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## THE PENNSYLVANIA YODER REUNIONS

Starting in 1920 and continuing into the early 1950s, a series of Yoder Family Reunions were held in various spots in Pennsylvania, normally in August. These were organized by a well-structured and effective family group, with leaders and participants from a wide array of family branches (Oley, Melchior, Frederick (unlinked code B), Amish, and an occasional Mennonite).

A 1954 Yoder Family Reunion Book was prepared (with Swiss Yoder History by a very young Dr. Don Yoder) which gave the following summarized history of the reunion:

*In the year 1920 some members of the Yoder Family had a meeting to consider the idea of having a yearly meeting of the Yoder Family. It was decided to give the idea a trial, and A. L. Yoder of Ashland, Pa. was elected as the first president. This meeting to consider the idea of a Reunion was held July 27, 1920 and the first Reunion met near Ashland August 7, 1920, with 151 members present.*

*The first reunions, at least one, was held in Pres. A. L. Yoder's grove one fourth mile west of Mabel. Other reunions were held at Keffer's Station, Schuylkill Park, Rolling Green Park, Carsonia Park near Reading, and Lititz Park.*

*Due to the fact that holding the Reunion at widely different places caused some people trouble to find the place, it was decided that until further considered the Reunions should be held at Mt. Lebanon Park near Lebanon to accommodate the Yoders in the eastern part of the state, and to accommodate the Yoders in the western part of the state Kishacoquillas Park between Lewistown and Burnham should be used, alternating each year. Since there never was any audible objection to this plan that method has been followed each year since about 1944.*

Presidents of the organization had been as follows:

- A. L. Yoder of Ashland -1920 to 1925.
- L. K. Yoder of Reedsville - 1925 to 1928 and 1931 to 1932.
- Paul B. Yoder, Palmyra - 1928 to 1929
- Henry C. Yoder of Manatawney - 1929- 1930
- Dr. Kensie Yoder of Reading - 1930 to 1931.
- Leonard Yoder of Reading - 1932 to 1933
- Robert F. Yoder of Schilligton - 1933 - 1934.

At the Hershey meeting in 1934 Joseph W. Yoder of Huntingdon was elected President and was "re-elected to date," (as of 1954).



Levi K Yoder (YR128412)  
(1882-1957)



Henry C Yoder (OH145268)  
(1871-1954)



Leonard G. Yoder  
1932 - 1933  
(OY433451)  
(1878-1936)



Joseph W. Yoder  
1934 - 1954  
(YR267315)  
(1872-1956)

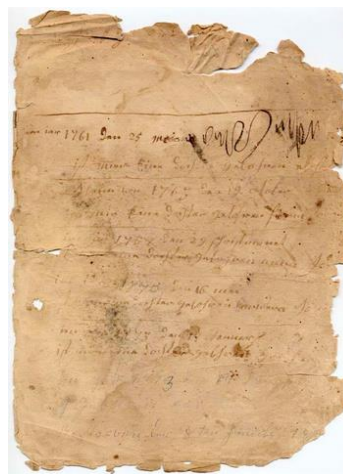
Starting in 1934, the President was Joseph Warren Yoder (YR267315) of Huntingdon, PA, author of "Rosanna of the Amish" who was featured in an article in YNL15 by H. Harold Hartzler. Luckily, press reports found through the website "[newspapers.com](http://newspapers.com)" help us detail the activities at many of these reunions. On first mention of some individuals, we'll identify the family code by which they can be found in the YNL family group pages.

1922- "Third Annual" reunion, held at Keffer's Grove in Schuylkill Co, PA- Attended by 400 people from seven PA counties- Northumberland, Schuylkill, Berks, Delaware, Lebanon, Dauphin, and Philadelphia. Benjamin Yoder brought a 1580 Yoder Bible to display (see YNL25). Speakers were Rev. Mentzer and Prof. H. R. Raush. Officers were: Pres- A. L. Yoder (OH1331bb- see photo at page 4- he died Oct 1923), VP- Wellington Yoder (B9-who died Mar. 1923), Sec- Irvin A Klinger, Treas- Monroe Headler. Entertainment Committee- Edgar Rank, Williamstown; Aba Yoder, Ashland; Mrs George Turner, Shamokin; Charles Yoder (B93), Palmyra; Calvin Header, Valley View; Miss Emma Yoder (OH1328117), Hegins.

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In 1777, eleven Mennonite conscientious objectors in what was then Upper Saucon Twp., Northampton Co., PA were imprisoned and then had all their "movable property" taken and sold at auction for refusing to swear allegiance to Pennsylvania. Among these eleven were Jacob Yoder (YB12) (1736-1807), and his brothers Caspar Yoder (YB11) (1743-1798) and Abraham (YB13) (1747-1827).

An apparently unsuccessful petition to the Pennsylvania General

Assembly by Jacob's wife Eva (Landis) Yoder and another wife (Esther Bachman) indicated that they were not "Tories" but

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The Yoder Newsletter- Founded 1983 by Ben F Yoder (1913-1992),  
Chris Yoder & Rachel Kreider (1909-2015)

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Over the past 39 years, subscriptions have allowed us to support advertising of national reunions, to provide funding for many of the DNA tests, and to pay for new research into Swiss records. All of our staff members are volunteers.

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#### YNL PRICE INFORMATION

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-BACK ISSUES of the YNL are \$2 per issue. (or you can download them free - 1 to 2 years after publication from the Yoder newsletter web site: [www.yodernewsletter.org](http://www.yodernewsletter.org))

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YODER DATA ON DISK- Includes back issues of YNL text, census and county records, family group data and pictures and scanned images. The price for our "Yoder Data on Disk" is \$10 (postage included). Send to YNL address in Goshen. (Most of this info is also available free at the YNL Homepage and changes VERY slowly.)

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## YNL Consolidated Volumes A Perfect Christmas Gift!

