

Dear relations and friends,

My year was gobbled up with work and travel, the reason for not communicating more often.

In this Newsletter there are several items of family news and family history, new information on Zara's grave site, on Komaggas and Bethanien based on a recent trip, and comment on two new books.

If you have family news - births, marriages, deaths, you might want to convey it via this medium and I shall also endeavour to keep the family tree updated. Feel free to write to me.

**A wedding:**

My daughter Zindzi Nadja (born 1974) got married to Jeremy Sugerman on 18<sup>th</sup> September in San Francisco, USA. Christine and I attended this beautiful wedding, as did Zindzi's mother, Ilona. Christine and I spent a whole month in California and Oregon. We also visited my sister, Heidi, who lives on the great Columbia River near Pendleton.

We are delighted to welcome Jeremy into the family and the two of them make a wonderful couple. Jeremy practises law and together they spend time rock climbing, hiking, enjoying live music and concerts, art and much more. Jeremy needs yet to be introduced to South Africa. His father's family hail from Ireland and his mothers' from the USA East Coast. Jeremy's father is deceased. The wedding brought together Ruth (Jeremy's mother), his two brothers and sister and their families with those of Zindzi's, (from South Africa, Israel, Austria and the USA) relatives from the Kleinschmidt/Aronson side. The marriage vows were performed by a Rabbi and the wedding took place in the Judaic tradition, a lovely ceremony filled with symbolism in uncomplicated, prosaic and yet deeply devout terms in the open air at a friends home in the Napa valley, the place the best United States wine comes from.

I circulated the Schmelen/Kleinschmidt family tree some while back, so you can now add Zindzi's husband Jeremy. If you feel very enthusiastic you might wish to add the family tree of Jeremy's family, which, I am told numbers 27,000 entries. Our tree has no more than a couple of hundred entries to which we might add another couple of hundred on the Finnish family side.

Zindzi will continue to use Kleinschmidt as her surname.

You can see photographs on my web page: [www.horstkleinschmidt.co.za](http://www.horstkleinschmidt.co.za) or at <http://gallery.me.com/sugermanj/100188>

Daughter Zindzi  
with proud father  
Horst at the Golden  
Gate music festival,  
San Francisco,  
September, 2011.

