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“Old Doc Glover”

“Old Doc Glover,” that name, term, phrase, expression, or moniker has been repeated many times through the years. I have heard that familiar refrain on numerous occasions during interviews or conversations with folks who live, or were born, in the west end of Union County. Doctor Glover was well known by generations of west end residents, since he tended to the needs of patients from that area for nearly six decades. Despite his own health concerns, Glover continued to provide his services to many longstanding patients that turned to him whenever they needed a physician. In 1944 the amputation of his right leg almost forced his retirement from practicing medicine.

Oliver Wendell Holmes Glover was born May 16, 1868, the son of James and Rebecca Ann (Pellman) Glover. He was reared on his parent’s Hartley Township farm, about one half mile east of Laurelton. Oliver was the fourth of five children. His siblings included Anna Mary (married Milton Bingaman), Laura Ellen, Charles Pellman (married Minnie Pursley), and Louis Pellman.

The doctor’s given name, “Oliver Wendell Holmes,” is not only interesting but rather intriguing as well. Although I was unable to confirm why his parents gave him that name, it seems reasonable to assume that they named him after the noted Cambridge, Massachusetts essayist, author, humorist, poet, and lawyer, Oliver Wendell Holmes (1809-1894). Another fascinating aspect regarding Oliver Wendell Holmes of Massachusetts is the fact that he was also a celebrated and distinguished physician, and later became a professor of anatomy and physiology at Harvard University.

The history of the Glover family in Union County predates the Revolutionary War. John Glover Sr. (1744-1825) and his family were some of the earliest settlers to arrive in the western region of Buffalo Valley, in what is now Hartley Township. The family first immigrated to the area in 1772. Glover and his family carved out a spot in the pristine wilderness approximately two miles west of what is now the Borough of Hartleton. At the time the Glover’s settled here, this area was a rugged and remote frontier region of the country, and Indian insurrections were not uncommon.



Doctor Oliver Wendell Holmes Glover standing alongside his vehicle, parked in front of his drug store, and office in Laurelton, circa 1912.

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Millmont Mailbox by Postmaster Sam Smith



It's hard to believe summer is unofficially over with the Labor Day holiday that the Post Office will be closed for on Monday September 6th. Soon it will be fall, and with it, football season. I got my first taste of football season with my visit to Latrobe PA, as I went to Pittsburgh Steelers' training camp. It was a very interesting experience. Most of the Steelers players were very accommodating with autographs. I was able to acquire autographs of Tommy Maddox, Hines Ward, Joey Porter, Jeff Reed and several others on a football helmet and cards. I was also able to obtain their #1 draft pick: quarterback Ben Roethlisberger's autograph!

My "Dog Days of Summer" customer appreciation promotion went very well, and I'm sure hot dogs will be available again next year.

The John Wayne stamps release was delayed until September.

Good news! You soon won't have to dodge the potholes in the parking lot, as it will be repaved shortly!

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According to family tradition, John Glover Sr. was not only mindful, but also fearful of Indian attacks upon his family and his dwelling. Each time the elder Glover attended to business away from home, he safeguarded his wife and young children by hiding them in a nearby wooded area. The attacks on the white settlers of Buffalo Valley became so severe that in 1778 all of the frontier families living in the region, including the Glovers, were forced to make a hasty evacuation. This mass exodus became known as the "Great Runaway."

Upon exiting the Buffalo Valley the Glover family relocated to Dauphin County, before eventually settling near Winchester, Virginia. This was the same locale where the family resided prior to migrating north to Pennsylvania. The family did not return to their homestead in Buffalo Valley until 1789, when peace and tranquility returned to the region. In his writings about the early history of Union County, Richard V. B. Lincoln noted that John Glover Sr. was known by the sobriquet, "King of Buffalo." It is an interesting nickname, and one that I wish Lincoln had explored or explained in greater detail. John Glover Sr. had two daughters and two sons: Elizabeth, Mary, John Jr., and William. The elder Glover and his wife, Sarah (Duncan) Glover, are buried in the Old Laurelton Cemetery, just east of Laurelton.

John Glover Jr. (Doctor Glover's grandfather), was born near Winchester, Virginia in 1782. He moved to Hartley Township with his parents in 1789, following their return to Union County. He succeeded his father in ownership of the family homestead west of Hartleton. John Jr. and his wife, Elizabeth, were the parents of one daughter and seven sons. Those children included Sophia, William (Sheriff of Union County from 1837 until 1840), Andrew, John III, George, Thomas, Robert, and James (the father of Doctor Glover). John Jr., a veteran of the War of 1812, was elected Register and Recorder of Union County in 1839. He served in that capacity until 1842.

John Glover Jr. was instrumental in providing the land where the Lutheran Church, just east of Laurelton, was erected. He died May 18, 1862. He and his wife, Elizabeth (Gray) Glover, are buried in the cemetery at the Hartleton Union Church.

Oliver Wendell Holmes Glover attended the schools of Hartley Township. He then attended Bloomsburg State Teachers College, graduating with the class of 1886. He taught school for one term before becoming a drug clerk in the office of Doctor George C. Mohn of Laurelton. While employed by Dr. Mohn, Glover became interested in and began studying medicine. In September 1888 he enrolled at Jefferson Medical College in Philadelphia. Following his graduation in 1891, Glover began practicing medicine alongside Dr. Mohn. When Mohn retired, Glover continued his practice, spending his entire professional career in the west end of Union County.

