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Digging up local roots ... brilliant inventors and medieval peasants



The Sociology class at DHS that dug roots: At far left is teacher Dennis Iezzi. Counterclockwise around the circle from Dennis are Becky Zimmerman, Sharon Cox, Cindy Dissinger, Greg Bowman, Lori Linard, LuAnn Brenneman, Beth Newcomer (you're heading back toward Dennis Iezzi now), Wendy Newcomer, Karen deVitry, Lisa Mummaw, Radean Gordner, and Scott Adams. That's one short: we apologize to whomever was not listed.

Sociology students in Dennis lezzi's class at Donegal High School were involved in a "mini-roots" session two weeks ago. Each student researched his own ancestry and cultural background.

Most of the students in Mr. lezzi's class came up with interesting ancestors: there were inventors of cabbage shredders and secret World War II weapons, a medieval nobleman, and a number of Civil War and Revolutionary War soldiers. One student traced his roots back to the Protestant Reformation in the Europe of the 1600's, when an ancestor was persecuted for religious belief.

The class broke into groups, each of which elected one of its members, whose ancestry was judged most interesting, to address the class.

The Times sat in on

Becky Zimmerman's talk about her forebears. She had two American Revolutionaries in the family tree,

a German peasant, a higher-born man who was ostracized by his family after he married his seamstress, a two-time National Science Fair winner, and the inventor of the rollers at the Atlantic City boardwalk.

Not all ancestors were illustrious, of course. One girl had an ancestor who was a member of a sort of Ku Klux Klan, in this case anti-Catholic.

Many students brought in old newspaper clippings, and a few even made up "family history books."

The purpose of the study was to help students identify their ethnic and racial backgrounds, and to consider how each has influenced contemporary American culture. The starting point for each student was a discussion with a member of his own

family (parent, grandparent, uncle, etc.) about the family background.

Teacher Dennis Iezzi had this to say about the project:

"I feel that this is a learning process in itself. Young people are not fully aware of the value of "living history." Parents, grandparents, senior citizens and the like have experienced cultural changes that the students are reading about in their textbooks. They can give a first-hand account of the atmosphere in the U.S. during historical eras such as immigration, prohibition, the depression, Mc-Carthyism and the cold war."

Mr. lezzi adds, "This project also gave the students an additional opportunity to sit down with their families and just talk, helping them learn more about themselves and (just as important) getting a better understanding of their parents and other family members."



5 in County Chorus

Donegal High School is proud to have five chorus members who made County Chorus on Saturday, Oct. 8th. They are as follows: Jim Johnson singing tenor 2; Jolene Lindemuth sing-

ing alto 2; Bruce Wagner singing bass 1; Mark Wagner singing bass 1; and Becky Zimmerman singing alto 1.

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