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The Cresco Garage

By Malinda Price Bender (daughter of Henry Price)

To research the Cresco Garage I decided to go back into the 1800's and find out who owned the land at that time and what, if anything, the land was being used for. I started my search with December 1859 when Barrett Township was formed out of parts of Price and Paradise Townships. According to the maps and deeds, I found out the land was owned by Jacob G. Miller who was operating a blacksmith shop at the time Barrett Township was formed. I also searched the U.S. Census records and the Barrett Township property tax records, which are housed in our Historical Society's Library and Research Center, to corroborate the information I was finding from these other sources.



Henry Price

The Barrett Township property tax records show that 1906 was the last year where Jacob Miller's occupation was listed as blacksmith. In the years 1907 and 1908, he is listed as a laborer and then from 1909 to 1912 he is listed as a farmer. In the 1910 U.S. Census he was 72 years old. His name appeared on the Barrett Township property tax records from 1913 to 1915 but with no occupation listed. He died on January 14, 1912, intestate, which may account for his name still appearing on the property tax records for the additional three years. In 1906 Jacob Miller had deeded one tract of the land to his son, Harry P. Miller. The deeds are rather confusing in the years following Jacob's death

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Presidential Message

Spring Forward

Attendance at our most recent events has shown a marked increase in participation. I hope this is a sign that we have put the pandemic behind us and return to a sense of well-being in being together. The programs we offer during our monthly membership meetings are outstanding. The program committee has done a wonderful job in bringing enlightening speakers to Barrett Township to share their knowledge of local and regional history. If you haven't been to one of our meetings lately, please make the time to join us.

What an interesting word "lately" has become in the wake of Covid-19. How many times have you mentioned not doing something or going somewhere and saying, ". . . before Covid." The shut downs began on Friday, March 13, 2020. That's right it was on a Friday the thirteenth. Four years ago. This event will be in the history books for decades even centuries to come. I think as important as the story of how Covid-19 effected everything we do will be the story of how we recovered. History is being made but how are we recording it?

So much has occurred over the last four years, globally, nationally and locally. It is comforting to know that there are historians out-there documenting events on a global and national scale and I want to assure you that the Barrett Township Historical Society is doing the same thing here at home. A committee has begun to meet we call Oral Traditions. It was one of those things that got put on hold during the Pandemic that we're bringing back. We want to hear your story about what living in Barrett Township is like. We are also working behind the scenes to bring the Society into the 21st Century by making more material available online through our website.

Another historical event that occurred in the last year was the move of the Barrett Township Municipal offices to the old Barrett Elementary Center or as it has been dubbed BARC, which is short for the Barrett Administrative and Recreation Center. The Township Supervisors support BTHS' desire to place a permanent display of the history of Barrett Township in the new administrative center.

Just because we've got so much going on don't think for a minute we're going to cut back anywhere else. The Cresco Station Museum and the Library and Research Center will resume Sunday openings in May. The Station Museum will host two excursions from Steamtown this year, the first on Sunday, June 30th, and the second on Sunday, October 13th. All of this and our library exhibits, quarterly newsletter publication and monthly meetings and programs are still getting done. After writing all of that what more can I say than "Wow, thank you to all of our fabulous volunteers." On behalf of the BTHS membership I want you to know we appreciate all that you do to keep the history of Barrett Township alive.

If you haven't been to visit us at the Station Museum, Library and Research Center or our monthly meetings at the Barrett Paradise Friendly Community Center please do. We'd love to say hello and share with you everything that's new.

Darryl Speicher
BTHS President



(")// Whoops, a Mistake...

In the last issue of of the newsletter, the dates for the executive committee and general membership meetings were incorrect. I apologize for any inconvenience this may have caused.

If there is something that needs to be corrected, speak-up. Please email me at alesiagallo@yahoo.com or give me call/text at (570)972-6422.

2024 Board of Directors

Jayne Blair Mary Price Marie Guidry Claudia Shoesmith-Fox

2024 Executive Officers

President	Darryl Speicher
Vice President	Walter Lewis
Recording Secretary	Ellen Davis
Corresponding Secretary	Hannelore Gaupp
Treasurer	Claudia Shoesmith-Fox

Treasurer’s Report

Claudia Shoesmith-Fox, Treasurer
DATE: 3/31/2024
Checking: \$3,460.57
Money Market: \$5,302.20
CD: \$15,075.62
CD: \$24,589.88
TOTAL: \$48,428.27

