

RECENT ACQUISITIONS

Book Acquisitions:

Ruth, Philip. *Four Seasons Produce, Inc.: the First 30 Years*. Published by Four Seasons Produce, 2006. (Donation—Four Seasons Produce)

Spease, Rachel Keller. *A Keller History: Descendants of Hans Jacob Keller and Elizabeth Keller of the Cocalico Valley, Lancaster County, Pennsylvania*. Published by the author; third printing, 2008. (Donation—Rachel Keller Spease)

Photograph Acquisitions:

Photograph of Mentzer's Garage, Church Street, Ephrata, ca. 1930's. (Lent for scanning by Bob Dickersheid)

Photograph of two "McVey's Peerless Ice Cream" delivery trucks, Ephrata, ca. 1920's. (Lent for scanning by Bob Dickersheid)

Matted Miller Studio photograph of students of an unidentified but presumably local school, ca. 1940. (Donation—Elizabeth Buckwalter)

Mounted wedding portrait of Mary Knerr and Dr. Russell Derr, both of Denver, married July 26, 1941. (Donation—Jane Leshner)

Mounted wedding portrait of Mary Knerr Derr, daughter of Lutheran pastor Rev. W.R. Knerr of Denver. (Donation—Jane Leshner)

Snapshot taken on East Main Street, Adamstown, following a heavy snowfall, ca. late 1950's. The Rudy house at 298 East Main, afterwards demolished for the expansion of the Good's Potato Chip factory, is prominently seen. (Donation—Brenda Wangman)

Framed photograph of members of the Krick family of Denver, ca. 1910; the subjects are otherwise unidentified. (Donation—Stanley and Jeanette Uibel)

Photograph of the Ephrata Market House (formerly Baker's Sales & Exchange Stable), South State Street, ca. late 1930's. A portion of Abe Summers' garage is also visible. (Donation—James Ward)

9 color photographs taken at the HSCV 2008 pig roast, held June 25 at the Reamstown home of Mark and Beth McCollom. (Donation—Beth McCollom)

Two mounted photographs of employees of the S.H. Bingeman Cigar Factory, Hopeland, ca. 1890-1895; stamped on the mounts by P.B. Koser, White Oak. (Donation—Harold Bingeman)

Mounted photograph of the interior of Kinports' Cigar Factory at Hopeland, ca. 1910. (Donation—Harold Bingeman)

Three mounted photographs of congregants from the Hopeland United Brethren Church assembled in groups outside the church building, ca. 1910, as follows: young children and mothers; adult women (identified); men and two women (partially identified), labeled on mount "Dutch Class." (Donation—Harold Bingeman)

Mounted photograph of a brick store/dwelling displaying a partially-obscured sign reading "S.A. Mil— / Shoe Store," ca. 1895. (Donation—Harold Bingeman)

Mounted photograph of Hopeland School primary and secondary students with teacher Allen P. Miller, ca. 1895. (Donation—Harold Bingeman)

Mounted photograph of Hopeland School primary students with teacher Allen P. Miller, ca. late 1920's. (Donation—Harold Bingeman)

Mounted photograph of Hopeland School secondary students with teacher H.L. Wealand, January 28, 1921. (Donation—Harold Bingeman)

The following images were produced from originals loaned by Harold Bingeman:

- Two photographs of a decorated trolley car arriving in Akron on the day that trolley service through the borough was initiated, April 16, 1924. In one photo small boys place coins on the trolley tracks; in the other a group of dignitaries board the car for its journey back to Lancaster.
- Stone bridge at the Walter Moyer factory, West Main Street, Reading, with early autos and an assembled crowd, ca. 1910; the nature of the occasion is unknown.
- Vacation photo of Edwin Enck and Robert Strickler of Hopeland in a photographer's prop boat, Coney Island, ca. 1915.
- Members of the Hopeland Baseball Team; ca. 1909; subjects include Eber Farlow and Jacob Shirk.
- Members of the Hopeland Juniors Baseball Team, 1923; subjects include Raymond Hensel and Marlin Bingeman.
- Group of young men and boys ice skating near the dam of Evan Wolf's Mill between Hopeland and Clay, ca. 1912.
- Tri-part photo assembly showing a crowd gathered for a homecoming celebration at the Hopeland United Brethren Church, June 7, 1936, with details of parked autos.
- Boys' Sunday school class, Hopeland United Brethren Church, ca. 1910; subjects are identified.
- Studio portrait of siblings Minnie, Paul and Leroy Dissler.
- Studio portrait of Paul Dissler.

