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98th Reunion at Boyertown



You don't have to go to this extreme, but come to the reunion. More information on this picture can be found near the bottom of page 3.

The Association of American Boyers Inc., 98th Annual Reunion is set for Saturday July 27, 2002 at the Boyertown Community Park in Boyertown, Pennsylvania. Directions and a simple map to Boyertown and the reunion can be found on page 3. As in other years, the Reunion is a chance for Boyers and their descendants to assemble from all over the country for a day of fun and friendly gathering. The pavilion at the park does have seating and picnic tables, and is covered for protection from inclement weather. As always, it is a good idea to bring your own chairs as seating can fill up. As in the past few years, we will have a catered buffet lunch from Boyer's catering. The cost is very reasonable and we highly encourage your participation. The advanced reservation form and more detailed description can be found inside the last page. Make sure you get your reservation in as soon as possible as we need a fairly good count before the reunion to assure a quality meal. A genealogical roundtable will be held beginning at 10:30 am. A discussion of genealogical related information will be lead by one of the officers of the Association. We invite anyone interested in participating

to join in and offer their ideas and experiences. So don't forget to toss those binders of research in the car and bring them along. The park has lots of things for the kids to do. Besides playground equipment, there are ball fields and a public swimming pool. Available at the reunion for purchase will be some clothing with the Boyer crest and the first five volumes of the 7th edition of **American Boyers**. Enclosed, again this year, is a will-call form for books to be purchased at the reunion. We found this extremely helpful and allows us to make sure that we have the books you want there when you arrive. It does not obligate you to purchase, but allows us to save hauling too many books from our storage contractor. Also, bring your ideas for our 100th reunion which is only two short years away. We hope to see you there and enjoy a day of fellowship with other Boyers. A more detailed schedule can be found on page 3.

Volume 6 in Preparation

Donald is on track to have Volume 6 ready for the publisher very soon. Read the Historian's column for more detailed information on what chapters are likely to be included. Also, if you know you are in one of those chapters in Volume 6 then hurry and get all your information in to Donald as soon as possible. You don't want to miss out on this chance to have your history published and up to date. If you are not sure about your chapter, then make sure to contact Donald or see him at the reunion. In many cases your chapter ID can be found on the right side of the address label. It is NOT on the left side. If you don't have one then we may not have it on file. Donald has made some effort over the winter to get many of these updated. When we get closer to publication a flyer or the next newsletter will have information on pre-ordering. No estimate of price at this time, although we will try to maintain the same price structure as the current volumes.

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Historian's Column

We are pleased to announce that Volume VI of the 7th Edition of *American Boyers* will be ready to go to press later this year. This will keep us on a schedule of issuing the remaining volumes of the 7th Edition at two year intervals.

Volume VI will begin with Chapter 125 [EU], and will extend to approximately Chapter 220 [IL], or as many of the remaining chapters that will fit into approximately 1100 pages, similar to Volumes IV and V.

The deadline for information for Volume VI is Saturday, July 27, 2002, the date of our annual reunion at Boyertown, Pa. The historian and assistants will gladly accept information at the reunion, or you may mail the information to your historian at 990 E. Philadelphia St., York, PA 17403-1121. If you submitted information several years ago, we urge you to submit data on events that have occurred since then, so that Volume VI will be up to date. If births or deaths occur after July 27, you may submit the information to the historian who will insert it if feasible before publication.

How should your information be submitted? Printouts from your computer program are acceptable, and even preferred. However, vital facts that sometimes are missing from submissions are month and day of birth, place of birth, death, and burial, birth dates of spouses, city or place of current residence, and occupations. If you are not using a computer, forms for reporting information are available from the historian. All information submitted is appreciated and will be incorporated into its appropriate chapter for later publication.

EDITIONS OF AMERICAN BOYERS

First edition - 1915 - 532 pages - by Dr. Charles Clinton Boyer, Kutztown, Pa.

Second edition - 1916 addenda - 62 pages

Third edition - 1918 addenda - 18 pages

Fourth edition - 1924 addenda - 64 pages

Fifth edition - 1940 - 664 pages - by Melville James Boyer, Allentown, Pa.

Sixth edition - 1963 supplement - 334 pages

Seventh edition - Vol. I - 1984 - 646 pages - Chapters 1 [AA] to 7 [AG] 18,842 names

Vol. II - 1986 - 670 pages - Chapters 8 [AH] to 24 [AX] 19,073 names

Vol. III - 1992 - 776 pages - Chapters 25 [AY] to 31 [BE] 23,146 names

Vol. IV - 1998 - 1,095 pages - Chapters 32 [BF] to 48 [BV] 36,594 names

Vol. V - 2000 - 1,100 pages - Chapters 49 [BW] to 124 [ET] 37,096 names

[Seventh edition by present historian, Donald Arthur Boyer, York, Pa.]

