



Klock Connections

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Debra Lynn "Christensen" Klock

Debra Christensen was born May 16, 1955 the daughter of Carroll and Sally Christensen. Debra is a 2nd Grade School Teacher in Sheboygan Falls Elementary School in Wisconsin. She has been teaching school at Sheboygan Falls since 1981.

Debra graduated from UW-Stevens Point and received a 1-8 Elementary Education license. She earned her Master of Education degree in the spring of 2004 from University of Wisconsin -Oshkosh.

Debra married Steve Linford Klock (Conrad LaVerne, Claude Linford, Henry Vincent, Jacob, Henry, Adam Johannes, Adam, Col. Jacob Klock and Hendrick Klock) on July 06, 1977. Steve Klock is a Wildlife Technician and works for the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources, (DNR).

Steve and Debra live in Plymouth, Wisconsin and have a son, Jordan who

attends UWM. (University of Wisconsin - Milwaukee)They also have a daughter, Megan, who just graduated from UWGB (University of Wisconsin-Green Bay) ,majoring in Psychology.

Steve and Debra also have a black lab named Ice, and a black cat named Molly.

Besides teaching, Debra loves quilts, antiques, and square dancing. She also keeps busy with church and Junior Woman's Club.

In the December 2003 Issue of Klock Connections, I profiled Steve's brother Marshal Brian Klock. I found Brian on a site for Viet Nam Vets. Brian served in the Army as a Sergeant with Company A, 4th Bn, 9th Infantry and later with the 1st Infantry (The Big Red One) in 1970.

With information provided by Steve and Deb, I was able to trace their line back to Hendrick Klock.

Brian, his wife Janet and daughters, Mindy and Casey visited Fort Klock a couple weeks ago. They visited on a day that Darla and I had off, but Brian told me that Cathy gave them a great tour. The fort is open Tuesday through Sunday, 9-5. We have Tuesdays off and cousin Cathy Ossenfort takes our place on Tuesdays.

I contacted Debra to let her know I stole her picture, and most of the information for this article from her web page.

<http://www.sheboyganfalls.k12.wi.us/staff/dlklock/>

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Deb told me they just got back from a trip to Ireland. They went with some college friends on July 4 and returned the 14th. She told me they had a fantastic time on their vacation.

John Leonard Crouse

John Leonard Crouse married Magdalena Klock, the daughter of Johannes Klock and Ann Margaretha Fuchs (Fox). Johannes was the son of the pioneer Hendrick Klock. Magdalena was born in St. Johnsville, New York October 24, 1752. John's father, Jacob Crouse did not approve of the marriage as he stood up and objected to his son's plans to marry Magdalena. But the marriage took place anyway. They were married at Klock's Church September 12, 1778 by a minister of the German Reformed Church in Canajoharie, New York

Johannes Klock built Fort Klock in 1750. He built his fortified farm home facing the Mohawk River. The Klocks were farmers and fur traders. Directly below the fort, in the Mohawk River, there is a sheltered cove where people anchored and come up to the fort and do their fur trading. The Kings Highway was located between the fort and the river where the rail road tracks are today. The railroad came through about 1836. There was a deck attached to the front of the fort.

On October 19, 1780 during the Battle of Klock's Field, John Leonard Crouse shot and killed a British soldier from the deck of Fort Klock. John J. Klock, son of Johannes, was present when his brother-in-law shot the British soldier and went from the fort to take the soldier's horse and baggage. I have heard that someone in the Crouse Family still has the saddle from that horse.

John Leonard Crouse died in 1797 and Magdalena died in 1837.

Johannes Klock would have been 69 and was probably in the house at the time the Battle of Klock's Field took place. Johannes sold or transferred ownership of Fort Klock to his son John J. Klock on May 1, 1787. (Tryon County Deeds, Page 479 in Fonda County Court House, Fonda, New York) Anna Nancy, the daughter of John Leonard Crouse and Magdalena was just a baby when her father, shot and killed the British soldier and was probably in the fort at the time.

Ancestry.com has the children of Magdalena Klock and John Crouse as;

Child: #1. Anna Nancy Crouse, born 2 Apr 1779 in Oppenheim, New York. Anna married Christopher C. Fox about 1798.

Child # 2. William Crouse Male, born 1781 in St Johnsville, New York. He married Catherine Miller.

Child # 3,--Catherine Crouse, born 1 Apr 1782 in German Flatts, Herkimer, New York.

Child #4--Jacob Crouse, born 24 Dec. 1784 in German Flatts, Herkimer, New York.

Child #5--Lany Crouse, born abt. 1787

Child # 6--Elizabeth Crouse, born abt. 1789

Child # 7--Leonard Crouse, born 5 Mar 1790. He married Sally Loadwick

I sometimes tell the story to visitors to Fort Klock about when John Crouse shot and killed the British soldier from the deck of Fort Klock. A Crouse family member stopped at the fort two or three years ago and told me their family had donated the copper pail to Fort Klock that came from that soldier's horse. They had donated it many years ago when the fort was still under restoration. There are two copper pails hanging on the wall in the tool room. One of the copper pails could have come off that horse.

