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Welcome to the Nicholas Stoltzfus
Homestead - Annual Benefit Auction &
Gathering
May 2, 2026

9:00 AM Auction starts - **11:00 AM** Quilts will be sold -
12:00 PM Collection of books will be sold

Welcome

Enjoy your day at the historic Nicholas Stoltzfus Homestead! Stroll the grounds, buy some food and great merchandise and support a worthy cause of preserving history.

Proceeds from the Auction go towards the upkeep for the property and completing the old house renovations.

Your **FOOD PURCHASES** are by **DONATION**. **LOOK FOR THE MILK CANS TO PUT YOUR MONEY IN.**

The property is owned and managed by the Nicholas Stoltzfus Homestead Preservation Committee, a 501(c)(3) non profit organization.

The current committee consists of Ben Riehl: Chairman, Joe Miller, Board Member, Elam Fisher, Board Member, Jake Esh, Secretary, Mervin King, Board Member, Jerry Stoltzfus, Board Member, and Debra Allgyer, Treasurer.

The Executive Directors of the Nicholas Stoltzfus Homestead are Elam & Esther (Yoder) Stoltzfus. This is a volunteer position. They view this job as a mission to provide a place for the family to gather, connect to their heritage and provide a historical setting for Berks County residents. They live in the caretaker's apartment on the lower level of the barn.

Elam is a 9th generation descendant from Nicholas & Anna, and 8th through the Schmucker family line. Esther is a descendant from the Christian Yoder, Hochstetler and Stutzman families that lived in the Northkill Creek (Berks County) area in the early 1700's.

Historian Pud Sam Stoltzfus & family will be in the historic house to answer your questions about the Homestead, immigrants Nicholas & Anna Stoltzfus & family and Amish history. Sam will have his books available to purchase.

Nicholas and Anna's original chest is located in the family room. This chest was built in Germany before coming to America in 1766.

Tour the early 1700's style Homestead and see the ongoing progress of restoring the house for educational purposes.

A collection of 10 original and 4 replicas family records from the 1800s and early 1900s. This collection is rare and some of these records have never been shared with others in a public setting.

Upstairs is a newly renovated room that features a new map of the 1700s Amish family homesteads in Berks County Irishcreek, Northkill, Maiden Creek and Reading settlements.

Featured in the upstairs back room are set of clothes owned by John F. Stoltzfus from the 1850s, overcoat by Amos J. Stoltzfus and other interesting items.

Upstairs in the barn are series of tables of new books and authors and historical displays of interest. You can find some of these authors on the grounds, feel free to ask for a signature and chat with them about their books.

Masthof Press & Bookstore: Their bookstore carries thousands of titles featuring local history, life stories, memoirs, Anabaptist, Pennsylvania Dutch, Amish, Mennonite, Brethren and more. Their main passion is preserving history for the next generation.

Dot Mast Moss will be at the stand to autograph the new release "**Bishop Jacob Mast and Magdalena Hooley: Early Amish Settlers of the Conestoga Valley**", information about Jacob's siblings including Anna married to John Yoder, Magdalena married to Michael Troyer, and John married to Barbara [Harmon] is included with lists of their children. The children of Jacob and Magdalena married into Hooley, Hostetler, Kauffman (Coffman), Kenege, Kurtz, and Zook families. **Rebecca Beiler** with her collection of news articles and other information. **Emily Smucker-Beilder** will have Fraktur samples and representing the Schmucker, Smucker & Smoker reunion information. Along with a few other authors and information.

Amish Family Records of Lancaster County, Pennsylvania is a masterful collaboration that preserves centuries of heritage through a stunning collection of 123 rare family records, bookplates, and ornate fraktur artwork. Rooted in **Jack Parmer's** thirty-year curation and brought to life by **Elam Stoltzfus's** meticulous genealogical research, the book features exquisite illustrations by artist **Emily Smucker-Beilder** and insights from the Nicholas Stoltzfus Homestead. Spanning the 18th and 19th centuries, these recovered archives offer scholars and descendants a profound window into the religious life and artistic expressions of the Amish community. This collection serves as a

vital bridge to ancestral roots, celebrating the enduring stories and "ink, color, and careful stitch" of Pennsylvania's Amish rich cultural history.

Berks County of Parks and Recreation Department will have reproduction photographs, various models/tools related to the Gruber Wagon Works on display. They will also have brochures and materials providing information for our upcoming programs in the Parks and Recreation Department as well as several brochures that provide more information on the Park System as a whole, and the historical and cultural features at the Berks County Heritage Center.

Barbara Esterly will illustrate a collection of heritage seeds, foods and harvest of crops in the 1700s. demonstrates food preservation.

Terry Burger will have demonstrations on making old fashioned candles use by our ancestors.

Nicholas Stoltzfus: Writer of two books: "**German Lutherans to Pennsylvania Amish: The Stoltzfus Family Story**" tells the story of six generations of the Stoltzfus family spanning over 200 years (1624-1832) as they find a path forward from one faith to another, through many different countries and cultures, during times of war and peace, and through love and loss and "**In the Footsteps of my Stoltzfus Family: a Genealogy Memoir**", Stoltzfus shares with readers about how he learned to embrace his Amish roots, his adventures in Germany uncovering new genealogy information about his ancestors, and the story of his first year as caretaker of the historic Nicholas Stoltzfus Homestead in Pennsylvania. Told with warmth and humor, this is a memoir with themes that we can all relate to—the importance of family and understanding one's heritage.

Ben Riehl compiled a book of "**The History of the Buffalo Valley/Union County Amish, 1836-1894 and Immigrant Christian Stoltzfus**". A collection of stories and documents.

The Nicholas Stoltzfus Homestead is a stone-built English colonial-style house built in the early-1700s in Wyomissing, Pennsylvania. After passing through the ownership of several families, the property, including the stone house and a barn, was purchased in 1771 by Nicholas Stoltzfus and his son Christian Stoltzfus. Nicholas and his wife Anna Elisabeth Bachmann and their 4 children emigrated from Zweibrücken, Germany before purchasing the house. For many years the tract of land was a working farm. The Stoltzfus family were part of the Amish Anabaptist group. The Nicholas Stoltzfus family are the progenitors for all the Stoltzfus surnames in America.

Today the historical house is being restored to to showcase colonial life in the 1700's, with special items that tell the Berks County Amish immigration story. We are open for individual and group tours. The barn is a Sweitzer replica built in 2011. The 1500 square foot barn has central heat and air and can accommodate special events such as small weddings, family reunions, corporate events, etc. Amenities include public restrooms, and kitchen access. The homestead grounds has a picnic area with a fire pit. Outdoor games including flag croquet, corn hole, bocci ball, volleyball, and spike ball are available for use. The homestead is located across the road from the Tulpehocken Creek and the Berks County Park system which includes the Union Canal Towpath. We are minutes from shopping, restaurants, and vibrant West Reading.

The Homestead has a Barn Loft AirBnB which is listed on AirBnB as "Wyomissing Barn Loft". It has been a successful venture for the Homestead and all monies go back to the Homestead, except the small cleaning fee. We are pleased that we have earned the coveted Super Host designation and continue to maintain it. Check us out on AirBnB!

