

# **CURATOR'S REPORT**

**THE BERLIN AREA HISTORICAL SOCIETY**

**OCTOBER 12, 2021**



**HOME OF GEORGE I. JR. & JENNIE (MARKER)  
POORBAUGH**

**BROTHERSVALLEY TOWNSHIP**

# **CHILDREN OF GEORGE IRVING, JR. & JENNIE IONA (MARKER) POORBAUGH**

**AT THE POORBAUGH FARM ALONG THE GARRETT SHORT-  
CUT IN BROTHERSVALLEY TOWNSHIP. AUGUST 6, 2021**



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**DECEASED CHILDREN ARE: CAROLE (POORBAUGH)  
BEATTIE AND ROBERT EUGENE POORBAUGH**

**BARBARA KAY MUZINA, GARY LEE  
POORBAUGH, & SALLY ANN WINGO**



**THIS MARKER HAS BEEN PLACED IN THE PIOUS  
SPRING GARDEN BESIDE THE AZALEA PLANTED IN  
HONOR OF JIM SUDER'S DEDICATED SERVICE TO  
THE BERLIN AREA HISTORICAL SOCIETY!**

## **DONATIONS**

**Doug Bell** donated items from the Katie Bell estate that included a 225<sup>th</sup> Anniversary program of Holy Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church in Berlin; a 1937 Berlin Old Home Week celebration cassette tape, and a 1932 five-year dairy kept by A. B. Cober.

**Kay Ann Cober** donated school elementary readers, a picture of the "new" Berlin Elementary School building, math flash cards, and English words flash cards.

**BBHS** has donated a copy of the 2021 Bervalon. It paid tribute to **Janet Bender**, whose personal library contains a complete set of all the Berlin yearbooks through the years. Several other persons have the complete set of yearbooks. We received an 82<sup>nd</sup> annual Berlin Brothersvalley Community Fair program. **Tom and JoAnn Smith** donated two old picture frames from the Gondek family home.

**Audrey Twombly** donated Northampton Township one-room school souvenir programs that belonged to her mother, **Nellie (Hartman) Keefer**. Prior to her marriage to S. Henry Keefer, Nellie taught school at various one-room schools. Also donated from the Nellie Keefer collection were Bittner, Mishler, and Hartman Genealogies as well as old monthly schedules for movies playing at the Governor Theater and Park-K Theaters in Somerset and the Blue Ridge Theatre in Berlin.

**Mike Merrill** donated a collection of photos and an Army photo album pertaining to the family of Leland and Ruth (Cuthall) Tipton, long-time operators of Tipton Jewelry Store in Berlin.

Thank you to all our volunteers for your contributions of time and knowledge to BAHS!

**David R. Hay, Curator**



**BRUSHCREEK SCHOOL**  
 Northampton Twp., Somerset Co., Pa.  
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**NELLIE HARTMAN, Teacher**  
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**PUPILS**

Homer Martz	Herman Martz
Melvin Emerick	Luke Leister
Marion Smith	Martha Leister
James Funk	Dennis Landis
Clarence Landis	Vernon Howsare
Robert Cook	Robert Brick
Hazel Smith	Esther Johnson
Laverna Martz	Victoria Krauss
Harriet Funk	Paul Smith
Charles Funk	Walter Lane
Clarence Leister	Ruth Kimmel
Annie Ackerman	Helen Deist
Robert Ackerman	Freeman Brick
Alma Howsare	Eva Kimmel
Alverda Ackerman	Alverda Kregar
Charles Lane	William Leister
Ray Smith	Gilbert Landis
Lee Deist	Leo Deist

Prof. W. H. Kretchman, Co. Supt.

**SCHOOL BOARD**

F. J. Brant	W. G. Miller
M. H. Bauman	L. A. Martz
A. C. Leasy	

# **AUDREY IRENE (KEEFER) TWOMBLY**

**Audrey is displaying the 1926-1927 school souvenir of the Brushcreek School in Northampton Township. The teacher was her mother, Nellie Hartman, prior to Nellie's marriage to the former S. Henry Keefer. This photo was taken September 15, 2021.**

# THE WAGAMAN ONE- ROOM SCHOOL HOUSE IN NORTHAMPTON TOWNSHIP!

## PUPILS IN THE SPRING OF 1928.

### Wagaman School

Northampton Twp., Somerset Co., Pa.