The Zimmerman Daughters

Anna Eva Zimmerman was born 4 February 1743 the daughter of Adam Zimmerman and Catharina Nellis. Catharina Nellis was the daughter of Christian Nellis and Barvalis Elizabeth Klock. Adam was the eldest son of Jacob and Anna Margaretha Schultz Zimmerman. Jacob was considered the founder of what is now St. Johnsville. He had a gristmill and traded with the Indians. Anna Eva Zimmerman married John Markell about 1756, which was near the beginning of the French and Indian War. They had a residence in the western part of Minden. In the summer of 1757, John Markell, Anna and their infant child went to go visit a neighbor. Anna was carrying the child in her arms when in their path they met a dozen-armed unfriendly Indians. John Markell saw them and knowing that their escape was impossible, said in German to his wife, who was directly behind him, "Anna our time is up." These were his dying words for in an instant; one of the party sent a bullet through his body which lodged in hers. They both fell to the ground. Her husband John was tomahawked and scalped. She was wounded and lying on the ground helpless when an Indian drew his knife and scalped her and killed the infant child while she watched. The Indians then went on to the Markell homestead to see what they could plunder. Anna Eva was conscious throughout the ordeal and managed to get up and walk to the neighbors' house for help. She was treated and recovered. She carried the bullet to her grave.

Anna Eva later re-married Christian Getman of Ephratah in 1760. She died April 25, 1822 at the age of 85. She had 10 children by her second marriage. Anna concealed the loss of her scalp by combing her hair over the area. Others recalled that she wore a small, black velvet skullcap in winter and combed her hair over her scalped spot when the weather was hot.

Catharina was the second daughter of Adam and Catharine Zimmerman. She was born about 1745. She married Frederick Snell, Jr. at the Stone Arabia Reformed Church, Albany Co., New York on March 4, 1766. He was born in Stone Arabia 1741.

Frederick Snell and Catherine had seven children. Frederick Snell Jr. was killed at the Battle of Oriskany on August 6 1777. Then on June 6, 1786 she married Bastian Stemler. Catherine and Bastian Stemler had two children.

Information from The Pioneer Zimmerman Daughters by Nancy Cioch

Woman's Body Found in River

Romona N. Klock was born April 11, 1951, in Gouverneur, daughter of Everett and Nancy Forbes Goodale, she graduated from Gouverneur High School in 1969. She married Morton L. Klock Sr. (Henry Alvin, George Henry, Bates Aaron, Luther, John J. Jr., John J., Johannes and Hendrick Klock) on May 22, 1970, in Gouverneur United Methodist Church with the Rev. Stanley E. Brown officiating. The couple lived in Edwards, New York for more than 35 years. Romona drowned April 28, 2008 in the Oswegatchie River.



Photo: Watertown Daily Times

At about 1:00 p.m. Monday April 27 family members reported Romona N. Klock, 57, of 2464 State Route 58 was missing. The family told troopers they had been searching for her since about 7:00 am. Romona's automobile was found by family members parked under a bridge on Route 58 in the Town of Fowler. State Police, utilizing a hovercraft and helicopter led the

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effort in St. Lawrence County. According to a State Police official in Gouverneur, Firefighters, forest rangers and rescue team divers assisted State Police in the search. Divers enter the Oswegatchie River in the town of Fowler to search. Her body was found in the river, about a quarter-mile from the Route 58 bridge, at 3:30 p.m.

An autopsy performed by Dr. Samuel A. Livingstone, Watertown, confirmed the cause of death but the manner of death was ruled undetermined by St. Lawrence County Coroner, June H. Wood. State police said Mrs. Klock's death was not considered suspicious. Romona suffered from dementia.

On Thursday May 1, 2008 a graveside service was held for Romona N. Klock in Fairview Cemetery with Rev. Wilfred J. Baez, pastor of Gouverneur United Methodist Church, officiating. Romona worked for several years on the family farm and also at Edgewood Resort, Alexandria Bay. She enjoyed cooking, sewing, gardening, traveling and spending time with family. Surviving besides her husband and her mother, of Russell, are two sons and their wives, Morton Jr. and Melissa and Kenneth and Stacy, all of Edwards; a daughter and her husband, Kelly and Dustin Ashley, Pierrepont; two brothers and their wives, Gerald and Patti Goodale, Theresa, and Daniel and Tammy Goodale, Gouverneur; two sisters and their husbands, Roselyn and Richard Briggs, Russell, and Roxanna and Weldon, DeKalb, seven grandchildren and several nieces and nephews. Her father, two brothers, Howard Goodale and Everett Floyd Goodale, and a half-brother, Harvey Forbes, died before her.

Information from Obituary of Romona N. Klock and several articles published in the Watertown Daily Times.

Cemetery List Continued From Last Month

Information for this cemetery list comes from several different sources and may not be completely reliable. If you have additions or corrections please let me know.