Unlike other publications by commercial ventures, for which you may have received a solicitation from time to time, *American Boyers* traces family lines from the earliest known ancestor to the most recent additions, and enables you to determine relationships between individuals.

An order form for Volumes 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5 of the Seventh Edition is included with this newsletter.

A Volume VII will be needed to complete the publication of the remaining chapters containing information for the Seventh Edition. Following Volume VII will be the publication of the final volumes of the Seventh Edition containing a number of appendices, an index of the Boyer-Byers, etc. names, and a name index for all other persons mentioned in the Seventh Edition.

An annual Memorial List containing over 500 names with identification numbers is compiled by the historian each July before our annual reunion. Information for the memorial list is obtained from newspaper obituaries in Indianapolis, Ind., Baltimore, Frederick, Hagerstown, and Westminster, Md., Mullen, and North Platte, Neb., Dayton,

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Reunion Directions

Boyertown is located almost midway between Reading and Philadelphia Pennsylvania, just 6 miles north of Pottstown. It is located on State Route 73 just 0.4 miles west of State Route 100.

From the North:

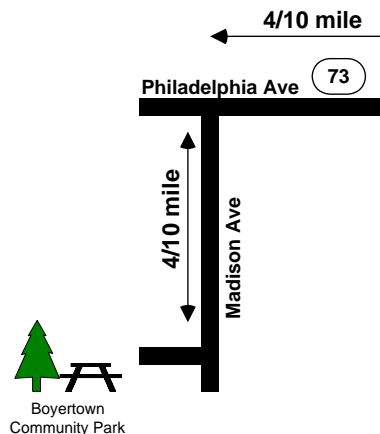
Take Route 100 south to Route 73. Take Route 73 west about 0.4 miles to Madison Ave. Take a left on Madison and go for about 0.4 miles. The Boyertown Community park will be on the right.

From the South:

Take Route 100 north to Route 73. Take Route 73 west about 0.4 miles to Madison Ave. Take a left on Madison and go for about 0.4 miles. The Boyertown Community park will be on the right.

From East & West:

You need to get to Route 100. There are a number of East/West highways that hook up with Route 100. They include I-76 and I-78. After getting to Route 100 use the directions for North and South.



Reunion Schedule

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| 10 til closing | — Registration |
| 10:30 am | — Genealogical Roundtable |
| 12 pm til 1:15 pm | — Lunch and Mixer, Catered or bring your own |
| 1:15pm | — Reunion Program |
- Planned events include:
Welcome, Boyer Songs, Stories and Anecdotes
Election and brief report from officers.
Awarding of prizes by Richard Boyer
PLUS..... More to be Announced.....

Souvenir ribbons will be available at the registration desk.

Crest items will be for sale at the reunion.

The Genealogical Roundtable will consist of a panel of participants.

Boyer songs will be led by Harriet Harman and Patricia Lewis.

Lunch information can be found on page 15

Book Shipping Price Increase

As you may be aware we strive to minimize increases to any of our items we offer for sale to you. Due to increase in postal and handling fees it is necessary to increase the shipping and handling we charge on the books. We have endeavored to make the change as minimal as possible. We are sorry, but to continue to have funds for completion of the remaining volumes we must keep the Association viable and must pass on the increase to those purchasing the books.

Volunteers Needed

The Association of American Boyers is managed and run by volunteers. Many of the officers have full time jobs and can only spend a limited amount of time on Association business. If you have some spare time and would like to help out contact any of the officers by mail, e-mail, or stop and see us at the reunion. Your help would be greatly appreciated by everyone in the Association.



LILLIAN BOYER, a Chicago waitress, took her first airplane ride in 1921. On her second flight four days later, she climbed out on the wing and began a career which lasted throughout the 1920s. Boyer performed in 352 air shows in the United States and Canada. She specialized in wingwalking, while also accomplishing 37 parachute jumps and 143 automobile-to-plane transfers.

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The Association of American Boyers is open to all persons with the name of Bayer, Beyer, Bowyer, Boyer, Boyers, Byer, Byers, etc., or anyone married to or descended from anyone with that name.

Gathered again at the 97th Reunion

The 97th Annual Boyer reunion was again held in Boyertown, PA last year. The weather was beautiful and comfortable. It was a wonderful day for friends and relations to gather together. Approximately 110 were in attendance from all over the United States. Some of the states included: Missouri, Georgia, Michigan, Colorado, California, Virginia, Ohio, New York, Pennsylvania, New Jersey, and Maryland.

Bill Boyer (IE218) was in charge of the informal genealogical roundtable. He told about the Ellis Island web site and other good ones to find genealogical information. **Joyce Marot** (BA) told about her grandparents living near Gettysburg at the time of the Battle of Gettysburg. **Susan Boyer** talked about the Union Cemetery at Schuylkill Haven and searching for ancestors there. **John Boyer** offered some Boyer information from the Civil War days. **Lloyd Yost** mentioned some of the web sites that he had explored. The session was well received and enjoyed by all.

