



Muttenz Descendants, Inc.

# Family Newsletter



## New Fence Protects John Jacob Spainhour Cemetery



Visitors to the John Jacob Spainhour cemetery will now find it protected by a charming stately black ornamental fence which was donated and installed by Fence Builders, Inc.

We would like to thank Jackie, Mark, and Steve Shelton and their employees for their generous donations of time and materials. Jackie is a Spainhour descendant of the Charles and Nancy Aldridge Spainhour line and is the ggg-granddaughter of John Jacob Spainhour.

The new fence is made of galvanized steel with a powdered coating giving the appearance of wrought iron. It replaces the original wood rail fence that they had



previously installed years ago.

The new fence is the second project to have focused on the cemetery in recent months. The first project was to remove several unstable trees that had become a threat to the fragile grave markers.

Now, with the trees removed and the new fence in place, our next project at the cemetery will concentrate on cleaning and preserving the grave markers themselves. Decades of weather and mother nature have taken a toll on the face of the stones. Great care must be taken since both John Jacob's and Anna Catherine's markers  
(see "New Fence for Cemetery" pg. 2)

## Family History Drama

### "Of Faith and Courage"

May 14, 2005

"Of Faith and Courage" is a play written by Patsy Moore Ginns based on the story of our Spainhour family migration from Switzerland to Pennsylvania in 1740. It will be performed at the King Central Park Amphitheatre as one event in our "Family History Day" to be held on Saturday, May 14, 2005.

The play brings to life the story we envision of the adventures of an extended family of 22 people  
(see "Of Faith and Courage" pg. 2)

## A New Editor - A New "Look"

Hello, my name is Lisa Newsome. I am the former Treasurer of Muttenz Descendants, Inc. and am embarking on a new adventure as editor of the Newsletter. I am a ggggg-granddaughter of John Jacob Spainhour through the Martin Thomas, Elizabeth Aldridge Spainhour line. I am the g-granddaughter of Mary Elizabeth Spainhour Collins through my maternal lineage and the g-granddaughter of Gladys Spainhour Newsome through my paternal lineage by adoption.

As editor I am calling on you for help. This is your Newsletter. Think of it as a place to document the important things in life such as births, deaths, marriages, military service, anniversaries, engagements.



Share with others the things you hope to never forget; like funny childhood or interesting real life stories, favorite tall-tales, photographs, etc. Then, when the Newsletter comes in the mail, I hope you will gather the family together and read it aloud and learn and laugh and grow together.

(see "New Editor" pg. 2)

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# FROM **The History Committee**

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@ [www.muttenddescendants.org](http://www.muttenddescendants.org):

During the past six months not much has been done on our website. This has been a result of dual computer failures which have required tedious efforts to recover files. A new machine with a different operating system was then installed - which required other software updates - and then some "better habits" to be learned.

Now, with all that bad experience done, some more useful

projects are finally underway again.

Some of the updates on our Schor/Shore history and genealogy collection have now been included online, and this work continues. There are many pictures in the backlog for the online scrapbooks. "Catch-up" work on this too has begun thanks to the re-installation of a scanner and some new image-editing software.

- James Spainhour

## ***"Of Faith and Courage"***

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composed of two brothers and their two sisters, all their spouses and their children. We follow two of **this group's children as they migrate southward**, eventually settling in North Carolina.

Some scenes of the play depict life as it was at the historic Bethabara Mill where Spainhour, Hauser, Shore, and Strupe families were among many who tarried there in refugee cabins during threats of Indian attacks in 1756 - 1758.

The play also includes the building of the pioneer cabin by Johann Jacob Spainhour and wife Anna Catherine Volck (Fulk) which was later relocated to its current home in King Central Park.

The feature event of the day will be the presentation of the play which will begin at 2:00 in the King Central Park Amphitheatre.

Other activities scheduled include a Bethabara Mill Tour and a catered Luncheon at the picnic pavilion in King Central Park. The reconstructed pioneer cabin and its kitchen will also be open to visitors during the morning hours.

Between 10:00 a.m. and noon, interested parties will be guided on a visit to the Bethabara Mill site and to the Moravian "Stranger's Graveyard" and the old Dobbs Parish Cemetery

which are nearby. Our own guides will show you specifically where the refugee cabins were built. This visit to Bethabara will be very different from the Bethabara tours taken during the Family Reunions in 1995 and 2002. This visit will not include the village itself - but will be limited to the mill site and the nearby cemeteries which have only more recently become available to tour.

