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Local Republicans respond to Wolf's proposal

"The governor could not have picked a worse time to propose a 46.3 percent increase in the personal income tax given the struggles Pennsylvanians continue to face during the worst pandemic of our lifetime."

Sen. Pat Brown (R-16)

BY NATE JASTRZEMSKI
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Following Governor Tom Wolf's ambitious budget proposal recently, local legislators released their responses, some more eager and forgiving than others. Republicans, who were mollified by Wolf's last, more modest budget, are up in arms. Rep. Ann Flood (R-138th) said, "The governor is proposing a tax increase on small employers and working Pennsylvanians at a time when many of them are struggling to hang on. Local restaurants and other employers are the backbone of our economy, and I'm going to fight to

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remove existing restrictions and offer assistance to help them survive. Rather than further burdening job creators and workers with higher taxes, we should be focusing on policies to help employers create good-paying, family-sustaining jobs. "My top priority right now is making sure we get the COVID-19 vaccines that are sitting on shelves in storage into the arms of our most vulnerable citizens. Many of our children, who are our future, benefit scholastically and emotionally from being in the classroom among their peers. The best way to get

students out of isolation and back into school for face-to-face instruction is by getting the vaccine to more Pennsylvanians." Flood concluded, "My colleagues and I will begin reviewing the governor's proposal and I'm confident the final state budget will look much different than the one he outlined today." Senate Appropriations Committee Chair Pat Browne (R-16) said, "The governor could not have picked a worse time to propose a 46.3 percent increase in the personal income tax given the struggles Pennsylvanians continue to face during

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PEOPLE SAY

BY DANA GRUBB

NASA landed the Perseverance rover on Mars this week. How long do you think it will take to land humans on Mars?



"I'm going to say 20 years."
Sean Rutkowski
 Bordentown, N.J.



"It's not a priority without the proper funding and I don't think it will be a priority for our government."
Abigail Gotsch
 Bethlehem

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COVID-19 Pa. short 200K vaccine doses

Patients should expect appointment rescheduling, delays

BY JUSTIN CARLUCCI
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Pennsylvania has a shortage of second doses of the Moderna vaccine, which will result in delays and rescheduled appointments. Acting Department of Health Secretary Alison Beam said

Wednesday this will result in delays for more than 115,000 people.

"As the department of health works to improve the complex processes necessary to get the COVID-19 vaccine from the manufacturers into the arms of Pennsylvanians as quickly as possible, we discovered some providers inadvertently used the Moderna vaccine shipped to them intended as second doses, as first doses," Beam said.

Basically, Beam said the second-dose Moderna vaccine requests far exceed the vaccine located to the state this week.

The Pfizer vaccine was not affected.

It wasn't clear if anyone would be held accountable. Beam would not confirm who or how many providers made the mistake.

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Bill Schachter and daughter Rachel Marie performing at Godfrey Daniels New Year's Eve 2018.

Remembering Bill Schachter

A story of something lost and somethings found

BY CAROLE GORNEY
 Special to the Bethlehem Press

His name was William Schachter, but his friends called him "Bicycle Bill," a moniker he earned from a motorcycle accident in his teens. Born in Pittsburgh, Pa., in 1953, he was a gifted song writer and performer, who his son says loved music and loved performing it. Mostly a solo artist, although he would sometimes pair with his daughter Rachel Marie, he sang and played the harmonica and acoustic guitar.

He spent nearly the last three decades in Bethlehem sharing his talent at venues like Godfrey Daniels, the Great Allentown Fair and Musikfest, but on Jan. 17 this year, he lost his 10-year battle with



Dave Fry calls Bill Schachter (above) an important cog in the Godfrey Daniels creative community for years. Schachter passed away Jan. 17 after a 10-year battle with cancer.

cancer. The story doesn't end there, however.

Preserving the music

In the summer of 2020, on a visit to his father from his home in Austin, Texas, son Brian Schachter discovered a letter written to him by his father in 2012. It was about an idea for an album of the father's own songs. The letter read, "Here are some songs I'm thinking about for a set. A good last song would be 'Lookin' for Paradise.' It's also a good name for the album."

Incredibly, the letter and the idea got lost.

