



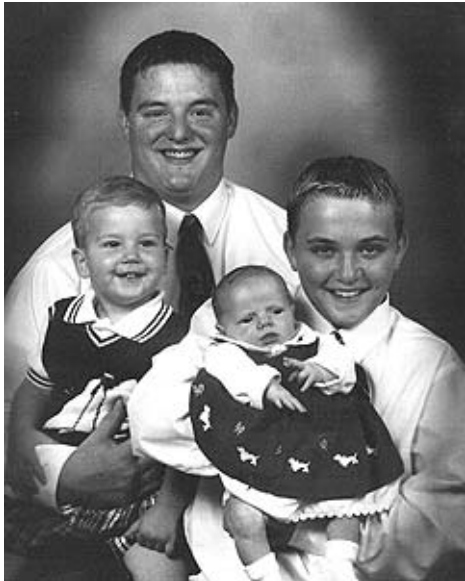
NEWSLETTER

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December 2000

It's that time of the year when Phyllis and I wish you the best of the season and look back the wonderful year we celebrated called 2000!

HAVE I EVER SHOWN YOU PICTURES OF OUR GRANDKIDS?. Our big trip this year was back to Georgia to welcome Emma Leigh Vaughan into the family. She was our first granddaughter! Weighing in at 7 lbs.7ozs, she outweighed her mom by about a pound. Due at the end of May, she waited till her big brother Eric's 18th birthday and tried to upstage



him. (typical female sibling).

We only put a little over 9,000 miles on the RV this year, in addition to our time in Georgia. We were able to spend a few weeks with our son's family in Houston before moving north to visit Natalie and Dick Hill in Argyle, TX; Georgia, Bill, Bobby, Karen, Hershel, Melbourn, Alpha, George, Ruth, Gene and Viola Altstatt along with Marilyn and Marshall

Family charts for the Altstadt website should be in place by the Spring of 2001

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Pictured above: Hershel, Georgia, Bill, Gene and Viola Altstatt at Bill and Georgia's home in Oklahoma City.

Charlie Otstot Finds A Very Qualified Director for the 2003 Altstadt/Altstatt Germany Tour

Rev. Dr. Cecil Pottieger, President of Palatines to America, and experienced tour director to Germany, has accepted our request to lead our 2003 Altstadt Tour Group!

I too am a strong believer in Divine Destiny. Charlie Otstot is the messenger who brought us together!

Absolutely, I'd be delighted to work with you on your Altstadt Family Tour. And you make it very easy with specific places you would like to visit on the family trip. The towns that you want to visit could be visited and at the same time interspersing visits to places like Heidelberg, a 1 day or 1/2 day cruise up the Rhine, a visit to the Schwarzwald (Black Forest), etc.

I agree with you when you suggest that the trip be made inexpensively but with good hotels. I think it is a shame when people want to stay at Holiday Inns in Europe and thus miss the "German Experience". There are a lot of wonderful hotels and motels that are very comfortable yet relatively inexpensive. Last year our tour group stayed the first night along the Rhine in Rudesheim. We had dinner there.

While we were eating a German gentleman dressed in liederhose played his accordion for us. It was a delightful touch. The next morning we WALKED about a block to the dock, and took the Rhine River Cruise. *It was delightful.*

It's nice to stay in one town for several days and take day trips. I'll look at your suggested "stops" and see if that can be arranged. We older folks enjoy NOT needing to pack and unpack so often. Such an arrangement, if it can be done, allows for a more leisurely trip.

I'll check the airlines and see if there are non-stop flights from Chicago. I am East Coast oriented so I have found that flights into and thus out of DC (Dulles Airport) makes it possible for ALL those coming from the west to fly into DC and then pick up a non-stop flight to Frankfurt where we'd begin our tour together. We would be glad to quote prices from anywhere to DC (for example) which would be an "add-on" to the total trip cost.

MY ancestors went to Berks Co in 1737 from near Karlsruhe (Spoeck). The Immigrant, Martin Pfattheicher (spelled 12 different ways in the first two generations) lived in the Tulpehocken Settlement. If by chance your Altstadts

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Ewald Wuschke Tells of His Altstadt Heritage

The Von Altstadt name from the Allstedt Castle existed there for over two hundred years (1150-1350). That is at least seven generations. If the oldest son carried on the family fortune, the lesser sons would spread out throughout Europe. In these seven generations the name could be carried throughout Europe. It is like your Martin Altstatt family Your forefather was born in 1699 and came to America in 1729. That is a bit over 250 years and look how the family has spread out in the United States. You would have a similar effect when the Von Altstadt family was located in Halle and Wettin. Yes the Von Altstadt was part of the

Wettin Clan.

In 1230 when the Teutonic Knights were given the task to convert the Prussians in Prussia they were given the right to the land that they conquered. This was the start of East and West Prussia. In the next 200 years they conquered not only the Prussias but the Baltic countries as well using soldiers from Germany and settling the conquered area with these soldiers if they came from good families and also bringing in German peasants where needed to farm the land.

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The "A" Train Corner

Alstott's parents on road well-traveled



Parental involvement: Bucs fullback Mike Alstott, left, By Anthony Onchak for USA TODAY talks with his parents Jeanne and Dennis before the NFL Hall of Fame game. Alstott has been out with a hip injury.

By Derek Toney USA TODAY

Dennis Alstott fondly remembers the time he and his wife, Jeanne, watched their son Mike play his first football game.

