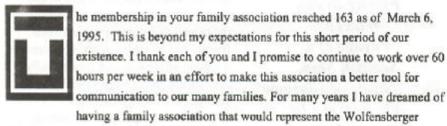
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From Association Director Larry Jones

Coming To A Family Reunion? Try One Nearest Your Hometown



families with its various spellings of our names.

I am very pleased with your Board of Directors. They are all descendants of the Wolfensberger family. They include Wolfensberger 2, Wolfenbarger 3, Wolfenbarger 2, Wolfenberger 1, Sparger 2 and Spargur 1.

Each new member received a Coat of Arms badge. If any has been accidentally omitted, please let me know.

The Board of Directors has approved the registration of our Coat of Arms. This will be a slow process because there are two places in the United States that handle registrations.

You will note that there are seven family reunions listed in this newsletter. One has chosen to have a closed reunion, the Wolfenberger reunion in Bastrop, Texas. I intend oto attend six of those listed. Remember, if you plan to attend any of these reunions, you must contact the reunion coordinator for permission so they may have an idea of the attendance and you can obtain information on the food and other requirements. One of these reunions is the Spargur reunion in Hillsboro, Ohio. This reunion is open to all of the descendants of the Wolfensberger family. Jim and Jane Spargur of Waynesville, Ohio, will be the coordinators and hosts for this reunion. Also the annual meeting of the Board of Directors of the Wolfensberger Family Association will be held in conjunction with this reunion. This reunion will be on 12 August 1995.

Currently we have \$303.92 in contributions. All of the Board members have made a contribution along with many of you members. We are planning on using the contributions on a project. The project probably will be providing and installing a new headstone at the grave of Anna Margaretha Ensminger Wolfersberger in the Lutheran Cemetery in Schaefferstown, PA. Our tentative plans are to place the present brown headstone to the foot of the grave. I is hoped to have all of the details finished and obtain approval from the membership at the annual meeting.

All members are urged to provide an article for this newsletter. This article may be in longhand or typed. It may be from one paragraph to two pages. The entries may (Continued on page 2)

First Wolfensberger Arrives In 1730 In Philadelphia From German Rhine Port

The following paper was written in 1953 by the late Dr. Fritz Braun, a genealogist from Kaiserslautern, Germany. Dr. Braun was later Genealogist for the Federal Republic State of Rhineland-Pfaltz. Since then, it has been learned that the passenger, Wolfer Sperger, on the "Thistle of Glasgow" ship's passenger manifest was an incorrect spelling of the name Wolfersperger, a well known Swiss name.

Since the emigrants could not read, write or speak English, and evidently the Scottish Captain could not speak German, the name was written in two words instead of one, and who can blame them? (Myrtle Wolfinbarger Braun, mother of Bonnie Aspenson).

This is a translation of Dr.

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Braun's treatise about the "Thistle of Glasgow".

"Emigrants from the vicinity of Ludwigshafen on the Rhine, sailing on the ship, "Thistle of Glasgow" in early June 1730, under the command of Capt. Colin Dunlap, sailed from Rotterdam on a voyage to America. Aboard were 77 families and a number of single persons, altogether numbering 270 people.

Arrives August 29, 1730

"On the 10th of June 1730, the ship arrived at Dover, and after 73 days of sailing, it arrived in Philadelphia on the 29th of August 1730. In the news of the History of Emigration of the Pfaltzers, 1953 Volume, the passenger list of this shipload of emigrants was published. It in turn was taken from the 508 lists published in the three volume work, entitled "Pennsylvania Pioneers" written by Strassburger and Hinke and published in Norristown, Pennsylvania, around 1934. Most of the passengers on this list came from around the area of Ludwigshafen, which made it possible to almost pinpoint the point of origin at that time.

"For those making inquiries, one of the most vital and profitable sources of information on a ship's list is specific points of origin. This information, unfortunately, was lacking on these lists. Also on the lists in the Courthouse in Philadelphia, where the emigrants had to register, this information is lacking. The general remarks on the records of the individual ships carry information about the names of the Captains, the point of sailing, departure, intermediate landings and the date of arrival in Pennsylvania.

"Also there are plentiful refer-

ences to the point of origin of the groups but only in general terms defining the general area from whence they came. For example, often after the name and designation "passenger", we

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can read the remark, "Pfaltzer", Zweibrucken", Wurttemburg", or similar phrases.

