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NOTICES

✓ **New Book: Footprints in the Ramapos** — Author Marjorie Smeltzer Stevenot has announced the upcoming publication of her new book, Footprints in the Ramapos: Life in the Mountains before the State Parks, expected to be available this month. Contents include vignettes of vanished communities of west Rockland and southern Orange counties (NY) including Pine Meadow, Johnsonstown, Sandfield, Doodletown, Ramapo Works, Lakeville, and Baileytown. There will be personal profiles of Ada Bessie Carey, Jerome Charleston, Phebe Jane Conklin, Lester Bailey, and G. Briggs Buchanan. Other subjects covered will be mountain history never before in print, and the historic churches of Johnsonstown, Sterling, and Southfields, as well as the Ramapo Presbyterian. The 6 x 8-3/4, 120-pp book has a laminated cover and includes a map and an index. The author is offering the book at \$12.95 plus postage/handling of \$1.85 (for one copy; add \$1 for each additional copy). Order directly from M. Smeltzer-Stevenot, 150 Johnsonstown Road, Sloatsburg, NY 10974.

✓ **Sloatsburg United Methodist Church Records** — The Sloatsburg United Methodist Church registers (1958-1900) have been Xeroxed for the first time. They have been indexed by Marjorie Smeltzer Stevenot, computerized by baptisms, parents, brides and grooms by Marie Koestler and collated by Sally Akester. "Lost" records of the Sterling United Methodist Church (Orange Co.) and the Southfields United Methodist Church (Orange Co.) have been found in the same registers. Before 1900, the three churches were on the same circuit. The pastors, who resided in the parsonage at Sloatsburg, kept all the records in the same registers. Reference copies are available in the Rockland County Genealogical Society library; Bergen County Genealogical Society library in Midland Park, NJ; Orange County Genealogical Society, Goshen; and public libraries in New City, Sloatsburg, Suffern, and Tuxedo. Official records of baptisms and marriages may be obtained from the pastor at the Sloatsburg Church on Route 17.

✓ **Bergen & Hudson County, NJ Histories Reprinted** — Bergen Historic Books, working with Higginson Book Company of Salem, Massachusetts, has announced the publication of reprints of two

Bergen and Hudson County histories which have long been out of print. The facsimile reprints are full-size, on acid-free paper, and hardbound with dark green archival-quality bindings with title and author stamped on spine in gold lettering. The two reprints are:

(1) Genealogical History of Hudson & Bergen Counties, edited by Cornelius B. Harvey, originally published 1900, 617pp. plus illustrations. Includes brief histories of both counties and biographical sketches of more than 750 citizens and families. Reprint price: \$60 plus 4.50 shipping and handling per book, and 6% sales tax on NJ orders.

(2) History of Hudson County from Earliest Settlement to the Present Time, by Charles H.

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Upcoming Meetings and Events

Regular meetings are held the fourth Tuesday of every month (except July, August, and December) at the History Center of the Historical Society of Rockland County, 20 Zukor Road, New City, N.Y. (except where otherwise noted).

Meeting time is 7:45 p.m.

Sep 28.....Regular Meeting; speaker — Peter Krell, author and compiler of So That All May Be Remembered (Clarkstown Cemetery) and the soon-to-be-published Ramapo Cemeteries.

Oct. 23.....Saturday, 10:00 a.m. Note different time for this meeting. Speaker — Joan Turnure will speak on the Turnure (Tournure, Terneur, Tenure) family genealogy from 1590 in Europe to Rockland County today.

Nov. 23.....Regular Meeting; Speaker — Douglas C. Renud will speak about and demonstrate organization in research: how to organize, file, and present genealogical research.

Dec.....No Meeting.

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The Newsletter of the Genealogical Society of Rockland County is published four times a year, in mid-month of September, December, February and May.

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Winfield, originally published 1874, 568pp. plus illustrations. Focuses on Indian, Dutch and Colonial history in lower Bergen (later Hudson) County; quotes primary source documents in full; and gives detailed genealogies of many prominent Dutch families. Includes a new full name index. Reprint price: \$58 plus \$4.50 shipping and handling per book, and 6% sales tax on NJ orders.

Order from Bergen Historic Books, P.O. Box 2094, Teaneck, NJ 07666-2094.