Rev. Lloyd Yost offered prayer before the noon meal. The catering for those that purchased a lunch was done by Boyer Catering of Boyertown. The meal was excellent and when asked how everyone liked it, the response was a resounding applause and agreement to have them back again this year.

After food and fellowship time, the program was begun with **Bill Boyer**, president of the Association, presiding. Bill started with a brief discussion of the 100th reunion coming in a few years and requested any ideas for it. The annual sing-a-long of the Boyer songs was led by **Harriet Boyer Harman** and **Patricia Boyer Lewis**. After the songs Bill asked for hands of first timers to the reunion of which there were many.

Donald Boyer, Association Historian, provided the attendees with an update on the publishing of the books. He stated he was working on Volume 6, hoping to have it ready in two years. He mentioned information about a number of publications and articles he had seen over the past year, including information about the Boyer quartet who performed at the 1911 reunion in Tamaqua. Much data continues to come in and he plans to add it to the index.

Bill thanked the many volunteers for their help for the day and a hearty round of applause was given to them. He also mentioned that Paul Boyer and his wife from Lima, OH could not attend and were missed as they helped out for many years at the registration table. **Hilda Yeager** announced that she would be stepping down as secretary after many years of service. She would still offer her assistance to the Association as a Director.

Allen Boyer Russell presided over the election of officers. All the incumbents were nominated without opposition, and were unanimously elected. Bill Boyer then asked for a volunteer for secretary and **Janice Peresolak** was nominated and elected with much appreciation from Hilda.

Dana Blomquist related how he had gotten into researching Boyers who served in the wars. He is compiling a document with as much information as he can find and will hopefully be able to share it with the Association when completed.

Rick Boyer, Vice President of the Association, took over as master of ceremonies for awarding of prizes. The prizes went to the following: Oldest man: **Kenneth Boyer**, Selinsgrove, PA, 91 years; Oldest woman: **Pauline Boyer**, York, PA, 82 years; Farthest distance: **Lester Boyer**, California; Youngest child: **Brittany Boyer**, California, 12 years; Married longest: **Robert and Eleanor Boyer**, Wyomissing, PA, 62 years.

Bill closed the program by wishing everyone a safe trip home and to come back again next year.



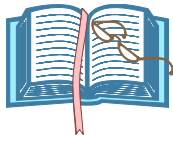
In Memoriam



Kenneth Boyer

It is our sad duty to inform you of the passing of **Kenneth Boyer** (AD13C5222) of Selinsgrove, PA. Kenneth had been a big part of the Association for over 40 years. He had been president, vice-president, a director, and treasurer. Many of you may remember him over the past few years taking the prize for oldest man present, with this past year Ken being 91 years young. We remember him over most of the past 20 years as the treasurer of the Association. Ken would always be meticulous with the books and made sure everyone knew what was going on with the Association's finances. He was also instrumental in allowing the Association to have reunions at Salem's Grove Church for a number of years in the 1980s. Also Ken always had a big smile to share with anyone who he would come in contact with. He was excited about the Association and what it did and made sure to let others know. You always knew you could depend on Ken to be there and help out. Our reunions will be a little dimmer in the future without his bright personality. We will miss you Ken.

It has also come to our attention that Frances Benfer passed away. Many who had been to the reunions in the 1960s, 70s, and 80s will remember Frances as the "prize lady." She always made sure there were prizes available. Many times she made them, but she always brought smiles to those who were lucky to win one.



Boyer Family Stories



A Sampler from Volume VI and future volumes

The items below are taken from entries in the forthcoming Volume VI of the 7th Edition of our history and some from future volumes, **American Boyers**. References are to chapter and family member.

GEORGE HILLMAN BOWYER, (EW1) b. 1835, in Chatford, County of Gloucestershire, England, d. Aug. 12, 1897, Birmingham, England. He came to Birmingham to be an apprentice in toolmaking. He received a letter from his father "asking him to be a good servant to his master."

JOSEPH HENRY BOYER, (EZ237) b. Feb. 29, 1884, Coalville, Summit Co., Utah, d. Mar. 11, 1967. Farmer. He was very active in helping to build prominent buildings in Upton, Utah, and doing such things as putting in the telephone and electric lights in the community. He was active in community affairs and at the time of his death was the oldest sheepman in Summit County.

JOSEPH CLINTON BOYER, (FB1) b. Sept. 12, 1820, Randolph Co., Ill., near the Gasconada River, d. Apr. 17, 1904, Leon, Iowa. Mrs. Remple (5- FB1511) noted that he served in the Civil War; that he was with Sherman on the "March to the Sea," was Chaplain and a quartermaster.