Passengers From The Pfaltz

"In this connection we must remember that the word "Pfaltz" was used in those days meaning "lands belonging to the Kurpfaltz" and not strictly the area now known as the "Pfaltz". The word "Pfaltz" in connection with these passengers is to be accepted in the broadest sense, and does not exclude the possibility that emigrants from other German provinces could be among those designated as "Pfaltzers". For the record of the "Thistle of Glasgow" it merely states that they were Pfaltzers.

"For those who study family names, the deductions regarding the origin of the passenger lists of a ship can be greatly narrowed down by the names themselves, which are often a specific characteristic of the Fatherland. Furthermore, for the Pfaltz itself, names can indicate the particular part of the Pfaltz the people came from. (The Pfaltz, now part of the German State of Rhineland-Pfaltz, is located west of the Rhine.)

"History also shows that in those days, ships' passengers or groups of passengers were assembled from rather narrow areas. There are many reasons for this, aside from the desire to emigrate. The working areas of artisans, the necessity for grouping between friends and relatives in order to insure the great adventure and successfully accomplish the voyage - the faith in persons with leadership, and the desire to go in the company of like customs and tastes were all important considerations in the 18th century.

"Even though the ship's lists could only give heads of families of the first and family names of the males over 16 years of age, it is only on a few lists that the women and children or the age of a passenger list is given, nevertheless, there are enough ways to achieve a comparatively clear picture of the origin of the passengers.

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be edited for available space. The articles
will show the name of the person making
the entry.

I hope to have an obituary column in the next issue. That will depend on me receiving these obituary items from you. The obituary information that I have at this time is as follows: Sara Sparger of Mt Airy, NC, mother of Ivylyn Martin; Paul Webb of NC, brother of Ray Webb of Elkins, NC; Callie Gardner mother of Guy Mitchell Sparger of Mt Airy, NC and Ola Frey of the Spargur family of Yukon, OK.

By WFA Director Larry Jones

The First Wolfensbergers Lie In Rural Pennsylvania Cemetery

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From Ludwigshafen Area

"As early as 1953, the author had established the fact that the origins of the passengers of the ship "Thistle of Glasgow" could be found in a comparatively small area around Ludwigshafen. A close consideration and assembly of life dates in local records and in the United States, particularly in Pennsylvania and Maryland, show very satisfactory results and the author hopes, as time goes on, he can furnish more information based on connections between the emigrants through marriage before and after the voyage. This example will show what can be

John Wolfensberger
Arrived In
Philadelphia On
August 29, 1730.
He And His Wife,
Anna Margaretha,
Are Buried
In a Lutheran
Cemetery
In Lebanon County
Pennsylvania

done through the bare skeleton of a ship's list.

"Putting together the names and dates from the Pfaltz, America and even from Switzerland, produces substance to which may be added haphazard and seemingly unrelated material, thus reestablishing forgotten family connections. In addition, in addition it furnishes valuable information about the history of the Pfaltzers.

"This research definitely establishes the fact that the Swiss who were not yet firmly or deeply established in the area, were, comparatively, communally interested as a group for further emigration.

"All names on the passenger list are set forth even in cases where no further connections have as yet been established. In the spelling of the names, the author will rely on the publication of Strassburg and Hinke. For the three lists; one, the ship's manifest and the two lists, under oath, in Philadelphia.

"John Wolfensberger, born circa 1695, arrived in Philadelphia 29 August 1730 on "Thistle of Glasgow".

"John Wolfensberger's wife was Anna Margaretha (Ensminger) born 21 September 1697, died 1 December 1777. She is buried in the Lutheran Cemetery, Schaefferstown, Lebanon County, Pennsylvania, and although there is no tombstone for John, died circa 1761, Margaretha is believed to be buried beside John.

Revolutionary War Officer

"Children of John and Margaretha Wolfensberger:

"Peter, born in Europe, married Apollonia Brunner (His widow in 1802 was Elizabeth).

"Frederick, born in Europe, married Elizabeth Smith,

"John, born in Europe in 1730, died 8 November 1788, in Woodstock. Va. Married Hannah Sumner.

"Philip, born 14 February 1739, Heidelburg Township, Lebanon County, Pennsylvania, died 14 July 1824. Married Susannah. Philip was a Lieutenant Colonel in the Pennsylvania militia during the Revolutionary War.

"Catherine, born in Pennsylvania, married Jacob Frey.

"Anna Maria, born in Pennsylvania, married Martin Heffelfinger."

