Mennonite Heritage Center Harleysville, PA

by Tim Rice

- 1. **General History** Contains DRE-related abstracts from *Maintaining the Right Fellowship* by John Ruth and photocopies of other DRE sources from previously published material.
- 2. Compiled Early Notes Contains an author-compiled listing of notes from various sources for the 1700s.
- 3. Early Estate Records Wills, Inventories Contains abstracts and photocopies of a few estate papers from the 1700s and early 1800s for Christopher Angeney, Joseph Wismer, Abraham Fratz, Jacob H[a or o?]ckman, Henry Leatherman, Christian Overholt, Abraham Landis, Daniel Fratz, Rudolp Landis, and Jacob Leatherman.
- 4. Early Deeds Contains photocopies of several deeds of Deep Run area people from the 1700s.
- 5. Walking Purchase 1737 and William Allen Contains photocopies of an account of the Walking Purchase.
- 6. Bedminster Township Exits, March 1741
- William Allen Tract Bedminster Township Contains photocopies of portions of some maps and some biographical material on William Allen.
- 8. Revolutionary War Kenton M. Derstine Paper
- 9. Non-Associators, 1775 for Bedminster and Plumstead Townships.
- 10. Revolutionary War Christian Funk
- 11. Revolutionary War Confiscation of Land John Overholt
- 12. Exonerations for Military Fines mostly Post-Revolutionary War period
- 13. Jacob Funk and Germantown Controversy early 1790s
- 14. Doane File
- Direct Tax of 1798 Possible Mennonites for Bedminster and Plumstead Twps.
- 16. The Direct Tax of 1798 General Information and Nonpayment Lists
- 17. Bedminster Twp. U.S. Direct Tax of 1798 Houses
- 18. Bedminster Twp. U.S. Direct Tax of 1798 Barns
- 19. Bedminster Twp. U.S. Direct Tax of 1798 Outhouses and Assessments
- 20. Bedminster Twp. U.S. Direct Tax of 1798 Acres and Assessments
- 21. Bedminster Twp. U.S. Direct Tax of 1798 Tax Assessment [1st survey?]
- 22. Bedminster Twp. U.S. Direct Tax of 1798 Tax Assessment, 2nd survey
- 23. Plumstead Twp. U.S. Direct Tax of 1798 Houses

- 24. Plumstead Twp. U.S. Direct Tax of 1798 Barns
- 25. Plumstead Twp. U.S. Direct Tax of 1798 Outhouses and Assessments
- 26. Plumstead Twp. U.S. Direct Tax of 1798 Acres and Assessments
- 27. Plumstead Twp. U.S. Direct Tax of 1798 Tax Assessment [1st survey?]
- 28. Plumstead Twp. U.S. Direct Tax of 1798 2nd Survey
- 29. Trades, 1750 1800
- 30. Abraham Overholt Furniture Maker Account Book, 1790 1833
- 31. Henry Wismer Account Book, 1768 1800
- 32. **Beidler History** Photocopies from a family history book
- 33. **Detweiler History** Photocopies from a family history book
- 34. Fretz History Photocopies from a family history book
- 35. Gross History Photocopies from a family history book
- 36. Hunsberger History Photocopies from a family history book
- 37. Leatherman History Photocopies from a family history book
- 38. Moyer History Photocopies from a family history book
- 39. Nash History Photocopies from a family history book
- 40. Overholt History Photocopies from a family history book
- 41. Stover History Photocopies from a family history book
- 42. Wismer History Photocopies from a family history book

