

# 81ST ANNUAL SEIDEMANN FAMILY REUNION JULY 20, 2014



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Friedrich Seidemann

## 81st Annual Seidemann Family Reunion Sunday July 20, 2014

252 Newark Drive East  
West Bend, WI 53090

Registration and Events Begin at 11:00 A.M.  
Register Before Noon and get a Dollar Brat Coupon



Rosine Seidemann

### Our Living Heritage Demonstrations Begin at 12:30



#### Black Smith

Learn about the **Art of Blacksmithing** with hobbyist Gary Blankenheim as he shows us some of the tools and techniques that are used with this art. Some of the items that our ancestors used were made by blacksmiths. These include plough shares, sickles, scythes, metal parts for wagons and carriages, wheel rims, tools, axe heads,

hammers, shovels, hoes, and pitchforks. Let's not forget nails, screws, bolts, hooks, chains, cowbells, and of course horseshoes. Household items were knives, forks, spoons, pots and pans, fireplace tools, and door hinges.

#### Corn Husk Dolls

This year's Living Heritage exhibit will feature **Making Corn Husk Dolls**. Corn husk dolls are a Native American toy made out of the dried "husk" of a corn cob. Making corn husk dolls was adopted by early European settlers in the United States of America. It is now practiced in the United States as a link to Native American culture and the arts and crafts of the settlers.

Corn husk dolls do not have faces, and there are a number of traditional explanations for this. One legend is that the Spirit of Corn, one of the Three Sisters, made a doll out of her husks to entertain

children. The doll had a beautiful face, and began to spend less time with children and more time contemplating her loveliness. As a result of her vanity, the doll's face was taken away. Pictured here are some of the collections made by Bernice Yogerst which feature dolls with her personal finishing touches.



#### Special points of interest:

- LIVING HERITAGE
  - BLACK SMITH
  - CORN HUSK DOLLS
- SEIDEMANN FAMILY ON FACEBOOK
- BAKE SALE
- FAMILY HEIRLOOM DISPLAY
- KUCHEN/DESSERT CONTEST & AUCTION
  - UNDER 25 YEARS OF AGE
  - OVER 25 YEARS OF AGE
- SILENT AUCTION
- REUNION T-SHIRT SALE
- TUG-A-WAR
- YOUTH PIE EATING CONTEST
- TREASURE HUNT
- WATER BALLOON TOSS
- MILITARY WALL

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## Activities for the Day



- Registration 11:00 AM to 4:00 PM (before noon \$1.00 brat)
- Talent Show Sign-up 11:00 AM to 3:00 PM
- Book Sales 11:00 AM to 4:00 PM
- Bake Sale 11:00 until all are sold
- Guessing Games 11:00 AM to 2:30 PM
- Silent Auction 11:00 AM to 2:30 PM
- T-shirt Sales 11:00 AM to 4:00 PM
- Chicken Spot Contest starting at 12:30 PM
- Face Painting and Tattoos 11:30 AM to 2:00 PM
- Bingo 12:30 PM to 2:30 PM
- Living Heritage Presentation 12:30 to 3:00 PM
- Parade and Games 12:30 PM to 3:00 PM
- Kuchen Judging 2:00 PM
- Guessing games, door prizes, and Silent Auction (winners announced 3:00 PM)
- Kuchen Auction 3:15
- Talent Show 4:00 PM



## Important Notes:

► **FOOD:** Support the Reunion by purchasing beer, sodas, bottled water, popcorn, and home baked items. Bratwurst, hamburgers, cheeseburgers, hot dogs, ice cream cones, root beer floats, and more will be available throughout the day. Come early and stay late for a day of family, food, and fun.

► **Our Kuchen/Dessert Contest** has two (2) different categories.

- Bakers under 25 years of age.
- Bakers 25 years and older.

There will be a 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> place in each category along with bragging

rights. Find a yummy recipe and bring your finished masterpiece to the Candy Stand at the Seidemann Reunion. Judging begins at 2:00 PM this year.

► **Vintage Seidemann Family Tree Books:** Members who attend this year's Seidemann Reunion will have an opportunity to purchase the 3<sup>rd</sup> Edition of the Seidemann Family Tree Book for **ONLY \$1.00**. The 3<sup>rd</sup> Edition will be available to members in attendance. The 132 page booklet printed in 1983 will be offered on a first come, first served basis. Pick up your copy at the registration table.

