



# *Hottenstein Lines*

May 2013

*Hottenstein Lines* is a newsletter of the Hottenstein Reunion for and about the descendants and many lines of ancestry of Ernst Von Hottenstein of Esslingen, Germany and descendants who immigrated to America. Presently, three immigrant lines are identified: Johann Jacob Hottenstein settled in Kutztown, PA, his nephew also Johann Jacob Hottenstein settled in Lancaster, PA, and a descendant Phillip J. Hottenstein settled in Gleason, WI. It is a newsletter that will be what we as descendants, spanning twelve (12) generations, make it. It is a newsletter to share the items of interest about our family and information about our annual reunion. At least one newsletter each year will announce the date and location of our annual reunion; additional newsletters will be prepared as information is developed or available. Your suggestions and articles are welcomed.

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## **2013 Hottenstein Reunion Picnic to be Sunday, June 9th, at the Hottenstein Mansion, Kutztown**

The 77<sup>th</sup> Hottenstein Reunion, the family picnic gathering, will be held on Sunday, June 9, 2013 at Hottenstein Mansion, on Route 222, east of Kutztown, Pennsylvania. The Reunion will begin in the morning, with the traditional catered picnic with strawberries, shortcake & ice cream for dessert, to be served at 1:00 PM. All are welcome.

Dr. Robert Reynolds, and his family to the Mansion, have invited us to gather at the Hottenstein Mansion which he describes as the home of the Hottenstein family. We will be the guests of Dr. Reynolds, his family, and the Historic Preservation Trust of Berks County. Dr. Reynolds is the curator of the Mansion; He and his family reside in the home.

In addition to visiting the Hottenstein Mansion, we will have the catered Family Picnic on Sunday at the Mansion. Arrangements are being made for a tent and shelter. This is a time when family members are able to visit, share experiences, and socialize. During this time, we will have our Reunion business meeting. Dr. Reynolds and his family will explain the home, period furniture, and Hottenstein artifacts displayed for the Reunion.

Plan to arrive in the morning to visit the Mansion; our picnic begins at 1:00 PM. The program and activities follow our picnic. Dr. Reynolds will update us on his role as curator and living in the Mansion with his family. Dr. Reynolds is the Freyberger Professor of Pennsylvania German Culture at Kutztown University, which includes the role of curator of the Pennsylvania Heritage Cultural Center.

## **Hottenstein House National Landmark Status Being Reviewed**

The National Landmark Status for the Hottenstein House is being reviewed. This spring a representative from the National Landmark Office of the National Park Service visited the Hottenstein Mansion. Dr. Reynolds provided documentation about the Hottenstein



Mansion. While it is hoped the site will get this recognition, there have been changes made to the house. The woodwork is gone from the upstairs bedroom, the modern kitchen woodwork was

mostly removed in the 1960s, the front door surround is a 1980s reproduction, and the kitchen was raised to two stories in the 1840s. The National Landmark Office will carefully review the mansion and make a determination of whether or not the Hottenstein site is eligible.

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## 2013 Hottenstein Reunion Picnic to be Sunday, June 9<sup>th</sup>, at the Hottenstein Mansion, Kutztown

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The Reunion is a time when we can meet others in our family, share experiences and memories, have mini reunions, review/update our genealogy. We appreciate letters from those who cannot attend.

For additional information on the Reunion, please contact Russel Hottenstein at 610/944-8167 or Terry Schnure at 860-683-2385.

### Picnic Arrangements, June 9<sup>th</sup>, Reservations ...

We hope you will be able to attend. Please use or photocopy the enclosed/attached return form with the mailing label to indicate your participation.

Cost for the Reunion picnic, to cover our expenses (including the catered picnic meal, tent and equipment rentals, and shuttle transportation) will be as follows:

Adults	\$ 24.00
Youth	\$ 15.00 (10 yrs thru 17 yrs)
Children	No Fee (9 yrs and younger)

The reservation mail deadline is Wednesday, June 5<sup>th</sup>. For late reservations (which can be accommodated) after June 5<sup>th</sup>, please contact:

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### 2012 Reunion in Pictures ...



Attending their first Hottenstein Reunion

## Reunion Location, Parking & Logistics

### ... Arriving on Sunday, June 9<sup>th</sup>

The Hottenstein Mansion is located on a parcel which does not have sufficient space for all to park. Arrangements have been made for parking at a church on Hottenstein Road, about a half mile from and north of the Hottenstein Mansion. Hottenstein Road is adjacent to the Mansion location and intersects with Route 222. Please look for signs with directions to the parking location. Wagon transportation from the parking area to the Mansion, will begin at 11:00 AM.