Preserving History: The Nicholas Stoltzfus Homestead's Journey to the National Historic Registry

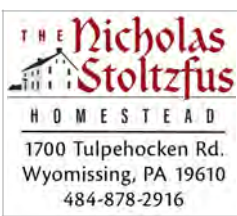
As the sun sets over the rolling hills of Berks County, Pennsylvania, a quiet farmhouse stands as a testament to centuries gone by. The Nicholas Stoltzfus Homestead has witnessed generations of Stoltzfus descendants tilling the soil, raising barns, and weaving stories into its very timbers. Now, the Homestead has the chance to etch its name into the annals of history—the National Register of Historic Places. To date, the application has been completed and the final information submitted to the United States Department of the Interior. We are hopefully waiting for the final acceptance letter.

Our mission is to tell the Stoltzfus story.

A place where memories are made. A place to bring families together.

A place to relax and relive history.

Our goal is to integrate these three themes:
Immigration, Colonial Lifestyle and Anabaptist History.



Nicholas Stoltzfus Homestead Book Auction Lots for May 2nd, 2026 Benefit Auction

Books from (lots 01 to 100, are a collection of books donated to the Homestead for fund raising purposes. Jack Parmer's collection (Lot 101 to 148), Lot # (# of items); Book Title, author name; publisher, publisher location, date of publication; binding info; page #; condition of the book; additional info, Simple items: Book title, author name, special info, condition of book. Special titles: Book title, author name, publisher, date of publication, condition of the book.



LOT 1. (4 Books) **Chicken Soup for the: Golfers Soul, Golfers Soul 2nd round, Fishermans Soul, the Christian Soul**, books are in good condition



LOT 2. (4 Books) **For Room and Board...** by Phil Barkman; **Teen Ink, Friends and Family...** by Stephane and John Meyer; **Chicken Soup for the Christian Soul; Chicken Soup for the Women's Soul**, books are in good condition.



LOT 3. (4 Books) **Living on the Edge...** by Chip Ingram; **Well Versed...** by James I Harlow; **More Holy Humor...** by Cal and Rose Samra; **Andrew Jackson and the Miracle of New Orleans...** by Brian Kilmeade and Don Yaeger, books are in good condition.



LOT 4. (4 Books) **Chicken Soup for the: Fishermans Soul, Kids Soul, Golfers Soul the 2nd round, Soul**, books are in good condition.



LOT 5. (4 Books) **Pedro de Toreros and the Voyage of Destiny...** by Peter Marshal and David Manuel, **You're Worth it!...** by Danielle Bean; **Chicken Soup for the Golden Soul; A Taste of Chicken Soup for the Golfers Soul the 2nd Round**, books are in good condition.



LOT 6. (4 Books) **Kennedy's Avenger...** by Dan Abrams and David Fisher; **Kennedy's Last Days...** by Bill O'Reilly; **Mercy Clifton Pilgrim Girl...** Peter Marshal and David Manuel; **The Ranch...** by Danielle Steel, books are in good condition.



LOT 7. (4 Books) **We Will not be Silenced...** by Erwin W. Luther; **Battlefield America...** by John W. Whitehead; **Killing Kennedy...** by Bill O'Reilly and Martin Dugard; **Slaying Dragons...** by John W. Whitehead, books are in good condition.



LOT 8. (4 Books) **From Sea to Shining Sea for children...** by Peter Marshal and David Manuel; **David...** by Charles Swindoll; **The Politics of Jesus...** by John Howard Yoder; **The Purpose Driven Life...** by Rick Warren, books are in good condition.



LOT 9. (4 Books) **Christies Old Organ...** by Christopher Wright; **Pinocchio...** by Carlo Collodi; **Farmer Boy...** by Laura Ingalls Wilder; **Every other Monday...** by John Kasich, books are in fair condition.



LOT 10. (4 Books) **Practical Watch Repairing...** by Donald de Carl; **The Village Carpenter...** by Walter Rose; **The Practical Wood Turner...** by F. Pain; **Chicken Soup for the Golden Soul**, books are in fair condition.



LOT 11. (4 Books) **Second Chicken Soup for the Woman's Soul; Chicken Soup for the Mother's Soul; Chicken Soup for the Father's Soul; The Burn House...** by Faye Kellerman, books are in good condition.



LOT 12 (4 Books) **The Texans...** by David Nevin; **The Ranchers..** by Ogden Tanner; **The Little Bighorn Campaign...** by Wayne Michael Sarf; **Cattle Ranch...** by Alto Adams Jr. and Lee Gramling, books are in good condition.



LOT 13 (4 Books) **Little Lame Prince...** by Dinah Marie Mulch Craik; **Hand Blinker or the Silver Skates...** by Walt Disney; **John Plough-man's Talk...** by C. H. Spurgeon; **Light from Heaven...** by Christmas Carol Kauffman, books are in fair condition.



LOT 14 (4 Books) **Stoners Crossing...** by Judith Pella; **The Great Society at Fifty...** by Nicholas Eberstadt; **Notes on the Miracles of our Lord...** by R.C. Trench; **Speed and Fun with Figures...** by T. O'conor Sloane, J. E. Thompson, and H.E. Licks, books are in fair condition.



LOT 15 (4 Books) **How to Paint and Draw...** by Bodo W. Jaxtheimer; **Horse and Pony Stories...** by Jane Carruth; **41 A Portrait of my Father...** by George W. Bush; **Little town on the Prairie...** by Laura Ingalls Wilder, books are in fair condition.



LOT 16 (4 Books) **A Touch of Wonder...** by Arthur Gordon; **Saying Thank You Makes me Happy...** by Happy Day Books; **So Many Kinds of Love...** by C. R. Gibson; **Georgia...** by Gina Fields, books are in fair condition.



LOT 17 (4 Books) **Every Moment Holy...** by Douglas Kaine McKelvey; **Modern Fables and Parables...** by W. S. Harris; **The Worth of Gods Word...** by J.T. Holderman; **Education, and How to Improve it in America;** books are in fair condition.



LOT 18 (4 Books) **Poems for Parents...** by Robert parsons; **Seabiscuit...** by Laura Hillenbrand; **The First Four Years...** by Laura Ingalls Wilder; **Bho Moved my Cheese...** by Spencer Johnson M.D. books are in good condition.



LOT 19. (4 Books) **One of the Family...** by Little Golden Books; **A People House...** by Theo. Lesieg (aka Dr. Suess); **Yellowstone to Yukon...** by Douglass H Chadwick; **Lori Adams and the Riverboat Mystery...** by Bernard Palmer, books are in good condition.



LOT 20. (4 Books) **Dakotas, where the West begins...** by John thompson; **First farm on the Right...** by Loretta Jane Stoltzfus; **Gettysburg, the Story behind the Scenery...** by William C. Davis; **Light, Glorious Light...** by Gil Dellinger, books are in fair & good condition.



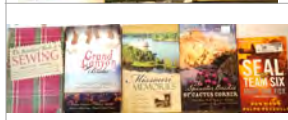
LOT 21. (4 Books) **Heart to Heart Poetry Album;** **Legacy of a Pack Rat...** by Ruth Bell Graham; **Oatmeal Bake-off Recipes...** by Landis Homes Staff; **5-minute cures,** books are in good condition.



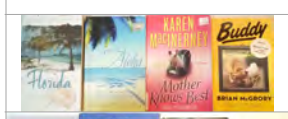
LOT 22. (4 Books) **Our Community Family Recipes...** by Orff's Corner Community Church; **Cooking and Traveling the Ca. pe Cod Way;** **Me and Caleb again...** by Franklyn E. Meyer; **The Workbasket and Home Arts Magazine;** books are in fair condition.



