

Spring Newsletter 2024-----SZT

Hello family members

This year we will be holding our annual Snell-Zimmerman-Timmerman family reunion at our family Snells Bush Church on **August 25th 2024**. We held our annual spring board meeting in May to plan for our reunion and update our activities at Snell Bush Church. Reports were read and we will be working on projects to keep our family church in good shape. This year we have 3 scheduled weddings at the church. Work will be done on getting a handicap ramp in place, getting bids on interior painting, mowing of the cemeteries, working on updating our e-mail and snail list, work on cemeteries and so forth.

Planning for the reunion we will again hold a knick-knack tent sale August 24th Saturday. Last year we had the community members and guests come to the tent sale and they also wanted a tour of the church and cemeteries with a little information on the history of Snells Bush Church. We will also hold our annual ice cream social on August **24th Saturday night 6 pm** which is our only fund raiser.

On **Sunday August 25th** we will again hold our annual reunion which will include the flag raising ceremony, followed by dedication of our Revolutionary soldiers, War of 1812 soldiers and World War 1 soldier and all other soldiers who fought in wars. At a 11 am we will hold our annual church service followed by a short business meeting to inform the members of our activities to keep our reunion and church in good shape. We have the militia coming with a cannon presentation. Of course we will have a catered luncheon afterward----- everyone is invited to attend and socialize. Come meet your cousins and view the memorabilia that we have at Snells Bush-- we have many books, letters from family members, genealogy from family members, maps, photos, reunion church service reports, newspapers clippings of local events, and activities at Snell Bush and so forth. This is your family history.

We want to remind everyone of the genealogy books that we have for sale. They hold a lot of information and are a great tool to introduce the younger generation to the history of the family and how we helped develop the United States of America. It also gives a reason why we should be very proud of our county especially now with all the challenges that our country is facing today.

These are some events that happened to family members who helped create the country. These items can be located in the Genealogy books that we sell:

-----Little Freddie hid in the bake oven during an Indian raid on his family home of Fredrick Snell who died at the Battle of Oriskany

-----Peter Snell rocked the cradle- during the colonial wars- of baby girl Susanna Kilts at the fort and said some day he would marry her---- which he did

-----Jacob George Snell in his obituary----“He repeatedly represented Montgomery his native county in branches of our state legislative, he held the office of sheriff and long occupied the seat upon the bench as county judge beside -----other public offices both civil and military-----

-----Jacob Snell born 1814--- moved to Lyme where he became a special judge and was a shoemaker and justice of the peace for 32 years died 1888 and was married to Margaret Hose

-----Peter Snell son of Sofirus married Eliza Mann they moved to Leroy and Peter died 1841 leaving Liza with 4 small children. She enrolled in medical school in Syracuse in 1857 completed course becoming the 1st woman to hold a medical degree in New York state and possibly the country. Moved to the frontier in California was pioneer in practice medicine

-----Jacob I Timmerman (1800-1880) He was abolitionist and maintained a station on the Underground Railroad on his farm. He also was an ordained Methodist minister who ran a sawmill and farm in Frey's Bush.

-----Henry I Zimmerman (1770-1830) In a letter---From his brother --his brother tells of the travel from the valley to the west.----“ We were on the canal one week, 4 days in Buffalo and one week on the lakes to reach Chicago.”

-----David R Failing of Tonawanda "the oldest living resident--- he was the son of Richard Failing who sold his farm in the Mohawk valley and moved to Buffalo in 1817. He was personal friend of President Fillmore

-----Levi Zimmerman (1865-1881) settled in Tonawanda. The first grain he raised in Tonawanda he hauled to Albany. He went to the area in 1830 to work the land-140 acres bought by his father from the Dutch East India Company in 1828 and was later deeded to Levi in 1847.

-----Cheese industry of the 1800's where the price of cheese was set in Little Falls for the New York Stock Market

SZT lost last September, 2023 a long time SZT Board member, Assistant Secretary, Carol Timmerman. Carol started helping her mother, Edith Timmerman in 1962 serving 61 years. Carol shared her beautiful voice during our church services several times as soloist. Her funeral was held at her beloved Snells Bush Church. Carol is missed. Our condolences go out to family members who have lost someone this past year. Please be sure to notify us so the records can be correct.

We love to hear from you.... Please send us your updates on e-mail and snail addresses. We can be contacted at the following contact information:

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The following genealogy books are available from the SZT Reunion, Inc. They were printed during the 1970's with great information about the family. There stories about the life on the frontier and fighting off the hostile British and Indians during those early years. Price does not include the shipping cost (\$5.50 unless otherwise noted). Checks should be made payable to the SZT Reunion and mailed to: Treasurer, SZT Reunion, Inc., P.O. Box 623, Little Falls, NY 13365.

Author Title and Description Price

David Kendall Martin

The 18th Century Zimmerman Family of the Mohawk Valley, 1994.

This book traces the descendants of Jacob and Margaretha Jung Zimmerman for six generations (over nearly two hundred years) from their German home village in the mid-1600's to the Mohawk Valley and beyond. It is a handsome, indexed, 8.5" x 11" hard covered book with over 300 pages heavily illustrated with photographs, maps, and signatures. Among the many related family names in the book are: Getman, Walrad, Petrie, Read, Bellinger, Smith, Fox, Failing, Van Allen, Herder, Hutchins, Dockey, Sponable, Bauder, and others.

\$22.50

David Kendall Martin

The 18th Century Snell Family of the Mohawk Valley, 1982.