2024 Executive Committee

<u>Archivist for LRC & CSM</u>	Consolidated in LRC & CSM activities
Cresco Station Museum	Mickey Miller & Joanne Seese
Curator for LRC & CSM	Joanne Seese
Finance	Claudia Shoesmith-Fox
Grants	Cherylyn Rushton
Historian	Jacqueline Magann
Hospitality	OPEN
Information Systems	Jim Bibber
Library Research Center	Jacqueline Magann & Joanne Seese
Membership	Cathy Stout
Newsletter	Alesia Gallo, Editor & Jacqueline Magann, Co-Editor
Oral Tradition	OPEN
Programs	Mary Price & Malinda Bender, Co-Chairs
Publicity	Alesia Gallo
Research	OPEN
Ways & Means Committee	Walter Lewis

Exec Committee Meeting Dates

Executive Committee meetings are held on the 2nd Monday at 3 pm monthly at LRC
May 13
June 10
August 12

General Membership Meeting Dates

May 16 at 7:00 pm @ The Barrett Township Community Room (Thursday)
June 21 @ 7:00pm
July 19 @ 7:00pm
August 16 @ 7:00pm

Committee Reports

Cresco Station Museum Mickey Miller & Joanne Seese

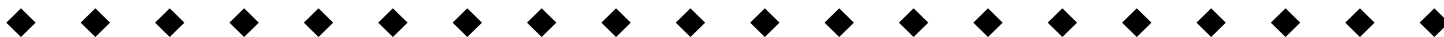
The Cresco Station Museum will open for the 2024 season on Sunday, April 7th and will be open each Sunday until Fall, if there are enough volunteers to spend some time on a Sunday afternoon from 1p.m. to 4p.m. If interested, contact Mickey Miller, 570-595-7390. There will be three train excursions from Steamtown, the dates to be announced later. There will be music from various local groups, food, classic cars, exhibits, tables for local crafters or yard sales.

Library Research Center Jacqueline Magann

Great News! Joanne Seese is well enough to return to the L.R.C. this springtime. Have we ever missed her!

Our workday at the L.R.C. is every Tuesday from 10a.m. to 2p.m. We volunteers including Jayne Blair, Laurie Dunlap, myself, Mary Price and Darla Williams help visitors research their quest in our immense Barrett archives. At present Jayne is taking inventory of the Buck Hill Collection and Mary, Laurie and Darla are taking inventory of the Resort Collection. We are doing this to ready the collections to be digitized. In the future all items in the L.R.C. and the Cresco Station Museum will be digitized. As you can imagine, this is a tremendous undertaking for the volunteers – years of work! We need help, both women and men. Please call me at 570-595-9233 or stop by and see our Research Library. We have A.C. The Society has recently purchased “Ancester” with plans to introduce programs that would help visitors do family research.

The Center will be open Sundays, 1 to 4 p.m. beginning Sunday, May 26th, as well as our standing workday on Tuesday, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Look for the flag flying!



Upcoming Programs

May 16, 2024 @ 7 pm

“Promised Land and the Civilian Conservation Corps” by Peter Gonze

This presentation is part of the Third Thursday Lecture Series by the Monroe County Historical Association and will be held at the Barrett Administrative & Recreation Complex, 1200 Route 390, Cresco, PA. The Barrett Township Historical Society is encouraging all members to take advantage of this free program in place of our regular third Friday of the month presentation.

June 21, 2024 @ 7 pm

“The Art of Taxidermy” by Ryan Price

Ryan is a long time hunter, outdoorsman and resident of Barrett Township. Five years ago he was a customer at Lamparter’s Wildlife Design in Gouldsboro where “Art and Nature Meet”. Shawn Lamparter, owner, offered Ryan a job and he has been employed there since that time. He will bring his knowledge and experience as well as different mounts for his presentation. Refreshments will be served.

July 19, 2024 @ 7 pm

Program and details to be announced at a later time.

Program Recaps

January

There was no program held in January.

February

Our program for February was “The Sprag Mill” by Mickey Miller and “The Cresco Garage” by Malinda Price Bender.

Theodore B. Price, Lumber and Sprague Mill owner on Route 390 in Mountainhome, invented the “sprag” and had it patented around 1902. This was a cone-shaped piece of wood used to slow coal cars in the mines from running over the mules as the cars returned downhill after being unloaded at ground level. It was a very dangerous job and children were hired to insert the sprag into the wheels of the fast moving coal cars with many children suffering severe injuries and even death from being run over. These sprags were still being used until around the 1950’s. Unfortunately over the years the machine used to make the sprags was dismantled and no longer is in existence. Anyone wishing to see what the sprag looks like, one of the last sprags made is on display in the Cresco Station Museum.