LOT 23. (3 Books) **Guidelines for Today;** **Design Data Manual...** compiled by design news editorial staff; **Charlie Brown and Charlie Schulz...** by Lee Mendelson, books are in fair condition.



LOT 24. (5 Books) **The Standard Book of Sewing...** by Drucella Lowrie; **Grand Canyon Brides...** by Dianne Christener, NancyJ. Farrier, Darlene Mindrup, and Pamela Kaye Tracy; **Missouri Memories...** by Kelly Eileen Hake; **The Spinster Brides of Cactus Corner...** by Frances Devine; **Seal Team Six, Hunt the Fox...** by Don Mann and Ralph Pezzulo, books are in good condition.



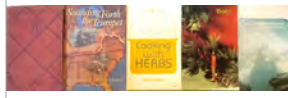
LOT 25. (4 Books) **Florida...** by Eileen M. Berger; **Aloha...** by Colleen Coble; **Mother Knows Best...** by Karen MacInterney ; **Buddy...** by Brian McGregor, books are in good condition.



LOT 26. (4 Books) **My Bible Guide, Junior Year 1...** Judson graded series; **Stories about Jesus...** Summer bible school series; **Dale...** by Dale Evans Rogers; **Adventuring with God...** by O. Carroll Arnold, books are in good condition.



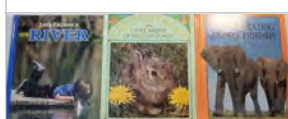
LOT 27. (4 Books) **The Horse and the Buggy Doctor...** by Arthur E. Hertzler; **Great Days with Great Lives...** by Charles R. Swindoll; **Improving your Serve...** by Swindoll; **Grace Awakening...** by Charles R. Swindoll, books are in good condition.



LOT 28. (5 Books) **The Robe...** by Douglas; **Sounding Forth the Trumpet...** by Peter Marshal and David Manuel; **Booking with Herbs...** Readers Digest; B... by Van B. Hooper; **Best from the Sea;** books are in fair condition.



LOT 29 (4 Books) **The Camino Real Activity Book...** by Walter D. Yoder, ph.d.; **Snipp, Snapp, Snurr and the Seven Dogs...** by Maj Lindman; **Unknown title and author;** **The Encyclopedia of Country Living...** by Carla Emery, books are in good condition.



LOT 30 (3 Books) **Lets Explore a River, Cottontails - Little Rabbit of Field and Forest, Our Amazing Animal Friends...** all by National Geographic, books are in good condition.



LOT 31 (3 Books) **Raccoons, The Big Cats, How Animals Talk...** all by National Geographic, books are in good condition.



LOT 32 (3 Books) **Animals of the High Mountains, Saving our Animal Friends, Animal Families...** all by National Geographic, books are in good condition.





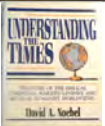












LOT 33 (4 Books) **Animals that Live in Trees, What Happens in the Autumn, Amazing Otters, Along a Rocky Shore...** all by National Geographic, books are in good condition.







LOT 34 (3 Books) **Animals at Play, Animals in Summer, Creatures of the Woods...** all by National Geographic, books are in good condition.

	<p>LOT 35 (3 Books) The Jungle Book by Rudyard Kipling; The Story of the Baptists in all Ages and Countries by Rev. Richard B Cook; l'arrabbiata by Heyse, books are in fair condition.</p>
	<p>LOT 36 (3 Books) My Very First Encyclopedia - Animals by Innovage; BlueRabbit and Friends by Christopher Wormell; Into the Sea by Brenda z. Guiberqson, books are in good condition.</p>
	<p>LOT 37. (4 Books) Nursery and Mother Goose Rhymes by Beginners bookshelf; The Springs of Joy by Tasha Tudor; Noahs Ark by Peter Spier; The Pigeon Lullaby by Lydia c. Plank, books are in fair condition.</p>
	<p>LOT 38. (1 Book) River Song with the Banana Slug String Band by Steve van Zandt, books are in good condition.</p>
	<p>LOT 39. (4 Books) Little Women by Louisa may Alcott; Uncle Toms Cabin by H.B. stowe; Practical Lessons in English by J.M. B. Sill; The Bishops Shadow by Thurston, books are in fair condition.</p>
	<p>LOT 40. (2 Books) Church and Sunday School Hymnal by J. D. Brunk; Book One First Latin with Collateral Reading by Victor E. Francois, books are in fair condition.</p>
	<p>LOT 41. (1 Book) The Old Testament illustrated by Marguerite de Angeli, books are in fair condition. Author Marguerite de Angeli books are collected and several titles are hard to find.</p>
	<p>LOT 42. (3 Books) Elins Amerika, Thee Hannah!, The Goose Girl, all by Marguerite de Angeli , books are in fair condition.</p>
	<p>LOT 43. (3 Books) Turkey for Christmas, Just like David, The Ted and Tuna Story Book, all by Marguerite de Angeli, books are in fair condition.</p>
	<p>LOT 44. (3 Books) Up the Hill, Petite Suzanne, Jareds Island, all by Marguerite de Angeli, books are in fair condition.</p>
	<p>LOT 45. (3 Books) The Lion in the Box, Black Fox of Lorne, The Door in the Wall all by Marguerite de Angeli, books are in fair condition.</p>
	<p>LOT 46 (3 Books) Skippack School by Marguerite de Angeli; Eleanor by Barbara Cooney; Copper-Toed Boots by Marguerite de Angeli, books are in fair condition.</p>
	<p>LOT 47 (3 Books) Butter at the Old Price, Henna's Lydia, Yonie Wonder Nose all by Marguerite de Angeli, books are in fair condition.</p>
	<p>LOT 48 (2 Books) Taps for Private Tussie by Jesse Stuart; Stratosphere Jim and his Flying Fortress by Oscar Lebeck, books are in fair condition.</p>
	<p>LOT 49 (2 Books) The Boy Jesus and his Companions by Rufus M.Jones; An Idyl of the War and the German Exiles by Elmwood L Kemp, books are in fair condition.</p>
	<p>LOT 50. (2 Books) Yearbook of the Department of Agriculture 1908 by US Department of Agriculture; US department of Agriculture Twelfth and Thirteenth Annual Reports Bureau of Animal Industry 1895-1806 by US Dept. of Agriculture, books are in fair condition.</p>

