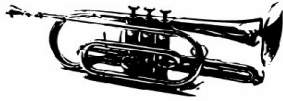
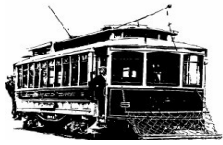


# NEW HOLLAND

## Area Historical Society



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## New Holland Clarion Newspapers

LIKE THE LITTLE DOG THAT CAUGHT THE BUS  
NOW WHAT DO WE DO WITH IT?

Submitted by Don Horning

The idea of the Clarions being moved to the New Holland Area Historical Society Museum seemed to be a good solution to the Library's space problem as well as adding historical depth to the Museum. An agreement was reached with the ELANCO Library. Then the "now what" set in. How to move three 1100 pound fireproof safes out of the Library basement, move them across town, negotiate down the front steps of the Witwer building [Kauffman's Hardware eastern end] to the basement of the Museum. Then a tricky step up, turn a corner, step down again to maneuver to their final resting place in a temperature and humidity controlled room. Note, an easy decision was to NOT store them on the second floor of the Museum since 1 ½ tons in the second floor of a 170 year old building could have very well resulted in them winding up in the basement anyway! It seemed like an almost insurmountable problem. Board member Shaun Seymour recommended several rigging companies and eventually Eastern Rigging from Reading was contracted. Kirk Brown, manager of Eastern, our move was just another day in the life of a rigger. Moving day saw 8 very skilled workmen, three pieces of equipment loaded on two large trucks and an array of items known only to movers. Five hours later the safes were "safely" at home in the Museum. A great day but there is one more thing. It turned out that Eastern Rigging was familiar with New Holland since through the years they have provided services to New Holland Machine Company and successors. Also, when Kirk Brown saw the physical Clarions it stirred his memory of how, as a small child, his Grandmother would always talk to him and show him pictures of "the old days". This association with our town and his appreciation of history resulted in a greatly reduced charge for their services for which our Board was extremely grateful. Eastern Rigging now becomes another chapter in the amazing story of the New Holland Museum history.

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*The mission of the New Holland Area Historical Society is to collect, organize, and preserve information and historical materials that give insight to understanding the life and times of the New Holland area and to share these findings with others through Museum exhibits, lectures, and educational outreach programs.*

The four photos on this page illustrates the difficult progression of the safes as they are moved to the basement of the Museum.





A specially constructed room was built for the permanent storage of the bound editions of the New Holland Clarion newspapers in the basement of the Kauffman Hardware building. The entire Board of Directors of the Museum are very proud to be the keepers of these very historically significant documents that allow us to dig into New Holland's past.

## The Spangler Boys

Submitted by Brian Frankhouser

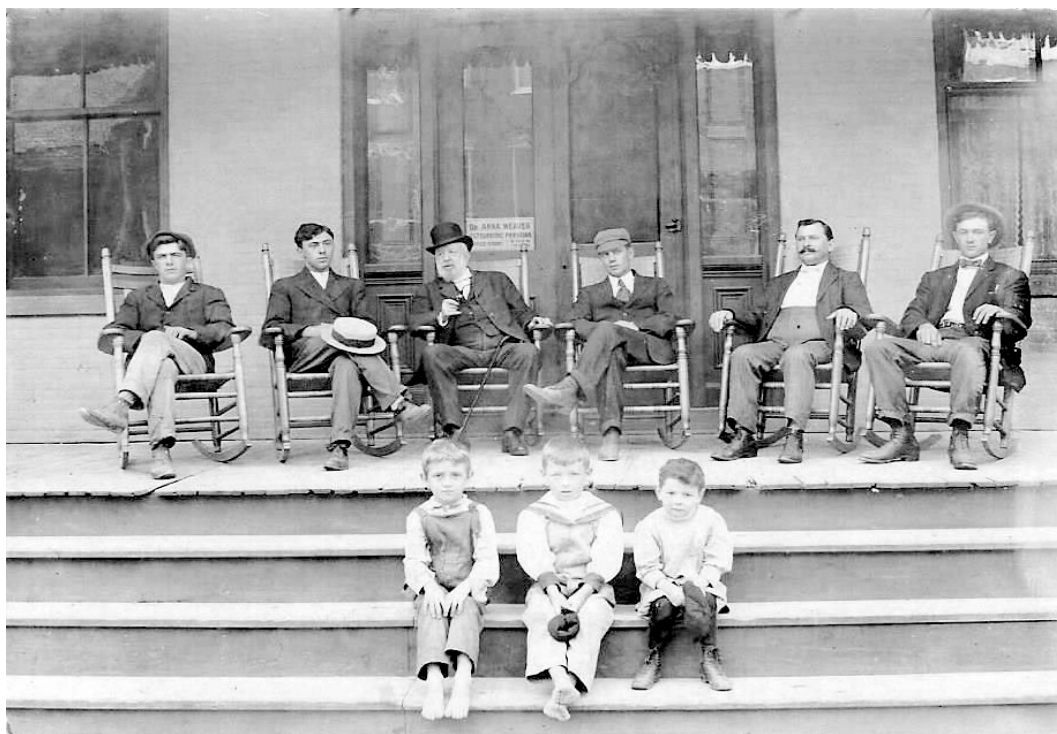
Congratulations to the New Holland Boy Scouts for their 100 year anniversary! The new exhibit in the museum is attracting plenty of attention, and showcases the community service and activities the local organization has promoted since 1917. Recently, while giving a tour of the displays, the following question was asked: “What clubs and groups were available for the young men before the Boy Scouts were organized?”

