# The President's Corner

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BY GENE C. ENDERS (1-7-5-3-2-4-4) PRESIDENT

A LL THINGS COME TO AN "END"... My appreciation to the membership for allowing me to serve as your president the past eleven years. The accomplishments have made it very rewarding for me. I was elected to this position on August 28th, 1993 and each succeeding year since. I thank those of you who have stuck by me and took your office positions seriously and did a great job.

Your family association is what it is today because of the dedication and hard work of many. In years past, the care, maintenance and planning for the association was all done by volunteers. If we do not have more people taking responsibilities for the future of the association, there will not be an association. Since the life of the association began many people have donated their time, money and talents. Your financial donations to the association go for expenses such as: taxes, electric, paint, insurance, trash removal, printing, postage for mailings, checks, safe deposit box, web site/internet, reunion expenses, handicap potty, maintenance, etc.

My wish would be that you support the next president by your time and talents and continue the work of the Enders Family Association. When asked to serve, "Do It Willingly". SEE YOU AT THE REUNION on August 14th, 2004.



President Gene speaking at the 2003 reunion.

# 82nd Annual Enders Reunion

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AUGUST 14, 2004

Ender's Family Association (EFA) Board at it's May meeting reviewed plans for the 82nd Annual Enders Reunion to be held in the Enders Grove on August 14, 2004. That good Enders food will be available at the refreshment stand as prepared by the Halifax United Church of Christ. Many folks have been seen eating soup and drinking coffee long before the 1:30PM opening Memorial Service and business meeting.

During the business meeting, the nominating committee report will be given and officers will be elected. Prizes will be awarded to persons who bring EFA Reunion ribbons (red and/or white; see related article elsewhere in this issue of

the "Connection"). The usual awards will be made to the oldest and youngest person present, family with most children present, etc.

"Country Tradition" Band will perform again this year from 5-8PM in the auditorium.

During the day, free registration will be offered. Please sign up when you arrive. It helps the committee to count the reunion attendance. Also bring along folding chairs - especially if you would rather not sit on the auditorium benches or sit outside.

Bring all the members of your family and your neighbors and friends. Why can't we have 600 people at this wonderful event? YOU CAN HELP TO MAKE THIS HAPPEN!



# **IMPORTANT**

# The Enders Genealogy 1740 - 2004 Volume III

Genealogy data for Enders Family Genealogy Volume III is ready for proofing. If you wish to see and correct your data before Volume III goes to print, you need to contact Marilyn Henninger.

If you have email, send your email address and your Enders genealogy number to her at harlech@epix.net.

If you <u>do not</u> have email, send a stamped self-addressed envelope to her at:

Marilyn Henninger PO Box 329

Elizabethville, PA 17023-0329

Put your genealogy number on the flap of the envelope and include two extra stamps. (*Stamps not needed will be returned to you.*) You will receive a printout of your data beginning with your grandparents as well as a blank form to send back new data. **Details on purchasing Volume III will also be included.** 

BE PATIENT. Your data will be sent to you as soon as possible.

Do not send new or additional information until you see what we already have. Then send all new and corrected information at one time.

The cut-off date for Volume III submissions is December 31, 2004. This means births, deaths, divorces, graduations, etc. after that date will not be included in Volume III. All corrections must also be sent in by that date.

If you have any questions you may phone Marilyn at 717-362-8991.

Can you help us find someone? We are hoping to give everyone a chance to proof their genealogy data before Volume III is printed but we do not know how to contact many of the Enders descendants. If you have a mailing address or an email address of someone you think we might not have, please get that information to Marilyn Henninger. OR contact the Enders descendant and give them Marilyn's mailing address, email address or phone number.

# We Need Workers To Help Clean Up The Grove!

SATURDAY, JULY 31,2004

**B** eginning at 8:30AM, members and friends are invited to participate in a final housecleaning of the EFA facilities. We want to look our best for the August 14th Annual Reunion. Bring cleaning tools, buckets, brooms, rakes, scrub rags, etc.

The nominating committee will meet at 12 NOON for a final session with **Chairman Lou Bobish**. They will prepare to make their report at the 2004 Reunion.



