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Meet your Cousin...



Meet Frank Lamping, one of the 10 finalists in the Packers Fan Hall of Fame, and one of your cousins through the Henningfeld line.

How Frank Lamping is related to me.

Johann Heinrich Wilhelm Henningfeld
Johann Wilhelm Henningfeld **
Henry Henningfeld
Louis Joseph Henningfeld
Rudolph Henningfeld
Joyce Marie Henningfeld
Frank L Lamping

Johann Heinrich Wilhelm Henningfeld
Franz Arnold Henningfeld **
Henry Frank Henningfeld
Margaret Frederica Henningfeld
Robert G Heck
Robert J Heck

** Note that Johann Wilhelm Henningfeld and Franz Arnold Henningfeld were brothers. Both came to Wisconsin in 1845 and both settled in the Racine County area of Waterford.

Frank L. Lamping and Robert John Heck are 4th cousins 1 time removed. Their common ancestors are Johann Henrich Wilhelm Henningfeld and Maria Catharina Bucker Struman.

Hi all. Following is a copy of a letter Tom Czerniak wrote and sent to the Hall of Fame committee on Frank's behalf. Thought you'd enjoy reading it.

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I offer this letter to help support the candidacy of Frank Lamping to the Packers Fan Hall of Fame. I realize I am Frank's brother-in-law but I believe these opportunities to learn all about Frank for the many years I have known him help show how qualified he is.

Frank goes to the Milwaukee games and as many more home games as he can. He drives up early enough to be first into the stadium. He goes directly to the net behind the south goal posts to help catch practice kicks. As quickly as he catches he turns the ball over to youngsters nearby to have them throw it back to the officials present.

Pictures are taken by parents and kids have a memory forever.

Frank is on a first name basis with security people, police officers, stadium help, camera people to such an extent that they call out to him as often as he does to them. With Milwaukee seats in the front row he is easily seen and recorded on the Jumbotron or even local and national TV stations during breaks.

Frank has memorabilia of Lambeau and the Pack to the tune of old seats, tundra grass (which now

grows in his yard), the piping for heating the field, artificial turf, pieces of siding removed for renovation and autographs too numerous (but which have taken hours and ingenuity to obtain) to mention; Enough to fill the basement and a room upstairs.

For away games there is a ritual to be followed in setting up the living room for game watching as well as souvenirs to be brought out, sat on or next to, and a particular silence to be observed by visitors if present during game time (you can visit only during commercials).

Known as “Hard Hat Frank” to many at Lambeau hard is the last adjective to describe this man. His involvement throughout his community (Lions Club, History Seekers, organizers and runs the Punt Pass and Kick for the youth, Relay for Life Leadership Union Grove, awarded our high school Hall of Fame as well as the Chamber of Commerce Community Person of the Year shows why Frank is so well known in our village. His love of the Packer is known by many who have had no or little contact with Frank.

Each day he wears something identifying the Packers from shirt to hat to jackets and shoes. Even now as he fights cancer the Packers continue to play a key part in his life. Whether it be putting up the Packer flag in the front yard to having family events scheduled around games you know it is football season.

I urge your careful consideration of this man who truly emulates a Packer fan at its best.

I have known Frank and his wife, Andrea since they and their cousin Angela invited Gloria and me to a Henningfeld Family reunion at Yorkville, Wisconsin on 11 September 2005.

Frank was already an accomplished family history researcher and he had set up a huge display of his branch of the Henningfeld family. I set up a display of my branch of the Henningfeld family and all of those attending the reunion were thrilled to see our common connection. My research included our European roots which Frank



Andrea and Frank Lamping at a rally at the Union Grove, Wisconsin Community Bank in January 2017.

was missing. His research included a huge amount of the early Wisconsin history on his branch of the Henningfeld family that I was missing. We were really happy to exchange information and records with each other.

Frank joined the MPAFUG (Milwaukee Personal Ancestral File Users Group) that I direct. He can always be seen wearing his Packer garb at our computer-genealogy meetings.

Racine Journal Times: “UNION GROVE — If Frank Lamping doesn’t make the Green Bay Packers Fan Hall of Fame, it won’t be due to a lack of effort.

With a pep band playing, balloons falling and chants of “Go Frank Go” filling the air, hundreds

attended a noon rally Friday at Community State Bank's headquarters in support of Lamping's candidacy.

The 60-year-old Union Grove native is one of 10 finalists for the Hall of Fame. Voting is held through Jan. 31 at packers.com/FHOF.

"Oh my God. I cannot believe the support that I've got," Lamping said. "I'm not worthy. This is just overwhelming. I've made so many friends in my life over the years, and for them to all come out at one time like this — I mean friends, relatives family — I'm getting broken up. It's crazy."

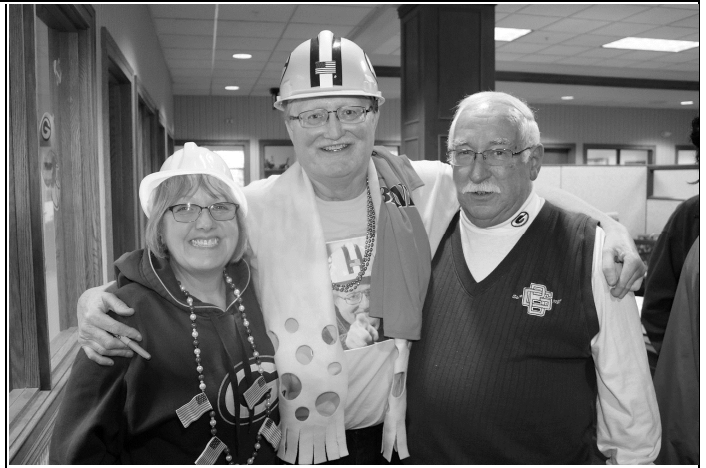
The pep rally was the latest milestone in a campaign that began around Christmas. A Facebook group now has nearly 1,700 members; hundreds of T-shirts with Lamping's picture have been made; and the "Go Frank Go" slogan can be seen throughout the community.

Don Schauf, one of the organizers of the efforts, said the response has been amazing. "The way the community has just gotten behind this, it's why I live here," Schauf said.

'I want to win this' Lamping, who is battling prostate cancer, is a lifelong Packers fan. He has Lambeau Field sod in his backyard, a home full of Packers memorabilia and on game days can be seen wearing his Packers construction-style helmet in the front row of one of the end zones at Lambeau.

Wearing that same helmet Friday, Lamping greeted the crowd as they entered the bank, located at highways 45 and 11, which essentially shut down for a few hours Friday."

My cousin, Cheryl Heck and I attended that rally. There were about 200 people attending. The bank president was seen handing out bags of popcorn and directing people to other bank employees handing out hot dogs and potato chips. Hundreds of gold and green balloons were being tapped back in the air. Green and gold beads were everywhere.



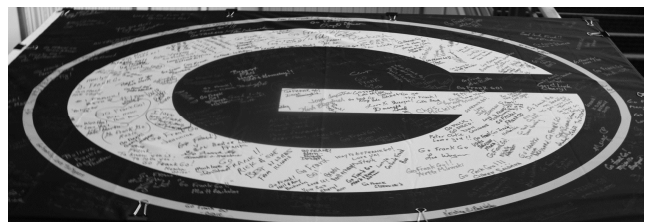
Cheryl Heck, Frank Lamping, and Bob Heck at the rally. The three of us are cousins through our Henningfeld line of our family.



