NEWSLETTER

Indiana German Heritage Society

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MEETING TO FOCUS ON RELIGION

As announced in the last Newsletter, the IGHS Seventh Annual Meeting will concentrate on the Hoosier-German religious experience and is co-sponsored by the IGHS and Indiana Religious History Association. The program will begin on Friday, March 15, with the annual membership meeting of the IGHS at the Benedictine Center in Beech Grove. A map is included in this Newsletter. The meeting will be from 4:30 to 5:30 PM followed by a dinner at the Center with the speakers and will conclude with an Old Fashioned Hymn Sing led by Eberhard Reichmann and Claude Sluder. The main portion of the program will take place on Saturday, March 16, at the Athenaeum in Indianapolis with Prof. Dr. Antonius Holtmann of the Universität Oldenburg (Germany) delivering the keynote address on the religious heritage the German immigrant brought with them to the New World. There will be four sessions dealing with four different religions that claim a strong German heritage: Lutheran, Catholic, United Methodist, and Mennonite/Amish. Following the presentation of the papers, the meeting will conclude at Zion Evangelical United Church of Christ, one block north of the Athenaeum at 416 E. North Street, with German-American religious and choral music, and displays by local historical organizations and institutions. The program will conclude with the Athenaeum's annual St. Benno Fest (phone 317-636-0396 for reservations for this event only--it is not an IGHS event). Please examine the program printed in this publication for more details, including the registration form which DUE BY MONDAY, MARCH 11.

SEVENTH ANNUAL IGHS MEETING

March 15-16, 1991

Friday, March 15 — at Beech Grove Benedictine Center
1402 Southern Avenue
Beech Grove, Indiana

4:30-5:30 PM	Indiana German Heritage Society Membership Meeting Palmer Hall, Room 107
6:00 PM	Dinner With Conference Speakers Conference Room B (reservations and choice of entree required; seating limited; see registration form for details)
After Dinner	Old Fashioned Hymn Sing with Eberhard Reichmann and Claude Sluder

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Saturday, March 16 — at Das Deutsche Haus-Athenaeum
401 East Michigan Street
Indianapolis, Indiana

8:30 AM — Registration and coffee

9:00 AM — Welcome--James J. Divita, IRHA President
Helen Moore, IGHS President

KEYNOTE ADDRESS

"What Did Immigrants Bring With Them?" A look at religious commitment and congregational life in 19th century Germany

Prof. Dr. Antonius Holtmann, Director of the Institute for Immigration Research, Universität Oldenburg, Germany

10:30-11:15 AM — SESSION I

"Help in the Name of Jesus!" the spirituality and congregational life of German American Lutherans in Indiana 1830-1847

Robert E. Smith, Archivist and Historian, Indiana District, Lutheran Church--Missouri Synod

11:15-12:00 PM — SESSION II

"The German Heritage of United Methodists in Indiana"

Robert W. Koenig, D.D., retired minister now serving as interim pastor of Alford and White River Chapel near Petersburg, Indiana

12:15 PM — LUNCH--lower level (see reservation form for details)

1:00-1:45 PM — SESSION III

"German Catholic Congregational Life in 19th Century Indiana" St. Mary's, New Albany, and St. John's, Enochsburg

Joseph M. White, Ph.D., church history and freelance historian

1:45-2:30 PM — SESSION IV

Die Stillen im Lande; the Mennonite and Amish Experience in Indiana

Donald Hochstetler, Ph.D., Director, Hackelmeier Memorial Library, Marian College

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2:30-3:00 PM — SUMMATION PANEL

"What does it all mean?"

