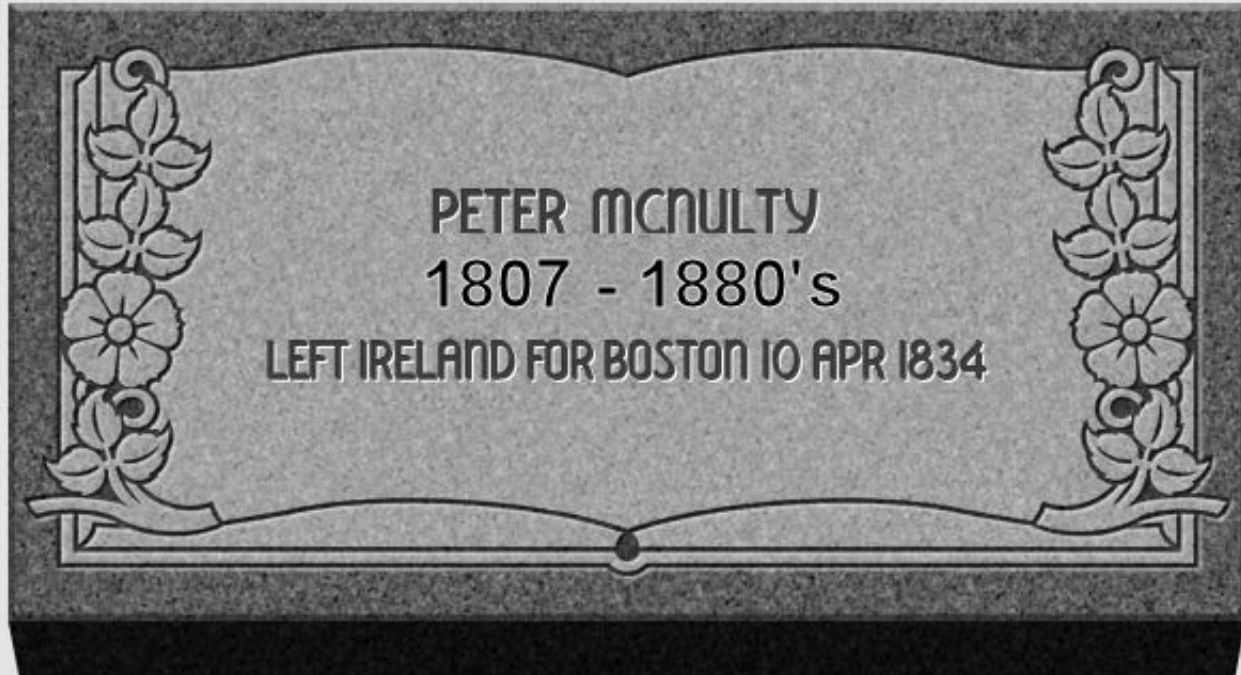


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Peter McNulty Tombstone **Project Progressing.** **Tombstone Purchased.**

Peter McNulty was the first of our Irish family to come to America over 180 years ago.

After years of research we finally located exactly where he is buried in an unmarked grave at St. Mary's Catholic Church at Dover, Racine County, Wisconsin.

The Tombstone for Peter McNulty is now on order.

After months of research and shopping around for a tombstone for Peter McNulty, I finally entered an order for one from Fox Monuments of Union Grove, Wisconsin. The final version will look similar to the image on this page except that the granite is Vermont gray and the letters will be larger and darkened in Black. The letter "C" in his last name will be in lower case. The last line will be split in two: **Left Ireland For** on line three and **Boston 10 Apr1834** on line four.

The tombstone will be located on an 18-inch deep cement footing that extends around all sides an additional four inches.

By the time that you read this we hope that the tombstone is completely installed. I will have pictures of the finished project in the next issue.

Are you a descendant of Peter McNulty?

You are if you are a descendant of any of the children of Peter McNulty and his wife, Patience Burgess.

In other words, if you are a descendant of any of these families, you are a descendant of Peter McNulty.

Henry Heck and his wife **Mary Ann McNulty**;
John Newman and his wife **Adaline McNulty**;
Sherman Aspland and his wife **Elizabeth McNulty**;

Lawrence McNelty/McNulty and his wife **Clara Christie**;

John Harris and his wife **Josephine McNulty**;
Adam Dibble and his wife **Lorreta McNulty**;
Sylvester McNulty and his wife **Ellen Conboy**.