Also, Mickey talked about the steam powered saw mill which was situated behind his house on Route 390. It was used to make beams some of which were 30 feet long and not able to be manufactured in the Sprag Mill. The beams and sprags were loaded together on railroad cars behind the T.B. Price Lumbar Company and shipped to Scranton.



Sprague Poster



Sprague



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The Cresco Garage on Sand Spring Road in Cresco was built in 1920. In the 1800's this land was owned by Jacob Miller who operated a blacksmith's shop on the property. The original owners of the Cresco Garage were Clinton and Arch Price who were brothers. It is believed that they built the garage before actually owning it. The garage was sold in 1931 to August Schultz and Henry Price who were partners in a business in New York City called Schultz and Price Automobile Mechanics. Henry Price was born and raised in Cresco and in his 20's lived in New York City and worked for a Pierce Arrow/Rolls Royce Dealership. In 1935 August Schultz then sold his share of the business to Henry Price (because during the depression it could not support both of them) who operated the Cresco Garage until 1972 when he retired. While owning the Cresco Garage Henry Price served as Justice of the Peace for Barrett Township for many years, then was a notary for several years and served on the Board of Viewers all out of his Cresco Garage office. The Cresco Garage was then owned by the Glen Eyer Corporation who sold it to Charles Gilbert and it is now owned by Albert Seese who is the grandson of Henry Price. Although never operated as a garage after Henry Price sold the property, the Cresco Garage is still standing 104 years later.

March

Our program for March was a second Trivia Game hosted by Vic Vaccaro, alias Darryl Speicher.

Participants could choose to play alone or in teams. Cell phone usage was Not permitted. We had enough people to make four teams of four each and one team of two. Categories were US History, Pennsylvania History and Barrett Township History. A score of 30 points was possible if all questions were answered. The high score of the day was 16! Back to the history books in preparation for the next trivia to be announced for a future meeting. A good time with a lot of laughs was had by all. Who knew President Darryl was such a HISTORY BUFF!!



Barrett Paradise Friendly Library Display



Be inspired by displays at the library - Carol Hillstad shared her knitted wear in February and March's and we hope people picked up their knitting needles, borrowed a library book on knitting, & sat in on the knitting circle at The Friendly Community Center to start knitting & purling! Thank you, Carol, for the beautiful display! *(Pictured left)*

April and May's display will feature a collection of dolls from a local resident. *(Pictured right)*



Condolences to Our Members

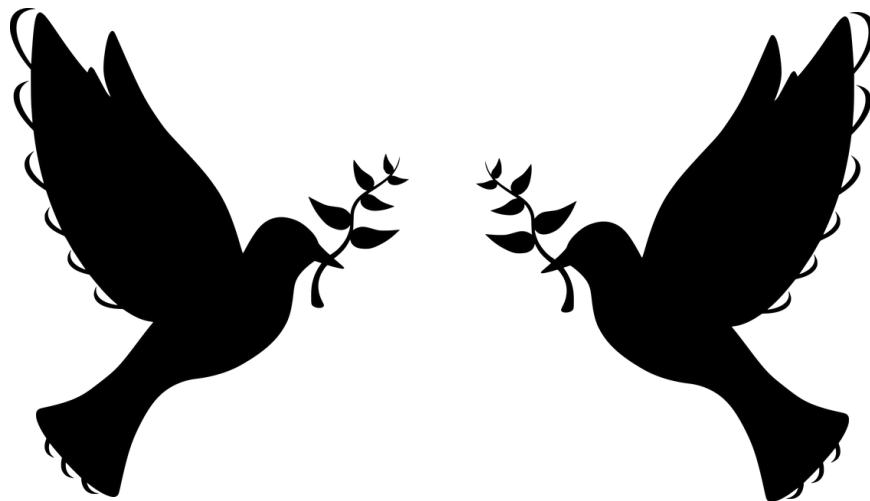
Pamela Beth Miller

Pamela Beth Miller, peacefully passed away at the age of 67 Saturday, March 16, 2024, in Hoboken, New Jersey. Originally from Mountainhome, she was the daughter of Warren Miller and the late MaryAnn (Schaarschmidt) Miller. Pamela was the granddaughter of Theo B. Price, the esteemed owner of T. B. Price Lumber Company and a pioneer in the founding of Barrett Township. She shared a beautiful life with her beloved husband, Ira Weinberg of 37 years. Pamela's academic achievements were remarkable, graduating as the Valedictorian of Pocono Mountain High School Class of 1974 and receiving high honors from Pennsylvania State University. Her career as a CPA in Hoboken, NJ, and New York City showcased her dedication and expertise. Martha's Vineyard held a special place in her heart, a sanctuary she cherished deeply. Pamela was also a devoted member of the United Methodist Church. The radiance and warmth Pamela brought to this world will be profoundly missed by all who were touched by her presence.