- Informal backyard portrait of Paul and Leroy Dissler.
- Studio portrait of Ella Haas.
- Studio portrait of Albert and Susie Enck of East Cocalico Twp., ca. 1908.

The following photographs were donated by Sylvia Zoecklein and Joan Gibble:

- 2 mounted portraits of Elizabeth Irene Weidman as a young woman; she was the daughter of Alice (Fessler) and Harry Kachel Weidman and, later, the wife of Jacob Shaub.
- Fritz Studio photograph of Franklin Street School students with teacher Elizabeth Weidman, ca. early 1930's.
- Stoner Studio photograph of Franklin Street School students with teacher Elizabeth Weidman, 1936.
- Stoner Studio photograph of Franklin Street School students with teacher Elizabeth Weidman, 1937.
- Informal photograph of Samuel and Eliza Weidman and Tillie Fessler, ca. 1915.
- Strunk Studio portrait of Alice (Fessler) Weidman, daughter of William Fessler of West Cocalico Twp., ca. 1890.
- Strunk Studio portrait of Alice Fessler Weidman as a young woman, ca. 1905.
- Portrait of Alice Fessler Weidman, ca. 1950.
- Strunk Studio portrait of Harry K. Weidman, ca. 1895.
- Strunk Studio portrait of Elizabeth Weidman as an infant, 1905.
- Graduation portrait of Elizabeth Weidman, later used as a 50th reunion nametag.
- 8 assorted photographs of Elizabeth Weidman, 1930's through 1950.
- Wedding portrait of Elizabeth Weidman and Jacob Shaub, 1954.
- 4 travel photographs and 8 assorted color photographs of Elizabeth Weidman Shaub.
- Formal and Informal photos (one each) of members of the Ephrata High School class of 1954 at their 25th reunion, 1979; several teachers are included with the group.
- Copies of portraits of James W. (1822-1869) and Eliza Fessler (1828-1887) Ryan, Upper Heidelberg Twp., Berks County; copy of a portrait of their sons, John Henry and Tiras David Ryan, ca. 1860.
- Photographs (3) of John Henry Ryan as an elderly man; he died in 1949.

The following photographs were purchased at the Horst Auction Center on September 5:

- Real-photo postcard of the Lincoln School off Charles Street, ca. 1910.
- Real-photo postcard of a Christmas tableau at the Salem Lutheran Church, Lincoln, with sisters Miriam and Laura Hacker, ca. 1909.
- Real-photo postcard of the Akron Hotel under the proprietorship of Henry S. Minnich, ca. 1905.
- Two real-photo postcards of the house at 310 Hopeland Road, Clay Twp., then the parsonage of the Hopeland United Brethren Church, ca. 1909.

Real-photo postcard of a scene along Main Street, Stevens, ca. 1910; shows the Stevens Hotel under the proprietorship of M.A. Walters and the town's feed mill.

Real-photo postcard of a double house belonging to Dr. Harry Dissler, 2 North 6th Street, Denver, ca. 1910.

Real-photo postcard of St. John's Reformed Church, Walnut Street, Denver, ca. 1912.

Real-photo postcard of the members of the Murrell Baseball Team, ca. 1910.

Real-photo postcard of the Hopeland Evangelical United Brethren Church, looking north, ca. 1910.

Real-photo postcard, aerial view of the Hopeland Evangelical United Brethren Church and cemetery, looking east, April 1, 1911.

Real-photo postcard of the Hopeland Evangelical United Brethren Church and cemetery, looking east, June 3, 1936.

Real-photo postcard of the Hopeland Evangelical United Brethren Church and parsonage, looking southeast, ca. 1915.

6 real-photo postcards of children and adults at Hopeland United Brethren Church Sunday-school picnics, ca. 1910-1920.