Handicapped parking will be provided at the Hottenstein Mansion.

The street address of the Hottenstein Mansion is 15441 Kutztown Road, Kutztown, Pennsylvania 19530-9349.

For assistance with lodging locations, please contact Terry Schnure or Russel Hottenstein.

### ... If arriving on Saturday, June 8<sup>th</sup>

Those arriving on Saturday, June 8<sup>th</sup> and those in the area wishing to dine together on Saturday evening, will gather at 6:30 PM at the Virginville Hotel, a country hotel and restaurant. The hotel's address is 458 Main St, Virginville, PA 19564; the phone number is 610 562-7072; <http://www.virginvillehotel.com/>

The Virginville Hotel, known for its variety of Pennsylvania Dutch specialties, is about 7 miles west of Kutztown, via west on Route 222, north on Route 662; and north on Route 143 to Virginville. From Allentown, follow I-78 west to Exit 35, (the Lenhartsville Exit) and then follow Route 143 south for 5 miles to Virginville.

Please check the box on the reservation form if attending to assist in organizing this dinner.

## William Hottenstein Family History Available through Custom Binding

At the request of several family members, printing of the extensive history of the descendants of William Hottenstein, second generation continues.

To obtain information on the memorabilia and if ordering, please check the box on the reservation form or otherwise print the form from the Hottenstein Web Site at:

<http://www.hottenstein.org/Forms/BookMailOrderForm.pdf>

## Maxatawny Historic Commission Established; Dr. Reynolds to Serve on the Commission

An ordinance creating the strictest delay of demolition ordinance in the county and establishing a historic commission was passed by the Maxatawny Township Supervisors in December 2012. The Historic Commission was established in February 2013. The Hottenstein Mansion is located in Maxatawny Township, Berks County.



Dr. Rob Reynolds, the resident curator of the Hottenstein Mansion, has been appointed to the Maxatawny Historic Commission.

An earlier 1980s Survey of the Township historic properties serve as a preliminary list of historic properties from which the Historic Commission will conduct a comprehensive Historic Site Survey to yield a full list of historic sites in Maxatawny Township. The Commission will review demolition permit requests. After the hurried demolition of the neighboring 1816 Zimmerman House, the Township had found that it was powerless to protect its historic treasures

Cory Kegerise, who is the Community Preservation Coordinator for the Eastern Region of the Pennsylvania Historical & Museum Commission provided extensive assistance to the Township in drafting the ordinance. He is a seventh generation descendant of David Hottenstein. In working with the Historic Preservation Trust of Berks County and other organizations, he hopes to foster the creation of additional such ordinances in other jurisdictions.

## Contributions to the Historic Trust Directed to Mansion Projects

In 2012, Reunion family members and friends contributed \$1,700 to the Historic Preservation Trust of Berks County in support Reunion program for the assisting in the restoration of the Mansion.

Restoration projects at the Hottenstein Mansion continue to need funding. Our contributions program assists with projects underway and planned to bring the Mansion and its associated buildings back to their historic grandeur. Dr. Reynolds interest -- his dream -- in preserving and restoring the Mansion will be helped with our donations.

Special procedures are established for contributions from Hottenstein family members and friends to be directed to Mansion projects. Checks are to be separately payable to the "Historic Preservation Trust of Berks County" and may be sent with the reservation form included with this newsletter, whether or not attending the Reunion. Contributions to the "Trust" are tax deductible and will be separately acknowledged.

## 2012 Reunion in Pictures ...



Brothers, Cousins, Son, Uncle, and Nephew, (from left to right), Peter Hottenstein (PA), Harriette Rensch (DE), Jake Hottenstein (PA) and Ed Hottenstein (GA)

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## Person / Family Event for 2013 Historian's Report – Hottenstein Reunion

If you are aware of a birth, adoption, marriage, death, or other family event which has occurred during the past or previous years and has not been reported in a previous Historian's Report, if there is a change of address, or if a relative is not receiving Hottenstein Reunion information and announcements, please provide the following as applicable and send this information by June 1<sup>st</sup> as indicated below:

Event: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Event: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Your Name & Contact Information: \_\_\_\_\_

Return this information, by June 1<sup>st</sup>, with any applicable notes, explanations, or news clippings to:

Theron A. "Terry" Schnure, 34 Broadleaf Circle, Windsor, CT 06095-1633

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## 2012 Reunion in Pictures ...



