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# An Update from the Borough Office

by Barbara Stiver

# **Borough Council Report**

Summer seems to have arrived! With more people out and about, remember to clean up after your dog. Children are running around having fun but make sure they respect other people's property and watch for cars. There is a 10 p.m. curfew so know where your children are when you hear the siren.

Doing any building or remodeling this summer? Call John Hendricks (899-5108) for an Assessment and/or Building Permit. He will know what you will need and answer any questions.

The Community Yard Sale is July 18th. A great time to look for bargains.

The Rothrock Playground will be having a four-week summer program beginning July 6, 2015 for ages 5-12. Children under the age of 5 MUST be accompanied by an adult (18 or older). The hours will be from 9-2, Monday thru Friday. The supervisors will be Morgan Kauffman, Carley Dunmire, and Megan Heckman. An information sheet will be handed out the first day as well as a registration sheet.

### **Borough Authority Report**

Did you know that there are 37 Counties in Pennsylvania under a drought watch? Mifflin County is one. Even though we have had some rainy weather, groundwater and surface water levels are below average. With that being said, the Authority is still having issues with our water well and air. The new well is on hold currently due to financial issues and the Consent Order concerning the sewer inflow and infiltration.

The Authority would appreciate everyone conserving water by checking for leaks, not watering lawns, not washing cars and using water only when absolutely necessary. We are trying to qualify for grants since we did show as low income but this will probably be used on the sewer side.

Once we get estimates to finish the new well and necessary piping, we will be going to Jake Corman and Adam Harris for help.

We need everyone's cooperation to make it through the next 2 or 3 years.

Barbara is the McVeytown Borough Secretary.

Council meetings are held at 6:30 p.m.,2nd Tuesday each month in the Borough Office,10 N. Queen Street. Meetings are open to the public.



# **Relax!** It's Summertime!

Remember to fly your flag on the Fourth of July!

July 6 thru July 31: Monday thru Friday, Supervised activites at the Rothrock Playgroud for kids age 5-12. *Children under age 5 must be accompanied by an adult (18 and older).* 

July 18: Yard Sale Day.

Plan to participate!

**September 18:** The Sub n' Malt will hold a fundraiser, which will benefit the Community Library and the Firehouse.

### Support Our Fire Company!

Bingo at the Firehouse is held on the second Tuesday and last Friday of each month. Doors open at 4:30; games begin at 6:30. But schedules can change, so check the sign in front of the Firehouse to confirm.

**McVeytown Community Library Hours** 

Tuesday and Thursday, 11a.m. to 8 p.m. and Saturday 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

### Weekly Church Services

McVeytown United Methodist Church Pat Bollinger, Pastor 899-7866 Worship - 9:20 a.m. Sunday School - 10:45 a.m. Contemporary Worship - Sat., 6:30 p.m.

*McVeytown Presbyterian Church* Scott Andrews, Pastor 899-6861 Sunday School - 9 a.m. Worship - 10 a.m.

**Reminder:** *McVeytown has a 10 p.m curfew for underage children. The siren at 9:45 is a 15-minute reminder that kids need to be indoors by the time the curfew siren goes off at 10 p.m.* 

**Congratulations** to Molly Dunmire, daughter of Eric and Jennifer Dunmire; and Miranda Prough, daughter of Lloyd and Stephanie Prough. Both are recent graduates of Mifflin County High School.

### The McVeytown Journal

...can be read online, or downloaded and printed, at www.mcveytownboro.com.

If you have comments, photos, stories or events listings to share in the newsletter, email sfsf23@verizon.net or mail to Newsletter Editor, PO Box 321, McVeytown PA 17051.

# Talk of the Town

## Kline's Market is closing...

We were all dismayed to see the notices posted recently at Kline's Market, notifying customers that it will close on July 6. The market is most likely the oldest community store in the county, still operating in the same location.

After an unsuccessful attempt to sell the building and the business, owners Pauletta and Charlie Himes decided to go in a different direction. The building will be the site of Gram's House (offering antiques, used furniture and household items); Pap's Shed, (fishing tackle, used tools, "anything guys," says Charlie); and CW Himes Printing, which is Charlie's current business. It will be relocated from Mount Union.

