

Grange National Bank celebrates 90th year

Grange National Bank, which opened its newest office in Trucks-ville earlier this year, is celebrating its 90th year of operation.

Founded in Laceyville in 1907, the bank has remained independent and has kept the original main office throughout its history. Grange National Bank was one of a chain of National Banks organized under the supervision of J.G. McHenry and W.F. Hill, Masters of the State Grange Association. It was founded as a business necessity, mainly for farmers in the county. But it was never intended to be only a "farmers' bank."

According to an article published in the February, 1908 issue of *The Pennsylvania Grange News*, about \$21,000 was deposited in the bank on its opening day of business, Nov. 27, 1907. There were 160 original stockholders, and the number has grown to more than 750.

Grange National Bank now operates nine full-service offices in four counties in northeastern Pennsylvania, three of them with ATM machines. Even though the bank has remained a hometown type of business, every effort has been made to keep abreast of modern technology. Grange National offers its own Internet web site at www.grangebank.com with

links to several financial services. Two committees are working on offering debit cards and home banking services; the debit cards are expected to be available by the end of the year.

The bank will soon begin to sell insurance and a trust department has been added to the list of services offered.

Grange National Bank has consistently been listed among the highest-rated institutions in the nation. It has earned nine consecutive five-star rankings from Bauer Financial Reports, and was named the ninth best performing bank in the U.S. by the *Bank Stock Analyst* newsletter. Grange has also received an "outstanding" rating from the Comptroller of the Currency for its performance meeting the credit needs of its communities.

Visitors are invited to stop in a any branch to join in the 90th birthday celebration. "It is still possible to find a bank with the same friendly, hometown service that people long for in the busy world today," said Tom McCullough, president.

"Everyone is welcome to come in and visit over a cup of coffee, to reminisce about the 'good old days' or just to take a break from busy schedules to learn about our history."



Hillside One Room School holds reunion

The first reunion of the Hillside One Room School of Jackson Township was held at Irem Temple Country, Dallas on Oct. 25. Attending were: first row, Nettie Bulford Myers, Doris Ikeler Walters, Jeanne Ikeler Reid, Virginia Culp Major, Charlotte Culp Ashton, Lois Southwell Bertram, Joan Coolbaugh Britt, Hazle Bulford Fielding, Fern Howell Sabol, Minnie Coolbaugh Miller, Florence Coolbaugh Miller, Mildred Ryzdewski Prutzman, Sterling Brown. Second row, John Headman, Carol Williams Kadel, Ann Bunney

Ostrum, Norma Carey Wright, Mildred Culp Kern, Thomas Williams, Paul Dargoy, Grant Cooper, Nora Harrison VerHuel, Roscoe Harrison.

Third row: David Edwards, Durland Edwards, George Coolbaugh, William Norris, Lawrence Kropp, Robert Norris, Robert Kropp, Robert Moss, Lawrence Newhart, Frank Prutzman, Charles Garey, Andrew Harrison. First school reunion was co-chaired by Lois Southwell Bertram and Joan Coolbaugh Britt. Picture by Paramount Studios.

Offset becomes first ISO certified mass market book printer in world

DALLAS — Offset Paperback Mfrs., Inc. has joined an elite group of companies worldwide who have provided proof of compliance to the internationally accepted ISO 9002-1994 Quality Standard. OPM was officially certified on Oct. 14 by the KEMA Registered Quality Group with worldwide headquarters in Arnhem, The Netherlands.

"This is an important milestone in the history of Offset Paperback," said President and CEO Michael J. Gallagher. "This certification recognizes our ongoing commitment to maintain specific policies and procedures which help to ensure that we produce the highest quality products and provide the best possible services. Every employee of OPM can take pride in this outstanding achievement."

Offset Paperback, which cel-

ebrated its 25th anniversary earlier this year, is the only mass-market book manufacturer in the world to receive ISO 9002 certification and only one of a handful of printers in the United States to achieve this highly sought after designation.

The second largest manufacturer of mass-market paperback books in the world, Offset manufacturers in excess of one million books per day while offering its clients mass-market and trade book production, commercial printing, prepress and digital studio services and a wide range of full service distribution capabilities.