WILLIAM BOYER, (FD212) b. about 1846, d. Mar. 14, 1908. At the age of sixteen he joined the Northern Army as a drummer boy under an assumed name and went from there into the cavalry. He was there until about the end of the War, for he spent the last five months in Belle Isle Prison. After release he went home and his own mother did not know him. He lost all his army papers in a fire in Eureka City, Nevada, so his son never knew the names he enlisted under; so reported Benjamin F. Boyer (5- FD2125), July 22, 1934. He served in the 15th Ohio Cavalry.

WILLIAM BYARS, (FK11D) b. Nov. 18, 1776, d. Feb. 12, 1865. Founder of Emory & Henry College. Member of House of Delegates from Washington Co., Va., 1809-12. Major and later a Colonel in War of 1812.

OZIAS DENTON "DENT" BYARS, (FK15838) b. Apr. 5, 1848, Tenn., d. about 1896, Tenn. He was killed by a ricochet bullet one Sunday morning as he was passing a farm house near Salem Church. The farm family was out in the yard killing a chicken for Sunday dinner when the accident occurred.

PETER L. BYERS (FNA) was born Dec. 15, 1845, Armstrong Co., Pa., d. Aug., 1918, Huntington Park, Calif. Mrs. Paul B. Miller (4- FNA91) reported that he was one of thirteen children and "left home to make his own way in the world when only nine years old." His parents were Amish, she noted. He served in the Civil War with a Northern Cavalry unit.

CHARLES FREDERICK WILBUR BOYER, (GC15) b. Apr. 2, 1875, Charlotte, Monroe Co., N.Y., d. Apr. 10, 1953; buried at Sylvan Abbey Cem., Clearwater, Fla. Charles was a very versatile person in his early years. He was a mason, carpenter, painter, had his own interior decorating business, cobbler, barber, bicycle racer, boxer, wrestler, made a living for a time shooting ducks and selling feathers, and was once a deputy sheriff. In later years he took extension work from Cornell University (having previously never gone beyond the fourth grade) and became a very successful fruit farmer. Scottsville, N.Y. In World War I he took additional training and became a tool and die maker in war industry. He came out of retirement in World War II, again as a tool and die maker. Following the war he again retired, moving to Clearwater, Fla.

LEWIS BOYER (GQ4) was born 1755/56, near Hagerstown, Md., and died Saturday, Sept. 23, 1843, Springcreek Twp., Miami Co., Ohio; buried in Old Wesley Chapel Cemetery, Orange Twp., Shelby Co., Ohio, where his gravestone shows he died Sept. 19, 1843. He served in the Revolutionary War as a life-guard to General Washington. He was promoted to Lieutenant, 2nd Battalion, 58th Regiment of Virginia, on Mar. 27, 1781, by Governor Henry Lee. His original discharge papers, which presented him with the horse, arms and accouterments in his possession as a gratuity, were signed by George Washington at Philadelphia on Dec. 10, 1783.

WILLIAM BOYER (HE) left Schuylkill County, Pennsylvania, for the gold rush before the birth of his son and was never heard from again, according to his great-grandchildren.

JOHN WILLIAM BOYER (HV) was born Oct. 18, 1848, in either Snyder Co., Pa., Carpenter. He first saw his bride-to-be as she whirled around in a square dance. Never having set foot upon a dance floor himself, he asked a fellow standing next to him if he knew who the pretty little girl with the dimpled cheeks and long brown curls was. After being answered with a positive, he then asked if the fellow would do the honor of introducing them. Thus began their courtship.

CHARLES BOYER (II1) was born Aug. 28, 1899, in Figeac, southern France, and died Aug. 26, 1978, at Paradise Valley, a luxurious desert suburb northeast of Phoenix, Ariz. In his early twenties he became a leading actor of the French stage. Brought to Hollywood to star in French versions of English language films, he eventually mastered the English language and began a career in Hollywood that spiraled upward, encompassing over 75 films. He earned a degree in philosophy from the Sorbonne in Paris. He became an American citizen in 1942.

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and Toledo, Ohio, Allentown, Butler, Carlisle, Chambersburg, Hanover, Harrisburg, Indiana, Johnstown, Lancaster, Lebanon, Norristown, Philadelphia, Pottstown, Pottsville, Reading, Shamokin, Somerset, Sunbury, and York, Pa., and Galax, Va., as well as data sent to us from correspondents. Please send a self-addressed stamped envelope to Bill Boyer, 3435 Livingston Dr., Jefferson MD 21755, and we will send you a copy when the listing for the past 12 months is completed in July.