We have just published the 3<sup>rd</sup> consolidated volume of Yoder Newsletters 51 to 75 (with an every name index) and it is available thru Amazon Books in BOTH a Color and a Black and White version. Also available are Volume 1 (Issues 1-25) and Volume 2 (Issues 26-50) in soft cover volumes (B&W only). Go to Amazon books and search for "Yoder Newsletter".

Vol. 1 (YNL 1-25) - \$16.29 plus postage

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Vol. 3 (YNL51-75) in B&W \$19.00 plus postage

Each group of 25 issues represents 12 ½ years of Yoder Newsletters.

Descendants of Bishop Christian Yoder Sr. (YR233) may also be interested in The Reuben Yoder Family and Its Ancestry - \$15.99 plus postage (also available on Amazon Books).

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Trent and Tammy Yoder narrate the lives of Joseph S. (YR234182) and his wife Eliza (Miller) Yoder during a "Cemetery Walk" at the Sharon Hill Cemetery, Kalona, IA Oct 10-11, 2020. The walk was co-sponsored by Mennonite Historical Society of Iowa and the Kalona Historical Society and was researched and written by Lois Gugel, a retired director of the museum.

## ADAM YOTHER PROJECT LAUNCHED

In the last issue we announced new findings to correct information about Conrad Yoder's (of North Carolina) youngest son, Adam. Adam was born Jun. 23, 1785, and was known to have moved from the home area to Western North Carolina after his full brothers had moved to Indiana. Anita Nail and Mills Yoder Bridges found evidence that his wife was named Ellendar/Eleanor ("Nelly"), and that he had died by 1830.

Unfortunately, on [ancestry.com](http://ancestry.com) alone Adam appears in 863 public trees perpetuating bad information. The challenge for the YNL was "How do we reach as many of his descendants as possible with the correct information?" Thankfully, Adam's family soon changed the spelling of the surname to "Yother" and based on what is known from census records the male line moved to Georgia and then points west as far as Oklahoma and Texas. Using a research tool available at a local public library called "Network Solutions" we were able to identify 145 individual mailing addresses for Yother households in these states. The YNL sent out a mailing with details of Conrad's ancestry in Europe and his relationship to the other Yoder immigrants to America as well as the names of his now probable sons and their children (see YNL11 for details AND highlighting the newly confirmed information on his wife and death.

We look forward to seeing the results from these efforts and will report on them in a future newsletter.

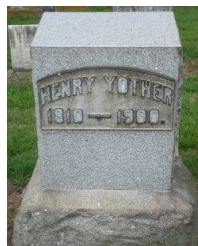
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## YODER REUNION ANYONE?



Planning to hold a Yoder Reunion in Your Own Family? Let us know the details and we'd be gladly to announce it on the YNL FACEBOOK. Send pics and a report after the event to share. If you are looking for program ideas, take a look at the 2017 National Reunion videos on-line at the YNL FACEBOOK page. Choices include: 1 hour 16 minute Overview of American Yoders by YNL Editor Chris Yoder; a 2 hour "travelogue" of the Joder Heimat (home town) in Switzerland by Andreas Joder; an excellent review of the Alsatian Yoder immigrants by Joe Springer of Goshen College; a review of the early Yoders to Elkhart-LaGrange Co, IN by Floyd Miller of the Northern Indiana Amish Library; and a 30 minute overview of the Yoder Y DNA Project and its results. Pick one for this year, and use another in the future! You just need internet access, a speaker and projector/screen. Videos can also be downloaded.

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## UPDATED FIND-A-GRAVE COUNTS

Bishop Henry S. Yothers  
(1810-1900) (YB2144)  
Burial Alverton Cemetery  
Alverton, Westmoreland Co., PA

Visit the Find A Grave site at: [www.findagrave.com](http://www.findagrave.com) . As of 9 Aug 2021 the counts for interments were: 21,570 records (an increase of +262 from 9 Feb 2020) -Yoder; 538 (+7) - Yother; 348 (+4) - Yothers; 302 (+2) - Yotter; 73 (+0) - Yoter; 310 (+2) - Yoders; 80 (+1) - Ioder; 109 (+0) - Joder; 52 (+0) - Jotter; 1 (+0) - Joders; 12 (+1) - Youder; 3 (+0) - Youders; 18 (+0) - Yother; 8 (+0) - Yothers; 5 (+0) - Younder.





This Yoder reunion photo first appeared in the April 2000 issue (YNL35) and was supplied by Peggy Stauffer of Willow Grove, Pa. Her great-grandfather Albert L. "Al" Yoder (OH1331bb) (1860-1923) is the gentleman with glasses and a dark suit in the rear row, directly left of the central tree, and to the right of the boy with tie and cap. It was taken at one of the first reunions, likely at Al. L. Yoder's grove, before his death in 1923. Dr. Don Yoder had provided the YNL a xerox of this same reunion photo years before. His own grandmother is the lady in the dark dress seated in the front beside the man in the dark suit. Don described her as "surrounded by various aunts and great aunts and cousins of mine". Al Yoder was a well driller. He married Saloma Arnold (1863-1945), and is buried at Salem United Methodist Church cemetery in Mabel, PA.

1923- at Keefers- Death learned of Reuben J. Yoder (AC34). Attendees included Mr and Mrs George E Yoder, Mrs Laura Yoder, Mr and Mrs Robert Yoder of Schuylkill Haven, and Miss Katherine Yoder of Philadelphia.

1925- at Keefers in August. Lewis Delong Yoder (OH132813) attended but dies later in the month.

1926- "6<sup>th</sup> Annual" held at Rolling Green Park. 200 attendees. Speakers included: Dr. A. A. Yoder (M132-2) and Rev. J. J. Yoder, Akron, OH; Wm. C. Yoder, St. Louis, Mo; J H Yoder, Altoona; William Yoder (B95), Scranton; J B Yoder (B97), Lebanon; and C M Yoder, Palmyra.