Survivors: Pam will be fondly remembered by her husband, Ira, her sons Ted Weinberg and his wife Stef, Daniel Weinberg and his wife Han Yu, and her grandson, Jake Weinberg. Her memory will also be cherished by her step-daughter Emily Wong and Emily's children, Ella and Max Takieddine.

Services: A funeral service is scheduled for 12 noon on Wednesday, March 20, 2024, with a closed casket visitation from 10:00 A.M. until the start of the service. Interment will follow at Oakland Cemetery of Mountainhome.



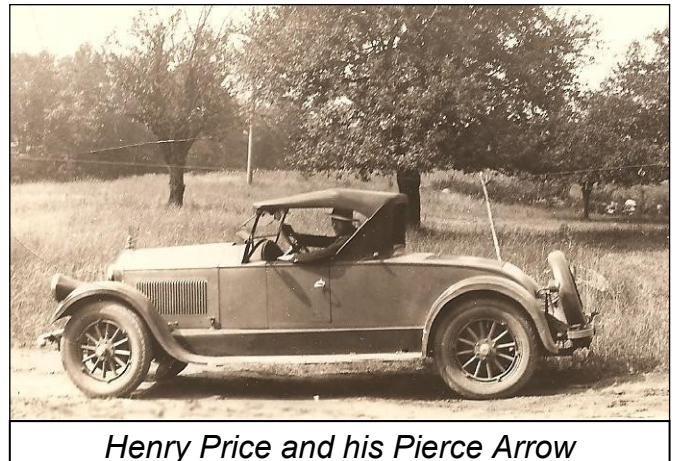
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since there was no will. By February 2, 1921, there are three separate tracts listed in that deed. Richard and Mary Brooks deeded part of the other two tracts of land to Elizabeth Shannon (who was the daughter of Jacob Miller and sister to Harry). At that time the blacksmith shop was still on the property; but, according to the property tax records, it was never operated by Harry. He was listed as having a cottage on the land.

Harry Miller died in 1919. Then on June 21, 1921, Elizabeth Shannon and Mary Brooks deeded the land to Clinton E. Price and Archie N. Price who were brothers. It is unknown who actually had the garage built or who the builder was. In notes left by my sister, Youndale Seese, she stated it was built by Clinton and Arch Price around 1918. According to the Monroe County Historical Association, research revealed the Cresco Garage was built in 1920.

According to Barrett Township property tax records for Clinton Price during the years between 1915 and 1917, Clinton's occupation was listed as carpenter. In 1918, he is listed as mechanic and in 1919 and 1920 as garage for his occupation. So, that left me with more questions than answers! It almost sounds like they built the Cresco Garage while the land was still under the previous owners, Mary Brooks and Elizabeth Shannon, and then purchased it in 1921. Since the Cresco Garage is done in a lot of stone work, I question who actually built it since Clinton was listed as a carpenter before the mechanic/garage occupation.

In the years Clinton and Arch Price owned the Cresco Garage my father, Henry Price, was working in New York City and living with his sister Helen and her husband, Frederick Baecker. My dad would have been somewhere in his 20's and worked for a Pierce Arrow/Rolls Royce Dealership. At some point he went into business with a man by the name of August Schultz. Their business was called Schultz & Price Automobile Mechanics where Pierce Arrow cars were serviced and other makes repaired. The business was located at 445 East 176th Street (near Park Avenue) in New York City. I was not able to find out much more information about that period of time in my dad's life. Pierce Arrow cars were very high end expensive cars. Dad owned a Pierce Arrow and drove it when coming home whenever he could get away after meeting my mother.



Henry Price and his Pierce Arrow

In February 1931, August Schultz and Henry Price in partnership purchased the Cresco Garage from Clinton Price and Arch and wife Martha Price for the sum of \$8,000. Keep in mind that "The Great Depression" started in 1929 and lasted until 1941. So, was this the time to go into a new venture? I have no idea what happened with the joint business in New York City. Was it sold? I suspect it was sold to have the money to invest here. Of the \$8,000 they paid Arch Price \$2,000, paid Colonial Securities \$2,000 and took out a mortgage for \$4,000 held by Martha Price. My dad kept detailed records from the first day. Their initial salaries were \$30.00 a week each. At the end of that first year more money was paid out than was taken in. In 1932 and 1933, they did show a profit and in 1934 just broke even. Salaries during these years were fairly steady at \$25.00 each week for both partners.