"On the fourth or fifth play, he ran 70 yards for a touchdown," says Dennis, "but his helmet was so big, it turned sideways and he was looking through the earhole. I was running alongside him (down the sidelines), and my wife was running alongside me."

Nearly 17 years have passed since Mike played in that Pop Warner game in his hometown of Joliet, IL. A lot has changed for Alstott, now playing professionally with Tampa Bay and regarded as one of the best fullbacks in the NFL. But one thing hasn't. Every time he has stepped onto the field for a game, his father has been there. Jeanne has missed only one game, the annual spring game at Purdue University in Mike's sophomore year, because of surgery.

Between a 1992 Jeep Cherokee and a 1996 Ford pickup, the Alstotts, both 51, have logged thousands of miles to see their youngest son play. Dennis, who has worked at a Joliet environmental company for 10 years, says they've been fortunate not to encounter any problems getting to games.

The couple use their vacation days for the outings to Mike's games. They leave on

Friday afternoons for Bucs' road games and Saturday mornings for home games, before returning home on Monday mornings.

When the Bucs' bus arrives at the hotel on the road, Dennis and Jeanne are there to greet Mike and his teammates.

"Everybody knows my parents," says Mike, who is sidelined with a hip injury.

"They've been there for me, and I play for them as well as my team and the fans."

Says Dennis: "All the guys just call me 'Pops.' It has been a great experience for us, and the organization (Tampa Bay) has made us feel like family."

A trip to San Diego during Mike's rookie season in 1996 holds a special place for Dennis and Jeanne. They lived there over 30 years ago, when Dennis was in the Marines.

The Alstotts plan to move to Tampa after they retire in a couple of years to spend more time with Mike, who makes his off-season home in St. Petersburg.

"It's great having them involved in everything that's happening in my life," says Mike. "After the game, no matter if things went good or bad, it's good to know they're there. At that point, nothing else really matters."

Photo above shows Mike breaking away for a run during the game with the New England Patriots earlier this year.



When "gospel" isn't "gospel!"

E-mail from Sandt? in Alamogordo, NM (Evilsizer descendant)

As you know, Jacob and John Evilsizer came to America as Hessian mercenaries and were grenadiers in the Battalion at Wolfhagen. Jacob fought in the same New York and New Jersey battles as John Altstatt (quite a coincidence) although they were on opposite sides. All five Evilsizer brothers, Jacob, John, Thomas, Henry, and William settled in Rockingham County, VA after immigrating after the Revolutionary war and probably lived in close proximity to the Alstott's. Can you imagine all the war stories the Alstott's/Evilsizer's could spout in their native German language - both sides would have been proficient in the German language. (You never know).

The Evilsizer researchers have proved that Jacob and John, were NOT Hessian Soldiers. It has been proven that they returned to Germany, married in Germany and died in Germany. The tale of five brothers was started by my father (god rest his soul) back in the 1960's and has since been proven not to be. Henry was a son of Jacob, there has been no proof of any Thomas, and

William is the son of an unknown brother to Jacob. The FIRST time Evilsizer appears is 1779 tax list in Berks Co, PA. We all know that the Hessians came in c.1776 but could not own land for 7 years, making it not possible for the Jacob EVELSHEIMER listed on the tax lists to be the Hessian soldier. I agree a Jacob Uebelschausser may have fought with your Allstadt, but he did NOT stay in the US and he is NOT the immigrant ancestor of the EVILSIZER family. We are still searching - It remains a mystery - - thanks for your Allstadt info.

(See "Evilsizer Heritage" on page 227, and note that sometimes "gospel" isn't "gospel!"

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This all was taking place at the same time as the Von Altstadt name was prominent in the Halle, Germany area. Why shouldn't then the younger Altstadt sons have taken part in this occupation of Prussia?

The marriage and death record of Michael Altstadt is very clear. It says he was born in PRUSSIA. There are two village names called Altstadt on the Prussian map just south of Marienburg. I have a hunch that they were given to a Von Altstadt for his services in Prussia and that these places then connect with my family Johann Jakob and his son Michael Altstadt(1785) who were born in PRUSSIA.

In the documents from 900 - 1200 which were written in Latin we have the following spellings: "villicus de Altstede", "Altsteti", "in corte que Altstet dicitur". In the latin the "t" in Alt is always there. Around 1500-1600 in many cases the Latin "e" was changed to the German "ä" Thus in middle German (Frankish) the name was written Allstädt or Altstädt and in Prussia the "ä" umlaut was dropped and you had Altstadt.

Anyway the main correction is that the Altstadt's arrived in Congress Poland ca.1795 from Prussia.

We are trying to update the family histories in our branches. What we have is 25 to 50 years old and has to be brought up to date. We have several persons now working on this.

Your Cuzzin
Ewald Wuschke
Editor, Wandering Volhynians
Vancouver, BC

Mary Dougherty Looks into the Thomas Altstadt Family Tree

This article came from a posting by a Bessie Rowland. I am forwarding her two e-mails so that you can see what she had to say. The information definitely came verbally to her.

Rachel Kerns (Carnes) married Joseph Stutsman about 1793 in N.C. one son Daniel born in 1794. Joseph Stutsman died and Rachel was appointed administrator in Clark Co., IN, in 1802. She married second John Covert on September 9, 1802, one month after Joseph's death. They had two daughters who married Alstotts. Nancy married William and her sister Mary married Thomas Oct 15 1826. Mary married George Ivy after the death of Thomas.

