

SHAMBAUGH FAMILIES NEWS - LETTER

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Memos from Shambaughs International to the Shambaugh Families News-Letter:

On 29 June 66, the following news release was issued:

Iowa City, Iowa - Mrs. M. Opal Fore, executive director of the Iowa Mental Health Authority for 18 years, will retire this month to enter private social work practice in Des Moines.

A testimonial luncheon honoring Mrs. Fore's accomplishments in the fields of social work and mental health was held June 29, 1966 at Hotel Savary in Des Moines. She was presented with the Gold Bell Award of the Iowa Association for Mental Health and an Amana walnut Grandfathers' clock.

Since the announcement of her retirement, Mrs. Fore has received scores of letters lauding her work from state and national leaders in government and mental health agencies. Iowa Gov. Harold E. Hughes noted in a letter:

"Your untiring work and continued aggressiveness in the interests of improved mental health in Iowa are well known and appreciated by all workers in this field. Your departure will certainly be a loss to them but your example will continue to be their inspiration"

Dr. Paul E. Huston, director of the Iowa Mental Health Authority located at the State Psychopathic Hospital at The University of Iowa, said, "Mrs. Fore is more responsible than any other person for the development of community mental health programs in Iowa. She personally has worked in the organization of nearly all of Iowa's 16 community mental health centers. She has traveled thousands of miles in Iowa arranging conferences, acting as an advisor to mental health centers, consulting with community leaders on plans for centers, and speaking to lay groups interested in mental health programs."

Mrs. Fore, a native of weatherby, Mo., holds a B.S. Degree in Sociology from the University of Missouri, an A.M. Degree from the School of Social Work at Washington University, a diploma from the School of Social Economics at Washington University, and she did advanced graduate study at the University of Chicago's School of Social Service Administration.

Mrs. Opal Fore is a descendant of George Shambaugh Sr., Bucks Co., Penn.

Mrs. William B. Overholt (Susie Miller), 89, of Clarence, Iowa, died 4 July 66. Mrs. Overholt was the mother of Mrs. Elmer H. Meyer of Clarence, Iowa and Miss Frances Overholt of New York City. Mrs. Overholt was born 23 Nov. 1877 and married William B. Overholt 11 Jan 1899, who was the son of Peter and Charlotte (Shambaugh) Overholt of New Rumley, Ohio.

Mrs. Carrie N. Shambaugh, Winterset, Iowa has returned to her apartment after having spent several weeks in the hospital and nursing home. Her sparkle is back and she is looking forward to her 92nd birthday party next 4 March 67.

My own mother, Barbara H. Shambaugh, has returned to her Booneville home in the country for Iowa's six pleasant months of living. She continues quite active, enjoying her special plants and roses.

We are most gratified that Mr. and Mrs. Rex R. (Anna Lee Burger) Shambaugh, Van Meter, Iowa, recently elected to become sustaining members of SI. Rex has a heritage of family interest in the Shambaugh National Reunion. His parents Lloyd L. and Bessie (Cook) Shambaugh attended the reunions years ago. Rex and Anna are also of special interest as they are the few remaining Shambaughs that carry on the traditions in agriculture that were established by the early ancestors. The formation of an "Ag" club in SI would have an exclusive membership.

Phoned Mr. and Mrs. Nolan L. Douglas, 2361 Prince Albert, Riverside, Calif. They report that Mrs. Douglas (Hazel Jones) has returned from the hospital and is recovering from a heart difficulty. Mrs. Douglas is a daughter of Rev. and Mrs. F. W. (Louie Shambaugh) Jones, who served the United Brethern church many years before their death.

Mr. and Mrs. James R. (Phyllis Shambaugh) Worsham, Avalon, Texas, spent part of their vacation in Iowa. Phyllis, a Queen of Beauty, has joined her husband in the educational field. Both are doing graduate work in education. Their children are James, age 4 and Karen, age 2.