"My father mentioned it to me back then," the younger Schachter says, "but I was in my early 20s, and trying to get my life together. Besides,"

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machinist, mechanic



Thomas J. Horninger, 73, of Bethlehem, died Feb. 10, 2021. Born in Bethlehem, he was a son of the late Daniel Sr. and Elizabeth (Blihar) Horninger. He was the husband of the late Shirley J. (Fink) Horninger.

He was a graduate of Liberty HS.

In his early years, he worked for the family businesses, Willow Park Amusements and Pool. He was a machinist and mechanic. He was the owner and operator of Tom's Automotive Beauty Shop, Freemansburg. He was later a machinist for Mail-Well Inc. for over 25 years. He was retired from Trans-Bridge Tours Inc.

He was a parishioner of Sacred Heart Catholic Church, Bethlehem Township.

He is survived by four children, Bryan and wife his Amy, Jeffrey and his companion Laura Castellani, Kristin Jones and Nicole Genovese; three grandchildren, Brooke, Evan and Olivia; a sister, Diane Strobel; stepchildren; and stepgrandchildren.

He was predeceased by a brother, Daniel Horninger Jr.

Contributions may be made to an animal shelter of one's choice.

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Daniel M. Gallagher

VIA, chamber former board member



Daniel M. Gallagher, 83, of Bethlehem, died Feb. 7, 2021. Born in Hazleton, he was a son of the late Michael and Alice (McGeehin) Gallagher. He was the husband of Ann H. (Gallagher) Gallagher for 59 years.

He was a 1959 graduate of Villanova University.

He retired from PP&L where he was the distribution manager.

He was a member of Notre Dame Catholic Church, Bethlehem.

He was a former board member of VIA and of the Bethlehem Chamber of Commerce. A golfer, he scored two holes in one.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by a daughter, Kathleen Chlebove and her husband Scott; a son, Michael and his wife Kathy; five grandchildren, Colin and Conor Gallagher and Megan, Danny and Erin Chlebove; two great-grandchildren, Lance and Carson Gallagher; a brother-in-law, Eugene Gallagher; nieces; and nephews.

He was predeceased by two sisters, Mary Gallagher and Anne Herbert; and a brother, Michael Gallagher.

Contributions may be made to Notre Dame Catholic Church, 1861 Catasauqua Road, Bethlehem, PA 18018.

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Julia R. Stine

city mayor's secretary

Julia R. Stine, 93, of Bethlehem, died Feb. 13, 2021, at Cedarbrook, Allentown. Born in Bethlehem, she was a daughter of the late Titus W. and Ellen M. Stine.

She was a secretary for the mayor of Bethlehem for many years.

She was a member of Central Moravian Church, Bethlehem.

She is survived by her best friend, Joanne Fritz.

She was predeceased by two sisters, Florence Klinger and Levada Stine; and two brothers, Harold T. Stine and Glen Stine.

Contributions may be made to Central Moravian Church, 73 W. Church St., Bethlehem, Pa 18018.

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Casey says distribution is key

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BY DOUGLAS GRAVES
Special to the Bethlehem Press

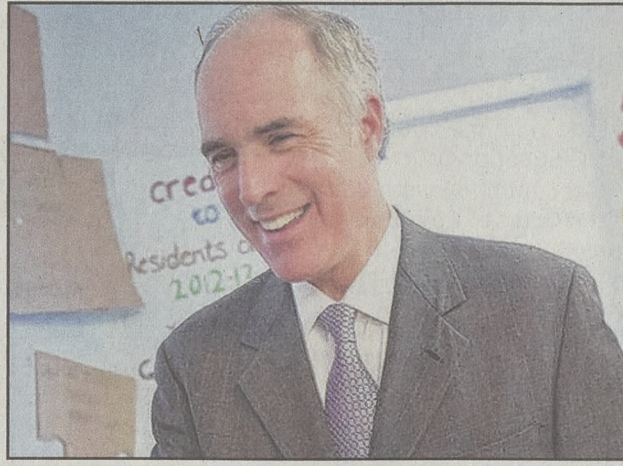
According to Senator Bob Casey, speaking via Zoom at a health press conference sponsored by Centro Hispano of Reading Feb. 8, Lehigh County Jail's low vaccine supply for inmates and staff is a matter of poor distribution at the federal level.

"One inmate and one corrections officer have recently died at the Lehigh County Jail. Is there anything that the Federal government can do to make it a little higher priority than it seems to be?" asked Lehigh Valley Press News.