Elizabeth Covert daughter of John and Rachel married John Edward Warner on November 17, 1831, in Clark Co., IN. Her brother, John Bates Covert, married John Edward's sister Hester Ann Warner on August 1, 1833. John Bates went with John Charles Fremont on one of his trips to California He was an expert rifleman and helped protect the party on his travels to explore the western states.

He liked what he saw and persuaded all who would go to make the trip. Rachel was living with Henry K. so she spent the rest of her life in the home of her daughter Elizabeth Warner. Lucas or Luke did not make the trip and died in the civil war. Most of the Coverts living in Arkansas are descended from Luke.

Among the ones going to California was two Davis Boys one the husband of Indiana Alstott who lost her life in southern Utah during the raid on the livestock. John Bates skill with the rifle accounted for a part of the raiding party. Indiana and Lucinda were buried on the trail.

Alstot goes route as Ventura College prevails 5-3

From Star staff reports

Andy Alstot, pg. 368, pitched the first complete game of the season for the Ventura College baseball team in helping the Pirates down Porterville, 5-3, Saturday in the East Los Angeles tournament.

Alstot (1-1) allowed six hits, giving up one earned run with four strikeouts and two walks.

Freshman J. R. Birly slugged a two-run double in the third inning for Ventura College (5-2). Ventura responded in the second game as Will Riedlinger hit a solo homer in the 5•-6 victory over San Diego Mesa in the East Los Angeles tournament game at Glendale College.

Hermann Altstadt Suspects Five Original Altstadt Tree Root Systems and Is Looking to Get to the Bottom of How All the Altstadt Lines Fit!

I'm tracing all the possibilities in going back to the roots of our Altstadt/Alstadt/Allstadt lines in Germany and looking forward to our meeting next year.

We can cluster the whole (Altstadt) list in five groups:

1. Originally from central Hesse: Burghaun (Clausmarbach), Schwalmstadt, Schlitz, Haunetal, Hünfeld, Bad Hersfeld

=> *1659, Reinhard Altstadt (or Altenstadt) in Clausmarbach

=> ca. 1400 Herr v. Altenstadt (Marburg/Rauschenberg)!!!;

2. Originally from Michelfeld Area: Angelbachtal, Badenweiler, Müllheim, Erlangen, Gelsenkirchen, Bad Salzungen, Kraichgau, Heilbronn, Mühlhausen, Kenzingen, Bad Schönborn

=> • 1756, Georg (Reinhard?) Altstadt in Michelfeld

3. Originally from Frankfurt Area: Frankfurt, Dreieich, Hanau, Ulm, Neu-Isenburg, Oberursel

=> • 1673, Johann Caspar Altstadt in Hain/Dreieichenhain

=> • 1637, first Altstadt was born in the Lutheran Church of Darmstadt

4. Originally from Westphalia: Dortmund, Hagen, Essen, Dormagen, Mühlheim, Halle, Witten, Castrop-Rauxel

=> • 1588, Johann Heinrich Alsted (Altstetten) in Ballersbach

=> • 1145, Dietrich II v. Altstätten

5. Originally from Prussia: Berlin, Hohenlockstedt, Hamburg, Bremerhafen, Amberg, Schleswig, Flensburg, Priesendorf, Himbergen, Leer

=> • 1560 Hermann Werner Altstedt (Alstedt, Ahlstedt, Altstedt) and

=> • 1588 Hermann Alstede (son of Hermann Werner) in Lübeck *They went to Sweden and East Prussia as ministers (Lutheran); the spelling in Prussia was "Altstadt" or "Altstadius"*

=> ca. 1200, Johann v. Allstedt (Alstedt)

We are on the right course, at least I think so!!

You see the different spellings; in the northern and northwestern part of Germany they used the ending ..stedt, ..städt ..stede or stadius (latin) and in the southern and eastern part they used ..stadt or stadius.

I addressed some 'key'-person and 'Pfarrämter (Evangelical church)' of each group but up to now without any reply. I have the presumption, that we can link group 1 to 2, group 3 to 4.

Cuz Hermann

Our German cousin, Hermann Altstadt has now come in contact with other Altstadt family researchers who live in Germany, and our get-together next September should show a lot of fruit in the next edition of the Altstadt/Altstadt/Allstadt Family Newsletter...cuz Jerry

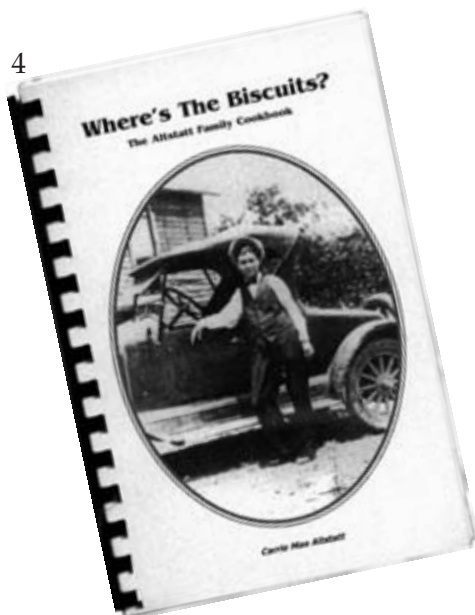
Ventura (6-2) was paced by Steve Gunter and Chris Morse, each going 3 for 4. Bierly added a triple. Chad Bollacker (2-0) was the winning pitcher in relief. He struck out five and walked one in 52/3 innings.