Rolling Green Park

1927- Aug 13<sup>th</sup> at Hershey Park. Arrangements committee- C. F. Yoder, Palmyra; J B Yoder, Lebanon; Paul B. Yoder (B99), Palmyra-(secretary of committee). Professor J. W. Yoder of Huntingdon led the singing. Rev. E. F. Yoder of Elizabethtown gave the opening prayer and an address. Ralph Yoder, St. Louis, Md – a violin solo. Mrs John B Yoder of Lebanon and Mrs Paul B Yoder, Palmyra sang a duet. Rev. Paul D. Yoder (OY433811), Cordoros, made a speech. Mrs John B Yoder of Lebanon played piano. Mr and Mrs Harrison Yoder of Lebanon, age 87 and 93, won prize for oldest

couple- married 61 years. Attendees present from CT, NY, NJ, VA, WV, MO, MD, IN, OH, IL.

1928- Aug 11, 500 at Kishacoquillas Park, near Lewistown. Officers- Pres- Paul B. Yoder, Palmyra; Treas- J B Yoder, Lebanon; Sec- William F Yoder (OH1328112), Scranton. Attendees from "half a dozen states".



Kishacoquillas Park

1929- Aug. 10 at Hershey Park- C F Yoder of Allensville is secretary for the reunion this year.

1930- Aug 9 Hershey Park Convention Center- 500 registered. Prayer given by Rev. C J Yoder, Evangelical Congregational Church of Lebanon. Music-Clarion Quartet, Lebanon; voal solo- Mrs John B Yoder, Lebanon; saxophone quartette, Palmyra; marimba selections by Rev C J Yoder and daughter Dorothy of Lebanon; piano solo – Miss Wilma Yoder, Shillington; Mr and Mrs D G Yoder, Irvington, NJ. Election of officers: Pres- Dr. Kensie N Yoder (OY43331); VP- Daniel Yoder (M261c), Toledo, OH; Sec- Guildin G Yoder (OH1325372), Boyertown; Treas- John B Yoder, Lebanon; historian- Lynn E Yoder (OH1338361). Reunion Committee- Chm- L R Yoder,

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Reedsville; Ray Yoder, Shillington; Henry Yoder, Manatawny; Irvin Yoder, Reinertown; R R Yoder, Belleville; G G Yoder, Boyertown; John B Yoder, Lebanon; George S Yoder, Palmyra. Prizes given- Oldest Yoder- Harrison Yoder (OY4591), 91, Oley, a Civil War Vet- \$5 in gold; youngest- Arnold Yoder (YR146126), Belleville, 11 wks- \$2.50 in gold (he served in Korea and died in 1991); oldest married couple- Mr and Mrs Wm K Yoder of Richland- won an old-fashioned quilt; latest married couple- Mr and Mrs Valentine Kinglinen table cloth and napkins; couple with largest family- Geo B Yoder (YR146126- d. 1934, hit by a car), Allensville, 7 children – won 5lb of Hershey kisses; coming farthest distance- Mrs D S Yoder, Springfield, OH- \$5 in gold. Prizes were awarded by Paul B Yoder. Children were given tickets to the amusement park. Folks attending from NJ, DE, MD, WA, OH, and PA.



Hershey Park Convention Hall

Old officers- Pres- Henry Yoder, Manatawny; VP-Kensie Yoder, Reading; Sec- G G Yoder, Boyertown; Treas- John B Yoder, Lebanon; historian- Lynn E Yoder, Fairmont, WV. New officers- Pres- Dr Kensie Yoder, Reading; VP- Daniel Yoder, Toledo, OH; Sec- G G Yoder, Boyertown; Treas- John B Yoder, Lebanon; historian- Lynn E Yoder, Fairmont, WV. Committee chair- L R Yoder. Next Reunion to be Rolling Green Park Sunbury, 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of August .

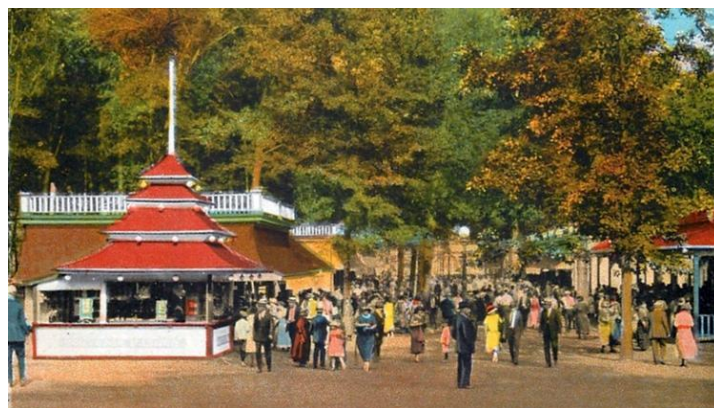
1931-?-



Rev. Paul D. Yoder (OY433811)  
(1879-1962)

1932- 1000 expected at Carsonia Park. Officers; Pres- Levi K Yoder(YR128412), Reedsville; VP- Daniel A Yoder, DD, Toledo, OH; Sec- Guildin G Yoder, Boyertown; Asst Sec-Russel H Yoder (s/o

OY433451); treas-John B Yoder, Lebanon. Family Council- Paul B Yoder, Palmyra; Leonard G Yoder (OY433451), Dr Morris B Yoder (OY434563), Dr Kensie N Yoder, Reading. Program Committee- Dr Kensie N Yoder, Reading-chairman; John B Yoder, Lebanon; Robert F. Yoder, Shillington.



Carsonia Park

1933- “13<sup>th</sup> Reunion”- held at Carsonia Park Aug 11. In the program- J Herman Miller, cheer leader; Leon Sande, Harmony Serenades; Lynn E Yoder, Coalwood, WV; Guildin G Yoder, Boyertown; Leonard G Yoder, Reading. Officers’ Pres- Leonard G Yoder, Reading; VP- Robert F Yoder, Shillington; Sec- Russell H Yoder; Asst Sec- Paul B Yoder, Palmyra; Treas- John B Yoder, Lebanon; historian- Lynn E. Yoder, Coalwood, WV; asst historian- Guildin G Yoder, Boyertown. Program Committee- Dr Kensie Yoder, Reading; Mrs John B Yoder, Lebanon; Miss Welma Mae Yoder, Shillington; Family Council- Dr Fred S Yoder, Reading; Rev Paul D Yoder, Cordoros; Robert F Yoder, Shillington.