Cow convenience at Cresco Garage

In July 1935, August Shultz and Helen Shultz, his wife, sold their share of the Cresco Garage to Henry Price for the sum of \$300.00. This shows how bad things had become as the Depression continued. Salaries weekly for my dad ranged from \$10.00 to \$15.00 per week during the remainder of 1935. I can't imagine being married with two young children and surviving on so little. Things really did not show much of a profit until starting in 1943 with a profit of \$831.48 with many weeks of no salary taken during that year or the preceding years by my dad. He did continue to pay a very small amount toward the mortgage through those very lean years.

The Cresco Garage also provided a wrecker service for the community for many years and Dad stored cars for those people coming and going by train and staying at Buck Hill, Skytop and other resorts.

After the Depression my dad ran for public office and was elected as Justice of the Peace in 1942 and served until 1955 when Earl Thomas was elected. He served from 1956 for an undetermined number of years as a notary and also served on the Board of Viewers which consisted of individuals who evaluated property values when land was being confiscated for building projects, etc., within the county. This was all carried out from his office in the Cresco Garage. It was very difficult to find any of this information through county and state records.



Left: Cresco Garage before the apartment was added



Right: Cresco Garage after the apartment was added

I was born in 1948 and grew up living above the Cresco Garage. I was unable to find out when the house above the garage was built. I do know that originally when my parents married they lived in part of the double house that was next to the old Cresco Post Office by the Railroad Station and what now is the Library Research Center. That house was torn down several years ago. At some point in time they moved into the double house next to the Cresco Garage when my siblings, Youndale and Philip, were still small. There was only one closet; so, the next move was to the house above the Cresco Garage.

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On September 8, 1953, the road from Paradise coming into Cresco/Mountainhome was rerouted from going over the railroad tracks, past the Cresco Garage to where the Barrett Paradise Friendly Library is now by building the road with a bridge over the tracks. This would have potentially cut off out-of-town traffic from using the Cresco Garage for gas, etc. I am sure this had some impact; but, by that time, the business would have been well-established within the community.

In 1954, J. A. Seguine's Department Store opposite the Cresco Garage caught on fire and burned to the ground. There was a lot of concern since the gas pumps were right across the road. In some places the fire did jump the road and caught trees on fire to the left of the garage but luckily was brought under control easily. I was six years old at the time and watched it from our front window in the upstairs house where we lived. It really was pretty scary being that close and I can still remember the intense heat.

My dad owned and operated the Cresco Garage until April 1972 (a total of 41 years) when the Glen Eyre Corporation purchased three parcels of land. They were really not interested in purchasing the Cresco Garage but wanted the piece of land located at the end of Sand Spring Road where today the Barrett Paradise Friendly Library is located. This piece of property at that time was owned by my sister Youndale and her husband Albert Seese as well as an additional nine acres on the opposite side of the road which was purchased from George Robacker. They built their home on that piece of land in 1973. When the railroad bridge over the tracks was built, it divided the original tract of land. My dad at this time was 73 years of age and wished to sell his business and retire. The deal was the Glen Eyre Corporation needed to buy the garage property in order to get the land on the corner of Routes 191/390 and Sand Spring Road. This was agreed to. The third tract of land the Glen Eyre Corporation purchased was road frontage along Routes 191/390 which backed the garage property. This piece also was cut off a larger tract of land when the new road was built and was originally owned by Mary A. Price and sold to the Glen Eyre Corporation by Mickey and Maryann Miller who had possession of the land at that time.

All the years my dad owned the Cresco Garage, he sold ESSO gasoline and Good Year tires. The Standard Oil Company of New Jersey, as it bought out other gas companies, Humble Oil for example, became known as ESSO in 1926 which was the phonetic pronunciation of Standard Oil of New Jersey "S" and "O". Sometime in 1972 the name changed to ExxonMobile.

The Glen Eyer Corporation owned the Cresco Garage and land for five years. They had the Garden Gate Floral Shop built and operated this until it closed. This then became a gift shop and finally a motorcycle shop before Karl Weiler bought the property and the Barrett Paradise Friendly Library was built.