✓ **"Westchester Connections," Volume Two** — Volume Two (1992-1993) of the Journal of the Westchester County Genealogical Society is now available for sale, according to editor Laura J. LeBarron. Contents of *Westchester Connections* include the 1873 School Census for North Castle, NY; Purdy Family Bible Records; "William R. Evans: From Emigrant to Entrepreneur," St. John's (Episcopal Church), Tuckahoe Cemetery; "Some War of 1812 Soldiers Buried in Westchester Co., NY Cemeteries," Register of Interments for White Plains Rural Cemetery, 1877-1878; "Caputo/Marrello Family of Rye, Westchester County," "Westchester County Born: Where They Went," Membership Records of the First Baptist Church, Ossining (Sing Sing), NY; and Abstracts of Minutes of the Westchester County Court of Sessions, May-Sep 1839. The Journal, soft-covered,

8-1/2" x 11", 62 pp., includes queries and an index, and is available for \$6.00 plus \$1.90 postage and handling, from Westchester County Genealogical Society, P.O. Box 518, White Plains, NY 10603. *Westchester Connections* is published every other year; Volume Three is expected to be published in September 1994.

✓ **Volunteers Needed at Bear Mountain State Park** — Volunteers are needed at Bear Mountain (N.Y.) State Park, as "Bear Den Docents," to help maintain and expand fernery and wildflower exhibits, help with data entry for the Bear Mountain League of Naturalists Biodiversity Survey of the Park, and to catalog their library. For additional information, contact Betsy T. Franz, Conservation Educator, Palisades Interstate Park Commission, Administration Building, Bear Mountain, N.Y. 10911-0427 (914-786-2701, ext. 293).

✓ **Finding Living Relatives** — A National telephone directory is now available on two CD-ROM discs. "PhoneDisc USA-Residential" contains 80 million names, equalling more than 80% of the nation's white pages in a single file. To use it, type in a name on the computer and you'll get a listing of all US residents with that name, along with their addresses and telephone numbers. The directory is available free of charge at many libraries. It can also be purchased for \$113. For information write PhoneDisc USA, 70 Atlantic Ave., Box 648, Marblehead, MA 01945, or call 617-639-2900.

✓ **Old Military Newspapers** — According to an item in *Afterburner*, the January 1993 issue of the USAF Newsletter for retired personnel, the State Historical Society of Wisconsin is the central depository for newspapers of the Air Force and other services. The Wisconsin collections number more than 2.8 million printed and microform items on history and genealogy. The library provides reference and information services in person, over the telephone and by mail. Address inquiries to James P. Danky, Newspapers and Periodicals, 816 State St., Madison, WI 53706 or call 608-264-6598.

✓ **LDS Regional Family History Conference Oct. 30** — An all-day regional family history conference, "Windows to the Past — Looking Back," is scheduled for Saturday, October 30, 1993 at the Morristown, NJ Family History Center, 283 James St., Morristown, NJ. Seminars on various topics held throughout the day will include research in New Jersey, research on various ethnic groups, using computers for genealogy, and using Mormon Family History Centers. The event is open to the public. The conference fee is \$5.00 per person, with pre-registration required. A box lunch is offered for \$4.00 with pre-registration. The 400-500 session capacity is expected to be reserved quickly, so those interested are encouraged to sign up early. Registrations forms

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are available at all New Jersey LDS Family History Centers. For additional information, contact Eric Perkins, 201-871-2156.

✓ **NYB&G Fall Lectures Planned** — The NYG&B Fall Lecture Program, on four consecutive Wednesday evenings beginning September 29, will focus on research in the NYG&B Society's own extensive library. During the fifth week, instead of a lecture, the library will be open on one or more evenings with experienced professional genealogists on hand to assist researchers with their problems. These sessions in the library will be open only to those who sign up for the entire series of lectures.

Another NYG&B lecture is scheduled for November 3 with speaker Henry L. P. Beckwith, Secretary of the Committee on Heraldry of the New England Historic Genealogical Society. Everyone who registers for the regular Fall Lecture Program mentioned above will be invited to attend this additional lecture at no extra charge. It will also be possible to sign up for this Heraldry lecture alone.

The series is \$25 for NYG&B members, and \$35 for non-members. For additional information on either or both of these lecture programs, call the Society at 212-755-8532.

QUERIES

Queries will be published in the newsletter as space permits. It would be helpful if querists would submit their queries beginning with surnames concerned in the query listed alphabetically. Please keep queries clear, but concise, and include dates and locations whenever possible. Send queries to Pat Wardell, GSRC Newsletter Editor, 78 Edgewood Road, Allendale, NJ 07401.

When answering a query, please send a copy of the answer to the Genealogical Society of Rockland County for our files and for possible inclusion in future newsletters. Many thanks.

24. SEAMAN — Joseph C. Seaman, bapt. 16 Jan 1803 Clarkstown, m. 10 May 1823 Tappan to Helen/Highla Edwards, d. 10 Mar 1877, ae 74y 3m 23d, Nyack, buried Oak Hill Cemetery in the same plot as Cornelius Seaman/Simmons who was married to Sara Vanderbilt.