Interchange among the five speakers with participants

3:30-4:30 PM — GERMAN AND GERMAN-AMERICAN RELIGIOUS AND CHORAL MUSIC

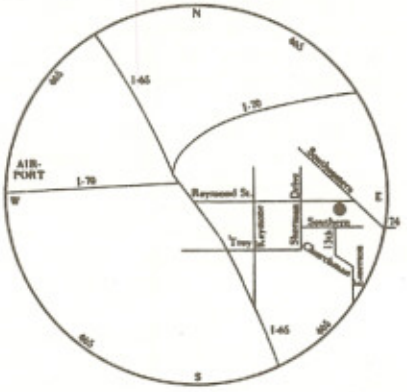
at Zion Evangelical United Church of Christ
416 E. North Street
Indianapolis, Indiana (One block north of Athenaeum)

The Golden Raintree Singers, Dr. Claude Sluder, Indiana University, Director; Jonathan Block, Zion Church, Organist

***** — EXHIBIT OF GERMAN-AMERICAN RELIGIOUS MEMORABILIA in cooperation with the Indiana Historical Society, Indianapolis Historic Preservation Commission, Zion Evangelical United Church of Christ, and IUPUI Archives will be available for viewing in the Zion Church Parlor throughout the day.

6:00 PM — St. Benno Fest, Athenaeum, phone 317-636-0390 for reservations and price.

Beech Grove Benedictine Center
1402 Southern Avenue
Beech Grove, IN 46107
(317) 788-7581



MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

Annual meeting time means it is the final call to renew your membership in the Indiana German Heritage Society if you have not already done so. Please complete the enclosed form in your Newsletter and return it to 401 East Michigan Street, Indianapolis, IN 46204. If you do not renew your membership, this will be the final edition of the Newsletter you will receive. Members will also receive discounts on all IGHS publications.

The Indiana Historical Society is again extending its rebate organization offer for new members. If you are not already a member of the Indiana Historical Society, complete the Membership Drive Application in this Newsletter. For each new $20 IHS membership, the IGHS will receive a $5 return. In addition to the usual benefits, IHS members will receive a free comprehensive album of Cole Porter's music. Membership Drive Application deadline is May 30, 1991. Take advantage of the best bargain in the state and assist the Indiana German Heritage Society in the process. For more information, contact Ray Boomhower at 317-232-1877.

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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

The most important activities in which we are involved as citizens and as members of the Indiana German Heritage Society are those by which other people benefit and our society is served to good purpose. Our society does this in many and varied ways, each suited to the particular needs of the community in which we live.

With the diversity of our various cities, the Indiana German Heritage Society provides the needed services and facilities throughout our great state of Indiana.

We are able to provide these wide-ranging benefits by the generosity of our members, their families and friends. Through our society, people are aided in achieving more meaningful, more productive, and more satisfying lives. In turn, our American society is improved and enhanced in ways none of us by ourselves can accomplish, nor government by its many programs could ever hope to do.

By the vision of our ancestors, and by the prudent and wise direction of our society and people with a German interest we have become a successful society in this modern day world of so many, many varied needs.

One of the most exciting developments during the last few years is our German/American Center. So many things of interest to students and all research of various kinds.

Our Newsletter is one of the best. We do hope that all members will read each issue so that they will be informed of the many activities that we have had or that are on the program for the next few months.

We are very proud of Chairman Bill Selm and the October 5-6, 1990 German-American Day celebrations.

We started Karneval-Fasching off with a great night on November 10 and with the Council of Eleven--we are planning a great celebration to start Karneval in February. We urge everyone to support this great event.

I am looking forward to the Annual Meeting, to be held on March 15-16, 1991. Dr. Ruth Reichmann and Dr. James Divita, History Professor at Marian College and president of the Indiana Religious History Association will chair this meeting, which will be on German religions in Indiana and will be sponsored by both the Indiana German Heritage Society and the Indiana Religious History Association. We know this will be of great interest to all of our members. All this and the St. Benno Fest.

Thank you for this opportunity to serve. I look forward to the various activities, and I hope to see you face-to-face.

Helen Moore

PUBLICATIONS

The Publications Committee reports that Theodore Stempfel's 1898 Festschrift has gone to press. The book will be available in time for the National Turnfest of the North American Turners in Indianapolis, June 26-30, 1991.

Stempfel published the Festschrift in honor of the completion of Das Deutsche Haus. This very enlightening account on German life in Indianapolis during the 19th century is the first of our bilingual publications, hence the dual title: Fünfzig Jahre unermüdlichen Deutschen Strebens in Indianapolis--Fifty Years of Unremitting German Aspirations in Indianapolis. Giles Hoyt, Claudia Grossmann, and Eberhard Reichmann did the translation from the original German; Elfrieda Lang prepared the Index. If you would like to support this publication and have your name listed under its sponsors, please make your tax-deductibe donation of $40 or more payable to German-American Center IUPUI, 401 E. Michigan St., Indianapolis, IN 46204.