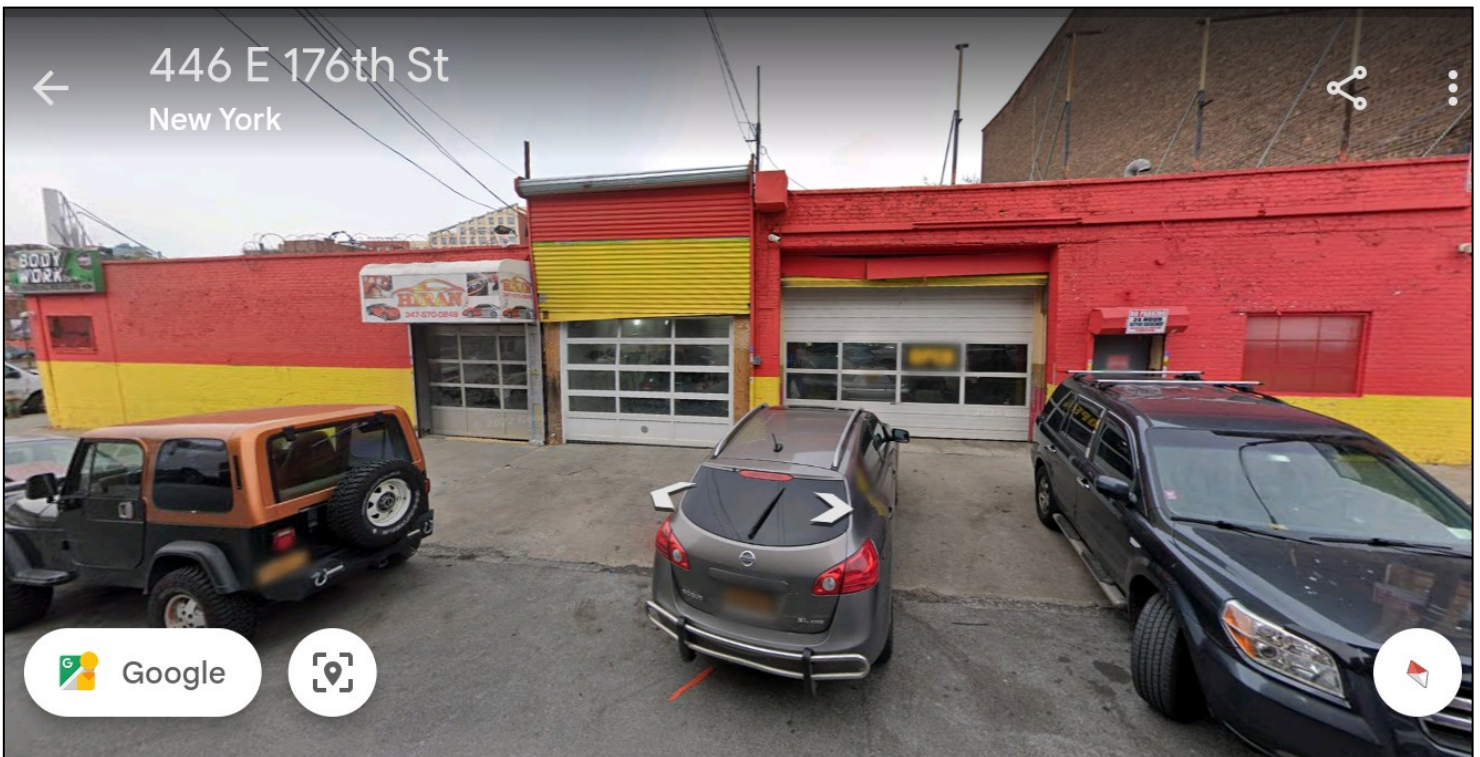
In February 1977 the Cresco Garage property was sold to Charles Gilbert who lived there until he died in 2023. His only living relative, Jeffrey F. Gilbert, came here from Anthem, Arizona, to settle the estate. He had no interest in keeping the property and on February 27, 2023, the Cresco Garage was sold to Albert Seese, Jr. and wife Susan. So, after 51 years since Henry Price sold the Cresco Garage, it is now the property of his grandson. The building is now 104 years old and still standing although never used again as a garage/service station! Who knows what the future holds?

On a more personal note, my dad loved being in the outdoors. He loved hunting of all kinds – deer, rabbits, grouse, squirrels, ring necked pheasants and bears. He was an excellent shot and also enjoyed trap or skeet shooting in his younger years winning a lot of the local shoots. He belonged to two hunting camps and served many years as caretaker for The Wildwood which was a summer camp for girls coming out of the city. He was given hunting rights on the property. Beaver

trapping was also something he enjoyed with a bunch of other trappers from the area. The only times the Cresco Garage was ever closed was the first day of hunting season and the first day of fishing season. He loved all kinds of fishing especially fly fishing along the Brodheads Creek. One wall in the Cresco Garage sported many wildlife mounts and beaver tails.