Doctor Oliver Glover was an eminent physician and surgeon, who also took a keen interest in the development of the west end of the county. In 1914, when the state of Pennsylvania first proposed erecting the "Village" on state forestlands north of Laurelton, there was concern in some quarters that the site did not contain any tillable lands. Doctor Glover, along with David R. Pursley, was instrumental in assisting the state by raising funds, and providing tillable farmland adjacent to the site of what later became known as the Laurelton State Village. Doctor Glover was subsequently appointed to the Board of

Trustees of the Laurelton State Village, where he served for a number of years as President of the Board. Doctor Glover was also actively involved in the Hartleton Presbyterian Church, where he served as elder. He was a member of the Mifflinburg Masonic Lodge, and the Williamsport Consistory, as well as the American Medical Association. He also served on the board of the Mifflinburg Bank & Trust Company, and was a board member of the Buffalo Valley Telephone Company.

Prior to his death, Dr. Glover presented one of his medicine bags to Rev. Greene Shively for display in his collection of antiquities and relics. That bag remains in the Shively family collection located alongside Maple Street in Millmont. Upon learning of the passing of Doctor Glover, Rev. Greene Shively made this entry into his diary on Thursday November 24, 1949: *"This eve about 5 pm Dr. O.W.H. Glover of Laurelton our old family Dr. died & his wife is paralyzed can't talk or help herself. The Dr. lived on a half glass of milk a day for some time. He will sure be missed as he doctored the folks for miles around & many for thanks & not even that many times. He brought hundreds of children into this world. There were 5 in the garage (Shively's Garage) when we got the word & he had*



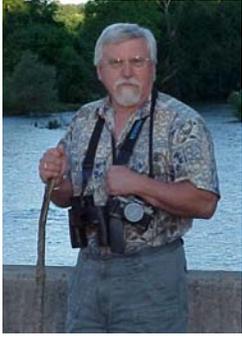
This home, situated alongside State Route 235 in Laurelton, is where Doctor Oliver and Effie (Wagner) Glover lived for a number of years.

brought all 5 into this world."

David and Mildred (Teichman) Diehl lived next door to Doctor Glover and his wife, Effie, for a period of time in the early 1940's. David recalled the numerous occasions when Doctor Glover was summoned from his home to provide medical care. Oftentimes those calls came in the early morning hours. Diehl recalled watching as Doctor Glover went speeding out the alleyway between their two homes in haste to get to his destination. According to Diehl, Glover routinely slipped the clutch in his Plymouth Coup, making for a rather erratic and rough ride.

Although I was unable to establish that Oliver Wendell Holmes Glover was named after the noted Harvard professor, I do

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BIRD TALK

By Jim McCormick

“That must be Louis Le Petit.” Summer has finally exhausted itself. The sun is rising later and later, while setting earlier and earlier. The vegetation, once fresh and new, has matured and ripened--some leaves are already starting to fall. Birds, too, are aware of the changes. Extremely, sometimes savagely, territorial since their arrival in the spring, the birds have now begun to collect into small groups. The change of the seasons has begun again. Just as they fanned out into smaller and smaller groups in the spring, the birds now are beginning to flock into larger and larger groups for mutual protection on their long migration south.

Sometimes on my walk as I turn off Shirk Road and head up Davis Road, I find myself deep in thought. I might hear a faint sweet sound drifting across the fields and think, *“That must be Louis Le Petit.”* Who is Louis Le Petit, you might ask? He is a male Indigo Bunting who has come to call the Davis Road area his summer breeding grounds. Some years ago I heard the faint sound of a bird singing in the distance, but I just couldn't figure out where it was coming from. Using my binoculars I finally pinpointed the sound coming from a speck on the Lewis Township sign at the top of Davis Road. It was just a dot above the 'i' in Lewis. Male Indigo Buntings frequently find a prominent spot to sing to their mates. At first I called the bunting 'Little Lewie', but was never satisfied with the name. As I thought about it for a while, I was reminded of another Lewie in history, Louis XIV. Louis (pronounced Lewie in French) XIV was the 17th century king of France known as the Sun King and Louis Le Grande. The bunting had been making such a 'noble' effort in his singing I decided to rename him 'Louis Le Petit'. Indigo Buntings are actually quite common in our area. They can be seen along Canada Drive and along Shirk road, as well as many other places. At just 5.5 inches they are rather small birds. The male is a brilliant, even iridescent, blue, while the female is an unremarkable brown. She is usually secreted near her nest close to the ground. You usually will only see her when her young fledge and she is frantically trying to protect them. What is so interesting about the color of the male is that it has no blue pigment at all in its feathers. The color is produced by the diffraction of sunlight through its black feathers. It takes three full seasons for the male to attain its brilliant blue coloring. The male is often seen on telephone wires or on the top of a tree tilting his little head skyward, as if singing to the sun. The Indigo Bunting does not have the operatic projection of the Carolina Wren; in fact, it is not loud at all. It is a very high-pitched, but sweet sound. The buntings regularly return to the same nesting areas and you can be fairly confident of seeing them year after year. Extensive information can be found at the website I referred to in an earlier column: www.birdsbybent.com. Many photos are also available on the internet at sites such as: <http://naturalhistory.uga.edu>, the website of the University of Georgia Museum of Natural History. This site has many high quality photos of common east coast birds. Next summer, if you are ever driving east on Davis Road, slow down, grab your binoculars, and maybe you can get a glimpse of Louis Le Petit on his familiar perch on the Lewis Township sign.