Offset's parent company, Bertelsmann AG, headquartered in Germany, is a worldwide corporation with expertise in entertainment, publishing, printing and distribution.



Roman took title of Miss Sunburst

Jennifer Roman, 16 year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Brian Hospodar of Trucksville took the title of Miss Sunburst Teen. Jennifer attends Dallas High School and is setter for Dallas volleyball team. She is an assistant dance teacher at David Blight School of Dance.

Madrigal Dinner tickets on sale

Tickets are now available for the annual Madrigal Dinner at College Misericordia, which will be held on Friday and Saturday evenings, Dec. 5 and 6 at 7 p.m. Now in its 28th year, the traditional event includes an Elizabethan style holiday feast and entertainment by colorfully costumed singers, dancers and jesters. The dinner is held in the Redwood Room, which is transformed into the look of an old English castle for the evening. Cost of the dinner is \$30 per person. Call 674-6719 for information or reservations.



Bonnie Sutton, left, director of cultural events at Misericordia, and Dr. John Curtis, artistic director of the Madrigal Dinner.

SENIOR MENUS

The following is the menu for the week of Dec. 1. All meals include margarine, milk and coffee.

MONDAY - Salisbury steak w/ gravy, whipped potatoes, broccoli, whole wheat bread, chocolate cupcake.

TUESDAY - Stuffed shells w/ meatballs-tomato sauce, vegetable medley, Italian bread, apple, tossed salad w/ranch dressing.

WEDNESDAY - Ham and potato casserole, hot fruit compote, mixed vegetables, pineapple juice, dinner roll, tapioca pudding.

RELIGIOUS SERVICES

BACK MOUNTAIN HARVEST ASSEMBLY - 340 Carverton Rd., Trucksville. 696-1128. Pastor, Daniel S. Miller. Christian Education for all ages, 9:30 a.m. Worship 10:30 a.m. and 6:30 p.m. Wed., 7 p.m., "Genos" youth service. Mid-week home groups; call for days and times. Weekday prayer 6:30-7:30 a.m. Visitors welcome.

DALLAS UNITED METHODIST CHURCH - 4 Parsonage St., Dallas. 675-0122. Rev. Michael A. Bealla, Pastor. Sunday School 9 a.m., Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.

SHAVERTOWN UNITED METHODIST CHURCH - 163 N. Pioneer Ave., Shavertown. 675-3616. Pastors: Rev. Douglas and Janet Bryant Clark. Music Dir., John Vaida. SATURDAY: 5:30 p.m., Chapel Service; SUNDAY: 9 a.m. and 11 a.m. Worship Services. Visitors expected. PHONE-A-PRAYER 675-4666.

ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH - 196 N. Main St., Shavertown. Sat. Worship 5:30 p.m.; Sunday Worship 8:30 and 11 a.m.; Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Rev. Charles H. Grube, Pastor. Phone 675-3859 for more information. Everyone Welcome!

VICTORY BAPTIST CHURCH OF LEHMAN - Sunday School 10 a.m.; Sunday morning service 11 a.m.; Sunday evening service 6:30 p.m.; Wed. night prayer meeting 7:30 p.m.

St. Therese's A & R holds party Dec. 14

St. Therese's Altar and Rosary Society will hold its annual Christmas party at the Knights of Columbus Hall, Luzerne on Sun., Dec. 14. Punch will begin at 5:30 and followed by a family style dinner and entertainment by The Variety Spice Combo.

Dinner tickets will be sold at all Masses of Nov. 29, 30 and also Dec. 6 and 7, or reservations can be made by calling chairperson Ruth Youngblood, at 696-2195 or co-chairperson, Dot Glenn at 675-1056 by Dec. 8.

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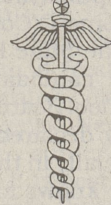
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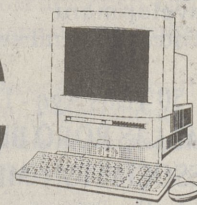
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