Lynn Emerson Yoder  
(OH1338361) (1881-1957)

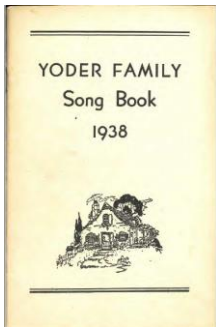


Guldin G. Yoder  
(OH1325372)  
(1870-1963)

1934- Hershey Park, Aug 11- 400 reg – Officers elected- Pres- J W Yoder, Huntingdon; VP- Paul B Yoder, Palmyra.; Sec- Russell H Yoder, Reading; asst Sec- A S Yoder, Reading; treas- John B Yoder, Lebanon; historian-Lynn E Yoder, Coalwood, WV; asst historian- Guildin G Yoder, Boyertown. Prizes- oldest- William K. Yoder, 75; Robinsonia (YR17774); youngest- Jean Yoder, 7 wks, Stoney Creek; longest married- Mr and Mrs Wm K Yoder; newest married- Mr and Mrs Irvin Yoder, Allensville- 5 mo; traveled the farthest- Wm C Yoder, St Louis, MO; largest family-Mr and Mrs Prius Kanagy, Belleville- 7 children. (A full list of registrants is given at the end of this article)



1937- 17<sup>th</sup> Reunion. Maple Grove Park near Millersburg, Aug 14-400 people. Program J J Yoder (s/o YR128417) of Belleville on "qualities one likes to find in Yoders". J W Yoder re-elected President. Next reunion Kishcoquillas Park, Lewisburg. Family registers were collected.



1938- Kishcoquillas Park, Lewisburg- 500 in attendance. Address by Rev. Paul D. Yoder, Cordorus. David Yoder (OH14526b) of Oley in attendance, who lives in the original Hans Yoder homestead. Brand new "Yoder Family Songbook" made available. Family register sheets were collected.

1939- Held at Lititz Spring Park, Aug 12.- Dr. M. H Yoder of Lititz was speaker. Yoder Songbooks sold for 5 cents each. Family registers were again collected.

1941- Kishacoquillas Park, 450 attended. J W Yoder, Huntingdon re-elected Pres.; Sec.- Mrs Sadie Speicher, Belleville; Treas- Levi K Yoder, Reedsville. Addresses by: Rev Paul D. Yoder, Cordorus, York Co; David J Yoder (YR23374c3), Yoder, KS (David was to sponsor a Kansas reunion in Jun1947- see YNL web page for reunion report); Entertainment by- Yoder String Orchestra, Mattawana and the Peachey children, Belleville. Prizes awarded by Charles D Yoder, Palmyra: Ezra Yoder, 83, Belleville- oldest man; Mrs Wm Yoder, 76, Hamburg, oldest woman; oldest married couple Mr and Mrs Wm Yoder Hamburg- 52 yrs; largest family- 11 children- Mr and Mrs Daniel Yoder, Belleville; most recent married- Mr and Mrs Beiler- 11 mo; David Yoder, Yoder, Ks- traveled the greatest distance; Henry C Yoder (OH145268), Manatawny- father of county agent Ira L. Yoder (OH1452684), Middlebury has attended "all 12 (sic-22) reunions"; youngest baby girl- Frances Rosanna Yoder, Belleville and youngest boy David Yoder, Belleville, both 5 mo; Tallest man Ira Yoder 6ft 1 inch. Tallest woman- Mrs J W Yoder, Huntingdon- 5 ft 9 in. Heaviest man- Howard Yoder, Schuylkill Haven-225 lbs.

-Reunions were not held during the War Years.

1947- Held near Lebanon, Rev Paul D Yoder delivered the address.

1948- Kishacoquillas Park, Lewistown- no details.

1949- 25<sup>th</sup> Silver Reunion- held at United Brethren Camp Meeting Ground, Mt Lebanon- Aug 13 -400 attended from PA, NJ, DE, MD, OH, FL, KS. A picnic basket lunch, with after dinner stories in PA Dutch dialect by Rev Paul D Yoder, Cordorus, and Guildin Yoder talk on Yoder history. Officers elected- Pres.- J W Yoder, Huntingdon; VP- Robert Yoder, Schuylkill Haven; Sec- Sara Yoder (OH14526842), Selinsgrove; Treas- John D Yoder (s/o YR2334692), Belleville. Next year reunion- Kishacoquillas Park, near Lewistown.



Ira Leslie Yoder (OH1452684)  
(1906-1972)



Sara Yoder (OH14526842)  
(1929-2000)

1950- 26<sup>th</sup> Annual Reunion- music by a male quartet, Allensville Jr Chorus, J W Yoder led group singing in both PA Dutch and English. Officers elected- Pres- J W Yoder; VP- Robert Yoder; Sec- Sara Yoder, Selinsgrove; Treas- John D Yoder, Belleville. Next year- Mt Lebanon Camp Meeting Ground.

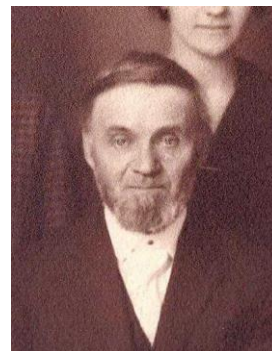
1951- Mt Lebanon Camp Meeting Ground Aug 11- 184 in attendance. Rev Paul Yoder, Cordorus, main speaker "strangers in a strange land" about the PA Dutch. John Yoder, Elverson, spoke of his visit to Switzerland while in Army during WWII. All officers re-elected- Sara Yoder now Mrs Harold Sharadin, Philadelphia.



