

# **CURATOR'S REPORT**

## **THE BERLIN AREA HISTORICAL SOCIETY**

• November 8, 2016

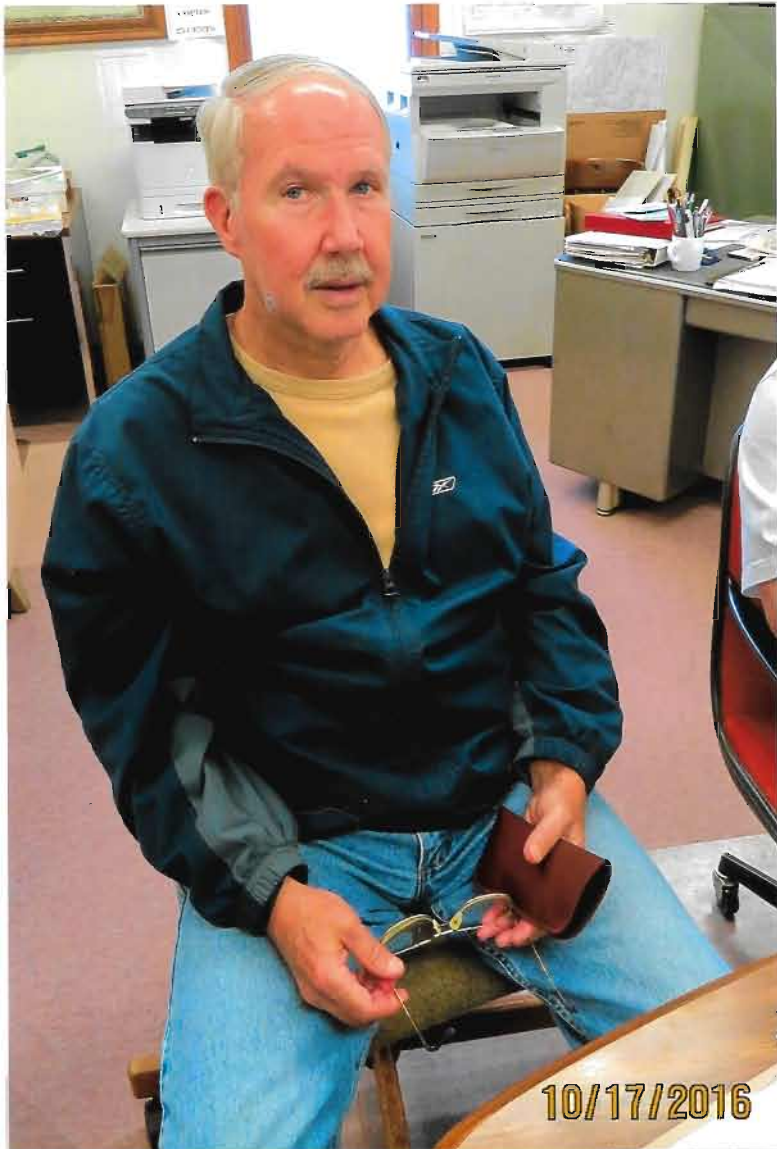


# **SNIDA'S CORNER STORE**

**500 MAIN STREET  
SHANKSVILLE**

## HAROLD WEIGLE DONATES CD WITH VALUABLE NEWSPAPER INFORMATION!

Harold A. Weigle donated a CD that includes another new and updated collection of anniversaries, engagements, marriages and obituaries printed in the *Somerset Daily American* during a visit October 17, 2016 with Stew Saylor, Bob Platt and others of us in the genealogy department. Harold, a member of BAHS, periodically contributes valuable CD's with archival information to our society. He also contributed Ayers-Fishburn genealogy files to our archives. He is a nephew of the late John and Rhea (Ayers) Wyand, long-time residents of East End in Berlin.



## ADDITIONAL DONATIONS

**Doris (Miller) Malas** donated a collection of Bervalon yearbooks and two Philson Bank pouches. **John Wisler** donated a Lafferty Chevrolet license plate holder. **Pastor Jay Shaffer** brought his confirmation class at Unity United Church of Christ for a tour of our genealogy building and our barn.

