

**CURATOR'S REPORT**  
**THE BERLIN AREA HISTORICAL SOCIETY**

**MAY 9, 2023**



**LEE & LORENE HOPPERT HOME**

**THE MT. ZION COMMUNITY**

**ALLEGHENY TOWNSHIP!**

# RUTH ALICE (LEHMAN) SAYLOR

Daily American, Somerset, Pa., Saturday, November 25, 1989

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## Ex-Berlin woman head of Nationwide General

BERLIN—Ruth A. (Lehman) Saylor, a 1969 graduate of Berlin High School, has been elected vice president and chief operating officer of Nationwide General Insurance Co. She's the daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Merle Lehman of Berlin.

Nationwide General is unit of the Nationwide Insurance organization, one of the largest multi-line insurers in the U.S. Saylor is the second woman to be elected a Nationwide vice president.

Saylor has been a markets development associate in Nationwide Insurance's Columbus home office since 1986. She joined the insurer in 1975 as an underwriter in the regional office at Harrisburg.

She moved to the regional office at Lynchburg, Va., in 1978 as personal lines underwriting manager, and was promoted to personal lines manager for that region in 1981.

Saylor earned a math degree from the University of Pittsburgh. She holds the professional designation of chartered property casualty underwriter.

She's a member of the American Business Women's Association. She headed up Nationwide's 1989 Operation Feed campaign, the largest employee-run food drive in



Ruth Saylor

the U.S.

While in Lynchburg, Saylor was active on the board of the Virginia Auto Insurance Plan, and the Association of Retarded Citizens, as well as other community and professional organizations.

Saylor and her husband, Terry, also of Berlin, live in the Columbus suburb of Upper Arlington.

**WE ARE HAPPY RUTH ANN SAYLOR HAS RETURNED  
TO LIVE IN BERLIN AND TAKE AN ACTIVE  
INTEREST IN HER HOME COMMUNITY!**



# BROWN'S HARDWARE

WILLIAM J. BROWN, PROP.

535 MAIN STREET

BERLIN, PA.

PHONE  
BUSINESS 2092

PHONE  
RES. 3442

No. **02627** Customer's Order No. \_\_\_\_\_ Date 10-22 1959

M Meadow Gold Dairy  
Address \_\_\_\_\_

SOLD BY	CASH	C. O. D.	CHARGE	ON ACCT.	MDSE. RETD.	PAID OUT

QUANTITY	DESCRIPTION	PRICE	AMOUNT
	<u>washer</u>		<u>15</u>
<u>4</u>	<u>3/4 x 1 1/2 Bolts</u>	<u>.05</u>	<u>20</u>
<u>2</u>	<u>1/4 x 3/4 Stambolts</u>	<u>.02</u>	<u>04</u>
			<u>39</u>
		<u>Less 17.</u>	<u>04</u>
			<u>35</u>
		Tax	<u>22</u>
		Total	<u>37</u>

ALL claims and returned goods MUST be accompanied by this bill

Rec'd by \_\_\_\_\_

## DONATIONS:

**Mary Margaret (Hersch) Werner** donated her 4-H Interstate exchange trip scrapbook to Kansas. **Ruth Ann Kimmel** donated a large genealogy chart for the family of Jonathan Kimmel and other Kimmel memorabilia.

**Jim Ingrodi** donated Evelyn Ringler's photo albums, high school reunion pictures and program and miscellaneous items.

**Dave Hess** of Windy Ridge trimmed our holly tree that was growing against the building of Fairman Chiropractic

## DONATIONS

**Frank Popovich** donated old weigh slips from the Philson National Bank and Maust Brothers as well as a sales slip from Brown's Hardware for items sold to the Meadow Gold Dairy. One of the Brown's Hardware sales slips for October 1959 is pictured at the top left side of this page.

Brown's Hardware at 535 Main Street in Berlin followed **Glottfelty's Hardware** at the same location. The Glottfelty advertisement appeared in 1948 in the Somerset American.

**SHERWIN-WILLIAMS**

**PAINTS**

**BARRETT'S**

**ROOFING**

ALL KINDS

**GLOTFELTY'S**

**Hardware**

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# WOMEN OF STONYCREEK TOWNSHIP

Every name in the left hand column will match something in the right hand column.