Mt. Lebanon Campmeeting Ground

1952- Kishacoquillas Park, Lewistown, 300 attended. A "sumptuous banquet" followed by hymn singing in PA Dutch and English led by J W Yoder. Yoder Brothers Quartet of the Nicholas family; trombone & clarinet duet by Ruth & Allen Yoder, Children of Ira L. Yoder, Snyder Co. Agent; a senior quartet by Mrs John D Yoder, Mrs Irvin R Yoder, Moses A Yoder and J W Yoder.

Prof. Paul R. Yoder of Huntingdon gave address on loyalty to country, church and God. Various prizes- longest distance to Jeff Yoder of Kalona, Iowa; ten door prizes to lucky numbers; candy to children and old people. Closed by singing the Doxology and a benediction by Rev Harry Kauffman of Mattawana.



Ezra Yoder -1941 oldest  
man (1858-1943)  
(YR253425)



Allen Yoder- 1951 trombone  
solo ( 1934-2017)  
(OH14526842)

Registrants at 1934 Reunion-(Names by Place of Residence): Those registered were: Mr and Mrs William M. Yoder, Mrs Ruth Berger, Katherine Yoder, Hamburg; Mr and Mrs Christian B. Yoder, Mrs Lydia Yoder, Kathryn Yoder, Narvon; Emma King Mast, Levi Mast, Samuel Mast, and Howard Kauffman, Gap; Mrs and Mrs John Yoder, Russell Yoder, Venona Yoder, Ellen Gery, Sarah Gery, Mrs and Mrs Thomas Nafzinger, Irene Crusie, Mrs Russell H. Yoder, Mr Leonard G. Yoder, Mrs Carl Moter Jr., Dr and Mrs Kensie Yoder, Anna Weber, Mr and Mrs Nelson S. Yoder, Paul Richard Yoder, Mrs Katie M Hageman, Mrs May Hageman Lorah, Jane Hageman Lorah, Mr and Mrs Max Koffke, Stewart Koffke, Ralph Koffke, Abselom Yoder, Mrs Abselom S. Yoder, Alta Mae Yoder, Cora Lieb, Anna Lieb, Francis Lieb, John Lieb, Fred Lieb, Aaron L. Lieb, Paul Tomelier, Mrs Anna Maurer, Mrs Charles

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Northmont; Viola Smoker, Christiana; Mr and Mrs Harrison Yothers, Miss Mary Harnay, Souderton; and Mr and Mrs Irvin Yothers, Perkasie.

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Attendees list from 1949 Yoder Reunion-found in J W YoderArchives, Juniata College (town followed by names): Allensville, Pa: Mr & Mrs Irvin Lee Yoder, George & Kathleen; Mr & Mrs I Newton Yoder, Rena Yoder, James Yoder;Mr Levi J. Yoder; Mr & Mrs Paul T Yoder, Susan K; Mrs Dorsey Yoder. Ambler, Pa: Mr & Mrs Elmer M Yoder (408 Ellerslie Ave), Betty & Harold James; Atglen, Pa: Mr & Mrs Aquilla Stoltzfus , Vera, Irene, Doris;; Baltimore 12, Md- Ada R. Yoder (605 TonBridge Rd); Mr & Mrs Lewis E Yoder (2109 Ken Ave); Bareville, Pa: Mr & Mrs Sylva Smoker, David 1 ½ yrs; Belleville, Pa: Kore J. Peachey, (Mrs Anna B. Peachey), John A. Yoder (Ez Yoder), Leah Yoder, Elizabeth Yoder; S.C. Yoder-Anna Yoder, Mary Yoder, Beaulah Yoder, Annie Peachey (Annie Peachey), Stanley Yoder (M.A. Yoder), Mr & Mrs Jonas J. Yoder, Keith; Mr & Mrs John P. Yoder, Isaiah, Mary V, Ruth; Mr Glen Bontreger ; Mr & Mrs John Spicher, Arlene, Esther, David, Paul; Mr & Mrs Thomas H Hartzler,Richard; Matilda S. Yoder; Mr & Mrs Aaron B. Peachy, Marie Ellen, Martha Jane; Mr & Mrs Levi S Yoder; Mr & Mrs Joseph Sharp; Mrs Mary Spicher; Mr David Peachey; Mr Samuel Yoder; Mr & Mrs Lee U Yoder, Ann, Mary Ellen, Marlin; Mr & Mrs S. J. Yoder, Marie, Susan; Mr & Mrs J P Hartzler, Margaret, Jefferson; Mr & Mrs Dan A Yoder, J. Ben Yoder; Mr & Mrs Paul Hartzler, Donald Ray; Bird in Hand, Pa 1: Mr & Mrs Emmanuel Nofziger, David, Dorothy; Mrs Benjamin F Lapp Jr. Blooming Glen, Pa: Mr & Mrs Norman Yoder, Mildred and Leroy; Mr & Mrs Walter Yoder, Edna Yoder; Brooklyn, NY: Annabelle Antisco; Bronx, NY: Lillian Curran, Boverstown, Pa : Guldin G. Yoder-Asst. Historian; Mr & Mrs Jonas Yoder,Walter, Harvey, Amos, Irene; Cochranville, Pa RD 1 : Mr & Mrs Christ S Yoder , Fern, Samuel, Marcella; Mr & Mrs Valentine King, Pluma, Joseph, Susan, Paul, Parke, Nathan, Merle, Rose Marie; Codorus, Pa: Mr & Mrs Paul D Yoder; Cressona, Pa: Mr & Mrs Henry Yoder; Denby, Va: Mr J.H. Yoder; Dublin, Pa: Mr & Mrs Oswin Kieler; Elverson, Pa :Mr & Mrs Jacob C. Yoder, Betty Ann Kerschner, Irvin Yoder; Mr & Mrs Jacob Z Yoder, Rebecca; Mr & Mrs Christ B Yoder, Anna, Kenneth, Catherine; Mr & Mrs Raymond Yoder, Janet Louise, Cletus, Martha Mae, Rosana; Mr Jefferson Yoder; Mr Nicholas Yoder; Mr & Mrs Paul R Yoder, Paul Jr, Wayne, Richard, Larry; Mr & Mrs John Yoder, Rosana, Lester, Jesse; Garrett Park, Md: Herma Yoder Fisher, L.M. Fisher; Gloucester, NJ: Mr & Mrs Allen Snyder (302 S 4<sup>th</sup>); Hamburg, Pa: Mr & Mrs John C. Grimes; Mr & Mrs George S Miller; Marian Yoder; Eastern Mennonite College Harrisonburg, VA; Mr & Mrs J Maynard Yoder; Hatfield, Pa: Mr & Mrs Paul Ziegler, Shirley; Hutchinson, Kan RD 1:Mr Christ M Yoder; Intercourse, Pa: Mrs Elam Smoker ; Mr & Mrs Ezra Zook; RD 4 Johnstown, Pa: Mr & Mrs Edward L Yoder, Raymond and Donald; Lancaster: Elmer S Yoder; Mr & Mrs Samuel P Yoder; Miss Hilda Lena Aquilla; Mr & Mrs Mark P Stoltzfus, Etta Fern; Dr. & Mrs S.E. Yoder,Solomon E & Carl Jesse; Dr. SaulYoder; Lebanon, Pa:Mr & Mrs John B Yoder (262 S 2<sup>nd</sup>); Lebanon, Pa: Mr & Mrs Edwin W Patschke (401 Canal St); Leesport, Pa: Mr & Mrs Benjamin Yoder (Box 164); Long Green, Md: Mr & Mrs C Emery Yoder; Manatawny, Pa: Mr & Mrs David N. Yoder, Richard, Norman, Walter Hafer; Mr & Mrs Casper G. Griesmer (Mrs) Yoder of old Yoder; Henry C Yoder (attended 25 years); Mill Creek, Pa: Mr & Mrs Elrose Yoder , Iva, Effie, Dorothy; Mr & Mrs Elmer Byler; Millersville, Pa: Mr & Mrs Stewart Aylmer Yoder. Mohrsville, Pa: John Kershner, Marilyn; Mr & Mrs Edwin S Yoder; Moresville, Pa: Mr & Mrs Herbert Keller, Gladys, Paul, Daniel; Morgantown, Pa: Mr & Mrs Samuel M Yoder,