Field Notes by Union County Wildlife Conservation Officer

Dirk B. Remensnyder

As another hunting season approaches, sportsmen around the commonwealth are starting to gear up for it. Hunting licenses are being purchased, Antlerless license applications are being filled out and sent in, new hunting gear is purchased and old gear is dusted off, and preseason scouting and spotlighting activity is starting to increase. With all this comes a responsibility from the sportsmen to sit down and take the time to read your new hunting digest and understand any changes that have been implemented since last season. A brief highlight of some of the changes are:

- A new resident military personnel license has been created. (Consult your digest in the license information section)
- The youth squirrel season has been expanded from two days to six.
- Hunters are now prohibited from discharging a firearm within 150 yards of a Game Commission vehicle releasing pheasants.
- Small game hunters may now use both centerfire and rimfire handguns and rifles, providing they are less than 23 caliber. (This does not apply to woodchucks)
- An extended bear season opens on Monday, Nov. 29 through Saturday, Dec. 4 (Consult your digest as this does not apply to any portion of Union County)
- Crossbows can be used statewide for bear and elk, and during any of the firearms deer seasons, including the regu-

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lar 2-week concurrent deer season, the early muzzleloader season, and the late flintlock season. Statewide, hunters using crossbows during the early muzzleloader season or late flintlock season need to have a muzzleloader stamp in addition to their general hunting license, and appropriate WMU antlerless deer license.

- The Deer Management Assistance program (DMAP) has been expanded to assist more landowners in achieving deer densities consistent with land use goals on their properties. Contact information for all public lands enrolled in DMAP is posted on the PGC website (www.pgc.state.pa.us). Reporting is mandatory for all DMAP harvest permits issued. Hunters who received a DMAP permit are required to submit a report card no matter if successful or not in harvesting an antlerless deer. It is unlawful to receive a coupon and not use it to purchase the permit.
- The sunset provision on the prohibition of feeding bears has been removed, in effect making the prohibition permanent.
- Final approval was given to a measure that rescinds the requirement for furbearer hunters to wear fluorescent orange. With this change, furbearer hunters now must wear fluorescent orange only when hunting coyotes during the statewide regular firearms deer and bear season – 250 square inches – and during the spring gobbler season – solid fluorescent orange cap – while moving.

Reports coming in from sportsmen for the upcoming hunting season seem very encouraging for Union Co. Small game hunters should be highly successful in their pursuit for rabbits and squirrel. Pheasants have been reported being seen throughout the summer and their population will be complemented with the PGC's stocking program. Turkey hunters should have no problem locating a flock. The down side of reports is that sportsmen are not seeing the numbers of deer they have been accustomed to seeing, although I have received numerous reports of large racked buck, overall deer number seem to be the biggest concern. My prediction on deer hunting success will be average to below average for Union Co. Finally, on a strong note – Sportsmen, stay in Union Co. to hunt bear – my prediction is with good weather there will be a record bear harvest in Union Co. this year. Bear are everywhere! It is my hope each and every one of you have an enjoyable, successful and safe hunting season this year and I look forward to meeting you and listening to your hunting stories.

Dirk B. Remensnyder, WCO 3-60-1 Union Co.

Tony,

Sorry for the lapse in my articles for The Millmont Times. The military has kept me busy by sending me to Ft. Drum, NY and Ft. Leavenworth, KS. I'm now back and gearing up for the hunting season. -Dirk

Thank You!!

I would like to thank the following people for donating toward the publication of this newsletter: Mary Wehr, Mifflinburg; Kenneth Shuck, Mifflinburg; Phyllis Sholter, Lewisburg; and Gerald and Dolores Starks, Millmont; and Internet subscribers Cliff and Diane Valentine, Millmont, PA

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Anyone interested in signing up to receive a color version of the newsletter each month *at no charge* is encouraged to contact: tshively@evenlink.com. I would also like to thank the following new mail subscribers: Charles Oxenford, Dillsburg, PA; Raymond Weaver, Millmont, PA; Marilyn Miller, Lewistown, PA; and Ed & Jean Zechman, Palmyra, PA.

Thanks also to all those who renewed their subscription to the newsletter for an additional year. Your support is what helps to make this newsletter possible, and as always it is greatly appreciated!!

My thanks also to "Weikert Historian", Emilie Jansma, for sending me information and material relating to James Randall Chambers of Rife, Montana.

From the diary of the late Elder Greene Shively (a resident of Millmont from 1918 until his death in 1954):

Sunday September 16, 1934, The water was higher then it has been known to be in this community, it run over the rails of the railroad to depth of four inches, over the porch at Shirks's Store, and where Edmund lives at the Yeisley place so that was almost running over the seats of his car in the shed.

(Editor's note: According to Greene's diary, rain fell on September 12th, 13th, 14th, 15th, and again on the 16th, which perhaps explains why nearby Cold Run overflowed, and flooded the town. The Yeisley place referred to above is located on the corner of Penn Street and Millmont Road, and is the property now owned by John and Brenda Weaver).

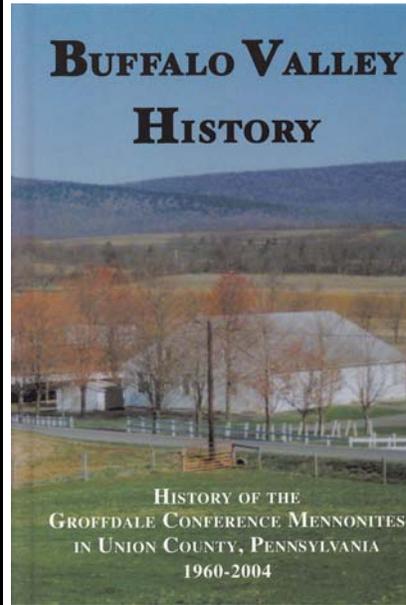
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know one person who was named after the beloved country doctor from Laurelton. Doctor Glover was the attending physician at the birth of Milton and Mamie (Blyler) Kaler's fourth child, Oliver Wendell Holmes Kaler. At the time of their son's birth, December 28, 1912, the Kaler family was living on Libby Road, east of Millmont. Oliver Kaler's birth occurred about the same time as the destructive fire that leveled the original Millmont Box Factory. That fire was only a short distance from where the Kaler family was living. During the inferno, residents feared that many homes would become engulfed in flames.