Real-photo postcard of secondary students at the Hopeland School, ca. 1915.

Real-photo postcard showing participants in a small parade near Hopeland, ca. 1910.

Real-photo postcards showing early truck and wagon near Hopeland, ca. 1918.

Real-photo postcard of boys skating near the dam of the Hopeland Mill, ca. 1920.

Printed postcard, early fire-fighting apparatus and masked fireman outside the Denver Fire Co. building, ca. 1907.

Real-photo postcard, Trinity United Brethren Church, Denver.

Real-photo postcard, Main Street south of Chestnut, Denver.

Real-photo postcard, members of Camp Silver Belle and members of a drill corps in the Ephrata Park, with the Park Hotel to the rear, ca. early 1930's

Real-photo postcard, Steinmetz garden, Spring Garden Street, Ephrata.

Real-photo postcard, Ye Village Inn, West Main and Oak Streets, Ephrata.

Real-photo postcard: "Twin trees on Ephrata Mountain."

Real-photo postcard: participants in a patriotic skit, ca. 1940's; only one, Mary Kochel, is identified.

Real-photo postcard of young people in bathing suits; subjects include Neta Shirk, Joe Burkholder, Elsie Greenberger, Lizzie Keath, "Mrs. Berkheimer," "Mr. Berkheimer," Harry Roether, Eddie Caulwell, Ira Keath, and Peter B. Shirk.

Real-photo postcard of the Horace and Mary Kinports home, 252 West Main Street, Ephrata.

Printed postcard booklet which opens into multiple scenes of Ephrata, patented 1905.

3 real-photo postcards of Dr. Marcella Schweitzer and/or her horse and carriage outside the Schweitzer home on Locust Street, ca. 1910; Marcella was a daughter of Rev. Stephen Schweitzer.

Printed postcard with a portrait of Rev. Martin W. Schweitzer, with a message from Rev. Schweitzer addressed to his father Stephen, 1909.

Real-photo postcard, Ephrata Church of the Brethren, Church and Locust Streets, ca. 1910.

Printed postcard, Ephrata Church of the Brethren with addition, ca. 1920's.

Printed postcard, interior of the Pancake Farm restaurant, Ephrata, postmarked 1969.

Printed postcard, interior of the Cloister Country Store, Ephrata, ca. 1960's.

Printed postcard, Muddy Creek Lutheran and Reformed Church, East Cocalico Twp., postmarked 1907.

Printed postcard, Grace Chapel at Muddy Creek Church, ca. 1910.

Printed postcards sent to the members of Muddy Creek Reformed Charge during the pastorate of Rev. Martin Schweitzer (Spring Holy Communion, Harvest Home), 1927 and 1928.

Real-photo postcard, aerial view of the George W. Bollman & Co. factory complex, Adamstown ca. late 1930's.

Printed aerial photo of the Green Dragon Farmers' Market, ca. 1950's; postcard bill of sale for an auction to be held there, March 1961.

Printed postcard, D & B Diner, Ephrata Twp., ca. 1950.

Printed postcard, Rutt's Furniture, Ephrata, ca. 1970.

Printed postcard, Terry-Town, Stevens, ca. 1970's

Printed postcard, pumpkins outside the Leroy Pfautz farm market, Rt. 272, ca. 1970's.

2 copies, oversized printed postcard advertising "Nobby-Tread" tires, Mt. Vernon Garage, Ephrata, ca. 1920's.

Mounted photograph of primary pupils at the Hopeland School grouped outside the school building with teacher Allen P. Miller, October 13, 1915.

Mounted photograph of the interior of the Hopeland School with unidentified teacher and pupils, ca. 1908.

Mounted photograph of the primary and secondary students and teachers of the Hopeland School grouped outside the school building, 1927.

Mounted photograph of an early truck pulling an early hose cart in which is riding a uniformed fireman; taken near Hopeland, ca. 1912.

Mounted photograph of Samuel and Kate Bingeman, Harvey and Lydia Bingeman, Dewey Bingeman, and John and Alice Donough and their sons Grant and Elmer seated and standing outside the Hopeland Post Office, ca. 1900.