A One In A Million Stroke of Luck Finds Family Connections

By Bob Wolfenbarger

One of my jobs in the U.S. Army in Germany in the 1960s was to maintain close relationships with local government officials in Kaiserslautern, a gritty industrial city west of the Rhine River. Through these connections I learned of the State of Rhineland-Pfaltz's official genealogist, whose office was in the city located 30 miles south of the state capitol in Mainz.

As the end of my Army tour approached, I decided to visit the genealogist, Dr. Fritz Braun, to seek clues to the origins of my family. Remembering few details of the origins of John Wolfensberger, the original immigrant, I dropped into Dr. Braun's office.

I still remember Dr. Braun's look of surprise when I asked him about John, who emigrated to Philadelphia 230 years aboard a ship named the "Thistle of Glasgow", that landed in late August of 1730. "Tell me again the ship's name," he said. I repeated it and all the details I could remember from correspondence with Mrs. Myrtle Braun, who'd written my father about the family's history over a period of years.

"That's incredible," I remember Dr. Braun (no relation) saying. A moment later he handed me a thin green pamphlet, saying that he'd written a major paper, incredibly, about that 1730 voyage of that very ship. Going over the passenger list, he pointed to the name, "Wolfer Sperger," and told me that it was one of the few names whose origins he couldn't trace.

"If you're interested in tracing your ancestor, let me look around," he continued. "Most of the passengers were from this area, the Pfaltz, but I have no records of this passenger."

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So When Did The American Wolfensbergers First Meet Their Swiss Cousins? In 1962. Here's How

When did a member of the Wolfensberger family in America and a member of the Swiss Wolfensberger family first meet? In 1962.

Here is an excerpt from a letter written in 1965 by the late Myrtle Wolfinbarger Braun (Mrs. Heinz A. Braun, mother of Bonnie Aspenson) of Guthrie, Oklahoma, to Mrs. Samuel K. Francis of Washington, D. C.

"It sounds like it could not be true, bit the story of how I found out about the Swiss connections is really miraculous. Some years ago I had gotten in contact with Dr. D. O. Wolfenbarger, an entomologist with the University of Florida. He lives in Homestead, Florida, and is in their agricultural sub-station there. He has delivered papers in Vienna and is often called all over the world to solve some America, and had made a detailed insect problem. His son, Bob, was go-

ing to have to do his stint in Germany in 1962, and Dr. Wolfenbarger wrote me while Bob was there and asked me to send a letter to him informing him of what we had on our immigrant and to see if he could find anything else at that end of the line.

"When I wrote, it seems that Bob was almost ready to come home, about three weeks from sailing time, but he made some inquiries and found that there was a Dr. Braun (no relation) in Kaiserslautern, where he was stationed, who was a professional genealogist, and had made an appointment to talk to him.

"Now this is the unusual part -Dr. Braun had written his thesis for his degree on the 'Thistle of Glasgow', the ship that brought our emigrant to study of the immigrants aboard the

ship. As you probably know the ship's record had the same Wolfer Sperger, and he had never been able to trace this name Wolfersberger after he landed in Philadelphia. Dr., Braun saw immediately that the ship's Captain, being Scotch and knowing no German, had to wrestle with that name, and the old records around there showed an

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One In A Million Stroke of Luck

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A week later, Dr. Braun called to say he'd found the family name in a 350 year-old church registry. Days later I met with the church's minister. a Lutheran. Pouring over the brittle parchment pages, we found a reference to a Wolfensberger family in Kohlbrun, Switzerland. I reported my finding to Dr. Braun, who replied, "Let me see what I can learn from some Swiss genealogists. The family isn't German. It may be Swiss."

Days later Dr. Braun called to say, "I think I've found your Swiss family." He gave me Heini Wolfensberger's telephone number in Bauma, saying he believed the family's genealogical history might belp establish the connection between John and the modern Swiss family Wolfensberger.

Miraculously, it was a one in a million stroke of luck. "You did in weeks what ordinarily takes years to accomplish," I recall Dr. Braun telling me later. In fact, my visit to the Wolfensberger family days before I returned to the U.S. was one of most vivid memories of my Army service in then-tense and divided Germany.



At the foot of the Wolfensberg, American and Swiss cousins met for the first time in 1962. From left, Bob

Wolfenbarger, the American; Irene and Heini Wolfensberger, his Swiss cousins, made U.S.-Swiss history...

