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P. J. Landrum: Named Spirit Queen...



There's now a queen in the family.

P.J. Landrum was named Spirit Queen during Homecoming ceremonies for the Pelzer (S.C.) 10 and Under Recreation Department football team.

She was crowned as her mom, Cindy; and grandpa and grandma Gary and Carol Heck watched.

A look of shock was on her face and a tear of joy rolled down her cheek when her name was announced over the public address system at the local high school football field.

As a reward, P.J. got to ride in a black Mustang convertible in the Williamston Christmas parade and threw candy to kids in the crowd. She'll have to practice her aim, though, after hitting a couple of kids in the cheek with mini Tootsie Rolls.

This was P.J.'s first year as a cheerleader so she'll have a tough act to follow next year, but she's already looking forward to it.

P.J. will turn 10 on March 23 and is in the fourth grade at West Pelzer Primary School. Her brother, John, will turn 11 in February and he's in 5th grade at Palmetto Middle School (that's right, middle school).

Editors Note: My niece, Cindy, was kind enough to share this picture and article about P.J.. While P. J. will be turning 10 this month, we can almost hear her saying, "Look out boys! Here I come!"

Now we need to talk Cindy into writing an article about her son, John, who has his own shotgun and his own set of rattle snake leg guards.

Our Family Home Pages On The Internet...

If you're into the Internet you might want to check out our family history on line. Following are several URL addresses to check out.

http://www.execpc.com/~bheck/heck.html
(Heck family home page)

http://www.genforum.com/heck/messages/3.html (Johann Heck Descendants)

http://www.genforum.com/heck/ (Heck Family Genealogy Forum)

http://www.genforum.com/burgess/ (Burgess Family Genealogy Forum)

http://www.genforum.com/mcnulty/ (McNulty Family Genealogy Forum)

http://www.genforum.com/henningfeld/ (Henningfeld Family Genealogy Forum) http://www.iamnet.com/users/hhfhenningfeld

(The Henning Henningfeld Home Page)

http://www.execpc.com/~bheck/hfeld/hfeld97.htm (The Henningfeld Home Page on ExecPC)

http://www.execpc.com/~bheck/hfeld97.html (7 Generations of Henningfelds)

http://www.familytreemaker.com/users/h/e/c/Robert-J-Heck/index.html

(The Heck & Henningfeld Family Home Page)

All of these home pages were created by me and contain a great deal of my research into our family history. If you get a chance to visit them, drop me an e-mail message at:

bheck@execpc.com

The URL address listed at the top of this page was written by Mr. Henning Henningfeld, a German engineer living in Venezuela. Henning and I have been communicating over the Internet for about one year. We generally communicate with each other about twice a week. I send him my research and he sends me his research. We compare notes and offer help to each other.

Henning has a daughter who lives in Berlin, Germany, and sometimes we exchange data three ways on the Internet. There is a Jeff Henningfield living in the state of Washington who also is into Internet genealogy. At times we exchange data four ways.

Henning has taken pictures of many of the Henningfeld landmarks in Germany and has sent them to me as an attachment to an e-mail message. He can't get access to microfilm research records where he is at so I do that research for him.

What makes things especially interesting, is the fact that Henning and I are distant cousins with a common link way back in the 1700's.

Henning's home page is still under construction but it contains a wealth of information. The home page is written in German but it also contains an English translation. His home page URL is repeated here.

http://www.iamnet.com/users/hhfhenningfeld

A Special Thank You...

I would like to thank all of the readers who made a contribution during the holidays to keeping Our Family News Letter alive and well. As you are aware, I have never charged anyone for this news letter. Many of you have helped to defray the cost of publishing an eight page news letter and the cost of postage. I send out 45 copies of the news letter every three months and have been doing so since June, 1993. My special thanks go out to Uncle Al and Aunt Bernice Heck, Howard and Anne Heck, Laila K. Suter, Bob and Lorraine Heck, and Jeff and Susan Miller.

Meet your cousin...

The picture shown below was taken in 1990, and shows John Landrum, older brother of P. J. Landrum. I just knew that if I didn't include a picture of John in this news letter, he would probably never speak to me again. John was visiting grandpa Gary Heck in Kansasville, Wisconsin when this picture was taken.



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Meet Don Heck...



This picture of my younger brother Don, was taken in August, 1945, when he was just three months old. The reason that I decided to include this picture in our news letter is because it is the only one that I could find of him without his mustache. You see, Don shaved off the mustache in February, that he had been sporting for the past 27 years. If I didn't show you a picture of him without one, you would never recognize him on the street. And if you didn't recognize him on the street, he would probably get a complex. And if he got a complex, he would probably go out and buy some new golf clubs. And if he bought new golf clubs, I'd have to listen to how many strokes he shaved off of his average. So, you can see the relationship between shaving a mustache off of his face and shaving strokes off of his golf score.