Ventura Co. CA Star, Feb.20,2000

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Earls in the great state of Oklahoma...then up to Vergenes, Illinois and visit Wayne, Barbara, Glenn and Sharon Alstat to see how their plans were progressing for the 2004 Altstadt/Altstadt Reunion.

While traveling up toward Washington, DC to visit Phyllis' nephew's family we had a good, although short, visit with "Doc" Altstadt in Salem, Virginia. Betty was not able to visit and we were not able to see her. Next trip east...Fall 2001!



Where's the Biscuits?

The Altstatt Family Cookbook (abridged)
assembled by Cindy Miller, pg. 262

"Nannie's oven is where the biscuits always were. First, as they were baking, then as they were being held for dinner - unless one of us got to them first!"

SEVEN LAYER DIP

Tiffany Huie

1st layer- can of refried beans or bean dip.
2nd layer- avocado dip.
3rd layer - mix two seasonings, small container, sour cream, and 1/2 cup mayonnaise.
4th layer- green onions
5th layer- Ro-tel tomatoes
6th layer- sliced black olives.
7th layer- shredded cheddar cheese, 15 oz.
Serve with tortilla chips.

HOT ROLLS

Tiffany Huie

6 cups all purpose flour
1 teaspoon salt
1/2 cup sugar
2 packages yeast
5 tablespoons vegetable oil
2 1/2 cup hot water
Mix 3 cups flour, salt and sugar. In another bowl, add yeast, oil, and water. Stir until yeast is dissolved. Pour all ingredients into one bowl and slowly add 3 cups flour. Mix well, shape into large ball, let rise, punch down, and make into rolls. Bake at 375F until golden brown.

CAJUN MEATLOAF

Misty Burkey

1 pound ground beef
1/2 cup chopped celery
1/2 cup dry breadcrumbs
1 tablespoon Worcestershire Sauce
1/2 teaspoon cumin
1/2 cup chopped onion
1/2 cup chopped green pepper
2 egg whites
1/2 teaspoon black pepper
1/4 teaspoon ground red pepper
Preheat oven to 350F. In a large bowl, combine all ingredients, using hands. Shape mixture into loaf and place in shallow baking pan. Bake uncovered for 45 minutes or until no longer pink. Let stand 5 minutes. Drain off fat and remove loaf from pan. Pat loaf dry with paper towels. Microwave - Prepare as above but use a 9-inch glass pie plate for baking dish. Shape mixture into a ring. Cover with waxed paper. Cook on high for 8-10 minutes or until not pink, rotating every 3 minutes.
Then proceed as above.

Peanut Butter & Corn Flake Cookies

Ruth Ellen Altstatt

5 cups corn flakes
1 cup sugar
1 cup white syrup
1-1/2 cup peanut butter
Mix sugar and syrup in pan; bring to a boil. Mix in peanut butter; pour over corn flakes. Drop from spoon.

Has your clan come up with a recipe book?...share it with your cousins

Oxnard, CA

John Wesley Alstot



John Wesley Alstot, pg. 368, age 81, of Oxnard, passed away Dec. 15, 1999, at St.

John's Regional Medical Center.

Mr. Alstot was born May 16, 1918, in Arapahoe, Neb., and had been a Ventura County resident for 62 years. He was a maintenance scheduler with the Public Works Department at

Port Hueneme NCBC. He was a longtime member of the Oxnard Masonic Lodge, receiving the Hyrum Award in 1984; was a 10 year volunteer with "Meals on Wheels" and for one year with the St. John's "Meals on Wheels;" was a member of the VFW Post 3935, where he was treasurer for 18 years and past commander from 1953 to 1954; was president of the Ventura County Acacias Club for two years and served as treasurer for three years; and was past member of the St. Paul United Methodist Church Finance Club.

He is survived by his wife, Dorothy Alstot of Oxnard; sons, David Alstot of Valencia and Robert Richards of Oxnard; daughter, Darlene (husband, Ruben Sr.) Flores of Camarillo; grandsons, Edward Flores of Sacramento, Ruben (wife, Linda) Flores Jr, of Camarillo and Ronald (wife, Dawn) Flores of Germany; great-granddaughters, Dana and Kristen Flores, both of Germany; and sister, Evelyn Hawkins of Michigan.

Visitation will be from 3 until 8 p.m., Sunday, Dec. 19, at Payton Mortuary Chapel, 426 West Fifth St., Oxnard. A service will be held at 10:30 a.m., Monday, Dec. 20, at St. Paul's United Methodist Church, 1800 South C St., Oxnard with Rev. Al Gorsline officiating.

Burial will be at Conejo Mountain Memorial Park, Camarillo. In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made, in John's name, to the Shriners Children's Hospital.

Mr. Alstot was entrusted to the care of Payton Mortuary.

Ojai

Benson Franklin Alstot

Benson Franklin Alstot, pg. 368, 82, of Ojai, died at his home on Friday, Sept. 15, 2000.

Mr. Alstot was born May 15, 1918, in Oxnard and had been a 50-year Ojai resident. He was a supervisor with Bell Telephone Co. for 36 years. He was a member of the Masonic Lodge No. 322 of Alhambra.

