



Hartleton *Then and Now* Part II



Hartleton Lutheran Church.
Courtesy of Marge Dunkle.

Hartleton was a bustling community prior to the establishment of the Lewisburg, Centre, and Spruce Creek Railroad (later known as the Lewisburg & Tyrone RR) in the 1870's. Borough residents fought for the railroad, and some purchased railroad stock until the fateful decision was made to run the track a mile south of the community. Their failure to obtain the railroad was an enormous disappointment to the residents of Hartleton. The villages of Swengel, Millmont, Rutherford (Laurel Park) and Glen Iron soon sprang up along the railroad right-of-way. The loss to Hartleton quickly became apparent as traffic on the turnpike declined. One by one taverns and businesses closed, and were either razed or converted into houses.

Robert V. Glover owned a mercantile business in Hartleton for 45 years. According to the 1868 Atlas of Union and Snyder Counties, Glover's Store was located at 501 Main St. For 30 years Mr. Glover was ruling elder in the Hartleton Presbyterian Church (adjacent to his business), and was the first cashier, and later president, of the Mifflinburg Bank.

On December 10, 1852, Horace Pellman Glover, eldest son of Robert V. Glover, was born in Hartleton. Horace attended the common schools of Hartleton and the old Union Seminary at New Berlin. He then entered Lafayette College and graduated in 1871. The following year he, like his father, became cashier of the Mifflinburg Bank. While employed there, he also studied law under J. Merrill Linn, and was admitted to the bar in 1878. He opened an office in Mifflinburg and was admitted to practice before the Supreme Court four years later. In 1893, Horace Glover succeeded his father as president of the Mifflinburg Bank. In 1886 he was elected to the Pennsylvania State Legislature where he served one term. Horace passed away in December 1914.

A "Hartleton Locals" article, published in the Mifflinburg Telegraph on February 16, 1882, says, *The much needed new cemetery has, at last, been laid out. It is located on the*

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Millmont Mailbox by Postmaster Sam Smith

Many people dread the arrival of October, as it signifies the onset of autumn and eventually winter. I have actually been looking forward to the month of October, as my wife and I will be spending two weeks vacationing in Arizona! It just so happens that it coincides with the Arizona Fall Baseball League where most of the top prospects will hone their skills in preparation to advancing to the major leagues next year. It is an autograph collectors' paradise, and I will display some of the autographs I obtain there upon my return.

Recently, the Postal Service determined that the Harrisburg District is required to offer rural delivery to certain Post Office Box customers instead of a free post office box. In Millmont, the only customers affected will be the customers that live on Millmont Road. In other offices, like Hartleton, Laurelton, and Weikert, most post office box customers could be affected, and will be offered free delivery by the Millmont rural carriers or will be charged a rental fee for their post office box. Please check with your local Postmaster to see if this applies to you.

October is stamp collecting month. On October 17, an Alzheimer's Awareness stamp will be available, along with many commemorative stamps previously issued.

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hill above town along the pike. The site selected is suitable and beautiful.

A national Decoration Day was celebrated annually around what is now known as Memorial Day. Citizens came out to remember veteran's gone on before by placing flowers on the graves. An excerpt from the Mifflinburg Telegraph on August 25, 1893 reads:

Another Decoration Day has been added to those that have been observed during the quarter of a century since the proclamation was issued that such a day should be held each year. With unabated interest do the people of this country continue to mark the resting place of the patriotic dead. They come

*“From meadow, vale and woodland,
To wreath the early bloom
Of nature's sweetest offering
O'er every patriot tomb.”*

Never so large a company was gathered in this village as this year. At half past two o'clock the procession was formed at the Lutheran church; from thence they proceeded to the grave yard to decorate the graves of the eleven heroic dead. Immediately after the decorating services the people repaired to the Union church and listened with intensity to the oration by Rev. Isaac Heckman.

In 1899 there was one telephone connection in Hartleton. Dr. C. C. Moyer was the only Hartleton subscriber through Home Telephone Company, Lewisburg. In comparison, in Millmont there were six telephone connections, four in Laurelton, three in Glen Iron, and one in Swengel.

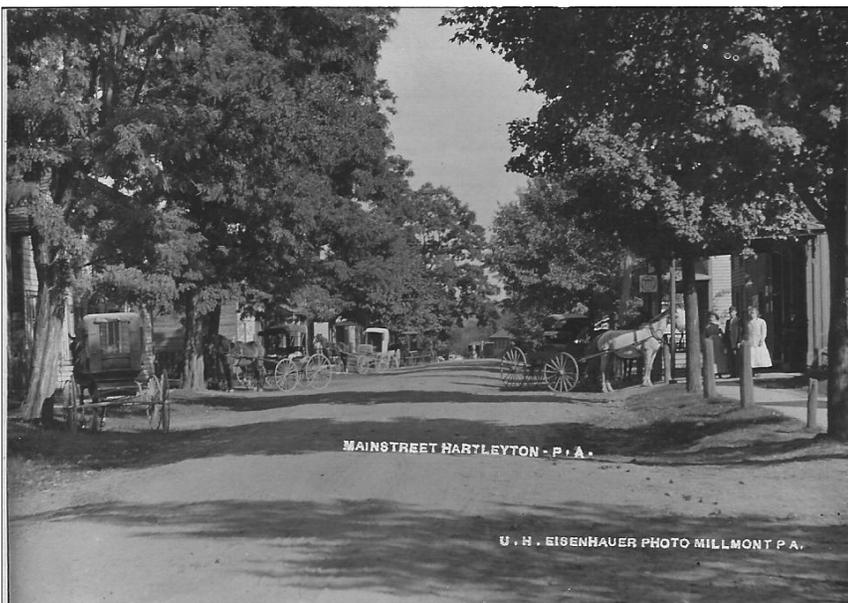
Gasoline streetlights were placed in the borough in 1904 and in 1907 Mr. Frank Culp was paid \$15.15 for six months to light them. In the mid-1920's the Ladies Improvement Club, represented by Mrs. James Wilson and Miss Mary Wilson, gave \$279 from their fund to assist with installing new streetlights. An ordinance was enacted in December 1940 that provided for overhead street lighting service with Pennsylvania Power and Light Company.

