



# Beaver County Times

BEAVER COUNTY'S HOMETOWN DAILY NEWSPAPER

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Dale E. Klein  
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Washington, DC 20555-0001

Dear Mr. Klein:

Beaver County, Pennsylvania, is home to the first U.S. commercial, central electric-generating power station to use nuclear energy.

On May 26, 1958, President Dwight D. Eisenhower opened the Shippingport Atomic Power Station jointly operated by the Department of Energy and Duquesne Light Company.

Soon, we will celebrate the 50th anniversary of this milestone in history. It's just one of many local achievements the Beaver County Times will document this fall as we commemorate another milestone — the 200th anniversary of newspapers in Beaver County.

The Beaver County Times is a descendant of The Minerva, the first newspaper to be published here on Nov. 4, 1807. In the past two centuries, approximately 122 different newspapers have been published from Aliquippa to Rochester. Many were short-lived; others acquisitions. Today, The Times is the county's only daily newspaper.

We're planning a bicentennial celebration to include a commemorative tabloid in October, featuring a timeline of the county's newspapers; background and history; reproductions of historic front pages, photographs and advertisements; an explanation of First Amendment rights; and what the future holds for newspapers.

One section will include letters from or about celebrities with connections to this area; and from experts on a topic germane to this area or industry.

I'm inviting you to submit a letter to our residents congratulating them on their continuing support of "Atoms for Peace." So, if you don't mind, please jot me a few words by Oct. 1.

If you have any questions, please call me at (724) 775-3200, Ext. 120.

I appreciate your assistance with this special publication.

Sincerely,

Alan Buncher  
Publisher

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