We'll miss the market, but we're glad Pauletta and Charlie are staying in town. We wish them much success.

Kline's Market faces the same problems as other small town stores—rising costs of wholesale items (and, in some cases, delivery fees), competition from big box stores, and working long days in order to turn a profit.

Though milk, bread, snacks and some other groceries are available at the Nittany Minit Mart across Route 22-522, no place in town offers the high-quality fresh-cut meats, fresh and frozen vegetables, canned goods that Kline's offers. Plus Kline's made-to-order takeout foods will be greatly missed.

## Coming Soon to a field near you...

There's lots of activity going on in a field at the west end of McVeytown. Once part of the Dunmire farm, it will soon be the site of a Dollar General Store.

An opening date and hours have not been announced. (The Dollar General Store beside Lewistown's Giant Foods is open everyday from 8 a.m. to 10 p.m.)

The following information is on the internet at jobs.dollargeneral.com.

We're a fast moving \$17.5 billion, Fortune 200 publicly-traded company with more than 11,000 stores and 12 distribution centers in 40 states, growing by hundreds of stores each year. We work in an energetic team atmosphere that leverages each person's strengths and maximizes potential. We are committed

# COMING SOON W HIMES PRINTING GRAM'S HOUSE & PAP'S SHED Toroceries are available at the Nittany won offers the high-quality fresh-cut ods that Kline's offers. Plus Kline's ed.

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to attracting upbeat, talented, and motivated people who can advance our mission of "Serving Others."

The manager's job is the only one posted for the McVeytown store. The manager who is hired will be responsible for hiring clerks and support workers.

Information about job requirements and responsibilities, and applications are available on the website.

### And now for late-breaking Good News!

The following email came in as we were about to print the newsletter...

A fter 15 years in the laundry business, we closed the doors in December 2013. At that time we weren't sure what we were going to do with the building. We talked about a lot of ideas and decided on opening a general store. We plan on carrying a variety of items that will include meats, produce, soups, deli and much more. Sincerely,

*The Boozel Family:* Steve, Yvonne, Marlaina, Alison, Taylor and Andrew Now you know how we got our name—MATA Market

Opening date to be announced soon! Please support this new business!

### New books at the Library...Check them out! by Deb Himes

**S** ince the Spring newsletter, the library has added 59 new patrons. The largest increase has been from Oliver Township. We now total 179 patrons. In the 22 weeks that we have been open, we are averaging about 40 patrons a week.

Oliver and Bratton townships have donated funds that previously went to the Mifflin County Library. The McVeytown Presbyterian Church has taken us on as a mission project and recently gave the library \$1,000 as well as a generous donation at Easter.

Harsbarger's Sub n' Malt held two fundraisers and plans to hold another one on Tuesday, September 15.

We now have two computers for patrons to use. As soon as we get another one, we



The library now has two computers and a printer for use by patrons.

will be able to have a card catalog on a computer for public use.

Books continue to pour in. We recently had a donation of 21 boxes filled with books copyrighted 2010 and newer. They include many Christian and Amish fiction books, which are the biggest movers.

We held a small book sale during Country Memories Day and made \$63. We plan to participate in the Community Yard Sale on July 18th. The library will supply bags to customers, and the charge will be \$2 for as many books as can be placed in a bag.

People with magazine subscriptions have been donating magazines when they finish reading them. If interested, you may "adopt" a magazine subscription.



Mystery buffs will be thrilled to find a great selection of new releases by favorite authors, such as David Baldacci, Lee Child, Harlan Coben, Dean Koontz and James Patterson.



Volunteers Deb Himes and Sandi Hummel on Country Memories Day 2015.

Volunteer help is picking up. Our youngest started working when school was out. She is very professional and courteous, and looks forward to putting in many hours this summer. If you would like to volunteer, call the library or just stop in.

Continued thanks to all who donated books, equipment and money—and to all our library patrons.

Library hours are Tuesday and Thursday, 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. and Saturday 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Deb Himes is the Volunteer Librarian of the McVeytown Communiy Library.