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(109 South Front St, ) Miss Etsher Kurtz; Morword, Pa: Robert PA Kenneth Yoder; Myerstown, Pa: Mr & Mrs John Yoder, John, Glen, Carrol, Donna, Dale 4 wks; Stella Yoder ;, Norristown, Pa: Mr & Mrs John B Yoder (612 W Airy St); Oley, Pa: Mr & Mrs Howard Manville, Sara, Howard (Porto Rico/ service); Palmvra: C F Yoder; Mr & Mrs Paul B Yoder; Paoli, Pa: Mr & Mrs Paul H. Yoder, Barbara, Kitty; Perkasie: Mr & Mrs Wilmer Yoder; Mr & Mrs Warren D. Yoder; Mr & Mrs Wm D. Fretz; Mr & Mrs Wilmer Benner, Carolyn & Dale; Mr & Mrs Levi M Yoder; Mr & Mrs Willard Yoder; Phila, PA: Rev. Clarence Y Fretz (2151 N Howard St); . Plain City, Ohio: Mr & Mrs John Lapp; Pine Grove, Pa: Mrs Margaret Yoder Lutz, (Robert Yoders Aunt), Ellis Lutz, Wilba Lutz, Dale Lutz; Wm. A. Yoder; Mrs Harry Schwalm; Pottstown: Mrs Daniel S Krick; Mrs Lydia M. Yoder; Reading: Mrs Charles Knaus (1245 Church St)-change address for Mrs Agnes Yoder; Mr & Mrs A.S. Yoder (551 S 15th St); Mr & Mrs Levi B Yoder (142 Clymea St), Richard C. Yoder; Richland, Pa: Mr & Mrs Homer Heffelfinger, Linda Lou; Robesonia, Pa: Minnie Yoder; Rockland, Pa: Mr & Mrs Ralph C Yoder, Dinnie; Sarasota, Fla: Mr Howard Yoder (424 W 8th St); Schuylkill Haven: Mr Robert R. Yoder; Mr & Mrs Harold Krammes; Schwenksville: Rev. & Mrs D. X. Gass, Darwin II, Winfred, Andrea; Sellersville: Mrs Henry Benner, Esther, Evelyn, Marie, Helen, Richard; Selinsburg: Mr & Mrs Ira Yoder, Sara E.Yoder; State College Sr, Allen, Ruth Ann, Ira Jr.; Shoemakersville: George F. Yoder; Mr Frank Yoder; Charles C Yoder , Grace M Yoder, Sadie R Miller; Sheridan: Mr & Mrs Adam H Yoder; Mrs Herman Heffelfinger; Mrs Charles Becker; John L. Yoder; Mr & Mrs Charles Becker, Joy Daphne, Lynn Wade; Sinking Spring: Mrs Robert Leininger; Snow Hill, Md: Mr & Mrs Samuel Yoder , Miriam, Jason, Edna Mae, Audrey, Linda; Souderton: Mr & Mrs Ephram Geham, (Walton B. Yoder not here); Mr & Mrs Wm. Alderfer, Miriam & Claude; Miss Amanda M Yoder (319 Main St); Mr & Mrs Robert F Yoder (20 E Summit St), Jay Yoder; Spring City, Pa: Mr & Mrs Clyde Eby , Merle & Lowell; State College, Pa: Mr & Mrs Bruce Thompson (1017 South Allieston) children Patsy; Tausend, Md: Mr & Mrs Charles Harden (8614 Chestnut Oak Rd) Mac Harden; Telford, Pa: Mr & Mrs Abram D. Yoder (206 Penn Ave), Donald & Daniel; Mr & Mrs Howard Benner, Paul Barnes, Shirley Ann, Louis Marie (4 wks); Terre Hill, Pa: Wayne Ohlinger; Townada, Pa: Mr & Mrs William H. Yoder, Mary Alice nurse, Sara Louise- training for nurse, William Henry; West Chester: Mr & Mrs Howard Manville, Ira Yoder, Walter; West Hamburg: Mr & Mrs Clayton Yoder, (and her mother Mrs Emma L Yoder ); Washington, DC: Mr & Mrs Marion Brockman (106 Varnum St NW) Marian Elizabeth, Christine, Robert (1 wk); Dr Walton B Yoder; Dr Enos Yoder ; Westover, Md: Emory J and Viola Yoder, Mildred Yoder; Paul R and Elsie Eby; Melvin J and Minne Baker, Fern Baker, Leslie Baker; Wyomissing, Pa: Mr & Mrs Elmer Z Yoder (1418 Garfield Ave); York: Mr & Mrs Jesse Yoder (2139 E Phila St).