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|--------------------------|------------------------------|
| 01. Catherine Stouffer   | ___ organ and piano          |
| 02. Ida Kimmel           | ___ poetry                   |
| 03. Flora S. Black       | ___ Somerset American        |
| 04. Caroline Stull       | ___ Alvin G. Fisher, Jr.     |
| 05. Loretta Weyant       | ___ BAHS-board member        |
| 06. Carol Bowman         | ___ Chiropractor             |
| 07. Adeline Vieregge     | ___ Principal                |
| 08. Mildred Ringler      | ___ Shanksville cafeteria    |
| 09. Blanche Long         | ___ Maple Queen              |
| 10. Denise Weaver        | ___ Elementary teacher       |
| 11. Marguerite Shaulis   | ___ Assassinated             |
| 12. Dillie Snyder        | ___ Wedding gowns            |
| 13. Mona Hillegass       | ___ no match                 |
| 14. Mabel Moore          | ___ Wife of PA Grange Master |
| 15. Megan Evans          | ___ Physical Education       |
| 16. Nelle Hunter         | ___ Ellis Kimmel             |
| 17. Wendy Stemple        | ___ Dayton Walker            |
| 18. Margaret Schiffhauer | ___ Alterations              |
| 19. Gladys Spangler      | ___ Shanksville Auto Parts   |
| 20. Ruth N. Yoder        | ___ Postal worker            |

## PETERSBURG

Tiny Petersburg in Stonycreek Township is located north of the former Mizpah Lutheran Church and was named and formed by Peter Zerfoss. The community was made up of several plots of ground which Peter Zerfoss owned and gave to his children who built homes there.

## PUGH

Pugh also in Stonycreek Township is located south of the former Mizpah Lutheran Church and is believed to be named after John Pugh who operated a store and post office there about 1883.



**A REUNION OF THE PLANK ROAD SCHOOL ON SEPTEMBER 1989  
(FROM THE ALBUM OF EVELYN (MAUST) RINGLER)**

**FRONT ROW (L TO R): ELLA (MAUST) HITTIE, MEREDIA (SIVITS) BOWMAN, EVELYN (MAUST) RINGLER, MARY (MAUST) BRANT, ELIZABETH (MOORE) MOORE - TEACHER, LORENE (HAY) SORBER - TEACHER, CLEO (KNEPPER) LANDIS - TEACHER, ROY WATKINS, RUTH (MOSGRAVE) HARE, AND DEVON COLEMAN, SR.**

**SECOND ROW (L TO R): GEORGE HITTIE, WARD MAUST, PHYLLIS (HOFFMAN) LEISTER, RUTH (MAUST) MANEER, ETHEL (MAUST) BRANT, JUDD MAUST, KENNETH MAUST, LORENE (MAUST) LING, EMMA GRACE (COLEMAN) DEANER, ANNA MARIE (HITTIE) GHRIST, AND ANNA BELLE (MAUST) BRANT.**

**THIRD ROW (L TO R): ROBERT J. MAUST, ROBERT HOFFMAN, BERNICE (HOFFMAN) HOLT, HARRY WATKINS, DWIGHT MAUST, HARVEY HOFFMAN, AND DALE CUSTER.**



# **BILL LANDIS**

## **'BEE' ASTONISHED**

“Bee” Astonished was the title of Bill Landis’ presentation on bee keeping given on April 17, 2023 at the Berlin Area Historical Society. Approximately 30 persons were in attendance to enjoy the education and interesting presentation. Bill was assisted by his wife, Barbara Landis.

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### **ADDITIONAL DONATIONS:**

**Fred Bittner** donated the Henry and Dorothea (Brallier) Bittner family genealogy, which includes his direct line of the Bittner family. Raising additional funds will be one of our goals for the society.

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### **PINE HILL HISTORY**

Turner’s Store was the earliest name of this village in Brothersvalley Township. About 1850 Lewis A. Turner constructed the first store in the village and by 1857 a post office was established to operate in the store under the name of Turner’s Store. In 1874 the village’s name was changed to Pine Hill. In 2023, the village is home to six private residences as well as the St. Michael’s Lutheran Church.

The Berlin Area 1777-1977

## **DONATION TO THE JOHN AND LUCILLE LICHVAR SPORTS CENTER**

**Kay Ann Cober** donated \$2,094.92 from an annuity to the John and Lucille Lichvar sports center. **LaVerne Coslic and Shirley Gary** have worked diligently in recent weeks organizing sports stories and program booklets into notebooks in the Lichvar Sports Center. Other inventory workers include **Leanna Coughenour and Karen Bittner**. Organizing other projects have been **Carolyn Payne and Leanne Calvert**. Our web page receives updates **from Megan Evans and Stew Saylor**.

Volunteers have worked on typing and filing projects. **Gary Estnick** has been checking the old clocks to insure they are keeping accurate time. **Eloise and Jonn Long** trimmed the rose bush. **Carol and Ken Miller** continue to maintain the lawn and garden. **Dan Weighley, Jr.** (again) is doing the mowing at our Berlin facilities as well as the Altfather Mill Memorial. **Stew Saylor and Bob Platt** continue working on genealogy projects.

Our school bell was put to good use Berlin Brothersvalley's production of Newsies – The Broadway Musical March 31 – April 2, 2023.