Oliver Wendell Holmes Glover died November 24, 1949 at age 81. He and his wife, Effie (Wagner) Glover, are buried in the Hartleton Cemetery. They were parents to one child, Jeannette, who later married William Bauserman. The Bauserman's subsequently moved to Virginia.

The Glover homestead remained in the family for generations. Their home has since been razed. Portions of the land are owned by the Pennsylvania Game Commission, and are known as State Game Lands 317.

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A recently published book entitled "Buffalo Valley History - History of the Groffdale Conference Mennonites in Union County, Pennsylvania 1960 - 2004" is now available for purchase. The information included in this book was compiled and written by Alice M. Horning, Adin N. Zimmerman, Eli M. Reiff, and Luke H. Weaver. The book includes the story surrounding the immigration of the Wenger

Mennonites into the Buffalo Valley, which began in 1960. Also included is this 360-page hardcover edition is a yearly account of the activities of the members of the Team Mennonites. Included in the book are history and information concerning Old Order Mennonite businesses, ordinations, schools, baptisms, weddings, births, and deaths.

The influx of members of the Groffdale Conference first began in 1960. An interesting chapter in the book details how conference members from Lancaster county were detained at the Lewisburg Federal Penitentiary from 1942 until 1946. Their detention was the result of their resistance to the war, and their objection to serving in the military.

The book, which retails for \$24.95, is available at the following locations: Zimmerman's Harness Shop, Kaiser Run Road, Millmont; The Union County Historical Society, Union County Courthouse, Lewisburg, PA; or you can contact Eli M. Reiff, 922 Conley Road, Mifflinburg, PA 17844.

Passage

Pearl Irene Ebersole, 93, a lifelong resident of Millmont, most recently of 563 Aikey Road, died at 10:20 p.m. Monday, August 2, 2004, at RiverWoods, Lewisburg. She was born September 22, 1910, in Pocahontas County, West Virginia, a daughter of the late Harry W. and Myrtle (Waugh) Aikey. On December 22, 1932, in Sunbury, she married Charles Franklin Ebersole, who preceded her in death on December 29, 1991.

Mrs. Ebersole was employed as a matron in the McClure Cottage at the Laurelton State School for many years until her retirement on October 27, 1972. She was a member of Richfield Mennonite Church since 1979. Mrs. Ebersole enjoyed crocheting, and cooking for friends and family at her home.

Surviving are two brothers and sisters-in-law, John C. and Aladean M. Aikey of Mifflinburg and Ralph J. and Margaret C. Aikey of Millmont; one sister, Eleanor Pentycofe of Moorefield, West Virginia; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Preceding her in death, in addition to her husband, were a brother, Thomas Harry Aikey; and three sisters, Mary Virginia Zimmerman, Mable May Sechman and Alvertta Emma Oberlin.

Burial was in the Hartleton Cemetery.



Meanderings

by
Hertha S. Wehr

Alaska--Matanuska Valley

Sometime in the 1930's President Franklin Roosevelt thought the Valley could offer a new start to some impoverished farmers who were victims of the dust bowl or were victims of the low prices of the Great Depression.

So far I have not been able to document whether the program had a name, as many of the Depression programs had, nor exactly how it worked. I have to rely on what we were told at the time of our visit.

The Matanuska Valley is located at the north end of Cook Inlet, north of Anchorage. There is an Agricultural station in Palmer which was installed by the U.S. Dept. Agriculture to give advise to the settlers. As you probably know Alaska did not gain statehood until 1959.

F.D.R. conceived the idea of resettling farmers on homesteads in the valley. Plots were laid out with a house and barn. The houses were a bungalow type, not overly large, and barns were a two-story structure with a hip roof. I recall seeing a house and barn but very few of them were left standing at that time. The acreage was not large and within a few years most of the settlers found they could not make a living. The growing season is short, so grass, as either hay or pasture, was a main crop. But livestock needed to be housed for months and it took a lot of forage to keep them. The acreage simply couldn't produce enough to keep enough cows to support a family.

Some people sold out to other homesteaders and found other work or left Alaska. A few survived on more acreage. We did find a milk bottle from an Alaskan dairy. But by and large milk was purchased from store shelves as a UHT product. Since it is pasteurized at ultra high temperatures it need not be refrigerated until opened. That solved the problem of not having dairies for a scattered population.

At Palmer/Matanuska there is an experimental station. At the time we were there they were trying to see if the musk ox was a viable source of income. They looked awfully shaggy to me but we were told they have a very fine undercoat that can be woven into very fine yarn. They have the added advantage of not needing constructed shelter in the winter.

We owe part of our experience in the Matanuska Valley to

some people we met in Anchorage. We were sitting along the street looking at a map trying to decide in which direction we wanted to go next. I happened to look up and saw a fellow from east of New Berlin. Next his wife came along, and then another man we knew. They had just come from a family in the valley who served meals to tour groups. We got their telephone number and asked if they could work us in with another group they were having the next day. They agreed.

The lady of the house gave us a short talk about their experiences. They were not home-steaders in the 30's but had bought a piece of land later. She told us the one thing they had plenty of were stones. After evaluating their assets, stones seemed to be the answer to a house. She said they eventually had six children "all boys but five." Since he was more interested in airplanes than agriculture they eventually sought other means of support. She and several of the girls served meals and the husband now does some part-time government work and is a sight seeing guide.