"The most difficult challenge that we have right now is not nearly enough vaccines," said Casey. "We need a couple of hundred million more [vaccines] to be able to vaccinate folks in different categories and certainly those correctional institutions are part of that. It seems that every day there's a highlight or another group of Americans, or in this case Pennsylvanians, that need to be vaccinated."

"A lot of that is being driven by a lack of resources, a lack of vaccines and supplies and distribution. The most important thing we can do is to raise money so that we can speed up vaccinations to get at least to goal of 100 million shots into the arms of people in a hundred days if not faster. So, it's really a case of supply and distribution at this point."

Casey compared correctional facilities to long-term care facilities which had a disproportio-



PRESS PHOTO BY DOUGLAS GRAVES

"A lot of the deaths were from people who worked there [in long-term care facilities], said Pa. Senator Bob Casey. "It is similar to our jails and correctional institutions. We have to do everything we can to devote the dollars and the resources to get more vaccines out there and get the distribution moving faster."

tionate death rate early in the pandemic.

"A lot of the deaths were from people who worked there [in long-term care facilities]. It is similar to our jails and correctional institutions. We have to do everything we can to devote the dollars and the resources to get more vaccines out there and get the distribution moving faster. I hear you when you highlight yet another category where the vaccinations are not happening fast enough."

"The state is in the process, as you know, of taking what has been distributed to the state and there has been a concentrated effort to focus on seniors in long-term care facilities and seniors more generally, but the most important

thing any member of Congress can do right now is to do everything we can together to get a relief bill done. The President [Joseph Biden] has proposed \$1.9 billion. The vaccination part of the bill alone will be transformative. By one estimate, it will be \$160 billion to provide more resources for that vaccination. That will have a positive impact on seniors and people of all ages so that we can do everything we can to meet or exceed the president's goal of 100 million shots in 100 days. I hope to go even higher than that."

"That's where things are now in terms of what's happening both in Pennsylvania and around the country, but we need a lot more in the way of resources. Every

member of Congress should vote the relief bill when we get it to a vote."

Lehigh County commissioner and chair of the Courts and Corrections Committee Dave Harrington said as of a 2019 report, 25.8 percent of the male and 15.61 percent of the female population was Hispanic. He said that is an average over the year, and not a sample from any specific day.

The latest U.S. Census indicates that Lehigh County is 26.2 percent Hispanic or Latino. The Black or African American population is 9.9 percent and the White population (not Hispanic or Latino) of the county is 82.4 percent.

When asked if there a specific effort to reconcile the disparity of high infection rates among Latinos and essential workers, Casey did not answer directly.

"This is one of challenges we face," said Casey, "when you don't have enough production for distribution. That's been the case not only in Pennsylvania but nationwide. We don't have the distribution that we need. We need hundreds of millions more doses for the nation. When you don't have that you are going to have a lot of people that are left out of the effort, nationally, to have more and more Americans vaccinated. The administration has told the pharmaceutical manufactures to ramp up the manufacture of vaccines. And it's using the full power of the Federal government to do that whether it is

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Wednesday, February 24

Bethlehem Parking Authority, 4 p.m. 85 W. North St.
 Northampton Co. Industrial Development Authority, 4 p.m.,
 Northampton Co. Courthouse, 669 Washington St.
 Bethlehem Twp. Zoning Hearing Board, 6:30 p.m. Municipal
 building, 4225 Easton Ave.
 Snow date: BASD Regular Board, 7 p.m. East Hills MS, 2005
 Chester Road.
 Lehigh Co. Commissioners, 7:30 p.m. Virtual via Zoom. Public
 hearing room, Gov't. Center, 17 S. Seventh St., Allentown.

Thursday, February 25

Bethlehem Redevelopment Authority, 5 p.m. City Hall, 10 E.
 Church St.

Monday, March 1

Bethlehem Twp. Commissioners, 7 p.m. Municipal building,
 4225 Easton Ave.
 Fountain Hill Council, 7 p.m. 941 Long St.
 Hellertown Council, 7 p.m. 685 Main St.
 Hanover Twp. (NorCo) Planning Commission, 7:30 p.m. 3630
 Jacksonville Road.

Tuesday, March 2

Bethlehem City Council, 7 p.m. Zoom.
 Freemansburg Borough Council, 7 p.m. As needed.