He is survived by his wife, Mary Catherine Alstot; sons and daughters-in-law, Gary and Marsha Alstot and Creighton and Kathy Alstot, all of Ojai; grandchildren, Andrea Sterling, Morgan Alstot, Erika Venable and Emily Alstot; great-grandsons, Alex. and Nicholas Sterling; and sister-in-law, Dorothy Jean Warren of San Luis Obispo.

Mr. Alstot was preceded in death by his parents, Frank and Ina Alstot.

Private Masonic services will be held.

Memorial contributions may be made to Calaveras Big Trees Association, P.O. Box 120, Amold, CA 95223. Arrangements are under the direction of Clausen Funeral Home in Ojai.

Anna Farris Alstadt Smith Evans

February 13, 1902 - March 15, 2000

Anna Farris Alstadt, pg. 74, Born in Arlington, KY - Died in Paragould, AR.

Coming homemaker (formerly of Pocahontas & Marmaduke), grocery store owner, farmer, school cafeteria cook and supervisor in Marmaduk; bakery owner in Coming, member of First United Methodist Church, Coming.

Preceded in death by two husbands, William McKinley Smith and Lee Evans; three brothers—Henry, Bryan, and Herbert Alstadt; two sons-in-law, Kenneth Harmon and Fred Carter.

Survived by two daughters - Bobbye Smith Harmon of Coming and Dorris Smith Carter of Hardy; five grandchildren (with spouses) - Harry & Jenny Harmon of Rogers, AR; Johnny & Kathy Carter of Cherokee Village, AR; Todd & Beth Harmon of Little Rock, AR; Elaine (Carter) & Bruce Bostian of Bixby, OK; Allen & Alice Carter of Brton, AR; ten great-grandchildren (with spouse) - Lee Allison Harmon, Rick Bostian, Joy Carter, Ross & Misti Carter, John Harmon, Laura Bostian, Lesli Harmon, Adam Carter, Emily Harmon, and Shelly Carter

Ermet Funeral Home, Coming. Services: Friday, March 17, 2000, at 2:00 p.m.—First United Methodist Church in Coming. Burial: Woodland Heights Cemetery in Rector In lieu of flowers, the family requests that memorials be made to a church or children's home.

Eulogy for Anna Farris Alstadt Smith Evans

For as long as I can remember, Granny wanted me to be a preacher. We all went to church with her many times. She even took me to the first funeral I can remember attending. I never even dreamed, in those early years, I would be doing this. In recent years she and I have talked about my efforts in both music and ministry, as informal and simple as they may be. With Granny's blessing and the strength that comes from God, hear these readings from the Psalms 89 :1, 90:1-2, 91:1-2; 92:1-2.

Her parents, W.B. & Hester Ann Cherry Alstadt, were with her at birth in Arlington, Kentucky, and from that moment in mid-February of 1902, God and his angels have been with her, too. Last Wednesday, March 15th of 2000 in Paragould, Arkansas, she went to be with her Lord forever.

During her long life, she was strong and worked hard—she certainly didn't get to be 98 by being weak. In addition to being a homemaker, she worked as a bakery owner here in Coming and later as a grocery store owner and farmer as well as a school cafeteria cook and lunchroom supervisor in Marmaduke. All of us definitely remember her expertise in her own kitchen.

Perhaps her greatest enjoyment came from her association with church as first she studied, with diligence, God's word and then she lived her faith. Granny was active in helping others learn about the Lord and sharing her beliefs. As you know she certainly did not hesitate to tell you how she felt. She often said, "I didn't ask to be brought into this world, and I'm not asking to leave it. I just don't understand why I'm still here." In heaven now she understands. I believe it was to help us know more about life here on Earth.

Eulogy by grandson, Johnny Carter

2003 Germany Tour

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came to that area, I can give you the address of a great German library in Robeson, PA where you might pursue the family.

You're right about the train in Europe. Lugging suitcases around can be very arduous at best. Let the bus driver handle the bags. The tip you give him at the end of the tour is far cheaper than a hernia operation - and much more pleasant!!!

My Travel Agency would be happy to care for your fellow travelers. We'd accept the checks, pay the air and land costs (much of which must be paid early on so as to confirm the space on planes and at hotels). We could start reserving the tour in the Fall of 2002, for a Sept. 2003 departure. Let's keep writing/talking. I'll tell Charlie I'm glad he "introduced" us.

Cordially,

The Rev. Dr. Cecil P.E. Pottieger,
President, Palatines to America
621 Himes Ave., #107
Frederick, MD 21703-6210

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 first 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 maximum of 45 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 for information at the Pendleton Reunion. 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 maximum of 45 persons to make the trip from Washington D.C. or Chicago to Frankfurt and back. If we have another 45 persons who commit themselves in 2001 we will book two tour buses. The more people go, the better the group rate.

Alstat Clan Get Together Was Fun For All

**Henry Louis & Margaret Alstat
Descendant Family Reunion
2000**

Where: Ava Community Center
When: Saturday, July 22, 2000
Directions: Ava Blacktop to Buck Bower Park
Time: 10:00 am to 5:00 pm

- Eat at Noon – air conditioned hall
- Bring a covered dish, table service and drinks
- Come as you are, early or late
- Rain or shine – everyone welcome!

Bring Your Camera & Family Memorabilia!