Early German Church Records List Our Henningfeld family...

The following information was recorded from microfilms from the villages of Olfen and Henrichenburg, Germany.

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This record lists the posting of the bans of marriage for Johann Henrich Henningfeld and Anna Maria Kloth (Kloet in later records) on May 17, 24, and 31, 1739, and is the record of marriage at Henrichenburg, Germany. These were my great-great-great-great-great grandparents. They are shown as number 16 and 17 on the pedigree chart on the next page.

Below is the birth and christening record of Johann Henrich Henningfeld on July 4, 1728 at Henrichenburg. He was the son of Johann Henrich Henningfeld and Maria Schuerman shown as number 32 and 33 on the chart.

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John Burgess and Hannah James...



As mentioned in the last issue of Our Family News Letter, I asked Steve Heck from Connecticut, if he would take pictures of the cemetery and burial site of John Burgess (1711 - 1796) and his wife Hannah James (1719 - 1786) at Sterling, CT. The pictures on this page are from Steve.



The large picture of the Riverside Cemetery shows the tombstones of John Burgess and Hannah James Burgess at center. The picture at lower left is of the tombstone of John Burgess. It reads, "Sacred is the memory of Mr. John Burgess who departed this life

April the 4th AD 1796 in the 85th year of his life."

The picture at lower right is of the tombstone of Hannah James Burgess. It reads, "Saced (Sacred) to the memory of Mrs. Hannah Burgess who departed this life August the first AD 1786 in the 68th year of her age. Wife of Mr. John Burgess."

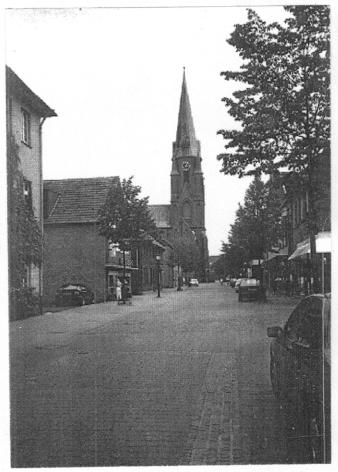
There is a religious

phrase at the bottom of each of the tombstones but we are not able to read them from the photographs. I hope to visit with Steve after I retire and perhaps we can take a rubbing of the bottom of the stones at that time.

My thanks to Steve Heck for the photographs.



From The Photo Album...



At the top left is a picture of the Catholic church at Olfen, Germany. The church is St. Vitus and is the place where Franz Henningfeld and his family attended prior to emigrating to America in 1845. The

church records go back to the 1600's.

At top right is the wedding picture of Frederick F. Henningfeld, son of Henry Henningfeld and Clara Stratman, and Adella Wald. The picture was taken on September 7, 1897 at Burlington, Wisconsin. Frederick was a brother of Margaret F. Henningfeld Heck, my grandmother. At left is their 50th wedding anniversary in 1947.

Fred Henningfeld & Adella Wald in 1897



On the following two pages is a listing of the descendants of Frederick and Adella Henningfeld.



Descendants of Frederick F. HENNINGFELD

First Generation

1. Frederick F. HENNINGFELD was born 13 May 1875 in Waterford, Racine Co., WI. He died 29 Nov 1958 in Waterford, Racine Co., WI and was buried in St. Mary's, Burlington, Racine Co., WI.

Frederick married (1) **Della WALD** on 7 Sep 1897 in Burlington, Racine Co., WI. Della was born 1876. She died 7 Sep 1943 in Lyons, Racine Co., WI. They had the following children:

+ 2 F i. Lorraine HENNINGFELD was born 2 Aug 1898 and died 14 May 1976.

+ 3 F ii. Dorothy HENNINGFELD was born 1900.

+ 4 M iii. Robert Florian Herbert HENNINGFELD was born 18 Aug 1901 and died 2 Apr 1981.

+ 5 M iv. Roland (Babe) HENNINGFELD was born 15 Jan 1903 and died 18 Sep 1963.

+ 6 F v. Lolita Naomi Dolores HENNINGFELD was born 20 Nov 1911.

Second Generation

2. Lorraine HENNINGFELD was born 2 Aug 1898 in Burlington, Racine Co., WI. She died 14 May 1976 in Lyons, Walworth Co., WI.