	LOT 51 (2 Books) Last of the Mohicans by James Fenimore Cooper, The Oregon Trail , By Parkman, books are in fair condition.
	LOT 52 (1 Book) The Scottish Chiefs by Jane Porter, Illustrated by N.C. Wyeth. book is in fair condition.
	LOT 53 (2 Books) House of Seven Gables , Tanglewood Tales for Boys and Girls , both by Nathaniel Hawthorne, books are in fair condition.
	LOT 54 (1 Book) The Mysterious Island by Jules Verne, books are in fair condition.
	LOT 55. (1 Book) Understanding the Times by David A. Noebel, books are in good condition.
	LOT 56. (3 Books) The Red Signal by Grace Livingston Hill; Red and Black by Grace S. Richmond; The Hunted Woman by James Oliver Curwood, books are in fair condition.
	LOT 57. (3 Books) The Challengers by Grace Livingston Hill; Back to God's Country by James Oliver Curwood; In Tune with Wedding Bells by Grace Livingston Hill, books are in fair condition.
	LOT 58. (3 Books) The Black Hunter by James Oliver Curwood; Ivanhoe by Walter Scott, The Flaming Forest by James Oliver Curwood, books are in fair condition.
	LOT 59. (3 Books) Matched Pearls , Crimson Roses April Gold , all by Grace Livingston Hill, books are in fair condition.
	LOT 60. (3 Books) Exit Betty by Grace Livingston Hill; Helen Grant Teacher by Amanda M. Douglas; Berenice by E. Phillips Oppenheimer, books are in fair condition.
	LOT 61. (3 Books) The Bobbsey Twins on an Airplane Trip by Laura Lee Hope; Mildred by Mary J. Holmes; Cloudy Jewel by Grace Livingston Hill, books are in fair condition.
	LOT 62. (3 Books) The Bobbsey Twins at School by Laura Lee Hope; The City of Fire by Grace Livingston Hill; Cherry Ames Mountaineer nurse by Julie Tatham, books are in fair condition.
	LOT 63. (3 Books) Honey Bunch: Her First Visit to the Seashore , Her First Days on the Farm , both by Helen Louise Thorndyke; Where Two Ways Met by Grace Livingston Hill, books are in fair condition.
	LOT 64. (3 Books) Amorelle , Not Under the Law , More than Conqueror , all by Grace Livingston Hill, books are in fair condition.
	LOT 65. (4 Books) His One Fault by Throw Bridge; The Honor Girl by Marcia Macdonald (Grace Livingston Hill); Tomorrow about This Time , by Grace Livingston Hill; Five Little Peppers and How They Grew by Margaret Sidney, books are in fair condition.

	<p>LOT 66 (3 Books,) Collier's Junior Classics, (The Young Folks Shelf of Books) 2- Once Upon A Time, 3- Magic in the Air, 1- ABC Go! The Crowell-Collier Publishing Company, NY 1962, Books are in excellent condition.</p>
	<p>LOT 67 (3 Books,) - Collier's Junior Classics, (The Young Folks Shelf of Books) 4- Just Around the Corner, 5- In Your Own Backyard, 6 - Harvest of Holidays. The Crowell-Collier Publishing Company, NY 1962, Books are in excellent condition.</p>
	<p>LOT 68 (3 Books,) Collier's Junior Classics, (The Young Folks Shelf of Books) 7- Legends of Long Ago, 8 - Roads to Greatness, 9 - Call of Adventure, The Crowell-Collier Publishing Company, NY 1962, Books are in excellent condition.</p>
	<p>LOT 69 (3 Books,) Collier's Junior Classics, (The Young Folks Shelf of Books) 10 - Gifts from the Past, The Crowell-Collier Publishing Company, NY 1962, Child Craft 1 & 2, Poems of Early Childhood & Storytelling and other Poems, Field Enterprises of Chicago, IL Books are in excellent condition.</p>
	<p>LOT 70 (3 books) Genevieve God does not Forsake His Own, Reprinted 1954, Berlin Publishing Co, book is in poor condition. The Children's Own Readers, Book Four, Ginn and Company, 1929, Book is in fair condition, In His Steps, Charles M. Sheldon, Henry Altemus Company Philadelphia, book is fair condition.</p>
	<p>LOT 71 (5 books) Children Books, Opossum at Sycamore Road, Screech Owl at Midnight Hollow, Ladybug at Orchard Avenue, Red Fox at Hickory Lane, Fawn at Woodland Way, Smithsonian's Backyard Publisher, 1994. Books are in Excellent Condition.</p>
	<p>LOT 72 (6 Books) Children Books, Little Golden Books, Bunnies' ABC, The Musicians of Bremen, GOD, There Very Best For Me!, Scuffy, Mickey Mouse Picnic, books are in good condition.</p>
	<p>LOT 73 (4 Books) Children Books, Little Golden Books, The Bunny Book, The Shy Little Kitten, Tawny Scrawny Lion, Baby Sister, books are in good condition</p>
	<p>LOT 74 (5 Books) Children Books, Little Golden Books, Mickey Mouse and Goofy the Big Bear Scare, The Color Kittens, God Made Everything, The Magic Wagon, A Child's Garden of Verses. Books are in good condition.</p>
	<p>LOT 75 (6 Books) Children Books, Thomas the Tank, Who Am I? At Home, Little Panda, Little Bunny, Bedtime Prayers. All books are in good condition</p>
	<p>LOT 76 (5 Books) Children Books, Picture Book of Animal Babies, Bambi, Scuffy the Tug Boat, Jack & Jill, Little Bobo and his Blue Jacket, all books are in fair condition.</p>
	<p>LOT 77 (4 Books) Children Books, The Ark, Favorite Bedtime Stories, Grandfather's Journey, The Lion's Paw. All books are in fair condition.</p>
	<p>LOT 78 (4 Books) Children Books, The Pocket for Corduroy, Little Toot on the Thamas, Corduroy's Day, Five Little Honeybees, All books are in good condition.</p>
	<p>LOT 79 (4 Books) Children Books, Don't Wake the Puppies a Counting Book, Imagine That!, God Bless You & Good Night, In the Forest. All books are in good condition.</p>
	<p>LOT 80 (4 Books) Children Books, Corduroy's Christmas, Snipp, Snapp, Snurr and the Yellow Sled, Snipp, Snapp, Snurr and the Big Farm, Curious George walks the Pets. All books are in fair condition.</p>










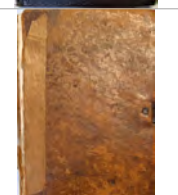

	<p>LOT 81 (4 books) Louis L'Amour (in leather) Lando, The Daybreakers, The Sackett Brand, and Sackett. Bantam Books NY. All books are in excellent condition. A collectors item.</p>
	<p>LOT 82 (3 Books). Horses (childrens book) Israel the First Forty Years, Abba Eben, Charles Scribner's Sons NY 1987, My Country Abba Eben, Random Books NY 1972, Books are in good condition.</p>
	<p>LOT 83 (3 Books) Birds, Their Life, Their Ways, Their World, Readers Digest, 1979, Song and Garden Birds of North America, Water, Prey, and Game Birds of North America, National Geographic Society, 1965, books are in fair condition.</p>
	<p>LOT 84 (3 Books) Unbroken by Laura Hillenbrand, Random Books, 2010, In the Presence of Mine Enemies/Life More Abundant, Howard & Phyllis Rutledge & Charles L. Allen, Guideposts Selection, 1973, Great Expectations, Charles Dickens, St. Martin's NY 1965, all books are in fair condition.</p>
	<p>LOT 85 (4 Books). Descendents of Barbara Hochstedler and Harvey Hostetler, by Rev. Harvey Hostetler Gospel Book Store, Berlin Ohio 1965, Prudence and the Millers by Mildred A. Martin, Green Pasture Press, 1965, Missionary Stories with the Millers by Mildred A. Martin, Green Pastures Press, 1993, Wisdom and the Millers by Mildred A. Martin, Green Pasture Press 1989. All Books are in fair condition.</p>
	<p>LOT 86 (Chris P. Stoltzfus letters) 2 packs of a collection of Family letters,</p>
	<p>LOT 87 (Chris P. Stoltzfus letters) 3 packs of a collection of Family letters, postcards and ledgers.</p>
	<p>LOT 88 (Chris P. Stoltzfus letters) 2 packs of a collection of Christmas & Birthday cards and Heifer Project.</p>
	<p>LOT 89 3 (3 Books). The Herts and Lancaster County's other Mennonite Pioneers by Mabel Burkholder, published by Masthof 2003, Plow, Pulpit and People, We called him Pop by Paul Kurtz, published by Masthof 2020, Stoltzfus, Nafzinger, Family History by John J. Lapp printed by Olde Springfield Shoppe 1992. Books are in excellent condition ,</p>
	<p>LOT 90 (3 Books) The Mennonite Hymnal, Herald Press, 1996, Best Loved Songs and Hymns, Winsett Music Co. Christian Hymnal, Gospel Publishers, 1959. Good are in good condition.</p>
	<p>LOT 91 (1 Book) 1875 Historical Atlas of Lancaster County, by Everts & Stewart, Publisher The Book Mark. Good is good condition.</p>
	<p>LOT 92 (2 Books). Dirty Genes, by Dr. Ben Lynch, Harper One, 2018, The Caprilands Wreath Book, by Adelme Grenier Simmons, (signed copy) The Clinton Press, 1987, books are in excellent condition.</p>
	<p>LOT 93 (2 Books) Foxe's Christian Martyrs of the World, the Christian Library, 1985, Menno Simon's Schriften, Die vollständigen Werke Of Menno Simon's. (in German) (the complete works of Menno Simon) Printed by J.A.Raber 1926. Books are in good condition</p>
	<p>LOT 94 (1 Book) The Peoples Home Library, Collection of 3 Practical Books, R.C. Barnum. 1917, book is in poor condition.</p>
	<p>LOT 95 (2 Books) Bible Catechism for Children, 1969, Christian Hymnal, Gospel Publishers, 1959. Good are in good condition.</p>