Residence not stated: Esther Yoder; Alvin D. Yoder; Mr & Mrs Roman A. Yoder; Roman A Yoder Jr; Mr & Mrs Roy N Yoder, Roy Jr., Florence Louise 3 years.

Do any or our readers see the names of family members attending the 1934 or 1949 events? Let Chris Yoder know at [cnyder@tds.net](mailto:cnyder@tds.net)

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## MYSTERY FLOWERS?

An unknown person placed these flowers on an unmarked grave in the "Schweitzer Christian" Yoder Cemetery, Somerset Co, PA. Anyone know who? – Thanks to House of Yoder Newsletter, Summer 2021

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rather "all of them Freeholders and Men of Reputation of the said County, who have always behaved peaceably & quietly and never intermeddled in state affairs but paid their taxes & fines, furnished houses and teams for the continental service whenever demanded, and some of them have gone with their teams as drivers to carry provisions to the Army of the United States for which services they have hitherto received no pay;". Eva and Esther complained that "all their said personal Estate even their Beds, Beddings Linen, Bibles & Books were taken from them and sold by the Sheriff to the amount of about forty thousand Pounds; That from some of them all their Provisions were taken and even not a Morsel of Bread left them for their Children". Their petition asked the General Assembly to take action to mitigate the impoverished circumstances of the families involved. Eva and Esther each signed the appeal with their "mark" on Sept. 9. 1778.' The Mennonite Yearbook and Almanac reports no records have been found to show the disposition of this petition

The Bible of Jacob & Eve Yoder had been sold at auction. It was purchased by the sheriff himself, John Siegfried, the man who oversaw the confiscation and sale. In a Feb. 11, 2020 article published on the website of the Mennonite Heritage Center of Harleysville, PA, Forrest Moyer describes a family register page which has recently been donated to their archival holdings. It apparently was torn from the Jacob Yoder Bible before the book was taken away for sale. The record details, translated to English, reads: *Jacob Joder and [Eva Landis]*

*In the year 1761, May 25, a daughter is born to me, Elisa[beth Joder]*

*In the year 1763, October 19, a daughter is born to me, F\_\_na [Fronica] Joder*

*In the year 1767, [Christmonat] December 29, a daughter is born to me, Anna Joder*

*In the year 1770, May 16, a daughter is born to me, Barbara Joder*

*In the year 1773, January 14, a daughter is born to me, [Eva Joder]*

*[added in pencil] In the year 1773, January 14, Eva Joder was born; died June 8, [1858].*

Mr. Moyer explains:

*It appears the register passed to youngest daughter Eva Yoder Geissinger (1773-1858), wife of Abraham Geissinger. She had no children and the register went to the family of her sister, Fronica Yoder Shelly (1763-1807).*

*Fronica's son Jacob married Barbara Shelly, who inherited her own parents' family Bible, and the old Yoder register was placed inside this Bible. That is how the items were preserved, a Yoder family register loose in a Shelly family Bible.*

*The Shelly book and Yoder register were passed to Barbara's daughter Elizabeth Shelly, who married Samuel Moyer. He was ordained a preacher in the Springfield Mennonite congregation in 1851.*

*From them the book went to their daughter Barbara, wife of Christian Musselman. Their son Samuel M. Musselman (1875-1938) became a Mennonite preacher in the Midwest, and he took the Bible with him. From there it went to Denver, CO with his son George.*

*Thankfully Samuel Musselman's daughter-in-law Della and grandson James decided that the book should come home to Pennsylvania. After contacting the Lancaster Mennonite Historical Society, they were put in touch with us. Through their thoughtful donation, this artifact that tells a story of nonviolent resistance during the American Revolution will be preserved in its community of origin.*

For 245 years, all was thought to have been lost from the Bible records of Jacob and his wife Eva. Thanks to generations of descendants who treasured and safeguarded it, and thanks to present day family members who recognized its much broad significance in the history of our family and our nation, we know about the document can report that what was "lost" now is found! A special thanks to Della and James!!

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## YODER PASSINGS

-Perry O. Yoder, 87, Goshen, IN, died Mar. 8, 2021. He was the son of Ora J. (YR1253e82) and Mattie (Yoder)(d/o YR2344349) Yoder.  
 -Malinda Yoder, 72, died Mar. 18, 2021 in Indianapolis, IN. She was the daughter of Glenn (s/o YR1253239) and Esther Martin Yoder.  
 -Dale L. Yoder, 91, Goshen, died Feb. 5, 2021. He was the son of Allen S. (YR2338361) and Sophia (Ummel) Yoder.  
 -Elmer J. Yoder, 84, of Goshen, passed away Saturday, May 29, 2021. He was born Apr. 1, 1937 in Nappanee to Jonas (YR12532861) and Nancy (Slabaugh) Yoder.  
 -Dan W. Yoder, Sr. 85, of Sugarcreek died Jun. 18, 2021. He was the son of the late Enos M. (YR23542354) and Anna R. (Yoder) (YR1253ce6) Yoder  
 -Ray L. Yoder, 83, formerly of Grabill, Ind., died Feb. 15, 2021, in Fort Wayne. He was a son of the late Rev. Ralph and Barbara Ellen "Ella" (Knepp) Yoder.