### **Pre-registration for the day will be required for the Bethabara Mill Tour and for the Luncheon.**

Our goal is to make full participation in all the day's events as inexpensive as possible. We will be completing detailed preparations for the day on April 8. After this date, additional capacity for the Bethabara Tour and for the Luncheon will become very limited. Additional details about the day and registration forms have been mailed to our Newsletter subscriber list.

These can also be obtained online through the website at [www.muttenddescendants.org](http://www.muttenddescendants.org) - follow links from the Newsroom - or contact James Spainhour by e-mail at [jdspainhour@comcast.net](mailto:jdspainhour@comcast.net) or by telephone at 847-392-9638. We hope to see you there!

- James Spainhour

## **New Fence for Cemetery**

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are thin stones with shallow carving and German inscription is involved.

The cemetery is located in the Country Place community off Brown Road in King, NC. We would like to thank the neighbors who are generously helping to keep the cemetery grounds clean.

Hopefully, if you're in the area, you will make time to stop by and appreciate it for yourself.

## **New Editor**

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I would like to thank Judy Bodenhamer for her devotion to the Newsletter in the past and wish her all the best with the new endeavors in her life. Judy will still be active on our history committee with research and documentation but was finding her plate a little "too full" to continue to serve as editor at this time. Bravo for a job well done!

- Your Editor

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# Winston-Salem Journal Recognizes Robert G. Carroll

King Historian

Man has become the informal recorder of history for Stokes County

By Kim Underwood

JOURNAL REPORTER

Sunday, February 13, 2005



Carroll visits with his daughter, Cecelia Overby, in his room at Arbor Acres  
(Journal photo by David Rolfe)

Robert G. Carroll can tell you how King acquired its name, how early residents outwitted a neighbor trying to profit at King's expense, and how the first car came to town. Carroll, 97, knows many such stories. During the 85 years he lived in Stokes County, he became an informal historian for the county.

He wrote a history of King called *One Hundred Years of King History 1888-1988*. He also wrote a weekly column for *The Danbury Reporter* that focused on Stokes County history from 1974 until 2002 when the *Reporter* and *King Times News* were consolidated as *The Stokes News*.

Carroll's interest in county

history is coupled with an interest in genealogy, and, over the years, people have regularly come to him for help in filling in their family's history. "If you ever want to know anybody you're related to, ask him," his daughter, Cecelia Overby, said. "I think he has helped a lot of families discover and preserve their history," said nephew Ron Carroll. Mr. Carroll thinks that his passion for history and genealogy is key to his longevity. "I stay interested," he said. His wife didn't share his love of history and genealogy. She would say, "He's down in his office playing with the dead people."



## Roses in our Path

Merrin Huish and Iona (Carter) Spainhower

Last summer my daughter Bonnie and I stopped in to visit with Grandma Cecil's youngest and only living child, Merrin Huish Spainhower. Merrin was born April 25, 1918. He is 86 years old, but looks much younger. His wife is Iona May Carter. She was born April 24, 1934. Merrin and Iona live in Payson, Utah. We see them once or twice a year and on occasion we chat on the telephone.

Merrin has a breathing problem caused by his years of

work in road construction dust. He served in the military in an Army Medical Unit in the 59th Evacuation Hospital Corps. His brothers, my Dad (L. Don), Floyd, and Bill all pre-deceased him.

Merrin is a quiet, warm, and pleasant individual. We are so grateful to have him with us this long. His children and I have tried to get him to write his history, but he's kinda private and shy, and I doubt he'll do anything about it.

I am encouraging his son

Jim to take a tape recorder and get him talking for a couple of hours or more to preserve his history. I kick myself in the, you know what, for not doing that with my dad, and my mom.

If his son doesn't tape him soon, I'll do it. I haven't been doing much for a year or so with my genealogy and need to get going again.

I have attached photos of uncle Merrin and aunt Iona with both myself, and my daughter, Bonnie Rae Anderson, with them for your files.

Fondly, Don



**A Family Treasure**  
**The Civil War Diary of Rufus Spainhour (cont'd)**  
**Contributed by his great-grandson Al Spainhour**

Nov the 6th (1861)

While at Raleigh on my return, I was taken sick with chills and fever. I went to Wake Forest College and stayed awhile where I was very kindly treated by Mrs. Puryfoy(?) and others. I then went immediately to the Regt. and found the boys improving.

Nov the 13th, 1861

Went to F'burg to day and brought.(?) Settled for the coffin of James.

Nov the 14th

Went to the Regt. and brought down James's things to be sent home. The weather very cold.