**The John and Annabelle Coleman Estate** donated a Snyder's Potato Chip box, old newspapers, and two Mountain newspapers. **Mary Lehman** donated photos and a toothpick holder made by Joe Ferner.

**Alice (Dickey) Trent** donated a 1955 Berlin GAA jacket. **The Hazel and Emerson Knepper family** donated Chicahonian yearbooks from Shanksville Stonycreek High School. **Lyle Schaefer** donated a Fife and Drum Corps photo in which he is pictured as a school boy member of the Corps. **Caroline (Brick) Mitchell** donated miscellaneous items.

**The Anna Mae Weighley estate** donated Helen (Johnson) Wagner's nursing uniform, a collection of our Memos, a movie camera, photos and other memorabilia. **Collins genealogy** and obituaries have been donated to the society by **Pamela Ready**, whose family owned the former Collins' Drug Store in Berlin.

## ENDOWMENT FUND FOR ANNA MAE WEIGHLEY

We have received additional monetary contributions to our endowment fund in memory of Anna Mae Weighley from Robert and Donna Schmucker, Paul Douglas Ross, and Stewart and Peggy Saylor.

**HAROLD AYERS WEIGLE IS PICTURED TO THE LEFT!**

## BERLIN'S BASEBALL CLUB IN 1911 AND 1912

(Taken from the March 11, 1976 edition of The Republic, Meyersdale, PA., donated by the John & Annabelle Coleman Estate)



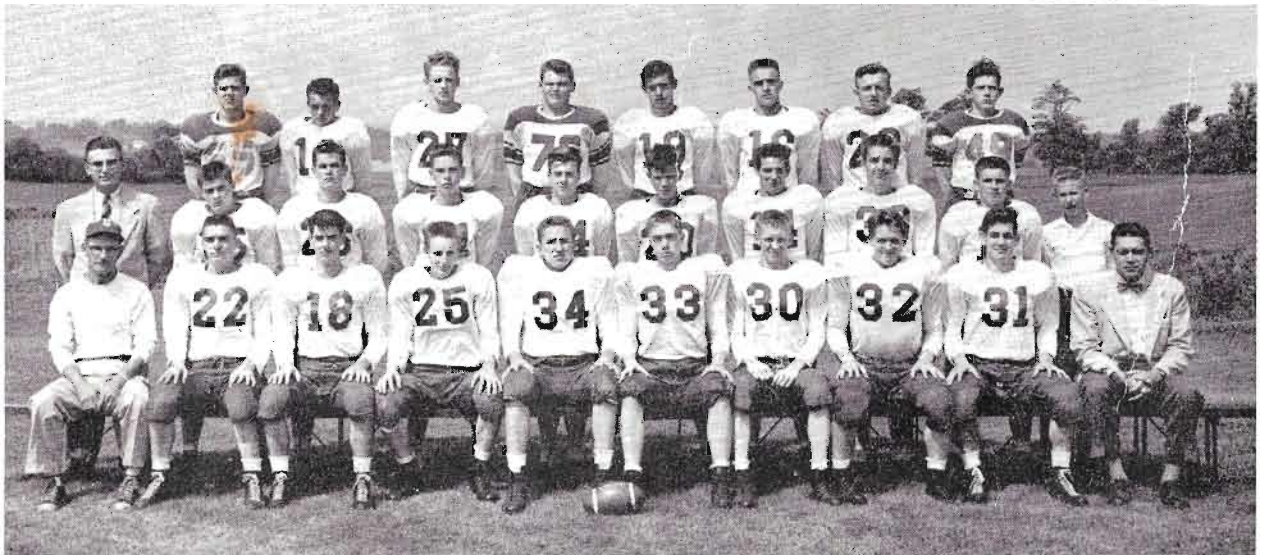
This was Berlin's Baseball Club in 1911 and 1912. Those in the photo include Pat Fornwald, Earl Brubaker, George Engle, Albert Philson, Cleve Earhart, Rufus

(Choat) Landis, Robert Brubaker, Ben Philson, Lloyd Henderson, Sam Philson, Parley Baker, Robert Groff, Bert Walker, Fred Groff.