The Following Chapters are expected to be included in Volume VI:

- Chapter 125 [EU] Adam Bowyer, b. c1741. Monroe Co., W.Va.
Chapter 126 [EV] Peter Boyer, b. c1730s. N.J.
Chapter 127 [EW] George Hillman Bowyer, b. 1835. England.
Chapter 128 [EX] Andrew Boyer, b. 1824; Pa. to Mo.
Chapter 129 [EY] Jean Bouyer, b. c1660s; France to N.Y.
Chapter 130 [EZ] Isaac Boyer, b. 1809; England to Utah.
Chapter 131 [FA] John Boyer, b. c1780s. Northampton Co., Pa.
Chapter 132 [FB] Joseph Clinton Boyer, b. 1820. Ill. & Iowa.
Chapter 133 [FC] Thomas Hanson Boyer, b. 1804. Md.
Chapter 134 [FD] William Boyer, b. c1846. Ohio & Nev.
Chapter 135 [FE] David Byers, b. c1740s; from Ireland.
Chapter 136 [FF] Philip Bier, b. 1736/37. Md.
Chapter 137 [FG] Samuel Byers, b. 1718/19; Andrew Byers, b. c1723. Chester Co., Pa., Washington Co., Pa., Fayette Co., Pa.
Chapter 138 [FH] David Byers, b. c1680s, Ireland to Lancaster Co., Pa.
Chapter 139 [FI] Huey Byers, b. c1820s. Ind.
Chapter 140 [FJ] Hedwich Baier, b. c1870s; married Bernhard Schwabe; Germany
Chapter 141 [FK] John Byars, b. c1765. Va.
Chapter 142 [FL] John Andrew Beyer, b. 1864; Germany to N.Y.
Chapter 143 [FM] John Jacob Beyer, b. c1698; John Adam Beyer, b. c1701; Joseph Beyer, b. c1712. Germany to York Co., Pa., Frederick Co., Md., Somerset Co., Pa.
Chapter 144 [FN] Peter Byers, b. 1806/07, of Armstrong Co., Pa.
Chapter 145 [FO] Mathias Boyer, b. 1723, from Germany to York Co., Pa.
Chapter 146 [FP] John Boyer, b. 1809, of Catasauqua, Pa.
Chapter 147 [FQ] ——— Boyer, b. c1820-30. Wichita Co., Kan.
Chapter 148 [FR] Jacob Byers, b. c1750, of Cumberland Co., Pa.
Chapter 149 [FS] Adam Beyer, b. 1597-1637, Germany.
Chapter 150 [FT] Henry Quincy Adams Boyer, b. 1822, of Rural Retreat, Va.
Chapter 151 [FU] James Boyer, b. c.1770, of Queen Anne's Co., Md.
Chapter 152 [FV] Christian Boyer, b. 1820-40, of South Cayuga, Ont.
Chapter 153 [FW] Joseph Kerr Boyer, b. 1799; Lancaster Co., Pa., to Zanesville, Ohio, and Brown Co., Ind.
Chapter 154 [FX] Philip Boyer, b. 1725-45, of Frederick Co., Md.
Chapter 155 [FY] Jacob Borer, b. 1725-30, of Hampshire Co., W.Va.
Chapter 156 [FZ] Joseph Byers, b. 1761, from Chester Co., Pa., to Augusta Co., Va.
Chapter 157 [GA] Jacob Beyer, b. 1730-50, Germany to York Co., Pa.; son Philip Beyers; descendants in Lawrence Co., Ind.
Chapter 158 [GB] John Byer, b. 1763-83, of Lancaster Co., Pa.
Chapter 159 [GC] Daniel W. Boyer, b. 1798-1818. Monroe Co., N.Y.
Chapter 160 [GD] Philip Boyer, b. c1784, of Hagerstown, Md.
Chapter 161 [GE] Elisha Boyer, b. 1823, Stokes Co., N.C., to Morgan Co., Ill.