# Enders Items of Interest RIBBONS

We are continuing to accept checks for \$100.00 per Enders Memorial trees. The board plants them as weather permits. Your check should be accompanied by the name of the person(s) whom you wish to honor or memorialize by your gift. Their names and yours will be added to the plagues which contain the names of other donors. They are displayed in the auditorium on Reunion Day.

With this issue of the "Connection" you will find an envelope and a yellow card. Use it to send a monetary gift for the use of the EFA to maintain the grove and its equipment. Make your gift as generous as possible. You can also use it to send treasurer Bob Enders, your memorial tree gift as well.

Buy a copy of our wonderful Enders Civil War history at the reunion and give it to a family member as a gift (if you already have one). From now on, every penny that we make in the sale of "Captain Enders Legion" will go 100 percent into our treasury. Because a generous family member at last reunion day purchased enough books to pay off the printer, we now will realize 100 percent profit when we sell a **copy** (see the article on page 5).

Inform Secretary Mary Deibler about a family member who might have died since last reunion (better that several people tell her about a death than no one tells her at all). Family members will be memorialized at the opening of the 2004 reunion.

Address changes should likewise be shared with Mary as soon as they are known. It will allow you to get your Connection on time and also save the EFA forwarding costs.

The reunion meets on the 2nd Saturday of every August. While you are thinking of it, August 13, 2005 will be the next one after the 2004 gathering! NOTE IT NOW IN YOUR CALENDAR!

After many years of storing Enders materials, Bill and Marilyn Wilbert have moved to smaller quarters in Elizabethville. When President Gene was told of the need to find a place for some of these items, he immediately sprung into action. He has fashioned an area in his barn behind his house in Mechanicsburg, isolated it and now makes a wonderful place for "Ender's Things". THANKS GENE and NAN as well as many thanks to Bill and Marilyn for your past help!

# YOUR FAMILY ASSOCIATION NEEDS HELP !!! WILL YOU HELP SERVE AS A VOLUNTEER?

TO MOW THE GROVE OR ANCESTOR'S CEMETERY TO ASSIST THE SECRETARY TO HELP PREPARE THE NEWSLETTER TO HELP CLEAN UP THE GROVE EACH SPRING ALL OF OUR ACTIVITIES NEED YOUR HELP!

Will you serve as an officer, a volunteer or on a committee?

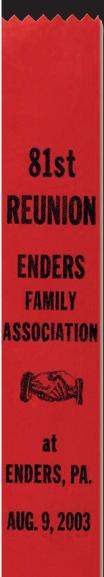
YES NO

We are a proud family with published genealogies, ancestor's cemetery & grove, newsletters and no dues!!

# **KEEP THE ENDERS' SPIRIT ALIVE!!!**

**WE WANT RIBBONS!** 

**EFA Reunion Ribbons** 



President Gene announced that prizes will be awarded to those (not those who bring the most), but how many different years of EFA Reunion ribbons we can collect to make a complete set!

The first Reunion was held on September 13, 1913. We would like to gather them for our Enders archives. If you don't want to part with them, bring them along to show anyway. You might be one of the lucky winners.



"The Country Traditions" are back for a second year by popular demand. This musical group will play from 5:00PM until 8:00PM in the auditorium. Make yourself comfortable on that easy lawn chair which you brought and drink in the melodies of "The Country Traditions".



"The Enders Restaurant" serves GREAT food in it's own building. Those who have attended past Reunions know that the soup is outstanding, as are the sloppy joes, pies and cakes, and lots of beverage choices. We are indebted to the grand folks of the Halifax United Church of Christ who get up early on Saturday morning in order to prepare tasty food for us!. No need to prepare a picnic basket at these prices!



Signing in at the registration table (81st Reunion, August, 2003).



"Connection" Editor, **CECIL PAUL ENDERS POTTIEGER** (1-7-5-3-2-7-2), is pictured here with his wife, **Dolly**, and several cousins (from left, **Marilyn Henninger** and the **Rev. Klaus Enders** of Germany) on a 2001 German tour. The picture was taken in a Hotel restaurant by yet another cousin, the **Rev. Bruce Wright from Australia.** 

Cecil was Secretary of the Association for almost a dozen years along with his cousin President Gene. Cecil served with his brother, **Jim**, as Historians of the Association for many years. The Pottieger minister/brothers frequently conducted the annual Memorial Service at the Reunions.