When will the Hoosier German Tales appear? We hope in time for Christmas. You still may submit good stories--funny or sad--on the Hoosier German experience for inclusion. Address: TALES, R 5 Box 175, Nashville, Indiana 47448.

The highly successful volume, The Germans in Indianapolis, 1840-1918, by George Th. Probst and Eberhard Reichmann, published in 1989 is still available from the German-American Center, The Heidelberg Haus, and Borders Bookstore in Indianapolis.

GERMAN TURNER PRESIDENT AT SYMPOSIUM

Prof. Dr. Jürgen Dieckert, the President of the German Turners will participate in the Symposium, Sports, Society, and the Turners, to be held in conjunction with the 48th National Turnfest of the American Turners in Indianapolis, June 26-30, 1991. For the first time in over 60 years, it will bring participants from across the ocean.

Dr. Dieckert is Professor of German and the Director of the Institute for Sport Science at Oldenburg University, Oldenburg, Germany. Others who have agreed to participate are: Prof. Horst Ueberhorst, Sport Science, Ruhr-Universität-Bochum; Prof. Robert Knight Barney, Canada; Dr. Jörg Nagler, Deutsches Historisches Institute, Washington, D.C.; Prof. Lola Lohse, the former dean of the Normal College; Alida Moonen, The Ohio State University; Ed Colton, President, American Turners; Dr. Otto Ryser, formerly Normal College and Indiana University-Bloomington; and Dr. Cory Servaas, President's Council on Physical Fitness and Sports.

For registration information, contact Ruth Reichmann at the German-American Center (317) 464-9004.

SACRED HEART CELEBRATES 100

On October 5, 1991 Sacred Heart Church, the National Parish for the German Catholics of Indianapolis, will celebrate their 100th anniversary of its present building with a Centennial Mass at 5:00 PM, presided over by Archbishop Edward T. O'Meara.

In August, 1875, a contract was signed to purchase the property at the northwest corner of Union and Palmer streets. Fr. Alardus Andreschek, OFM, was named pastor and Fr. Francis Moening, OFM, was his assistant. The Very Reverend Bede O'Conor, OSB, the Vicar General of the Diocese of Vincennes, blessed the first building's cornerstone. The three story structure was designed by Brother Adrian Wewer, OFM, and was intended to house a church, a school, and serve as a residence for the Franciscan Friars. The structure still stands as a residence for the friar community and houses the parish offices.

By 1882 the need for a larger church became necessary. Through the intervention of the pastor, the Franciscan Province of the Sacred Heart assumed the debt to enable the parishoners to raise funds for a new church. Brother Adrian drew up plans for this building. The structure was to be 168 feet long, 88 feet wide in the transept and 64 feet wide in the nave. The cornerstone of the new church was laid by the Most Reverend Francis S. Chatard on July 8, 1883, and the dedication took place on December 10, 1884. Franciscan Brothers, skilled in woodworking, designed and constructed the interior. They made the pillars, arches, pulpit, communion rails, pews, confessionals, and the original altars. Because of limited finances, only the sanctuary and a portion of the church's body totaling 118 feet was erected at this time.

A continuing increase in the number of parishoners resulted in the church's completion in 1890 with the original 1883 plans being employed. True Gothic style features, requiring walls of greater height to offset the low cast of the main structure and the twin steeples, were added. Brother Adrian again drew up the plans and supervised the construction. The building as it stands today was completed and dedicated in 1891.

The crowning glory of Sacred Heart Church, the magnificent stained glass windows, were executed by the famed F. Mayer Studios in New York and Munich. In 1919 all the windows representing the fortunes of the Prodigal Son were installed. Also, the windows representing the Good Shepherd, the Pharaisee and the Publican, the Good Samaritan, the Cockle Among the Wheat, Lazarus and Dives, the Wise and Foolish Virgins, and the four windows of the seven sacraments were installed.