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- Chapter 162 [GF] Nicholas Boyer, b. 1755-60, of Anne Arundel Co., Md.
Chapter 163 [GG] Johann Michael Bayer, b. 1736, Germany; son George Michael Bayer, b. 1778; to Washington Co., Md.
Chapter 164 [GH] Thomas Boyer, b. 1685-1705, of Kent Co., Md.
Chapter 165 [GI] Daniel Boyer, b. 1793/94, of Westmoreland Co., Pa.
Chapter 166 [GJ] Henry Bayer, b. 1778, of Westmoreland Co., Pa.
Chapter 167 [GK] John Boyer, b. 1760-80, Germany to Dauphin Co., Pa.
Chapter 168 [GL] Samuel Rhodes Boyer, b. 1852, Phila., Pa.
Chapter 169 [GM] Peter Boyer, b. 1778, of Armstrong Co., Pa.
Chapter 170 [GN] William Boyer, b. 1741-61, of Pine Grove, Pa.
Chapter 171 [GO] John Boyer, b. 1800-60, Smyrna, Del.
Chapter 172 [GP] Jonas Bowyer, b. 1813/14, of Greenbriar Co., W.Va.
Chapter 173 [GQ] Jacob Boyer, b. 1716, Germany to Pa., and Rockingham Co., Va.
Chapter 174 [GR] Benjamin D. Boyer, b. 1865, of Lehigh Co., Pa.
Chapter 175 [GS] Herman Max Beyer, b. 1867, Germany, to Lancaster, Pa.
Chapter 176 [GT] Henry Boyer, b. 1755-75, of Bedford Co., Pa.
Chapter 177 [GU] John Beyer, b. 1705-25, of Windsor Twp., York Co., Pa.
Chapter 178 [GV] Charles Byers, b. c1740, Germany to York Co., Pa.
Chapter 179 [GW] Henry Byers, b. 1794/95, of Perry Co., Pa.
Chapter 180 [GX] John Byer, b. 1816, of New Oxford, Adams Co., Pa.
Chapter 181 [GY] John Boyer, b. c1734, of York Co., Pa., and Shepherdstown, W.Va.
Chapter 182 [GZ] Joseph George Boyer, b. 1835-55, Germany to Lancaster, Pa.
Chapter 183 [HA] William Boyer, b. 1846, of York, Pa.
Chapter 184 [HB] Daniel Boyer, b. 1765-75, of Bedford Co., Pa.
Chapter 185 [HC] David Boyer, b. 1802-22, of New York.
Chapter 186 [HD] Frederick Byers, b. 1730-90, son Philip died in Indiana.
Chapter 187 [HE] William Boyer, b. 1797-1817, of Schuylkill Co., Pa.
Chapter 188 [HF] Hugh le Bowier, b. 1303-43, of Stafford, England.
Chapter 189 [HG] Henry Bowyer, b. 1590, Denham, England.
Chapter 190 [HH] Stephen Boyer, b. c1812, Pa. to Miami Co., Ohio.
Chapter 191 [HI] Garret Byers, b. 1790, Md., to Belmont Co., Ohio.
Chapter 192 [HJ] William Boyer, b. 1804-24, England to Wis., to Spink Co., S.D.
Chapter 193 [HK] Samuel V. Boyer, b. 1842/43, Sangaman Co., Ill.
Chapter 194 [HL] Norman Rohn Boyer, b. 1904, of Wadsworth, Ohio.
Chapter 195 [HM] Valentine Boyer, b. 1840-50, of Gladwyne, Pa.
Chapter 196 [HN] Elias Bowyer, b. 1803, Va., to Tenn., and Greene Co., Mo.
Chapter 197 [HO] John Boyer, b. 1716-36, of Bath Co., Va.
Chapter 198 [HP] Catherine Anna Louisa Boyer, b. 1842, married Abraham Young Banta, of Bend, Ore.
Chapter 199 [HQ] Matilda Boyer, b. 1844, married Solomon Sterner, of White Haven, Pa.
Chapter 200 [HR] William Boyer, b. 1802-22, of Lynn, Mass.
Chapter 201 [HS] Philip Beyer, b. 1710-30, Europe to Montgomery Co., Pa.
Chapter 202 [HT] Oliver W. Boyer, b. 1825, Hampshire Co., Va., to Somerset Co., Pa.
Chapter 203 [HU] Abraham Biars, b. c1819, of Greene Co., Pa.
Chapter 204 [HV] John William Boyer, b. 1848, Pa., to Cherokee City, Ark.
Chapter 205 [HW] Samuel Boyer, b. 1814, of Centre Co., Pa.
Chapter 206 [HX] Philip Boyer, b. 1720-1820, of Md.
Chapter 207 [HY] John Boyer, b. 1838-58, of Stevens Point, Wis.

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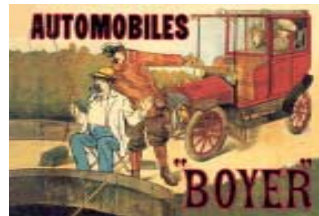
- Chapter 208 [HZ] John Boyer, b. 1654-88, of Cecil Co., Md.
- Chapter 209 [IA] Nicholas Boyer, b. 1810-30, of Germany; son Peter M. Boyer of Palmyra, Pa.
- Chapter 210 [IB] John Boyer, b. 1805, from Pa., to Platville, Ill.
- Chapter 211 [IC] Jacob Boyer, b. 1841-61, of Mahanoy City, Pa.
- Chapter 212 [ID] Edward A. Beyer, b. 1850-60, of Bloomington, Ill.
- Chapter 213 [IE] Hubartis Boyer, b. 1729, of Frederick Co., Md.
- Chapter 214 [IF] David Boyer, b. 1765-76, of Frederick Co., Md.
- Chapter 215 [IG] Elias Boyer, b. 1759, Va., to Hancock Co., Ga.
- Chapter 216 [IH] John Boyer, b. 1786-1806, of Lehigh Co., Pa.
- Chapter 217 [II] Charles Boyer, b. 1899, France to Calif.
- Chapter 218 [IJ] Thomas Boyer, b. 1846-66, of Clinton Co., Ind.
- Chapter 219 [IK] Sarah Ann Boyer, b. 1817, married George Hoover; of Union Co., Pa.
- Chapter 220 [IL] Louis Boyer, b. 1828, Tenn., to Gallatin Co., Ill.

