

The President's Corner



BY DAVID ENDERS (1-7-5-4-4-3-1-4) PRESIDENT

T he 83rd Enders Family Reunion will be held on August 13, 2005 at the Enders Grove, Enders, PA. The business meeting and memorial service will begin at 1:30 PM. Entertainment by the Egerlander German Band will be from 5:00 to 8:00 PM, so bring your lawn chairs and plan to stay for the evening. And of course the delicious food provided by the United Church of Christ will be sold from 11:00 AM to 8:00 PM.

Thanks to Bill Wilbert and his helpers, the Grove will be in great shape for the reunion. The electrical service has been upgraded to 200 AMPS, this will prevent problems we have had in the past with overloaded circuits. Also, many aging and diseased

83rd Annual Enders Reunion

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trees have been removed along with the stumps making maintenance of the Grove less of a struggle.

The highlight of this years reunion will be the unveiling of the crown jewel "A comprehensive genealogy of the Enders Family Volume III 1740-2004." After years of dedication by Marilyn Henninger and her helpers to gather, compile, and sort through stacks of information, finally Volume III has gone to print. Many generations of Enders will benefit from all their tireless efforts. No words can do justice for the appreciation we *have for this Genealogy.* But I will try, **THANK YOU** to all who helped in bringing this book to print!

<u>Thanks to everyone involved</u> in the EFA for making it a truly <u>unique Family Association</u>.

Looking forward to seeing everyone at the 83rd Reunion.



Enders Genealogy Volume III



Marilyn Henninger, editor , with data she received since 1998 and has included in Volume III.

After 4 years of work, Volume III is now in the hands of the printer. It will be available at the reunion on August 13th for those who placed orders. It will be shipped to those not at the reunion after any balance due is paid.

I would like to thank those who helped with the project. What can I say about my typists? Without them this book would not have been printed. I'll list them in order of the most typed:

Rosemary Schaeffer, wife of Karl Schaeffer [1-14-3-3-1-7-1], proved the old adage, "If you want something done, ask a busy person".

Rosemary was given the 1-7s, by far the largest assignment. Not only did she take on the challenge without hesitation, she was the first to finish.

Renie Enders Wolford [1-7-5-3-2-9-8], although unsure of her ability to use a genealogy program, she did her assignment well. The 1-14s were the second largest chapter. Renie and her husband Dick loaned me a laptop which allowed me to work on this project at various locations and even on vacation. It was invaluable.

Yours truly *[1-14-9-2-4-5-3-1]*, did the 1-3s, 1-4s, 1-6s, 1-9s and the 1-12s as well as added most of the information to all the chapters that was received since 1998.

Randy Crowder [1-7-5-3-2-8-3-1] offered to help in May 2004 and finished the 1-10s in two months. Without his help I never would have met my goal of publishing in 2005. He also added the new 1-10s data received since 1998 and became my sounding board. He helped to set up style sheets and protocol for what to include in the book.

Nancy Enders, *wife of Gene Enders* [1-7-5-3-2-4-4], volunteered to do the 1-2s. She did her assignment very well in spite of suffering a broken wrist in the middle of the project. She also supported Gene through his years of president of the Enders Family Association.

Marilyn Wilbert, *another historian of the Enders Family Association and wife of William [1-7-2-3-10-1-4]*, has done Enders research for many years and solved innumerable mysteries. She assisted me with numerous tasks and decisions concerning the book.

<u>Thanks to the past and present board members of the Association</u> for their confidence in me.

Russ Ottens has been a volunteer photographer for many years. His work has put faces to names and made our genealogy come alive.

Mary Deibler, Darlean Skaddan [1-7-5-4-4-11], and June Gelnet [1-7-3-6-3-3-2], volunteered to help and worked on various projects.

My husband, Dennis, who performed many household chores so I could continue working on this project.

And last but certainly not least, thanks to three people who are not descendants of Philip Christian Enders but who volunteered their time and expertise. **Kaye Thoma, David Neagley,** and **Judy Austin**.

Marilyn Henninger

Genealogy or Family History?

Enders Genealogy Volume III is a genealogy book. It contains 22,000 names and 65 pictures on 982 pages. It also contains the Enders family history that was published previously. <u>However</u> more pictures, letters, records and family history exist that could not be included in Volume III. We continue to collect this data with the hope that someone will volunteer to compile it for posterity.

– The Historians, Enders Family Association

We Need Workers To Help Clean Up The Grove!

SATURDAY, JULY 30,2005

B eginning at 8:00AM, members and friends are invited to participate in a final housecleaning of the EFA facilities. We want to look our best for the August 13th Annual Reunion. Bring cleaning tools, buckets, brooms, rakes, scrub rags, etc.

HELP MAKE THE GROVE SHINE!



Enders Items of Interest

The Enders Memorial Tree Program has been put on hold until further notice. Tree <u>donations will be accepted</u> but may be diverted into the general fund.

With this issue of the "Connection" <u>you will find an envelope and a yellow card</u>. **Please use it to send a monetary gift for the use of the EFA to maintain the grove and its equipment**. Please make your gift as generous as possible and send it to our Treasurer, Louis M. Bobish.

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.

Inform Secretary **Mary Deibler** about any family member who 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 2005 reunion.*

Address changes for the Connection should be sent as soon as possible to the secretary, Mary Deibler at 245 Plank Road, York Springs, PA 17372 OR E-mail at <u>msdeibler@superpa.net</u>. This ensures you will receive the Connection promptly and save the EFA extra postage.

The reunion meets on the 2nd Saturday of every August. August 13, 2005 will be our next gathering! NOTE IT NOW IN YOUR CALENDAR!