Two of the oldest shrines in the church are the St. Ann Shrine and the Pieta, which were erected in 1887. The side shrines of the Blessed Mother and St. Joseph were erected in 1898 and 1899. The High Altar along with shrines of St. Anthony and St. Francis were erected in 1900, in celebration of the parish's 25th anniversary. The stations of the cross, composed of terra cotta and imported from Munich, were hung in 1924. The wall murals were donated by Sr. Rufinia of Lafayette, Indiana, in 1925 for the Golden Jubilee in 1925.

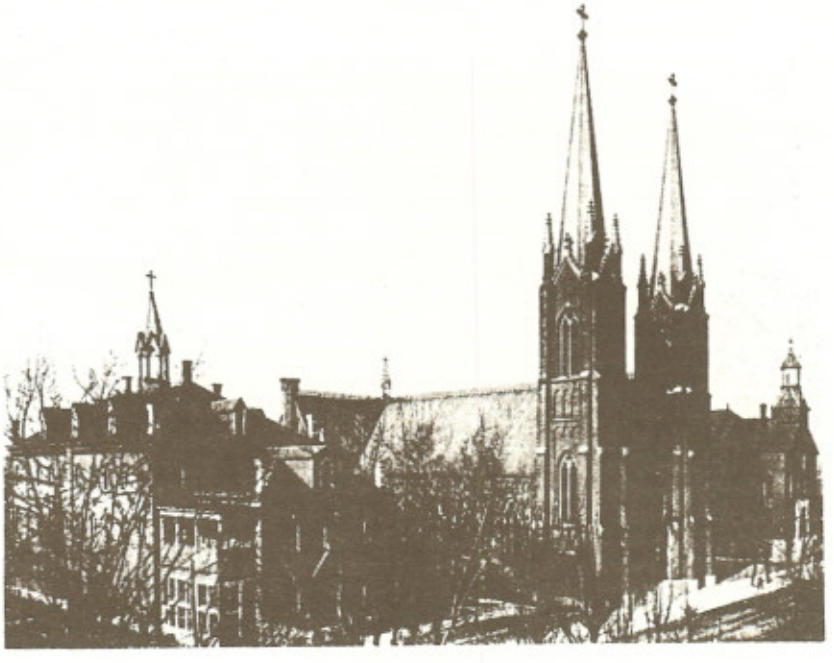
Sacred Heart remains a national parish for German Catholics of Indianapolis and has no boundaries attracting members from throughout the city. It retains its German background and is still rich in the German work ethic.

Pastor Fr. Michael Fowler, OFM, and the parish's approximately 850 members are planning other centennial activities in the coming months which will include the neighborhood as well as the congregation. This will be capped by the mass and anniversary dinner on October 5.

At present the centennial committee is looking for old exterior and interior pictures of the church around the time of its completion in 1891 and 1900. These will be used in the celebration. Negatives will be made and the originals returned to the donor. Anyone having such pictures are asked to Contact Michael McClain, Pastoral Associate and Chair of the Anniversary Committee, at 317-638-5551.

Group and individual tours are available at any time by calling the parish office at the above number. More information regarding the centennial is available through the parish office.

Christina Blake, Public Relations Director



Sacred Heart Church
From The Germans in Indianapolis, p. 110

GERMAN HERITAGE TOUR OF NEW PALESTINE

The first IGHS summer program will held in New Palestine on Saturday, June 1, from 12:00 noon until about 3:00 PM.

The program will begin with lunch for a nominal fee at the Zion United Church of Christ (formerly "Deutsche Evangelische Protestantische Zions-Gemeinde," 1887) with a history and tour of the church's interior by hosts Mr. and Mrs. Max Hendryx. This will be followed by a walking tour of the town past the old German Methodist Church (1852), historical (German) homes, and businesses conducted by Mr. Hendryx.

The tour will continue with a short drive to the old Lutheran Settlement which will include a tour of the new Zion Lutheran Church (the old church was founded in 1853 on the same site), the school, the old cemetery, and the Schramm home. Co-hosts, Mr. and Mrs. Armin Schramm, will conduct this portion of the tour.

