) Hope you will be able to add our latest grandson to your computer. Born to our son, Bill and Michelle Talor a son, born: June 25, 1998, Carson Alexander Talor.

Last October we had a wonderful experience. John and I were picked to be in a AMERITRADE commercial as square dancers. The commercial has played on the World Series and also some of the football games. Check it out, but you must be quick as a wink - we're at the very end.

Dr. John and Terry Altstadt, Greendale, WI - (pg.534) Great job on the newsletter, sorry we were not able to make the Pendleton Reunion. I've retired from active practice and hospital administration at Children's Hospital of Wisconsin since July '98. I'm sure our paths will cross someday.

"Doc" and Betty Altstadt, Salem, VA 0 (pg.518) On November 14th we were happy to celebrate 57 years of wedded bliss. Betty's health has not improved. As a patient of severe COPD (Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease), she reports routinely to several doctors, as many infections have scarred the lungs. She still drives with doctors approval, but must carry a portable unit in the car. Bet says "Don't list all my aches and pains, though there are others, for it makes for dull reading." In April we had a nice visit with Carey and Laura in Tucson, AZ. In the fall, we flew to Chicago to see Brad. After 25-years of apartment living, we were excited to see his new 3-bedroom townhouse.

Brad will be with us for Christmas, but C&L have no time off so we will miss them.

Richard and Stephanie Altstadt, Bethel Park, PA - (pg.34) Our main family trips this year were to Penn State and to Florida. In May we went up to PSU for the celebration of burning Triangle Fraternity's mortgage. We hiked, with a group , to the summit of Mt. Nittany, and of course, visited the Creamery. Our October trip was to

Florida to visit Disney World, Gatorland, and the Kennedy Space Center.

It was another dry year for Richard's garden and Richard had to fence in his garden plots to keep out deer and other critters. Jason is in seventh grade and has gotten braces on his teeth. Jason is pleased to have an "Alstott" jersey. Just recently a friend at school said, "Did they spell your name wrong?"

Valerie is doing fine and plays the violin and is in Enrichment class in fourth grade. She has slowed down on collecting Beanie Babies after getting four shelves full of them. She is now interested in Precious Moments.

Millie Larson, Lanse, PA - (pg.482) Sister Helen Hoover (93) fell and broke her hip but walks fairly well. My niece, Eleanor Heitman, lost her husband on July 20th. On the very next day, July 21st, Betty Hazeltine lost her husband. Sister Nedra included an update, in this letter, for any revised book you print.

In our generation there are six girls and one boy (Roy Altstadt) left. Roy's son, Tom, is now a physical therapist in Tennessee.

Looking forward to the newsletter. Faithfully,
Millie

Gladys Schumert, O.Fallon, IL - (pg.452) Have wonderful memories of the Reunion last July. The food was great and Pendleton was an interesting city. I felt like I was home during the church service and it was nice to see so many people attending.

Katie (Bauer) is almost back to health. Her daughter took her to Barnes Hospital in St. Louis and a doctor said she was taking too many different kinds of medication. She now takes only one or two kinds of pills a day now.

We had a beautiful autumn. I am now on the internet. E-mail me at gladrag1@apci.net.
Looking forward to 2004.

Editor - Thanks for all your letter contributions...sorry I could not enclose all my Cuzzin letters. I wanted this to be readable and didn't want to print this in 6-point type .

Another Alstott Kentucky Branch Joins the Clan Tree

The accompanying photo is of Daniel and Polly Alstott descendant Bertha Rowe and her son and my great uncle, William Best, which was taken not too many years before her death.

The early Alstott line in my family was through: Daniel and Polly Devers (pg.141), whose child, Polly (pg.418), who married William Cabell in 1826. One of their children, Mary Ann Cabell (1829), married Dallas Rowe (1826) in 1848, in Casey Co., KY. A child of this union was Bertha Rowe (1858). Bertha married Samuel Best (1855) in Washington Co., KY. William Best was a child of this marriage.

I am Jackie Higdon of Louisville, KY . Daniel and Mary Alstott would be my 4th great-grandparents. I thought you would enjoy this photo of an Alstott descendant.



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

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...Again...*THANK YOU ALL and have a wonderful new millennium!*

A glimpse of yesterday



Don Allstott

Don Allstott (pg.290) had friends of every age. In the photo at left, a young friend holds an umbrella while he waits to be hoisted into the car. A few years after the first photo was taken, he was stricken with multiple sclerosis, a crippling disease of the nerve endings that effects every muscle of the body.

Despite his disabilities, Allstott remained cheerful. Allstott who moved to Hermiston from Umatilla in 1964 became an icon at the Hermiston Drug Store lunch counter where he daily met new friends and old. He frequently teased friends, encouraging them to appreciate life and strive to develop their talents. He drove his electric wheelchair more than eight blocks to the drug store and back until his eyesight failed in the last years before his death in 1986.



"Shake 'em Down" was the bronc's name that threw the late Don Allstott from its back in the 1947 Pendleton Round-Up. Allstott, the grandson of Morrow County pioneers, was undaunted by the ride and continued to attend the Round-Up for many years