33 Years Later, A Story of The First Family Reunion

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Anna Wolfersperger from Switzerland. immigrants that they all has come together and stayed some months in Ger- wood cut engravings, made in the many before sailing, Dr. Braun immediately put in a call to Switzerland to a genealogist, whom he knew, and this genealogist got in touch with the family in Bauma, and they in turn asked Bob to visit them.

"The Army sent him with an interpreter and paid all of his expenses, sand the ones incurred by the interpreter, as well. The old Jakob, head of the family spoke French, Italian and German but no English. The story was written up both in the local Kaiserslautern newspaper, Die Rheinpfaltz, and the U.S. Army paper there.

"It happened that Jakob was an avid genealogist, and had overseen the printing and publishing of a privately printed genealogy that took the history back to 1200. He gave Bob a copy of

the book which I had for several months and then returned it to Bob. It Dr. Braun had found in his study of the was all in German and I had much of it translated. The book had many old 1500's and 1600's - it was simply fabulous, but of course not for sale. Some branches had broken off and settled in Germany, but all were originally

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Swiss.

"Bob had business in Oklahoma City the next year, and I got to spend an evening with him and hear all of the details of the visit. Can you believe

that he walked right in to the one man, the only man in Europe, who could have given him information about the family and who could give us such a wonderful record?

"Most Unusual Thing"

"It seems that many Pennsylvania people had contacted Dr. Braun about their ancestors who came on the "Thistle", as there were about 270 people on it, and had developed quite an interest in that particular ship. I still think it was the most unusual thing that I ever heard of for Bob to fall into such a thing. As Dr. Braun said, 'Bob accomplished in a few days what ordinarily would have taken years'.

"The Swiss record is carefully documented from old records with all dates and places. Of course all records were right there in Zurich as the originat family, or part of it, have always resided in that Canton."

(Bob is a WFA Board Member)

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If You Want To Attend A Reunion, Always Call The Event's Coordinator

The following information about 1995 reunions is based upon details reported by the coordinators. Information listed here could change. More details in our June Wolfensberger newsletter

In order to be certain the reunion information is correct, we strongly suggest

vou contact the coordinator. They need to know that you're coming. You need to confirm details.

If you attend, please bring photos and family records. After all, it's a time for sharing family histories and meeting new relatives.

WOLFENBARGER-WILKINSON

For members of the Wolfenbarger and

Wilkinson families

Date: Sunday, September 10 Time: Begins 12 noon

Place:

Lake Tapawingo clubhouse Blue Springs, Missouri

Contact:

Olen Wilkinson (816) 228-4183

900 B Street

Blue Springs, Mo 64051

WOLFINBARGER-WOLFENBARGER

Date: Saturday, June 17 Time: Begins 10 a.m.

Place:

Eastern Shawnee Tribal Council Hq. SPARGER

Bluejacket Center Seneca, Missouri

Contact:

Anna Ruth Crabtree (417) 451-5427

Route 2, Box 268 Neosho, Mo. 64850

WOLFINBARGER

Date: September 1995 Time: Not known Place: Irvine, Kentucky

Contact:

Dick Gault P.O. Box 295 Trenton OH 45067

WOLFENBARGER

Date: Saturday, June 17, 1995

Time: Begins 12 noon

Place:

Grainger County Park Grainger County, Tennessee

Contact:

Donna Long (615) 637-1427 943 Ledgerwood Avenue Knoxville TN 37917

WOLFENBERGER

For descendents of Samuel Wolfenberger. born in 1820 in Grainger County, Tennessee

Date: Fourth Sunday in August

Time: Not known

Place:

Zion Church Community Bldg. Weatherford, Texas

Contact:

Lorene Rothrock 816 Alamo Street Weatherford, TX 76086

Date: Sunday, August 20 Time: Not known

Place:

Home of Sam and Elaine East 610 Oldtown Street Galax, Virginia

Contact:

Ray Webb (910) 835-2421 215 Hawthorn Road Elkins, NC 28621

SPARGUR

Date: Saturday, August 12 Time: Begins 9 a.m. Place: Hillsboro, Ohio

Contact:

Jim Spargur (513) 897-5936

P.O. Box 576

Waynesville OH 45068 Site of 1995 WFA Annual Meeting

The Great Spargur Family Reunions Once Drew 6,000 To Rural Ohio in The Mid-1880s

This article is part of an article from the Hillsboro, Ohio "Press Gazette" dated Thursday 21 July 1983, written by Jean Wallis,



ith the coming of each summer, numerous families looked forward to this season. It gave them a chance to renew friendships, meet again with relatives and share in the fun

and companionship of what was commonly referred to as the "family reunion".