The tour will conclude with a short drive to the nearby home of Mr. and Mrs. Hendryx, a unique house furnished with many authentic traditional German items.

The New Palestine families involved in the tour are descendants of the original German Settlers, and members of the churches which will be visited. They have worked on the book New Palestine History 1871-1971: 100 Years of Incorporation.

More detailed tour information, including maps and parking, will be available in the next Newsletter. For additional information at this time, call Ernestine Dillon, 317-861-5831.

WINTERMARCHEN OLDENBURG

The Wintermarchen on December 20, 1990 was such a wonderful success and so beautiful! There were 1,800 luminaries lit throughout the town against an otherwise gray, overcast sky with added features of convent tours of the Sisters of St. Francis. During the evening, choirs from three adjacent German communities sang in the Holy Family Church, each with an hour program to add to the holiness of the season. There were square-dancers and cloggers in the basement of Holy Family School which added to the entertainment, plus people who sold their craft items. The Oldenburg (ICA) Academy sold chili to many people who needed warmth. For the children there was sledding and a bonfire to warm up as well as toasted marshmallows while Santa made his appearance in his old sleigh. This indeed was a wonderful community event, and we hope it will be even better and more inspiring next year.

By William A. Hoelker

TCHS PUBLISHES NEW BOOK

The Tell City Historical Society announces the publication of the translation of the SWISS COLONIZATION SOCIETY MINUTES 1858-1860.

The original Swiss Colonization Society was a group of German-speaking men in Cincinnati, Ohio who planned a new town, Tell City, Indiana. The unedited translation of their planning meetings, which were hand-written in old German script, is now available.

The translation of the old records was made possible by an Indiana Heritage Research Grant from the Indiana Historical Society and the Indiana Humanities Council. Dr. Marga Meier, retired professor/translator/interpreter, completed the translation. Doris Leistner, project director and Perry County Historian, typed and arranged the material in book form of over 300 pages.

A limited number of copies were printed, so place your order now. The soft-bound volume, SWISS COLONIZATION SOCIETY MINUTES 1858-1860, can be ordered from the Tell City Historical Society, Tell City, IN 47586 for $25.00 (add $2.00 for mailing).

GERMAN-AMERICAN STUDIES ARE "IN"

Last October, the Cultural Division of the German Foreign Office and the German Embassy invited experts on German Studies in America to Buffalo, NY, to assess the statue and the tendencies of this broad field. IGHS board members Eberhard and Ruth Reichmann presented the case for German-American Studies: In times of increased historical awareness and appreciation of heritage, not only the older generation but the young as well need to be given access to the highly significant role of the German-Americans in this country's history. There is a logical relation between studying German-Americana and promoting interest for the German-speaking countries and their language.

Dr. Barthold Witte, Director of the Cultural Division of the German Foreign Office, summed up that a reassessment of ways and means for the history of German immigration is in order. The Foreign Office, he said, is considering how projects dealing with research and preservation of German heritage might be supported worldwide.

The Reichmanns proposed the development of teaching units with local, regional, and national dimensions for use in the German-language and Social Studies classroom. Their advocacy resulted in a Development Grant via the Goethe-Institute for the German-American Center in Indianapolis.

EMANUEL CHURCH IN DUBOIS COUNTY

Over eighteen properties in Indiana have been listed in the National Register of Historic Places in 1990. Recent listings on the Register are as diverse and rich in history as the state itself. Included are historic farms, a schoolhouse, churches, commercial and industrial buildings, and of course, several houses.

The Evangelische Lutherische Emanuels Kirche, also known as Hill Church, is among the most interesting additions to the National Register. Overlooking a picturesque, heavily wooded site in rural Dubois County, the property includes a 1901 wood frame church, 1889 clapboarded schoolhouse, 1891 parsonage, and a small cemetery.