Brookside Cemetery Town of Watertown, Jefferson County, New York

Klock, Milton R. 1847-1914. Additional Information: Milton was the son of Stephen Klock (George G.I., George I, Johannes, Han Henrich and Hendrick Klock) and Anna Bellinger. He married Julia Alexander and they had five children.

Klock, Morgan 1834-1910 Additional Information: Morgan was the son of Stephen Klock (George G.I., George I, Johannes, Han Henrich and Hendrick Klock) and Anna Bellinger. He married Catharine Jane Baird, 3 children.

Klock, Mrs. S. died in 1889 Additional Information: I think this is Anna Bellinger who married Stephen Klock below.

Klock, Stephen 1813-1878 Additional Information: Stephen was the son of George G.I. Klock (George I, Johannes, Han Henrich and Hendrick Klock).and Harriet Goodale. I have him as born March 09, 1815 and died May 30, 1878. Stephen married Anna Bellinger.

Sheepfold Cemetery Le Ray, Jefferson Co., New York AKA: Pine Plains Graveyard

Klock, Harvey, 1830-1907. Additional Information: Harvey was the son of Jacob Adam Klock (Adam, Adam Johannes, Adam, Col. Jacob Klock and Hendrick Klock). He married Marilla Casler.

Klock, Lester J., 1860- 1940. Additional Information: Lester was the son of Harvey Klock above. He married May Woolever.

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Klock, Marilla (Casler) 1831-1908, wife of Harvey. Additional Information: Marilla Casler married Harvey Klock above.

Klock, May (Woolever) 1876-1918, wife of Lester. Additional Information: Eunice May Woolever married Lester Klock, son of Harvey above.

Smithville Cemetery Old and New Town of Henderson Jefferson County, New York

Kennedy, Ida B. (Klock) 1904-1972. Additional Information: Ida was married twice, Elmer Edison Klock and William Kennedy. She had six children with Elmer Klock and four with William Kennedy.

Kennedy, Donald W. 1926- son of Ida B. Additional Information: Donald was the son of Ida and William Kennedy.

Klock, Edna (Trowbridge) 1894-1965, wife of Marva A. Klock. Additional Information: Edna Trowbridge married Marva Klock (See line below). I have Edna and Marva with a son Seth Alfred Klock who married Jennie Scofield. She was born July 24, 1894 and died in 1965. Edna Trowbridge was the daughter of Seth and Minnie "Thomas" Trowbrige.

Klock, Henry D. b. April 10, 1865 d. Nov. 7, 1940 married Nov. 26, 1885 (no stone). Henry D. Klock was the son of Adam Klock and Martha A. Clock. He married Margaret Hegan. Henry and Margaret had two children; Marva and Elmer Edison Klock. See line under Marva below.

Klock, Henry E. b. March 26, 1946, d. Dec. 28, 2000, son of Elmer & Ida. Additional Information: Henry was the son of Elmer Klock and Ida B. Ward.

Klock, Margaret (Hegan) b. Aug. 12, 1870, d. Oct 21, 1939, wife of Henry D. Klock, (no stone). Additional Information: Margaret Hegan married Henry D. Klock.

Klock, Marva A. 1891-1945. Marva was the

son of Henry D. Klock and Margaret Hagen. Henry was the son of Adam Klock (Jacob Adam, Adam, Adam Johannes, Adam, Col. Jacob Klock and Hendrick Klock) who married Martha A. Clock, (Jacob, Henry, Adam Johannes, Adam, Col. Jacob Klock and Hendrick Klock)

Evans Mills Cemetery Old and New Town of LeRay Jefferson County, New York

Klock, Daniel died March 1, 1878, 85 yrs. 2 mo. 15 days. Additional Information: Daniel was the son of Joseph G. Klock (George G., Johanguergh and Hendrick Klock) and Dorothy Zimmerman. Daniel was born December 14, 1794.

Klock, Nancy, died April 13, 1861, 68 yrs. 6 mo. 24 days, wife of Daniel. Additional Information: Anna (Nancy) Devendorf married Daniel Klock above. She was born September 19, 1792. Daniel and Nancy had seven children.

Sanford Corners Cemetery Town of LeRay Jefferson County, New York

Also known as Jewett Corners Burial Ground and Calcium Cemetery

Falling, Mary E. (Klock) died Dec. 22, 1871 39 yrs. 5 mo. 8 days 1st. wife of James. Additional Information: Mary E. Klock was the daughter of Daniel Klock (Joseph G., George G., Johanguergh and Hendrick Klock) and Anna (Nancy) Devendorf.

Falling, James 1830-191. James Falling married Mary E. Klock above.

Klock, Margaret E. (Casse) b. Jan. 14, 1926, d. Aug. 5, 1997. Additional Information: Margaret E. Casse married Kenneth R. Klock. (See Line under Kenneth below)

Klock, Glenn, 1895, d. Dec. 17, 1967, married April 15, 1922. Additional Information: Glen was the son of James Klock (George, Jacob Adam, Adam, Adam Johannes, Adam, Col. Jacob Klock and Hendrick Klock) and Cora M. Crook. **Continued Next Month**