I doubt that Cornelius is Joseph's father. Cornelius' will named (among others) a son Joseph, who had children named Cornelius J. and Sarah Ann, m. to James Nichols. Therein lies the problem! My Joseph did have a son named Cornelius, but I cannot find any record of a daughter named Sarah, who m. a James Nichols. Also, the child that Cornelius had, named Joseph, was born 17 Oct 1802 and the tombstone for my Joseph would imply that he was born 20 Nov 1802. This discrepancy may not

be significant, but the mysterious daughter Sarah, m. to James Nichols is a real problem.

I suspect that Cornelius was an Uncle/Cousin of my Joseph. Who were my Joseph C. Seaman's parents? My Joseph's children married into the Carlock, Lockwood and Taylor families.

— Mrs. Richard B. McElvein, 4612 Round Forest Circle, Mtn. Brook, Alabama 35213

25. RAMAPO PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH — Ramapo Presbyterian Church, Rte. 17, Ramapo Works. What became of the Baptismal and Marriage registers? Last seen 15 years ago. Not in Presbyterian Archives at Philadelphia.

— M. Smeltzer Stevenot, 150 Johnstontown Rd., Sloatsburg, NY 10974

26. BAILEY, BECRAFT, CALL, CHARLESTON, CONKLIN/CONCKLIN, HOGENCAMP, JOHNSON, PITT, STARR — Am compiling for publication genealogies of Families of the northern Ramapos (Rockland Co. and Southern Orange Co. only). If you have additional information, please contact me.

— Marjorie Smeltzer Stevenot, 150 Johnstontown Road, Sloatsburg, NY 10974

27. MYNDERT — Myndert (Mindert/Min) was a Dutch given name 18th and early 19th century popular with Hogencamp. What is the Engisl equivalent or is it a family name? Not in any lists. Holland Society doesn't know.

— Marjorie Smeltzer Stevenot, 150 Johnstontown Road, Sloatsburg, NY 10974

ANSWERS TO QUERIES

❖ To Query No. 20 (May 1993 issue), re BUSH, CRAMER, YOUMANS, from Jerry Kral, P.O. Box 190, Franklin Lakes, NJ 07417:

"The Bush Family of New Jersey" by William Pryor, May 1949, is in the Alexander Library at Rutgers University in New Brunswick, NJ. This is probably not an original copy, as it is typed on old fashioned carbon paper and is very hard to read. In Part Three, Bergen County Lineages of Bush Family, he refers to material on the Bush, Bos family compiled by John G. Wood.

The following regards Conrad Bush and his father, Hendrick Bush. My own interest is in Peter Bush who was probably Conrad's brother.

HENDRICK BUSH m. (1) 1 July 1721 Hackensack, Maritie Steeger; m. (2) 27 Oct 1727 Lea Van Blarkum. From the marriage record, Henry was b. in NY; Maritie b. Essex Co., NJ; both lived Essex Co. Hendrick & Maritie had a child:

Hendrick, bp. 7 Feb 1725 Hackensack
Hendrick & Lea had children:

Hendricus, bp. 17 Sep 1729 Hackensack
Metje (Martha), bp. 8 Oct 1732 Hackensack; a
Martha Bush m. Aug 1751 Morris Earle

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Catrina, bp. 1 May 1737 Hackensack, m.
William Eerl, son of Enock
Willemte, bp. 24 Jan 1741 Hackensack, m. 28
Dec 1759 Schraalenburgh, Herri Earl, son of
Enock
Rachel, bp. 19 Aug 1744 Hackensack, m. 18
June 1762 Pieter Bordett

CONRAD BUSH, poss. son of Hendrick Bush, m.
Elizabeth Cramer, who was b. 1741, d. 15 May 1827
aged 86 yrs, buried Saddle River Dutch Chyd. His
will is at Hackensack (C:97, 1825). On a 1794 tax
list for Hempstead, he is listed as a non-resident.
They lived in Franklin Township, Bergen County, NJ
and Conrad also owned lands at Ramapo, Rockland
Co., NY. Conrad & Elizabeth had children (from will):

Henry
Peter
Elizabeth, m. 18 Dec 1796 West New Hempstead
Dutch Church, Daniel Taylor
Mary, m. Conrad Fisher
Margaret, m. Peter Watson (she was deceased
per Conrad's will)
Catherine, b. 6 Mar 1778 Tappan, bp. 5 Apr
1778, m. Daniel Youmans (she was deceased
per Conrad's will)

PETER BUSH, son of Conrad & Elizabeth, m.
Margaret Bush, dau. of Derick (Richard) Bush. She
was b. 13 Nov 1786, bp. 24 Dec 1786 Paramus, d. 13
Feb 1840 aged 53.3.0, buried Saddle River Lutheran
Chyd. Children of Peter & Margaret:

Elizabeth, b. 10 Oct, bp. 27 Oct 1805 Paramus
Richard, b. 13 Oct, bp. 1 Nov 1807 Paramus
Antje, b. 15 Oct, bp. 23 Oct 1808 Paramus
Conrad, b. 19 Oct, bp. 12 Nov 1809 Paramus
Henry, b. 23 Jan, bp. 26 Apr 1812 Saddle River Ref

HENRY C. BUSH, son of Conrad & Elizabeth, m.
Margaret Van Blarcom (Maritje Van Blarkum). His
will is at Hackensack (1834). Member of Saddle River
Ref Church in 1812. Children of Henry & Margaret:

Conrad, b. 10 Mar, bp. 30 Mar 1794 Paramus
David, b. 12 Mar, bp. 5 Apr 1801 Paramus

❖To Query No. 20 (May 1993 issue), additional
information re BUSH, CRAMER, from Pat Wardell,
78 Edgewood Rd., Allendale, NJ 07401:

HENDRICK BUSH & Maritie Steeger also had the
following children (thus it seems the Hendrick who
m. in 1727 Lea Van Blarcom cannot be this same
Hendrick):

Marietje, b. 11 July, bp. 6 Aug 1727 Acquackanonk
Sara, b. 31? June, bp. 26 July 1730 Acquackanonk,
m. (poss) Abraham Vanderhoff
Lea, b. 5 June, bp. 20 June 1740 Second River
Ref Ch (Belleville)

The HENDRICK BUSH who m. Lea Van Blarcom
was prob. the son of Hendrick Bush & Maria
Vanderbeek and was bp. 25 June 1699 NYC Ref Ch.
Lea Van Blarcom may have been the dau. of Gysbert

Van Blarcom & (1) Elena Lacomba.

CONRAD BUSH (who m. Elizabeth Cramer) was in
the Upper Saddle River area by 1767.

About 1786 he purchased from the East Jersey
Proprietors 124 acres in the Ramapo Tract in what
is now Upper Saddle River. Sometime after 1797 he
built a saw mill (now a residence at 556 West Saddle
River Road); by 1813 he also had a grist mill
operating. The Bush residence, which stood across
the street from the mill is long gone. (From: Upper
Saddle River Historical Society Newsletter, May 1980;
Early Days of Upper Saddle River, p. 19)

PETER BUSH, son of Conrad & Elizabeth, poss.
m. (1) Sophronia Eckerson (Phrone), and they had
children:

Grietje, b. 15 Feb, bp. 1 Mar 1789 Paramus
Annatie, b. 27 Aug, bp. 2 Oct 1791 Paramus
Pieter, b. 10 July, bp. (no date) 1794 Paramus
Elizabeth, b. 12 Dec 1801 (or 1802?); bp. 16 Jan
1802 (or 1803?) Kakiat

Peter m. poss. (2) Margaret Bush.

AT THE NEW CITY LIBRARY

*Recent acquisitions at the Rockland Room of the
New City Library, compiled by Bob Devino.*

929. Genealogical Abstracts of Revolutionary War
373 Pension Files, Vol. IV, Index. Abstracted by
Whi Virgil D. White (The National Historical
Publishing Co., 1992)

929. State Census Records. Anne S. Lainhart
3 (Genealogical Publishing Co., Inc., 1992)

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929. Germans to America: Lists of Passengers
373 Arriving at U.S. Ports, Vols. 31 & 32. Edited
Ger by Ira A. Glazier and P. William Filby
(Scholarly Resources, Inc., 1993)

929. The Complete Book of Emigrants in
373 Bondage: 1614-1775 by Peter Wilson
Col Coldham (Genealogical Publishing Co., 1988)

974. Hudson Valley Lives: Writings from the 17th
73 Century to the Present by Bonnie Marranca
Mar (Overlook Press, 1991)

974. History of Westchester County, Vols. 1 & 2,
7277 by J. Thomas Scharf (Picton Press, 1992)

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974. Index to Scharf's History of Westchester
7277 County, compiled by Elizabeth Green Fuller
Sch (Westchester County Historical Society, 1988)

929. Italians to America: Lists of Passengers
373 Arriving at U.S. Ports 1880-1899, Vol 3 (July
Ita 1887-June 1889) & Vol 4 (July 1890-October