Nov the 25th

Up to this time nothing of interest has occurred. Today we received a large gun for our battery weighing 14,700 lbs. a rifle(d) peace. We have been engaged sometime building winter quarters.

December the 18

Have been hard at work on our cabin, and just got in it. I feel unwell tonight.

Dec. the 24th

Have gotten very sick with fever. I have suffered a great deal

for the past few days more from restlessness than any other way. Today I was sent to Fredericksburg, and had the good fortune to get to the house of Rev Broadhurst D. D. and was so kindly treated, I shall ever remember them as fridnds indeed;they were as kind to me as my folks at home could possibly have been. Dr. B S. Herndon attended on me and seemed to do all he could for me, he says I have a kind of slow fever. He is said to be a very skillful physician. L. J. Curtis stayed with me and attended on me with a great deal of kindness which may I ever remember.

Dec the 27th

Untill today there has been no change, but today I feel a little better.

Dec the 31

The close of this year finds me quite unwell but much improved.

**1862**

Jan the 1st

Today I feel sufficiently improved go back (go back has been struck out) to allow Curtis to go back to camp.

Jan the 2nd

Much improved. I am able to

go down stairs today. This eavning my father came to see me which revived me much.

Jan the 3rd

Father went to the Regt. today to get a furlough for me, but he telegraphed back for me to go down and be examed which I did and got a furlough and we came back to F'burg and the next morning left for home and landed there the 6th.

January the 8th, 1862

Went today to the burial of my old schoolmate D. M. Benfield who was taken sick while in the army in (?)Weston Va. when after suffering much he was removed to Petersburg, where on Christmas eavning his spirit took its flight; his father hearing of his illness hurried a second time to him but too late, his body had been buried several days; but he had his remains taken up and he brought them home and had them buried in his family graveyard.

January the 9

Spent my time at home very pleasantly, visited a great deal and was visited some. Started back to my Regiment today, went to Spaigles(?) at the head of the road.

*.....to be continued*

# Winston-Salem Journal Features Bethania

Monday, September 13, 2004

## Discover Bethania

Stroll through village gives glimpse into a vanished time

By David Rolfe  
JOURNAL PHOTOGRAPHER

Most people hurry through Bethania on their way to someplace else. The narrow street through the heart of town doesn't invite casual stopping, so traffic scurries along at a relentless pace, and those with an inclination to sightsee are likely to find themselves hustled past the village in the blink of an eye.



The old school house originally was put up in 1897 for the Knights of Pythias. The millstone was used at the 1784 Bethania Mill.

But for those who circle back, find a spot to park along a side street and take the time to explore the uneven stone sidewalks of Bethania, the flavor and charm of the village are easy to find. Of the three early Moravian villages in Forsyth County, Bethania is the only one that is still a living



A gnarled cedar tree on Main Street provides perches for a handful of whimsical, rustic birdhouses. (Journal Photo by David Rolfe)

community. Bethabara, with only a couple buildings still standing, is a faint echo of a vanished time. Salem is a still-life of a Colonial village, populated by costumed guides who abandon its streets at night to return to their own real-life homes. A few people live in Old Salem, but the streets are quiet in the off-hours.

Bethania is an unorchestrated mix of old and new, hearth and commerce, history and daily life. It was never a purely Moravian community, and its mix of cultures and backgrounds may have saved it from becoming a museum piece.

Most of the houses bear the names of their original owners and such dates as 1775, 1805, 1864, and 1920 are prominently displayed. Some homes are carefully restored to period condition, while others have been modernized with siding, brick or stone and retain only a suggestion of their original appearance.

An unhurried stroll along the shaded paths reveals details of period architecture, relics of stone and rusted ironwork, and such

whimsy as a metal bird perched on a wriggly lamppost, or rustic birdhouses scattered in the limbs of a gnarled cedar tree.



Shapes and textures make this birdhouse stand out against a fieldstone outbuilding.

Nearly all the houses are carefully tended with thoughtful attention to detail, and an eclectic blend of old and less-old reflects a quiet pride of place.



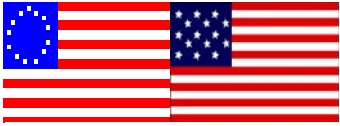
Main Street in Bethania gets a constant stream of vehicles passing through.

A three-way stop sign arrests traffic at Main Street and Bethania Road long enough for a driver to notice the restorations of the Wolff-Moser House and the Alpha Chapel as a visitor center and town hall, respectively.

When completed, the additions may lure in a few more visitors to discover this unique corner of Forsyth County.