The following photographs were donated by Robert and Jane Griffith:

Individual studio portraits, used in the Cloisterette, of members of the Ephrata High School class of 1947. Class members represented are as follows:

Jack Bryson, Kathryn Ulrich, Annette June Bowman, Glen C. Zug, John P. Orwig, Lamar Weaver, Patricia Ann Templin, Robert Leroy Callihan, Erla Mae Weist, John M. Krouse, Barbara Ann Brunner, Martha Louise Garrett, John L. Englert, Harold Brubaker, Jane D. Keller (Jane Keller Griffith), F. James Loose, E. Violet Hockman, Shirley Ann Leaman, Helen O. Witmer, Theodore T. Badorf, Jr., Clyde Sweigart, and F. Lucille Hoffman.

Mounted Miller Studio photograph of members of the E.H.S. class of 1947 posing outside the high school in caps and gowns.

Photograph of E.H.S. class of 1947 officers Jean Wingenroth, John Englert, Lamar Weaver, and Jane Keller; photograph of Jean Wingenroth and Jane Keller.

Photograph of E.H.S. staff members ____ Adams, ____ Kinard, and ____ Horning.

Three 5" x 7" photographs of the Ephrata High School auditorium decorated with crepe paper streamers, etc., ca. mid-late 1940's.

Mounted Stoner Studio photographs of primary classes at the Washington Avenue School, Ephrata, 1936 (2), 1937, and 1939.

Franklin Street School fifth-graders, 1939-1940; students are identified.

Snapshot of E.H.S. graduate Delores Rishel in cap and gown, 1947.

Photograph of E.H.S. students, and possibly other students, at a Lititz--Lancaster Catholic football game, October 13, 1945.

Photograph of seven E.H.S. football players, ca. mid-late 1940's; photograph of the Ephrata High School football team, ca. mid-late 1940's.

Photograph of E.H.S. Class of 1947 members at their 25th class reunion, May, 1972; additional reunion photographs.

Manuscript Acquisitions:

Diary of Isaac C. Stoner of Adamstown, serving with the 122nd Regiment, Pennsylvania Volunteers, Company C. Entries date from January 1 through May 17, 1863; Stoner was mustered out at Harrisburg on May 16 and returned home the following day. During the period that he maintained the diary he was staying at the Summit House Hospital at Philadelphia, not acutely ill and periodically serving guard duty or doing office work; he was sent to convalescent camp May 4. Scattered later entries relate to teaching school. (Donation—Floyd B. Doner)

Printed taufschein of Albert B. Hix (Hicks), a son of Samuel and Mary (Boone) Hix of Penn Township, Berks County; he was born October 10, 1863 and baptized March 15, 1864. Printed at the office of the Reading Eagle; handcolored. (Donation—Dolores Leed)

Printed taufschein of Emma B. Hix (Hicks), a daughter of Samuel and Mary (Boone) Hix of Penn Township, Berks County; she was born September 6, 1869 and was baptized December 16, 1869. Printed at the office of the Reading Eagle; handcolored. (Donation—Dolores Leed)

Blueprint drawing of Adamstown's Willow Street, scale 1" = 100', with names of property owners listed; captioned "Plan for Establishing Lines and Grades on Willow Street Extended . . . December 1936." (Donation—Verna Glass and Mary Bernstel)
Set of teacher's monthly reports (28 p.; printed forms) prepared by Margie B. Sheaffer of Center School, Earl Township, September 1889 through February, 1891. (Donation—James A. Tshudy)

50-year member ("Golden Jubilee") certificate issued to Ralph Bingeman by the P.O.S. of A., Washington Camp 701, Hopeland. (Donation—Harold Bingeman)

Funeral invitation and memorial card for Helen Myra Weidman, daughter of Henry (Harry) and Alice Fessler Weidman, b. 1921, d. 1922. (Donation—Sylvia Zoecklein and Joan Gibble)

Funeral invitation for Henry B. Weidman, Ephrata, 1947; funeral invitation for Annie (McCreary) Myers, Rothsville, 1922; funeral invitation for Rosanna Kathryn Stick, Denver, 1923. (Donation—Sylvia Zoecklein and Joan Gibble)