Fitzpatrick re-elected; Lee welcomed

BY LANI GOINS
 Special to the Bethlehem Press

The first order of business for the Bethlehem City Zoning Hearing Board meeting in a hybrid meeting format Jan. 27 was to elect new officers. William Fitzpatrick was re-elected chairman. James Schantz was re-elected vice-chairman. Zoning Officer Craig Pfeiffer was elected secretary; attorney Erich Schock was renamed board attorney, along with two alternates, and Jean Genova is again the board stenographer.

Chairman Fitzpatrick introduced the Zoning Hearing Board's newest member, Jessica Lee. Chairman Fitzpatrick also offered his thanks for the service of Linda Shea Gardner, whose seat on the board was filled by Lee.

It was announced that the fifth agenda item, the case of 1137 East Third St. had been postponed.

The first two cases on the agenda were both requests for one year extensions to the allowed time from the previous Zoning decision to project completion, due to delays caused by the COVID-19 mandated shutdowns.

Board attorney Erich Schock explained there was "no procedure in the zoning ordinance to



PRESS PHOTOS BY LANI GOINS
 A drawing of the proposed renovated building at 402-404 Linden Street.

allow for extensions." Presumably the ordinance did not foresee the COVID-19 state mandated shutdowns of the construction industry. However, Schock continued, the lack of a formal procedure "does not mean the board can't consider" granting extensions.

Attorney James Holzinger represented 262 Ninth Ave. LLC. Managing member of the LLC Arnold Allen was requesting a one-year extension on work that was approved by the board in January 2020. (The one-year extension would begin after the board's formal decision was issued.) Demolition of an existing structure on the property began in February 2020, and was ongoing when the State

mandated shutdown occurred. For several months, it was unclear when work could resume. A further complication arose when the bank financing the work decided to pause lending funds.

Now that construction is again allowed, the plan is to resume construction in six to eight weeks. A construction loan has been secured by Fidelity Bank. Some contractors had to be replaced as they had other obligations. Allen says he is now "happy to be able to move forward" on the project.

Holzinger asked if the project could be completed in one year's time, and Arnold said it could be.

Board member Peter Schneck asked if build-

ing materials were left on the site when work stopped for the shutdown. Arnold replied that he had not yet purchased building materials, and what remained on the site were trees that need to be chipped. He added there is a fence surrounding the property.

After a short deliberation, the board voted to extend their granted approvals for one year, with the condition that a fence be maintained around the property to keep children from wandering onto the site.

The next case was 830 13th Avenue. There was a brief delay as the owner joined by phone, and a witness was located. During the delay, Board Chairman Fitzpatrick noted that the owner, Abraham Atiyeh, is also Fitzpatrick's landlord. Atiyeh was seeking a one-year extension to complete work on the site, again due to the state mandated shutdown. Atiyeh explained he was not seeking any changes to the previous approvals, in fact, he "loved them". He added that right after the approvals were received, the shutdown happened. His offices, designers, and more were out of work for between six and seven months, and there was "a lot of work See **ZONING** on Page A8

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 [though] the Defense Production Act or otherwise.

"But in the end, the most important thing the Federal government can do is in the next couple of weeks is pass a big bill. Not a scaled-back bill, but a big bill that will have a double impact. Number one the virus and number two the economy. Getting vaccines and the public health measures funded, but also getting relief to the people that need it in the worst economy, cer-

tainly in my lifetime."

Casey concluded, "There is no question that there are front-line workers, folks who live in communities of color, who are doing front-line work that haven't got a vaccination and who need to get a vaccination to do their work and be safe. And that has to be a priority in getting the distribution of a lot more vaccines and get it out there real fast and get it in the arms of more and more Americans across the board but especially those that are vulnerable and [who] may be on the front line."

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CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS

(All Registered Voters, All Districts)

Shall the Pennsylvania Constitution be amended to change existing law and increase the power of the General Assembly to unilaterally terminate or extend a disaster emergency declaration—and the powers of Commonwealth agencies to address the disaster regardless of its severity pursuant to that declaration—through passing a concurrent resolution by simple majority, thereby removing the existing check and balance of presenting a resolution to the Governor for approval or disapproval?

Shall the Pennsylvania Constitution be amended to change existing law so that: a disaster emergency declaration will expire automatically after 21 days, regardless of the severity of the emergency, unless the General Assembly takes action to extend the disaster emergency; the Governor may not declare a new disaster emergency to respond to the dangers facing the Commonwealth unless the General Assembly passes a concurrent resolution; the General Assembly enacts new laws for disaster management?