► **Seidemann Family on Facebook:** If you are a fan of Facebook, go to your Facebook account, login, and request membership to the MEMBERS ONLY group called [Friedrich Seidemann Descendants](#). It is being maintained by our cousin Cliff Hall.

► **Large Group Picture:** See page 4 for available sizes and prices. Group photos from other reunions also available.

► **We are improving** our Military Heroes wall. We still need more pictures and information.

## We Had Fun Last Year



## Seidemann Family Military Heroes—With A New Look

Please complete the form for each military person in your family. This should include your spouse, children, parents, grandparents or great grandparents, etc. if they served this country. Also submit a picture of yourself or them in military uniform. This information will be displayed on the “Military Hero Wall” at the Reunion. Send to: Seidemann Family P. O. Box 184 Newburg WI. 53060-0184 or email [secretary@seidemannfamily.org](mailto:secretary@seidemannfamily.org).

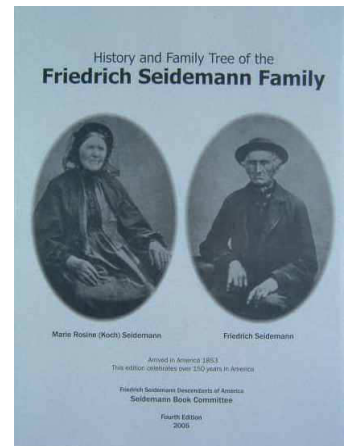


**We are improving the Military Heroes Wall!  
Please continue to send in your military  
information and pictures.**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Branch: \_\_\_\_\_  
Highest Rank: \_\_\_\_\_  
Dates Served: \_\_\_\_\_  
Unit Assigned To: \_\_\_\_\_  
Engagements: \_\_\_\_\_  
Recognitions Earned: \_\_\_\_\_

## History and Family Tree of Friedrich & Rosine Seidemann Fourth Edition (2005)

Specifications: Soft Cover, 8.5” X 11”, over 500 pages with reference index, includes history, photographs, maps, and family tree containing nearly 4,600 relatives. COST \$15.00 (plus \$10.00 shipping and handling per book). Please send me \_\_\_\_ copy(ies), my check including shipping and handling is enclosed. Please make checks out to **Seidemann Family**. Send to: **Seidemann Family** P. O. Box 184 Newburg WI. 53060-0184. Amount enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_



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## Electronic Newsletter — Web Page

A big **Thank you** to the *700 plus* members who have joined our **Seidemann Family Email Group** saving our Reunion over \$450 in printing and mailing costs. Please pass the word to other family members and have them send us their email addresses for additional cost savings. We will also notify you of any updates added to the Seidemann Family website throughout the year.

Take time to visit our **SEIDEMANN FAMILY WEBSITE** at: <http://www.seidemannfamily.org>. View pictures of the last 10 reunions as well as download order forms, genealogy form and the Newsletter. Visit it often as the latest news of the family will be posted there. This includes births, weddings, anniversaries, obituaries, and special events such as awards, honors or generation pictures reported to the family secretary. Please send your email address to the family secretary at: [secretary@seidemannfamily.org](mailto:secretary@seidemannfamily.org).

**We are on the Web!  
seidemannfamily.org**

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## 80th Reunion T-Shirt Still Available



Designed by **Debi Genthe**, the 80<sup>th</sup> Seidemann Family Reunion T-Shirt is white in color. The front features pictures of Friedrich and Rosine in grayscale, the side of the Seidemann red barn with the two American flags is in the background, and the blue lettering reads: **“Americans since 1853”**. The back of the shirt also in blue lettering and reads: **“Friedrich & Rosine Seidemann Descendants 80<sup>th</sup> Annual Family Reunion”**.

Please send order form and check to:

Seidemann Family  
P O Box 184  
Newburg, WI 53060-0184



*Thank you for your order!*

Sizes	Price	Avail	How	Total
<u>Total</u>				
10-12 (youth)	\$13.50	<u>2</u>	___	___
14-16 (youth)	\$13.50	<u>2</u>	___	___
18-20 (youth)	\$13.50	<u>1</u>	___	___
34-36 (adult small)	\$13.50	<u>3</u>	___	___
38-40 (adult medium)	\$13.50	<u>3</u>	___	___
42-44 (adult large)	\$13.50	<u>4</u>	___	___
46-48 (adult X-large)	\$13.50	<u>4</u>	___	___
Shipping and handling add 5.00 per shirt		_____		
Total amount included for shirts		_____		

Check here if you will pick up your shirts at the Reunion



## 2013 Family Group Picture Still Available

The new large family group picture was taken at last year's Seidemann Reunion. There are still a few available for you to purchase in the following sizes and prices:

- (4) Please send me \_\_\_\_\_ copies of the 2013 Seidemann Family group picture size 8 X 10 at \$15.00 each.
- (4) Please send me \_\_\_\_\_ copies of the 2013 Seidemann Family group picture size 11 X 14 at \$25.00 each
- (1) Please send me \_\_\_\_\_ copies of the 2013 Seidemann Family group picture size 16 X 20 at \$30.00 each

All prices include shipping & handling.