The format and contents of this book are similar to the above Zimmerman book. David Martin gives all available information on those Snells born before 1800 in Germany and New York. The various lines are carried well into the 1800's. The book is in 8.5" x 11" format, with a soft cover.

\$7.50

David Kendall Martin

The 18th Century Failing Family of the Mohawk Valley, 1979.

This soft cover book traces descendants of Henrich H. and Anna Maria Kunigunda Failing from 1710 to 1900. The book is rich with history, family lore, illustrations, documents and maps. \$10.00

Four books complement David Martin's 18th Century Zimmerman Family by extending the known descendants of four sons of Jacob and Margaretha Schutz Zimmerman (David, Lawrence, George, and Henry) into the latter part of the 20th century. A fifth

book extends David Martin's 18th Century Snell Family by continuing the descendants of Peter Snell into the 20th century.

Carolyn Timmerman Sidenius

Descendants of David Timmerman of the Mohawk Valley, NY, 1998.

This book is based on the 1925 work by Manley Timmerman, but is greatly expanded from that work. Family names found within the 200 page book include Allison, Cronk, Durner, Fellows, Gaylord, Smith, Spoor, Van Deusen, Woledge, and Zoller. Soft cover.

\$9.00

Carolyn Timmerman Sidenius

Descendants of Lawrence Timmerman of the Mohawk Valley, NY, 1998.

Among the descendants of Lawrence covered by this book are those of his granddaughter, Gertrude, who married John C. Timmerman, a grandson of Conrad Zimmerman (and brother to Lawrence, David, Henry, and George) and moved to Perch Lake, Jefferson County, NY. This 150 page genealogy (plus a 50 page index) also includes many descendants of Henry Lawrence Timmerman who moved to Indiana. Family names in the index include Snell (117), Bahar, Baker, Bowman, Broughton, Brown, Cramer, Darling, Dunten, Hoover, Lobdell, Meyer, Mosher, Petrie, Van Allen, and many others.

\$9.00

Carolyn Timmerman Sidenius

Descendants of George Timmerman (1734-1800) of Mohawk Valley, NY, 1995.

George, another son of the immigrant Jacob Zimmerman, was baptized by an itinerant pastor on 20 Jan. 1734. His wife was Anna Elizabeth Klock, a daughter of Johannes and Anna Margaretha Fox Klock. George had 10 children. Their numerous descendants have been ably documented in this 8.5" x 11" typed book of almost 300 pages, with a soft but durable cover. The index of this genealogy includes Bellingers (209 names) of Onondaga, Jefferson, and St. Lawrence counties in New York; Billings; Broat (94); Fox, Frye, Flanders; Hayes (339); Keyser/Kyser (78); Levee; Mason; Mosher; Robinson; Snell; Van Gorder (70); and Williams.

\$12.50

Carolyn Timmerman Sidenius

Descendants of Lt. Henry Timmerman of Herkimer County, NY, 1988.

Henry, son of the immigrant Jacob, was born about 30 Dec. 1737 and died 18 May 1807. While born a Zimmerman, most of the family changed to the Anglicized spelling of Timmerman after the Revolution. He settled in what is now the town of Manheim in Herkimer County. He was twice married - to Catherine Fox and then to Margaret Bellinger. He had 19 children - 7 boys and 12 girls - of whom 15 were living at the time of his death. His numerous descendants are found throughout the Mohawk Valley, New York state, and the U.S. and Canada. This hard cover 8.5" x 11" book, with over 300 pages, follows a great number of them into the 1980s. The index includes many Snells, Getmans, Greens/Greenes, Handys, Herkimers, Klocks, Robinsons, Vedders, Walraths, and others.

\$17.50

Carolyn Timmerman Sidenius

Descendants of Peter and Anna Kilts Snell of the Mohawk Valley, NY, 1992.

Peter Snell (s/o Johan Jost and Maria Catharine Kraft Snell) was born about 24 June 1730, probably in Schoharie County, NY, and died in Snells Bush, Manheim, Herkimer County, NY, in 1804. He married Susanna "Anna" Kilts (d/o Peter and Anna Maria Bellinger Kilts). At the time of Anna's death, she left 420 descendants. This 334 page typed book, with a soft cover, traces over 3400 descendants, many into the 1990s.

\$35.00

Other Publications

Frank C. Bellinger

The War Years in the Mohawk Valley.

Articles describe conditions, activities, and battles during the Revolution and its aftermath. Pamphlet. 1983, 20 pp.

\$2.00

Vera DeWitt

American Patriots at the Battle of Oriskany.

A register of Tryon County Militia and New York volunteers in the Revolutionary War. Soft covered. 1977, 60 pp.

\$7.50

Ada L. F. Snell

With My Grandparents. Pamphlet. 1972, 2003 40 pp. \$1.50

The Enterprise and News, 1939

The Lawrence Zimmerman Papers. The SZT Reunion, Inc., 2003 Pamphlet. 1939,
2003 32 pp.

\$3.00

Emma S. Timmerman

Homestead Notes. Soft cover. 1971, 2003, 28 pp.

\$7.00

Ada L. F. Snell *Palatines Along The Mohawk.* Soft cover, 1948, 2002, 76 pp. \$12.

Fifty Years with the Faith of Our Fathers Soft cover 1988 by Carolyn Sidenius

Updated 2023 by Nancy Timmerman Cioch & Sarah Timmerman Israel 27 pp.

\$20.00