Cecil and Doris (Dolly) will be moving in July 2004 to Mt. Pleasant, South Carolina which is a bedroom community of nearby Charleston, SC. They will be moving along with their son Don and his wife Marty as well as with their two sons and their families. FMI Services Group, a family business with almost 600 employees in five states will be moving their Corporate Headquarters to Charleston. With eleven family members they will form the nucleus of an Enders Family Association satellite in SC!

They will miss the fellowship of the Enders Family Association and trust that an occasional visit will be able to be made to future Reunions. Cecil will remain busy with tours to Germany with a genealogical trip being planned to Germany in 2005. We will long remember the 1978 Enders tour over 25 years ago to Enders German locations which was highlighted for us by **Raymmie Enders** at the 2003 Reunion!

# I Am Proud to Be a Member of the Enders Family Association

ave you found that small yellow card with a white envelope addressed to our Treasurer with your CONNECTION? It is placed here as a reminder to all of us to make a contribution to the Association. Many of you already do this religiously. Some give a gift each

time THE ENDERS CONNECTION arrives at your house twice a year. Your officers appreciate your generosity. The more you give the more they are able to accomplish. "Isabelle's" tornado was especially devastating in early autumn, 2003. Fortunately the ten newly planted pin oaks survived.

Do you or your spouse belong to any of the following organizations? American Legion, Am Vets, VPW, SAR, DAR, labo union, SUV, OES, White Shrine, Masons, K of C, Shrine, Elks; Moose, PSEA, NEA, AMA. Dental Society, Life Underwriters; Bankers Assoc., Ins. Agents Assoc., etc. How much are your annual dues?

Enders Family Association Annual Dues?

Help our association keep our Grove a lasting memorial to Captain Philip Christian and Anna Apolonia Degen Enders. Thanks. (over)

I am proud to be a member of are fortunate to have published an active association.	
Name and address would like to donate \$	to help pay fixed
expenses foritem	(over)

# Remember the ENDERS ASSOCIATION in Your Will!

If you need help in doing this, contact President Gene, or one of the Officers on how it can be accomplished. Your contribution will help to further the work of "YOUR" family long after you are gone.

# Your ENDERS Number

y Enders number is 1-7-5-3-2-7-2! You might ask, "How do you know that and how do I get my number? By checking the ENDERS GENEALOGY, you locate the name and number of one of your direct family members. For

example, my mother, who was an ENDERS was numbered 1-7-5-3-2-7. Since I was her second child, I add to her number a "2" and thus arrive at my ENDERS number as noted in the first sentence above. *See how easy it is?* (by editor Cecil).

# "Captain Enders Legion" BOOK STILL ON SALE



The latest ENDERS publication has reached a plateau. To date 337 copies of the book have been sold. It cites the names and biographies of all known ENDERS Civil War veterans in fascinating fashion. Authors (who are both family members) are Karl E. Schaeffer and Russell J. Ottens. They researched the more than 160 ENDERS soldiers who fought on both sides of the war between the states from 1861-1865.

At the 2003 Reunion a kind benefactor donated enough money to pay the remaining balance due on the printing bill. The books that this generous gift paid for were distributed free to persons present at the Reunion. Since the remaining books are completely paid for, all receipts from their sale can now go (100 percent) into the treasury toward on-going costs and grounds improvements.

Buy one or more for members of your family as Christmas presents NOW. Send a check for \$35.00 plus \$3.00 for shipping and handling for each copy to: **Karl E. Schaeffer**, Hunters Chase, 7154 Willowlane Ave. NW, Massillon, OH 44646. (Phone 330-854-6326).E-mail Rschaef535@aol.com.

# 2001 REUNION FLASHBACKS





CLOCKWISE, LEFT TO RIGHT: 1- "Shopping" after the meeting, 2. Renee and Dick "mind the store", 3. Food servers take orders, 4. Members participate in the business meeting, 5. Kids enjoy the playground.

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Our treasurer, **Robert L. Enders** (1-7-5-3-2-4-1-1) giving his report at last year's reunion.