	<p>LOT 96 (2 Books) Bible Primer Old Testament, Augusta Book Concern, 1955, The Christian Hymnal, The Christian Hymnal Publisher 1972. Books are in fair condition.</p>
	<p>LOT 97 (3 Books). Life of Abraham Lincoln, President of the United States, (messages, proclamations, letters, etc.) by Joseph H. Barrett published by Moore, Wiltach & Baldwin New York NY 1865, Streams of the Dessert Vol 2, Mrs Charles Cowman, Zondervan, 1966, History of the Patriarchs for the Young, German and English, American Tract Society, New York City, NY</p>
	<p>LOT 98 (2 Books). The Mennonite Hymnal, Herald Press, 1996, Ausbund, Auflage. Amischen Gemeinden in Lancaster PA 1958, books are in excellent condition</p>
	<p>LOT 99 (2 Books) Unser Leit, The story about the Amish by Leroy Beachy (signed copy) Volume 1 & 2 in brown leather case. Goodly Heritage Books, Millersburg Ohio, Excellent condition</p>




5 LOTS of Amish Family Records Lancaster Pennsylvania book, Limited Collectors Edition, numbers 10 to 06 (of 20 copies) will be placed inside a custom made walnut case, from the trees here at the Nicholas Stoltzfus Homestead property. The funds raised from these 5 books will be designated towards the Beiler-Renno pavilion. Signed by the author. This is a once in a lifetime offer.

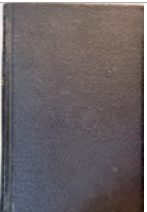
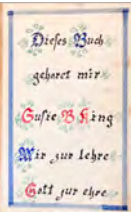















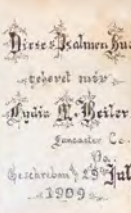
Jack Parmer's collection (**Lot 100 to 147**) This is a very rare **fraktur** collection of old German books, Ausbund hymnals and others. It will be a long time before this type of collection will be available at a public auction.

		<p>LOT 100 German Bible - Heilige Schrift late 1800s, Old and New Testament with handprinted illustrations and other information. 8 pages of Fraktur by Doell, Hoke, & T.J. Stevens and others. Poor condition, front cover is detached. Pages are in fair condition. Fraktur is in fair condition. Printed in Philadelphia National Publishing Company. Names on Fraktur: Fannie F. Beiler 1894, Benjamin B. Fisher 1911, Marriage record of Benjamin B. Fisher to Mary Z. Stoltzfus, Eltern Benjamin B. Fisher & Mary L. Fisher birth dates. Deaths Emma S. Fisher 1926, Birth record of 6 children 1918 to 1929.</p>
		
		<p>LOT 101 Book of Psalms in German and English. Lancaster PA by John Baer and Sons, 1881 Fraktur front cover: Dieses Buchlein Gehört mir Lidia Miller Empfangen von meiner gross dade Jacob Blank 1885, artist: Barbara Ebersol. Handwritten text on inside page Susan B. Ebersole</p>
		<p>LOT 102 Die Ernsthafte Christenpflicht (small book) Amischen Gemeinden in Lancaster PA 1953, Fraktur on front cover: Dieses Buch gehöret mir Stenna L. Blank zum Geschenk empfangen von Christian N. Blank 1896, Artist: John Döll Book in excellent condition</p>
		<p>LOT 103 Die Ernsthafte Christenpflicht (small book) Lancaster by John Baer & sons 1868, Fraktur on front page: Dieses Gebet Buchlein gehöret mir Esra Fischer 1871, Artist: Gideon Fisher, Book in fragile condition.06</p>

		<p>LOT 104 Johann Friedrch Stark's Hand-Buch (German) Philadelphia Verlag von J. Kohler 1857. 3 pages of Fraktur: Marriage of Peter Bär and Eliza Kaufman 1856 followed their birth dates 1834 & 1833. 2nd page, Birth record of their 5 children from 1856 to 1866. 3rd page, death record of Udamisse Susanna Bär and Peter Bär. Artist unknown. Book in fragile condition.</p>
		<p>Continuation of LOT 104</p>
		<p>LOT 105. Neues Testament, Lancaster PA The New Era Printing Co 1913. Fraktur: Dieses Buch gehoret mir Susie Lapp geshriben den June 1914. Artist: David Hoke, Book in good condition.</p>
		<p>LOT 106 Neues Testament, Lancaster PA The New Era Printing Co 1913. Pencil signature of Dan Zook on inside cover. Fraktur: Dieses Buch gehorte mir Fannie G. Fisher Geschriben den June 1926, Artist: David Hoke, Book in good condition</p>
		<p>LOT 107 Neues Testament, Lancaster PA The New Era Printing Co 1913. Franktur: Presented to Jonas Glick by his parents, Artist: T.J. Stevens. Book in good condition.</p>
		<p>LOT 108 Ausbund - Germantown by Leibert und Billmeyer 1785, signature in German Cursive, Johannes Eby, Loose cover, book in fair condition.</p>
		<p>LOT 109. Ausbund - Kutztown Publishing Company, Kutztown PA 1922, Fraktur: Dieses Buch Gehoret Mir Samuel M. Fisher July 1924, Artist: T.J. Stevens. Book in fair condition</p>
		<p>LOT 110 Ausbund - Lancaster by Johann Bär, 1834, Fraktur in from cover, 1st page Diese Büchlein gehoret mir , Susanna Stoltzfus, geshrieben 1840, Artist: unknown, 2nd page Dieses Buch Gehöret Mir Susanna G. Kinnig 1913, Artist: Barbara Ebersole, Book is in good condition.</p>
		<p>LOT 111 Ausbund -Lancaster by Johann Bär, 1834, Fraktur in from cover, Susanna Stoltzfus Gebret Dieses Buchlein zu 1841. Artist unknown. Book is in fair condition.</p>