Normally churches cannot be listed in the National Register. Hill Church, however, meets the National Park Service's special exception for listing religious buildings because of its outstanding local importance. Emanuel Church was significant enough to be listed on the National Register because it is one of few remaining properties which clearly illustrate this aspect of the settlement of the area and because the architecture of the complex is exceptionally intact

Indiana in general received many immigrants from German states during the 1800s, Dubois County in particular had the third largest Germanic population of all of Indiana's ninety-two counties by 1870. Fleeing war ravaged lands, the failed Revolution of 1848, and seeking new economic opportunities in America, immigrants from German states often settled areas according to religious background. Jasper and Ferdinand, for example, were established as German Catholic villages. Northern Dubois County, including Harbison Township where Hill Church stands, was later claimed by Lutheran congregations. In 1910, one local historian noted (with some dismay) that the area had first been settled by Americans from Virginia, Kentucky, and the Carolinas, but now "farmers of German parentage have purchased practically all of the farms of the township."

The historian might well have added "German Lutheran" to his description, since most persons were of that faith. Churches founded by earlier settlers from the south eventually closed or lost members while Lutheran congregations founded by Germanic settlers thrived. By the early 1900s, no other denominations are listed in county histories for Harbison Township.

It is uncertain if the founders of the Hill Church congregation were from any specific German state, or were more attracted to the area by a common religious background. Typical of German Settlements, Emanuel Church combined religious, social, and educational functions. The congregation, one of the oldest Lutheran groups in Dubois County, was formed in 1858. In 1889, the church bought the schoolhouse from the township trustees and in about 1901, they moved it onto their land. Most of the first schools in the area were initiated by churches, so it was not unusual for Emanuel Church to assume this responsibility. Even after public schools became established, pupils were dismissed for six to eight weeks for church school. The church offered classes for its congregation and this was likely the only chance for a primary education available to others in the area. Other Lutheran churches in the township had schools, however, the school at Emanuel Church is believed to be the only one-room schoolhouse left in the area. Lessons were offered in German since few pupils were fluent in English.

In addition to its historic significance, Emanuel Church is architecturally important. The one story frame church is a superb example of a gable front Victorian Gothic church. Built in 1901 to replace a similar 1863 church on the site, Hill Church is noteworthy for its elaborate millwork in the entry bay, pointed arch windows with crossing mutins, and prominent spire with gablets. Except for the multi-gabled spire, the church is not particularly "German" in style or type. Shiloh Meeting House (1849) located in nearby Ireland, for example, is nearly identical to the 1863 church this congregation built. It seems that members of the church would compromise on the style of their buildings and concentrate more on maintaining cultural traditions. Both the church and school are exceptionally intact.

As with many rural congregations, dramatic changes in lifestyle, population distribution, and the economy diminished the members of Emanuel Church. By 1971, services were no longer held in the church, and a private group, Emanuel Cemetery Association was formed to maintain the buildings. Today, the church can be rented for weddings or special services. The cemetery is maintained, and is still used for burials Many residents of the area, including those now responsible for maintaining the buildings, can trace their family trees simply by visiting the cemetery. Emanuel Church remains their most tangible connection to the history of Dubois County.

By Paul Diebold
Div. of Hist. Pres.

NAZI RESISTANCE LEADER HONORED

On January 30, 1991 Sawyer B. Rank of Indianapolis inaugurated his Carl Goerdeler Award, in honor of the German resistance leader, who paid with his life struggling to uphold democracy and human decency in Nazi Germany. Goerdeler, Lord Mayor of Leipzig, resigned his post in protest, to the removal by the Nazis, of the Felix Mendelsshohn statue in front of the Leipzig Gewandhaus. The Goerdeler Award is intended for worthy Hoosier musicians to perform in Leipzig and for closer contacts with this former East German metropolis.

The inauguration took place at the Deutsches Haus-Athenaeum with nearly 100 guests present, among them the German Consul General, Dr. Detlof von Berg, and Goerdeler's daughter, Dr. Marianne Meyer-Krahmer. Prof. Harold C. Deutsch spoke on Goerdeler's struggle under Hitler. The Indianapolis Chamber Orchestra with Ian Hobson, conductor and soloist, rendered two Mendelssohn works in a brilliant performance. The following is a brief sketch of this courageous individual submitted by Mr. Rank.