The meal was delicious. They had a mimeographed booklet for sale with some of their favorite recipes. That is where I got my cinnamon roll recipe. I did find though that she was used to doing things in bulk. Yeast was measured by the spoonfuls and flour was listed as rounded cups. It took me a few times to realize a rounded cup could be a cup and a half, or more. Amounts of shortening, cinnamon, and sugar to go on rolled dough were not specified, just "brush with melted oleo, sprinkle with cinnamon and sugar." Alaska was a learning experience in more ways than one.

Everything in Alaska is expensive; so don't be taken in by the high wages you hear quoted. Everything is expensive because most things are from the lower forty-nine states. Even though Alaska pumps oil it goes south to be refined and comes back as gasoline and other petroleum products.

After leaving Palmer and the valley we drove toward Valdez. On the way we passed through Willow, once considered for relocating the capitol from Juneau, since Juneau can only be accessed by air or water. It looked like an ideal place to us but the idea never materialized. Anyway, that was one night we found lodging in a nice inn. There wasn't much town there but there was room for growth.

At Valdez the oil storage facilities are tremendous. We were impressed at the earthen banks around the tanks to contain any spillage. All sorts of safety measures are taken to prevent disasters but some ships do ignore the dangers, as we well know. Another interesting thing was a monument to the workers that built the Alaskan pipeline. The people depicted were engineers, and all sort of construction workers. The wording at the base read, "we didn't know it couldn't be done."

The waterfalls and mountains along the road to Valdez were spectacular. After about three scenery pictures we decided we weren't taking any more, but there were just one or two more we had to have. From there we moved on to Skagway. A lot of history and misery occurred at Skagway and perhaps another story.

The photograph located on the top left corner of page one is that of the store in Laurel Park. Anyone with information about this store is urged to contact the me at (570) 922.4297, or E-mail me at: tshively@evenlink.com

Letters to the Editor:

August 12, 2004

Dear Sir,

Please renew my subscription for 1 more year. I look forward to receiving the Times each month, about people and places I know.

My Grandparents built the house in Weikert that Joe Sholter lives in. I have my Grandfathers ledger from 1900. He worked for different men for from 50¢ a day to \$1.30.

When my Grandfather died William Sholter, my Mother and Dad lived in the house (Simon and Cora Bingaman). The house was sold after my mothers death.

I was born at Millmont and went to Hartley Twp. School at Laurelton. All my relatives still live in that area. I get down about twice a year to visit my brother Everett and my sister Gladly Harvey. She is in the nursing home.

Rhoda Nale
26775 Pinney Rd.
Cambridg Springs, PA 16403

Tony,

Thanks for the Hook Natural Area article in the Millmont Times.

Here is a remembrance of my mother and father's meeting. It was fun to write. You needn't publish it but it's good to remember.

I remember the farmhouse at the crossroads in Swengel. I remember the train rumbling by shaking the ground. I remember gathering eggs in a Shively basket (I still treasure it), the out-house, the porch pump, the kerosene lamps, the canned tenderloin, the sugar cookies and molasses cookies. I lived there from birth till age 4.



Photograph of Pauline (Showalter) Miller, wife of Russell Miller. She was born 1901 and died in 1994.

I "am" because Russell Miller came to start a shirt factory in Millmont. I wish I knew all the details of their courtship. I only know Polly walked the train tracks with other girls (Dora Boop Koonsman remained a friend all their lives) to work for my Father, Russell. Polly fell in love and married the boss from Stonington, PA. Pauline Edna Showalter became Mrs. Russell Conwell Miller on May 12, 1928.

The depression took the shirt factory dream away. They paid every cent due, a hardship but

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Recipe of the Month

Courtesy of Janice (Dorman) Shively

Cheese Pasta Pot

This recipe was originally given to me by Vicky (Kline) Klingler of Selinsgrove, PA about 20 years ago.

Over the years, I have adapted the recipe to suit my taste. This recipe make a large batch. I use a roaster when I make it.

Ingredients:

- 1 1/2 lb. Ground beef
- 1/2 small onion
- 1 clove garlic
- 14 1/2 oz. Italian stewed tomatoes (not drained)
- 28 oz. Jar spaghetti sauce
- 8 oz. Tomato sauce
- Sugar (to taste)
- Basil (to taste)
- Oregano (to taste)
- 1 small can of mushrooms
- 1 lb. Medium shells
- 3/4 lb. Sliced provolone
- 3/4 lb. Sliced mozzarella
- 16 oz. Sour cream

Combine beef, onion, and garlic. Fry and drain fat, put aside.

Combine stewed tomatoes, spaghetti sauce, and tomato sauce and season with sugar, basil, and oregano to taste. Bring to a boil. Reduce heat and simmer for 10 minutes. Add burger and 1 small can of mushrooms. Simmer 10 more minutes.

While sauce is simmering, cook shells al dente. Drain shells.

Spray roaster, or large, deep casserole dish, with cooking spray. Layer 1/2 shells, 1/2 sauce, 1/2 sour cream, and provolone. Repeat layers ending with mozzarella. Cover with foil (hint: I spray my foil with cooking spray so it doesn't stick to the cheese), and bake at 350° for 1 hour and 15 minutes. Uncover and bake 15 - 30 minutes more.

ENJOY!



The American Red Cross announces a bloodmobile sponsored by:

— Give Blood! Save 3 Lives!
First Lutheran Church
at 404 Market Street, Mifflinburg, PA
Monday September 27, from 1 to 7:00
on_

All persons 17 and over, in good health and who weigh at least 105 pounds are urged to come and donate blood.