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Recipients of this newsletter are urged to clip items concerning Boyer-Byers, etc., from newspapers, include the date and name of the newspaper, and send them to the historian. We thank those who have sent information and trust that you will continue to send additional news.

Boyer places in the U.S.

Did you know that there are at least nine towns named Boyer in the United States? The ones we found using MapQuest on the Internet are located in Iowa, Idaho, Missouri, Mississippi, Nevada, Ohio, Oregon, West Virginia, and Pennsylvania. There are also many with other variations of the name



Has anyone seen one of these driving around the neighborhood? If so let us know. Found this poster for sale, but no information on the automobile.

Will-Call Form for Reunion Book Pick-up

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Assoc. of American Boyers
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 Jefferson, MD 21755--0363

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This form is **ONLY** for having books held for you if you attend the reunion this year. **DO NOT** use this for ordering books through the mail.

SEND in this form by July 15, 2002 to guarantee that if the books will be held for you at the reunion.

DO NOT SEND any money.

We expect to have all 5 volumes available for purchase at the reunion. By sending this form in you are under no obligation to purchase if you decide you are not interested.

From the President

Where does the time go. I find with each passing year the time available to do everything that needs to be done becomes less and less. With that said, I must again apologize for the extremely slow acknowledgment of letters to the Association. No excuses are enough, but numerous events over the past year that seemed to culminate at the wrong times did not allow me to do my job. I am hopeful with some additional volunteer help that has come forward we can better respond to your helping us through donations and book purchases.

I don't want to take up too much space, but do want to mention we are starting to really get ready for the 100th reunion in 2004. Look on the outside back for some additional information and request for help. Also, anyone interested in helping out with any part of the Association let one of us know we are always glad to have you. Till next year stay safe and healthy and let us know what we can do to make this Association the best.

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P.O. Box 77
Lebanon, PA 17042

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Address _____
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Boyers on the Move

Compiled by Donald Boyer



This column, appearing in each of our newsletters, provides interesting items on recent events in the lives of Boyer family members. Contributions for future issues are welcome. Family ID numbers, where known, are from our genealogy.

Judy M. and Terry D. Boyer (AD143) of Bernville, Pa., won ten awards at the prestigious Philadelphia Flower Show in March, 2002.

Boyer's Food Markets, founded in 1949 in Orwigsburg, Pa., by the late **Harold S. Boyer** (AW953), has expanded to 15 stores in eastern Pennsylvania by adding stores in Frackville, Mount Carmel, and Tamaqua. **Harry Boyer**, son of the founder, is CEO.

Boyer Printing Co., Lebanon, Pa., established in 1907, celebrated its 95th anniversary. **Stephan Boyer** (AF343) is president.

Charles L. Boyer (BX572), Pitman, Pa., served in World War II aboard the USS San Jacinto, the same aircraft carrier from which former president George H. W. Bush took off on his first combat mission.

Matt Boyer (U3562) played both defensive end and tight end at Conrad Weiser high school in Berks Co., Pa., setting several school receiving records; he will attend the U. of Penna.

Mary J. Byers (GWC25) observed her 100th birthday at Perry Lutheran Village, Perry Co., Pa., in Jan., 2002.

Marcie Boyer (U1342) from Dillsburg, Pa., was named to the U.S. National Under-23 Field Hockey team in Jan., 2002, when she was a junior at New Hampshire Univ.

Justin Boyer (U3531) led the Bermudian Springs high school football team at halfback, slot back, split end, safety, outside linebacker, punter and return man, and was name Player of the Year by *The Evening Sun*, Hanover, Pa., in Dec., 2001.

Carol Byer (U982) was named president of the Conemaugh Township School Board, Somerset Co., Pa., in Dec., 2001.

Husband and wife **Gary and Becky Boyer** (GU872) of Somerset, Pa., both shot a deer 15 minutes apart while hunting in Somerset Twp. in Nov., 2001.

Marian Boyer (AZ388) of Reading, Pa., has a collection of about 30 wooden potato mashers which she has assembled over a period of 20 years.

April LeeAnn Boyer (BH141) of Fries, Va., Middle School, earned a patriotism medal in 2001 from the New River Pioneer Chapter, National Society Daughters of the American Revolution.

Jon-David Byers (U3489) was named the *Carroll County Times* Herb Ruby Award winner in June, 2001, recognizing him as the top male scholar-athlete in Carroll Co., Md. He planned to attend Lebanon Valley College in Annville, Pa.

Linda and Leon Boyer (CB447) grow organic vegetables on their farm near Morgantown, Pa., as part of Community Supported Agriculture, a movement to bring farm-fresh fruits and vegetables to Philadelphia city families.

Rev. John Beyers (U3414), pastor of Grace United Methodist Church, Atlanta, Ga., used advertising on a rock radio station to revitalize his dying church; 500 people now attend on a typical Sunday.