		<p>LOT 112 Ausbund - Lancaster by John Bär Söhnen 1880, Beautiful Fraktur in front page, Diese Buch gehoret mir Amos F. Zug, Leacock Township, Lancaster County, Pennsylvania, 1905, Artist unknown. Book is in fair condition with leather straps.</p>
		<p>LOT 113 Ausbund - Elkhart IN Mennositischen, 1905, Fraktur front cover, Dises Buchlein Gehoret Mir Sarah Smucker, 1908. Artist, McGlaughlin. Book is in fair condition. One strap is missing.</p>
		<p>LOT 114 Ausbund - Lancaster, Johann Bär & Söhnen 1880, Fraktur in front page, Dieses Lieder Buch gehoret mir Johannes U. Stoltzfus, Salisbury Township Lancaster, Pennsylvania, gift from his parents. 1903. Artist: John Doell, Book is in fair condition.</p> <p>Note: This was Jack Parmer's first book that he purchased with Fraktur in a book.</p>
		<p>LOT 115 Unparthenisches Gesang-Buch, Amischen Gemeinden Lancaster Co. 1937, Fraktur front page, Dieses Buch georet mir Johannes L. Lapp, 1939, Artist: Mary Lapp, Book in fair condition.</p>
		<p>LOT 116 Das Neue Testament, Lancaster New Era Printing Co. 1918. Fraktur: Dieses Buch gehoret mir Stephen U. Stoltzfus, 1930. Artist: Albert Colona. Book is in fragile condition.</p>
		<p>LOT 117 Das Neue Testament, Lancaster New Era Printing Co. 1913. Fraktur: Dieses Buch gehoret mir Johannes L. Lapp word mine Bruder gemesen Josua M. Lapp him jahr 1939. Artist: Mary Lapp. Book is in fragile condition.</p>
		<p>LOT 118. Holy Bible, old and new testaments, 1895 self pronouncing edition. Fraktur: Front: presented to Anna F Kurtz by Harry B. Kurtz 1907. Insert records, Holy Matrimony of Harry B. Kurtz and Anna L. Shirk of Denver PA 1904 followed by a beautiful fraktur of Marriage of Harry B. Kurtz and Anna L. Shirk, artist: Harrison Kramer 1909 plus a birth fraktur of two children Mary S. 1904 and Ralph S. Kurtz 1909, book is in fair condition.</p>
		<p>Continuation of LOT 118</p> 
		<p>LOT 119 Lieder-Sammlung, G. und D. Billmeyer 1814, Fraktur inside cover Chatarina Anna Landis, Gehort Dieses Buch, Marz 5, 1839, follow page in text, Hannah Fishburn, 1819, fair condition with two leather straps.</p>
		<p>LOT 120 Ausbund, Elkhart IN Mennonitischen Verlagshandlung, 1905, Fraktur: front page, Dieses Buch gehoret mir Elizabeth Allgyer Lanc Co PA 1901 Artist: David Hoke, book is in fair condition, straps are missing.</p>

		<p>LOT 121 Ausbund, Elkhart IN Mennonitischen Verlagshandlung, 1918, Fraktur: front page, Dieses Buch gehoret mir David B. Smucker, 1914, Artist: unknown. Book is in good condition.</p>
		<p>LOT 122 Ausbund, Lancaster Johann Bär's Söhne 1880, Fraktur: Dieses Lieder Buch gehoret mir Amos K. Allgyer, Lancaster PA 1896, Artist: John Doell, book is poor condition with two leather straps.</p>
		<p>LOT 123 Heilige Schrift, old alten and neuen testament. Martin Luthers. Cleveland OH 1854. No name or artwork, book is in good condition.</p>
		<p>LOT 124 Enchiridion Oder Handbuchlien, Von Der Christlichen Lehre and Religion, Lancaster, Joseph Ehrenfried, 1811. Fraktur front page, Dieses Buch Katharina King 1828 with the signature of Amos L. Lapp written below. Artist: unknown. Book is in fair condition, two leather straps</p>
		<p>LOT 125 Neues Testament, Martin Luthers, Lancaster, Johannes Bär's Söhne, 1890. Fraktur: front page Diese Buch Gehöret mir Elizabeth B. Flaud, 1943, Artist: unknown, book is in fair condition, one leather strap is missing.</p>
		<p>LOT 126 Die Ernsthafte Christenpflicht, front page missing, Fraktur: inside front cover, Dieses Buch gehöret mir Johannes E. Stoltzfus Upper Leacock Township, Lancaster PA 1905, Artist: unknown, book is in poor condition.</p>
		<p>LOT 127 Unparthenisches Gesang-Buch Amischen Gemeinden in Lancaster PA 1941. Fraktur: front page, Dieses Buch gehöret mir David E. Esh Oct. 1927 Leacock twp. Geschrieben ihm Jahr 1947, Artist: Mary Lapp, book is in good condition.</p>
		<p>LOT 128 Das Neue Testament, Martin Luthers, Berlin, Germany 1914, Fraktur, front page, This book belongs to me, Katie Speicher, 22. Rec'd it from my Aunt Nancy Speicher. Artist: unknown, Book is in fair condition.</p>
		<p>LOT 129 Das Neue Testament, 1940? front page missing, Fraktur: front page Dieses Buch gehoret mir Mary R. Beiler, 1942, Artist: unknown, book is in fair condition.</p>

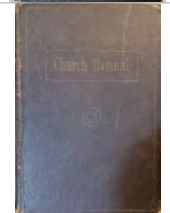
		LOT 130 Ausbund, Amischen Gemeinden Lancaster PA 1935, Fraktur, front page, Dieses Buch gehöret mir Susie B. King , Mir zur lehre, Gott zur ehre. Artist: David Hoke, book in good condition.
		LOT 131 Ausbund Lancaster Johann Bär, 1834, Fraktur front cover, Dieses Buch war mine Vater Moses Schmucker gehöret jets mir Eli H. Schmucker , Lancaster PA 1896, Artist: John Doell. Followed by a page of German cursive text: Vater das geben mihr, dated April 26, 1835, book is fair condition, two leather straps are missing.
		LOT 132 Gegangbuch, 1887, front page missing, Fraktur: front page, Dieses Buch Gehöret mir Lidia Stoltzfus , Geschriben den 19 ten August im Jahr 1887. Artist: Barbara Ebersol. Book is in fair condition.
		LOT 133 Ausbund, Lancaster Johann Bärs Söhen 1868, Fraktur Diese Buch Gehöret mir Lidia P. Fischer , Geshriben den 31 Julius im Jahr 1879, Artist: Barbara Ebersol, book is in good condition.
		LOT 134 Das Neue Testament, Lancaster PA The New Era Printing, 1917. Fraktur: front page, Dieses Buch Gehöret Mir Samuel M. Fischer , July 1924. Artist: T.J. Stevens, book is in fair condition.
		LOT 135. History of the Patriachs for the Young, English and German. American Tract Society NewYork. Fraktur, cover, Dieses Buch Gehöret mir Fennie Beiler , 1886, Artist: unknown, and 2nd fraktur inside page, Presented to Fannie E. Beiler by Samuel and Barbara Fisher 1886, artist: unknown. Book is in fair condition.
		LOT 136 Das Neue Testament, Johann Bärs Söhen Lancaster, 1871, Fraktur: front page Samuel H. Beiler . Artist: unknown. Book is in poor condition.
		LOT 137 Lust-Gärtlein, Johann Bärs Söhen, Lancaster PA 1890, Fraktur on front page, Anna K. Beiler Gerhöret Dieses Buchlein zu Gesebriben den 1897, artist: Susanna Beiler. Book is in poor condition.
		LOT 138 The Psalmen Davids, Martin Luther's, Elkart IN 1882, Fraktur inside page, Dieses Psalmen Buch gehöret mir Lydia M. Beiler Lancaster PA 1909, artist: unknown. Book is in poor condition.



