



## *Wolfensberger and related families: A Family Gathering*

A Family Gathering, for Wolfensberger and related families, is scheduled for July 30th through August 1<sup>st</sup>. Early registration begins July 28th, 2010. Lantern Lodge, Myerstown, Pennsylvania is the central meeting place, with historical excursions in Lancaster and Campbelltown. Area historian Don Rhoads will be the keystone tour guide, as the Wolfensberger Family Association (WFA) celebrates their 15<sup>th</sup> anniversary. The international WFA has members in Switzerland and other countries of Europe, some of whom are expected to attend. The roots of the WFA American branches come primarily from Switzerland, with some stop overs in Germany and France.

The surname has 20 various spellings, including the shortened Spargur, Sparger lines. The historic area of Lancaster and Campbelltown, holds special significance, due to the earliest immigrations there by Johannes Wolfensberger, and Anna Margaretha Ensminger with their family and associated friends. They were members of the Reformed Lutheran sect, who originally donated the land for the Union Church in Campbelltown, currently known as the Salem United Church of Christ. A family service is planned for Sunday at the church grounds in Campbelltown.

**Come and meet your extended family in beautiful south-central Pennsylvania! There are so many things to do and see. Antiquing, Hersheypark, Hershey's Chocolate World, National Civil War Museum, The National Watch & Clock Museum, Outlet shopping, Amish farmers markets, Children's Museum, Strasburg Railroad, Antique Auto Museum, excellent golf courses, Indian Echo Caverns, Crayola Crayon tour, Cornwall Iron Furnace, Gettysburg National Park, minor league baseball in Harrisburg, the Appalachian Trail and much, much more. Lancaster county has some beautiful views and wonderful cooking! Come join us for several days or just one! But please come!!! You won't regret it.**

The Family Gathering is open to those interested in this unique history of the Campbelltown and Lancaster as it relates to the WFA members and extended family lines. Pre-registration fees will be collected by membership secretary, David Wolfensberger. Dinners, and Landis Valley Museum tours, included in fees. See WFA website for more details, updates, and fees. [www.wolfensberger.org](http://www.wolfensberger.org)

### ***Schedule:***

***July 28*** and ***29*** are early registration dates, excursions and meals on your own. Come earlier or stay later!!!

***July 30<sup>th</sup>*** – Registration, Wolfensberger family historical presentation, lunch on own, optional Landis Valley Museum tour in Lancaster, dinner on your own, Evening Social at Lantern Lodge, included in fees.

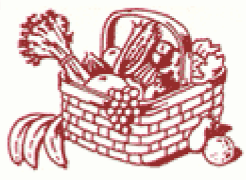
***July 31<sup>st</sup>*** – Registration, Local area tour of Campbelltown, Union Deposit and other Wolfensberger sites, Pennsylvania Dutch lunch, included in fees, at the fair grounds in Campbelltown, time for sharing and Q & A. Tour will end in Schaefferstown, where WFA Memorial stone is located by Anna Margreta's burial location. Dinner Reception at Lantern Lodge included in fees.

***Aug 1<sup>st</sup>*** – Church service at Salem UCC in Campbelltown where an old German Reformed liturgy will be conducted in our honor. We will have a special graveyard service as well after the normal service, around noon time.



Antique Auto Museum at Hershey

Bird-in-Hand



Farmers Market



# 2010 Wolfersberger Family Gathering

## Registration Form

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Postal Zone/Country \_\_\_\_\_

Date Arriving: \_\_\_\_\_ Date Departing: \_\_\_\_\_

Where will you be staying? \_\_\_\_\_ (Note: If you are staying at the Lantern Lodge you must make reservations directly with the Lodge. 717-866-9255. Ask for the WFA Family Gathering rate, \$89 per night)

Please list all who will be attending. The name should be as you want it on your name badge.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Adult</u> \$50	<u>Child</u> Under 12 \$25	<u>Friday</u> <u>Excursion</u> \$15	<u>Friday</u> <u>Evening</u> Reception	<u>Total</u> Cost
<b>Total Submitted</b>					

We would like to indicate on your name badge which part of the Family you are from. Please note the heir you most closely associate with or provide information on your part of the family so we can determine where you "fit."

Any special dietary needs that we should be aware of?

Any other special needs that we need to plan for?

Activities Wednesday July 28 and July 29 are "on your own." However to help us plan, please list any activities you might be interested in on those days and we will try to have the necessary information available for you. Activities might include such things as visiting Gettysburg National Military Park; touring Harrisburg; golf; visit to the American Philatelic Society. Interests: