# THE GETMAN NEWS

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### **Tell Me If You Are Attending**

As of this writing I only know of 10 people.

I need to know for meal planning even if you are not going to be at the Holiday Inn.

# **Reunion 2022 August 5, 6, 7**

### Johnstown / Stone Arabia, NY

Arrangements have been made for a block of rooms at the Johnstown Holiday Inn. Reservations must be made directly with the Inn. Call 518-762-4686 and identify yourself as a member of the Getman Reunion.

Also notify Wayne Getman so the other arrangements can be made.

315-845-8014 or wayget@ntcnet.com.

#### Friday:

Arrive and get settled in. (Some are planning to arrive earlier to personal research, visit friends etc.)

Those who are interested will gather for the evening meal at the Holiday Inn restaurant. There will be no reservation. Order from the menu.

### **Saturday:**

Breakfast at Holiday Inn or any location you wish to use.

...10:30 am Group tour arranged at Fort Plain Museum. Allow 45 minutes travel time from Johnstown. \$6.00 admission.

Noon +- Picnic at Wintergreen Park, Canajoharie. This is the site of several Getman reunions in the past. Cost estimated at \$7.00.

5:00 pm Gathering time at Casper Getman Farm, East Stone Arabia. (Dutch Barn Farm)

6:00 pm BBQ at Casper Getman Farm, \$10 each

#### **Sunday:**

On your own. Return home safely.

# Message from the President of the Getman Family of America

Have you had your DNA Tested?

DNA testing has many uses, from providing inherited health concerns, in proving crimes, and for those of us interested in genealogy it can confirm close family relationships as well as finding kinships to distant relatives.

There are several sites where one can send in saliva or cheek swab samples to have DNA extracted and analyzed for different purposes. Ancestry.com, 23 and Me, and FamilyTreeDNA are probably the most popular for genealogists. Garry Getman, deceased, was the administrator for a Getman Y – DNA project. This project needs an administrator, a male with the Getman surname. Anyone interested?

There are also surprises to be had in the DNA results! Within the past year. On my dad's side, I have had the privilege to connect a woman who was given up for adoption as a baby, to her half sister, both of whom are my second cousins. What a joy they are having after finding out after seventy years that they have a sister! In another case, my mother is a match to an aunt by marriage to my dad's brother.

So if you haven't had your DNA tested, I would encourage you to do so!

Marjorie Rosendahl

#### **Getman News From The Past**

### **The Getman Family**

The history of this family is Interwoven with the history of Montgomery county, from Revolutionary times till now and the family is spread over a goodly section of the western end of the county, in St. Johnsville, Canajoharie, Fort Plain, Fonda, Tribes Hill, Johnstown. N. Y. and other towns and villages. A genealogy of the family would show them to have entered in most every walk of life, farmers, merchants, lawyers and businessmen of all professions, thereby giving a good cross section of the history of the Mohawk valley.

(Saint Johnsville, New York, ENTERPRISE AND NEWS, Wednesday, February 19, 1936)

## **Her First Short Story**

Buffalo Evening News, Buffalo, NY Saturday, January 27, 1940

BOLIVAR. Jan. 27 – the thrill of selling her first short story came this week to Mrs. Ruth S. Myers, this place. 28-year-oid housewife and mother. Mrs. Myers, wife of Earle F. Myers, mathematics instructor at Bolivar Central School, was notified by an Illinois publishing house that her short story had been accepted and will appear in an early issue of one of a children's publication.

Mrs. Myers, who specializes in juvenile stories suitable for the kindergarten age child, has been writing regularly for ten years. It has only been in the last two years that she has attempted to have any stories published. She spends at least three hours a day on her writing.

After graduating from high school and a teachers' training class at Gloversville. her hometown, Mrs. Myers taught school three years before she was married at 20. Influenced by her husband while living in Wilson, near Niagara Fails. Mrs. Myers attended Buffalo State Teachers College two years, specializing in kindergarten and primary teaching, and receiving a bachelor of science degree in 1935.

It was while at State Teachers College that she was first inspired to write juvenile stories, through the influence of Miss Irene Hirsch a teacher.

"I had been, attempting to write for years." Mrs. Myers revealed. "even starting a novel at one time, but it was Miss Hirsch who set, me on the trail of children's stories."

Ruth May Stewart GFG - B 1180 / B, 1912-1996, is a great granddaughter of Elizabeth A Getman (GFG - B 206) 1834-1876 and Hiram Allen (GFG - B 133) 1826-1899.