Born on July 31, 1884 in Schneidemuhl, West Prussia, Carl Friedrich Goerdeler emerged from a conservative family which had a civil-service tradition. Having studied law, banking, and commerce, Goerdeler participated in World War I, and from 1920-1930 he served as deputy mayor of Konigsberg. During that period he earned the reputation as Germany's preeminent economist, and came under consideration as a possible candidate for chancellor. In 1930 Goerdeler won the post of lord mayor of Leipzig, and thereafter enjoyed enormous support from that part of the country for his able administration. Hew was a firm believer in maximum local self-government, and a free, competitive economy.

At a time when the dark forces of National Socialism were attacking traditional German values, Carl Goerdeler made no effort to conceal his opposition to the Nazi regime. From 1938 on, he continued criticizing and antagonizing the regime, becoming the predominant moral and political chief of the German Opposition, a coalescing conspiracy which materialized in the famous July 20, 1944 assassination attempt.

Commonly described as the "principal motor" of the Opposition, Carl Goerdeler was in fact the only man who ever occupied a position, within this intricate web of clandestined relationships, where lines tended to converge. His Opposition activities took him to every corner of Germany, as well as to many foreign countries, earning from his colleagues the name of Der Wanderprediger (circuit rider).

Following the unsuccessful July 20, 1944 assassination attempt, Carl Goerdeler fled underground while the German government offered a 1,000,000 Reichmark reward for information leading to his whereabouts. Not long thereafter, he was recognized, and on August 13 he was arrested. On February 2, 1945, he was executed.

As Lord Mayor of Leipzig during the 1930s, and a German citizen during World War II, Carl Freidrich Goerdeler's traditional values of justice, democracy, decency, integrity, and respect for human life were challenged by the overwhelming dark forces of National Socialism sweeping across Germany, and eventually into most of Europe. During this testing of men's souls, Carl Goerdeler responded in such an extraordinary fashion, that we can judge his life as being nothing other than heroic. Carl Goerdeler's spirit remains alive today in the form of the inspiration one receives while beholding the memory of his celestial ideals, and the magnificent courage with which he defended them.

IAH FEATURES SWISS SETTLEMENT

The eleventh annual meeting of the Indiana Association of Historians will be held in Fort Wayne on Friday and Saturday, March 1-2, 1991. Saturday's sessions will focus on war, dissent, regionalism, civil liberties, arts, and political culture. The Saturday luncheon speaker is Leo Schelbert, Professor of History, Director of Graduate Studies, The University of Illinois at Chicago, whose subject will be "Vevay, Indiana, Chabag, Bessarabia; Interpretive Reflections on the Making of Two Immigrant Communities". For registration information, contact IPFW--Continuing Education, 2101 Coliseum Boulevard East (Walb 221), Fort Wayne, Indiana, 46805.

ST. JOSEPH'S CELEBRATES SESQUI

One of the oldest German Catholic parishes in Indiana, St. Joseph's in Dearbron County, will celebrate its Sesquicentennial on June 29, 1991. Appropriate festivities are planned for a memorable day. The parade begins at 10 AM (EDT). There will be exhibits, games, good old fashioned Hoosier German cooking, an outdoor mass celebrated by Archbishop Edward T. O'Meara, and an evening of outdoor dancing. The parish history and a cookbook will be available to commemorate the event. For more information, contact Bernadett Stenger, RR 3 Box 227, West Harrison, Indiana 47060.

TOLZMANN HONORED BY GERMANY

On February 15 Don Heinrich Tolzmann of the University of Cincinnati and SGAS president will receive the Bundesverdienstkruez (Federal Service Cross) from the Federal Republic of Germany for contributions on behalf of German-American relations. The award will be presented by Dr. Detlof von Berg, Consul General of the Federal Republic of Germany in Detroit during a dinner program which will begin at 9 PM at Forest View Gardens, 4508 North Bend Road, Cincinnati. Congratulations, Don!

Indiana Historical Society Membership Drive Application

The Indiana Historical Society is offering local historical societies and other historical organizations an opportunity to participate in a one time membership drive. For every new annual $20.00 membership received by the society, $5.00 will be returned to the participating local society or historical group.