Peter McNulty was born in 1807 in Ireland. He departed Warren Point, Northern Ireland on 10 April 1834 at the age of 27, knowing that he would never see his family or home again.

He first arrived at St. Johns, New Brunswick, Canada and then in Boston, on 8 June 1834. This information was from Peter McNulty's Petition for Naturalization.

In 1834 nearly all ocean going sailing ships had three masts. The trip to North America and Canada typically took six to eight weeks. The quarters were very small and cramped. It was not uncommon for 10 or 12 passengers to die during the voyage. Burial was at sea since there were no refrigeration facilities on board ship.

In December 1835, the father and stepmother of Patience Burgess sold land at Hannibal, Oswego County, New York. The Burgess family then moved to present day Kenosha County, Wisconsin in the spring of 1836.

On 10 Dec 1840, Peter McNulty officially purchased land from the Federal Government in

Kenosha County, Wisconsin. However, the land case file shows that he actually purchased the land on 14 March 1839.

Peter McNulty was found in the 1842 census at Pleasant Prairie, Racine County, Wisconsin. Two adults and one male child were in the family. By the 1850 census the family had five children and were living in the town of Pike, Kenosha County, Wisconsin. By 1860 the family had six children and was living in Brighton, Kenosha County, Wisconsin.

The 1870 census shows the family with ten children living in Dover, Racine County, Wisconsin. In 1880 the family was still living in Dover, with their son Henry and daughter Loretta. Peter was listed as age 79 and indigent and with palsy. Peter and Patience had a total of 13 children, three of which died as infants and one that died at the age of five years.

The family could not be found in the 1885 state census for Wisconsin in either Racine or Kenosha Counties. This probably means that Peter McNulty died between 1 June 1880 and 20 June 1885.

Peter is buried in an unmarked grave identified as Block 2, Lot 10, Grave 4 (Also shown as SE 2, PL 10, GR 4) of the Tom Morrow Lot at St. Mary's Church in Dover, Racine County, Wisconsin. This information was found in the church records but no recording of the date of death was listed.



The burial place of Peter McNulty is marked in Black on the photo on the previous page showing Bob and Lorraine Heck in September 2013.

Peter McNulty was a farmer for most of his adult life, however in later life he did operate a saloon in the town of Kansasville, Racine County, Wisconsin. That saloon was located just south of the railroad tracks in the village of 10 buildings.

Those who have contributed to the **Peter McNulty Tombstone Project** include:

Lorraine and the Late Robert Jerome Heck

Bill & Michelle Heck

Cheryl Ann Heck

Bob Heck (Your Editor)

Rebecca Wright

Joanne Pfeiffer

Dick and Cel Heck

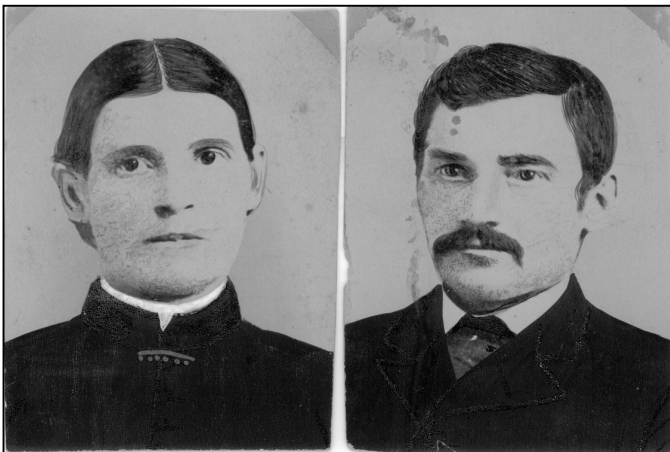
Shirley Heck

Dan Pfeiffer

Dolores and Bernard Kunka.

I want to thank all of you who contributed to this project and for the encouragement that you gave me while I researched the possibility of placing a tombstone on my great-great grandfather's grave.

Meet some distant relatives...



Angela Anna Marie Schaefer and her husband Peter Johann Jutz on their wedding day, 6 October 1853 at Brighton, Kenosha County, Wisconsin.

Angela Anna Marie Schaefer was the daughter of Johann Schaefer and Maria Katharine Lux, and was born at Alendorf, Germany. Her father, Johann Schaefer, was a brother of Anna Barbara Schaefer Heck. Angela was thus the niece of Anna Barbara Schaefer Heck, wife of Johann Heck.