The 2012 Hottenstein Reunion in Kutztown, Pennsylvania

### Reunion Officers ---

Terry Schnure, President Windsor, Connecticut	860-683-2385	Jane Herlacher, Treasurer Lincoln, Massachusetts	781-259-1370
Bill Hottenstein, Vice President Plains, Pennsylvania	570-823-4457	John L. Hottenstein, Historian Landisville, Pennsylvania	717-892-7209
Russell Hottenstein, Secretary Fleetwood, Pennsylvania	610-944-8167		

## 2012 Hottenstein Family Reunion Meeting Minutes June 10, 2012, At the Mansion, Kutztown, Pennsylvania

The 76<sup>th</sup> annual reunion of the William Hottenstein family was held at the David Hottenstein Mansion, 15441 Kutztown Road, Kutztown, PA. There were 60 family members and guests in attendance and hosted by Dr. Robert, his wife Jennette and his daughter Reanna Reynolds. In the mansion, displays of period items were set up; Rob and Jennette Reynolds explained historical features of the rooms and craftsmanship.

Our traditional meal of baked chicken, ham, string beans, scalloped potatoes, glazed carrots, pepper cabbage, fruit cocktail, all with fresh strawberries, and short cake for dessert was served at approximately 1:00 PM. Fred Hottenstein offered a prayer before the meal.

**Business Meeting:** The business meeting began at about 2:10 PM. Terry Schnure expressed thanks, on behalf of everyone attending, to Rob and Jennette Reynolds for their graciousness in hosting the Reunion and conveyed the appreciation of all, in being able to see the Mansion.

**Secretary's Report:** The secretary's report was corrected to show a corrected income amount for 2010-2011; with the correction, the Secretary's Report for 2011 was accepted as presented in the distributed newsletter.

**Treasurer's Report:** The treasurer's report was explained by Jane Herlacher. In June 2011, there was a balance of \$3,602; during 2011-2012, income was \$2,594 and expenditures were \$2,799. The June 2012 balance was \$3,398. The sale of memorabilia assist in the expenses of the Reunion; the fees for the annual reunion picnic event are used to meet expenses for the event, e.g., the tent/canopy, the port-potty, the wagon transportation, and the catered food. Importantly, the greatly appreciated contributions received from family members primarily sustain the newsletter and support the newsletter and mailing costs. The treasurer's report was accepted.

In 2011-2012, Hottenstein family members and friends contributed \$1,605 to the Historic Preservation Trust of Berks County by for the Hottenstein mansion.

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## 2012 Hottenstein Family Reunion Meeting Minutes .. . continued from the previous page

**Historian's Report:** A listing of reported family events for the past year was distributed. Additional items were reported. The traditional period of silence was observed for family members who have passed away as we remember our earlier generations and their heritage in our family.

**Program:** M. Harriette Hottenstein Rensch, the daughter of Dr. David Hottenstein, presented a historic microscope for the Mansion for display in the Doctor's Office. She explained that the microscope was built by her father. She related that that Dr. Hottenstein could not afford to buy a new microscope when attending medical school at Hanneman Hospital in Philadelphia and therefore build his microscope using parts from otherwise broken and discarded microscope.

Eleanor Shaner, our friend from the Historic Preservation Trust of Berks County, was introduced. Checks totaling \$1.010 received from family members as of the date of the Reunion and payable directly to the Historic Preservation Trust of Berks County were delivered to Mrs. Shaner.

Cory Kegerise, the Community Preservation Coordinator for the Pennsylvania Historical & Museum Commission, spoke about the advantages in establishing historic districts and how historical properties in Maxatawmy Township could be affected by zoning and land use decisions without protection considerations offered by historic districts. Cory is a seventh generation descendant of David Hottenstein. Cory spoke of being in the mansion in his youth and working with his uncle on projects. In this, he recognized the historic values associated with homes such as the Hottenstein mansion, leading to his interest and career in historic preservation.

Relating to the Committee on Adjoining Lands, Russel Hottenstein reported he did not see anything of to the Hottenstein family at the Gruber family farm sale on the adjoining property during the past year.

Dr. Robert Reynolds, the resident and curator of the mansion, reported on the restoration work for 2011-2012. The parapet on the Dr's office was reconstructed to evict the critters and repainted. The roof between the summer kitchen and the original was an add-on and because of missing flashing, there is rain water incursion into the rear wall of the house. Since the roof was not part of the original structure, Dr. Reynolds feels that it should be removed and, along with that, solve the incursion problem. Dr. Reynolds also spoke about historic district and register initiatives relating to the Hottenstein house.

Dr. Reynolds acknowledged the generous gift E. Robert and Betty Hottenstein for their donation of their grandfather's clock and six painted chairs which are displayed in the mansion.