- 1. Abraham Black, Sr., ____ 1785 Genealogical information, abstracts of deeds, etc.
- 2. Jacob M. Detweiler, c. 1848 1892 Genealogical information and accounts of his murdur
- 3. Samuel Detweiler, 1869 1951 Biography of choristor Samuel Detweiler by Marilyn Rice
- 4. John and Ruth King Duerksen Biographical/genealogical information
- John and Bev Ehst Biographical information
- Samuel Godshalk Photocopies from A Family Record by Abraham Godshalk
- Samuel Godshalk letters and articles, etc.
- Samuel Godshalk letters in "Jacob B. and Mary Muench Collection"
- 9. Samuel Godshalk letters in "Four Franconia Families Collection"
- 10. Samuel Godshalk travel diary with poetry from it
- 11. Christian Gross, 1776 1865 Elizabeth Bender's German transcript of Christian Grosss letters
- 12. Christian Gross, 1776 1865, Letters by him Photocopies of original letters and/or translation of letters
- 13. Christian Gross, 1776 1865, Letters to him Photocopies of original letters
- 14. Jacob Gross, 1743 1810 deathbed admonition
- 15. John High (Hoch) a photocopy of a German letter dated 11 May 1892
- 16. Sheriff Abram Kulp an article pertaining to his murdur and murdurer
- 17. Rudolph Landis assorted documents, articles pertaining to his life and his fraktur
- 18. Willis and Mabel Meyers articles and documents pertaining to the Dublin Yodeling Cowboy
- 19. Eli W. Myers biographical information of a harness-maker in Plumsteadville
- 20. Erwin and Carrie Rush Nace biographical information
- Jacob and Mary Moyer Rush biographical and genealogical information including abstracts of deeds
- 22. Sarah Rush Ethiopia biographical information
- 23. Walter D. Rush, 1899 1975 biographical and genealogical information
- 24. Wilson Overholt contains transcripts or abstracts of letters
- 25. Dale and Trish Bontrager Shenk biographical information
- 26. Abraham Wismer (minister), 1746 1823 preaching tour in Lancaster County account

- 27. Deacon Abraham Wismer Travel Diary (1846-1859)
- 28. Folk medicine from Deacon Abraham Wismer Travel Diary
- 29. Abram Yothers transcript of an interview, photocopies of various documents and personal effects
- 30. Bishop Abraham O. Histand obituary
- 31. Miscellaneous letters
- 32. Deep Run fraktur and samplers collected research
- 33. Deep Run and the Oberholtzer Division

- 1. DRE Storytelling Session, 19 Nov 1995, a transcript
- 2. MHEP Newletter clippings on DRE
- 3. Intelligencer abstracts
- 4. A.J. Fretz's 1912 Brief History of Old and New Mennonite Churches of Deep Run photocopy
- 5. Herbert Fretz's 1949 History of Deep Run West photocopy
- 6. Deep Run Histories Walter Rush Collection
- 7. Herald of Truth abstracts
- 8. Gospel Herald abstracts
- 9. Mission News abstracts
- 10. Franconia Conference News abstracts
- 11. New Horizons clippings
- 12. Newspaper photocopies from George and Lois Wismer
- 13. DRE histories from DRE Collection at MHEP
- 14. Walter Rush newspaper clippings
- 15. Walter Rush collection miscellaneous photocopies
- 16. DRE War Response compilation of research on this topic
- 17. Civil War photocopies and abstracts
- 18. Conscientious Objectors WW I
- 19. World War II
- 20. Consceientious Objection Service and Related Peace Activities after WW II

- 1. **DRE Annual Financial Reports, 1949 1962,** also contains researcher-compiled account of DRE giving through Franconia Conference Mission Board, 1938 1948.
- 2. Special Offerings at DRE 1952 1953
- 3. Foundation Fund (at DRE)
- 4. Church Evaluations by congregation
- 5. Agreement form for leasing church-owned farm
- 6. 1875 Subscription Book for new dwelling house
- DRE deeds and certificate of incorporation
- 8. Deep Run East Church buildings
- 9. 1948 new church building (Walter Rush Collection)
- 10. Remodeling Front of Auditorium
- 11. Plans for DRE addition 1980s
- 12. Pastoral Intern
- 13. DRE Church by-laws
- 14. Church Structure a compilation of DRE positions existing from before 1904 to 1994
- 15. DRE Church Council abstracts, 1958 1994
- 16. Congregational Business Meetings abstracts, 1949 1992
- 17. **DRE Trustees -** contains list of trustees from 1906 1995 and a few scattered earlier years; also contains abtracts of trustee minute books from 1906 1991
- 18. Alms Book 1905 1953, photocopy
- 19. Cemetery Committee 1949 - miscellaneous documents
- 20. Elders
- 21. Position Descriptions and Guidelines for Ministry 1986 1990
- 22. Ordinations at Deep Run East miscellaneous documents and compilation of information
- Letters by Bishops Joseph Gross and Richard Detweiler
- 24. Eastern District Overseers Structure
- 25. Franconia Conference Minutes Abstracts