Shall the Pennsylvania Constitution be amended by adding a new section providing that equality of rights under the law shall not be denied or abridged because of an individual's race or ethnicity?

REFERENDUM QUESTIONS

(All Registered Voters, City of Allentown Only)

Shall Section 606 of the City Home Rule Charter, which requires Heads of Departments, Offices and Agencies to reside within the City of Allentown within one year of appointment, be amended to require such individuals at the time of appointment to reside within five (5) miles of the City's borders?

Shall Section 701 of the City of Allentown Home Rule Charter be amended to permit City Council to appoint a City Council Solicitor such that Section 701 will read:

- A. The Mayor shall appoint a City Solicitor who shall be a member of the bar of the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania and experienced in municipal law. The City Solicitor, as the Head of the Legal Department, shall serve as chief legal advisor to the Mayor and all City Departments and agencies, represent the City in all legal proceedings to which the City is a party, and shall perform such other duties prescribed by law, by this Charter and by the City Administrative Code.
- B. The Mayor shall have the power, if needed, to engage other temporary Solicitors to represent the City as the need may be. Such appointments shall be temporary and shall be for the purpose of representing the City in specific legal matters.
- C. City Council may appoint legal counsel to serve as City Council Solicitor to provide City Council with legal advice.
- D. The City Solicitor shall direct and control the legal matters of the city

Shall Section 403, Subsection A and Subsection D of the City of Allentown Home Rule Charter be amended to authorize and permit the City Controller to initiate and conduct all manner of audits, including performance audits, without first being requested to do so by the Mayor or by City Council and to permit the City Controller to have access to any and all types of information necessary, including City payroll information, to conduct such audits?

ELECTION BOARD OF LEHIGH COUNTY
 By: Timothy A. Benyo, Chief Clerk

MUSIKFEST 2021 POSTER



PRESS PHOTO COURTESY ARTSQUEST

"The Musikfest poster conveys a sense of hope and light. Brilliant red poppies rise from the Bethlehem landscape, while daisies spin magical music notes into the air," says artist Mandy Martin, a member of ArtsQuest's Banana Factory Artist Collective.

'A sense of hope and light'

With bold depictions of red poppies at its forefront, ArtsQuest has debuted the poster and lead artwork for Musikfest, the non-profit's flagship festival set for its 38th edition on Aug. 6-15, 2021. Painted by Sellersville-based artist Mandy Martin, the poster's theme - based on the symbol of rebirth that poppies came to be in the wake of World War I - was conceptualized prior to the COVID pandemic but took on new meaning as Martin worked on the piece in quarantine.

ArtsQuest Lead Creative Juliann Masenheimer has overseen the development of this and the past three Musikfest posters.

With safety at top priority, following all CDC, state and local health and safety guidelines, Musikfest 2021 will take place Aug. 6-15. While planning is underway, the non-profit is looking for input from self-described Musikfest Super Fans to help create the best possible festival for the entire community. Musikfest Super Fans can identify themselves by filling out the form at musikfest.org/superfan until Fri. Feb. 19 for a chance to participate in exclusive surveys, conversations and focus groups.

Musikfest is made possible thanks to the support of the City of Bethlehem, Bethlehem Redevelopment Authority, Bethlehem Area School District, Northampton County, the support of the corporate community and more than 1,600 volunteers and 3,300 supporting members. For more information, visit musikfest.org.

HELLERTOWN



PRESS PHOTO BY CHRIS HARING

Saucon Valley HS music teacher Chad Miller pitches his idea to hold a youth musical theater show this summer.

Council approves outdoor summer performance

BY CHRIS HARING Special to the Bethlehem Press

An historic snow storm would not disrupt the virtual Hellertown Council meeting on the evening of Feb. 1. The storm - which brought a widespread dumping of 20-30 inches of snow to Hellertown and the entire surrounding area - and its cleanup efforts were a hot topic from the top of the meeting. It was noted that usual attendee, director Barry Yonney of the borough's public works department, would be absent due to ongoing snow removal.

Council President Thomas J. Rieger addressed the crippling, long-duration storm and praised the efforts of Yonney and his staff, and asked for patience and cooperation from borough residents. "If everybody works together, we'll get through it," he said. "I can't remember the last time we had this much snow come over a storm (lasting) this long."