Name _____ Street Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____ Occupation/Profession _____

Name and address of local society or historical agency to receive credit for membership

Name _____

Address _____

Please make your $20.00 check payable to and mail to: Indiana Historical Society, 315 W. Ohio St., Indianapolis, IN 46202.
I wish to become a member of the following sections of the Indiana Historical Society and receive their publications:

No more than two please

Family History _____ Black History _____

Archaeology _____ Medical History _____

If you wish to join or renew your membership, please enclose your check with this statement today. Our membership year is from January 1st through December 31st. To increase society support you may wish to designate a higher category. Contributions are tax deductible on itemized returns.

MEMBERSHIP & renewal

Indiana German Heritage Society

401 East Michigan Street
Indianapolis, Indiana 46204

Thank you for your support!

____ Individual	$10.00
____ Family	$15.00
____ Organization	$25.00
____ Patron	$50.00
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____ Sponsor	$500.00
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____ New Member ____ Renewal

Contributors of $50 or more will be listed in the Tricentennial Edition.

Please make checks payable to the Indiana German Heritage Society.

My areas of interest are: (e.g. genealogy, family history, local and state history, religious history, traditions, education, cultural and educational exchanges, etc.)

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GERMANS TRACE MIGRATION

Last October a group of 24 Germans from the Osnabrück-Oldenburg area of Lower Saxony visited the United States in a different manner by tracing the route many of their ancestors traveled on their way to Indiana.

Hans-Dietrich and Margrit Schulte by J.H. Zur Oeveste's tombstone

Some of the 24 visitors from Germany

GERMAN/DEUTSCH RELIGION IN INDIANA CONFERENCE

Registration Form

Name _____

Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

	number	amount
FRIDAY DINNER at Benedictine Center, $7	_____	_____
entree: beef stroganov baked whitefish (you must circle one)		
SATURDAY PROGRAM at Athenaeum and Zion Church		
registration for general public (includes lunch) $15	_____	_____
registration for IGHS and IRHA members (includes lunch) $12		
IGHS IRHA (please circle your membership)	_____	_____
registrations for walk-ins on Saturday (lunch not included) $ 6	_____	_____
student registration (lunch not included) $ 2	_____	_____
TOTAL	_____	_____

Lodging--The Benedictine Center has agreements for a reduced rate with nearby motels for Friday night.

Ramada $40.00 (double) _____
Red Roof $37.00 (double) _____ $33.00 (single) _____
Super 8 $33.00 (double) _____ $26.89 (single) _____

TOTAL ENCLOSED (LODGING & REGISTRATION) _____

Registration and reservation deadline is MONDAY, MARCH 11. Mail your check payable to "German Religion Conference," to

German Religion in Indiana Conference
Athenaeum Turners
401 East Michigan Street
Indianapolis, IN 46204

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

February 22:	Films--Die Mosel and Charming Salzburg, 7:30 PM, Athenaeum, Indianapolis
March 1-2:	Indiana Association of Historians Annual Meeting, Fort Wayne, see article in this Newsletter
March 13:	IGHS Board of Directors Meeting, 1:00 PM, Athenaeum, Indianapolis
March 13:	Stammtisch--Christiana Seiler, IUPUI, "Weimar Revisited", 7:30 PM, Athenaeum, Indianapolis
March 15-16:	IGHS Annual Meeting, Benedictine Center, Beech Grove & Athenaeum, Indianapolis--see Newsletter for details
April 10:	IGHS Board of Directors Meeting, 1:00 PM, Athenaeum, Indianapolis
April 10:	Stammtisch--Program to be announced, 7:30 PM, Athenaeum, Indianapolis
April 20:	Maennerchor Spring Concert featuring soprano Nancy Shade, Caleb Mills Auditorium, Shortridge Jr. High School, Indianapolis, phone John Schild, 317-257-6939 for more information
May 7	IGHS Board of Directors Meeting, 1:00 PM, Athenaeum, Indianapolis
May 7	Stammtisch--Program to be announced, 7:30 PM, Athenaeum Indianapolis
June 1	IGHS Summer Program, Tour of New Palestine, 12:00-3:00 PM, see Newsletter for details.
June 26-30:	National Turnfest at Athenaeum, Indianapolis, more details in next Newsletter

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