

CURATOR'S REPORT
THE BERLIN AREA HISTORICAL SOCIETY

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THE SWAMPCREEK RESIDENCE OF
BILL & SHIRLEY GLESSNER
STONYCREEK TOWNSHIP

**RED OAK TREE TOPPLED ONTO THE BERLIN HIGH
SCHOOL GYM NEW YEAR'S EVE OR EARLY NEW YEAR'S
DAY 2019**



ON THESE DATES:

January 3, 1959 - Alaska became the 49th state as President Dwight D. Eisenhower signed a proclamation.

January 3, 1967 - Jack Ruby, the man who shot and killed Lee Harvey Oswald, the accused assassin of President John F. Kennedy, died in a Dallas hospital.

January 1, 1892 - The Ellis Island Immigrant Station in New York formally opened.

January 2, 1929 - The United States and Canada reached an agreement on joint action to preserve Niagara Falls.

LONG GONE! ALMOST FORGOTTEN!



Glencoe Covered Bridge

YESTERYEAR IN GLENCOE!

Donated by David R. Hay.

Copied nearly 50 years ago
from the photo album of the
late Elizabeth (Leydig) DeLozier

Is there anyone living who
remembers the Glencoe covered
bridge?



BERLIN

CHRISTMAS SEASON OF THE 1950s!



**NEW BOOK ON SHERMAN
AND ANNA (WEIGHLEY)
GLESSNER FAMILY ON
FERNDALE FARM!**

CS Glessner donated a 122-page book dedicated to the memory of her parents, Sherman D. and Anna (Weighley) Glessner, who lived most of their 50 years of marriage on Ferndale Farm in Brothersvalley Township.

The book has been compiled and edited by CS Glessner and includes interesting stories by the author, Anna Glessner and family members. It includes interesting stories about family and farm life and makes an exciting addition to our library.

**IN CASE YOU'RE NOT SURE
HERE IS A BREAKDOWN OF
THE GENERATIONS!**

BABY BOOMERS

**Persons born between WW II
and the 1960s.**

GENERATION X

**Persons born in the 1960s to
the 1980s.**

MILLENNIALS

**Persons born between 1980
and 1986.**

**BABY BEEF CLUB
TO MEET SATURDAY**

**Eighteen Members Fattening
Black Angus Calves for
Meyersdale Fair.**

County Farm Agent C. C. McDowell will be in Meyersdale next Saturday to take charge of a meeting of the Meyersdale Baby Beef Club, scheduled for 10 o'clock the morning of March 14, in the Vocational-Agriculture room of the Meyersdale High School.

The local baby beef club, which includes members of 4-H and Future Farmers clubs, received their Black Angus calves on January 8th and started on that day to get them in shape for the 1936 Meyersdale Fair. Each year the display of baby beeves is one of the outstanding features of the livestock exhibit at the fair.

It is not known at this early date whether the members of the club will sell their beeves at the Fair or whether they will take them to Pittsburgh to the livestock show for sale.

This year eighteen youths, including two girls, are members of the local club, namely, Charles Merrill, Van Berkley, Ray Gnagey, Joe and Robert Peck, Billy Long, Frank Mosgrave, Carl Hay, John Hay, Norman Gnagey, Richard Croner, Robert Walker, Anna Carolyn Hartman, William Gnagey, John Hartman, William Merrill, Kathryn Wetmiller and John Ream, Jr.

Last year the calves raised were sold at public auction at the Meyersdale Fair, averaging \$11.24 per hundred weight. The buyers, Pittsburgh Provision and Packing Company, Ed Hahn of Johnstown and Walter E. Hay of Berlin paid good prices for these calves. Joseph Peck and Robert E. Peck received first and second prizes, respectively, for having the finest beeves, and received a top price of \$12.75 per cwt. from the buyers.

March 1936

DECEMBER 31, 1904 - New York's Times Square saw its first New Year's Eve celebration, with an estimated 200,000 people in attendance!

A BEAUTIFUL NEW WELCOMING SIGN FOR BERLIN



This new sign is located at the northern entrance to Berlin, along Route 219 above the Berlin Missionary Alliance Church. Erected in December 2018, as part of the Beautification Program that is underway to improve the beauty of the community.

THANK YOU TO OUR VOLUNTEERS FOR ALL YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS! DAVID R. HAY, CURATOR

GLENCOE'S COVERED BRIDGE

Joyce (Leydig) Knotts visited the Berlin Area Historical Society on January 2, 2019 and viewed the page in this report that features pictures of Glencoe's former covered bridge. Joyce remembers the bridge from her childhood years in Glencoe and believes the bridge was replaced in 1956. Pictured at the eastern end of the covered bridge is a barn no longer standing that belonged to Joyce's father, John D. Leydig. Joyce donated two large telephone book covers with local business advertisements.

Gary Burkett donated a History of the Ancestors and Descendants of Johann Jacob Burkhardt (1712-1794). **Judy (Landis) Cook** has been aiding Barbara (Swope) Miller with the typing update of the index to our obituary collection. **We have purchased a reconditioned Dell computer** for use in the office of our genealogy department. **Bob Schmucker** donated a Church of the Brethren pictorial book, "The Time so Urgent."