-James G. Yoder, 91, of Surrey, B.C. died Nov. 17, 2000. He was the son of Grant (YR12a3338) and Cornelia Belle Sills Yoder. Grant was born in Dade County, MO, and grew up in Yoder, Oregon. Grant homesteaded in Alberta, Canada in 1909. His cousin Joel Daniels reports "Jim was a pastor instrumental in founding the Southern Baptists of Canada. An avid historian and detail man he dove into family history later in life. In 2000, he joined a group of

cousins, who toured our Yoder haunts in Mo and IL. We met up with the late Steven Estes at the Mennonite Historical Museum and archive at Metamora, IL, and Steve got out a picture ostensibly of the Amish Bishop Jonathan Yoder (1795-1869). The attribution is tenuous, as the Amish didn't do too many photos, but the comparison between Jim and the Bishop was striking." (see YNL37 and 42 and his article on the Oregon Yoder family at <https://www.yodernewsletter.org/omhgs/james.html>)

-From the Family of Jonathan Z Yoder (YR253c214), Belleville, - three deaths as follows, all at Belleville:

Their daughter Ruth Ann Metzler Yoder, 83, Died Nov. 21, 2020. Their son: John L Yoder (93) Died Dec. 1, 2020.

John's wife Enid M Yoder (90) Died June 1, 2021.

All deaths were Covid-19 related with Enid it was also congestive heart failure in addition to Covid-19.

-Eileen Yoder of Hartsville, Ohio, 82, died Mar. 2021. She was the daughter of William (YR12535814) and Emma (Stutzman) Yoder.

-Maxine Joyce Yoder, 97, Topeka, Indiana, died May 22, 2021. She was the daughter of Eldon (YR26132215) and Maude (Hostetler) Yoder. She married Willard O. (YR23447471) Yoder in 1943.

-Amos M Yoder, 89, Elkhart, Indiana, died May 30, 2021. He was the son of Menno (YR1253e37) and Malinda (Miller) Yoder.

-Miriam Yoder 77, of West Liberty, OH died Mar. 4, 2021. She was the daughter of John and Anna (Yoder) Yoder.

-G. Ramsey Yoder, 87, of Tinnmouth, VT, died Mar. 2, 2021. He was the son of Georgia Read and Harold Fetzer Yoder.

-John H. Yoder of London, OH, 80 died Feb. 28, 2021. He was the son of John Henry (YR2689173) and Sevilla (Coblents) Yoder.

-Dennis Yother of Gadsden, AL, 74, died Jun. 15, 2021. He was the son of Delta Yother and Velma Yother.

-Larry W. Yother, 83, died Jan. 13, 2021 from complications of prostate cancer. He was born in Cheyenne, Wyoming.

-Lloyd Yoder, 90, of Wadsworth, Ohio passed away peacefully, surrounded by his family on May 13, 2021. He was born on October 8, 1930 in Coraopolis, Pa. to John F. and Emily N. Yoder. (John F. son of John Nicholas Joder b. Switz. Immigrated 1891.)

-Dale Yotter of Merrifield, MN, 93, died May 14, 2021. He was the son of William and Ella (Koehler). Yotter

-Michael Joe Yother, 61, of Dayton, TN, died Jun. 5, 2019. He was the son of the late James and Luddie (Hackler) Yother.

-Malinda Sue Yoder, 72, died Mar. 18, 2021 Indianapolis, IN. She was the dau. of Glenn (YR12532392) and Esther (Martin) Yoder.

-Daryl D. Yoder, 74, Goshen, IN, died Jul. 17, 2021. He was the son of Melvin (YR1253284) and Edna (Hershberger) Yoder.

-Hope E. Yoder, 65, Intercourse, PA, Died Jul. 16, 2021. She was the dau. of the David J. (YR25143457) & Marian Stoltzfus Yoder.

-Kenneth Wayne "Butch" Yoder, 75, Tornado, WV dies Aug 4, 2021. He was the son of Millard J. (Con39219) and Catherine L. Yoder

-Agnes Lee Bell Yount, 83, Hickory, NC died Sept. 7, 2020. Her husband Ray Yount has been a stalwart member of the Yoders of North Carolina and an early supporter of the House of Yoder.

-Eleanor Yothers Fisher, 99, Orlando, FL, died Jul. 7, 2021. Daughter of William W. (F872) and Ada Bumby Yothers.

-Mahlon Burkhard, 98, (YR2337a5512) died Aug. 25, 2021, Adamstown, MD. Son of Iva Yoder and Noah Burkhard.

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## SODDY-DAISY, TN YOTHER REUNION

Descendants of George Wilson Yother, a son of Adam Yother, youngest son of Conrad Yoder of North Carolina held a reunion in Soddy-Daisy, TN on May 28, 2021. Thanks to Brenda Wilson Bowers and Darlene Wooten for the report and picture.



Left to Right- Jerry Yother, Brenda Wilson Bower, Darlene McClendon Wooten and Bill Bower

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## YODER POLICE HORSE RETIRES



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In YNL73 (April 2019) we wrote about a police horse named Yoder who was injured on duty in Lexington, Kentucky. WDKY FOX News 56 reports:

*After serving several years as part of the Lexington Police Mounted Unit, Yoder the horse is finally retiring and going to a special home.*

*Yoder has served for five years with the Lexington Mounted Police. Starting as a 14-year-old horse, he was one of the older horses on patrol, but officers say he couldn't have been a better fit.*

*"He's not mean, he literally has kind eyes, he will do anything that you ask him to do and he tries," said Sgt. Joey Eckhardt. "He ended up back to full duty and served several years after that, that was just nothing really short of a miracle," Sgt. Eckhardt said.*

*.. Yoder is now living every horse's dream in a field with plenty of green grass to eat.*

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