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Ida (Zeh) Bender
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OVERVIEW

Donor: Ida (Zeh) Bender

Accession Date: 3 October 2011

Collection Number: 093

Quantity: 0.5 linear feet

Summary: A Zeh family history on John and Magdalena (Brandner) Zeh and five German books; 1850-1915, 2011.

Languages: English & German

Links:

- [Elgin, North Dakota: 75th diamond jubilee, 1910-1985](#) [F644.E39 E44 1985]
- [Elgin, North Dakota Centennial: 1910-2010](#) [F644.E39 E44 2010]

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BIOGRAPHY

John Zeh was born on February 9, 1896 in Borodino, Bessarabia. He was a son of Conrad and Christina (Scheffelmeier) Zeh. He immigrated with his parents to the United States in 1914, eventually settling in North Dakota. On June 12, 1919, John Zeh married Magdalena “Maggie” Brandner. The couple moved to a farm south of Elgin, North Dakota, and they had thirteen children. John Zeh died on July 18, 1959 at the age of 63. Magdalena died on April 9, 1985 at the age of 88.

Ida (Zeh) Bender was born on July 23, 1936 to parents John and Magdalena (Brandner) Zeh. On September 15, 1963, Ida married Charles Bender. They made their home in Elgin, North Dakota and raised two sons: Perry and Clinton.

SCOPE AND CONTENT

The **Ida (Zeh) Bender Collection** consists of family history information on John and Magdalena (Brandner) Zeh and five books in the German language. The collection has been organized into two series: Family History and Book.

The **Family History Series** contains two pages of information on the John and Magdalena (Brandner) Zeh family, which was compiled by Norm and Audrey Roth.

The **Book Series** is comprised of five books in the German language. One of the books is a hymn book, but has no cover. Not all of the books are dated but the ones that are date from about 1850 to 1915. Information received during the donation indicates that the books were given to Ida (Zeh) Bender from her parents.

BOX AND FOLDER LIST

Box/Folder	Contents
1/1	Finding aid, detailed inventory, and initial inventory

FAMILY HISTORY SERIES

1/2	Zeh Histories (John Zeh and Magdalena Brandner)
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1 BOOK SERIES

1. Evangelische Zeugnisse der Wahrheit zur Aufmunterung im wahren, Christethum theils über die gewöhnlichen Sonn, circa 1850
2. Biblische Geschichten fuer Unterklassen, circa 1905
3. Kirchenbuch fuer Evangelisch-Lutherische Gemeinden, 1915
4. Der Saengerfreund: Auserlesene vierstimmige Maennerchoere, 1902
5. (fragment) No title, hymn book