I do want to thank the BTHS Library and Research Center for allowing me to go through the U.S Census and Barrett Township property tax records; The Monroe County Archives, the Monroe County Historical Association which allowed me to meet with one of their volunteer research staff who was willing to spend time reviewing the deeds with me, and the Office of Recorder of Deeds who were very helpful finding and copying the relevant deeds for my research.

Addendum to the Cresco Garage Article: Out of curiosity the address for my dad’s business with August Schultz in New York City was Googled to find out what was now at that address. I was surprised to find out there is still a garage being operated on that property and have included a picture.



Garage in New York City

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Historical Recipe Side by Side: Dandelion Wine

by Mary Kate Reeves-Hoché

Spring is here, Spring is here, it always is this time of year – O. Henry. Ah spring, the warmth in the air, the spring rains, a time to put in our vegetable gardens, and enjoy the spring flowers poking their heads out from a winter slumber. But wait – is that a dandelion in your yard? Well maybe not all spring flowers are welcome. Got Dandelions? I have a recipe for you. Dandelion Wine and Dandelion Greens Salad.



Taraxacum officinale (*T. officinale*) the common dandelion was probably introduced to North America by early explorers and its earliest settlers who would have brought the dandelion along for the medicinal properties of the dandelion. According to the USDA, dandelions are a nutritious food source and the entire plant can be eaten (except the hollow milky stem which contains latex). When selecting your dandelions for wine, the young flowers are the best picked in the morning before the heat of sun; the same holds true when harvesting the leaves for a salad. If you are harvesting the tap root for its medicinal properties, it doesn't matter when you harvest. Caution: Don't mistake a dandelion for a Catsear, or *Hypochaeris radicata* (the false dandelion). Catsear can make you quite sick. Catsear can be mistaken for the common dandelions as both plants have similar yellow flowers which form a puffball of windborne seeds. These plants also have a rosette of leaves and a central taproot. To tell the difference between the two check the stems and the leaves – there are clear distinctions.

	Stem	Leaf	Season
Dandelion	Hollow stem, single flower, milky when broken	Jagged pointed lobes, hairless leaves, grass green color	Spring
Catsear	Solid stem, forked with more than one flower	dark green, rounded lobes, hairy	Early Summer

Now that you can tell the difference between the common dandelion, our eatable friend, and its noxious twin – lets examine the recipes.

1917 Dandelion Wine from Fleischmann's Recipes

Ingredients:

- 1 gallon dandelion blossoms
- 1 gallon boiling water
- 4 pounds granulated sugar
- 4 lemons
- 4 oranges
- 1 cake Yeast (this is found in the refrigerator section of the grocery store)
- Stone or Ceramic Jar that will hold 1.5 gallons
- Jars or bottles in which to bottle the final product

Method:

Into the bottom of a large pot spread your dandelion blossoms that have been well rinsed. Pour 1 gallon of boiling water over these blossoms and let stand until blossoms rise (about 24 - 48 hours). At the end of this time, wash and dice-up the lemons and oranges into the bottom of the stone jar. Strain the dandelions and add the liquid into the stone jar. Add all the sugar and the cake of yeast. Stir well and let stand in a cool place well covered. Stir five or six times a day until the fermentation ceases. After two weeks, strain, add some bitter almond to taste, bottle into sterile bottles or jars, cork or seal and keep in a dark cool place. NOTE: The wine may be improved by allowing to stand in a jug for six weeks before bottling.

1993 Dandelion Wine from Elle Mall

Ingredients

1 quart yellow dandelion blossoms, well rinsed
1 gallon boiling water
8 cups white sugar
1 orange sliced
1 slice of lemon
1 (0.18 ounce) package wine yeast (order on-line)
You will also need a plastic fermenter and fermentation lock.
Cheesecloth
4 sterilized 1 quart canning jars.



Method

Place blossoms into boiling water and let sit for 4 minutes (as if you are making dandelion tea). Removed and discard blossoms. Let water cool to 90 degrees F (32 degrees C) – about 10 minutes). Stir in the sugar, orange, lemon, yeast and pour the entire mixture into a plastic fermenter and attach a fermentation lock. Let the wine ferment in a cool area until the bubbles stop, 10 to 14 days. After fermentation has stopped, siphon off the sediment and strain the liquid through cheesecloth before bottling in four sterilized 1 quart canning jars. Age the wine at least 1 week for best flavor.

2024 Dandelion Salad from Mary Kate Reeves-Hoche

Ingredients

1 cup dandelion greens washed and left whole
Half head of iceberg lettuce torn into forkable pieces
Half cup blueberries
1 orange peeled with a knife and diced
Fourth cup walnuts broken into small pieces
Sprinkle of feta cheese
Mix above with vinaigrette dressing (or use your favorite) – serves 4

Vinaigrette

½ tsp Dijon mustard
Dash salt
A few grinds of pepper
Juice from ½ lemon
1 tsp sugar
1 TSP Olive oil
Place in a jar and shake until emulsified. Pour over salad and toss well.