Angela, age 23, arrived in New York with her family on 3 September 1852 and she married Peter Johann Jutz a year and a month later.

Angela and Peter had three children: John Jutz born 1855, Theodor Meier Jutz born 18 February 1856, and Adam Jutz born about 1859. Angela died at Swan Lake, Nicollet County, Minnesota on 11 May 1861.

Nicholas Tappen hit 3 Home Runs at Coopers-town, New York.



Nicholas Tappen is the youngest son of Adam and Amy Tappen and the grandson of Don and Sharon Heck. Don, sporting a proud "Grandpa T-Shirt" is shown with Nicholas. Don stated,

"Nicholas' team ended up really good in the baseball tournament in Cooperstown, N.Y. They didn't win but did finish with a respectable finish out of 104 teams from all around the U.S. As you can see Nicholas finished with 3 home runs and many hits during the seven games they played. The Chicago Cubs will be watching this kid. Congratulations Nicholas!"

We add our congratulations to Nicholas but must add that he should hold out for a Milwaukee Brewers offer.



Don Heck also sent in a video clip showing his oldest grandson, Nathan Tappen playing the drums. You can see the video at the following address:

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JHj1p31uT_A&sns=em

Note that there are no spaces in the web address.

Heck Family Picnic will have a new date in 2015.

The Heck family picnic has been held on the 3rd Sunday of July for many years. However, a huge Racine triathlon is also held on the 3rd Sunday of July. This has presented a major traffic problem for those of us attending the annual Heck Family Picnic at the Leisure Center at Wind Point on Racine's north side. This year it took an extra

half hour to get to the picnic while dodging runners and bicycle riders along the way. Cel Heck asked if I would announce that **the 2015 picnic will be held on the second Sunday of July.** You might want to mark that date: 12 July 2015. If this works out, all future picnics will be held on the 2nd Sunday of July.

We had some great weather for the 2014 picnic. There was card playing under a large tree, water balloons flying in a balloon toss contest, and a nice game of Bocce Ball on the lawn. Everyone was having a good time and there was plenty of food and drink available for everyone. Many old photos were posted on display boards and there were a lot of comments about them. Shirley Heck exclaimed, "My gosh! That was me as a Novice!"

Some of the younger folks viewed the old photos and had to be thinking about the clothing and hairstyles from the past.

A lot of time was spent just talking about our past memories and about how nice it was to see our family members again.

Photo from the album...



The photo on the previous page was sent to me by Sara Beth Grossmann Huebner. She was the great-great granddaughter of William Dorn and Lucia Heck, and the great granddaughter of Philip S. Dorn and Mary Jutz.

The photo shows Peter Frank Dorn born 21 September 1891 with three of his siblings. Standing from left to right are Margaret Dorn (Sister Be- atildis) born 28 April 1899; Clara Catherine Dorn born 10 October 1902; and Lucy Dorn (Sister Ermelinda) born 16 July 1894. They were children of William Dorn and Lucia Heck. Lucia Heck was the daughter of Johann Heck and Susannah Zehren from Swan Lake, Minnesota.



The photo above shows Lucy Heck with her husband, William Dorn.

World War I Draft Registration Card for Robert Steven Heck

The FamilySearch.org web site just added an expanded list of World War I draft registration cards on the Internet. I did a search for my grandfather, Robert Steven Heck and found his registration card. While Robert never served in the military during the First World War, he was required to register for the draft. There were three registrations between 1917 and 1918. The 1st was held on 5 June 1917 for men aged 21 to 31 years. The second registration was held on 5 June 1918 for men who turned 21 since the first registration. The third registration started 12

REGISTRATION CARD									
SERIAL NUMBER 375		NAME Robert Steven Heck						ORDER NUMBER 2897	
PERMANENT HOME ADDRESS: 901 Hamilton Street RACINE WIS									
Age in Years 23		Date of Birth December 1st 1894							
RACE White									
U. S. CITIZEN					ALIEN				
Native Born		Naturalized		Gained by Father's Naturalization Before Registration's Majority			Deceased		Present Address
15 Name or names of the U. S. of what nation are you a citizen or subject? PRESENT OCCUPATION Bartender									
EMPLOYER'S NAME Mike's Embroskie									
16 PLACE OF EMPLOYMENT OR BUSINESS: 1300 N. Main Racine Wis.									
NEAREST RELATIVE Name: Margaret Heck Wife Address: 901 Hamilton Street Racine Wis.									
I AFFIRM THAT I HAVE VERIFIED ABOVE ANSWERS AND THAT THEY ARE TRUE P. M. G. O. Robert Steven Heck Form No. 1 (Rev. 11-11)									

