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Auckland, NZ

Dear Sue

I'm convalescing at my daughter Deirdre's house, after being 3 months in Hospital and your email about Alfred Schultz came to her – luckily, because I don't have a computer. Painting in oils and water colour's was my pet hobby. That took up my spare time. Alfred was Clara's Father, therefore my Grandfather.

I never met him and Clara (Mum) seldom talked about him. I can remember writing to him when I was a youngster, and he complimented me on my neat handwriting. I guess Mum wrote to him, because I had a letter Dad kept in amongst his papers, asking why Mum's Stepmother (surname Sanft), his second wife, never answered his letters. Anna Wolfgramm, his first wife and Clara's Mother, died in childbirth when Mum was eight and the Stepmother and Mum never got on. That is why Mum went to live in Oli Ula in the Kronfeld household when Mum was sixteen.

I have nothing about Swains Island, or anything of Alfred Schultz, except the historic photograph album of the prisoners of war on Motuihe Island during the First World War and that is because my Father preserved it. The Associate Professor of The University of Auckland Research Centre for Germanic Connections with New Zealand and the Pacific, James Bade, has written a beautiful book about Count von Luckner and used a lot of photographs from that album. There is quite a lot of interest in the Germans who colonized the Islands, if I can use that term, up in Tonga and Samoa in the 19<sup>th</sup> and early 20<sup>th</sup> Century. One of Professor Bade's students visited me last year, I think they wanted to find out information about Alfred Schultz because of the photo album about the Motuihe POW's, but she has never got back to me.

For the Kronfeld Family Tree: *NB: I have inserted this section into the Parr family tree*  
<http://www.flyfishhunt.co.nz/kronfeld/treeparr.html>.

I should get my Brother David's particulars and send them to you. He has been a great achiever in his field with the Veterinary Science, research and medicine and has won many honours and awards for this work. His son, Andreas, is extremely clever too. David has 7 or 8 degrees and a great career based in the USA.

David is ill (*died 18.12.06*), in fact he has two forms of cancer. He has had leukemia for many years – the result, he said to me once, of working with nuclear isotopes when he was younger. He has suffered terribly from all forms of treatment over the years. His family has been aghast at what he has to go through, poor man. But now the end is near. He wants to die at home and has decided not to have any more antibiotics. He has no immune system, so his health is very frail. He says he does not wish to die in a hospital or hospice and his wife, Sue is wonderful. "The best nurse and caregiver in the world" he says.

David has been a lovely brother and very good to my Christopher all the time Chris has been in the States – beyond the bounds of 'uncle-hood' – and good to my youngest, Brigid. They have the love of horses as an obsession in common, Brigid and David.

Your Mother, Jenny, promised to come and see me, which will be very nice, I'm very fond of Jenny. I've been very ill myself. My pancreas was nicked during an operation and caused Pancreatitis, terrible mayhem in my abdomen. I nearly died and was in ICU for 8 days. I had 6 operations with a general anesthetic over 3 months.

Must stop – you won't have time to read all this. Your doing the Kronfeld Website is just great!

Love Tui.