LOT 139 Die Ernsthafte Christenpflicht, Johann's Bärs Sohen Lancaster PA 1892, Fraktur: front page, Dieses Buch gehöret mir **Anna S. Lapp**, Leacock Township Lancaster PA 1896, Artist: unknown, book is in fair condition.



LOT 140 Das Neue Testament, Amischen Gemeinden Lancaster PA 1936, Fraktur: front page, Diese Buch gehöret mir **Amos E. Stoltzfus**, 1945, Artist, David Hoke. Book is in fair condition.



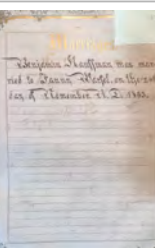
LOT 141 Church Hymnal Mennonite, Mennonite Publishing House, Scottsdale PA 1927, Fraktur: front page, **Mary A. Fisher**, Gordonville, PA, Artist: David Hoke, 1928, book is in fair condition.



LOT 142, book plate from a book cover, Dieses Gesang Buch Gehöret Mir **Frene Lapp**, 1885. Artist: unknown, poor condition.



LOT 143 book plate from an inside page, Dieses Buch gehöret mir **Rachel Stoltzfus**, Salisbury Township, Lancaster County, PA 1904, page is in fair condition.



LOT 144 The Holy Bible, William Harding, Philadelphia, 1864 English. With Apocrypha, Concordance and Psalms. **Kauffman Family Bible**, fraktur: at the back of the book, Marriages: **Benjamin Kauffman** was married to **Fanny Werfel** November 24, 1864, 2nd page, births of parents, **Benjamin 1838 and Fanny 1845** and their 9 children: **John 1864, Henry 1865, Albert & Amos 1867, Michael 1868, Elizabeth 1869, Barbara 1872, Benjamin 1875, Esther 1877**, 3rd page, Deaths: **Michael, Benjamin, Elizabeth**. Fraktur artist is unknown. Book is in poor condition.

Continuation of LOT 144



LOT 145 The Holy Bible, Old and New Testament with Apocrypha and concordance. Charles H. Yost Philadelphia, Fraktur: front page, Presented to **Amanda B. Newcomer** by her parents **Jacob & Anna Newcomer**, Christmas 1881, insert in book, page 2 Marriage certificate for **Amos F. Martin and Amanda Newcomer**, 1891, 3 page Marriages, **Amos F. Martin & Amanda B. Newcomer**, November 5, 1891, 4th page, Births, **Amos F. Martin, January 30, 1868, Amanda B. Newcomer**, February 23, 1867, Children, **Jacob N. Martin, May 13, 1894**. Fraktur Artist: Henning 1851-1894. Book is in poor condition. Cover is loose, has two large straps. (includes an original marriage license document, signed by minister **Jacob N. Brubacher**)

Continuation of LOT 145



LOT 146. 1748 Martyrs Mirror is in excellent condition. No name or writing on the cover or inside pages.

The 1748–1749 Ephrata Cloister printing of the Martyrs Mirror is a landmark of American colonial printing. Translated from Dutch to German at the request of Mennonites, this 1,512-page volume was the largest book printed in America at that time, produced over three years.

Key Details of the Ephrata Martyrs Mirror:

- Purpose: Translated to strengthen the faith of German-speaking Mennonites in Pennsylvania amid fears of future war.
- Production: Led by Peter Miller, 15 people at the Ephrata Cloister in Lancaster County, PA, worked on the project starting around 1745, completing it in 1748 or 1749.
- Significance: It documented 17 centuries of Christian martyrs, emphasizing nonresistant Anabaptist history.
- Revolutionary War Irony: Hundreds of unbound copies, stored at the Cloister, were seized by American soldiers during the Revolutionary War and used to pack muskets, turning a book about peace into ammunition.

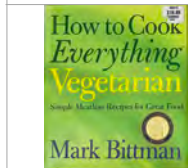


LOT 147. 1814 Martyrs Mirror 1814 Printed in Lancaster by Joseph Ehrenfried, original leather cover, book straps are missing. Stamped name of John L. Halligan, East Earl on the front inside cover, Books is in fair condition.

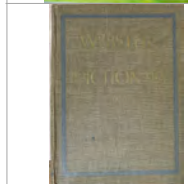




LOT 148 (4 Books) **Songs of Spiritual Power** compiled by John T. Benson, 1947, **Song Leadership** by Homer Roderheaver, 1941, **The Golden Book of Favorite Songs** by Hall & McCreary Company, **Spiritual Songs and Hymns, Brethren in Christ Hymnal**, books are in fair condition.



LOT 149 (1 Book). **How to Cook Everything Vegetarian, Simple Meatless Recipes for Great Food**, by Mark Bittman. Published by John Wiley & Sons, book is in excellent condition.



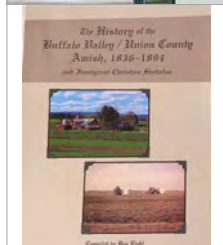
LOT 150 (1 Book) **Webster's New Twentieth Century Dictionary, Unabridged**, big book with lots of information. Fair condition.



LOT 151 (3 Books) **The Book of Isaiah, A Commentary by Edward J. Young Volumes 1 2 & 3 Chapter 1 to 66**, William Eardmans Publishing 1996, books are in excellent condition.



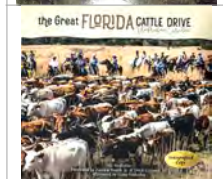
LOT 152 (2 Book) **Vine's Expository of the New Testament Words, Unabridged Edition** by MacDonald Publishing, **The Wisdom of Jesus**, by a contributing writers, Published by Publications International. Books are in excellent condition.



LOT 153 (1 Book). **The History of the Buffalo Valley/Union County Amish, 1836-1894**, compiled by Ben Riehl. New condition. Self published



LOT 154 (1 Book) **The Great Florida Cattle Drive 2022**, by Isaac Eger, photography by Elam Stoltzfus, new condition, self published.



LOT 155 (1 Book) **The Great Florida Cattle Drive: Unbroken Circles**, written by Nic Stoltzfus and published by Elam Stoltzfus, 2016, new condition, self published



Lot 01
Broken Star Tulip
Blue
Queen -
103"x114"



Lot 05
Log Cabin Q
Multi
90"x90"



Lot 02
Bargello Wave
Black/Brown
103"x112"



Lot 06
Bargello Wave
Multi
101"x112"



Lot 03
Knotted
Comforter
Burgundy/Navy
78"x88"



Lot 07
Framed Star
Red/Green
98"x113"



Lot 04
Tulip Q Pink/Blue
90"x105"



Lot 08
Improved
Lone Star
Red/Green
108"x116"

Family Records Exhibit: The 15 historic family records exhibit was a success for 2025. We now have another exhibit of family records for 2026 that are privately owned from Nicholas Stoltzfus descendants and other Berks County Amish families dating back to the 1800s. These family heirlooms -- which have never been viewed by the general public -- have been painstakingly preserved over multiple generations. The records are comprehensive in scope and include essential dates and genealogy information, and they are also intricate works of art that include fine needlework and classic fraktur designs.

Please contact Elam Stoltzfus at NicholasStoltzfusHomestead@gmail.com or 484-878-2916.