Many buildings, such as this smokehouse, have a sign bearing the name and construction date.



# Honoring Our Heroes



This section of our newsletter is dedicated to honoring our military heroes, by maintaining a permanent list of names. We begin by listing all known who served in the military of our country, beginning with the War of the Revolution, with details of their service, as known. Those who rendered patriotic service during the American Revolution are also listed with a "PS". They furnished goods to the Continental Army or the militia. All the persons below will only be listed by name and war in which they served except new additions will include details the first time they are printed. We hope this will help those of you interested in joining some of the historical societies and it may also give you information that you may not have had on an ancestor. Full information as below is, or soon will be available on our website. Names are alphabetical by spelling of last name.

The flags above represent the flags that have flown over wars in which we have had family members participate. From the left, the "Betsy Ross" flag representing the War of the Revolution, the flag of 15 stars that flew at the time of the War of 1812, the crossed Confederate Battle Flag from the Confederate States of America (CSA), and the current U.S. Flag representing the Federal Army of all wars during and since the War Between the States (Civil War).

Let us honor them all. Many of them made the supreme sacrifice while supporting our

country and fighting for what they believed.

To the right you will find the listing that we have to date on the Spainhour and related family heroes. Please send us information on your family that does not appear below, or contact me to correct errant information. If you would like to add a peacetime soldier, please feel free to do so. Remember to include all information.

## ***You've Made A Difference!***

*We know your load is heavy  
You feel forgotten and alone...  
It's in your every email...  
In your voice when you call home*

*Please know you are our heroes...  
You're in our prayers each day...  
It's been that way consistently,  
Since you went away*

*Your duties aren't easy...  
Your burden weighs a ton...  
So grateful is your country,  
For all that you have done!*

*You're part of every heartbeat...  
As we pray throughout  
each night,  
Asking of our Father,  
That all will turn out right*

*We pray to God in Heaven  
For your safe deliverance...  
And praise you for your efforts...  
You've made a difference!*

*-Janeane Bolton 2003*

## **New Additions to Military Heroes List**

**Jacob Calvin Newsom II**  
**American Revolution**  
**Edmonds Co. Virginia Troops**

**Harmon Magee (McGee)**  
**American Revolution**

**Thomas Turner Newsom**  
**War of 1812**  
*Contributed by the Editor*

| <b>NAME</b>   | <b>WAR</b>                           |
|---|--------------------------------------|
| <b><u>Butner</u></b><br>Henry Wolff (General)   | WWI                                  |
| <b><u>Dyar</u></b><br>Annette<br>Paul<br>John "Jack"<br>Wilmer Eugene                   | WWII<br>WWII<br>WWII<br>WWII         |
| <b><u>Hauser</u></b><br>Oliver Wilson<br>Denson Gray, Jr.<br>Willie Junior "Jeff"       | Korea<br>WWII<br>WWII                |
| <b><u>Helsabeck</u></b><br>Billy B., Sr.<br>Carl N.<br>Glen W.<br>H. Fred<br>John Henry | WWII<br>WWII<br>WWII<br>WWII<br>WWII |
| Kenneth O., Jr.<br>Kenneth O., Sr.<br>Richard E..<br>Theodore L., Jr.                   | Vietnam<br>WWII<br>Vietnam<br>WWII   |