## BERLIN BROTHERSVALLEY MOUNTAINEER FOOTBALL 1955

THE MOUNTAINEER

October 21, 1955



First row: Coach, John Lichvar, H. Newcomer, N. Donner, D. Cook, P. Petro, R. Fogle, J. Hepler, R. Roberts, R. Croner, Assistant Coach, Elmer Cone.

Second row: Faculty Manager, R. W. Suder, D. Smith, J. Ferguson, R. Baker, M. Restly, T. Miller, F. Shipley, T. Custer, K. Imgrund, W. Bridegum, Manager.

Third row: R. Schrock, H. Kreinbrook, L. Will, P. Smith, D. Lynch, J. Porter, G. Romesburg, R. Miller. Also on the squad are: R. Gooden and T. Dively.

**Thank you, volunteers, for all your contributions! David R. Hay, Curator**

## HISTORICAL BERLIN SIGN DONATED!



The above pictured historical metal sign has been donated by the Donald and Florence Engleka family. In the 1980s the sign had stood in front of the used car lot at Don Engleka's Service Station. After it was taken down by PennDOT, it was salvaged by the Engleka family and stored away until recent weeks. It is another valuable treasure to portray a portion of earlier Berlin history.

## TWO ITEMS FROM THE OCTOBER 21, 1955 MOUNTAINEER (Donated by the John & Anna Belle Coleman Estate)

### Playground Building Formally Dedicated

Friday afternoon, September 30, the playground building was dedicated in honor of Dr. I. C. Miller of Berlin, with the high school band and the grade school students attending. Among the contributions making the building possible were \$200 from the Auxiliary of the Berlin Fire Department; Veterans of Foreign Wars, \$100; Pius Spring Women's Club, \$200; American Legion Auxiliary, \$65; Berlin Lions Club, \$500.

The program was opened with Invocation by the Rev. Paul Solt, followed by Robert L. Miller who introduced the representative of the various organizations that made the building possible. The Rev. John Heller spoke on the value of the playground and the building to the community. Dr. J. F. Bowman of Somerset addressed the assemblage. Following remarks by Dr. James Killius, the benediction was pronounced by the Rev. Lyle Lichtenberger. The high school band participated in the ceremony.

### Dorothy Hay Designs First BBJHS Emblem

The contest for a school emblem began suddenly when a garment company contacted Dickey's store for an order of T shirts with the school emblem on them. When it was found there was no special emblem for the school, Miss Geneva Altfather suggested a contest be open to the students to draw emblems. There were five entries: Ann Roberts, Jim Raupach (who submitted two), John Watkins and Dorothy Hay.

Dorothy Hay's emblem was chosen by a committee of faculty members. Miss Hay is a ninth grade student.

The emblem, pictured on page 1, is in the form of a shield. In the background are mountains with the sun rising which means Berlin is built on a hill and its light cannot be hidden. In front of this is the high school in whose foreground is an open book symbolizing study and scholastic achievement. In the extreme foreground are a boy and a girl facing the school. They symbolize the fact that the doors of the school are open to all boys and girls.

The emblem will be used in various ways to symbolize BBJHS.

The late **DOROTHY EILEEN HAY** was a daughter of the late John Engle Hay and Minnie (Ash) Hay, who operated the Philson Farm in Brothersvalley Township for many years. To her marriage with John A. Watkins was born a son, John T. Watkins, who along with his wife, Vickie, reside in Bothersvalley Township. Dorothy graduated in 1959 from Berlin Brothersvalley High School.



**DEDICATION OF PLAYGROUND BUILDING  
TO DR. IRVING C. MILLER, THE WELL KNOWN FAMILY  
DOCTOR!**

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**“FRIEND OF LITTLE CHILDREN” – SEPT. 30, 1955**



**EMBLEM CREATED IN 1955  
BY DOROTHY HAY**



**BERLIN BROTHERSVALLEY  
MOUNTAINEERS**