**New Business:** The following actions occurred under the new business.

In recognition of the work on the restoration of the Doctor's Office and other projects, a motion was made by Jane Herlacher and seconded by Russel Hottenstein for the Reunion to make a \$500 contribution to the Historic Preservation Trust for Berks County. The motion was approved.

The Officers as follows were re-elected:

President	Terry Schnure	Secretary	Russel Hottenstein
Vice-President	Bill Hottenstein	Treasurer	Jane Herlacher
		Historian	John L. Hottenstein

Family members at the Reunion were recognized with prizes as follows:

Oldest lady was 86 years young Marie Rowan

Oldest man was 85 years young Charlie Glick

Traveled the farthest was Howard and Laurie Hottenstein from Antigo, Wisconsin

Married the longest was Clarence and Barbara Hottenstein at 56 years

Grandparents with the youngest grandchild was Earl and Ruth Miller

The children received gifts earlier

Special congratulations were given to Rob and Jennette Reynolds who were celebrating their 25<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary.

Our next reunion will be held at the Hottenstein mansion on June 9, 2013.

**Adjournment:** Meeting adjourned at 3:50 PM. Many stayed to visit and experience the Mansion.

# Hottenstein Reunion (76th Year)

June 2012

## Historian's Report

### Births:

Jake Lawrence Hutton, son of Jeffery Lynn Hutton and Heather Marie Hutton February 24, 1999 – Family of Leon Clare (Hottenstein) Hutton, 7th gen.,	Syracuse, New York Book 4, p ; H ~ n, p. 826
Erin Elizabeth Hutton, daughter of Jeffery Lynn Hutton and Heather Marie Hutton July 22, 2001 – Family of Leon Clare (Hottenstein) Hutton, 7th gen.,	Syracuse, New York Book 4, p ; H ~ n, p. 826
Tavis Robert Regan, step son of Christopher Leon Hutton and Karen Regan Hutton August 28, 2001 – Family of Leon Clare (Hottenstein) Hutton, 7th gen.,	Syracuse, New York Book 4, p ; H ~ n, p. 826
Brendan Mathew Hayes, son of Leon (Lee) Charles Hayes and Jodi Egan Hayes July 18, 2002 – Family of Leon Clare (Hottenstein) Hutton, 7th gen.,	Manchester, New Hampshire Book 4, p ; H ~ n, p. 826
Kristian David Regan, step son of Christopher Leon Hutton and Karen Regan Hutton February 11, 2003 – Family of Leon Clare (Hottenstein) Hutton, 7th gen.,	Syracuse, New York Book 4, p ; H ~ n, p. 826
Jon Brady Fuston, son of V. Glenn Fuston, Jr. and Kathy Fontaine Fuston February 10, 2005 – Family of Leon Clare (Hottenstein) Hutton, 7th gen.,	Annapolis, Maryland Book 4, p ; H ~ n, p. 826
Lily Anh Hottenstein, daughter of Frederick (Fritz) William and Joan Vogel Hottenstein May 3, 2005 – Family of William John Hottenstein, 8th gen.	Mill Valley California Book 2, H ~ n p 165
Haley Jean Fuston, daughter of V. Glenn Fuston, Jr. and Kathy Fontaine Fuston August 29, 2008 – Family of Leon Clare (Hottenstein) Hutton, 7th gen.,	Annapolis, Maryland Book 4, p ; H ~ n, p. 826
Ella Victoria Evans, step daughter of Daniel John Hill and Alison Evans April 6, 2006 – Family of Leon Clare (Hottenstein) Hutton, 7th gen.,	Boone, North Carolina Book 4, p ; H ~ n, p. 826
Lila Daniel Hill, daughter of Daniel John Hill and Alison Evans July 26, 2007 – Family of Leon Clare (Hottenstein) Hutton, 7th gen.,	Boone, North Carolina Book 4, p ; H ~ n, p. 826
Madelyn Josephine Siwik, daughter of Nicole Terese Hutton Siwik and Jason Michael Siwik July 30, 2007 – Family of Leon Clare (Hottenstein) Hutton, 7th gen.,	Pottsville, Pennsylvania Book 4, p ; H ~ n, p. 826
Quinn Francis Hottenstein, daughter of Frederick (Fritz) William and Joan Vogel Hottenstein November 11, 2007 – Family of William John Hottenstein, 8th gen.	Mill Valley California Book 2, H ~ n p 165
Haley Jean Fuston, daughter of V. Glenn Fuston, Jr. and Kathy Fontaine Fuston August 29, 2008 – Family of Leon Clare (Hottenstein) Hutton, 7th gen.,	Annapolis, Maryland Book 4, p ; H ~ n, p. 826
Pierce Anthony Scott, step son of Daniel John Hill and Erin Scott Hill June 30, 2009 – Family of Leon Clare (Hottenstein) Hutton, 7th gen.,	Charlotte, North Carolina Book 4, p ; H ~ n, p. 826
Genevieve Katherine Siwik, daughter of Nicole Terese Hutton Siwik and Jason Michael Siwik August 28, 2009 – Family of Leon Clare (Hottenstein) Hutton, 7th gen.,	Pottsville, Pennsylvania Book 4, p ; H ~ n, p. 826
Trenton Ronald Hutton, son of Christopher Leon Hutton and Karen Regan Hutton February 27, 2010 – Family of Leon Clare (Hottenstein) Hutton, 7th gen.,	Syracuse, New York Book 4, p ; H ~ n, p. 826
Alex Jackson Orner, son of Jason Glenn Orner and Stacy Michele Witmeyer Orner September 8, 2010 – Family of Alma Marie Hottenstein Whitmeyer, 8th gen.,	Mechanicsburg, Pennsylvania Book 5, p 27C-4
Grayson Robert Anderson, son of Stephen William Anderson and Robin Milch Anderson July 23, 2011 – Family of Esther M. Hottenstein Westfall, 6th gen.	Cambridge Massachusetts Book 2, H ~ n p 314