Penlines from my Kitchen to Yours

By Lucy Hoover

July 15, 2004

Curvin's sister, Mrs. Luke Shirk of Iowa experienced an unusual happening. She was mowing lawn between their shop and the house, and heard that she mowed into something but couldn't see anything. Later they found out that it was a screwdriver. It went through the screen of an open living room window, flew across the room and stuck into the opposite wall, approx. 3 feet above where 7 week old baby Timothy lay sleeping.

July 17

Susan and Rhoda Brubacker spent the night with us because their parents, Chris and Wilma, rose up early to do the milking and chores at Alson and Faith Martin of Mifflinburg who went to New York for the day.

Curvin is helping all day with the excavating at the site of the soon-to-be Wal-Mart in Lewisburg. He helps on Saturday and in the evening after 5:00 when the regular worker gets off. Because of all the rain we had this summer, they are a couple weeks behind schedule and are putting extra hours in to catch up.

July 18

Noah and Elsie Zimmerman of Mifflinburg have a son named Justin Noah. He has 2 brothers and 3 sisters. He has only one living set of grandparents, John and Esther Zimmerman of Millmont.

July 19

Samuel Girod of NY came to the shop for parts and an engine. His wife came in the house to chat with me for a while. They've been here before and we've become friends. This time their parents came along too.

July 21

Jonathan and Lucy Martin of Middleburg have their first child, named Arlan Ray. Grandparents are Mervin and Annetta Martin of Mifflinburg and Amos and Elizabeth Hoover of Mifflinburg.

July 22

Our sympathy to Ammon and Erma Martin and family of Millmont whose 3 1/2 year old son instantly died in a farm accident this afternoon.

*Oh sweet little boy, too tender to stay,
God in His mercy has called your son away.
Not from your memory, Not from your love,
But to dwell with the Angels in Heaven above.*

July 23

We took Pauline to the Dr. this forenoon. Her sister had been swinging and when Pauline bent down to pick a cup up, the swing hit her right beside her eye. It is very swollen and discolored. She needed eye ointment to keep infection out. Then tonight at the neighbors she went to play with their swing set and she got stung 4 times by a yellow jacket. Is there anything safer to play with than a swing set?

July 24

Noah and Elsie Zimmerman's baby Justin Noah of Mifflinburg came home from the hospital tonight. He was in since yesterday because of being jaundiced and having a very high bilirubin level.

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Looking Back

The article below was originally published in the Mifflinburg Telegraph on September 19, 1926. It is copied here verbatim.

Launch Plans For Big Upper End Corn Fete

**Community Leaders of Millmont, Laurelton
and Hartleton Prepare For Annual Festival**

An annual Corn Festival to be held in the Upper End was announced yesterday by the Capt. Thomas Church Camp, Sons of Veterans. The festival will be an all-day affair which is expected to draw thousands of visitors to the upper end of the county. The event is sponsored by the Sons of Veterans and it is planned to rotate the festival each year between the towns of Millmont, Laurelton and Hartleton.

The purpose of the festival is to develop such a carnival of fun and enlightenment on farm questions that will make the festival an annual event that will attract thousands to it every year. It will not be promoted as a moneymaking affair but more as a Home Coming Day for natives of the Upper End and as a day of pleasure and profit for farmers and truckers of the entire countryside.

The program will include a fantastic parade with prizes to be given for the most freakish costume, best dressed car, etc. A feature will be an exhibit of corn put on by the corn raisers of the vicinity. An expert from the Pennsylvania State College will be on hand to judge the corn and prizes will be awarded to the growers exhibiting the finest corn. The corn expert will deliver an address in the afternoon and answer any questions relative to corn raising.

There will also be other prominent speakers secured to address the people on subjects of current interest.

In addition to the corn exhibits, it is planned to have a complete display of the vegetables and fruit products for which the Buffalo Valley is famed. Experts will be present to judge these displays and prizes will be awarded the best exhibits. The Sons of Veterans will serve chicken-corn soup, roast corn on the cob, and other delicacies on the grounds. A complete program to fill the day will be prepared by a general committee which will include a large number of leading citizens from all parts of the county.

The general committee will be appointed by an organization committee which was selected at a meeting of the Capt. Thomas Church Camp Sons of Union Veterans held Monday evening. This preliminary committee is composed of Aaron Hassinger, Elmer Johnson, James E. Catherman, J. W. Yeisley, Asa Johnson, John J. Showalter, Harry Vanatta, Calvin Aikey, John Voneida, George Brihart, Elmer Buttorf and others. This committee will meet at the home of the chairman, J. W. Yeisley, at Millmont, this Friday evening to elect the members of the General Committee.

The Swengel School



September usually marks the beginning of another school year. As a reminder of schooldays from the past I'd like to thank Bettie Catherman of Mifflinburg for allowing me to copy this school photograph which was taken at the Swengel Schoolhouse, circa 1940. Front row left to right: Robert Adams, Eugene Ruhl, Donald Keister, and Roy Keister. Second row left to right: Robert Catherman, Glen Catherman, Walter Keister, Fred Ruhl, Tom Miller, Donald Shipton, Marietta Steese, Betty Boop, Mary Dale, and Rhelda Dale. Third row left to right: Teacher, Edmund Shively, Jim Shipton, Kermit Dale, Paul Herendeen, Robert Knauss, William Long, Joyce Emery, Shirley Catherman, Mary Ellen Ruhl, Belva Steese, Betty Beaver, and Helen Catherman.

My thanks to Bettie Catherman, Mary (Dale) Wehr, Rhelda (Dale) Valentine, and Tobias Catherman Jr. for their assistance in putting names to the faces above.

Bible Quiz

The winner of the August Bible Quiz will be announced in the October issue of The Millmont Times.