Cousin Katie Bauers (pg. 461) reports:

Last Saturday, July 22, 2000, my sister, Gladys Schumert, and I went to Ava, Illinois, to attend the Alstat Reunion. We had received an invitation from Wayne and Barbara Alstat and Glenn and Sharon Alstat.

Wayne told us that you had been through there in May and we had hoped you would have been there.

I had met one of the Alstat clan previously at the 1994 Reunion in Corydon, IN, and had corresponded with for the last six years.

I would say that there were approximately 80 people who participated in the festivities.

We had a god time and met a lot of Alstats - and enjoyed a lot of good food! We had an interesting time and we were glad that we had attended.

The picture of Margaret Alstat on the flyer reminded me of our grandmother, Nevada Aldstadt Talhelm.

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

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

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

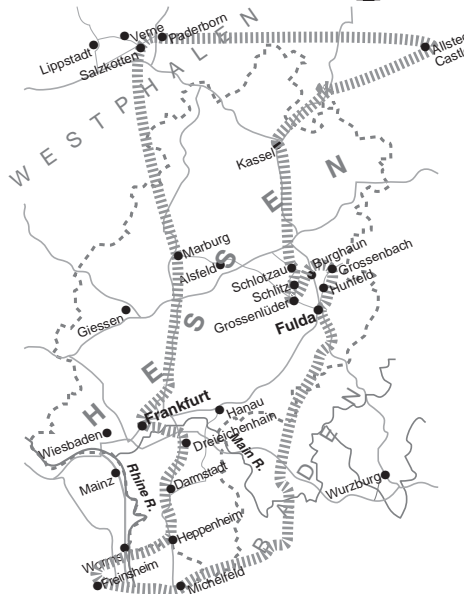


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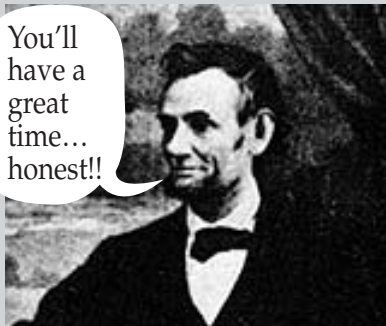
Allstedt Castle in Saxony Anhalt

Let's go to Germany in 2003



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

You'll
have a
great
time...
honest!!



All the Alstat Clan are excited about the opportunity to host the next Allstadt/Altstadt/ Alstatt Reunion in Southern Illinois. They got the ball rolling this year with their first Alstat Reunion in Ava, Illinois. More to come in future newsletters.

Estimated costs: in US\$
Airfare: \$882 r/t (est. courtesy RuthFraser)
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 2000 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 a central Airport...whichever works best for our budgets... to get us across the pond.

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 Grossenbach. We then turn westward to Grossenluder... 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 charting the actual route for 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

Rowena E. (Nicks) Gray

October 5, 1916 - February 6, 2000

Rowena E. Gray (pg. 516), an Antelope Valley resident since 1952, entered into rest Sunday, February 6, 2000 in her Palmdale, CA home. She was preceded in death by her husband of 63 years Darwyn T. "Doc" Gray.

Rowena was born October 5, 1916 in Pierce Colorado, the 12th of 13 children. She is survived by her brother Roy R. Nicks of Dana Point. Rowena is also survived by five loving children (and spouses), Kenneth (Beverly) of Aurora, Colo., Mike (Anita) of Glendale, Calif., Sharon (Dolph) of Laguna Niguel, Calif., Douglas (Jackie) of Santa Rosa, Calif., and youngest daughter Joan of Palmdale; eight grandchildren, Mark, Michelle (JR), Andrea (John), Jeff (Mary Beth), Jason (Michelle), Kristen, Charisse, and Jodi; and three great-grandchildren, Mitchell, Annie and Nathan.

Prior to moving to Palmdale, Rowena was a member of the Civil Defense Corp. in the 1940's. Rowena was quite active in the community for over 30 years. She served as President of the PTA at most of the original schools in Palmdale covering a ten-year span. She was also President of the South Antelope Valley Coordinating Council where she was fundamental in organizing the Christmas Basket program for those in need. Rowena also volunteered with Dr. Robert St. Clair on the free vision clinics provided to the local elementary school. She also served as President of the American Legion Auxiliary Unit 406 for numerous years. Her home was also used on numerous occasions as a polling place for many elections where she served as inspector.

Per her request there will be no funeral services. Private services will be held in Colorado. To honor her contributions to the community's youth, the Rowena E. Gray memorial scholarship fund has been established at Palmdale High School. In lieu of flowers, the family encourages donations to this fund.

Rowena was loved by many, we'll miss you Mom.

Mary Voluro Altstatt

August 26, 1952 - December 1999

Mary Altstatt (pg. 186), wife of Drew Altstatt and mother of Eric Altstatt died in San Diego, CA, during the Christmas Season. Our prayers go with you.

Peggy Altstatt

March 27, 1917 - March 4th 2000

Dear Jerry, once again, so soon, it is my sad duty to inform you of the death of another Altstatt, my mother, Eunice (Peggy) Altstatt (pg. 180) died peacefully and unexpectedly March 4th 2000. She was a few weeks short of her 83rd birthday. Coming only three months after the death of my wife has made it especially hard for me and my son Eric.