### **Another Train Accident**

The Gloversville Daily Leader, NY Thursday, July 10, 1902

The list of the victims of the Mountain Lake Railroad disaster now numbers fourteen, the last one being Edward Shull, who was employed in the establishment of the Grand Union Tea company of this city, and was the most terribly injured person in the wreck.

Shull's remarkable vitality held him up until this morning, when he commenced to fail and death occurred about half-past nine. On the night of the accident Shull was the mutilated worse than any of the other surviving victims of the accident, his abdomen being torn open and filled with splinters from broken board in the cars. He was sewed together and everything that medical science could do was provided for the unfortunate man, but he suffered greatly until death relieved him. Yesterday morning it was necessary to amputate his right leg and if he had lived he would have been in bad shape.

Edward E. Shull was born in Nelliston, N. Y., a son of the late Norman and Maria Shull, and was 39 years of age. He is survived by one son, F. Earl of this city, and a half brother, Nellis Shull of Amsterdam.

His funeral, date not announced, will be private to relatives, and interment will be made in Fort Plain.

Edward E. Shull (GFG - B) 1863-1902, is a great-grandson of Anna Eve Getman (GFG - B 5) 1767-1842 and Johan J Shull, 1753-1837

# **Interesting Wedding Presents** (by today's standards)

Fulton County republican, Johnstown, NY, Thursday, December 28, 1893

On the evening of December 21st. occurred one of the pleasantest events that has attracted our attention for a long time. It was the marriage of Mr. Filmore Getman, of Stone Arabia, to Miss Libby Wormouth, of Johnstown, Miss Bertha V. Getman. of Tribes Hill, acting as Maid of Honor. There were guests to the number of about seventy five present to witness the ceremony. Rev. JL. D. Van Arnam of the M. E. church of Ephratah was present and tied the knot. Mrs. Norman Getman officiated at the piano playing the wedding march for the occasion. A great deal of credit is due Mr. and Mrs. Norman Getman, of Stone Arabia, for the royal manner in which they entertained the guests of the newly married couple, the event taking place at their home. The spread was to say the least, immense, the tables fairly groaning under their loads of the many palate tempting courses, the more substantial as well as the many delicacies of which were prepared by the hands of Mrs. Norman Getman herself and for which she long ago became noted, as many who have had the pressure of enjoying her hospitality in the past can testify. Very soon after the wedding repast came the sounds of music, and the tripping of the light fantastic being next in order, the company enjoying themselves in this way until none who were present were aware of the nearness of the approach of another day, so quickly did the time pass; and when it became apparent that it was time to say good bye it was with a sigh of regret that the night had not been longer. The writer's best wishes go with the happy couple for their future happiness and prosperity. Below we give the list of some of the presents:

W. F. Getman, fine young horse; Mrs. W. F. Getman, a bed complete: Anson Getman, pair rose blankets; Richard Getman and wife Albert and Betsy Getman, an extension table; Snell brothers, mantle clock; Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Nellis, rocker; Charles Fikes and sister, ceitr (sic) stand; George L. Meyers, M D. and wife silver butter dish and knife; Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Wormouth, one dozen silver knives and forks and one half dozen silver spoons; Erastus Wormouth, 1 dozen silver knives and forks; Lester Getman, Jr., 1 dozen silver knives and forks, 1 dozen silver spoons and silver butter knife; Lillie Getman, sliver sugar shell; George Getman; half dozen silver nut picks; Eugene Wormouth, \$10 in cash; Mr. and Mrs. Ellsworth Getman, parlor lamp; Mr. and Mrs. William Wormouth, water set: Amos Getman, chamber set; Mr. and Mrs. Darius Getman, counterpane and tidy, Annie Getman, water set; Annie Wormouth, half dozen fruit plates: Peter A. Beck, one dozen napkins: Mr. and Mrs. Alonzo Ecker, a beautiful table Mr. and Mrs. Walter Beck, counterpane;; Mr. and Mrs. Michael Cooluia , water set; Miss Bertha Getman, two China cups and saucers; Mrs. James Christman, parlor lamp; Mr. and Mrs. Clark Getman, counterpane and pair of towels; Flora B. Newkirk, water set; H.V. Berry, teakettle; Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Van Voast. pair of towels; Mr. and Mrs. Geo. H Young, water set; Mr. and Mrs. Jos. Getman, counterpane; Mrs. Catherine Shults, pair of towels; Mrs. Wesley Nare, pair of towels; Charles Gray and daughter, water set; Orvia Getman, four hens and a rooster.



Johnstown Upper right Fort Plain Museum Lower left in the area labeled "Sand Hill" Picnic Wintergreen Park Lower center South of Canajoharie BBQ Dutch Barn Farm Center top marked with a yellow X.