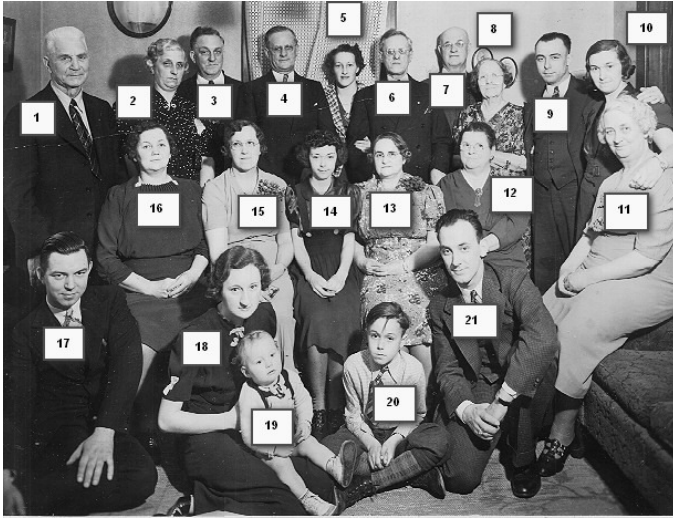
Part of the crowd attending the rally for Frank Lamping.

Frank has stage four prostate cancer and he is going through chemo treatments at the present time. His attitude is so positive and it is great to just be with him to celebrate his nomination to the Packer Fan Hall of Fame.

Even if you lose you will always be a winner in our eyes. **Go Frank Go!!!!**



60th Birthday Party for Margaret Henningfeld Heck in 1940.



1. Al (boyfriend of Margaret), 2. Molly Henrichs, 3. George Henningfeld, 4. Sylvester Henningfeld, 5. Stella Heck, 6. Carlos Henningfeld, 7. Fred Henningfeld, 8. Unknown. 9. Clarence Heck, 10. Fanny Heck, 11. Margaret Heck, 12. Della Henningfeld, 13. Walburga Henningfeld, 14. Bernice Heck, 15. Alice Henningfeld, 16. Martha Henningfeld, 17. Alvin Heck, 18. Mary Heck, 19. Gary Heck, 20. Larry Heck, 21. Robert G Heck.

2, 3, 4, 6, and 7 are siblings of 11 Margaret.
Couples: 3 and 16, 4 and 15, 5 and 17, 6 and 13,
7 and 12, 9 and 10, 18 and 21.

Mark Your Calendar...

Sunday, July 9, 2017 will be the annual Heck Picnic so mark your calendar now.

The Heck Family Picnic will be held at the Leisure Center near Wind Point, Racine, Wisconsin. The golf outing at Shoop's Park is still a central activity as is swimming in the outdoor pool at the Leisure Center.

Originally the Heck Picnic was for descendants of Henry Heck (1839-1920) and Mary Ann McNulty (1844-1912) and included family

members from Racine, Waterford and Burlington. The first recorded picnic took place in 1948 at Brown's Lake at Burlington, Wisconsin. There were probably many earlier picnics dating back to the post-Civil War period. Henry and Mary Ann were married in 1869 and it is almost certain that they had picnics in Burlington and in Waterford.



Recognize anyone on this picture? It was the golfing bunch at the Heck picnic at Shoop's Park in Wind Point in July 1998.

For more information about the Heck Picnic you can contact Cel Heck at (262) 639-5370 or contact her by e-mail at cecelias@wi.rr.com.

For information on the Golf Outing you can contact Don Heck at (262) 639-2124 or by e-mail at dheck@sbcglobal.net.

If you would like to golf 9 holes at Shoop's Park as part of the Heck Family outing please contact Don Heck.

Bring Your Photos...

For the picnic in 2017, I would like to suggest that you look in your closet for some old family pictures that you would like to share with others. Bring them to the picnic and I will scan them into my computer. I will make them available to each of you after the picnic. Can't identify people on the photos? Bring them along and maybe we can help ID those relatives of old.

From the Photo Album...



The photo above was taken at my grandparent's house at 1212 Hagerer Street in Racine. Seated from left to right are John Mikel, Margaret Henningfeld Heck, Henry Vanek, Harvey Nelson, and Mary Ann Mikel Heck. Standing left to right are Tillie Mikel and Lydia Mikel Nelson. The group was playing sheephead, a card game with European roots.



