



Johannes Schwalm Historical Association, Inc.

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JSHA Board of Directors voted on May 2, 2020 to cancel the 2020 Annual Meeting due to the COVID19 impacts in Schuylkill County, Pennsylvania. We are a family of Hessian descendants that gather to shake hands, hug people we have not seen in months or years, talk to each other about our ancestors and our current lives as well as enjoy some food and fellowship in the beautiful Valley View Park. This is just not possible this year for the first time since these gatherings were renewed in 1975. We will have to be comforted this summer with this thought: The greatest ownership is embracement of emptiness. We will miss you and we hope that you miss us too.

Fortunately, we have the financial resources to mail out the 2020 edition of *The Hessians; Journal of the Johannes Schwalm Historical Association* to our members. We are working diligently, as always, to bring you another great set of articles and updates on family members and the organization.

To meet our lawful requirement to have an annual public meeting for 2020, we will post the 2019 financial and membership information to the JSHA Website at www.JSHA.ORG and include it with our Annual Meeting Spring Letter to members.

We are open for business and will gladly receive any donations you would have given us in person at the annual meeting. If you need to order publications, need to renew your membership for 2020 or 2021, or want to submit an application for a Hessian certificate, we are at your service.

Plans are being made for July 10 - 11, 2021, to celebrate the 45th Anniversary of the publication of Johannes Schwalm the Hessian. We hope to see you there for fun, food, and fellowship along with some genealogy and history education.

Very Respectfully,
Ross H. Schwalm
President, JSHA