## **PLANS TO PURCHASE THE BROWN'S LOG HOUSE**

At our April 11, 2023 board of directors meeting it was a unanimous decision to purchase the Tim Brown log house near Raystown Dam outside of Huntingdon. Glenn Blackstone was approved to number, dismantle and move the log house to Berlin. Work is underway for the hopeful erection of the log house to the lot across from our barn that has been donated by the Greg Croner family. Ruth Alice (Lehman) Saylor plans to donate funds towards the project in memory of her husband, Terry Saylor as well as for herself.

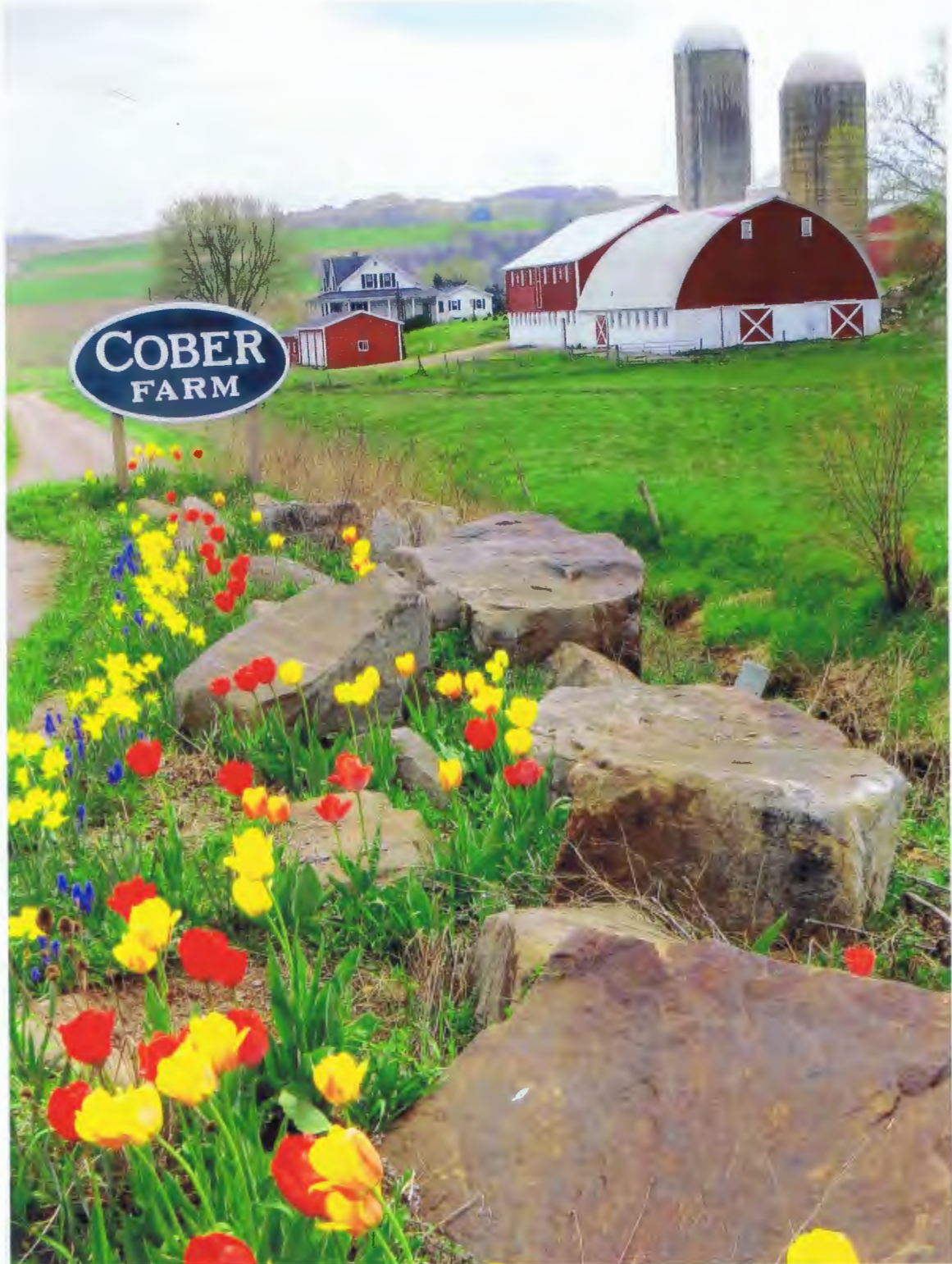
Thank you to our volunteers for all you do for the ongoing work of the society.

**David R. Hay, Curator**

## **ON THIS DATE**

**APRIL 8, 1974** – Hank Aaron of the Atlanta Braves hit his 715<sup>th</sup> career home run in a game against the Los Angeles Dodgers, breaking Babe Ruth's record.

# A TASTE OF SPRING



**COMES OUR WAY**