The Bible Quiz question for September is: What is the "shortest" chapter in the Bible? The person whose name is drawn with the correct answer will receive \$10. Send your answer along with your name and address to:

Bible Quiz
PO Box 8
Swengel, PA 17880

Please have your answer mailed to this address by the 20th of the month.

The winner of the June Bible Quiz was Anna Mae Martin, Swengel Road, Mifflinburg, and not Anna Martin of Old Turnpike Road, Millmont. This error was made by the editor and publisher of The Millmont Times, and was not the fault of the person responsible for the Bible Quiz each month. My apologies to Anna Mae, and Anna for the mistake.

Below is a photograph of the Power Dam, on Penns Creek, south of Millmont. The photograph was taken circa 1919. In this photograph the dam appears to be constructed of large stones, unlike the cement structure that is there today. If recent reports are accurate, the dam is slated for removal in the spring of 2005.

Richard Zechman of Lewisburg recently inquired about old photographs of the Power Dam. In the future I would like to do an article about the dam. If you have any old photographs of the Power Dam, the picnic area, and swimming hole, please contact me at 922.4297, or via E-mail at: tshively@evenlink.com



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July 26

We were at the funeral of Jonah Martin, age 3, son of Ammon and Erma of Millmont. We were glad that the rain held off until tonight.

July 27

Mrs. Ammon Martin (Mary) had a knee replacement at a hospital in OH. Her address is: 805 Green Ridge Rd., Mifflinburg, PA 17844

July 29

Emily Oberholtzer (18) daughter of Harry and Alta of Millmont was taken to the emergency room. She had an allergic reaction from a sting she got while picking blueberries.

July 30

Our Brubacker family had a carry in dinner at Mom's house. David and Mabel Jane Brubacker of NY were there too. Mom divided Dad's clothes, and a few other things among the children.

August 2

I was summoned to the courthouse for jury selection, and spent most of the day there.

August 4

One of our neighbors shared their sweet corn. We got 31 dozen ears of corn to freeze and to eat fresh too.

August 5

Our neighbor Jonas Zeiset had surgery. His address is: 4275 Furnace Rd., Lewisburg, PA 17837

August 7

Curvin went excavating at Lewisburg. He took clean clothes along, and from there went to the viewing of 24 year old Cory Rice of Milton. (Curvin excavated with Cory's Dad.)

August 8

We went to visit neighbor Jonas this afternoon. Ten families were there. This evening parent Hoover's had a volleyball game for the youth. We were there for a little while too.

August 10

Buffalo Valley Produce Auction has added an additional piece onto the Auction Barn and had open house and a free meal. I was asked to help serve the food. Last evening we gathered to husk the sweet corn for "corn on the cob." We also had chicken Bar B Q, potato salad, baked limas, fresh fruit, soft ice cream and drink.

August 14

Our family had Bake Day here at our house. Everyone brought dough along, however much they wanted to. After it was baked it was given to a couple different families in our area.

August 15

We had a dinner invitation at parent Hoover's, where we were served a delicious meal.

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they did not want a blot of bankruptcy. My Father worked at men's shirt factories all his life – now for other bosses. His job eventually took our family to Lewistown at the Arrow Shirt Company.

Union County will always be home. I visit every chance I get, love the historical county activities and visiting with relatives and friends.

My brother, Tom, and 3-year old sister, Rosemary, rest in the Old Cedar Cemetery. I will eventually rest there too.

Marlyn Miller

530 Lindbergh Way

Lewistown, PA 17044 August 6, 2004

Dear Friends,

Hello and how are you doing? You both looked healthy when I got the first glimpse of you at Ammon B. and Erma M. Martin's little three year old son's visitation. Our daughter, Alta Oberholtzer and I had taken the evening meal there and some friends were still at the house when we got there. We hoped to meet you, but you must have exited another way, so I missed you personally. I was anxious to meet the Editor of the Millmont Times. Though I did get to see you both, without you knowing it.

God's blessing

Leah Brubacker

Millmont, PA

Lewis Township News

Lewis Township Board of Supervisors - Tuesday August 10, 2004

Supervisors Henry Sanders, Doug Peffer, and Wayne Klingman. Also present: Secretary/Treasurer, Karen Watters; Solicitor, Tom Boop; and Road Master, Ken Catherman. Also in attendance: Carl Duke, Ron Sanders, Tom Watters, Jennifer Mabus, and T. Shively.

*A motion by Doug Peffer to approve the minutes from the July meeting was seconded by Wayne Klingman. Motion carried.

*A motion to approve the Treasurer's Report was seconded by Henry Sanders. Motion carried.

VISITORS: Carl Duke, representing the Millmont Mennonite Church, stated that the church is in the planning stages of building a fellowship hall on property they own adjacent to the church. He questioned the supervisors regarding any right-of-ways that might exist next to the church. He was advised by the board members to hire a surveyor first to locate the boundaries of the property.

CORRESPONDENCE: Karen received copies of a letter that Solicitor Boop sent to the Calvary Chapel relative to the driveway permit ordinance. She also received a copy of a letter from the Union County Planning Commission relative to the subdivision plan submitted by Mr. & Mrs. Kenneth Peachy. Doug Peffer made a motion to approve the sewer module for the Peachy property as submitted. Wayne Klingman seconded the motion. Motion carried. There are several other issues in the plan that need to be addressed by the Peachy's.

OLD BUSINESS: The board received two driveway permit applications.

*A use of facilities agreement was drafted by Karen Watters, relative to the use of township owned property. It was suggested that whenever an outside organization makes a request to use township owned facilities, or if a large group of people will be gathering on township property, it was suggested that they must first provide proof of liability insurance. A sign should be posted at the ball field, and at the picnic pavilion relative to the use of those facilities. Issue was tabled until the next meeting.

