

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT, SEPTEMBER 2016

Book Acquisitions:

Hollenbaugh, Silvia. *On the Edge of a Country: Memoir of a Young Girl Under Nazi Fascism*. SZS Books, 2015. Signed by the author, at one time a resident of Ephrata and the recounter of the story of her mother, Milena Gulin. Following the war Milena married Eugene Slote and moved with him to Ephrata, where the couple lived through 1968. (Donation—Clarence Spohn)

Manuscript Acquisitions:

Book of monthly reports kept by teachers at the Muddy Creek School in East Cocalico Twp.; entries date from the opening of the 1882 school year and continue through March (the close of the school year), 1891. Teachers were, in succession, Franklin Woods (1882-1883); James J. Coldren (1883-1886), George Baker (1886-1888), R.B. Schlott (1888-1890), and Charles S. Garman, 1890-1891). Reports include attendance records for each pupil; attendance summaries and percentages; and numbers of male and female pupils in each of the branches of study. Some teachers recorded visitors, including school directors, and the lengths of their visits. (Purchase)

Scrapbook assembled by Rachael Jean Smith of Akron, a member of the Ephrata High School class of 1945. The 11 ¼" x 16" scrapbook has 23 filled leaves, besides additional blank leaves, and contains Ephrata H.S. programs and memorabilia, Akron Borough School programs and additional programs, newspaper clippings, Grace Evangelical Congregational Church (Akron) items, invitations sent to the Smith family, greeting cards, etc. Additional items, probably intended to have been mounted, are inserted loose. (Donation—Sue Burkholder)

Ephrata High School diploma (Academic Course) of Rachael Jean Smith, 1945. (Donation—Sue Burkholder)

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania receipts issued to Edwin L. Snyder as a retailer, 1933; there is one receipt for Snyder's Denver appliance business and one for his Ephrata appliance business. (Donation—Christine Adams)

Pair of blueprint drawings (joined) of E.L. Snyder's electrical appliance store at 101 East Main Street, Ephrata, first and second floors, Drawn by architect Harry S. Mohn, June, 1950: ""Existing building at 101 E. Main St Ephrata, Pa. to have alterations to electrical appliance store and offices above. / E.L. Snyder, proprietor." (Donation—Christine Adams)

Cancelled checks written by the Dale E. Leber, as follows: To Bethany U.C.C. for restoration of the congregation's cemetery's stone wall, December 15, 1970; to the Historical Society of the Cocalico Valley for 1971 memberships for Dale Leber and June Leber (two checks), December 21, 1970; to the Cloister Country Store for the down payment on a cherry table, December 26, 1970; to Salem U.C.C. for its building fund (two checks), December 7, 1970. (Donation—Dale Leber)

The following items were donated by Rowena Clough:

Award of Merit certificate issued to Rowena Clough by the Lancaster Automobile Club, May 28, 1952; recognizes Rowena's service as a member of the (Washington Elementary School, Ephrata) school safety patrol.

Certificate of Distinguished Achievement awarded to Ephrata Junior H.S. student Rowena Lausch by the Department of Pennsylvania American Legion Auxiliary, ca. 1954-55.

Ephrata American Legion Auxiliary certificate presented to Rowena Lausch as "a Senior Girl of the Ephrata High School whose scholastic ability, character, and personality merit assistance in extending her education," 1958.

Ephrata Recreation Center certificate of achievement awarded to Rowena Lausch as a member of Youth Council, n.d.

9 certificates of merit presented to Rowena Lausch by the Theodore R. Sprecher Studio of Pianoforte and Organ, 1949 through 1956.

Palmer Method of Penmanship certificate presented to Rowena Lausch, March 3, 1952.

Photograph Acquisitions:

Mounted photograph of the second building of Bergstrasse Lutheran Church, ca. 1890-1900; the church was erected in 1848 and demolished in 1896. (Donation—Kames P. McCracken)

Snapshot of eight small girls, students at the Akron Public School, standing outside the Akron Fire Hall in "sprite" costumes. The children were participating in a performance of "A Christmas Carol," performed in the fire hall December 22, 1938. The reverse of the photo is inscribed "Rachel S[mith] / Picture of Sprites / at Christmas Operetta / on Dec. 22, 1938." (Donation—Sue Burkholder)

5" x 7" copy photo of the house at 101 East Main Street, Ephrata (later E.L. Snyder Appliances), ca. 1915-1920. (Donation—Christine Adams)

Set of 8 black-and-white 3 ½ " x 3 ½ " snapshots taken at the E.H.S. Junior Prom in the (Highland Avenue) high school auditorium, 1957. (Donation—Rowena Clough)

Set of 3 color 3 ½ " x 3 ½ " snapshots taken at the E.H. S. Junior Prom, 1957. (Donation—Rowena Clough)

5" x 7" photograph of students dining at the E.H.S. Junior Post Prom, 1957. (Donation—Rowena Clough)

3 black-and-white 5" x 7" photographs of students dining and dancing at the E.H.S. Post Prom, 1958. (Donation—Rowena Clough)

Set of 7 black-and-white photographs of students preparing for and participating in the E.H.S. Class Day program, June 3, 1958. (Donation—Rowena Clough)

The following digital images were donated by Clarence Spohn:

Akron Elementary School, 7th Grade, 1960-1961.