Memorial card for Matilda Fessler, d. 1914. (Donation—Sylvia Zoecklein and Joan Gibble)

Manuscript valedictorian oration delivered by Elizabeth Weidman (Elizabeth Weidman Shaub), Reamstown Central Vocational High School, 1921. (Donation—Sylvia Zoecklein and Joan Gibble)

Confirmation booklet issued to Elizabeth Weidman, Zion's Reformed Church, Millersville, 1922. (Donation—Sylvia Zoecklein and Joan Gibble)

Autograph book belonging to Elizabeth Weidman; entries date from 1926 through 1928. (Donation—Sylvia Zoecklein and Joan Gibble)

Bound Master's thesis written by Elizabeth Weidman; Pennsylvania State College, 1950: "From Deist to Theist: a Study of Thomas Jefferson's Religion as Revealed in his Letters." (Donation—Sylvia Zoecklein and Joan Gibble)

Marriage certificate issued by Rev. Benjamin Welder for Edmund Uibel and Elizabeth M. Krick, August 21, 1909. (Donation—Stanley and Jeanette Uibel)

Miscellaneous Print Acquisitions:

New York Clothing House (Joseph Harris) clearance sale broadside, 1912; the store was located at 31 West Main Street, Ephrata. (Donation—Clarke Hess)

Mellinger, Scott A. *A Transcription of Mellinger's Graveyard near Schoeneck, Pa.* Distributed by the author, 2008. (Donation—Scott Mellinger)

Mellinger, Philip T. *Mollinger/Mellinger Family Origins, Relationships, and Artifacts.* (Illustrations from power-point presentation delivered for the Historical Society, August 27; donated by Philip Mellinger.)

Agreement form (unused) printed with the letterhead of the Glacier Spring Water Company under the proprietorship of Jacob Steinmetz; the form includes a price list for bottled natural and carbonated water. (Donation—Clarence Spohn)

Over 80 Years of Hat Making: F & M Hat Company. Denver: F & M, c1994. (Donation—F & M Hat Co.)

M. Fichthorn print of the F & M Hat Company, Denver, 1994. (Donation—F & M Hat Co.)

Beck-Luther-Poke genealogical chart; compiled by Gladys Crowl. (Donation—Gladys Crowl)

7th and 8th annual Pageantry in Motion (Ephrata High School Band) program booklets, 1973 and 1974. (Donation—Robert and Jane Griffith)

Assorted materials from the Ephrata Recreation Center's Golden Years Club: by-laws booklet; membership/attendance book and additional membership lists; name badge/ribbon. (Donation—Robert and Jane Griffith)

Photocopy of “Record of Deaths Kept by Mary Weaver,” printed at Farmersville in 1900. (Donation—Brenda Creasy)

Ephrata Borough Republican party campaign broadside, ca. 1960's. (Donation—William Irvine)

Photocopies of photographs of headstones at the Ruth family cemetery, located south of Steinmetz Road in West Cocalico Twp. (Donation—Shirley Hartje)

Copies of official Civil War files pertaining to Andrew Laukuff/Lockoff of Lancaster County; enlisted in the Union Army March 25, 1865; deserted May 3, 1865. (Donation—James and Lou Tshudy)

Phenegar, Sherry Ann: *The Laukhuff Family Genealogy*. Distributed by the author, n.d. (Donation—James and Lou Tshudy)
Cloisterette (EHS yearbook), 1944; with commencement invitation and card of graduate Arvilla Keller. (Donation—Erel Sahn)

Swamp Evangelical Lutheran Church (Reinholds) calendars, 1973, 1976, 1977, and 1979. (Donation—Gladys Eckenroad)

Sale bill, property of Doris Von Nieda of Ephrata, May 1971. (Donation—Dale Leber)

The following print items were received from Verna Glass and Mary Bernstel:

-- Owen Brunner Store (Reinholds) trade card, ca. 1880's or 1890's.