"These early reunions were the great social events of the season. They drew not only family members for miles around but friends and neighbors. Villisca, Iowa, a town located in Mont- ana was introduced and entertained the as well.

"With the interest in genealogy today one might expect there would be bers of the Spargur and other Highland more interest in the family reunion. However, the younger generations care little about what their forebears called "family reunions".

"Many of these reunions were started in the latter part of the 19th century and some are still with us today.

"The Spargur reunion was started in 1875 by J. A. W. Spargur, son of Allen and Elizabeth (Wade) Spargur and grandson of Joseph Spargur. Joseph with three brothers, Phillip, Henry, and Reuben, immigrated from North Carolina, Reuben returned to his native state. While the other three settled in Highland County and raised large families, many of their descendants still reside in the County. Elizabeth or Aunt Betsy as she was familiarly known was the granddaughter of James Williams, who immigrated from the Shenandoah Valley of Virginia and was one of Brushcreek Township's

carliest settlers.

"The first Spargur reunion was held on Aug. 19, 1875, 70 years after Joseph Spargur had arrived in Ohio. The heads of the Spargur families of the County held the reunion and dinner tween 5,000 and 6,000 people. The in Redkey's Grove near Rainsboro. with such success that a meeting was planned for the following year. In 1876 the attendance at the reunion was over 1,000 people.

"A gazebo or speakers stand was erected from which many prominent men addressed the reunion crowds. Among these were: Judge Gardner, John Love Hughes, the Rev. J. W. Klise, the Rev. Wingate, the Rev. C. J. Wells, O. N. Sams and George Garrett. propriate prayer.

"In 1883 a reunion was held in gomery County in the southwestern section of the state. Numerous mem-

> Thousands Used To Attend Spargur Reunions In The Mid-1880s

County families had settled in this area. A delegation of about 200 members of the Ohio Spargurs attended the reunion.

"The following year, 1884, the lowa Spargurs made a trip to Ohio to attend the reunion An excursion train from Villisca carried about 650 passengers to various points along the route. About 60 of the group came through to Highland County. They were met at Greenfield and brought to Rainsboro vehicles arriving at about 5 o'clock in the evening. It was a very interesting sight, to see old friends, long separated meet and embrace each other while the tears of joy flowed from their eyes. With their arrival the reunion for that year had already be-

"In 1886 the reunion drew be-Greenfield Brass Band was again on hand providing music as they had for a number of years. A select choir, composed of numerous Spargur connections enlivened the occasion with its spirited singing. About 10:30 a.m., the program began with music by the band, after which the choir led the congregation in singing "All Hail the Power of Jesus Name." The Rev. William Sanders then offered an ap-

"The Rev. James Redkey of Indiaudience with a brief address. He was followed by Rev. William Sanders, of Rainsboro, J. W. Grim of New Petersburg, and John L. Hughes, of Marshall. This was followed by the dinner hour.

"The afternoon services consisted of music, both vocal and instrumental and speeches by the following: O. N. Sams, the Rev. C. J. Wells, Dr. K. M. Miller, the Rev. William Sanders and Rev. James Redkey.

"By 1884 the reunion had grown somewhat by time, the crowd numbering into the thousands. By sun-up Charles and Levi Parker were the first to pass that morning (they were from the Carmel neighborhood). They were afoot and making good time. By the time we were ready to start there was almost a continual stream of horseback riders, buggies, carriages, carts, expresses and road wagons.

"The setting of the sun's rays cause the lengthening of the shadows to cast the form of a guidepost showing the way to generations that are still to come."

History of a Swiss-German Family: 1400 to 1995 The Lineage of Dr. Wolf Wolfensberger's Family



etween 1234 and the time of Hans von Wolfensberg, in the early 1400s, our family line is spotty. Starting with Hans, the lineage is uninterrupted.

Friedrich Wolfensberger, my father, between 1929 and 1940, our direct -and apparently uninterrupted -- line of descent is as follows.