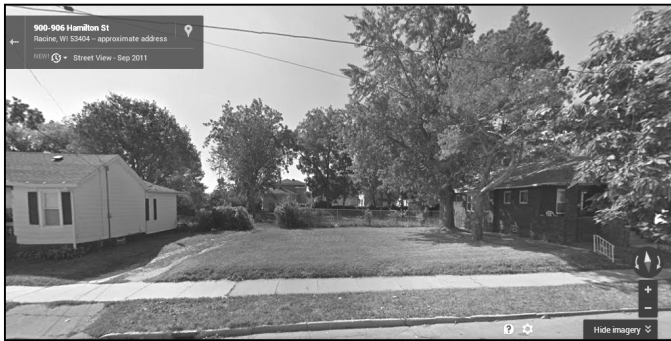
September 1918 for men ages 18 to 45 years. The collection includes cards for 24 million men. Robert Steven Heck registered for the third Registration period.

The card shows that Robert was married to Margaret Heck and they lived at 901 Hamilton Street in Racine, Wisconsin. It also showed that he was a bartender at a tavern located at 1300 North Main Street in Racine.

Years ago my Dad told me that his father, Robert Steven Heck, worked at a tavern but he had no idea of where that tavern was located. A search on Google Street View showed that the tavern at 1300 North Main Street is still in existence.



A search on Google Street View for the 901 Hamilton Street address showed that there was only a vacant lot at that location. The house that was there had been torn down.



901 Hamilton Street in 2014.

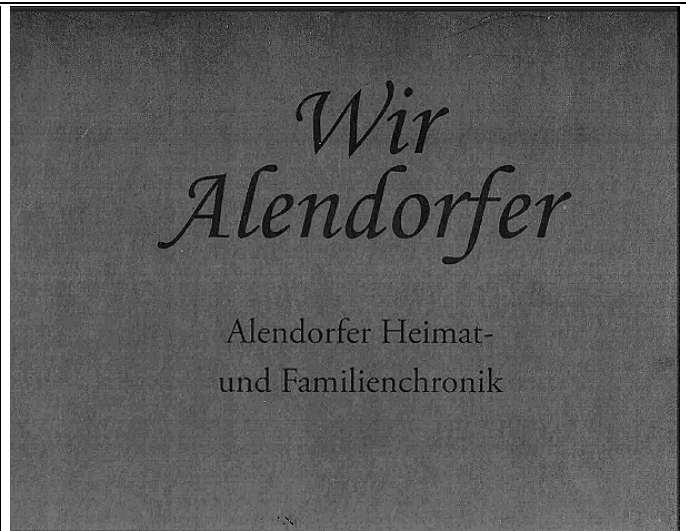
Wir Alendorfer (Us Alendorfers Home and Family Chronicle)

A book written in 2013 about the homes and families from Alendorf, Germany.

I think that most of you know that our family roots begin in Alendorf, Germany. The Heck and Schaefer families were living in Alendorf in the early 1700's. There were other families living in Alendorf including the Lenz family.

I had been communicating with Mary and Myron Bohn for several years since their ancestors, the Lenz family, lived in Alendorf and immigrated to the Brighton area in Kenosha County, Wisconsin in 1852. Our family came to the same area in 1853. Myron was a classmate of mine at Saint Catherine's High School in Racine. We graduated together in 1958.

Mary and Myron have been researching their family for many years. They were able to visit Alendorf several years ago. We have shared information on our common ancestral home.



A few months ago they sent me an e-mail in which they told me about the new book that they had just purchased. They sent the book to me and asked that I return it when I was finished. The book is written in German but it is easy to translate.



On the previous page you can see the cover of the book showing the old church at Alendorf built in the late 1400's. Also shown in the lower picture is the Number 10 "Deckesch" home. That home was built in 1823 by Peter Schmitz and his wife Anna Luzia Heck. They were the parents of Johann Heck and his siblings Hilarius Schmitz and Anna Maria Schmitz. Peter Schmitz married Anna Luzia Heck one year after their son, Johann was born, thus the difference in last names.

