

## SUMMARIES OF VARIOUS ROLAND FAMILY REFERENCES TO OBERENTFELDEN

### 1706

In Kyburz, Verena, in Aarau, a **Hans Roland** is married on 5 November. A Georg Roland and a Gabriel Roland are also married in 1706. There is a later record of children from Gabriel.

### 1707

**Hans Roland** has a son named Hans Rudolf who is born on 29 May.

### 1711

**Hans Roland** has another son named Johann Henrich who is born on June 7. He is baptized in Wolfthalben. Since the pastor's name seems not to be Suisse, it is possible that this is in Germany, not Switzerland.

### 1721

**Hans Roland** started to be a teacher in **Oberentfelden** on 26 March (History of Oberentfelden, P. 122).

### 1722

**Hans Roland**, a teacher in **Oberentfelden** and married to Maria Haller, has daughters named Veronica (born 8 March 1722) and Anna (born 10 March 1723). Melchior Roland and Rudi Huggensberger are living in Missau, Germany, and **Hans Jakob Roland** is living a few miles away in Müllbach. They all send a legal document dated 16 Winemonth (Sep?, Oct?) renouncing their status as residents of Oberentfelden, Switzerland and say that their next destination is the civil district of *Landern* in the Netherlands. (History of Oberentfelden, P. 288)

### 1724

In April 1724, **Hans Roland** gave up his post as a teacher in **Oberentfelden** (History of Oberentfelden, P. 122).

### 1725

In a document dated March 5, 1725, **Johannes Roland** files a document saying he no longer wants to be a resident of **Oberentfelden** and wants to go to Pennsylvania with his mother, wife, two children, and a farm helper. (History of Oberentfelden, P. 94).

### 1727

On February 2, **Hans Roland**, on behalf of his daughter Caterina (or Caterina directly, because Hans has already departed), petitions **Oberentfelden** officials for permission to depart for Pennsylvania [to be with?] with her family. She is allowed to leave and take funds with her because they came from Zweibrucken in Germany where she seems to have been living.

### 1728

Source: History of **Oberentfelden** P. 288

Event: **Peter Roland** goes to?

### 1729 (March 12)

Source: History of Oberentfelden?

Event: **Peter Roland** renounces his rights as a citizen of **Oberentfelden** and says he wants to assume residence in another municipality (Allda?).

### 1731 (October)

Source: History of Oberentfelden, P. 288

**Johann Rudolf Roland** is working in a school in Lambsborn, Germany. On behalf of himself and his brother, **Johann Ulrich Roland**, he requests permission to receive an inheritance from their parents living in **Oberentfelden**.

### 1750 (January 23)

Source: History of Oberentfelden

Event: **Elias Roland**, living in Zweibrucken, Germany, renounces his status as a citizen of **Oberentfelden**.

### 1764 (January 12)

Source: ?

Event: A sales contract exists that says the widow of **Jakob Roland**, who may have been a shop keeper, is selling a piece of land described as 6 1/2 vierlings in size to the municipality of **Oberentfelden**. In the transaction, Bernhard Luscher is listed as Gerichtsvogt (?), and Bernhard Kyburtz is trustee for the widow. Jakob Walter is also listed as an official of some sort.

## 1767-1769

Source: **Obereentfelden** Village finance book from 1767-1769

**Hans Heinrich Roland** is listed in an accounting of assets, revenues and expenditures for what may be court accounts. Also listed are Bernhard Lüscher, Untervogt, Hans Rudi Walder, a state official, Johannes Kiburtz, Hans Jacob Häfliger, Jacob Waltter, and Johannes Knoblauch, representing the court.

## 1809

Source: ?

Event: A document exists that deals with the distribution of assets belonging to a missing person from **Oberentfelden** named **Ulrich Roland**.

1919 (September 15)

Source: ?

Event: A document exists that refers to an easement contract in the Engstal Valley between the local municipality and **Johann Roland**.

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## PREVIOUS CORRESPONDENCE WITH CHRISTIAN HEILMANN

Subj: AW: Roland Family in Oberentfelden--circa 1720

Date: 11.11.01 11:51:29 AM Eastern Standard Time

From: Heilmann@gca.ch

To: Rolandmail@aol.com

Sent from the Internet (Details)

Hallo David

I will send you my last things I found

Hans Roland, m. Maria Haller, has a daughter Veronica b. 03.08.1722 and a second daughter b. 03.10.1723 Anna He is the teacher of Oberentfelden.

In the history of Oberentfelden I have found:

p. 122

26. März 1721 Hans Roland .started to be the teacher in Oberentfelden  
in avril 1724 he stopped to be a teacher in Oberentfelden.

With now I don't look for the marriage. I thing this teacher is the Johannes Roland witch go 1725 to America.