Akron Elementary School, 4th Grade, 1957-58.

Lincoln Students with Akron Students in old Akron School, 4th Grade, 1957-58.

Lincoln Elementary School, 3rd Grade, 1956-57.

Fulton Street School, 5th Grade, 1958-1959.

Fulton Street School, 6th Grade, 1959-1960.

Franklin Street School, Kindergarten, 1953-54.

Franklin Street School, 4th Grade, 1957-58.

Franklin Street School, 6th Grade, 1959-60.

Fulton Street School, 1st Grade, 1954-55.

Fulton Street School, 2nd Grade, 1955-56.

Fulton Street School, 4th Grade, 1957-58.

Hopeland Elementary School, 5th, 6th & 7th grade, school year 1958-59 — The Hopeland Elementary School was the last of the “one room” schools in the Ephrata Area School District. The building had two floors, each floor contained one room. The first floor housed 1st through 4th grades and the second floor housed 5th through 7th grades. This photo, taken in the spring of 1959, is of the last 5th, 6th and 7th grade classes in the school building. The 5th grade students graduated in 1966, while the 6th and 7th grade students graduated in 1965 and 1964 respectively. After the school closed the students attended the Clay Elementary School.

Miscellaneous Print Acquisitions:

Die Shilgrut fun der Tulpehock, Vol. XLVI, No. 1 (November 2014). (Donation—Dale Leber)

Program for the 15th Annual Luncheon of the Cinderella Knitting Mills Quarter Century Club (Denver and Leesport plants), Reading, December 3, 1992. (Donation—John and Donna Klopp)

Dance record/memorabilia booklet for the Ephrata High School Junior Prom, May 3, 1957. (Donation—Rowena Clough)

Invitation, addressed to Rowena Lausch, to the E.H.S. "Top Hat Club" Junior Post Prom, held in the American Legion ballroom, May 3, 1957. (Donation—Rowena Clough)

"Top Hat Club" (E.H.S. Post Prom) program, American Legion ballroom, 1958. (Donation—Rowena Clough)

Ephrata High School Class Day programs, 1953, 1954, and 1958. (Donation—Rowena Clough)

Ephrata High School commencement programs, 1957 and 1958; commencement announcements (2), 1958. (Donation—Rowena Clough)

Mimeographed E.H.S. cheerleaders' pep rally chants (3 sheets), ca. mid 1950's. (Donation—Rowena Clough)

The following print items were donated by Bob Dickersheid:

Denver Lions Club "Minstrels of 1945" program, February 8-9, 1945; includes local advertising.

Program for "Here Comes Charlie," a comedy presented by the Swamp Reformed Church Aid Society at the Reinholds Fire Hall, March 17, 1934.

Program for "A Pair of Country Kids," presented by the Senior Class of the Reinholds Union Sunday School at the Reinholds Fire Hall, January 13-14, 1950.

Program for "The Antics of Andrew," presented by the Ladies' Auxiliary of the Reinholds Fire Company at the company's fire hall, April 13, 1946.

Program for "'S Fohra Uff Der Train," presented by the Ladies' Auxiliary of the Reinholds Fire Company at the company's fire hall, April 9, 1952.

Program for "Hook, Line and Sinker," a farce presented by M.G. Faust "on percentage with your Fire Company" at the Reinholds Fire Hall, March 15, 1950.

Installation bulletin, services for Rev. Harold F. Minnich of the Lincoln Lutheran Parish, June 21, 1936.

Souvenir program (2 copies), 125th anniversary of the erection of the Swamp Lutheran and Reformed Church, June 21-25, 1931.

Program, re-dedication services of Swamp Church, Swamp Reformed congregation, October 22, 1933; services celebrated an annex to the church.

Program, Festival of Dedication and Holy Communion, Swamp Lutheran Church, October 29--November 2, 1933; services celebrated an annex to the church.

Souvenir program, 185th Anniversary of the Swamp Reformed Congregation, October 21, 1934.

Booklet prepared for the unveiling and dedication of a monument erected in memory of Rev. John Waldschmidt at Swamp Reformed Church, Reinholds, October 17, 1915. Includes Waldschmidt family history, a history of Rev. Waldschmidt's pastorate (no attribution) and a history, by William J. Hinke, of the Swamp Reformed and Muddy Creek Reformed congregations. With accompanying program for services, October 17.

Home Coming programs, Lincoln Lutheran Parish, 1940 (second annual), 1941, 1944, 1945, 1947, 1949, and 1951.

Souvenir program, *Pennsylfaanish Deitsh Liegner Metsh*, Reinholds Memorial Park, September 2, 1950.

Artifact Acquisitions:

Paper 5 lb. corn meal bag printed in red with the graphics and advertising of O.B. Swartz, of Reinholds: "5 lbs. / Swartz's / Kiln Dried Fresh Ground / Corn Meal / O.B. Swartz / Reinhold's Station, Pa." (Donation—Greg Harting)