Colin Richard Conway, son of Christopher James Conway and Laura Herlacher Conway September 29, 2011 – Family of Susan Esther Hottenstein Long, 5th gen.,	San Francisco, California Book 2, p 82; H ~ n, p 294
Charlise Faye Hill, daughter of Daniel John Hill and Erin Scott Hill November 1, 2011 – Family of Leon Clare (Hottenstein) Hutton, 7th gen.,	Charlotte, North Carolina Book 4, p ; H ~ n, p. 826
Luke Thomas Bratten, son of Eric Douglas Bratten and Emily Joanne Schnure Bratten November 4, 2011 – Family of Sarah Ellen Hottenstein Schnure, 6th gen.	Ridgewood, New Jersey Book 2, p 63; H ~ n, p 233
Tyler Timothy Hutton, son of Michael David Hutton and Wendy Sue Hutton February 1, 2012 – Family of Leon Clare (Hottenstein) Hutton, 7th gen.,	Syracuse, New York Book 4, p ; H ~ n, p. 826
Matthew Joseph Schnure, son of Bradley Kyle Schnure and Rachel Diane Lang Schnure February 23, 2012 – Family of Sarah Ellen Hottenstein Schnure, 6th gen.	Princeton, New Jersey Book 2, p 63; H ~ n, p 233
Jacob Patrick Laidacker, son of Justin Scott and Melissa A. Zimmerman Laidacker June 2, 2012 – Family of Family of Floyd Daniel Hottenstein, 6th gen.,	Lewisburg, Pennsylvania Book 2, p 66; H ~ n, p. 245

### Marriages:

Frederick (Fritz) William Hottenstein to Joan Vogel April 28, 2000 – Family of William John Hottenstein, 8th gen.	Mill Valley, California Book 2, H ~ n p 165
Stephen William Anderson to Robin Ruth Milch January 9, 2004 – Family of Esther M. Hottenstein Westfall, 6th gen.	Kauai, Hawaii Book 2, H ~ n p 314
Robert David Boyle to Michelle L. Holthausen June 11, 2011 – Family of Alma Marie Hottenstein Whitmeyer, 8th gen	Palmerton Pennsylvania Book 5, p 27C-2