Mr. Fred Thompson, 3771 Median Road, Akron, Ohio, writes that he continues to write poetry and songs. He has written and dedicated a new song that we may sing at the National Reunion. Thank you Fred for your interest and effort. The picture of your home has been included in our new SI album called "The House of Shambaugh" We are using primarily the Polaroid size print. You are all invited to donate a picture of your home or that of your ancestor. Give data on the back of print.

Visited Mr. and Mrs. Robert W. (Celesta Brooker) Peterson, Van Meter, Iowa. Robert is affiliated with Iowa's largest bank, the Iowa-Des Moines National. Their spare time is devoted to maintaining a beautiful home and surroundings on their farm. They have an egg producing flock of 4000 hens in new modern facilities. Their two children are Janet age 11 and Daniel age 8. Celesta is the daughter of Marion W. and Marguerite (Wehrkamp) Brooker.

On 16 June 66, Michael Paul Shambaugh, Son of Ralph A. and Elizabeth C. Shambaugh of Winterset, Iowa, left for San Diego, Calif. to start a four year enlistment in the U. S. Marine Corps. He is a 1966 high school graduate. Their older son, James R. is serving in the U. S. Air Force.

Mrs. Richard P. Shambaugh, 1601 19th Street Place, West Des Moines, Iowa, has compiled the locations of many burial grounds of the Shambaugh family. Please submit the locations of those in your area, that they may be checked against her list.

Other members of the Search and Report Team will be given recognition for their efforts on 3 Sept. 66 in Cadiz, Ohio. I have just completed a call to Mrs. Ross L. Dosson, V.P., that will host the Shambaugh Family National Reunion on 4 Sept. 66. She assures us that the two motels in Cadiz will have accommodations for any of the SI members who wish to arrive Friday evening, 2 Sept. 66.

May we refer you to paragraph c., page 3 of report #3 from Shambaugh's International. We have been assured of housing, food, and a place to work. In addition there should be time for us to visit places of historical interest to Shambaugh's. You are invited to come early and participate in SI's WORKSHOP of fun and happiness.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard P. Shambaugh, 1601 19th Street Place, West Des Moines, Iowa, with their daughters Catherine and Elizabeth returned recently to their home in Des Moines, Iowa after a pleasant visit with their families in Urbana, Ohio. While staying with Dick's parents Mr. and Mrs. Amos M. Shambaugh, they visited with Amos Shambaugh's sisters and their husbands; Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Black of Piqua, Ohio, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Harvey and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Burnside of Urbana, Ohio. They are the children of Jacob M. Shambaugh. The trip was also a reunion with Dick's sisters and their families; Mr. and Mrs. George Pyers of Troy, Ohio and Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Anderson of Urbana, Ohio. In addition to seeing old friends, Anne and the girls spent many days swimming; while Dick, after attending a sales meeting at Mersman Bros. Table Co. in Celina, Ohio, spent a week in Chicago at the Furniture Mart. However he did find time to check on his Standard bred horses and to attend the harness races in Ohio and Chicago.

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Homer and Betty Shambaugh, 1338 Green Lane, LaCanada, Calif., 91011
We left LaCanada Friday April 8th, Via-Western Airlines. Arrived Hotel Maria Isabel three hours later. Next day visited the outstanding Nat'l. Museum of Anthropology. Dined that evening at a beautiful old Hacienda, "San Angel Inn".

Sunday morning at 9:30 saw the Mexican Folkloric Ballet and the \$47,000.00 glass curtain, made by Tiffany. Very outstanding entertainment. We were then driven to Xochimilco, the Venice of Mexico. All of the boats were gaily decorated with colored flowers. It seemed that the canals were filled with all kinds of boats, including those carrying Mariachi bands playing native music, others carrying people cooking food, others merchandise, all of which was for sale.

After lunch we attended the "Fiesta Brava" where we saw our first bullfight. This attraction was short lived. After the first bull was done in we left to return to the hotel, voluntarily. We ate our dinner at the "Mauna Ioa", a lovely Polynesian restaurant. It contained a number of Flamingoes, Cranes, Swans, and Monkeys. The restaurant was completely destroyed by fire the following week.