| NAME   | WAR   | NAME   | WAR  | NAME   | WAR  |
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| <b>Hilsabeck</b><br>Frederick "PS"<br>Jacob                                      | Amer. Rev.<br>Amer. Rev.                        | <b>Spainhour</b> (cont'd)<br>Jacob<br>Kenneth Hinkle<br>Michael<br>Ralph Alexander<br>Ralph Alex., Jr. | WBTS-CSA<br>WWII<br>Amer. Rev.<br>WWI<br>WWII            | <b>Spanhauer</b><br>Christian<br>J. Jacob "PS"<br>Werner "PS"        | WBTS-USA<br>Amer. Rev.<br>Amer. Rev.                     |
| <b>Keiger</b><br>J. Lee, Jr.   | U.S. Navy                                       |  |  | <b>Spoenhauer</b><br>Heinrich  | Amer. Rev.   |
| <b>Kiger</b><br>Fred Oliver<br>Robert Walter                                     | WWII<br>WWII                                    | Richard P., Maj.<br>Robert<br>Robert D.<br>Sanford E.<br>Solomon                                       | U.S. Army<br>WBTS-CSA<br>WWII<br>WBTS-CSA<br>WBTS-CSA    | <b>Spoonhour</b><br>Clarence<br>David<br>Jacob<br>Solomon<br>Solomon | WBTS-USA<br>WBTS-USA<br>WBTS-USA<br>WBTS-USA<br>WBTS-USA |
| <b>Marshall</b><br>T. Wayne, Esq.  | Desert Storm                                    | Solomon<br>Thamer Elmo<br>Troy Leroy<br>Walter J., Jr.<br>William                                      | WBTS-CSA<br>WWII<br>WWII<br>Vietnam<br>WBTS-CSA          | <b>Spoonhower</b><br>Benjamin  | WBTS-USA   |
| <b>Moore</b><br>Robert A.  | WWII  | William Alton<br>William W.  | US Army<br>WBTS-CSA                                      | <b>Tesh</b><br>Clyde Aaron   | WWII   |
| <b>Moser</b><br>John Michael<br>William  | Amer. Rev.<br>WBS-CSA                           |  |  | <b>Tuttle</b><br>Michael   | Vietnam  |
| <b>Newsom</b><br>C. Newell<br>Nicky<br>Theodore Windsor<br>Dale<br>Elmer Pearson | WWII<br>Vietnam<br>WWI<br>Korean<br>Span. Amer. | <b>Spainhourd</b><br>Carl  | WWII   | <b>Volck</b><br>Andreas "PS"   | Amer. Rev.   |
|  |   | <b>Spainhowerd</b><br>Daniel   | WBTS-USA   |  |  |
| <b>Shore</b><br>Ezra Eugene<br>Floyd Granville<br>Thomas E.                      | US. Army<br>Korea<br>WWII                       | <b>Spainhower</b><br>C.T.<br>Clarence L.<br>Clayton Marqui<br>David<br>Eugene E.                       | WBTS-CSA<br>WWI<br>Vietnam<br>WBTS-USA<br>WBTS-USA       |  |  |
|  |   | George E.<br>Henry<br>Henry C.<br>Isaac H.<br>Jacob  | WBTS-USA<br>WBTS-USA<br>WBTS-USA<br>WBTS-CSA<br>WBTS-USA |  |  |
| <b>Spainhour</b><br>Fred Odell, Sr.<br>Hershel<br>Allen<br>Byron<br>Charles E.   | WWII<br>Span. Amer.<br>WBTS-USA<br>WWII<br>WWI  | Jacob Peter<br>James<br>James H.<br>John C.<br>John Henry  | WBTS-CSA<br>WBTS-USA<br>WBTS-CSA<br>WBTS-CSA<br>WBTS-CSA |  |  |
| Charles Joseph<br>David<br>Dempsey<br>Early<br>Harold                            | WWII<br>1812<br>Korean<br>WWII<br>WWII          | John W.<br>Lot L.<br>Marquis D. L..<br>Robert<br>Rufus   | WBTS-CSA<br>WBTS-USA<br>WBTS-USA<br>WBTS-CSA<br>WBTS-CSA |  |  |
| Harrison<br>Henry<br>Howard<br>J.A.<br>Jack Bryan                                | WBTS-USA<br>1812<br>WWII<br>WBTS-CSA<br>WWII    | Samuel<br>William<br>William M.<br>William M.  | 1812<br>WBTS-CSA<br>WBTS-USA<br>WBTS-USA                 |  |  |



*Just a  
Reminder...  
Freedom  
Isn't Free*

# In Memory of Our Family & Friends

## **Ralph Alexander Spainhour, Jr.**

(ANDERSON, SC) 85, died Saturday, November 6, 2004. Born October 4, 1919 in Winston-Salem, NC. He was a U.S. Army veteran of World War II. Surviving are sons R. Alexander Spainhour of Pendleton and James M. Spainhour and David W. Spainhour, both of Charlotte, NC; daughters Elizabeth S. Reid and Anne S. Whitlow, both of Charlotte, NC; brother Harold I. Spainhour of Sophia, NC; sisters Jackie S. Shelton and Betty S. Hennessee, both of Winston-Salem, NC.

## **Richard Gray Shore**

(RURAL HALL, NC) 75, died Tuesday, November 23, 2004. Born February 9, 1929 son of Lonnie Robert and Martha Ellen Tuttle Shore. He was preceded in death by his second wife, Myrtle Merritt Shore. Surviving are three daughters: Beverly Watts and husband Andy of Winston-Salem, Vickie Thomas and husband Tommy of Walkertown, and Susan Roberts and husband Alan of King and the mother of his children, Betty K. Hill of King.