### Deaths:

Ronald Jon (Hottenstein) Hutton, husband of Nancy Jean Barnhart Hutton, deceased July 21, 2001 – Family of Leon Clare (Hottenstein) Hutton, 7th gen.,	Annapolis, Maryland Book 4, p ; H ~ n, p. 825
Nancy Jean Barnhart Hutton, wife of Ronald Jon (Hottenstein) Hutton, deceased November 3, 2003 – Family of Leon Clare (Hottenstein) Hutton, 7th gen.,	Syracuse, New York Book 4, p ; H ~ n, p. 825
Jean Cowan Hutton, wife of Leon Claire (Hottenstein) Hutton, deceased January 23, 2007 – Family of Sedgewick McCoy Hottenstein, 6th gen.,	White Chapel Gardens, DeWitt, NY Book 4, p ; H ~ n, p. 825
Robert Allen Payne, Jr., son of Robert A Payne, Sr. and Carol Ann Gallaher Payne November 4, 2009 – Family of Nellie M. Hottenstein Payne, 6th gen.,	San Clemente, California Book 2, p 17A; H ~ n, p. 149
Charlotte May Trate Budman, wife of William Morris Budman April 14, 2011 – Family of Edna Frances Hottenstein Wolfe, 6th gen.,	Harmony Cemetery, Milton. Pennsylvania Book 2, p 66; H ~ n, p. 200
Dorothy Louise Wilhelm Steckbeck, wife of Edward C. Steckbeck, deceased October 28, 2011 – Family of Claire E. Hottenstein Wilhelm	Monmouth Cemetery, Tinton Falls, NJ Book 5, p
Katheryn Jones Young, wife of James Clyde Young, deceased February 11, 2012 – Family of Lenora Hottenstein Jones	Gleason, Wisconsin Wisconsin Line
Jacob Patrick Laidacker, infant son of Justin Scott and Melissa Z. Laidacker June 2, 2012 – Family of Floyd Daniel Hottenstein, 6th gen.,	New Berlin Cemetery, New Berlin, PA Book 2, p 66; H ~ n, p. 245



## 2012 Reunion in Pictures ...



Young and Younger

Marie Rowan, Harrisburg, PA (Left to Right) Haley Weidman, Reanna Reynolds & Julie Weidman



The Summer Kitchen with the Hottenstein Mansion

## 2012 Hottenstein Mansion Trust Report:

### Hurricane Sandy Damage

The Hottenstein house and grounds received some damage from Hurricane Sandy. At the height of the storm 75+ mph burst of wind came from the northeast. One of the large 12/12 windows started blowing into the house. Many of the kitchen cabinets blew open and items blew off the top of the refrigerator. The window was able to be pushed closed and secured with strapping and nails. The wind burst blew over the outhouse which has significant damage and likely needs full replacement, blew slates off the smoke house, and tore the bottoms off about two dozen asphalt roof shingles on the garage. Lastly, one front shutter got loose, banged a few times, and the top hinge pulled out and it fell over and tore out at the bottom hinge and landed in the grass. The sticks hitting the windows at seventy five miles an hour thankfully did not break any of the old glass. An insurance claim is being made for the damage.

### Landscape Tree and Shrub Overhaul

While the storm caused damage to some trees and shrubbery; it provided an opportunity to address additional landscaping needs. A landscape firm was

brought in for three days with a lift, chipper, and truck to haul chips. All trees were trimmed and shaped, the forsythia was significantly trimmed, a large dead pine tree was taken down, and more tree limbs were cut due to the 2011 Halloween snow storm.

### Exterior First and Second Floor Window and Door Painting and Repairs

Bidding on the exterior repair and repainting for the first and second floor windows and shutters is underway. Four pairs of shutters still need to be installed. One shutter is rotten and will need to be largely rebuilt reusing the old hardware and panels. One of the gable end return cornices on the kitchen ell is rotten and needs repair. The door that leads to the crawl space under the kitchen ell is rotten and needs replacement. A wooden screen/storm door needs to be installed on the kitchen ell near the driveway. A few cracked window panes need replacement. The door surround has rotten plinths holding the columns and one column is being chewed by squirrels so they can nest inside. The copper over the front pediment does not extend far enough forward to overhang the wood work. Lastly, the windows need glazing repair and the first and second floor windows, trim, shutters, and doors will be primed and painted white. This project may be done this year or be split over two years depending on costs.

### Bathroom

The bathroom was the main project we expected to finish in 2012, but our contractor was booked up and we will be completing the project this summer. The room will be remodeled with most fixtures replaced, a new floor, and paint. It is hoped that the repairs will stop any leaks that may have contributed to the failing plaster in the bathroom below on the first floor.

### Water Heater

A new 80 gallon electric water heater was installed in December along with new circuitry and a steel expansion tank to comply with current municipal code.

### Covered Patio Enclosure

With the National Landmark Status for the Hottenstein House being under review, there is a "wait to decide" status about demolishing the covered patio in the back of the house between the house and the summer kitchen until eligibility for National Landmark status is determined. .

Excerpted from the Annual Report for 2012 on the Hottenstein Mansion prepared by Robert Webster Reynolds, Ph.D. prepared for the Historic Preservation Trust of Berks County.



# Willoughby/Wilson Hottenstein Reunion, Saturday, July 13, 2013

by Howard and Laurie Hottenstein

The descendants of Willoughby (or Wilson) Hottenstein will hold their fourth reunion on Saturday, July 13<sup>th</sup>. As last year, the location will be at West Bend at the Quass Creek Gonring Athletic Complex, 2500 Country Creek Circle, in West Bend, Wisconsin. Bring a dish to pass and an optional gift for exchange and fun. For more information, contact Howard or Laurie Hottenstein, at 715-623-6844 or via email at [bumalot@gmail.com](mailto:bumalot@gmail.com).