The success of any tour is a competent guide. Ours was a native of Mexico and had taught history as well as twelve other subjects in College. He knew the history of Mexico completely and was very proud of his country. He was with us for the entire sixteen days and took us many places not called for on the tour.

On Monday we toured the city, visiting a glass factory, Nat'l. Palace with its Diego Rivera murals, Chapultepec Park & Castle and the residential area. We also visited the spectacular University City and El Pedregal Gardens. We saw the Plaza illuminated at night and it was a beautiful sight. Ate at the Ambassadeurs, a famous French restaurant.

Tuesday we visited the world famous Shrine of Guadalupe, the Monastery of Acolman, built before 1650 and the great Pyramids of Teotihuacan. That evening a nightclub tour, including mariachi music and Flamenco Dancers.

Wed. was a free day and dinner that night was at the Villa Fontana, house of the "Magic Violins". Very impressive.

On April 14th we left Mexico City by plane for Acapulco, Mexico Paradise. It came up to all our expectations and reminded one of a tropical hideaway. Our guide met us with his car upon arrival and during the three days drove us through the residential district and showed us many of the beauty spots of Acapulco. We were treated to the extraordinary act of the "Flying Indians", a boat tour of Acapulco Bay and viewed the young man diving 135 ft. into the cove at LaQuebrada.

We disliked leaving this paradise but time being limited our guide drove us on to the enchanting village of Taxco. Very quaint, located on hills and the dwelling place of artists, writers and seekers of the simple life. It is a village of silver craftsmen preserved as a monument to Colonialism and renowned as the silver capital of Mexico. The silver products offered for sale were exquisite and we were easy victims of the salesmen.

Next day we motored to Cuernavaca, a beautiful resort town situated in the tropical valley of Morelos. We visited the beautiful Borda Gardens and the outstanding residential district. During the Aztec period emperors had their summer homes here. Cortes, Maximilian and all of the other rulers of Mexico followed their example, as well as Jose de la Borda, the Silver King.

It is still the favorite resort of many of the great men of Mexico and of foreign diplomats. Our tour of Guernavaca included the Cortes Palace, dating from 1530 and the Cathedral (San Francisco) founded by Cortes in 1529.

The next day we continued on to the renowned health Spa of San Jose Purua. This is one of the most famous and beautiful Spa's on the continent. Four swimming pools, mineral baths, luxurious scenic setting, epicurean cuisine and outstanding gardens. After several days at this Spa we returned to Mexico City.

Before departure for home we took a tour of the U. S. Embassy. We believe it to be one of the finest embassy buildings in the world. Construction of Italian marble inside and out, it is the second largest U. S. Embassy, the one in London being the largest. We were informed it cost 5 1/2 million and is so constructed that the building floats. This is to prevent destruction by earthquakes and sinking land, Mexico City being built upon a lake.

We left Mexico via Western Airlines with only the best of feelings for our neighbors South of the Border.

Considerable credit must be given to Margaret O'Brien of Montrose Travel Agency for the arranging and planning of this successful trip.

Franklin and Edith Shambaugh, 1405 McFarland Ave., Rossville, Ga 30741, writes that he and wife won a trip to the Bahama Islands the middle of May to a convention of the Insurance Co. for which he is a salesman. Their son-in-law and daughter, Stanley and Susie Howard took them to West Palm Beach Fla. and will stay until Franklin and Edith return. Then all will visit with the F. J. Scotten's and others, before returning home.

My sister, Mary Alice Dantzler was indisposed for 2 or 3 weeks in May, during which time her daughters, Emily of Atlanta, and Mary Lillian of Marion, Va., were with her. She is now working again.

Our son Gene of Atlanta was home for Mothers Day.

Mrs. Bertha M. Knoerr, Durham, N. Car., writes that she is spending July and August with her son Donald and family in Canada.