Dr. Charles W. Boush was appointed postmaster at Hartleton in early 1905. At that time he was a practicing physician and druggist. Boush was described as a good citizen, a stalwart and influential Republican, and a man that would make a very acceptable postmaster. Dr. Boush, a native of Snyder County, graduated from Medical School in 1893. He practiced in Hartleton between 1898 and 1910 before returning to Beavertown. Dr. Boush passed away on January 26, 1942 in Snyder County.

On Monday July 5, 1920 a disastrous fire struck Hartleton. The fire, which presumably started with a firecracker, originated in the barn of George E. Wilson. Due to a strong northwest wind sparks from the inferno fell upon the roofs of thirteen dwelling houses and four barns. At the time many feared that the business section and the entire eastern section of the town were doomed to destruction. Due to the efforts of those who assisted in fighting the blaze no other structures were lost during the fire. A newspaper article noted that, “during the height of the fire the wind became

calm and only by the Hand of Providence and the heroic efforts of the fire fighters was the town saved of one of the most disastrous fires in its history.”

An emergency landing field on the New York - Chicago Air Route was built in the borough of Hartleton in the spring of 1925. The government leased 69 acres of land from Clark Korman (located at 114 Cold Run Road) at \$12 per year per acre and erected a steel tower and beacon light. In the spring of 1932, \$3500 was spent on new lighting and grading, with the intention of making it a permanent landing field. In the spring of 1933, just one year later, workmen dismantled the equipment at the Hartleton Landing Field. Due to a lack of funding, the lights, beacon and equipment were all removed and trucked to Bellefonte. Ammon and Erma Martin currently reside on the property that was home to the landing field.



A view of Main Street Hartleton looking east from Catherine Street.
Photograph from the collection of Delphia Shirk, Millmont.

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BIRD TALK

by Jim McCormick



Much anticipated September finally arrived, but most of it seemed more like August than August did. We did get some much needed rain though, especially important after the driest August on record. Fortunately, late in the month we did get some beautiful September weather. As we see the acorns starting to fall, we know fall is definitely on the way. Many people have mixed feelings about September, because it means the return of cold weather is not far away. I just love it because it is finally cool enough to enjoy being outside and you can actually leave your windows open at night.

This month I would like to highlight one of our Permanent Residents. The Great Blue Heron is one of our most distinctive birds. At nearly four feet tall and with a six foot wingspan, the Heron is our largest bird. By comparison, the Bald Eagle is only about two and a half feet tall (long), but its wingspan is over six and a half feet. Some of our Blue Herons stay here all winter long, sometimes at some lethal risk. Last winter I found the carcass of an adult in a local field; I don't know if it starved or froze to death. The Blue Heron is fascinating to watch as it almost imperceptibly stalks its prey. From its vantage point atop those stilt-like legs, it has a wide view. It is acutely aware of the most subtle movement, both in and outside of the water. I have tried many, many times to get close enough to these large birds to get a decent photograph. Herons are incredibly wary of humans. What is interesting is they seem to know when man is a threat and when he isn't. In our area they are almost impossible to get close to, yet, in National Wildlife Refuges, they seem to be nearly oblivious to our presence. This month's photo was taken at Chincoteague National Wildlife Refuge in January of this year. It was only about twenty degrees and very windy. If you have ever been walking along Penns Creek or one of the local runs and heard and then seen one of these large birds take off, you know how impressive they can be. As it takes off it often makes a grotesque croak that, if you are not aware of the bird, can be quite startling. What got me interested in writing about the Blue Heron this month, occurred early in the month. I was walking along Shirk Road when a Blue Heron took off from the run and landed nearby in the field. Another heron landed shortly after. The second heron began making aggressive movements toward the first. It raised its wings and charged. I found this quite strange. This behavior would be more logical in the spring when defending feeding/breeding territory would seem appropriate. The first heron took flight and flew out of sight. What was this all about? Was the first heron a migrating bird that had landed in the feeding territory of the second? This seems strange, since Blue Herons live peacefully with other herons and wetland birds in wintering grounds. As I was researching this month's column, I ran across an interesting website called: **Wikimedia Commons** @ http://commons.wikimedia.org/wiki/Main_Page It has many images of Blue Herons. There is one incredible photo of a nest with three nestlings.



While I was trying to get a photo of our local Great Blue Herons, I saw what was, to me, a first in our area—a Double-crested Cormorant. It was perched on a rock near Penns Creek, just upstream from Penns Creek Pottery. There is some controversy about the spreading out of the Cormorants in Pennsylvania. Some believe that the Cormorants are an invading species and are crowding out the Great White Egrets and Black-crowned Night-herons.

The fall migration is in full swing, so keep a sharp eye out for these migrating birds. This is such a beautiful time of the year for outdoor activities, especially for bird watching. Enjoy!

The small photograph located in the upper left hand corner of page one shows a 1950's view of Main Street in Hartleton. Shown on the photograph is the Presbyterian Church, which is now an antique shop owned and operated by Mr. & Mrs. David Wagner of Hartleton. To the right of the Presbyterian Church is the former Glover House. Once known as the Baker Convalescent Home, this property has since been converted to apartments. To the right of the Glover House is the Lutheran Church, which has since been razed. To the right of the Lutheran Church is the home of Thelma Pontius.