Thank you for all of the work you have done on behalf of keeping the family in touch over the years. Drew Altstatt, Lakeside CA. <daltlake@yahoo.com>

Juanita Kimmel

Juanita KIMMEL (pg. 282) of Florida, formerly of Elizabethtown, died Wednesday, June 16, 1999, in Florida. She was a member of American Legion Ladies Auxiliary and Coast Guard Auxiliary. She and her husband owned and operated the Colonel Hotel. Survivors include her husband, Irving M. KIMMEL; a daughter, Benita KIMMEL; two sons, David KIMMEL and Danny KIMMEL; a sister, Lorraine ALTSTATT; two brothers, Larry ALTSTATT and J.W. ALTSTATT; and five grandchildren. There will be a celebration of life at 6 p.m. today at St. George Greek Orthodox Church, 9426 Little Road, New Port Richie, Fla. From the "News Enterprise" Hardin Co., KY daily newspaper (Elizabethtown); Tuesday, June 22, 1999

Amanda J. Allstott

December 18, 1902 - June 26, 2000

PAOLI, IN -- Amanda J. Allstott (pg. 341), 91, Paoli, died at 1:17 a.m. Monday at Paoli Nursing Home. Born in Taswell, she was the daughter of William J. and Mary S. (Cuzzart) Allstott. Surviving are several nieces and nephews including Ermel Allen of Paoli, who was her caretaker. She was preceded in death by her parents; one sister, Alma F. Allen, and two brothers: William B. and Azor C. Allstott.

Burial will be in Highfill Chapel Cemetery, Taswell. Friends may call from 5 to 8 p.m. today at the mortuary.

Cuzzin' Contact...

Dear Jerry,

Sorry about my late response, but I'm in a hurry with all the little things to have to do all the whole day long as a member of the family, the company and naturally as a member of the 'genealogical circle' at the Siemens Company...pleasant duties, of course.

Thanks a lot for all the references and links to Internet-sources. Especially the www.familysearchorg-sites (supplied by Pat Kennedy) I still used them from time to time. But anyway, as a researcher you depend on of all kinds of information you can get. Thanks also for your latest newsletter.

No problem at all concerning August 2001 and our trip to the charted sites and towns as you showed in the 1999 newsletter. In the meantime I will do some basic things. At first, I've already prepared a list of all Altstadt's living in Germany right now, grouped to families and/or relatives of the same Region or town from my sight, in order to reduce the number of letters I've now to send off. I remember your attempt to get information from the "German cousins." I guess, it was the language-barrier or a kind of closed-door-policy or whatever, so I hope I will get enough information for our joint project. In that way maybe I will get further information we need, at first to go back the "Altstadt roots" and second, something we can build on for our tour in September 2001.

So far up to now my short information for you, many greetings from Bavaria to California.

Your cousin Hermann Altstatt

Good Morning Jerry,

So glad to hear from you and that your new granddaughter arrived healthy and happy. From the amount of miles you put on your RV, it sounds like you are a west coast person too. One of our sons just returned from Russia with a new granddaughter for us - Madison Eugenia - that they adopted. We are planning a trip to Wisconsin to see them in late August. Also hope to come home thru IL and do some more family exploring. I sometimes get better answers from my cousins in person than by phone or letter. Jeanette Hillend, pg. 550

Dear Jerry,

I do not know whether you received any information about Ralph Herold Alstot from relatives or friends from Neillsville or other towns in Wisconsin.

After four months, I finally received the death notice of Ralph Herold Alstot who died April 17, 1973 at the Osseo Community Hospital in Osseo, Trempealeau Co, WI. His wife's name was: Irma Bohnsack. They lived in Weston Twp, Clark Co, WI, north of Neillsville with a Neillsville mailing address.

They owned an egg farm. He is buried at the Neillsville City cemetery. Probably, his parents are buried there too. He was born in Iowa, September 8, 1907. I can send you a copy of death notice by regular mail. I do not have a scanner.

I hope this information helps you in your research of the Alstot line.

Pearl Roediger Smith (niece of Floyd Alstot, pg. 373)

Hi cuz Jerry,

I am leaving Thursday for Sitka, Alaska to visit my son LUKE PADBERG and his wife ROSALIE (Rose) MASSEE PADBERG. I will be gone two weeks. I was born IVA COLLEEN MCMILLAN and lived my growing up years at Lexington, Oregon. I married BERNARD (Buster) PADBERG and we had LUKE and WADE. BUSTER died in 1974. Later I met and married GUY WENDELL (Bud) KITCH and we have been happily married since January 16, 1994. We go to Alaska every July and visit. It is beautiful in Sitka and we always get to go fishing and sight-seeing. Especially great is the Russian Orthodox Church. There is also a neat raptor center where they care for injured birds and release them when they are well enough to fly again.

Bye for now,
Colleen Kitch, pg. 310

Hi Jer & Phyllis;

Tampa Bay Bucs are not doing well - I watched last eve just to see Mike Alstott - great looking big hunk. I get a chuckle in my heart thinking about how excited Don would have been to know there was an Alstott playing Pro-football! He loved the game and we watched a lot of it so it is the only sports event that I understand!

I did order Judy a t-shirt and will keep it for Christmas - we should have a souvenir of this "family" cousin. He and Don share the first 3 ancestor then they split when John Nicholas had two sons - John is Don's and Daniel is Mike's (according to your book). Enough for now -
Alma Allstott, pg. 297

Greetings from North Dakota! I arrived here Saturday June 24th. The haying season has started so I should be out baling hay later tomorrow.