<< The history of Oberentfelden PAGE 94--Johannes Roland 1725 go to of Pennsylvania go and wants 5,3,1725 he say he say he doesn't like to longer a citicens OF Oberentfelden. with his more mother, wife, two children, and a ' farm servant ' 1,2,1727 go his daughter Catharina Roland to ago father to of Pens., too. She CAN take ago money with ago, because the money came from two-bridges (Germany). It's seems that the family stay sometimes there (at leases sheself).>>

It's seem that he has from this wife only two children, this will be o.k. with the information in the history of Oberentfelden.

But where ist Catharina Roland?

There is a Hans Roland married 05. november 1706 Kyburz, Verena. He has a son Hans Rudolf b. 29.05.1707 and Johann Henrich 07.06.1711. The last one ist baptist in Wolfthalben (not Wolfhalden Switzerland) from the Pastor Joh. Engelhard Gillhausen. With now I can't find the village. It's possible it's in Germany. The pastor names seems not to be a Suisse family name.

After this date it's no more information. I can thing that this Hans go to Germany after 1711, he has more children there, after the death of his wife he married again and come back to Switzerland. It's a possility, but I have to look for more informations.

In this time is a Georg Roland (seems to be the brother of Hans m. 1706) and a Gabriel Roland in Oberentfelden. Gabriel married 1706, too and he has some children in Oberentfelden. Georg married but I don't have found children yet.

If you like that I look for more information I can do it for the 30 US \$ I offert you. For this I noted now I work more or less one hour.

sincerely  
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-----Ursprüngliche Nachricht-----

Von: Rolandmail@aol.com [mailto:Rolandmail@aol.com]

Gesendet: Mittwoch, 7. November 2001 16:30

An: Heilmann@gca.ch

Betreff: Roland Family in Oberentfelden--circa 1720

Dear Christian,

We last corresponded a year-and-half ago (see copy of e-mail below) about my research into the ROLAND Family of Oberentfelden. At that time you kindly offered your assistance. This past spring I was contacted by Kathleen Roland (nthewind@bellsouth.net) who was also corresponding with you. She sent me information that you had sent to her (two examples naming people who may be my ancestors are also copied below). I have tried numerous times without success to contact Kathleen since this past April to determine if she is still in touch with you. Since I cannot reach her and do not know if you are still working with her on this matter I am writing you personally to find out if you have conducted any additional research on this old Swiss family. If you have not, and if you are interested in doing so, I would like to explore the possibility of hiring you to pursue the matter further.

I have been researching in the Rhineland-Palatinate and Saarland states of Germany for a long time and correspond with several Roland families there. They live in towns and cities that were part of the old Duchy of Zweibrücken, which is consistent with the information you provided to Kathleen. Some of these people appear to have originated in Switzerland about 1750 or earlier. I believe they may be related both to our American family and to the families you have found in Oberentfelden.

Do you still charge \$30(US) per hour? Are you available to continue your initial work that involves the family of Johannes Roland and Hans Jakob Roland who I believe may be my emigrant Swiss ancestors? Johannes/Hans/John Roland is my direct ancestor and arrived in Pennsylvania about 1726. Jakob Roland may have been his brother, lived nearby in Lancaster County, Pennsylvania, and seems to arrived earlier.

Thank you for your attention and I hope you will please let me know if this project is of interest to you.

With best regards,

David

[MESSAGES FOLLOW]

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<<Subj: Family ROLAND

<<Date: 3.9.00 3:53:20 AM Eastern Standard Time

<<From: ChristianHeilmann@compuserve.com (Christian Heilmann)

<<To: Rolandmail@aol.com (INTERNET:Rolandmail@aol.com)

<< Hallo David, In Oberentfelden there are a lot of older Roland families. Send me your informations and I will have a look if I can find somethings. If I have to make longer research (one hour and more and only than) I have to ask for 30 US \$ the hour. I started to make always pictures from the documents which are important for the asking person, scan it and make transcriptions in German or English from the documents and send them by mail. Christian Heilmann, Walenstadt, Switzerland>>

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Sent in April 2001 to David Roland by Kathleen Roland quoting Christian Heilmann:

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<< Bürgerrechtsverzichtleistung: Melchior Roland in Missau / Hans Jakob Roland in Müllbach / Hans Rudi Huggenberger in Missau alle von OE gebürtig (Ziel: Oberamt Landern, in den Niederlanden / de dato 16. Weinmonat 1722 ( Nr. 49) >>

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Subj: Family ROLAND

Date: 3.8.00

To: ChristianHeilmann@compuserve.com

Dear Christian,

Do you know of any families named ROLAND or similar spellings in the Oberentfelden area in the late 17th and early 18th centuries--before 1725? We think our family came from Aargau and possibly Oberentfelden before they migrated to Pennsylvania about 1726. Were there any Mennonite or Anabaptist communities in in Aargau during that time? Thank you for any advice or information you may have.

David Roland  
Reston, Virginia USA