Hartleton Postmasters

Name	Appointed
Samuel Haupt	May 22, 1819
Henry Charles	Nov. 30, 1821
John F. Wilson	Dec. 7, 1822
John Foster	March 21, 1831
Robert Foster Jr.	May 2, 1833
Robert H. Herring	Jan. 9, 1834
Robert Lucas	March 27, 1840
John F. Wilson	Feb. 24, 1841
Jacob Fees	July 19, 1841
Robert V. Glover	Jan. 26, 1842
Daniel Long	Oct. 12, 1844
William F. Seebold	May 9, 1849
John H. Eilert	June 6, 1853
James Madden	March 25, 1854
Elijah C. Moore	Nov. 20, 1856
A. B. Cummings	April 15, 1857
Helen C. Hayes	May 4, 1861
Adam Beaver	Dec. 12, 1872
Hiram Border	Dec. 21, 1885
William F. Wilson	April 15, 1889
Martin L. Wagner	July 21, 1893
Arthur Radabaugh	June 26, 1897
Jeanette Radabaugh	July 26, 1897
Charles W. Boush	March 22, 1905
Nathan A. Steffy	August 19, 1910
Clayton W. Shirk	July 28, 1916
<i>(Hartleton's longest serving postmaster)</i>	
Donald Fisher	April 1, 1952
Pauline Shirk	August 1, 1954
Ambrose Bennett	May 9, 1963
Denise Zerbe	Nov. 2, 1991
Becky Carr	March 5, 1994
Louise VonNeida	Aug. 30, 1997
Gail Hanselman	Aug. 12, 2000

B.O. Daubert visited Hartleton in the early 1920's, with plans of returning to his home in the mid-west. Daubert's plans changed after he took ownership of The Hartley House, located at 501 Main St., which was formerly known as the Glover house. During the early months in 1927 the Glover house in Hartleton underwent a major renovation and was converted to an apartment building. Pauline Shively recalls the sign on the apartment building that said "rooms" in the mid-1930's.

Mr. Daubert sold the apartment building in the early 1940's. It was operated as a nursing home, the Baker Convalescent Home, until approximately 1971. The late Pauline Dressler worked for Mrs. Baker as a nurses aide. When Mrs. Baker talked about selling the property Pauline and her husband, Lemuel, began to discuss the possibility of purchasing it. After much discussion they decided to buy the Baker Convalescent Home. They ran the business the same as Mrs. Baker did. There were a few girls from The Laurelton State School in residence, as well as some older folks, both men and women. The building housed 12 - 15 residents. The Dressler's lived in the building along with the younger of their five children. They had 2 bedrooms upstairs and one downstairs for their own personal use. Mr. Dressler recalled how he cooked for the residents from time to time, and Pauline took care of the residents. She took them shopping when necessary and made sure all of their needs were met. Lem shared that he and his late wife were the keepers and police: "We kept 'em straight, and fed 'em good." Mr. Dressler said that the resi-

Did you know?

According to census data free black slaves once resided with two Hartleton families. Those families were Richard Maclay and John C. Wilson. The 1840 census information lists R. P. Maclay, who lived in Hartleton and was in the senate from 1842-44, as head of household along with the following:

- 1 white male 5-9
- 2 white males 10-14
- 1 white male 20-29
- 1 white male 40-49
- 1 white female 5-9
- 1 white female 10-14
- 1 white female 30-39
- 1 free colored male 24-35
- 2 free colored females under 10
- 1 free colored female 24-35
- 1 free colored females 36-55
- 2 members of the household employed in agriculture

The same 1840 census shows John C. Wilson as the head of the household that had the following members:

- 2 white males under 5
- 1 white male 5-9
- 2 white males 20-29
- 1 white male 30-39
- 1 white female 15-19
- 1 white female 20-29
- 1 free colored male 24-35
- 1 free colored male 36-55
- 1 free colored female 10-23
- 4 persons in the household employed in manufacturing and trade.

The above information was provided courtesy of Jeannette Lasansky of Lewisburg.

dents "liked it there".

In 1977 the Dressler's sold the Hartley House to Farida Zaid and Kenneth & Sally Hassinger. The property again changed hands in January 1998 when it was sold to Sharon Snyder. At that time the Hartley House was operated as a home for the mentally challenged. Numerous individuals moved to the Hartley House from the Laurelton Center when it closed. Shortly after the Hartley House closed its doors in the beginning of the century a new business moved in. Road House was a halfway house type of business, with men living there that were transitioning back to independent living. The property was again sold in 2006. It is currently owned by Crystal and Ronald Stahl and is once again an apartment building.

In next month's issue we'll share more about Hartleton, Then and Now. Find answers to these questions in the November issue: What was the Bull Pen? What event prompted a parade that made its way through Union County, including Hartleton, in 1938? Who was the traffic policeman in 1954? Who purchased land and gave it to the borough for use as a playground?

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Penns Creek Angler

by Bruce Fisher

Being Prepared Part III

Lets talk about tackle in this installment of "Being Prepared." To be properly prepared you need to decide what type of fishing you will be doing during a period of time. Your tippet, leader, line and rod should be matched up to perfectly take advantage of the task you are trying to accomplish. I'll talk about 3 different types of fishing that are productive for most fishermen under normal circumstances. Most anglers fish nymphs, dry flies and wet flies. In my opinion these 3 types of fishing need different equipment and I'll try to explain why I think this is the case. For example, in the early morning I'm usually prospecting for trout with nymphs simply because most trout don't start to rise until a given point in the morning. This prospecting is just a matter of searching for trout that are not in a feeding mode but will take a nymph if it floats near them. Trout need to feed efficiently in order to grow larger and a helpless drifting nymph provides this opportunity.

Generally speaking trout have been feeding in the riffles all night long and have a full belly. They slip back to the deeper holes after the sun rises to rest and digest food. This is your chance to entice them with an easy meal. So lets get to the heart of the matter, your tippet is one of the most important pieces of your equipment. It has several functions; first and foremost it's your connection to the fish. There are a few different types of tippet, stiff, soft, and then there is the somewhat new tippet called fluorocarbon. An angler would want to use hard tippet for wet flies and some bigger nymphs. The hard tippet is great for wet flies because it will allow you to tie droppers that stick straight out and not get tangled as much. Soft tippet is generally used for fishing smaller nymphs and dry flies. The reason you use the soft tippet is because it will flow more naturally with the current and it coils providing extra distance on the drift before it straightens out and starts to drag. Fluorocarbon tippet is a wonderful invention because it's almost invisible and has great abrasion resistance. This tippet provides a happy medium between hard and soft tippet, it's not too stiff and it's not too soft. Another quality is it sinks quickly, if an angler that wishes to fish wet flies or nymphs it will get their fly to the middle of the water column faster than normal tippet. I use this tippet almost exclusively during periods of clear water or in early spring and late fall.