- 1. Hans von Wolfensberg/ Wolfensperger, born before 1414 (probably around 1395) on the Ober-Wolfensberg, Latest documentation on Ober-Wolfensberg in 1432, died apparently in Ettenhausen. Was a witness in a tax dispute in 1434 between a Bosshard and a Kundig von Wallenwil-Baretswill, both places already mentioned in 800 AD in the St. Gallen Monastery codex. Married around 1435. A Hans Wolfensperger. who was a weaver, was granted Zurich Citizenship on Wednesday after Corpus Christi 1446. He likely was the above Hans. Hans had five sons, of which the two oldest, name of Hermann and Uli von Wolffensperg, were mentioned in the Zurich state archive. Apparently, aside of Friedrich, the two other sons were Hans and Konrad.
- Friedrich von Wolffensperg. born before 1447 (around 1443), married before 1467, died in Ettenhausen before 1533. He was the fourth of five sons of Hans. Friedrich and his wife gave 10 shilling tax on their property in Ettenhausen in 1467.
- 3. Rudi Wolfensberger, born before 1533 in Ettenhausen at an unknown date, presumably in Ettenhausen but his death was not recorded there. After 1533, was taxed a quarter of grain from his acreage to the "spend" (fund for the poor) of the church of Wetzikon. Rudi was the el-

dest of four sons of Friedrich: Rudi. Klaus, Friedrich (Friedti) and Konrad (Kueni). One or more were school masters. Klaus, Friedli and Kueni were Kirchenpfleger (custodians or church elders) of the Wetzikon church, and According to the research done by co-owners (Mitanteilhaber) or trustees of the church properties. Their properties were adjacent to each other (and Annii Zwiffel?).

- 4. Heini Wolfesberg/Wolfisberg who, together with his wife Anni Hartmann, endowed a yearly mass in Sins, Canton Luzern, for his parents, cousin Friedli and brother Rudi, apparently between 1538 and 1550. This Heini apparently left the Zurich area to move under the Catholic line of Luzerne (later, part of it became Canton Aargau), branched into the Alsace and South Swabia.
 - Jakob Wolfensperg, Amman of

600 Years of Uninterrupted History Distinguishes German-Origin Family

Dietwil, died 1633 of the pest. Endowed an annual mass (not clear to me on whose behalf) in Dietwil (which later became part of Canton Aargau) in 1578. Married Katharina Suter. (Later, this would have been spelled Sutter.

- 6. Hans Wolfensperg, marries Barbara Dale on 10 July 1594.
- Hans Heinrich Wolfensperg. born 17 September 1595, married Verena Kopfli of Sins.
- 8. Peter Wolfensperg, born 29 January 1634 in Dietwil in the Freiamt (free jurisdiction) behind Luzern. Emigrated (apparently in 1652) to the Ostrach area in Southern Swabia which then belonged to Kloster Salem. Married Afra Danglerin. Nine children.
 - Nicolas (Claus) Wolfensperger/

Wolffensperger, christened 6 December 1662 in Pfullendorf, near Salem. Lived for a time in Gunzenhansen near Salem. Appointed administrator of the Ralzhof estate near Ostrach in 1690, and married the widow. Anna Kessler, of the previous administrator three weeks later. Eleven children, Died 19 February 1731. The family sat on the Ralzhof for three generations.

- Johann Michael Wolffensperger, born 21 August 1706 or 1707 on the Ralzhof, died 27 October 1777. Two children with first wife and five with second.
- 11. (Johann) Jakob Wolffensperger, born 10 or 22 July 1738 on the Ralzhof. Lived in Deisendorf. parish of Seefelden near Uberlingen. on the lake Constance. Nine children.
- 12. Johann Wolfensberger/Wolfensperger/Wolffensperger, born 20 November 1778 in Deisendorf, died 25 April 1855. Six children.
- Sebastian Wolfensberger/Wolfensperger, born 18 January 1818 in Deisendorf, died there 12 September 1875. Eleven children.
- Fridolin Wolfensperger/ Wolfensberger, born 23 February 1858 in Deisendorf. Became barber (Friseur) master in Reutlingen, with title of royal court Friseur. Five children. Died in Reutlingen.
- (Josef) Friedrich Wolfensberger, born 8 January 1892 in Reutlingen. First in family to get a higher education. Three children. Died I January 1959 in Mannheim on the Rhine in the state of Baden-Wurttemberg.
- Wolf Peregrin Joachim Wolfensberger, born 26 July 1934 in Mannheim, Germany. Emigrated to the U. S. in December 1950. Earned PhD in (clinical) psychology and special education. Three children.

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