More than 100 years ago there were several options available for boys to get involved with organized activities (other than church and school). Some of the fraternal orders had youth auxiliaries that helped with civic projects and club functions. There were also groups, like Mountain Springs Rifle Club of Ephrata, that prepared boys to serve in the military when they reached age 18. Locally, in the New Holland area, the most popular groups were the camping clubs. Some that were mentioned in the Clarion newspaper were “Sobre Las Olas Fishing and Camping Club,” “Beaver Camping Club,” and “Crescent Camping Club.”

In August of 1907, Frank and Harry Spangler spent a week at Penryn Park fishing, camping, and “acting like boys” (see photo with this article). The Spanglers moved to New Holland from Ephrata in 1905 when their father, William W. Spangler, purchased the Styer House hotel business. At the time, the building was owned by Joseph Haeffner, the well known brewer from Lancaster. During Spangler’s tenure as proprietor, a new stable was built behind the hotel and the old livery on the east side of Railroad Avenue was sold to Eli Hess. Hess built a store on the site that was purchased by the Trimmers in 1927. The Spanglers moved back to Ephrata in 1908 after selling the Styer House hotel business to Phares Waltman. The same year, Harry Spangler joined the military and served for four years. He returned to Ephrata and worked at the local machine shop for over 40 years. Frank Spangler became seriously ill in 1914 and soon after died at the age of 21.



The Spanglers hamming it up and posing for a picture at Camp Teddy (probably named after the POTUS) in Penryn Park. Harry is second from the left with the hatchet, and Frank is third from the left with the knife. Do you think the woman shown on the far left knows that the boys are playing??



During a more settled time in New Holland, the boys are rocking on the front porch of the Styer House on the southwest corner of Main Street and Railroad Avenue. Frank is first left and Harry is second left on the porch. The brothers' father, William W. Spangler, is second from the right.

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**New Holland Area Historical Society, PO Box 464, New Holland PA 17557**



**As mentioned in the Spangler Boys story 2017 marks the 100th anniversary of Troop 48 BSA in New Holland. We have many artifacts on display now in the Museum. Please plan to visit and see the wonderful memorabilia provided by members and friends of Troop 48. In the next edition of this newsletter see an article detailing their 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary in New Holland.**

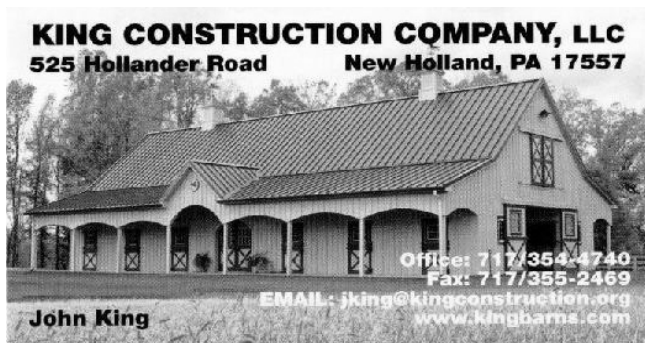


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The New Holland Area Historical Society Museum is available for your class get together, baby shower, wedding shower or other similar event! It is a great venue with lots of ambience in the historic 18th century Kauffman's Hardware building. Contact Wilbur Horning for more information 717-575-3148 or by e-mail whorning118@Comcast.net

## **SOCIETY MEETINGS - 2017**

Historical Society Meetings are held in the Chapel of Garden Spot Village every **3rd Thursday** of the month at **7:00 p.m.** Here is the list of the upcoming dates:

April 20 – The Lancaster Co. connection with Pennsylvania/Kentucky long rifle by David Geiger

May 18 – “New Holland then and now” Part 2 – presented by our own Brian Frankhouser

June July August – **no program**

September 21 – program to be announced

October 14 – Annual Cemetery tour

October 19 – program to be announced

**The Museum is open weekly, Thursday, Friday, Saturday 10 AM-2 PM. 207 E. Main St**