Please note that this article brings historical recipes to its readership and to record side by side historical to present day recipes. I do not, nor does the BTHS promote the use of alcohol. I am obligated to tell you the GOVERNMENT WARNING: (1) According to the Surgeon General, women should not drink alcoholic beverages during pregnancy because of the risk of birth defects. (2) Consumption of alcoholic beverages impairs your ability to drive a car or operate machinery, and may cause health problems. In addition, if you or someone you know needs help due to alcohol abuse, please call 1-800-662-HELP (4357), Help Is Available, Talk to Someone Today.

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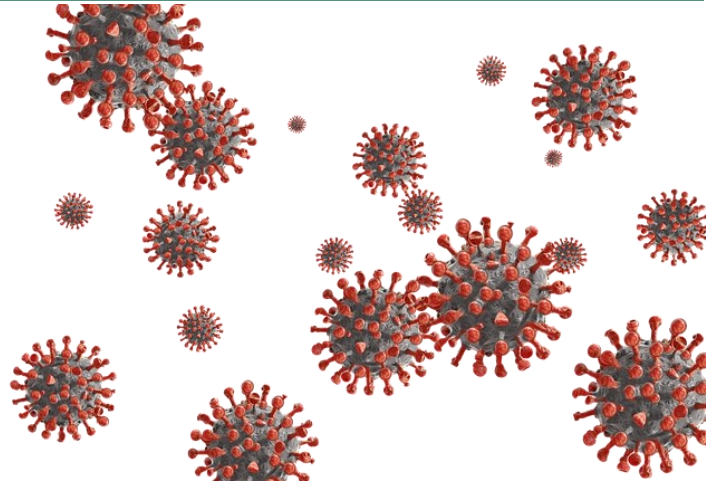
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What's new with COVID-19?

By Mary Kate Reeves-Hoché

March of this year (2024) officially marked four years that we have been living with COVID-19. A virus that had always been around but for reasons still under investigation (and in some circles speculation, discussion, ad nauseum) morphed into a pandemic virus of a world-wide phenomenon that we had not experienced since the influenza pandemic the century before in WWI.



At this point in Barrett Township, everyone, or nearly everyone has been affected by COVID-19. You know someone who died, or was very ill prior to the availability of the vaccines and the antivirals. You may have stood in line to get a vaccine, or had difficulty getting those first vaccines. Or, you chose not to be vaccinated and may have been turned away from locations that would not allow unvaccinated to enter, or in extreme cases, some of those intentionally unvaccinated people lost their jobs. As a community, Barrett Township came together and helped each other through the crisis. A recent survey shows that about 77.6% of all Americans aged 16 and older have had COVID, or about 3 in 4 people. There are still some people who have never gotten COVID, either due to genetics, or super immunity.

Speaking of super immunity, a man in Germany took it upon himself to take 217 COVID-19 vaccinations in order to get hyperimmunized and boost his immune system. He did this over the course of 29 months. He wasn't believed at first, was investigated and there is documented evidence of 130 vaccinations in nine months, so now people believe him. Also, his blood work shows that he is hyperimmunized. This is NOT recommended.

However, for those of you getting vaccinated, there is a new recommendation from the CDC effective March 1, 2024 that states:

All people ages 65 years and older should receive 1 additional dose of any updated (2023–2024 Formula) COVID-19 vaccine (i.e., Moderna, Novavax, Pfizer-BioNTech).

If you fall into this age group, or if you have a loved one in this age group. Now is a great time to get re vaccinated. Your last vaccine has to have been 4 months ago.

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- I. Preserve and disseminate information about the township and its people through the support and maintenance of a historical file and a research center
- II. Promote and encourage historical research and study, particularly the discovery, collection, preservation and publication of the history, historical records, data, writings and speeches pertaining to Barrett Township
- III. Collect and preserve archival materials including books, newspapers, maps, genealogies, manuscripts, letters, journals, film footage, radio and video tapes and oral histories.
- IV. Collect and preserve historical artifacts including portraits, paintings, engravings, relics and other objects and materials which illustrate various traditions and cultures of the township.
- V. Collect information relative to the growth and development of the population, wealth, education, agriculture, arts, manufacturers and commerce of the township.
- VI. Develop and present educational opportunities to all age groups, including on-site and outreach opportunities to school groups, elder groups, service clubs and the community at large.



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