- Printed Adamstown Rod and Gun Club envelope with 1-cent stamp.
- Broken issues of the Bollman Chatter, Vol. 14, No. 4 (1971) through Vol. 32, No. 1 (1995).
- Bollman Employees' Christmas Dinner programs, 1971, 1973-1976, 1979, 1984, 1985, 1988-1994, 2002, 2003.
- Adamstown Woman's Club 50th anniversary banquet program, May 10, 1994.
- Adamstown Junior Woman's Club yearbook, 1944-1954.
- Muddy Creek Reformed Charge harvest home reminder card, 1921.
- St. Paul's Lutheran/United Church of Christ (Adamstown) birthday calendar, 1966.
- Green Dragon Farmer's Market calendar, 1979.

Artifact Acquisitions:

Embossed, oval china tray, 12 3/4" x 18 1/2", with gold embellishments and transfer-printed floral sprays on a white ground; the rim is scalloped and segmented. Printed mark on the underside of the base reads "Theodore Havilland /Limoges / France." The center of the tray bears the hand-painted gold inscription "Mrs. R.M. Carter." Mrs. Carter was Sallie S. (Baker) Carter, 1876-1964, of Ephrata. (Donation—Robert Carter)

Pieced coverlet made by June (Keiper) Deibler of Ephrata (d. 1884), ca. early 1940's. A daughter of Earl O. and Naomi (Kindt) Keiper of East Cocalico Twp., she was the wife of Harry S. Deibler. The coverlet is composed of pattern-weave green and russet fabric uniformly arranged in bars and blocks. Each of the nine blocks is worked in punch needle embroidery with bluebirds and clusters of flowers and foliage; a cross worked in contrasting colors is added to the central block. The backing is solid. (Donation—Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Deibler)

Circular, engraved metal pendant presented to Dr. John F. Mentzer, ca. mid-late 1940's; one face is inscribed "Ephrata / Chamber / of / Commerce / Citizenship / Citation" and the other "Dr. John F. Mentzer / Preservation / Ephrata Cloister / For / Posterity." (Donation—J. Daniel Mentzer)

Embossed Jefferson Medical College 10K gold tie tack; the property of Dr. John F. Mentzer, it is engraved on the reverse with his initials and graduation date, 1882. (Donation—J. Daniel Mentzer)

Lodge ribbon and badge issued to Ralph Bingeman as a member of Washington Camp No. 70, Hopeland, P.O.S. of A. (Donation—Harold Bingeman)

Wooden-handled fountain pen printed with the advertising of H.L. Cox, Ephrata. (Donation—James A. Tshudy)

Round-bodied china cream pitcher with a cream-colored glaze and 22k gold decoration; the pitcher and similar pieces of dinnerware were distributed by Ephrata's Roxy Theater, probably during the 1930's. (Donation—Naomi Becker)

Ceremonial lodge outfit worn by Edmund Uibel of Reamstown; consists of a jacket, pair of pants, feathered headdress and accessories, all meant to resemble a Native American's. The garments are cotton twill, bound with contrasting herringbone twill and leather fringe, and (in the case of the jacket) trimmed with embroidered velvet.

Dress and open-toe shoes worn by Mary E. Knerr, daughter of Rev. W.H. Knerr of Denver, for her wedding to Dr. Russell H. Derr. The dress is made of extremely sheer, fine-gauge ivory net fabric; it is heavily gathered at the waist and features a lace-trimmed yolk, closed at the back with small satin-covered buttons, and a sweeping, lace-trimmed train. (Donation—Jane Leshner)

Two fur evening stoles with preserved faces, feet, and tails, each composed of three joined pelts, ca. 1940; the stoles belonged to Priscilla Axe. (Donation—Vincent Axe)

Bollman's Hat Factory (Adamstown) advertising tokens: 6" wooden ruler; key chain. (Donation—Verna Glass and Mary Bernstel)

Denver National Bank jar opener. (Donation—Verna Glass and Mary Bernstel)

Record albums: "The U.S.A.F. Strolling Strings," autographed to Maude Mentzer of Ephrata by Col. George S. Howard, 1979; "Air Force Village Contest Music for Band as Interpreted by Col. George S. Howard." (Donation—Sylvia Zoeklein and Joan Gible)

*Please note that the four-piece silver-plated serving set belonging to the Woman's Club of Ephrata has been placed with the Historical Society on loan.