In 2012, it was a beautiful day for a reunion and even a more beautiful person was in charge -- thank you so much Laura Hottenstein Henschel for hosting this year's reunion! It was held at Quass Creek Park in West Bend, WI on Saturday, July 14, 2012. We had the biggest showing of the descendants of Chester & Ellanora since this great tradition began in 2010. There were 63 family members total!



The 2012 Willoughby/Wilson Hottenstein Reunion

As people arrived, each was asked to register and get a button, this year featuring a picture of Chester & Ellanora. As usual, we had a wide assortment of food, no excuse to go away hungry! We all gathered for group pictures and participated in the gift exchange. Special gifts were awarded to Oldest (Gerald Hottenstein, Sr.), Youngest (Teagan Abigail McMinn), Furthest traveled (Heidi Hottenstein McMinn), Oldest kid under 18 (Gabrielle Theoharis), Best dish (Lisa Hottenstein), and a new one for this year was Best-Worst Dish (Gerald Hottenstein, Sr.) for bringing bananas.

The neatest part of this reunion was the fact that we had 7 out of 10 children of Chester & Ellanora in attendance and also the spouse of one! It is a treasure to have them come and we have hopes that one day all 10 will be there -- how wonderful would that be?!?!?! Each of these "kids" was given a calendar with each family being represented in birth order.

Another treasured memory is that Aunt Barb (spouse of Ken) brought her accordion and played a few songs on it - this brought back memories for those who had the privilege of listening to her play at Conradt reunions in the past. Thank you so much Aunt Barb!

A couple family members also brought some old pictures to share -- what a blessing! So many of those in attendance never met grandma & grandpa as they had left this world way too young! And for those who had met them, it was great to see pictures of them and the "kids" at much younger ages!

Unfortunately, people began to disperse before deciding the date and location of the next reunion. Laura Hottenstein Henschel was willing to host the reunion again year; plans are to have it at the same place the second Saturday in July. 2013



Laura Hottenstein Henschel  
with a mini tee shirt for youngest  
Teagan Abigail McMinn

## Philip Hottenstein Reunion, Sunday, August 18, 2013

by Patricia Hottenstein Moritz & Carol Hottenstein Cather

The 2013 Mid-West Reunion of the Philip Hottenstein Line will be held in Hickory Hill Park in Potosi, WI on August 18, 2013. Lynne Wilburn, Genie Fleming, Rosemary Fleming, Pat Moritz, and Carol Cather are in hosting the Potosi reunion this year. For more information, contact Lynne Fleming Wilburn at .815-734-4593 or at [lflemingwilburn@yahoo.com](mailto:lflemingwilburn@yahoo.com)

In 2012 and once again on the third Sunday afternoon in August, descendants of Phillip J. and Catherine W. Hottenstein gathered in Hickory Hill Park with approximately 50+ in attendance. The day and weather were perfect! Mervin Hottenstein treated us to his deep-fried blue gill once again and many other delicious dishes were shared. Teddy & Jan Hottenstein's coffee to welcome all was missed, as Teddy was in the Veteran's Hospital in Iowa City, IA. His family gathered in his room for their own Hottenstein Reunion. Teddy died soon afterward on September 2.

Together, family stories were told. We are encouraging this storytelling, especially around the next generations! Memorials were shared also. Bob Jones, of Gleason, WI, beautifully sang "My Wild Irish Rose" in memory of Rose Hottenstein Fleming of Mt. Morris, IL, the youngest child of Phillip and Catherine. And, in memory of Patrick Wilburn, son of Lynne and grandson of Rose, we were "forever blowing pretty bubbles".



Forever blowing pretty bubbles (from left to right) were Pat Moritz, Connie Jones, Lynne Wilburn, and Genie Fleming

The life of Kay Jones Young, of Merrill, WI, was remembered with her scrapbooks of her memories and poems. She passed February 11, 2012 at the age of 71; she was the daughter of Nora Hottenstein Jones of Gleason.

With these memorials and stories shared, the importance of our annual reunions is known. Those to

follow us must be exposed to their rich inheritance which is family history.



Hottenstein Park, in Gleason, WI, Gleason, WI is the ancestral home of "Grandma and Grandpa"

The family of Rose Hottenstein Fleming will host our next reunion August 18, 2013, in Potosi, WI.