The photo above was taken by Dan Pfeiffer at Alendorf, Germany. This is the burial place of Matthias Heck 1896-1988 and his wife Gertrude Bach 1915-1974. The cemetery surrounds the old St. Agatha Catholic Church at Alendorf.

Matthias Heck and Robert John Heck, your Editor, are 3rd cousins 2 times removed. Their common ancestors are Theodor Hecken and Anna Maria Hutsch.

Why Has My Third Cousin Been Removed Twice?

Most of the time family relationships are simple. We know our father and mother, our brothers and sisters, aunts, uncles, grandparents, and so forth. But when we get to a family reunion we are introduced to Suzanne Something and told that we are third cousins, twice removed.

Say what? Cousins you understand. But third cousins? And removed twice *from what*?

In western society, "cousinhood" is our way of expressing how closely two people (not brothers and sisters) are related to each other. This is done by counting generations back to their common ancestor, and subtracting one.

For example, two people who share the same grandparents count two generations to their common ancestors. Two minus one equals one, so they are "first" cousins. If their closest common ancestors were their great great grandparents, they would be third cousins (four generations, minus one, equals three).

The "removeds" come into play when the number of generations is unequal. If you count three generations to a common ancestor (your great grandfather), and your cousin counts four generations to that same ancestor (her great great grandfather), your "cousinhood" is expressed first in terms of the closest relationship (second cousins), with an amendment showing the difference of one generation (once removed).

Determining relationships can sound complex, but if you remember that you're simply counting generations, you can do it in your head (or use your fingers).

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Our Family News Letter

Written by Robert J. Heck



Welcome!

Posted on October 6, 2016 by Bill

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Thanks to our contributors...

My deepest thanks go to all of our readers but especially to those who are the contributors to keep this newsletter going.

Frank Lamping

Alvin & Carolyn Heck

Steve Pfeiffer

Bernie Kunka & Delores (Heck)

Shirley Heck

Lorraine Heck

Ellen (Heinrichs) Steiner

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Contributions to keep Our Family News Letter going are always welcomed and can be sent to:
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Greendale, WI 53129.**

If you would like to contribute a story or an article that you wrote or copies of family pictures, please send them to me at **bheck@execpc.com**. If you can identify the people on the picture, that would be a big help.

It is a small world...

One of my classmates from Saint Catherine's High School in Racine, Wisconsin contacted me recently by e-mail. Myron Bohn and I graduated in 1958 and we have run into each other at class reunions and a few years ago at a genealogy conference. Myron and his wife Mary are both into their family history and research.

It turns out that Myron's great-great grandfather, with the last name of (Lenz) Lentz, came from Alendorf, Germany around the same time as my great-great grandfather Johann Heck. They both settled in Kenosha County, Wisconsin in the town of Brighton.

We have shared research with each other ever since that genealogy workshop many years ago.

Myron and Mary live in Janesville, Wisconsin.

Myron recently used <http://findagrave.com> to set up some records for burials at the Alendorf, Germany church cemetery. The cemetery is identified as follows:

St. Agatha Catholic Church Cemetery
Alendorf
Euskirchener Landkreis
Nordrhein-Westfalen, Germany



The picture above shows the old cemetery in front of the church. The graves have been moved to a new cemetery behind the church. Crosses in the cemetery were made of wood and had roofs made of tin or copper to protect the wood.



This is a picture of the new cemetery.

Apparently a German genealogist researching in the Alendorf area came across Myron's information and sent him some birth and marriage

information from the Parish Records at Alendorf. The records cover the period from 1737 through 1844 and are the descendants of Johann Peter Molitor and Maria Barbara Wolff. Included was the marriage of Anna Maria Molitor to Johann Josef Lenz and Maria Magdalena Molitor's marriage to Johannes Heck.

Johannes Heck was born 25 January 1774 and was married on 5 February 1799. Johannes Heck is the uncle of our Johann Heck. Their common ancestors are Theodor Hecken and Anna Maria Hutsch. Johannes Heck was the brother of Anna Lucia Heck, mother of Johann Heck.