To add to this there are different sizes of tippet. 7x-2x will cover most fishing fresh water situations. Unless I am fishing at night I usually stick between 3x and 6x for most of my fishing. Size 6x tippet is about 11lb test and 2x is about 8lb test, the thickness increases respectively. The smaller the X numbers the thinner the tippet. The purpose of a leader is to carry the fly in the direction of the cast and then the tippet will provide the drag free drift. You will match the leader size and length to the size of the fly and the type of fishing you are doing. Leaders use the same 7x-2x identification as the tippets. The X size will denote the skinny end of the leader. All good leaders are tapered going from thick at the end that connects to the fly line to skinny end that's attached to the tippet. The tippet and leader are



critical components of your equipment and must be matched accordingly. You can't cast a heavy #6 stone fly nymph properly with a 12ft dry fly leader. There are many different types of leaders, dry fly leaders, wet fly leaders and nymphing leaders and you must be prepared to use the correct leader for the type of fishing you are doing. I am guilty of not being ready in some cases and I splice different leaders together to get what I am looking for but then I ultimately destroy 1 leader to get what I need. Do yourself a favor and get a leader wallet or use zip lock bags to carry the correct leaders you need and then changing from one to another becomes easy if you want to fish a different method at a moments notice. How many times have you been nymphing and all of a sudden a hatch starts and you don't have a nice 9ft-12 dry fly leader and are stuck with an 7.5ft nymphing leader, it just doesn't work as well as a leaders designed for dry flies.

There are many different types of leaders! 9-12ft 3x-6x leaders are for dry flies. 7.5ft nymph leaders of 2x-5x are for nymphs. The X size you use corresponds to the size of the nymph you will be using. For a bigger fly you would use a smaller X size. For a #6 stonefly I would be using 2x and for a #14 gold ribbed hares ear I'd use 5x. A wet fly leader is usually around 9 ft long with the end around 4x. It can contain as many as two droppers for additional flies. You can't buy these special leaders in most shops but you can learn how to tie your own. Penns Creek Angler has these leaders and they are made of hard mono like the ones your grandfather used. I hope this helps people understand the importance of a leader and tippet and how they work together to provide better catch rates. Well, this is getting long! I cover lines and rods on the last installment of "Being Prepared."

"Catch you Later" Bruce Fisher

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Meanderings

by

Hertha S. Wehr

Molly Ivins

I bet most of you are wondering who is Molly Ivins, and why does she deserve mention in a column. Well, it's sort of a long story but I'll begin by telling you I read a book she had written, perhaps ten or fifteen years ago. I liked the way she wrote. She was a columnist for the Fort Worth Star-Telegram and a lot of her columns created heat as well as light. I liked to read them when they were printed in other papers. In fact I occasionally cut out some columns and saved them. While I was sorting some papers I came across one I had saved from 1997. I'll not copy it in its entirety but perhaps you'll enjoy her writing.

The federal government has agreed to pay hospitals around the country hundreds of millions of dollars not to train doctors to alleviate a growing glut of physicians-The Washington Post.

Now Molly speaks: Your average, uniformed American might conclude that this is idiocy-he might even think our government is nuts. That's because our average uniformed American has more sense than Congress and the administration combined.

The way this teeny-weeny billion dollar lunacy worked its way into the federal budget agreement, disguised as a Medicare provision, is as follows.

Earlier this year, the administration decided to give the state of New York \$400 million over several years not to train doctors-a special deal, an experimental program to stave off the dreaded doctor glut. This naturally ticked off

all the training hospitals in Texas, Massachusetts and elsewhere. They, too, wanted to be paid not to train doctors. So, congressional Republicans decided to eliminate this appalling example of favoritism toward New York by extending the experiment everywhere else.

Congratulations, Knot-heads!

We have 700,000 doctors, more per capita than any other country. What we have too much of are specialists, as in plastic surgeons who specialize in nose jobs and liposuctions. But as we know there is still a serious shortage of doctors in rural areas, on Indian reservations and other places with concentrations of poor folks.

Then again, more doctors might lead to...well, competition. Price-cutting. More choices for patients. All the stuff that competition is supposed to lead to. It might even lead to less square footage of all those mansions doctors keep building on Pill Hill. The glut of specialists might even encourage more doctors to go into family practice, maybe to emphasize preventive medicine. It is clear to our government that this is an eventuation to be devoutly avoided.

Your average, uniformed American might wonder why his congressman would reach such a remarkable conclusion. Cast our imagination loose, fellow American-let them wonder over the possibilities and then pause at the fact that the American Medical Association is the biggest political action committee in the United States-the Numero Uno. That's \$13.8 million from doctors' PAC to our politicians from 1987 to March of this year. More than the tobacco companies, the real estate lobby, the teachers and the National Rifle Association.

She goes on to tell how we have a glut of lawyers, how Medicare and Medicaid are mismanaged. She used the same, sometimes insulting language for all of her columns. But it was hard to be angry with her as she told everything as it was.

Molly Ivins died about two years ago. Her obituary said she hosted many parties and many celebrities attended them. I'm not sure if people respected her opinions or if they just ignored her but I think she would have been an interesting person to know.



Field Notes, by WCO Dirk Remensnyder

Programs aimed at helping to get youth interested in hunting seem to be having a positive effect here in Union Co. This year we have done four Hunter, Trapper, Education courses that were filled to capacity. The final course we had scheduled certified 91 students and we had to turn approximately 40 others away because we did not have enough seats. Because of this we scheduled one more H.T.E. class for the end of September to accommodate the students that could not get into the prior courses.

During a Black Bear snaring study that was conducted for one week at the end of July nineteen bears were snared and tagged for research purposes.

