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**John (Johann) Kuntner** owned and worked as a waiter at The Baychester Inn in Baychester, Bronx, New York. In the 1973 movie "The Seven-Ups" Baychester is shown in the last 15 minutes. The Baychester Inn is in that movie with a different name. The Inn is gone now.

**John Kuntner** was born on November 16, 1894 in Vienna, Austria<sup>1</sup>. He immigrated to New York and arrived at Ellis Island on March 11, 1922, intending to go to his brother **Fred**'s home in Yonkers, Westchester County, New York.<sup>2</sup>

By 1930 John was no longer living with his brother, but was now living as a boarder at 1094 Bryant Avenue in the Bronx. He was now working as a waiter in a restaurant.<sup>3</sup> By 1940 John had already purchased his house in Baychester at **2207 Boller Avenue**.<sup>4</sup> He was still a waiter at a restaurant. In 1942, when he filled out his WWII draft registration, he claimed he was the owner of The Baychester Inn, still lived at 2207 Boller Avenue.<sup>5</sup>

**John Kuntner** has not been found in the 1950 census. However, in 1952 he married **Marie** (**Pelikan**) **Pfleger**, who lived in his household in 1940 as the Cook.

Marie Pelikan married Charles Pfleger in 1914 and they had two daughters. By 1940 Marie Pfleger was working as a cook in the household of John Kuntner in Baychester, Bronx, NY. Her husband Charles was living as a lodger in Manhattan. By 1950 Charles Pfleger had died and Marie Pfleger was living with her daughter and son-in-law. But in 1952 Marie married John Kuntner, the man she was a cook for in 1940.

No additional information has been found on either John or Marie Kuntner.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> "United States World War II Draft Registration Cards, 1942," database with images, FamilySearch (https://familysearch.org/pal:/MM9.1.1/F3JV-Q38: 7 April 2016), Johann Kuntner, 1942; citing NARA microfilm publication M1936, M1937, M1939, M1951, M1962, M1964, M1986, M2090, and M2097 (Washington D.C.: National Archives and Records Administration, n.d.).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> "New York Passenger Arrival Lists (Ellis Island), 1892-1924", database with images, FamilySearch (https://familysearch.org/pal:/MM9.1.1/JNLT-TYZ: 30 January 2018), John Kuntner, 1922.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> "United States Census, 1930," database with images, FamilySearch (https://familysearch.org/pal:/MM9.1.1/X7DR-FX1: accessed 27 October 2017), John Kuntner in household of Renee Steentz, Bronx (Districts 251-500), Bronx, New York, United States; citing enumeration district (ED) ED 347, sheet 11A, line 24, family 509, NARA microfilm publication T626 (Washington D.C.: National Archives and Records Administration, 2002), roll 1474; FHL microfilm 2,341,209.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> "United States Census, 1940," database with images, FamilySearch (https://familysearch.org/pal:/MM9.1.1/KQM8-8DB: accessed 27 October 2017), John Kuntner, Assembly District 6, Bronx, New York City, Bronx, New York, United States; citing enumeration district (ED) 3-788, sheet 1A, line 39, family 11, Sixteenth Census of the United States, 1940, NARA digital publication T627. Records of the Bureau of the Census, 1790 - 2007, RG 29. Washington, D.C.: National Archives and Records Administration, 2012, roll 2480.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> "United States World War II Draft Registration Cards, 1942," database with images, FamilySearch (https://familysearch.org/pal:/MM9.1.1/F3JV-Q38: 7 April 2016), Johann Kuntner, 1942; citing NARA microfilm publication M1936, M1937, M1939, M1951, M1962, M1964, M1986, M2090, and M2097 (Washington D.C.: National Archives and Records Administration, n.d.).