*Aus den Tauf- und Heiratsurkunden
von der Pfarrei Alendorf:*

Johann Peter Molitor heiratet Maria Barbara Wolff
* 10. 11. 1739 Al. 00 * 5. 11. 1732 Al.
+ 25. 3. 1804 Al. 22. 1. 1771 + 23. 9. 1809 Al.
Eltern: Joh. Peter Molitor Eltern: Johann Engelb. Wolff
Anna Catharina Bach Mari + Franziska

Kinder geboren in Alendorf:

Johann Peter * 15. 5. 1791 00 12. 7. 1794 Maria Gertrud
Stapp
* Johann Thomas * 28. 12. 1772 00 12. 6. 1799 Gertrud
Cours
Johann Engelbert * 20. 1. 1775 + 1793
Maria Magdalena * 31. 3. 1778 00 5. 2. 1799 Johann Heck
Balthasar * 8. 2. 1780 + 1781

*Alle 3 Geschwister gründeten in Alendorf
ihre Familien.*

* Joh. Thomas Molitor 00 Gertrud Cours
* 28. 12. 1772 Al. 12. 6. 1799 * 2. 12. 1779 Al.
A + Amerika + 31. 3. 1844 Al.
Eltern: Johann Cours
Agnes Mey

*Kinder * in Alendorf:*

A Anna Maria Barbara * 14. 4. 1801 00 11. 10. 1820 Joh. Josef Lenz
* Gertrud * 30. 4. 1804 00 ? Wolf
A. Catharina * 2. 10. 1806 + 1822
Peter * 17. 8. 1809 + 1833
A. Magdalena * 22. 10. 1812 00 5. 7. 1838 Valentin Meyer
* Anna Maria * 31. 8. 1815 00 10. 1. 1839 Johann
Stocheud
* Laurentius * 14. 10. 1818

A = nach Amerika gezogen

Myron was kind enough to forward a copy of the hand written document that he received from the German researcher.

The symbols used in the document are the standard European symbols used in church and civil records. An * is for birth, an 00 is for marriage and an + is for death. Sometimes the + sign looks more like a cross to indicate death.

From the newspapers...

Racine Journal Times, July 14, 1969.



James A. Bark, son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Bark of 1216 Schiller St. has been promoted to Lance Corporal while serving with the Marine Corps in Vietnam. He is stationed at Dang Ha. A 1967 graduate of St. Catherine's High School, he entered the corps in April of 1968. Another son, Lance Corporal Edward Bark, is with the 6th Marines on a six-month Mediterranean cruise which will be completed in September. He is a 1966 graduate of St. Catherine's and entered the Marines in October of 1967.

Racine Journal Times February 2, 1949:

Arrange Funeral For War Dead.

Funeral services for PFC Roland E. Henningfield, 21, who was killed in action in Leyte October 26, 1944, will be held Saturday at 8:30 a.m. in the funeral home, 1001 High St., and at 9:00 a.m. in St. Joseph's Church. The VFW will conduct military rites. Private Henningfield was killed during the invasion of the Philippine Islands. Before he entered service with the 382nd Infantry, 96th Division, Henningfield was employed by the Tree Tool & Die Works. He attended Lincoln Graded and William Horlick High Schools. Henningfield, who formerly lived

at 2013 Carlisle Ave., is survived by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert F. Henningfield of Waterford; grandmother, Mrs. Jennie Kousek of Racine; grandfather, Fred F. Henningfeld of Lyons.

(Editor's note: Fred F. Henningfeld was the brother of Margaret F. Henningfeld Heck.)

Above is the application for a military grave marker for Roland E. Henningfield. He was buried in Leyte in 1944 and his remains were removed and buried at the West Lawn Memorial Park in Racine, Wisconsin in 1949.

The Declaration of Intention to become a citizen for Franz Henningfeld. The name written on the document is Franz Hinngefled.