*Doug Peffer indicated that although the township was denied a state grant for the little league ball field recently, there is still an opportunity for the township to apply for two other state grants. Those state grant programs are accepting applications until October. Doug made a motion to have HRG reapply for state grant money using the same set of plans that were used on the previous grant application. Wayne Klingman seconded the motion. Motion carried.

*Ron Sanders, of Purdy Insurance, spoke at length regarding his proposed insurance policy for the township. That policy was compared to the townships current insurance carrier. Doug Peffer made a motion to accept the quote from Purdy. Wayne seconded the motion. Motion carried.

*Road Master Kenneth Catherman reported on the progress of the tar and chip work that was recently done on township roadways.

*Doug will look into the matter of purchasing new light fixtures for the township playground.

Lewis Township Village Green Recreation Association - July 29, 2004, Courtesy of Wendy Bilger

The regular meeting of the Lewis Township Village Green Recreation Association was held on July 29, 2004 in the Village Green Picnic Pavilion. President Dawne Shreckengast called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. Members of the association who were present at the meeting this evening in addition to the president include: Wendy Bilger, Secretary; Pauline Shively, Janet Renninger, Joanne Snyder, Bud Snyder, and Steve Bilger.

Minutes

Minutes were not available from last meeting.

Treasurer's Report

No report was given.

Old Business

New Business

*There was some discussion about posting instructions in the picnic pavilion for those renting the area. The township supervisors suggested the Village Green Association ask renters to take the garbage that was accumulated during their stay at the park with them. Dawne and Joanne said that the litter should be able to be placed in the receptacles in the pavilion. Members agreed. The township also stated that locks were needed on the electric box and the water. Dawne will call Doug about who is responsible for paying for the locks. Dawne will also ask Doug if there is an allotment available for cementing the pavilion.

*Steve Bilger discussed contacting Catherman's about a design for the new BBQ pit. The one that we have now is continuously being destroyed. Steve thought that something more permanent would be better than replacing the blocks each year. Dawne mentioned that Mt. Luther has a nice pit. She will ask Tom Watters for pictures and any ideas.

*Bud Snyder commented that this past Easter during the egg hunt some parents were too involved in helping out the children. This caused some problems with other parents. We will mention next year that only the youngest group of children may have assistance from parents.

*Joanne Snyder suggested having a pig roast in the fall as another way of raising funds.

***The Green Association would like Tony Shively to print something in the Millmont Times asking residents of Lewis Township to come out to a Village Green Meeting. Volunteers are needed for ideas as well as helping with fundraisers and other events. We would love to see some new faces and have some fresh ideas.**

*Joanne volunteered Bud for the decorating of the gazebo this winter. If residents could donate outside Christmas lights Bud could decorate the gazebo and a nearby tree.

*There was discussion of resuming bingo. If we have enough interest in playing, it would be held every other Thursday in the township building.

*The next Association meeting is scheduled for Thursday, September 2, 2004 in the picnic pavilion if weather permits. If not, the meeting will be held in the Lewis Township building.

Public meetings to be held in the Lewis Township Municipal Building

► Municipal Authority of Lewis Township, the first Tuesday of the month, beginning at 7:30 p. m.

► Lewis Township Board of Supervisors, the second Tuesday of the month beginning at 7:30 p. m.

The Union County Historical Society will be presenting a program on Thursday, October 14th, *Lumbering in Union County, 1885-1910*, at the Laurelton Community Center, Laurelton, PA.

Thomas T. Taber, III, who has spent sixty years researching railroads, lumbering and local history will present a slide-and-lecture program on the lumber industry in Union County around the turn of the last century. The lumber business was important in this area and there were mills at Laurelton, Woodward, Pardee, Mifflinburg and Lewisburg.

Mr. Taber approaches his subject with an engineer's interest in certain details that are not the concern of most historians. Born in New Jersey, Taber has lived in Muncy since 1959. He has written various books based on his research (such as *Sunset Along Susquehanna Waters* and *Tanbark, Alcohol and Lumber*, books 4 and 10 in the series on Logging Railroad Era), some of which will be available for sale at the program.

September Anniversaries

September 1, Earnest and Margaret Boney - 33rd
September 2, Carl "Bup" and Jeanne Sampsel - 54th
September 4, Joe and Kimmy Smith - 11th
September 5, Brad and Angie Walter - 16th
September 11, Lewis and Mary K. Campbell - 58th
September 11, Mervin and Pat Kline - 39th
September 26, Eric and Sally Mabus - 5th

People celebrating a birthday during September

1 – Charles Mabus	16 – Shayna Fultz
1 – Cecelia Rothermel	16 – Bryce W. Koonsman
3 – Edgar Shively	18 – Earl Frantz
3 – Martha Hoover	19 – Cathy Strawser
4 – Matthew Brubaker	22 – Tiffany Fultz
5 – Janice Shively	22 – Kyle Fultz
5 – Darlene Hackenberg	22 – Julie Klingman
5 – Marjorie Bowersox	23 – Tiffany Radel
6 – Sue Hassenplug	23 – Bernie Schmader
8 – Ronald Koonsman, Jr.	24 – Elam Metzler
8 – William "Bill" Inch	24 – Kenneth Groff
8 – Orvie Zimmerman	25 – Anthony Guida
10 – Marvin Englehart	25 – Richard Rothermel
11 – Kafy Long	26 – Joanna Vanatta
12 – Floyd Swartz	28 – Eugene Hackenberg
15 – Emily Oberholtzer	28 – Lu Lu Hoffman
16 – Quinten Dorman, Jr.	30 – Christian Brubaker

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