Thursday, October 9, 7:30 PM

The Story Behind the Austin Dam Failure

by Professor Tom Rich
at the Community Center, Laurelton, PA

While many are familiar with the Johnstown Flood of 1889, another significant dam failure in Pennsylvania occurred twenty-two years later in the town of Austin in Potter County. The dam was built to impound water for the paper making industry in Austin, which was an important part of the lumbering industry in north and central Pennsylvania. In his presentation, Prof. Rich will tell the story behind the design, construction, and ultimate failure of this early concrete dam and the subsequent disaster in the town below it. An interesting part of the story involves several "technical" mysteries. Correspondence between the design engineer and the dam's owner along with other period documentation provide important insights into social responsibility leading to the question: how should society protect the public from the misuse of technology?

Professor Rich earned his bachelor's degree in mechanical engineering (M.E.) from Carnegie Mellon University and his doctoral degree from Lehigh University. He is currently Professor of M.E. and holds the Rooke Chair in the Historical and Social Context of Engineering at Bucknell University. He has taught at Texas A&M University and the University of Southampton, England, and served previously as Dean of Engineering for eleven years at Bucknell. He has written an electronic CD book documenting the canal, cement, iron & steel, and waterworks history of engineering and technology of Pennsylvania. Rich served as Senior Fellow in the Society and Technology and Environmental Residential Colleges at Bucknell and is currently a member of the Union County Historical Society Board.

This program is free and open to the public.

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Blessings from the Bible

by Brenda Weaver

"The joy of the Lord is my strength."

Do you know where this phrase of scripture is found? You might imagine David the Psalmist writing it while tending sheep in a peaceful pasture. While David certainly experienced the joy of the Lord at times in his life, this verse is not found among his writings.

"It is found in Isaiah," my daughter said. But I did not find it there either.

"I think Job said it," I replied. I too was wrong.

My husband and I headed for our trusty Bible study helps; he to his Power Bible CD on the computer, and I to the Compact Bible Concordance on my desk. He found it first.

"It is found in Nehemiah 8:10" he said. Together we read the verse and explored its meaning. Read it; it hardly sounds like advice from the American Heart Association!

What were the conditions surrounding the verse? Nehemiah, after organizing and leading in the rebuilding of the walls of Jerusalem by those Jews returned from exile, had just read the then available scripture-"the book of the law of Moses." And he read it from early morning until midday. After years of captivity, the people were moved to tears and mourning by the reading of God's word. Next comes the verse which includes the phrase, *"the joy of the Lord is my strength."* Read it and the rest of Nehemiah 8 for interesting lessons from the Bible. Nehemiah told the people to go home and eat the best, or richest, food they had and to share it with the poor in celebration of the reading and heeding of God's law. The people were encouraged to set aside the sorrow and receive strength from the joy of the Lord.

Maybe this is why this phrase of scripture has been close to my heart lately. In the past year our family has experienced the sadness of separation and the agony of grief. Just seven days ago our family received a blessed addition and joy is flooding our hearts. "We have a baby girl!" our son-in-law informed us. Faulty phone connections (from Haiti) made it difficult to hear him and we felt a measure of sorrow at being so far away. But the joy of the Lord has come to us in the gift of a sweet little bundle, and though many miles and part of an ocean separate us, we rejoice exceedingly! After saying what felt like too many goodbyes, this grandmother is happy to say hello!

"Restore unto me the joy of thy salvation; and uphold me with thy free [willing] Spirit" (Psalm 51:12). My testimony is one of praise for God's faithfulness. We have known sorrow and loss, but God is good, and there is strength to be found in the joy of the Lord! How much joy is still to be found in the reading and heeding of God's Word.

Hello, Lynn Aleah, welcome to the family!

Prayer for Today: *Thank you, Father God, for the joy of the Lord upon our lives. We give You thanks and praise for the blessings of reading Your Word and for the gift of babies. Thank You for sending Your son, as a baby, to be incarnated and live among us, so that one day we might live with You. Amen*

Recipes of the Month

by Janice (Dorman) Shively

Grilled Potatoes with the Works

2 large potatoes
3 T. olive oil
1 T. onion soup mix
¼ tsp. dried thyme
2 T. chopped onions
4 slices bacon, fried and cut into small pieces
¾ C. shredded cheese of your choice

Preheat outdoor grill to 400°. Wash potatoes and dice into ½" - ¾" cubes. Combine olive oil, onion soup mix and dried thyme. Pour over potatoes. Place into an 8" or 9" square disposable aluminum baking pan. Place aluminum baking pan with potatoes in preheated grill. Roast for 15 minutes,

stirring every 5 minutes or so. After 15 minutes add the chopped onions and stir well. Roast for another 5 minutes and then sprinkle the bacon and cheese over the top. Turn the grill off and let sit for about 5 minutes, till the cheese melts.

Tony and I like potato skins with onion, bacon and cheese on top. So, we decided to try this combination, which includes the whole potato, and it has quickly become a favorite. You can also top with some sour cream too. We like the colby jack cheeses in this recipe. Add your own twist and ENJOY!



Thank You!

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Thanks to everyone who renewed their subscriptions for an additional year. Your support is what helps to make this newsletter possible, and is greatly appreciated!! I would like to welcome the following new subscriber: Miles Schrader, Lamar. I would also like to thank Donald Shively for providing me with two CD's containing hundreds of Shively family photographs; Delphia Shirk for allowing me to copy a souvenir card from the 1901-1902 Hartleton Grammar School as well as an old photo postcard of Harold, Myrtle and Helen Ruhl; Lori Hughes of Hartleton for donating two old newspapers (Mifflinburg Telegraph and Daily Item); Marietta Raker of Mifflinburg for donating a card containing two poems written by my great grandfather, Rev. Greene Shively; Emilie F. Jansma of State College and Weikert, for donating a copy of her book "Cabins and Camps - 2008"; Marilyn Keister of Mifflinburg for donating photo postcards from her collection including numerous views of the former Laurelton State Village and one of Penn's View; and Earl W. Shirk of South Carolina, for sending me several photographs taken at Warbird Park, Myrtle Beach, SC.

From the diary of the late Elder Greene Shively, born in White Springs in 1870 and a resident of Millmont from 1918 until his death in 1954:

Friday October 26, 1934. First snow flakes I saw this season. I worked in the garage this afternoon. Florence took me to Dr. Sampsell's sale. Dr. Sampsell attended to me when I had a hard attack of pneumonia when I was about 8 years of age. Bought a number of articles, including medical balance which he no doubt used throughout his practice, show cases, books, etc. I was obliged to get Mr. Edward Boop to come with a truck to bring my items home.