- 1890), edited by Ira A. Glazier and P. William Filby (Scholarly Resources, Inc., 1993)
929. Through a Dutch Door: 17th Century
4 Origins of the Van Voorhees Family (The
Thr Van Voorhees Association, 1992)
973. The Iroquois in the Civil War: From
0495 Battlefield to Reservation, by Laurence M.
Hau Hauptman (Syracuse University Press, 1993)
929. Help is Available: A Simplified "Step by
1 Step: Instruction Book for the Beginner in
Nic Genealogy, by Elizabeth L. Nichols (Everton
Publishers, Inc., 2nd Ed., 1980)
929. Tracing Your Ancestry: A Step-by-Step
1 Guide to Researching Your Family History,
Hel by F. Wilbur Helmbold (Oxmoor House, Inc.,
1991)
758. The Hudson River School: The Landscape
1 Art of Bierstadt, Cole, Church, Durand,
Min Hende and 20 Other Artists, by Louis Minks
(Crescent Books, 1989)
759. Highland Sketches: The Hudson River in the
1473 Eye of the Beholder, by William Cullen
Bry Bryant II (Mount Taurus Press, 1993)
378. The First Forty Years: The History of St.
1 Thomas Aquinas College, Sister Regina
Dol Rosaire Dolan (Custombook, 1992)
974. Tuxedo Park: A Journal of Recollections, by
7311 Albert Foster Winslow (Tuxedo Historical
Win Society, 1992)
929. The Heraldic Register of America, by David
6 Pittman Johnson (American College of
Her Heraldry, 1985-1991) Microfiche Vols. 1-5
929. The Armiger's News, by David Pittman
60973 Johnson and Lawrence Elmore McNutt
Arm (American College of Heraldry, 1979-1991)
Microfiche Vols. 1-5

GSRC JOTTINGS

❖ **Notes from the Editor** — Many thanks to Marie Koestler, Marjorie Smetltzer Stevenot, Bob Devino, Les Baisley, and Joan Brooks for contributing information for this issue of the newsletter.

We really appreciate those members who collect and share information with us! You can make your newsletter more useful by submitting material for publication — your own research, tips or compilations, or items you find in other publications or sources. If you find something that may be of

interest to our readers, please send it or a copy (with name and date of publication it appeared in so that we can give proper credit) to : Pat Wardell, GSRC Newsletter Editor, 78 Edgewood Road, Allendale, NJ 07401. You can also fax info to me, but since at present the telephone, modem and fax are all sharing one telephone line, you must telephone me first to tell me you're faxing something, so that I can turn the fax on. The phone number is 201-327-0605.

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THE 8870 FORMULA OR HOW TO FIGURE A BIRTHDATE

From *The Genealogical Helper* via the Orange County (New York) Genealogical Society newsletter, Feb. 1993 (Vol. 22, No. 4):

If you have a death date of an ancestor as 6 May 1889 with a tombstone note that she was 71 years, 7 months, and 9 days old at the time of her death —

Write the date as	18890506	(1889 May 6)
Subtract	<u>710709</u>	(71 yrs, 7 mos, 9 days)
The Result	18179797	
Then Subtract	<u>8870</u>	
Resulting in	18170927	Birth date is 1817 Sep 27

Resumes of Past Programs at Meetings of the Genealogical Society of Rockland County

Swedish Genealogy

Program presented by Bertil Taube at the March 23, 1993 meeting of the Genealogical Society of Rockland County

Notes by Joan Brooks, Recording Secretary, GSRC

Bertil stated that he is relatively new to genealogy — he has been doing it for about a year. Most of the research has already been done on his family — and many people are willing to share.

His mother's maiden name is Terneur — he found the Terneur name in the Orange County telephone book, called the man, and discovered a cousin! Another relative sent him a whole file on the Terneur family going back to Picardy, France. Then Bertil joined the Rockland County Historical Society and the Genealogical Society. When he looked in the index box in the Historical Society library, he found that the Terneurs were hooked up with the Henion family, which also made him a descendant of the Ackerman and Blauvelt families. He even attended an Ackerman family reunion and joined that Family Association. He has learned a great deal about the Hudson Valley and his Dutch heritage.

The name Taube (Dove) on the Swedish side of the

family is registered in the House of Nobles in Sweden. The family originated in the Baltics; he has been able to trace them back to the 1500s. He found that most of the males in the family had been in the military. They finally came from the North of Sweden to settle on the West coast of Sweden around Guttenberg. Bertil is going back to Sweden this summer and intends to do more research on the maternal side of the Taube family.

When Bertil was 8 years of age, he was sent to Sweden. Since he was so young, he never really learned much about his mother's family — the Terneurs from Ramsey, NJ. His great great grandfather went to Scotland, married his great great grandmother (Maesterson), then brought her back to Sweden.

