

# THE BEAVERTOWN NEWS

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October is National Crime Prevention Month

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## WORSE THAN ISABEL

While ISABEL that passed through on September 18/19 wasn't as bad as it might have been, it still caused electrical outages in parts of the borough. Many limbs came down, and one of the TV cable systems was out of service for awhile.

However, the quick moving heavy rains that fell on September 22/23 caused even more damage than did ISABEL. Two reliable sources reported almost 3.5 inches of rain in just a few hours, which was more than MISERABEL's 1.5 inches. Many cellars were flooded in and out of the borough. Likewise, the road was impassable between Jim Etzler's and US 522 due to high water.

## SEWER PERMITS ISSUE RESOLVED

Beavertown has now received all permits needed to begin the bidding process to improve our Sanitary sewer system. One permit, part 2 (the Soils and Waterways Permit) of the Water Quality Management Permit will not now be required,

Also, in a very co-operative meeting of the Borough Council and the Municipal Authority, it was decided to purchase a 1990 Ford dump truck from another municipality for about \$25,000., to replace the one lost in the accident on 8-19-03.

## YOUR EDITORS HEALTH DECISION

While surgery will be required at some point, the consultation with the surgeon won't take place until October 1st which is after our publication date. Since a stress test will be required to determine if I can handle the surgery, it may not occur at all.

If the operation is performed, your editor will be out of business for some time. Action is being taken to see that the BN is published on its regular basis.

## OUR BELOVED PENN'S WOODS

Everyone knows that Pennsylvania means Penn's woods. It is interesting to us that well after over 320 years that appellation still applies. Did you know that Pennsylvania produces more hardwood lumber than any other state? This including the highest volume of cherry, red oak, white oak, sugar maple and yellow poplar. This bountiful supply should keep our largest employer, Conestoga, in business for many decades to come.

Pennsylvania also leads the nation in licensed hunter with well over 1,000,000.

**THE RESCUE HOSE COMPANY WILL HAVE A BAKED HAM & BROWNE POTATOES DINNER FROM 10 A.M. TO 1 P.M. ON OCTOBER 26, 2003, IN THE FIREHALL.**

## 9th BVHS GRAND REUNION

The ninth annual GRAND REUNION of B.V.H.S. held on Saturday, September 20, 2003, was a grand success with over 160 in attendance. It began by being greeted, signing in, having punch and visiting with old friends.

**Dr. Edwin Freed** gave the Invocation. Then those members no longer with us were remembered in a moment of silence. The '33, '38, '43, '48, and '53 classes were honored this year.

Another member, Mrs. **Emmerrene Siglin Bailey**, was added to the Faculty Roll of Honor. Also honored was **Dr. William Markley**, as the Seventh Distinguished Alumnus. He was on hand and spoke by saying a deeply touching "Thank You"!

**Rev. George Fetterolf**, who was a teacher and coach, was awarded the second deceased Faculty Roll of Honor recipient. His daughter was on hand. A matted and framed Certificate was presented to her. Finally, the Second Deceased Distinguished Alumnus Certificate was awarded to **Mr. Carl Richard Getz** who co-founded these B.V.H.S. Grand Reunions in 1995, to which he has always given above and beyond the call of duty. Don his brother, accepted the award.

All then stood and sang the Alma Mater, accompanied by Shirley Young on the piano.

**Dr. Barry Keiser** said Grace. A catered meal of roast turkey, baked ham and all the trimmings was served at 4:15 P.M. to over 150 persons. After the meal, the names were drawn to give away the 18 center settings. **Dr. Freed** said the benediction and the reunion was then adjourned for another year.

Hurricane Isabel passed by on Friday, but this day was bright, sunny and beautiful.

**Jack Thoman**, Class of '30, aged 93 was the oldest Alumni present. **Charles Kearns**, '30, a past Honors recipient was in from Tuscon, AZ. Several were up from Florida, ans several from other states were on hand to enjoy this 9th Grand Reunion.

## CURFEW AND TRICK OR TREAT

Children under age 18 are prohibited from being on the streets, alleys, sidewalks or in public places after 9:00 P.M. in Beavertown during the month of October, unless coming or going to work, school or church events, on an emergency errand or unless accompanied by a parent or guardian.

Also, the Borough Council has officially acted on naming the Trick or Treat Night for 2003, which will be on Friday, October 31st. from 6:00 P.M. until 8:00 P.M. Little Ghosts and Goblins are asked to be very careful in walking door to door and especially in crossing streets!

Since the curfew does not end until 9:00 P.M., you may get some trick or treaters after 8:00 P.M., so it might be in your best interests to give treats to these callers in order to avoid being tricked.

**THE NEXT RECYCLING WILL BE HELD OCTOBER 25, 2003, FROM 8 AM TO NOON.**

## FUN HISTORY FLASHBACKS

10-16-1890: "A sweep stake shooting match of live birds will take place at the Central Hotel, Beavertown, Tuesday, October 21, 1890. One hundred and fifty live birds are already in the coop."

10-5-1916: "Charles Kinney, who had been milling in Mifflin County returned home to Beavertown to run the new flour mill for George Spaid."

10-9-1941: "Glen Bailey and family moved into the vacant house of Mrs. Carrie Hartman at Beavertown last Thursday."

## PA. GERMAN LESSON

Pennsylvania German, our real native tongue is sadly fast disappearing from even occasional use in our area. In order to keep the flame dimly lighted, we offer this department.

### MINI LESSON # 103

1. How do you say "He is a Councilman"? You would pronounce it **ESS ISS EN RODZMON** and it is written, Es is en Raasdmann
2. How would you say, "Did you hear that?". It's pronounced **HUSHED DEW SELLA GAHAIRT?** and it's written, Hoscht du selear gheert?

## QUOTATIONS OF THE MONTH

"Money can't buy you happiness, but it does bring you a more pleasant form of misery."

"Don't say the world owes you a living. The world owes you nothing. The world was here first."

## Answer To Last Month

Henry Kern donated the land for the then Union Church, now the U.C.C.

He also donated land for the churchyard, the school and the playground, with the stipulation that when it is no longer used for the purposes intended, the land will revert back to the family.

Henry was my GGGGrandfather. Just before my Grandmother's death, she signed off to give a clear deed, but only to the church.

## DEADLINE

For your news submissions, the deadline for the next issue due out on November 1 2003, is the close of the day on October 25, 2003.

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**THIS ISSUE IS RESPECTFULLY DEDICATED  
TO THE LOVING MEMORY OF**

# George H. Edwards

9-7-1892 to 11-6-1972

# Theresa H. Edwards

12-2-1889 to 7-7-1983

**WE ALSO WANT TO REMEMBER THOSE WHO PASSED AWAY  
IN 2003, SINCE OUR LAST REPORT**

## Shirley M. Wenrich

5-9-1935 to 9-25-2003

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## HISTORY CORNER

In each issue, something of interest from the History Of Beavertown will appear in this section. If you have any old photos or newspaper clippings of Beavertown to loan us to use, call 658-2486 afternoons or evenings.



(Courtesy Of Marian Wagner.)

## RARE MILK BOTTLE RETURN TOKEN

Shown here are both sides of a brass token (enlarged image) issued by the Smith Dairy of Beavertown. It was good for 5 cents on the return of an empty milk bottle.

Unfortunately, we do not have the date of this token, nor of the dates of operation of Smith's Dairy. Can anyone help us with this information?

(Who happened to the Smith Dairy? Answer next month.)