26.	Franconia Conference Minutes - Deep Run related abstracts
27.	Miscellaneous structural and theological documents
28.	Interviews - miscellaneous interviews and conversations pertaining to Deep Run
29.	Franconia Conference Structure
30.	DRE photographs taken between 1980 and 1985
31.	DRE pictures taken Spring 1986
32.	DRE photographs of old furniture, implements, documents, etc., Summer 1985
33.	Church letter to community during Cleon Nyce pastorate
34.	"Deep Run Life" newsletter, 1970

Books taken to C.D. Historical Library 4/2/1971

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- 1. Deep Run Mission Project Minutes, 1947-1951 2. Deep Run Baseball Teams 3. Girls for God Minutes, 1972-1977 4. Girls for God Minutes, 1977-78 5. Girls for God - Planning Meetings/Notes, c. 1974-1977 6. Women's Fellowship Minutes and Meeting Records, 1968 - 1972 - also includes compiled records 7. **Funerals** 8. **Deep Run MDS Records** Records of Various Meetings held at DRE, 1912-1964 9. 10. Bible Meetings - programs 11. Bible Instruction Meetings - programs 12. Midweek Meetings - notes 13. Youth Meetings - programs Sunday School Meetings - programs 14. Mission Meeting - programs 15. Harvest Home Service - research photocopies 16. 17. Summer Bible School - records and notes 18. Winter Bible School 19. Young Peoples Meetings - programs Young Peoples Bible Meetings - compiled research and record book 20. 21. Women's Fellowship
- 24. Teacher Training at DRE

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25. Franconia Conference - Christian Guidance Committee - references to DRE people

DRE Sunday School Attendance Records - compiled statistics and photocopies of original record

Deep Run East Sunday School - compiled research, notes, and records

26. Evangelistic Meetings - program

- 27. Services held at Deep Run East, 1980-1992 compiled record
- 28. New Life Crusade
- 29. DRE Church Bulletins Abstracts, 1955 1975
- 30. General Mission Board Conference, June 1960
- 31. Temperance Movement
- 32. Deep Run East Zithers
- 33. 200 and 225th Anniversaries of Deep Run East

- 1. Plumstead Christian Day School, notes and compiled research
- 2. Plumstead Creamery, notes and compiled research
- Grace Gospel Chapel
- 4. The Story Behind Franconia Conference Outreach Exerpts
- 5. DRE Members in Conference or Church—Wide Positions
- 6. DRE Overseer/Conference Structure
- 7. DRE Brick Schoolhouse
- 8. DRE Junior Sewing Circle and Girls for God compiled research
- 9. DRE Boys and Girls Club Activities
- DRE Camp compiled research relating to Deep Run and Spruce Lake Wilderness Camp
- 11. DRE Cemetery compiled research
- 12. DRE Church Improvements compiled research
- 13. DRE Culture and Theology
- 14. DRE People in Conference or Wider Church Positions, compiled research
- 15. DRE Internal and Community Outreach, mostly compiled research
- 16. DRE Education compiled research relating to church schools and/or Brotherhood Plan
- 17. Library Records and Compiled Research
- 18. Literature compiled research pertaining to church-related periodicals
- 19. **DRE MYF compiled research**
- 20. DRE Music compiled research
- 21. Church music/hymnals compiled research; also contains information on J.W. Yoder and singing schools
- 22. Songs Sung at Deep Run East, Dec 1984 Feb 1992 photocopy of choristers' record book
- 23. Hymn Study of Congregational Songs, 1985-1991
- 24. Minutes of the Deep Run Missionary Project, 1946-1954
- 25. Minutes of the D.R. Missionary Project/MYF, 1955-1963
- 26. DRE MCC Trainees compiled research

