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## Foreward

## Lasset uns am Alten, So es gut ist, halten.

(Where the old is good, let us hold to it.)

I enjoy Sprichwoerter or German proverbs, particularly when they relate to family history. **Der Pommern spricht nur im Sommern** is one of my favorites, since it explains so much. Literally it says, Pomeranians speak only in the summer. Figuratively it means, Pomeranians don't say much. I can relate to that! Because of my interest and pride in being Pommern, I have included a brief historical overview in Appendix A. Some additional miscellaneous genealogical information, which may interest you, is included in Appendices B, C, and D.

I always have had an interest in family but didn't really start searching for and recording information until the summer of 1960. My format for recording the information may be unique. However, it makes sense to me.

Umlauts are diacritical marks placed over German back or low vowels (a, o, and u) resulting in their fronting or raising, which is the changing of the vowel caused by partial assimilation to a succeeding sound. The umlaut mark is similar to (") and is not available on the computer which produced this copy. Consequently, the "a umlaut" is written "ae", "o umlaut" is "oe", and "u umlaut" is "ue". Case-in-point is the word, Sprichwoerter, in the first sentence of the first paragraph on this page.

The author has a number of photographs of ancestors and welcomes to be the depository of others, should you want to dispose of yours. The only request is that the individuals in the photographs be identified.

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The frontispiece contains only those names that I consider direct line descendants. The text of the <code>Stammbaum</code> contains "all" descendants. For ease of cross referencing, those names that are underlined in the text appear on the frontispiece. The left hand margin in the text determines the generation. For example, on page SC-2 Justina and Hanna are sisters, their parents are Georg and Dorothea Luise, and their grandparents are Christoph

and Dorothea Louise. All their names are underlined, and they appear on the frontispiece.

The major family branches on the frontispiece can readily be found in the text by referring to the "Major Family Branches" in the table of Contents. All total, there are 37 branches represented on the tree, the oldest branch going back 12 generations. All direct line descendants' surnames and married names, in the case of women, are listed in the Index.

All the names listed herein are progenitors of Derek David and Martha Elizabeth Schumann. However, two-thirds of those listed are progenitors of David Robert Schumann (Derek and Martha's dad), while the other one-third are progenitors of Elizabeth (Betsy) Martha Moore (Derek and Martha's mom). For this reason, the major family branches are organized as listed in the table of Contents. The Index was subsequently compiled into two components to ease searching for surnames. You will probably notice that David's progenitors are exclusively German, whereas Betsy's progenitors are predominately English, Irish and Scotch. Derek and Martha are living proof that the twain met!

David R. Schumann, 2006

## Deuteronomy 32:7

Remember the days of old, consider the years of many generations.

"Happy the man who thinks of his ancestors with pride, and who likes to tell of their good deeds and greatness and feels himself linked to the end of their Godly chain." Goethe