Please send order form and check to: Seidemann Family, P O Box 184 Newburg, WI 53060-0184.

## Things You Can Do To Make Our Reunion A Success!

1. **Email Addresses** -- You can help us save over \$1,000 in printing and postage costs by providing us your email address. Email them to: [secretary@seidemannfamily.org](mailto:secretary@seidemannfamily.org).
2. **Bake Sale** – Donate cupcakes, cookies, muffins, and bars to sell at the candy stand. We are also looking for buyers — 11:00 AM until baked goods are gone.
3. **Kuchen/Dessert Contest** – Bring your best, baked Kuchen/Dessert to be tasted by our judges and then auctioned off to the highest bidder at our Kuchen/Dessert Auction. The pictures on the right are the 2013 first place winners of the Seidemann Family Reunion Kuchen Contests. Dawn Schall-Goad with a Poppy Seed Kuchen won first place in the over age 25 category which was auctioned off for \$410. Alexis Naumann won the under 25 age group with a Chocolate Strawberry Kuchen with a top bid of \$230. A total of 11 kuchen were auctioned off for total of \$1,370.00 towards Reunion expenses. Kenneth and Marion Race generously purchased both first place Kuchens. **Thank you Kuchen bakers and bidders.**
4. **Silent Auction** – Bring breads, jellies, other homemade food items and crafts to be in our Silent Auction. Proceeds help pay for Reunion Expenses.
5. **Bingo prizes, Kids prizes, and Door prizes** – Donate items for Bingo, Kid's games, or for a door prize.
6. **Past Reunion Pictures** – We would like to put together a DVD presentation of past Reunions. If you have photos of previous reunions, please send pictures you think should be included to: **Seidemann Family** P. O. Box 184 Newburg, WI. 53060-0184 or email them to: [secretary@seidemannfamily.org](mailto:secretary@seidemannfamily.org).
7. **Talent Show** – We are looking for entertainers for our annual Talent Show. Sign up at the **guessing game table**. All ages, groups, and talents are urged to perform.
8. **Donations** – of all sizes will be accepted. The 80th Seidemann Reunion's expenses were over \$5,000. Expenses for the 81st Reunion are expected to exceed \$3,500.
9. **Purchase** Family Tree Books, Reunion Group Photos, Seidemann Reunion T-shirts, and Koozys.
10. **Volunteers needed** – We are always in need of volunteers to help with set up and take down. If you would be interested in helping, email [secretary@seidemannfamily.org](mailto:secretary@seidemannfamily.org).
11. Please send **corrections, family additions, and especially address changes** to the family secretary at **Seidemann Family** P. O. Box 184 Newburg WI 53060-0184, or email the changes to [secretary@seidemannfamily.org](mailto:secretary@seidemannfamily.org). Last year 74 invitations were returned that had to be re-sent costing the Reunion extra money.



2013 First Prize winning Kuchens

**Be Sure to Thank all the Volunteers that Make the Reunion a Success!**

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New Burg, WI 53060-0184

Return Service Requested

## Looking for Lodging?

**AmericInn Inn of West Bend** 1 (262) 334-0307 (\$84.90+tax), or visit <http://www.americinn.com>

**County Inn & Suites** 1 (262) 334-9400 (\$99.00-\$112.46+tax), or visit <http://www.countryinns.com/westbendwi>

**Hampton Inn** 1 (262) 438-1500 (\$109.00-\$123.82+tax), or visit  
<http://hamptoninn.hilton.com/en/hp/groups/personalized/E/ETBWBHX-SRN-20140718/index.jhtml>.

All room blocks are listed under Seidemann Family Reunion. Rates quoted reflect reduced prices. Please ask for the Seidemann Family Reunion block rate. They will not hold any rooms after 18 June 2014.

## How to find the Reunion