Lorraine married (1) **Fredolyn ROBERS**. Fredolyn was born 6 Mar 1898 in Lyons Township, WI. He died 28 Sep 1930 in Burlington, Racine Co., WI. They had the following children:

7 F i. Beverly Lorraine ROBERS was born 6 Jul 1926 in Burlington, Racine Co., WI and was christened 11 Jul 1926 in St. Joseph's, Lyons, WI.

Beverly married (1) George Maynard HARRIS on 8 Nov 1947 in St. Joseph's, Lyons, WI.

8 M ii. Ardell Fredrick ROBERS was born 8 Sep 1927 in Burlington, Racine Co., WI and was christened in St. Joseph's, Lyons, WI. Ardell married (1) Ora GLENN. The marriage ended in divorce. Ardell also married (2) Nancy UNKNOWN.

9 F iii. Darlene Rita ROBERS was born 14 Aug 1930 in Burlington, Racine Co., WI and was christened 15 Aug 1930 in St. Joseph's, Lyons, WI.

Darlene married (1) William MEHRING on 1 Sep 1951 in St. Joseph's, Lyons, WI.

Lorraine also married (2) **Albert Gus WUTTKE**. Albert was born 17 Mar 1905 in Lyons Township, WI.

3. Dorothy HENNINGFELD was born 1900.

Dorothy married (1) Earl SHEPSTON. The marriage ended in divorce.

They had the following children:

10 M i. Ronald SHEPSTON.

Ronald married (1) Mary UNKNOWN.

11 F ii. June SHEPSTON.

June married (1) Clayton ORDWAY. Clayton was born in Plainfield, WI.

Dorothy also married (2) **Edward SWISHTENBERG.** The marriage ended in divorce. They had the following children:

 $12~\mathrm{M}$ iii. Delbert SWISHTENBERG was born in Milwaukee. He died in Chicago, IL.

Dorothy also married (3) Walter SWANTZ.

4. Robert Florian Herbert HENNINGFELD was born 18 Aug 1901 in New Munster, Kenosha Co., WI and was christened 8 Sep 1901 in New Munster, Kenosha Co., WI. He died 2 Apr 1981 and was buried in West Lawn, Racine, WI. Robert married (1) Mabel KOUSEK. The marriage ended in divorce. They had the following children:

13 M i. Roland HENNINGFELD was born about 1923. He died about 1944 in Leyte, Phillipines.

Robert also married (2) Irene STANG. The marriage ended in divorce.

They had the following children:

14 M ii. Ronald HENNINGFELD was born 3 Jul 1957. He died 29 Jun 1976 in Waterford, Racine Co., WI and was buried 3 Jul 1976 in St. Thomas, Waterford, WI.

15 F iii. Bonnie BECKER.

Bonnie married (1) Robert STANG.

5. Roland (Babe) HENNINGFELD was born 15 Jan 1903 in Burlington, Racine Co., WI. He died 18 Sep 1963 in Los Angeles, CA.

Roland married (1) Marion RAYMOND. The marriage ended in divorce.

They had the following children:

16 F i. Valita HENNINGFELD was born 25 Aug 1926.

Valita married (1) Charles CRAWFORD. Charles was born 15 Sep 1923.

17 M ii. Rodney HENNINGFELD died 1992.

18 F iii. Lois HENNINGFELD.

19 F iv. Lowayne Adele HENNINGFELD.

Lowayne married (1) Charles WEDGE on 18 Jun 1949.

6. Lolita Naomi Dolores HENNINGFELD was born 20 Nov 1911 in Burlington, Racine Co., WI.

Lolita married (1) **Bernard H. MANSKE** on 25 Mar 1930. Bernard was born 1907. He died 3 May 1985 in Racine, Racine Co., WI.

They had the following children:

20 F i. Janet MANSKE was born 1932 in Racine, Racine Co.,

Janet married (1) Russel MADSEN. The marriage ended in divorce. Russel was born 1930.

21 M ii. John (Jack) MANSKE was born 1935 in Racine, Racine Co., WI.

John married (1) June KNAEBE. June was born 1935.

John also married (2) Carol PASEL.

22 M iii. Frederick MANSKE was born 1936 in Racine, Racine Co., WI.

Frederick married (1) Virginia RODENKIRCH. The marriage ended in divorce. Virginia was born 1942.

23 M iv. Thomas MANSKE was born 1940 in Racine, Racine Co., WI.

Thomas married (1) Shirley HORVATH. Shirley was born 1941.

We need your help! I would like to include articles about all of our branches of the family. Won't you please consider writing a few lines or an article for Our Family News Letter? I'm sure that there must be a thousand stories out there just waiting to be shared with your cousins. Please send any articles or old photographs to me. I'll do the editing. Photographs will be returned if you wish.