- 27. DRE Old Peoples Homes Ministry compiled research
- 28. DRE Radio work compiled research
- 29. DRE Sports compiled research
- 30. DRE Personnel compiled research
- 31. DRE Structure compiled research pertaining to Organizational Structure
- 32. DRE Senior Citizens' Fellowship compiled research
- 33. DRE Worship Style compiled research
- 34. DRE Young Adults/Post High Groups compiled research
- 35. DRE Extended Meetings compiled research
- 36. Bedminster Township Schools
- 37. DRE German Schoolhouse
- 38. DRE Events compiled research
- 39. DRE People in I-W, VS, and other service compiled research

- 1. Deep Run East Membership Book mostly 1900s, photocopy of
- 2. Members who left Deep Run East compiled research
- 3. Transfers to and from Deep Run East
- 4. Sewing Circle Miscellaneous Information mostly compiled research
- 5. Junior Sewing Circle
- 6. Friendly Sewing Circle, 1950-1956
- 7. Friendly Sewing Circle, 1950 1965, Treasurer's Records
- 8. Sewing Circle Minutes, 1918-1925
- 9. Sewing Circle Minutes, 1919-1925, Treasurer's Report
- 10. Sewing Circle Miscellaneous Records Notebook, 1950-1955
- 11. Sewing Circle Minutes, 1947-1951
- 12. Sewing Circle Minutes, 1951-1955
- 13. Sewing Circle Minutes, 1955-1967
- 14. Sewing Circle Minutes, 1967-1980
- 15. Sewing Circle Minutes, 1981-1993

- 1. DRE General Missions compiled research
- Groveland Composite File some compiled research, some photocopies of documents
- 3. Groveland Sewing Circle abstracted notes
- 4. Groveland Trustee Records abstracted notes and compiled research
- 5. Groveland 1886 Subscription Book and 1887 church building costs
- 6. Groveland Mennonite Church Cemetery
- 7. An Outline of the development of the Bristol Mission with list of workers
- 8. Bristol Mission-Related Abstracts from DRE bulletins, 1955-1965
- 9. Bristol Activities Reports, 1955-1972
- 10. Bristol...-Visiting Speakers and Home and Hospital Visits, 1955-1972
- 11. Bristol FMBMC Annual Meeting Reports, 1956-1971
- 12. Bristol Mission Abstracts from Mission News and Franconia Conference News
- 13. Bristol Mission Abstracts from Mission Board Meetings
- 14. Abram Gahman Involvement with Bristol
- 15. Bristol...Abstracts relating to weekday meetings and other activities, 1955-1972
- 16. Bristol...Numerical Statistics, 1955-1972
- 17. Bristol Pastoral Search Data
- 18. Bristol Howard Rush
- 19. Bristol George Long
- 20. Bristol K.E. Matthews
- 21. Bristol deed
- 22. Bristol tax exemption
- 23. Levittown Abstracts from Mission News and other sources contains some compiled research
- 24. Levittown FMBMC Annual Meeting Reports, 1956-1972
- Levittown deed
- 26. Easton Mennonite Mission

- 27. Deep Run Mission other than local
- 28. Deep Run-related pictures not used in book
- 29. Old School pictures
- 30. Howard Rice Reel to Reel tapes from Deep Run East

Also contains two *Builders* with articles pertaining to Deep Run East and a cassette tape of an interview with Raymond Rush by Richard Rush. Raymond Rush served briefly as church custodian.

- 1. 250th Anniversary Celebration October 1996 Misc. Documents Relating to the Celebration
- 2. Anniversary Celebration Committee Work includes minutes and work documents
- 3. Anniversary Committee Book Related Correspondence
- 4. Jay Ruth Correspondence for Video
- 5. Early Drafts of Book could not located early draft of chapter 1
- 6. Photo-ready copy sent to printer
- 7. Pictures Used in Book