## **H. Alton Spainhour**

(WINSTON-SALEM, NC) 92, died Thursday, November 25, 2004. Born December 10, 1911 son of Dalton and Eva Spainhour. Mr. Spainhour is survived by his wife of 70 years, Evelyn B. Spainhour; a son, Ronald Spainhour of New York City; and a daughter, Carolyn Spainhour of Winston-Salem, NC.

## **Jerry Bailey Oehman (Mrs.)**

(ADVANCE, NC) 72, died Sunday, November 28, 2004. Born April 20, 1932, daughter of Harold Park and Mary Hill Tuttle.

She was preceded in death by her two husbands, James Hoyt Bailey and Garland Edward Oehman. Surviving are a son and daughter-in-law, Delbert and Carmen Bailey of Advance, NC; two daughters and sons-in-law, Teresa and Gary Holt of Advance, NC and Cindy and Robin Benson of Mocksville, NC.

## **Virginia "Gin" Pardue Shore**

(WINSTON-SALEM, NC) 82, passed on to Heaven on Saturday, December 4, 2004. Born November 17, 1922 daughter of Luther Lee and Mamie Cheek Pardue. Surviving are a son, the Rev. Kenneth Pardue of Wilkesboro, NC; and two daughters, Donna S. Painter and Wanda J. Shore, both of Winston-Salem, NC.

## **Maxie Angell Doub**

(PFAFFTOWN, NC) 85, passed away Friday, December 10, 2004. Born September 26, 1919, daughter of Emory and Julia Nichols Angell. She was preceded in death by her husband, Joseph Homer Doub. Surviving are a son, Joseph Donald (Karen Sue) Doub, of Denver, CO. and a daughter, Christine D. (Ronnie) Walls, of Winston-Salem, NC.

## **Bruce Hine Spainhour Sr.**

(HIGH POINT, NC) 78, died Monday, December 13, 2004. Born August 8, 1926, son of Charles Daniel Spainhour and Treva Hine Spainhour. He was a veteran of the U.S. Army serving during World War II in Germany and Austria. Surviving are his wife, Arlene Fowler Spainhour, of the home; a daughter, Janice Spainhour Ragan and husband, Rodger, of High Point, NC; a son, Bruce H. "Chip" Spainhour Jr. and wife, Mary Kate, of Alexandria, VA.

## **Belmont Leonard Doub**

(WINSTON-SALEM, NC) 42, died Thursday, December 16, 2004. Born February 18, 1962 son of the late Rev. Belmont Grady Doub and the late Joy Newman. He is survived by his wife, Michelle Prince-Doub of the home and children Laura Doub, Tiffany Myers, Brittany Prince and Jamie Prince.

## **Mary Ruth Spainhour Voss**

(TOBACCOVILLE, NC) 68, died Saturday, December 18, 2004. Born June 21, 1936, daughter of the late Samuel Alson and Mary Evelyn Pratt Spainhour. She was preceded in death by her husband, Ronald Lewis Voss, in 2000. Surviving are a daughter, Lisa (Jimmy) Hancock of Crockett, VA; and son, Ron Voss (Janis) of Taylorsville, IN.

## **Lillian Mock Beroth**

(PFAFFTOWN, NC) 90, died Friday, December 24, 2004. Born June 1, 1914 daughter of the late Jasper and Anna Harper Mock. Preceded in death by her husband of 66 years, Gaither E. Beroth. Surviving are two daughters, Mary Jane Griffith and husband, Ralph of Pilot Mountain, NC and Anna Doub of Yadkinville and a son, Thomas J. Beroth Sr. wife, Patsy, of Pilot Mountain, NC.

To have obituaries included in the next newsletter please mail to:

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# In Memory of Our Family & Friends (Cont'd)

## **Dorothy Hendrix Spainhour** (GREENSBORO, NC)

Dorothy Hendrix Spainhour passed away on Monday, January 17, 2005 at Friends Homes in Greensboro, NC after a long illness. She was born July 14, 1922 in Greensboro, the middle daughter of the late William Hendrix and Pearl Cook Hendrix. She was preceded in death by her sisters, Louise Hendrix and Betty DeHaven; and husband, Edwin Spainhour, Jr.

Dorothy graduated from Greensboro Senior High School and received a BA in Education from UNC-G in 1943. She worked as a teacher in Thomasville. In 1946, she married Edwin and moved to Fayetteville where she helped establish the Fayetteville Center for Handicapped Children. This pioneering school began in a church basement and provided much needed services to Cumberland County. It grew, thrived and was eventually incorporated into the public schools. In 1976, "The Dorothy Spainhour School", a new educational facility for the developmentally disabled

in Fayetteville was dedicated in her honor.