John and Eleanor Shawver of Scio, O. and Mrs. Alice Dosson of Cadiz, spent a few days in Washington D. C. the middle of July.

Wayne and Gracie Leightey, Upper Sandusky, O., and Vera Frey of Kirby, O., drove by way of Detroit into Canada, and returned at Niagara Falls for a three day vacation.

Wayne recently scalded his arm badly from an auto radiator where he works at a Findley Sohio Station.

Fred and Beatrice Fortney, Box 165 Dice Rd., Galion, O., 44833, We arrived home from Fla. the last of April and started in on garden, lawn and house cleaning. Fred had several Masonic meetings and at two of these he was given his 50 year membership pins, in Blue Lodge and Chapter.

We spent the second week of June in Penn. with friends and sight seeing.

On July 17, was in Upper Sandusky for the Co. A. Reunion.

Karen Louise Ross and Thomas Michael Lee were married July 2, 1966 in the United Presbyterian Church, Galion, O., by the Rev. K. Darr Briggs. They are at home at 8 Capella Ct., Mansfield, O. Karen is the daughter of Mrs. Ruth Ross, and granddaughter of Fred and Beatrice Fortney.

Miss Edna Ricklefs, 128 Bank St., Albion, N. Y., 14411, I have been looking over some old Shambaugh Family News-Letters. I am keeping the material for my brother John, who is in the service (currently Viet Nam). Your series #53, Jan. - June 1957 included a letter from him. The material I have is, I believe, that which my aunt Audena Ricklefs had.

We have no "Shambaugh" in our family later than my great grandmother, who must have married around 1849, so we are removed from the name by over 100 years.

Included in the material I am keeping is a fair amount of data regarding descendants beginning with the children of Jacob and Sarah Hoobler Shambaugh, who would be my great, great grandparents. My great, great, great, great grandparents would be the George Shambaughs who arrived from the Palatinate 9-9-1749, on the ship St. Andrew, and his wife Ursula Graff Shambaugh.

Marie Setzler, 45 Parkview Dr., Tiffin, Ohio 44883
Rhonda Lee Weis, born Oct. 21, 1964, and Gary Lee Weis born April 18, 1966 to Leo and Mary Weis Jr. Mary Weis is the daughter of Marie J. Shambaugh Setzler.
A 2/C David E. Setzler son of Marie Shambaugh Setzler enlisted in the Air Force May 1965. On June 1, 1966 he was sent to Germany and is stationed at Berlin.

Karl Baker Switzer, 72, died March 29, 1966. His wife Gladys Sailor Switzer died Nov. 19, 1965. Both were from Otterbein, Ind.

Mr. Theodore Shambaugh of Pa. died Oct. 6, 1965

A daughter, Jodi Lynn, born May 7, 1966 to Monte and Linda Southward.

A daughter, Leslie Anne, born June 9, 1966 to Robert and Ann Harris. Both Linda and Ann are daughters of Howard and Dorothy Leightay of Upper Sandusky, O. and grand daughters of your editor and wife, so we now have 8 great grand children.

Our S.I. editor, Dr. Gordon I. G. Shambaugh and wife Frances L. S. Shambaugh of 1216 41st St., Des Moines, Iowa, are celebrating their 25th wedding anniversary on July 29, 1966 in Westminster United Presbyterian Church in Des Moines. They would appreciate a card from our readers.

Daughter Gorda, is now working in Nantucket.

Clara Myrtle Shambaugh Swank, 84, died March 5, 1965 at the hospital in Quinter, Kansas. She was born July 22, 1880 in Pany Co., Ill. She moved with her parents to Kansas; attending school in Harlan, Kansas. She joined the United Brethren Church at Harlan, later transferring to Woodston. On Mar. 10, 1901, she was married to Charles Otto Swank. One daughter, Beulah, was born to them. Her husband preceded her in death on Dec. 6, 1960. In Oct. 1963, she went to make her home at the Long Term Care Facility at Quinter, Kansas.