Hard Decisions Have To Be Made

he tornado damage in the grove was a wake-up call for us to remove diseased trees which could fall on our buildings. Trees that had dead tops and holes in the sides. These hollow trees allow water to enter, causing erosion and become a very real danger when storms come through. Photos at right illustrate the large hollow tree stump west of the kitchen pavilion, and another behind the auditorium (more pictures will be posted at the reunion). Along with tree removal, the electrical service into the grove was upgraded. The service line is now underground and we have a 200 AMP service in both buildings. No more overheated electric lines and circuit breaker boxes! IMPROVEMENTS COME WITH A PRICE TAG. Your donations help to make these improvements possible. Please send your donations to our treasurer, Louis M. Bobish, made out to the Enders Family Association, 1018 Teakwood Lane, Enola, PA 17025. - Gene C. Enders



RIBBONS WE WANT RIBBONS!

EFA Reunion Ribbons

There will be prizes awarded for ribbons at this year's reunion. We're trying to see how many different years of EFA Reunion ribbons we can collect to make a complete set!



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REUNION

ENDERS

FAMILY

ASSOCIATION

at ENDERS, PA.

AUG. 9, 2003

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.

Restore Those Old Photos NOW.... Before It's Too Late!

A special thank you to **Ann Pearson Moskowitz** (1-14-9-2-4-7-2-3) for professionally restoring the photos of two of <u>Philip Christian Enders' children</u>: **Christina Jane Enders** (1-10) and **John Conrad Enders** (1-14).

If you have old, faded, or damaged photos, they can be professionally **restored.** The fading of photographs cannot be stopped, but they can be copied and enhanced. Torn and water damaged photos can be copied and damaged areas fixed.

For FREE Estimates... e-mail Ann at PhotoRtist@aol.com or call 610-983-9657 Samples can be seen at: http://apag.net/gallery_moskowitz.htm

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!!!

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

Have you found that small yellow card with a white envelope addressed to our Treasurer with your CONNECTION? It is placed

Do you or your spouse belong to any of the following organizations? American Legion, Am Vets, VFW, SAR, DAR, labor 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. there to r emind all of us to make a contribution to the Association for the upkeep of the grove and various other expenses.

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CONGRATULATIONS!

Congratulations to Mae Enders Thompson for her successful application to the Daughters of the America Revolution. It took Mae several years and much research to apply for membership through Philip Christian Enders. We know descendants of Philip Christian Enders have been accepted into the DAR through other names such as Warfel, but we don't know of anyone who achieved membership through Philip. If you or someone you know is a member through Philip please contact Mae at 244 N. 62nd St., Velda Rose Est., Mesa, AZ 85205 or phone (480) 654-1484.



http://www.endersfamily.org

Remember the ENDERS ASSOCIATION in Your Will!

If you need help in doing this, contact President David, 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.



Historic Enders Civil War Letter Shared

Below, is a letter written by my Great Grandfather Isaac Bowman when he was a member of the 130th PA Vol. Infantry Regiment, Co. H during the Civil War. He and Joseph Knouff served together and this letter was written in the hills of Virginia prior to the deadly battle at Fredericksburg. Our sincere thanks to our dear cousin Mary Belle Bucks of Florida for this letter that has been in her family for many years. Joseph Knouff was her Great Grandfather.

– Karl Schaeffer

To: Mr. John C. Enders Enders Post Office Dauphin County, PA

Reb's Virginia December the 5th 1862

My dear friend, this morning I have taken my pen in hand to drop a few lines to you to let you know that I am well at present time and Joseph Knouff he is well too and is getting along good and so are all the rest of the boys and I hope that this I view may find you in the same state of good health and all the rest of our friends and further we all liked it well so far and we have enough to eat and we have good clothes that we can keep ourselves warm and further it wasent as cold here yet as it is up at house we had a little snow on the 7 of November and we are at a place that we like it very well and we can see more here in one day that we ever did at home but I think that we won't stay long here it might be that we leave tomorrow or and further I let you know that Joseph Knoff wrote two letters to you and have not received no answer yet and he would like to know what for that he don't get no answer but I think that you did not get his letters and further we hope we will get paid off one of these days then we will send our money to you and further I would like to see you and love too to talk with you but I hope if God spares our life till our time is up I hope that I can enjoy myself at house again with each other and further if we will have a awful fight at Fredericksburg then our troops can talk with them at the Rapahanick River and have a 100 thousand troops.

Now I want to bring my letter to a close and excuse my spelling and my writing and answer soon and we send our best respect to all our friends.

Mr. Isaac Bowman Mr. Joseph Knouff "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. <u>It cites the</u> <u>names and biographies of all known</u> <u>ENDERS Civil War veterans in fascinating fashion</u>. 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. <u>Since the</u> 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.

Castle Thunder – Richmond, VA

ohn Enders, Sr. and family owned three tobacco warehouses at 20th and Cary Streets when the Civil War commenced. When John Enders, Sr. fell to his death in 1852, his son **John Enders, Jr. and family** leased the warehouses to **Luther Libby**, a *"Yankee"* from Maine. In 1861, the Confederate forces seized the warehouses to house captured Union Officers and some enlisted men at the famous Libby Prison.

The Enders family also owned another large tobacco warehouse on the north side of Cary Street, between 18th and 19th Streets, which was Castle Thunder *(as seen in this pre Civil War photograph)*.

It was mainly used for civilian prisoners and was generally packed with murderers, cutthroats, thieves and other desperadoes. Males suspected of disloyalty, spies and Union sympathizers were incarcerated here. A large number of its inmates were under sentence of death. A few women were held here, including the famous, **Dr. Mary E. Walker**. It was later used by the Federals for Confederate civilian *"war criminals"* after the surrender in 1865

Confederate civilian *"war criminals"* after the surrender in 1865. When the war ended, the warehouses were returned to the Enders family.

– Karl Schaeffer





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