Saturday October 27, 1934. Some snow, enough to cover the ground.

Sunday October 28, 1934. Temperature 32 to 45 degrees and fair with the exception of a few snow squalls. David Strickler taught my class, and Mervyn Mensch spoke. I was to a Sunday School rally at the Reformed Church at Laurelton. Taught Mr. Francis Bingaman's class and gave a short address. Mr. Bingaman also gave a brief discourse. We had no evening service.

Monday October 29, 1934. Temperature 27 to 45 degrees and cloudy. Worked in the garage. I sent \$1.00 to Mr. E. J. Gutelius for membership fee as a charter member of The Mifflinburg Public Library.

Letters to the Editor

Dear Tony, Please renew my subscription for 2 years and use the rest of the money to help pay your expenses. We look forward every month to receiving the Times. You and Janice do a magnificent job!! Thanks. Shirley Boyer, Mifflinburg, Pa

Hello Tony & Janice, I sure enjoy the Millmont Times. A lot of people I know, and I guess since I lived there around Millmont, went to the red brick school, and then the white one. I sure appreciate the Times, and also those good recipes. Janice you said about those pages in your grandmother's cook books. Well I also have them, and my dear Mother also had them in hers. Keep up the good work, and may God Bless you both always. Thank you. Phyllis Sholter, Lewisburg, Pa

Penlines From my Kitchen to Yours

by Lucy Hoover

August 22, 2008

Elon and Lizzie Martin and family of Lewisburg moved to Bradford County.

August 25

Chris and Wilma Brubacker of Lewisburg have a son named Jerome. He has one brother and three sisters. Grandparents are Leah Brubacker and Lewis and Verna Hoover.

Mary Lou Zimmerman (age 14) daughter of Allen and Marian Zimmerman of Lewisburg is wearing a brace due to tendonitis in her hand. It will take possibly two months to heal. She recently found out that she has juvenile rheumatoid arthritis.

August 27

Jerry and Lorraine Hoover of Mifflinburg have a daughter named Makayla Ann. She has one sister and another sister that died in October 2007. Her grandfather, Allen Hoover, died last month. Grandparents are Mary Hoover and Floyd and Esther Weaver.

Jeremy Reiff (age 19) of Mifflinburg is home from the hospital. He gets around with a wheelchair, which he may need to use for a couple of months until his broken bones heal.

August 28

Allen and Lucy Oberholtzer and Nathan and Erma Oberholtzer, all of Mifflinburg, exchanged homes. Nathan's will now live on his parent's farm and his parents moved into the new home at the end of their lane.

September 4

Jason and Pauline Martin of Mifflinburg have a son named Michael. He has one brother and two sisters. Baby Michael remains in the hospital due to some breathing difficulties. Grandparents are Mervin and Annetta Martin and Samuel and Alice Horning.

September 6

Amos and Verna Hoover of Mifflinburg have a daughter named Krystal Marie. She has one brother. Grandparents are Amos and Elizabeth Hoover and Esra and Lena Zimmerman.

September 7

Edna Jane Martin (age 13) of Lewisburg had an accident while riding her bicycle. She was taken to the E.R.

September 11

Jonathan and Lucy Martin of Middleburg have a daughter named Elizabeth. She has two brothers. Grandparents are Mervin and Annetta Martin and Amos and Elizabeth Hoover.

Today is the wedding day for Daryl Weaver and Sarah Ann Hoover. They were married at the home of her parents.

Jason and Pauline Martin's baby, Michael, came home from the hospital and is doing well.

Looking Back

The following article was copied from the October 14, 1892 edition of The Mifflinburg Telegraph.

Hartleton Locals

Home from school for a few days—Willie Spigelmyer. Will Long and sister, Miss Alice, are visiting friends and relatives in this village.

New millinery goods at Miss Mook's and Miss Yarger's. Call to see them.

Miss Nettie Seebold is spending several weeks with Mr. James Deckard's at Selinsgrove.

Mrs. Simonton spent Thursday last with Miss Ellen Wilson.

Mr. and Mrs. Printzenhoff have returned from Phila., and have settled here for the winter.

Mr. W. F. Wilson in the past three or four months has lost five head of cattle. A heavy loss for one farmer.

During the past ten days quite a number of western people have been visiting relatives and old acquaintances in this place. Mr. and Mrs. Hockman and daughter of Jewell City, Kan., at Mr. L. Pellman's; Mr. J. Smith of Ind., at Mr. J. R. Slayman's; Mr. J. R. Boyer of Elmwood, Neb., at Mr. Adam Beaver's; Mr. and Mrs. Reuben Lepley at Mr. M. L. Wagner's; Mr. Levi Harter of Osceola, O., at Mr. W. Harter's, and others whose names we have not learned.

Mr. and Mrs. John Hayes of Mifflinburg dined with Miss Mary Calvin Thursday last.

Mr. Shaughnessy of Lewisburg called on the Misses Wagner Thursday last.

Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Glover and daughter Mary were in-town Saturday and Sunday.

David Elliott of Bucknell Academy spent Saturday and Sunday with his mother.

Monday morning little Margaret Hayes, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Hayes, fell into a newly dug cistern. She escaped without any apparent injury.

Home to see his family—Mr. W. H. Rudy.

Monday morning Will Wilson took charge of the Pike school near Ray's church and Ammon Lose the Millmont school.

Rev. Heckman is having a successful meeting. Excellent order prevails and a deep interest is manifest. A goodly number of Mifflinburgers were up on Sabbath evening.

Mr. Tom Shaffer and Miss Saddle DeLong dined with Mr. John Dale's Sunday last.

VISITORS

Mrs. Zimmerman, a former resident of this place, visited Mrs. Clymer last week.

Mrs. Wiley of Williamsport is spending a week or more with Mr. Ed. Smith's family.