Bertil noted that in Sweden there is a "House of Genealogy," where all records are kept. He is presently writing letters to his grandchildren concerning the family lines and will be sending them out periodically. ■

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Publishing Genealogical Records

*Program presented by Howard Case at the April 27,
1993 meeting of the Genealogical Society of
Rockland County*

Notes by Joan Brooks, Recording Secretary, GSRC

Howard's father was born in Haverstraw, New York. He is the author of several books on genealogy and past president — two terms — of the Orange County Genealogical Society, and founder of the Genealogical Society of Sussex County, NJ.

Howard showed GSRC members a book entitled "Sussex County Almshouse Records," which had been computerized, photocopied, and then put in a binder. If a book is to be published, one should plan on having a minimum of 100 copies printed.

Howard got into publishing by mistake. He approached the GSSC about publishing "The History of Sussex County," but they decided not to get into it. So he published it himself. He indicated that spiral bound books are all right for copying, but they don't hold up too well.

He noted that he has traced his own Case family back to 1635. He went to Heritage Publishing, who charges them nothing. They get five free copies and 40% discount. Heritage sells the books, and the society or the individual makes 40% profit on everything.

Howard cautioned that before publishing anything, the copyright must be checked to see if it has expired. Also if a book is going to be printed, it should be indexed. One should also decide if it

should be hard or soft cover. It might be advisable to have 20% printed in hard cover, since some people prefer the hard cover for durability. His latest book is "Sussex County Marriages."

To finance the project, have a prepublication sale or go to a bank and negotiate a loan, telling them you will place a credit in the front of the book.

If you think you won't sell too many of anything, you can xerox them and put them in a folder.

The "Almshouse" book is 65 pages and sells for \$15. Another book was 134 pages and sells for \$9. ■

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Orangetown Museum

*Program presented by Maria Mackay at the May 25,
1993 meeting of the Genealogical Society of
Rockland County*

Notes by Joan Brooks, Recording Secretary, GSRC

The meeting was held at the Orangetown Museum and the program was presented by Maria Mackay, Town of Orangetown Historian.

Ms. Mackay stated that it is planned that the museum be a resource center, including exhibitions of materials related to the Town of Orangetown. The museum is housed in a 200-year-old house (built approximately 1790), which is currently being renovated. The house has basically always been lived in, except for the last ten years. It is situated on approximately 1.6 acres of land. The house was called the Mabie house, but it was actually built by Michael Salyer, who married a Mabie daughter.

There is a House Committee, which is sanding the walls and cleaning up the floors, and doing anything else that needs doing. The house is in reasonably good condition — there are problems with the heating system — it will soon need a new roof, and broken glass in the windows will need to be replaced. Quite a bit of electrical work needs to be done, and Ms. Mackay said they would approach the IBEW to see if they could get it done more reasonably. They need to purchase a new sump pump and a dehumidifier, since they are going to keep records there. They started out with about \$11,000, and the Town Board promised that if something needed to be done, they would see that it was taken care of. The Town owns the house and will maintain the building, but the land is leased from the Water Company.

Ms. Mackay spoke to the Town Board a few months ago about certain things they really need. The problem is that only two or three people turn up on the weekends to work on the house, so it is slow going. They may open up to the public in about a year. They have applied for a temporary charter.

There is also a Garden Committee, which includes a volunteer designer for the garden. They visited Phillipsburgh Manor to see its gardens.

They have an Acquisition Committee, which is responsible for any historical items that relate to Orangetown. At this time, they have a few items in their possession. They have to set policy for when the house and barn get full, as to where they will store materials or which ones they are unable to keep due to lack of space. There was much discussion about possible conflicts with the Historical Society and other smaller area museums and the sharing of artifacts.

There is a School and Education Committee to ask what we can do to work with the schools. One person is starting a fourth grade program on local history.

A Reference Committee has been formed. They will enter their acquisitions on the computer.

Ms. Mackay and her staff are currently preparing a brochure on the house so that they can approach people for donations.

She asked our help in looking at a draft of a genealogical information form which people would complete with their family histories. Several members looked it over and made suggestions. ■

Dictionary of Rockland County Place Names

Compiled by Pat Wardell

This started as a personal project for my own information and it is certainly far from complete. I hope that even in its incomplete form it might be helpful to others, and at least a start for a more complete listing. I hope that members will add to (and correct, if necessary) the information given in this alphabetized series. References are cited. If you find place names in deeds, records, and other documents, I would like to know so that I can add time frames, geographic placements and further information to these usages. —Pat Wardell, 78 Edgewood Rd., Allendale, NJ 07401

(continued from May 1993 issue)

Iona Island

A locality in Rockland County, N.Y. near Stony Point. The Palisades Interstate Park Commission condemned Iona Island in the 1960s and evacuated its residents.

- 1977, "Iona Island"—in 1977 Hagstrom's Atlas of Bergen and Rockland Counties.

