

Art Show at HUUF February/March 2011
15 pieces curated by Ursula Osborne nee Solmitz.

Captions to go with numbers from right to left
around the walls of the room:

- 1.& 2. Great-great-grandfather Nathan Traube (1791 - 1881) at home in Dessau, painted by his wife, Therese Traube née Cohn in 1850. Nathan financed the journey to England for Crown Prince Wilhelm, who later became Wilhelm the First of Prussia.
3. Felix Traube (1837 - 1897) as a three-year-old in Kassel in 1840. He was the son of Nathan and Therese Traube and the father of Grandmother Hedwig Solmitz née Traube.
4. This embroidered silk recognizes Joseph Feist Traube, brother of Nathan, for service in 1814 as banner carrier in the regiment of a crown prince. At that time the Prussians were fighting against Napoleon. The stichery is the oldest item in the show.
5. Great-great-grandmother Therese (1816 - 1884), wife of Nathan, as painted by L. Katzenstein in 1850. Katzenstein was a Kassel artist who became known for portraits of women.
6. Painted by Grandmother Hedwig Solmitz née Traube of her mother Julie Traube née Neumann.
7. Painted of Grandmother Hedwig by her sister Clara Traube.
8. Pastel by Grandmother Hedwig of her sister Clara in 1892. That same year Hedwig got married to Grandfather Ernst Solmitz.

Photographs

9. Photograph of Great-uncle Adolph Goldschmidt, eldest brother of Grandfather Eduard Goldschmidt. Adolph had six younger siblings. Adolph became well known as an art historian.

While young, Adolph wanted to become an artist. Examples of his art follow in #s 11 through 15.

10.1893 photograph of Grandmother Elisabeth Goldschmidt and her seven siblings in Hamburg. Standing left to right: Karl (10), Elisabeth (18), Hedwig (16), Max (14). Sitting left to right: Marie (13), Rudolf (19), Georg (6), Bertha (11).

The subsequent fates of the eight siblings in # 10.

In 1919, long before Hitler came to power, Great Uncle Karl emigrated to USA. In Seattle he founded the salmon canning business, Dehn & Co. First his son, and to this day his grandson continue in fish packing in Seattle, having shifted to frozen fish.

Grandmother Elisabeth and Grandfather Eduard Goldschmidt were able to leave Hamburg in the summer of 1939, before WWII began. They first lived in England, later in USA with Ursula's parents, Hertha and Robert, in Los Angeles.

Great-aunt Hedwig and husband Heinrich Wohlwill were sent to the concentration camp Theresienstadt. Heinrich died there. Hedwig taught children at the school of the camp. She returned to Hamburg after the war ended.

Great-uncle Max Dehn became a mathematics professor. He and his wife Toni escaped from Germany in 1939, first to Norway, then to USA.

Great-aunt Marie and husband Heinrich Mayer were also sent to Theresienstadt, where Heinrich died. Marie died in a gas chamber at Auschwitz.

Rudolf, the eldest of the eight, became a lawyer. He remained in Hamburg; died there in 1937.

Georg, the youngest of the eight, emigrated to Ecuador with Wiltrud, his second wife. They returned to Munich after WWII.

Bertha was a professional violinist, the only woman in the Hamburg theatre orchestra. During the Nazi

time she had to leave the orchestra. She emigrated to South America and returned to Hamburg after WWII ended.

Art by Great-uncle Adolph

11. Two pen and ink renderings, sketched in 1878 when Adolph was fifteen years old.

12. Watercolor sketch from 1881 when Adolph was eighteen.

13., 14. & 15. are three cards selected from a series of twenty-two. The twenty-two large cards comprise an 1881 souvenir album created by Adolph. It is based on a trip he took to Switzerland with his parents when he was eighteen years old. He made the small sketches and wrote descriptive words that rhyme. With humor they evoke the memory of the daily excursions. After parents and son returned home to Hamburg, Adolph presented the album to his parents.

Translation from German to English:

13.

Thursday, the 8th Sept. 1881

Ship - Cold - Coat -	Very rushed!
Alpnach - Gstad -	Hametschwand -
Bürgenstock -	Steep precipice!
Good trail,	Strong wind!
Guide along,	Left quickly,
Slow pace;	Rain shower,
Arrived,	Head to foot
Ordered meat,	Everything wet -
Consumed,	Not much fun! -

14.

Monday, the 12th Sept. 1881

To top of waterfall
Viewed completely,
Much to praise!
Magnificent!
Then to lake,
Not very far -
Oh, dear, oh dear!
Women's chorus!

First by boat,
Then by train,
Interlaken
Finally arrived, -
Ran to post office,
Great luck!
Lots of letters -
View of Jungfrau. -

15.

Monday, the 19th Sept. 1881

Arose early,
Left the height,
Little Scheideck -
Trail like mush - dirt!
Frequently while walking
Interruptions,
Coloring lovely!
Maple trees -
Grindelwald

Finally stop!
Hotel Bär
Ate quickly -
Looked at glacier,
Walking difficult -
Then two carriages,
Chase homewards -
Weather threatens!
Evening glow! -