Miss Ida Border is visiting her parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Willard Moyer spent Sunday with Mr. Wil-

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Researchers Day at the West End Library

Historians, Emilie F. Jansma, Jeanne Jolly, and Tony & Janice Shively will be present at the West End Library at Laurelton on Friday October 3rd from 11:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. and Saturday October 4th from 10:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. to answer inquiries, and share information they have compiled relative to the history of the West End. These individuals will be sharing genealogical information, photographs and other historical facts on a one-on-one basis with everyone who pre-registers for the two-day event.

Emilie F. Jansma, has an extensive collection of information on the Weikert, Cherry Run, and Pardee areas from the 1800's through the 1900's. Her vast collection of material includes people, properties, maps, family charts, a booklet relative to the camps in the West End, a database of 280 families of Weikert area and other information pertaining to the "Tight End" of Union County.

Jeanne Jolly has done extensive research into the Hironimus and related families, including: Burns, Barnett, Libby, Pursley, Shaffer, Sholter (John). In addition she is also interested in some of the pioneer families who settled in the Wet End. Those surnames include Aumiller, Eisenhuth, Galer, Goodlander, Johnson (William), McPhearson, and Zimmerman (Jacob).

Tony & Janice Shively will have all of The Millmont Times newsletters available to browse through and copy, a collection of class photographs of the Millmont Grammar School, and the Lewis Township High School, newspaper clippings pertaining to Millmont, Hartleton, Swengel, and Laurelton prior to 1930, an obituary index containing the names of more than 5,000 individuals, and Pearl Kaler's genealogical histories of the Rearick, Dorman, Blyler, and Kaler families.

Anyone interested in making arrangements to speak with Emilie, Jeanne, or Tony & Janice Shively is encouraged to call the West End Library at 570.922.4773. They will be happy to share their material and photographs with all those who make reservations and makes such a request. A copier will be available on both days.

You may also be able to assist Jeanne Jolly and Tony Shively by helping to put names to faces on a number of old school photographs. The school photographs are from Hartley and Lewis Township.

Items of historical interest will also be on display in the showcase at the library. Those items include a facsimile of a circa 1850 map of the West End, Nancy (Zimmerman) Jolly's clay pipe, a photograph of the Hironimus homestead along with a small piece of lumber from that home, a photograph of the Millmont Railroad Station, Rev. Greene Shively's Perfection Article Holder, Jacob Shively's portable soldering iron, as well as other items.

The West End Library is located at 45 Ball Park Road (off Laurel Road) just east of Laurelton. For more information you can reach them at the telephone number listed above, or you can email the library at: wellob@westendlibrary.org

Emilie F. Jansma can be reached by email at:
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Jeanne Jolly's email address is:
jbjolly@yahoo.com

Tony & Janice Shively's email address is:
millmonttimes@dejazzd.com

What's Happening at Christ's United Lutheran Church *Courtesy of Shirley Kerstetter*

Christ's United Crafters will be holding a craft bazaar and bake sale on Saturday November 22 from 9:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. Refreshments will be available.

Angel Food Ministries is an ongoing program at the church. For more information about Angel Food you can visit their website at: afm@4bellschurch.com or you can call the Angel Food Coordinator at 966.5068.

If you are not from this area you can go to the Angel Food Ministries website: www.angelfoodministries.com and select a church closer to you. It is a great program.

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liam Moyer's.

Dr. Samuel Glover was in town Saturday and Sunday. Mrs. Clara Rhoads and sons Sundayed with her father, Dr. Seebold.

Mr. William Smith of Bellevue, Ohio, is visiting his mother, Mrs. Sarah Smith, and other relatives in this locality.

Mr. Little of Picture Rocks was the guest of Mr. William Harter's family Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Glover spent Monday with Mrs. R. V. Glover's family.

Mrs. Samuel Blair visited her father several days last week.

Mrs. Stover of Coburn recently spent a day or two with Mrs. Ammon Lose.

Dr. Orwig of Middleburg is in town this week looking after his patients.

MISCELLANEOUS

Mrs. William Dale left for Altoona Tuesday afternoon, accompanied by her father, Mr. James Musser.

The meetings in the M. E. church continue with interest. Rev. M. L. Ross will occupy his pulpit next Sabbath afternoon.

A large appreciative audience greeted Rev. Wm. C. Hesser last Sabbath morning in the old Union church. Forty-two years ago he preached in the same meeting house, his first sermon, then only a school boy in his tens.

Miss Jennie Yarger is this week attending the convention of the Y.P.S.C.E. at Altoona.

Mrs. Dr. Smith left for her home, Hollidaysburg, last Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Adam Beaver last week attended Love-feast at Free Spring, Juniata Co.

Dr. M. L. Mensch and son took a drive to Buffalo X Roads and Lewisburg Thursday last.

Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Hayes last week spent a few days at Pleasant Mills, Juniata Co., with Mrs. Hayes' father.

A series of meetings will be held at the Dunkard meeting house, beginning Oct. 23d. Ministers from a distance will be present. Love Feast the 1st and 2d of November.

Remembrance

Miriam Viola Hoffman, 84, of 2080 Forest Hill Road, Mifflinburg entered into rest on Sunday, September 7, 2008, at 2:35 a.m. in the Buffalo Valley Lutheran Village, Fairground Road, Lewisburg, where she was a guest since December 2004. She was a lifetime resident of West Buffalo Township, Union County.

She was born July 26, 1924, in West Buffalo Township, a daughter of the late George Calvin and Emma Jane (Pentycofe) Lohr. On July 5, 1942, in Mifflinburg, she was married to Merlyn Harrison Hoffman who preceded her in death on December 25, 2005.

Miriam attended the Jug Handle School in West Buffalo Township. She was a homemaker her entire adult lifetime.

Miriam was an active member of the Buffalo Valley Church of the Brethren, Mifflinburg, a member of the adult Bible Sunday school class, a member of the Shikellamy Region Antique Automobile Club of America, and the National Automobile Club. Miriam loved doing crafts, gardening, needlework, nature and her Lord.