The Nicholas Stoltzfus Homestead will be open to the public every Friday and Saturday from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm, in 2026. All other visits may be made by appointment by calling 484-878-2916 or email NicholasStoltzfusHomestead@gmail.com.



Legacy Maker

Introducing the Legacy Makers Program

By Nic Stoltzfus

The Nicholas Stoltzfus Homestead Preservation Committee (NSHPC) is excited to share a new opportunity for **businesses founded by descendants of the Amish immigrant families who settled in Berks County in the 1700s**. This effort helps us carry forward the mission of telling our shared story, honoring the faith and hard work of our ancestors, and passing these values on to the next generation.

The **Legacy Makers Program** is a special partnership designed to support the launch of the Berks County Amish Heritage Series, a new set of books that will highlight one immigrant family at a time. The first volume will be an expanded and rewritten edition of *German Lutherans to Pennsylvania Amish: The Stoltzfus Family Story*, planned for release in 2027. This book will become Volume 1 in the series and will set the pattern for future books about other Amish families who lived in Berks County during the 1700s.

To help fund this longterm project, the NSHPC is **seeking ten Stoltzfus Legacy Makers**. These will be key partners whose support will help underwrite the cost of producing the Stoltzfus volume and establishing the series for years to come.

Each Legacy Maker will receive:

- **A twopage feature in the book**, including a 700–1,200 word article and photos highlighting the business
- **A featurette in the Homestead newsletter**
- **Acknowledgment on the Homestead website and Facebook page**
- **Recognition as one of the ten founding Legacy Makers for Volume 1**

To keep the project aligned with our mission, **the Nicholas Stoltzfus Homestead retains the right to choose which families or businesses are included** in the Legacy Makers program. Selection will be based on heritage connection, mission fit, and the desire to represent a broad range of Stoltzfusfounded businesses.

If you have questions, ideas, or suggestions—or if your Stoltzfus founded business would like to be considered as one of the ten Legacy Makers—we would be glad to hear from you. Your participation helps us share our history, values, and family stories with a wider audience in a way that honors the past and strengthens the future.



Beiler–Renno Pavilion Construction to Start After Auction

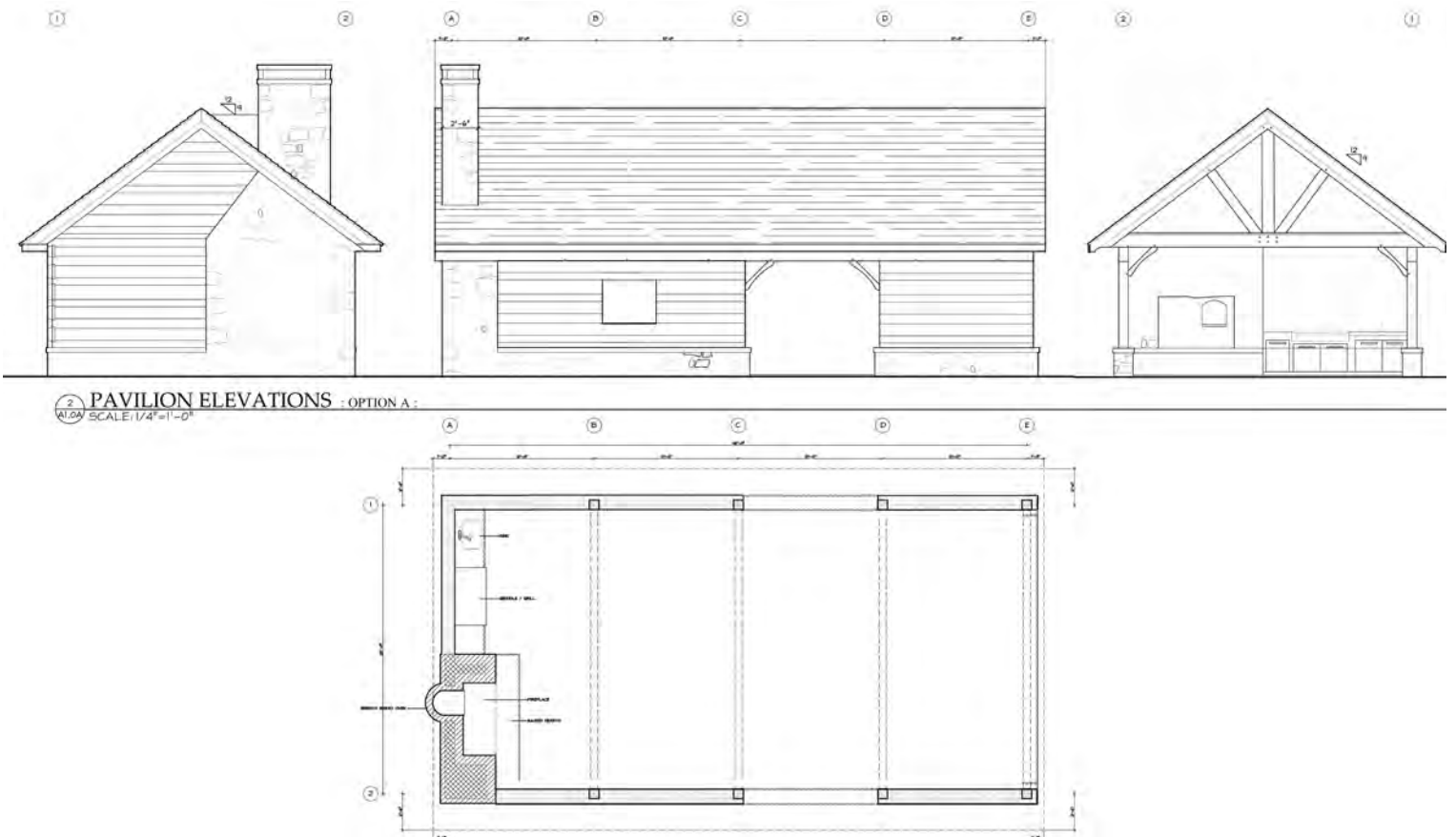
Construction on the Beiler–Renno Pavilion will begin immediately after the Benefit Auction. This new gathering space is designed to serve descendants, visitors, and community partners for years to come. With a projected completion in 2026, this project represents both a tribute to our shared heritage and a practical investment in the Homestead's future.

The building will include a stone fireplace, a pizza-oven hearth, picnic-table seating, a refrigerator, and open space for events and educational programs. To complete the project, we will need volunteers throughout the construction process. We are also inviting families and supporters to sponsor picnic tables. For details on sponsoring or volunteering, please call the Homestead (484-878-2916).

The pavilion's name recognizes two early immigrant families connected to the first Amish settlement in America. The Renno family arrived in the mid-1700s, with Joseph Renno and his brothers settling in Berks County after immigrating from France as young indentured servants. The Beiler family story begins in 1737, when Jacob Beiler arrived on the Charming Nancy with several Amish families who established the early settlement north of Reading.

As work begins, the Beiler–Renno Pavilion will serve as a practical gathering place and a reminder of the Beiler and Renno immigrant families. The Pavilion structure will include logs from the 1760 Renno cabin and stones from the early 1700s Beiler barn foundation. Your support—through sponsorship, volunteering, or spreading the word—helps move this project from planning to reality.

The pavilion will incorporate some of the logs from the Renno cabin and stones from the Beiler barn foundation into the structure.



The lower part of the Renno Cabin along Jungle Road



Remnants of the Jacob Beiler barn foundation along Molassas Hill Road