June 2015

#### Dear Neighbors,

We, the Country Memories Day Committee, would like to express our sincere thanks to the community, as we feel it is the spirit of cooperation in the whole town that makes the day special, and we couldn't do it without each one of you.

Thanks to everyone for moving their cars off the streets, and those of you who provided water, electric and parking for our guests.

We have heard many compliments on what

a beautiful town we have. We are so glad everyone dresses up their home for the day.

We, as a committee, are very proud of our town. Our 29th event went well on May 23, 2015—thanks to you.

Sincerely,

Country Memories Day Committee

Editor's Note: We, as a town, express deep appreciation to the committee for their planning of this very special event!

*Kindest sympathies* to the families of the following McVeytown-area residents who passed away recently: Melvin B. Adams Helen C. Hackenberry Levada A. Parchey

Dorothy Watts



...and to the Dunmire Family on the loss of Jason Stevens, 43, of Lake Monticello, Virginia, who died in an auto accident on Father's Day. He was the son of Ann Dunmire Fassett, the grandson of Lois and the late Raymond Dunmire, and brother of Melanie Stevens. As a teenager, he spent summers in McVeytown, helping on the farm.

Jason was a landscape manager at Thomas Jefferson's Monticello. He was also an active member of the National Guard and was awarded numerous medals, including the Bronze Star. While in Afganistan, he taught people the best ways to rebuild the agriculture of their country.

Jason is survived by his wife Christine; daughter Anna and her husband Steven Griffin; daughter Olivia; son Patrick; and granddaughter Ava.



#### **Market's Timeline**

Founders: Brothers William and George Macklin c.1846. The original store burned in 1905. The building above was completed in 1906. It remained in the Macklin Family until 1929. Owners of the business since then were

1929-1942: Clair Wilson and Carrie Hosterman, longtime employees of Macklin's. 1942-1955: Weis Markets relocated to the building from their store at 3 N. Market Street (the small house beside O.I.P Pizza). 1955-1963: Knepp's Market, owned by Sherman Knepp, manager of the Weis Market. 1963-1973: Norman Knepp (Sherman's son). 1973-1983: Berryman's Market, owned by Glenn Berryman.

1983-2010: Kline's Market, owned by Kimber "Tip" Kline. He also purchased the building, owned by Merle Wray since the 1950s. 2010-present: Kline's Market, owned by Pauletta and Charlie Himes. Pauletta was Kline's store manager for many years.

# A Part of Our history by Sis Norton

t was January 31, 2015 when my sister, Marj Davidson, Land myself went to the Flea Market that is set up in the basement of Kline's Market, which is owned by Charlie and

Pauletta Himes.



We looked around for awhile, and there were many interesting items available for sale, so after we made our purchases, and were ready to leave, Pauletta said,

something." We followed her to the middle of the basement to a pillar that had writing on it: Burnt Oct. 13, 1905 -Built March 1906.

"Come with me, I want to show you

Some interesting thoughts about the Macklin Store are that it was established in the middle 1800s and

was a very thriving store during the 19th and 20th century.

It was a frame building, and October 13, 1905 it burned to the ground, and the business was moved to the old Evangelical United Brethren Church on the Southeast corner of Market and Lombard Street (once the home of the late Florence Kerr).

By March of 1906 a new building was built, and after the death of G. Howard Macklin, Clair Wilson and Carrie Hosterman, who had worked for G. Howard, bought the inventory and equipment and continued in the business until 1942.

I remember as a little girl, Mom would write a note as to what she wanted from Macklin's Store, and off I would go down John Street and get the ginger snaps, thread, and whatever Mom needed as per the note.

What wonderful memories of McVeytown....

# Seen Around Town

How well do you know your neighbors?



This friendly bicyclist is usually seen riding with some of his siblings. He has an older sister, three brothers and a baby sister who was born this past June.

#### (See answer below.)

homemade baked goods. They rent kayaks, too! paint, home repair supplies, and delicious The Cookie Jar. They offer all types of hardware, Mamie Yost, who own Riverside Hardware and Say "Hi" to Curtis Yost, son of Anthony and