John Wood's Tree

A locality in Rockland County, N.Y. This tree was cited as a boundary in a number of early patents and deeds of the area.

- "John Wood's tree"—Green, Frank B., The History of Rockland County. New York: A. S. Barnes & Co., 1886, p. 21, 26.

Johnsontown

A locality in what is now Harriman State Park,

in Rockland County, N.Y. The Palisades Interstate Park Commission condemned Johnsontown in the 1960s and evacuated its residents.

- 1977, "Johnsontown"—in 1977 Hagstrom's Atlas of Bergen and Rockland Counties.

Jones Point

A locality in Rockland County, N.Y.

- 1977, "Jones Point"—in 1977 Hagstrom's Atlas of Bergen and Rockland Counties.

Kakiat

An area in the Bergen County, N.J.-Rockland County, N.Y. vicinity, encompassing all or part of present New Hempstead, Ramapo, and other localities in N.Y., and Montvale, River Vale, and Woodcliff Lake, in N.J. In the original patent, granted to Daniel Honan and Michael Howdon on June 25, 1696, the Indian name was spelled Kackyachtaweke (or Kackyacktoweke), which was soon shortened to Kakiat and its several spelling variations. The Kakiat (West New Hempstead) Reformed Dutch Church was established here in 1773.

- [1696], "Kackyachtaweke"—Cole, History of Rockland County, p. 138.
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- "Kakiat"—George Olin Zabriskie, The Zabriskie Genealogy, 1963, "...now West New Hempstead."
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Kill von Beast

A stream near Rockland Lake in Rockland County, N.Y.

- [1700], "Kill von Beast"—Green, Frank B., The History of Rockland County. New York: A. S. Barnes & Co., 1886, p. 33.

King's Ferry

Stony Point in Rockland County, N.Y.

- "King's Ferry"—Adrian C. Leiby and Frederick W. Bogert, "When Bergen Was Young" in *In Bergen's Attic*, a publication of the Bergen County Historical Society, Vol. I, No. 1, Early 1965.

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1855 NEW YORK STATE CENSUS, ROCKLAND COUNTY

Transcribed by Pat Wardell

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TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW, 2ND ELECTION DISTRICT (Continued from May 1993 issue)

Dwcl.	Fam.	Name of every person...1 June 1855	Age	Sex	Col	Relation to head of family	Where born	M/W	Yrs Res	Profession, Trade, Occupation	land owner
261	289	George W. Lent	27	M			Rockland	W	27	None	
		Daniel Lent	24	M		Brother	Rockland		24	None	
		Wm. Henry Lent	22	M		Brother	Rockland		22	None	
		Maria Lent	32	F		Sister	Rockland	W	32		
		Emoline Lent	25	F		Sister	Rockland		25		
262	290	Charles Keesler	36	M			Rockland	M	36	None	Owner
		Ann Keesler	40	F		Wife	Rockland	M	40		
		Henry Keesler	16	M		Son	Rockland		16	None	
		Bradley Keesler	13	M		Son	Rockland		13		
		Theodore Keesler	9	M		Son	Rockland		9		
		Ann Elizabeth Keesler	7	F		Daughter	Rockland		7		
263	291	Alfred Teneyck	31	M			Rockland	M	31	None	Owner
		Sarah Ann Teneyck	26	F		Wife	Rockland	M	26		
		Alfred Teneyck	4	M		Son	Rockland		4		
		Charles Teneyck	1	M		Son	Rockland		1		
	292	Robert Teneyck	23	M			Rockland	M	23	None	
		Margaret Ann Teneyck	23	F		Wife	Weschester	M	2/12		
		Mary Eliza Teneyck	8/12	F		Daughter	Weschester		2/12		
264	293	Jacob Teneyck	48	M			Rockland	M	48	None	
		Eliza Teneyck	45	F		Wife	Rockland	M	45		
		Emoline Teneyck	11	F		Daughter	Rockland		11		
		Sarah E. Teneyck	9	F		Daughter	Rockland		9		
		Wm. Henry Teneyck	6	M		Son	Rockland		6		
		John Jacob Teneyck	4	M		Son	Rockland		4		
		Mary Ellison	85	F		Mother of Wife	Rockland	W	85		
265	294	Robert Morris	39	M			Wales	M	15	None	
		Margaret Morris	28	F		Wife	Rockland	M	28		
		James D. Morris	8	M		Son	Rockland		8		
		Grant Morris	6	M		Son	Rockland		6		
		Robert Morris	4	M		Son	Rockland		4		
		Wm. Morris	2	M		Son	Rockland		2		
266	295	Andrew Harris	33	M			Germany	M	3	Mason	
		Mary Harris	25	F		Wife	Rockland	M	25		
		Mary E. Harris	5	F		Daughter	Rockland		5		
		Martha Harris	4	F		Daughter	Rockland		4		
		Samuel E. Harris	1	M		Son	Rockland		1		
		[Goodleass?] Harris	22	M		Brother	Germany		10/12	None	
267	296	Patric O'Connel	39	M			Ireland	M	15	Cooper	
		Julia O'Connel	39	F		Wife	Ireland	M	15		
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		Margaret O'Connel	16	F		Daughter	New York		15		
		Mathew O'Connel	15	M		Son	Rockland		15		
		John O'Connel	13	M		Son	Rockland		13		
		Michael O'Connel	8	M		Son	Rockland		8		
		Elizabeth O'Connel	1	F		Daughter	Rockland		1		
		Julia O'Connel	1	F		Twin Daughter	Rockland		1		
268	297	Gilbert Odell	40	M			Weschester	M	17	Brickmaker	
		Sarah Odell	40	F		Wife	Rockland	M	40		
		Lascels Odell	8	M		Son	Rockland		8		