April 27, 1928



NELLIE HARTMAN,  
Teacher

W. H. Kretchman Co. Supt.

#### SCHOOL BOARD

F. J. Brant	L. A. Martz
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### Pupils

Anna Ludy	Hilda Hartman
Martha Leister	
Elizabeth Ludy	Robert Brick
Laverna Martz	
Helen Deist	Lovella Hartman
William Leister	
Gustav Undy	Harold Laugherty
Lurene Hartman	
Hilda Wiles	Stella Wiles
Hermina Undy	
Russell Hartman	Benjamin Ludy
Freeman Brick	
Lewis Hartman	Lee Deist
Leo Deist	Wilfred Laugherty



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**STEPHANE LAMBERT – WINNER OF THE STARS  
ALL AROUND QUILT!  
GLORIA J. LAMBERT**

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**OTHER WINNERS OF OUR RAFFLE AND DOOR PRIZES AT OUR 45<sup>TH</sup>  
ANNUAL BANQUET OF THE BERLIN AREA HISTORICAL SOCIETY ON  
SEPTEMBER 9, 2021**

**Child size wooden bench (made by John Long) – Linda Baker**

**Felted wool painting (made by Laura Logsdon) – Wendy (Walker) Stemple**

**Maple Basket (donated by the Kyle Hillegas Sugar Camp – Tom Croner**

**Wool braded rug (made by Jean Ogburn) – Shelby (Bittner) Hobbs**

**Rural Electric back pack containing church coverlet and other items – Hazel Weighley**

**Three framed paintings given by J. Arthur Seitz:**

**Mount Rushmore – Janet (Brant) Raupach Cowher**

**St. Louis Gateway Arch – Vella Leslie**

**Denali in Alaska – Tom Calvert**

**LELAND EARLE & RUTH ARDELLA (CUTCHALL)  
TIPTON  
603 DIVISION STREET HOME & JEWELRY STORE**



**THESE PICTURES WERE  
ALONG THE TIPTON  
FAMILY COLLECTION  
OF PHOTOS THAT  
WERE DONATED BY  
MIKE MERRILL!  
RUTH & TIP OPERATED  
A JEWELRY STORE IN  
BERLIN FOR MANY  
YEARS!**

# 1892 CRAZY QUILT DONATED TO BAHS

FROM THE ESTATE OF MILLARD W. AND BETTY FERN  
(ARDEN) RAYMAN



James A. Rayman and his sister, Eileen (Rayman) Richards are shown displaying the Crazy Quilt they have donated to the Berlin Area Historical Society from the estate of their parents, Millard W. and Betty Fern (Arden) Rayman. It was quilted in 1892 by Millard's mother, Ida Sidney (Weigle) Rayman. Her initials ISW appear on the quilt.

Who remembers waiting  
to call long distance until  
after 7 p.m. because it  
was cheaper?