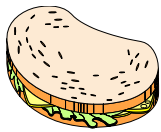
Local Reunions

In the past we offered space in the newsletter for other local family reunions. We would start doing this feature again. Please submit a brief notice of your reunion and it will be added in the next newsletter (2003). Also if you are having a reunion in the Pennsylvania, Maryland, Virginia, or West Virginia area and would like an officer of the Association to come and talk let us know. We can't guarantee anything, but if it is not too far we would be glad to share some of the history of the Association with your family.

Some taglines off of various Internet sites for your enjoyment.

- Can a first cousin, once removed, return?
- Genealogy: It's all relative in the end anyway.
- Everybody wants to be on the Mayflower
- That's strange; half my ancestors are WOMEN!
- What do you mean my Birth Certificate expired?
- Life is lived forwards, but understood backwards.

The Life Member list will return next year with any new life members from this past year and next.



Catered Lunch Information



The catered lunch is back again this year. We will have Boyer's Catering back this year, as many have told us they did such a marvelous job last year. We know many of you travel long distances to attend the reunion and it can be difficult to bring along a lunch. Now don't let that worry you, because available at the reunion will be a catered buffet at very reasonable prices. For those interested the buffet consists of broasted chicken, all the trimmings for making cold cuts sandwiches, potato salad, red beet eggs, baked limas, along with other snacks. Also included are drinks (iced tea, lemonade, water). Let us reiterate that the buffet is an option, those who wish to bring their own meals can do so. If you want to take advantage of the buffet we strongly request that you use the form provided below and preregister by July 14, 2002. We need to get a fairly accurate count and prepayment to the caterer by that time for planning. The cost if you preregister is \$6.50 for adults, \$2.50 for children ages (4-6), and children ages 3 and under are free. If you decide to register at the reunion the prices go up to \$7.00, \$3.00, and free respectively. You may notice that we had to adjust the cost slightly as the caterer increased his prices to us. Again, please preregister if at all possible as there will only be a **limited** number of tickets available at the door. For those that do preregister there will be a table at the reunion where you can pick up your tickets.

Reunion Buffet Lunch Registration Form

Remit to:

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c/o Harriet Harman
1435 County Line Rd
York Springs, PA 17372-9022

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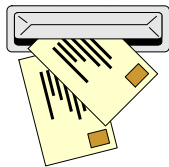
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_____ Number of Children (ages 5 & under) Free _____

Total _____

Deadline for ALL registration is July 14, 2002



Membership, Correspondence & Address Changes

We would like to remind you that when corresponding with officers of the Association please send along a self-addressed stamped envelope. The cost of replies is not small, as we get large numbers of requests for information. Also, please be aware responses may take some time. Many of us work full-time and can only spend a fraction of our time on Association business. We will try to get back to you as soon as possible, but it could be weeks to months based on availability of time.

Membership donations are completely voluntary. We do not remove individuals from our mailing list for not making yearly donations. We feel it is important to keep members up-to-date to when the book relating to their family becomes available. Keep in mind all donations are essential in helping us meet our goals in a timely fashion.

When moving or if you have a change of address, **PLEASE** keep us informed. We have discontinued having the newsletters returned to us for address correction by the post office. The cost was becoming too great. Therefore, we have no way of knowing if there is a change without you letting us know. We don't want anyone to miss an issue of the newsletter, so help us keep our address information current. Thank you.

Membership Donation Form

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100th Anniversary Information



We know it is two years away, but that may be barely enough time to get this potentially big event into shape. Here are some initial thoughts that the officers of the Association have been discussing.

- Two day event - one day of workshops and trips, one day of picnic and programs.
- Trips to Boyer and historical sites.
- Possibly in the Harrisburg, PA area as it seems central to many interesting venues.

None of this is concrete yet. So give us your ideas. We need your help. Do you know some good things that maybe worked well for other reunions you were at? If so let us know.

For all of these 100th anniversary related items you can contact any of the officers at the reunion, through the mail (addresses are on page 2), or for some via e-mail. 100th anniversaries only come around once so make it a great one.

Logo Needed

As part of our celebration of the 100th annual reunion we would like to have a special logo designed. The Officers of the Association will judge the entries. The winner will get a goodie package of items with the logo and the addition of the logo in the appendices of the 7th Edition of **American Boyers** when published. So all you Picassos and Rembrandts start drawing. To give you lots of time and to give us time the deadline is the 99th Reunion in 2003.

100th Reunion collectibles

Over the years we have offered a variety of items with the Boyer crest. As part of our 100th anniversary celebration we want to have some new items to offer you. We are planning to use the winning logo on a variety of items, but also plan on some more crest imprinted things. We have some ideas, but we want to hear from you so let us know.

Volumes I thru V of *American Boyers* are now available.

98th Annual Boyer Reunion July 27, 2002
Boyetown, Pennsylvania



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