Translated from German: Owner about 1823 of plot 109 is Peter Schmitz. He is regarded as the builder of the first house at this point.

Peter Schmitz born 27 Apr 1783, died 12 May 1838, married on 27 Feb 1811 to Anna Luzia Heck. She was born 13 Dec 1778 and died 1 May 1849.

Translated from German: Family Johann and Anna Barbara Heck Schaefer sale on January 11, 1853 house and yard and 73 more plots to Gerhard Decker, Ackerer to Muggenhausen, and move with their five children to America. Purchase price: 740 Thalers.

The photo at lower left shows Number 16 Old Schmitz Home. Peter Schmitz and his wife Veronika built this home in 1675.



Their great granddaughter, Maria Agatha May Schmitz married Wilhelm Schaefer on 10 Feb 1762, and they had five children born at that home.

Their son, Balthasar Schaefer born 4 Jan 1763, married on 8 May 1787 to Anna Margaretha Genners from Berndorf. Balthasar died on 3 Apr 1807 at Alendorf. They had eight children born in this house include Joannes Schaefer who married Maria Catharina Lux and were the ancestors of the Swan Lake, Minnesota Schaefer family, and Anna Barbara Schaefer who married Johann Heck and were the ancestors of the Swan Lake, Minnesota and Brighton, Wisconsin Heck family.

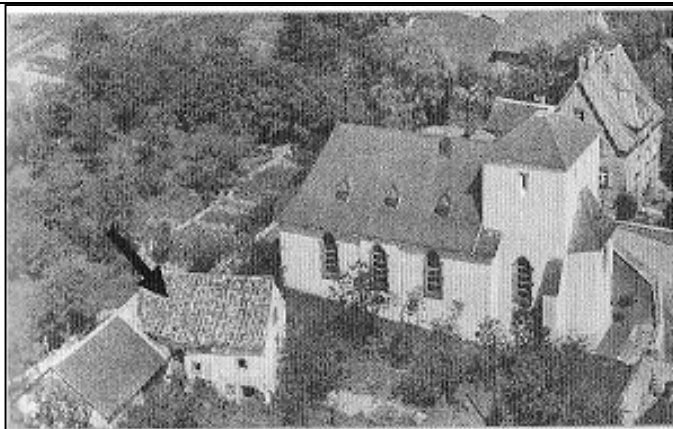
Johann Schaefer and Maria Catharina Lux immigrated to Brighton, Kenosha County, Wisconsin in 1852 and migrated to Swan Lake, Minnesota in 1857.



Number 34 Theiss Home

The home shown above was built in 1800 by Johann Heck and his wife Magdalena Molitor. Their son, Thomas Heck and his wife Anna Maria Drees/Dries, purchased the home in 1843. Thomas and Anna Maria were the parents of 11 children including Balthasar and Thomas Heck.

Balthasar and Thomas Heck immigrated to the United States in 1881 and 1883 respectively and were the subjects of the book, "The Heck Brothers, Alendorf, Germany to the USA" by Howard Walter Heck, published in 2008.



Number 98 Hutsch House

Shown above next to the new church with a black arrow pointing to it is the Hutsch House. Theodore Hutsch (1639-1718) and his wife, Magdalena (1647-1745), built it in 1663. They were the great-great-great-grandparents of Johann Heck. Johann Heck was the first Heck to come to America, arriving in 1853.

From the photo album...



The photo above was captured from an old 8mm movie clip. It shows Robert Gerald Heck holding his sons, Gary on the left and Bob on the right. The movie was taken in 1943 at Racine, Wisconsin.



The photo above and the following note are from Cheryl Ann Heck, written 7 August 2014.

Lorraine Heck, exactly 3 weeks after undergoing back surgery, at 80 years old. She has strict orders from the Doctor - No BLT - bending, lifting or twisting for one month. So I get home from work yesterday to find that she had been in the basement, used her floor vacuum along with her swifter and who knows what else. I drove into the driveway to find her carrying a one-gallon container of weed killer. When I could NOT talk her out of heading out to kill weeds in the yard, I improvised by tying the weed killer to her walker and saying a little silent prayer. After taking several photos of Mom, she chased me away by threatening me with her weed killer.

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