Just wanted to acknowledge getting your email and nice to hear from you.
Best regards, Damian, pg. 112

I am going to send newspaper articles about Raymond Alstott - the son of Wilbur who was a prisoner of war during WWII. He died while a POW- he was involved in the Bataan Death March and the story goes that he had a friend that visited my great-grandmother after the war and told him that he was very sick and begged this man for some sugar cane- he got some for Raymond and after Raymond ate it he died in his arms. Raymond's body was brought back many years later because this same man,

after the war, stayed in that area and found as many soldiers' bodies so they could be brought home to their loved ones- Raymond was one of these that he brought home. The man has since written a book about the ordeal and Raymond is mentioned in the book several times- I have a copy of the book and the gentleman and I correspond with each other. He is a wonderful man. Anyway they have also named the VFW in Springdale, Arkansas after Raymond Alstott. I have a lot of stuff on him if you are interested in it that is. Just let me know.
Brenda Park,

Hello Jerry,
Just a word to tell you that dad (Gene Altstatt) is in the hospital at Berryville AR, he had a large annurism and they found it in time. he was operated on in Springfield, MO about 6 weeks ago.
His mother (Rhoda Altstatt Doremus) passed away on the 16th and so off we all went to San Antonio, TX, to bury grandma. Dad got home on Wednesday of last week and then was back in the hospital Friday night and is still there.
He is driving the nurses nuts! ha ha ha (ya know dad). Well I gotta go.

Thanks, Tommy Ernest Altstatt, pg. 246

Dear Jerry and Phyllis,
Only news this year is that Melvyn celebrated his 98th birthday and that Aunt Anna passed away. Melvyn has been in a rehab hospital since May 10. He has finished eight weeks of therapy and is better now than when he came in.
Dorothy Alstadt, pg. 75

Padberg's Celebrate 50 Years.



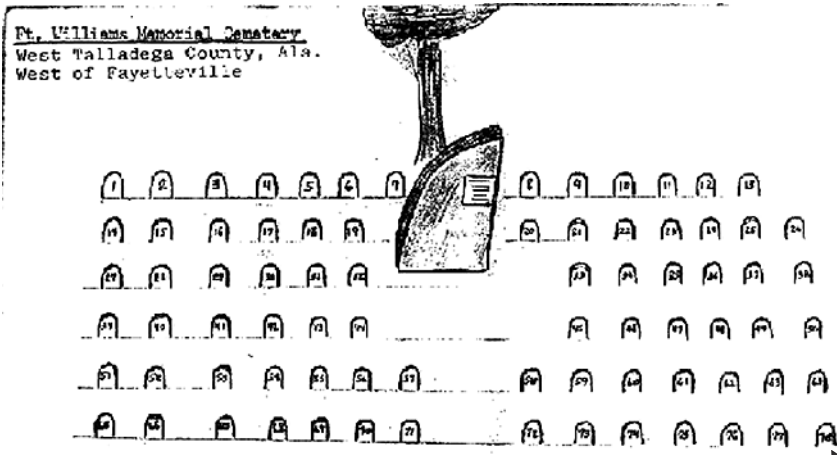
1950 2000
Congratulations to Archie and Jeanette Padberg (pg. 295) who celebrated 50 big ones at the Episcopal Church Hall in Heppner, OR on February 5, 2000. The open house was sponsored by their children.

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

A glimpse of yesterday



Sketch by park historian Paul Ghioto following visit to site on 3/17/1978

INDIAN WAR OF 1812 BATTLE OF HORSESHOE BEND

In March, 1814, General Andrew Jackson mobilized the Tennessee Militia, made up of Volunteers from the East and West Tennessee Militia and the Thirty-Ninth U.S. Infantry for a full-scale campaign against the Red Sticks Indian Tribe. General Jackson's army totaled about 3,000 men. Jackson's army left Fort Williams on the Coosa River (Mississippi Territory) and marched 52 miles through the forest in three days. The made camp six miles north of Horseshoe Bend. The Red Stick's had built a barricade on the river, which eventually trapped them once Jackson's soldiers surrounded them. Over 800 Red Sticks died as a result of the battle. General Jackson's dead and wounded were taken back to Fort Williams. The following is a listing of the soldiers who were buried at Fort Williams.

The original site of Fort Williams is now under Lay Lake in Coosa County, Alabama. The headstones and the monument to the soldiers were moved to a new location 57 miles north of Horseshoe Bend Military Park. The cemetery has been badly vandalized. The site is NOT part of the Military Park and is on private property. Unfortunately, the cemetery cannot be maintained by the Military Park Rangers as they have no jurisdiction over the site.

The following list of those buried at the Indian War of 1812 Cemetery. There is a corresponding map. The list and map were done in March 1978 by Mr. Paul Ghioto, Park Historian, Horseshoe Bend Military Park. The headstones are numbered 1 through 78.

78. Alstadt, Nicholas, Pvt (pg. 177)

Location of the Cemetery: The Cemetery is near the town of Sylacuaga, Ala., about 13.2 miles off of U.S. Highway 280, approximately 57 North of Horseshoe Bend Military Park. The Site is marked on Alabama Maps as "Indian War of 1812 Cemetery."

Nicholas Alstadt was a son of John Altstatt, 1755, and was the first Altstatt/Alstott to have ever died in service to his country.