She is survived by her five children and their spouses, Eugene F. Hoffman of Mifflinburg, Gary H. and Beverly A. Hoffman of Mifflinburg, Eileen H. and Michael J. Wolf of Danville, Wayne S. Hoffman of Mifflinburg, and William B. and Lisa L. Hoffman of Shamokin; six grandchildren; one great-grandchild; one brother and sister-in-law, John H. and Rachel Lohr of Mifflinburg; and four sisters and two brothers-in-law, Hazel M. Schell of White Deer, Lulu N. Hoffman of Millmont, Pauline E. and Guy Heckman of Milton, and Martha M. and Miles Delcamp of Mifflinburg. She was preceded in death by one sister, Mary Kathryn Smith, and one brother, Cloyd Irwin Lohr. Interment was in the Buffalo Valley Church of the Brethren Cemetery, Limestone Township.



George William Wert Jr., 80, of 57 Second St. Millmont for the past 56 years, entered into rest at 11:44 a.m. Sunday, September 28, 2008, at Evangelical Community Hospital, Lewisburg, where he had been a patient since Wednesday.

He was born October 16, 1927, in Detroit, Mich., the son of the late George W. Sr. and Bessie (Wilcox) Wert. On August 7, 1952, in Lewisburg, he married the former Helen M. Pfleeger, who survives.

George was a 1945 graduate of Mifflinburg High School. He served as a corporal in the Army during World War II from Jan. 4, 1946, until his honorable discharge on July 7, 1947. George was employed for 35 years at American Home Foods, Milton, retiring in 1990.

He enjoyed meeting with his friends every day for coffee at McDonald's in Mifflinburg. George also enjoyed woodworking at his home, caring for his cats, antique and classic cars, and attending the Selinsgrove races.

In addition to his wife of 56 years, he is survived by two sons and daughters-in-law, Allan R. and Ann Wert of Mililani, Hawaii, and Dale E. and Sharon L. Wert of Mifflinburg; one daughter and son-in-law, Debra A. and Donald D. Feather of Wildwood, N.J.; seven grandchildren, Kelly, Ryan, Dale II, Chris and Renee Wert and Jeffrey and Joshua Herrold; and eight great-grandchildren.

Burial was in Old Cedars Cemetery, Swengel, with military honors by Mifflinburg American Legion Post 410 and Mifflinburg Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 1964.



Col. Thomas Hartley

The man for whom Hartley Township and Hartleton Borough were named is Colonel Thomas Hartley. Although he was never a resident of the West End of Union County, he did at one time own a large parcel of land that includes the area where Hartleton Borough is located. Credited with subdividing a portion of his land into lots, Hartley never recorded his plan of the town.

Hartley was born near Reading, in Berks County, Pennsylvania on September 7, 1748, the son of George Hartley an early settler and prosperous farmer. He received a liberal education at Reading and later moved to York where he began to study law with a relative, Samuel Johnson. He was 18 years old at the time. He was admitted to the bar of York County on July 25, 1769. In 1772 Hartley married Katherine Holtzinger.

Great events were stirring between the Colonies and Great Britain by 1774. When the movement for the defense of the colonists began, Hartley was an enthusiastic supporter. In December 1774 a company of militia was organized, and he was named 1st Lieutenant.

When Congress authorized the establishment of the 6th Battalion in January 1776, Hartley was selected to the post of Lieutenant Colonel. He later served as Lieutenant Colonel in the 7th Pennsylvania Regiment where he was involved in battles at Brandywine and Germantown. It was with this regiment that Hartley proceeded to Fort Augusta in Sunbury, from which he fought numerous battles in the northern frontier and the West Branch valley. Perhaps it was during this time period that he ventured into western Union County where he purchased property years later.

While still serving in the Army, Hartley was elected to the Pennsylvania General Assembly in 1778. He resigned from his military post in 1779.

In 1788 Hartley was elected to the first Congress of the United States. He remained in Congress until his death at age 52 on December 21, 1800. His remains are buried at the St. John's Church in York.

Hartley and his wife, Katherine, were the parents of two children, Charles William Hartley and Eleanor (Hartley) Hall.

Jump Start Your Devotional Life!

Morning Prayer at Christ's United Lutheran Church (Four Bells) Wednesday morning's at 9:00 beginning September 24th. Join us for this informal time of praying and sharing. The Energy of Prayer Works! God Listens!

"Hope's Haven" a free food and clothing bank is open every Wednesday from 10 until 2 at Christ's United Lutheran Church, (Four Bells) 13765 Old Turnpike Road, Millmont. Gently used seasonal clothing and shoes will be offered as well as non-perishable food items. Infant through adult clothes for the entire family!! Questions are welcomed! Call us at 922-1860.

October Birthdays & Anniversaries

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| 1 – Wendy Bilger | 17 – Janet Renninger |
| 1 – Virginia Martin | 18 – Sarah Boyer |
| 1 – Diane Martin | 19 – Henry & Naomi Aurand - 1963 |
| 2 – Zachary Kline | 19 – Laura Dorman |
| 2 – James Maust | 20 – Maria Brubaker |
| 3 – Peggy Aikey | 20 – Elisa Beaver |
| 4 – Michael Aikey | 24 – Mary Louise Jones |
| 5 – John & Janet Renninger - 1968 | 24 – Richard Zechman |
| 7 – Harry Aikey | 24 – Scott Feaster |
| 8 – Miles Schrader | 26 – Marvin & Jane Benner - 1952 |
| 8 – William “Bill” Inch | 26 – Ella Mae Maust |
| 9 – Betty Shoemaker | 26 – Sara Dorman |
| 9 – Teresa Yoder | 27 – Pauline Shively |
| 10 – Renda Shively | 27 – Alvin Nolt |
| 11 – Carol Yarger | 28 – Kim & Carol Yarger - 1972 |
| 14 – Kenneth Catherman | 29 – Jacque Libby |
| 14 – Annetta Oberholtzer | 30 – Arlene Martin |
| 15 – Kathy Groff | |
| 16 – Ralph Aikey | |
| 17 – Bill & Anne Little - 1980 | |
| 17 – Kenneth & Kathy Groff - 1970 | |

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