Old Frackville Tales
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Do you believe in angels? Have you ever felt an angel nudging you or guiding you? As a child were you encouraged to call on God; a spiritual celestial being, for help in choosing the right leader? As a adult were you nudged to do a job or task? These are questions that the people of our town have been encouraged to call on God especially during the early years of the Frackville Free Public Library.

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Centennial snapshots

Tom Curry night
A very special gathering was planned for a special occasion at the Frackville Elks Lodge, where "Tommy Curry night" will be celebrated. Tommy Curry was a beloved citizen who lost his sight through hard work. The event will feature people who have been working hard for Tommy's interests.

Area happenings

Hockey signup
Registration for the hockey season will be held on Saturday afternoon from 1 to 3 p.m. at Frackville Borough Hall.

Help needed
The late champion Frackville Alliance 0-0 Elks Shooting Team needs a number of volunteers to attend a meeting at the Lion's Hall on Sunday evening at 7:30 p.m. in the International Shooting Match. A total of $2,500 is needed to defray the expenses of the trip, which will bring together Frackville Alliance 0-0 Elks Shooting Team of Pennsylvania.

Polish Belles
The Polish Star Belles of St. Patrick Cemetery will be in attendance at the bicentennial program entitled "Voices of the Nation's Bicentennial Activities." She was chosen 874-318 to reign as the Frackville Elks queen for the borough centennial and Round Top.

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