Dorothy continued her career as an educator until receiving an MA in Speech Pathology from UNC-G. She then became a Speech Pathologist for the Fayetteville city schools and Chief of the Speech Pathology Section of Womack Army Hospital at Fort Bragg.

Ed and Dorothy returned to Greensboro in 1973 after his retirement from government service. They enjoyed residing in both Summerfield and Guilford College. Dorothy continued in the private practice of speech pathology for a number of years. Dorothy also resumed her membership in the Congregational United Church of Christ, where she was active in the choir and taught Sunday school. She founded the church's Fun Club to provide social opportunities for the elderly.

She is survived by sons, William Spainhour, of Portland, Oregon; and Stephen Spainhour, of Greensboro; daughter-in-law, Catherine Allan, of Portland, Oregon; and step-granddaughter, Lauren Allen-Vail

of Palo Alto, California. A memorial service was held at the Congregational United Church of Christ, 400 West Radiance Drive, Greensboro, North Carolina on January 19, 2005.

## **One Hundred Years**

### **From Now**

Author Unknown

One hundred years from now  
It won't matter  
What kind of car I drove  
What kind of house I lived in  
How much money  
I had in the bank  
nor what my clothes looked like  
**BUT**  
The world may be a little better  
because, I was important  
in the life of a child.

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**JUST MARRIED!**

Congratulations to David Dewey Weaver and wife Nicole Mylene (Almeda) Weaver on their recent nuptials. They were married on Saturday, November 7, 2004 at St. Mary’s Catholic Church in Tampa, Florida.

David is the son of former editor Judy Spainhour Weaver Bodenhamer and David Julian Weaver (of Zephyrhills, Florida).

Nicole is the daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Bert Almeda of Tampa, Florida.

Best wishes for a long prosperous marriage!

**Love is in the Air!**

**Wedding Bells are Ringing!**

Congratulations to Sandra Spaenhauer and Adesh Kaul of Muttenz, Switzerland on their upcoming wedding. The couple plans to marry on March 24, 2005 in Arlesheim, Switzerland.

Sandra is the daughter of Cornelia “Corry” Spaenhauer and the late Peter Spaenhauer. She is employed at a local hospital in Basel. Adesh is employed as Chief Business Officer for Genedata and holds a master’s degree in economics and biochemistry, both from the University of Basel.

Look for wedding photos in the next issue!



**Furnishings Needed**

Ginny Wagner has furnished us a list of items that are needed for the John Jacob Spainhour cabin in King, NC.

If you have items (or would like to purchase and donate items) that date from the period about 1775-1830, we need the following, among others:

**Rocking Chair**

**Small table**

We welcome all items, including quilts, kitchen utensils, farm implements, quilting frames, spinning wheels, looms, etc.

These and other donated items are tax-deductible to the extent of the value for which you purchase them, or, for items you may already have, to the value that you may have them appraised. MDI is not allowed to place value on items for you.



**Don’t Forget the Website!**

Don’t forget to visit our website often. James has been working very hard, along with Steven, Jerry and others, to make it better than ever! There are lots of plans for new presentations and new items are being added all the time!

You will need a password to enter the database portion of the site. You may receive that by e-mailing the database manager at the link on the site.

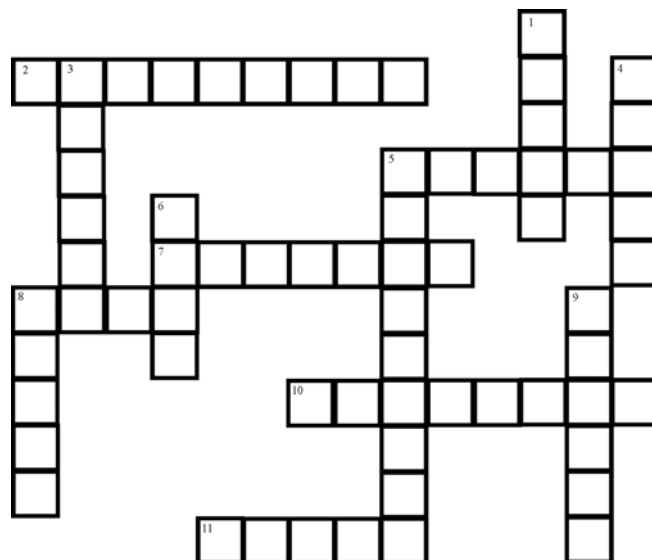
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While you’re there, take a look around....