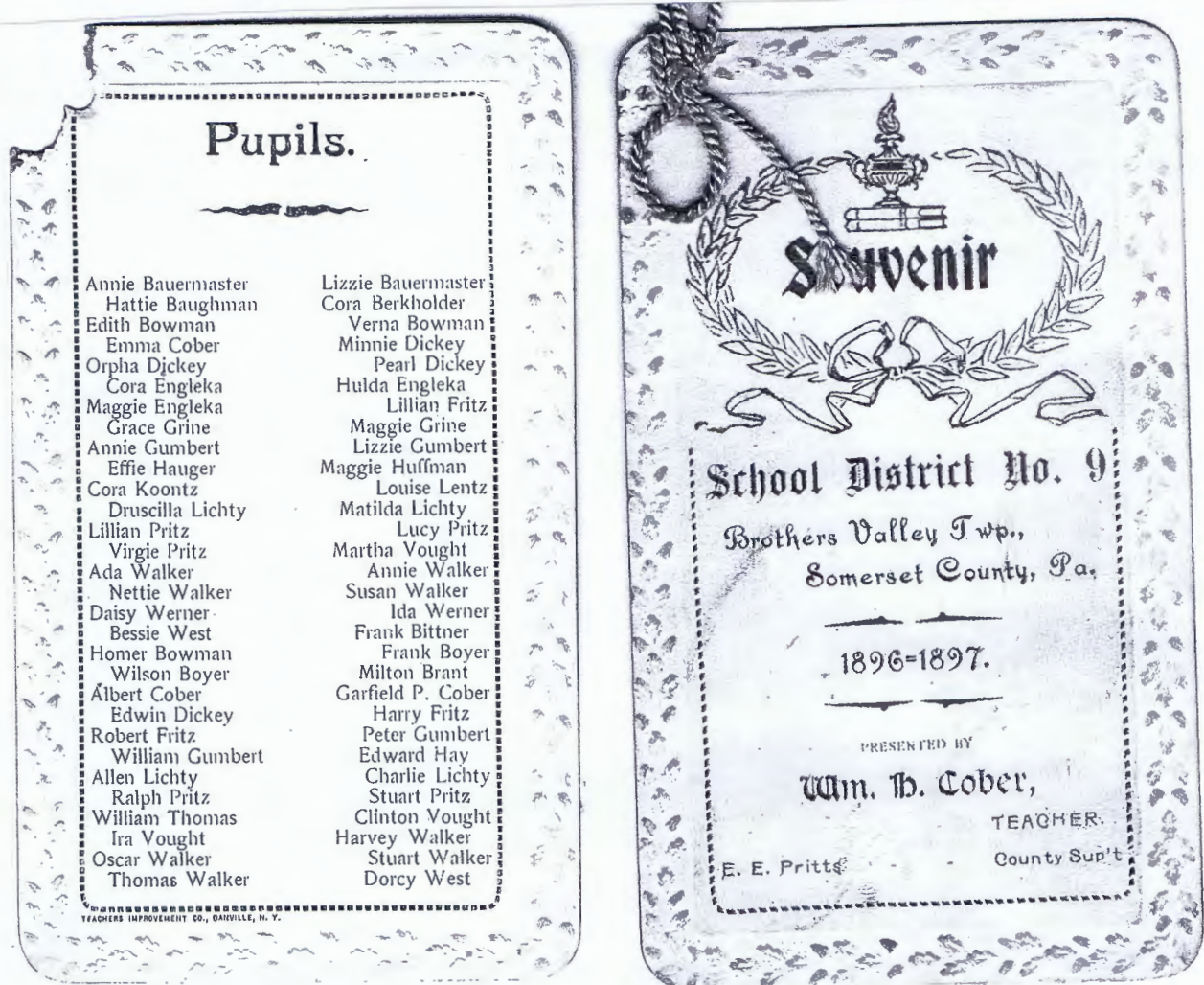
## DONATIONS:

Jamie Emerick Dull donated Shanksville School class play programs. Scott and Trudy Landis donated an old ink stamp from the Harris Bakery and a brick dug up from Main Street in front of Landis Bakery.

We received a 2021 Berlin Brothersvalley Community Fair program from the fair board. The Marvin and Paul Beeghly family of Texas visited October 4, bringing along plenty of hugs and good cheer. Bob Platt and Gary Estnick provided them with tours of the Heritage Haus, our barn, as well as the many genealogy-office building displays.



# PINE HILL SCHOOL SOUVENIR



James A. Rayman and his sister, Eileen (Rayman) Richards have donated this 1896-1897 Pine Hill School souvenir in honor of their parents, Millard W. and Betty Fern (Arden) Rayman.

## DONATIONS:

**Cindy Webreck** donated an old camera that had belonged to Robert and Lulu (Leydig) Webreck. From the **Estate of Harold Barron** (through his step daughter Barbara Evan), we received various photos of the Allegheny Mountain Tunnel No. 2 dedication ceremonies from March 15, 1965. Also a metal State Farm Mutual Auto sign and a 1941 UMWA Appalachian agreement booklet.

## ON THIS DATE:

- October 1, 1971 – Walt Disney World opened near Orlando, Florida.
- October 1, 1996 – The federal minimum wage rose 50 cents to \$4.75 an hour.
- October 1, 1957 – The motto, “In God We Trust” began appearing on U.S. paper currency.
- October 1, 1908 – Henry Ford introduced his Model T automobile to the market.

**60<sup>th</sup> REUNION OF THE CLASS OF 1961 ON SEPTEMBER 11, 2021 AT  
KING'S FAMILY RESTAURANT.**



**Front (l to r): Eva Marie (Shaffer) Walters, Joyce (Leydig) Knotts, Joseph Delancy, Ira "Bunk" Harding, and Paul Fochtman.**

**Second row: Dalton Paul, Jim Hendershot, Barbara Jean (Smith) Kelly, Barbara (Sipe) Geary, and Dorothy (Will) Schrock.**

**Third row: Jay Engleka, James Walker, Ronald Deaner, David Malas, and Larry "Buster" Schrock.**

**When you're young,  
your grandparents try  
to tell you their  
history, and you don't  
care because it doesn't  
interest you at the time.**

**Later on, you wish you  
had written down what  
they said.**