Those who will miss her most are her daughter, Beulah, and her husband, George Walz; 3 grandchildren, Sheril of Hays, Lynell Kinish and husband of Wilson and Dele of the home. She leaves 3 great grandchildren; a brother, James of Caldwell, Idaho, 6 half-brothers, and sisters, Willis Shambaugh, Bend, Ore., Stella Conn, Downs, Clifford and Lester Shambaugh, Long Beach, Calif., Mrs. K. P. Siler, Santa Anna, Calif. and Mrs. R. F. Householder of Denver, Colorado.

Elma Ross of Arlington, Iowa, writes that their Shambaugh Reunion in Arlington will be held on July 31, 1966.

Elma says she is much better now and is able to do her own house work.

Rev. & Mrs. G. H. Kintz, 886 N. Central Ave., Richland Center, Wis., Laurio Ann Hovda, born Jan. 30, 1956 at Racine, Wis., passed away at the University Hospital at Minneapolis, Minn. on May 1, at 8:30 P.M. 1966, after a months illness with Leukemia. She is the daughter of Rev. and Mrs. Myron Z. Hovda, Jr. of St. Cloud, Minn. Services were held at St. Cloud on May 3rd, and at Richland Center, on May 5th, with burial in Richland Center Cemetery.

She is survived by her parents, two sisters, Lynne Ellen and Leslie Carol Hovda, and one brother, Myron E. Hovda III, all of St. Cloud, Minn. Also her grandparents, Rev. and Mrs. M. Z. Hovda Sr., of Richland Center, Wis., and a grandmother, Mrs. Leslie Timian, of Milwaukee, Wis.

Your N-L editor still does not have the address of Gertrude M. Shambaugh, does any of our readers know of this Shambaugh, and could send me her address. I believe she lives in Penn.

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S.I. Members, Philip Shambaugh 1.--, Alvin P. Meyer 1.--, Mrs. Carrie N. Shambaugh 1.--, Robert J. Shambaugh 1.--, Russell O. & Selma L. Shambaugh 1.--, Marguerite Ross 1.--, Robert J. & Lorraine M. Shambaugh 1.--, Rex R. & Anna Lee Shambaugh 1.--, Mrs. Lena Schweitzer 1.--, Harry & Ina Glenn 1.--.

ATTENTION ALL SHAMBAUGHES - U R urged 2 attend your National Shambaugh Reunion 2 B held in the Fairgrounds at Cadiz, O. on Sept. 4, 1966.

Cadiz is located at the intersection of Routes 36 & 250 and also on Route 22. Route 22 connects Steubenville and Cambridge, and 36 & 250 come into Cadiz from New Philadelphia, Wooster, and thru to Wheeling. From Canton, route 43, southeast thru Carrollton, about 5 miles to route 9, then turn right to Cadiz.

The Fairgrounds is located on old route 22 within the city limits of Cadiz. If they will let us know how many in the family, and if they prefer private homes or motels (Cadiz Motel, Ball Motel, or Airport Motel which may be air conditioned, Cadiz) we will do our best to please. Also we can send them cards with detailed instructions for where they are to stay. For your over night service, call or write any one of these three; Raymond Rose, Route 4, Cadiz, O., Phone - 614-942-3729; Alice B. Dosson, Route 5, Cadiz, O., Phone - 614-942-3178; or Eleanor Shawyer, Scio, O., Phone - 614-945-4622. We would like to have them let us know by Aug. 15, if possible, about the reservations that they want us to make. But we have homes and motels so will be able to take care of them all.

Basket dinner at 12:00 noon E.S.T. Coffee and a ham will be furnished. Bring your own table service.

Raymond Rose, Pres., Alice B. Dosson, V.Pres., Dolly Rose, Sec'y.

PLEASE send in your ZIP NO.

O U all Sept. 4, We Hope!!

If U do not notify us of your change of address, and your N-L is returned, we shall assume U R not interested any more, and your N-L may not B remailed 2 U.