**do you have something to add?**

**Puzzle Answer**

Look here next issue for the answer to this issue’s crossword puzzle.

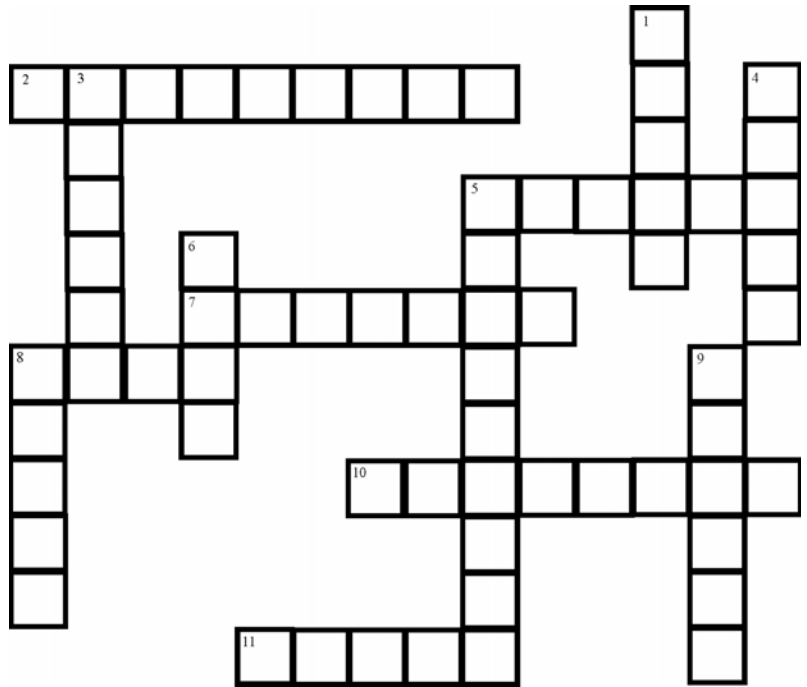


# PUZZLE TIME

Here's a fun way to remember what you've learned. The clues will always come from information in the current issue, the previous issue, or the website.

The answer will follow in the next issue.

Enjoy!



## Across

2. "Of Faith and Courage" is a play about the \_\_\_\_\_ Spainhours and their descendants.
5. The language on some of the older stones at the cemetery and also of the booklet that was recently donated to MDI.
7. The Bethabara refugee cabins were where some of the settlers hid from the \_\_\_\_\_.
8. The room where Deb Spoonhour stayed at the hotel Brasserie.
10. Our "Honoring Our Heroes" section pays tribute to those who served in the \_\_\_\_\_.
11. A civil war soldier's \_\_\_\_\_.

## DOWN

1. "Of Faith and Courage" is a family history \_\_\_\_\_.
3. Former editor Judy Bodenhamer will be moving to her new home in the \_\_\_\_\_ desert later this spring.
4. A new \_\_\_\_\_ was installed at the cemetery.
5. A passion for wanting to know who you came from and the art of attempting to find out.
6. The Bethabara \_\_\_\_\_ site will be part of the tour scheduled for May 14, 2005.
8. The John Jacob Spainhour \_\_\_\_\_ was relocated to the King Central Park.
9. He is listed as a new addition to the military heroes list. (first name only)



## Support MDI With Donations

Our thanks to all of you who have made recent donations.

We all have our favorite charities we help support and we all have our limitations, but let us not forget our own family organization, without whose help we cannot continue our committee research as effectively, nor share it with you via the Newsletter and

the Website.

Of course, we also have expenses of the John Jacob cabin...insurance, maintenance, etc. and general costs of the operation of Muttenez Descendants, Inc., such as costs of printing and mailing newsletters, the website, professional and governmental fees, etc. All officers, directors

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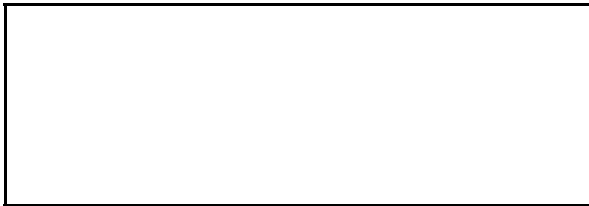
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## Family Photos



Martin Thomas Spainhour, Jr. holding youngest daughter Essie Mae Spainhour.



Mary Elizabeth (Spainhour) Collins, oldest daughter of Martin Thomas Spainhour, Jr. holding her twins.



Twins from previous photo Renny Aldene Collins, Sr. and Renee Avolene (Collins) Watson - editor's grandmother.