## Embroidered Sport Shirts with Hottenstein Coat of Arms

In recognition of the 75<sup>th</sup> Hottenstein Reunion last year, a sport shirt with the Hottenstein Coat of Arms was developed. The shirts will be available at the Reunion on June 10<sup>th</sup> and may be ordered for pickup at the Reunion or for delivery by mail.



The men's style has a two button placket, with a welt-knit collar and cuffs; the women's style has a feminine four button reversed placket, with a contoured welt collar and cuffs.

The shirts are \$28 each, (\$30 for 2x or greater). All standard men's and women's sizes are available. If shipping, the charge is \$6.

To request an order form, please check the box on the return registration form or otherwise print the form from the Hottenstein Web Site at:

<http://www.hottenstein.org/Forms/ShirtMailOrderForm.pdf>

## Other Hottenstein Memorabilia

Tiles, mugs, prints, banners, all with the Hottenstein Coat of Arms, will be available at the Hottenstein Reunion or may be ordered.

To obtain information on the memorabilia and if ordering, please check the box on the reservation form or otherwise print the form from the Hottenstein Web Site at:

<http://www.hottenstein.org/Forms/MemorabiliaMailOrderForm.pdf>

# 2013 Hottenstein Reunion

(Please check or complete as applicable.)

## Reunion Event Reservations --

We will attend the 2013 Reunion at the Hottenstein Mansion, in Kutztown, as follows:  
(Please refer to the newsletter for program details and locations. Please check all events to be attended.)

	<u>Number</u>	<u>Cost</u>	<u>Total</u>
Sunday, June 9 <sup>th</sup>			
_____ Picnic and Program, Adults (18 and above)	_____	@ \$24.00	_____
_____ Youth (10 to 17)	_____	@ 15.00	_____
_____ Children (9 and below)	_____	(no cost)	_____

Please indicate the names of those attending below or on an attachment.

## Saturday Arrival and Evening Dinner --

\_\_\_\_\_ Please check this box if arriving on Saturday or if interested in joining in a social evening with dinner at 6:30 PM at the Virginville Hotel, to assist in planning, accommodations, and notifications.

## Internet Access --

I/We have an email address; it is as follows:

\_\_\_\_\_ @ \_\_\_\_\_

## Sports Shirts, Memorabilia, and Book

\_\_\_\_\_ Please check this box for an information/order form for Hottenstein embroidered sports shirts.

\_\_\_\_\_ Please check this box for an information/order form for other Hottenstein memorabilia, which includes mugs, plates, trivets, coat of arms prints, note cards, and banners.

\_\_\_\_\_ Please check this box for an information/order form for book, Hottenstein – The Descendants of William, Second Son of the Immigrant.

[Alternatively, these forms are located on the Reunion Web-Site at [www.hottenstein.org](http://www.hottenstein.org); when in the web site, scroll down to the section of forms and click on the selected form.]

## Hottenstein Reunion Contribution --

My/Our contribution to the Hottenstein Reunion to further support Reunion planning, mailing costs, and other current activities is enclosed. The contributions enable us to continue the Reunion and embark on new initiatives.

**Total Remittance/Check (Payable to the "Hottenstein Reunion"):** \_\_\_\_\_

## Hottenstein Mansion Contribution --

My/Our contribution directed to the Hottenstein Mansion preservation is enclosed. As explained in the newsletter, a separate check returned with this reservation form made payable to the "Historic Preservation Trust of Berks County" will be provided to this non-profit organization, and directed to the Mansion. Contributions provided in this manner are tax deductible. Indicate Hottenstein Mansion in the memo portion of the check. These contributions will be separately acknowledged.

**Contribution/Check (Payable to the "Historic Preservation Trust of Berks County"):** \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Tel: \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

Please return this form to: Theron A. Schnure, 34 Broadleaf Circle, Windsor, CT 06095-1633

(Your address will be on the label on the reverse of this form.)

(Please correct the label if the address is not correct.)

Hottenstein Reunion  
Theron A. "Terry" Schnure  
34 Broadleaf Circle  
Windsor, Connecticut 06095-1633

## ***Hottenstein Lines***

### **Your Hottenstein Reunion Family Newsletter**

#### **Hottenstein Reunions --**

Descendants of Jacob Hottenstein  
June 9, 2013, Sunday  
At the Hottenstein Manison  
Kutztown, Pennsylvania

Descendants of Willoughby/Wilson Hottenstein  
July 13, 2013, Saturday  
At the Quass Creek Gonring Athletic Complex  
West Bend, Wisconsin

Descendants of Philip J. Hottenstein  
August 18, 2013, Sunday  
At the Hickory Hill Park  
Potosi, Wisconsin