Desc.	Fam.	Name of every person...1 June 1855	Age	Sex	Col	Relation to head of family	Where born	M/W	Yrs Res	Profession, Trade, Occupation	land owner
		Ellen Lascels	76	F		Mother of wife	Ulster	W	55		
268	298	Wm. Deronde	52	M			Rockland	W	52	Ship Carpenter	
		Sarah Jane Deronde	18	F		Daughter	Rockland		18		
		Oliver Deronde	16	M		Son	Rockland		16	None	
		Eugenia Deronde	12	F		Daughter	Rockland		12		
		Daniel Edward Deronde	9	M		Son	Rockland		9		
		Theodore Deronde	7	M		Son	Rockland		7		
		Arminta Verbryck	7	F		Granddaughter	Rockland		7		
269	299	Mary Ackerman	53	F			Rockland	W	53		
		John Blauvelt	82	M		Father	New Jersey		70	None	
	300	John Wesley Derunder	21	M			Rockland	M	21	None	
		Sarah Eliza Derunder	20	F		Wife	Rockland	M	20		
270	301	James Teneyck	32	M			Rockland	M	32	None	
		Susan Teneyck	26	F		Wife	New Jersey	M	4		
		James A. Teneyck	3	M		Son	Rockland		3		
271	302	Paul Lent	60	M			Rockland	M	60	None	
		Sarah Lent	45	F		Wife	Rockland	M	45		
		Abby Lent	21	F		Daughter	Rockland		21		
		Charles Lent	18	M		Son	Rockland		18	None	
		Nancy Lent	14	F		Daughter	Rockland		14		
		Edward Lent	10	M		Son	Rockland		10		
272	303	James Lent	26	M			Rockland	M	26	None	
		Eliza Lent	23	F		Wife	Rockland	M	23		
		James H. Lent	1	M		Son	Rockland		1		
273	304	Alfred Lent	27	M			Rockland	M	27	None	
		Catharine Lent	23	F		Wife	Rockland	M	23		
		Thomas Lent	5	M		Son	Rockland		5		
		Sarah E. Lent	2	F		Daughter	Rockland		2		
274	305	James Statter [Stalter?]	46	M			Rockland	M	46	None	
		Catharine Statter	49	F		Wife	Rockland	M	49		
275	306	Moses Rose	33	M			Rockland	M	33	None	
		Juliaette Rose	30	F		Wife	Rockland	M	30		
		Alfred Rose	11	M		Son	Rockland		11		
		Samuel Rose	9	M		Son	Rockland		9		
		Nancy Matilda Rose	6	F		Daughter	Rockland		6		
(39)											
		Moses Rose	2	M		Son	Rockland		2		
		Jacob Rose	6/12	M		Son	Rockland		6/12		
276	307	Jacob Lent	62	M			Rockland	M	62	None	Owner
		Margaret Lent	50	F		Wife	Weschester	M	40		
		Phebe Lent	30	F		Daughter	Rockland		30		
		Harrison Lent	23	M		Son	Rockland		23	None	
		Jacob Lent Jun.	21	M		Son	Rockland		21	None	
		Abby Jane [Giles? Gilet?]	12	F		Boarding	Rockland		12		
277	308	Catharine James	70	F			Rockland	W	70		
		Mary Catharine James	9	F		Grand Daughter	Rockland		9		
278	309	Henry Osborn	26	M			Rockland	M	26	Wheelwright	
		Hannah Osborn	32	F		Wife	Connecticut	M	2		
		Mary E. Johnson	13	F		Step Daughter	Connecticut		2		
		Wm. R. Osborn	1	M		Son	Rockland		1		

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