Rieger specifically asked residents to be

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Chimney swifts named official bird

BY DOUGLAS GRAVES Special to the Bethlehem Press

Cole, a fourth-grade student at Freemansburg ES, read a letter at the Feb. 2 city council meeting urging Bethlehem to name the chimney swift as the official bird of Bethlehem.

"Chimney swifts have lived in Bethlehem for 100 years," said Cole. "They are in danger of habitat loss."

Emma, also a fourth grader at Freemansburg ES, told council that chimney swifts eat 4.4 million insects in one day. "Isn't that cool?"

"The way they move is beautiful," she said. She compared the chimney swifts in flight to a "dancing elephant."

Ryan called and read a letter in support of the chimney swifts. "They have lived here a long time. They are part of our family, so we should be nice to them."

Ryan compared the swirling flight of swifts as being "like a tornado. It's really cool. We should be grateful for them for making a beautiful sight for us to see, so please name the chimney swift the bird

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PRESS PHOTO BY GARY ARMISTEAD

Council approved 7-0 a resolution proposed by Councilwoman Olga Negron to name the chimney swift the city's official bird.

of Bethlehem." A few minutes later council approved 7-0 a resolution proposed by Councilwoman Olga Ne-

Chimney swifts in Bethlehem gained recognition and acclaim when a developer, John Noble, was razing the former Bethlehem Masonic Lodge on Wyandotte Street which had a large chimney that is a seasonal nesting site for the migratory bird.

Bird lovers across the city successfully petitioned Noble to find a way preserve the towering chimney as a roosting site for the chimney swifts.

According to the website AllAboutBirds.org, "This enigmatic little bird spends almost its entire life airborne. When it lands, it can't perch - it clings to vertical walls inside chimneys or in hollow trees or caves."

In other business council appointed Rachel Leon, Anne Felker and Emil Signes to the Bethlehem Library Board.

In a mayoral appointment, the council approved the appointments of Lucienne Di Biase Dooley to the Codes Board of Appeals and Luke Cunningham to the Civil Service Board.

CITY

Continued from page A12 community engagement with the residents and stakeholders on the change to the zoning ordinance. "Of course, I'll be supporting this."

Councilwoman Grace Crampsie Smith said she supports the project and commended Heller for a "good job."

Councilman William Reynolds cautioned that success of the overlay would depend on getting good information from the universities about what students were living off campus and good information from landlords. "It is very difficult once people are living in a property to do something about it even if it's a violation of the zoning code."

A landlord with three houses called in to the City Council asking if two of his houses outside the of the overlay zone could be grandfathered.

An attorney representing Asset Living, a property management company operating in about 300 cities in the United States, called to ask that the city give "consideration on how this ordinance will affect existing landlords." She said the company operates 70 properties on the South Side with 350 units mostly occupied by students.

Another landlord with six properties called in and made a comment about parties and noise. "I want to make it very clear that most students are very good. They're not making noise, not smoking weed in the neighborhood."

The caller also pointed out that not all tenants are students, but there are "young working adults who can't afford an apartment so they have to share [a house] with their friends."

Another resident who claimed to own 20 houses mostly rented to students felt that the proposed overlay was too restrictive. He suggested that the student housing zoning overlay should be expanded.

He also wanted the per house allocated street parking be included in the minimum number of parking spaces per house required by the ordinance.

This resident and property owner considered the ordinance discriminatory in that it required rooms in designated student housing be

rented only to students.

Southside resident Ann Evans called in to oppose the idea of expanding the student housing overlay saying that the unwanted effect to expansion would increase the number homes with students residing in them.

Lehigh University professor Seth Moglen called supporting Evan's opposition to expanding the student housing overlay. "You have al-

ready received letters from over 150 homeowners and residents that live in Southside supporting this ordinance. The arguments from landlords that you have heard tonight are exactly the reasons you should leave the ordinance as they are currently set."

Moglen described the increase in student housing as "an onslaught of student housing which is undermining these

neighborhoods as viable long-term mixed income, racially diverse neighborhoods."

John whose last name was unintelligible called to remind the commissioners that, while he has nothing against students, he thinks the "parties, the public drunkenness, the public urination destroys the neighborhoods."

The zoning amendment vote will be at a later regular meeting.

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ENMIENDAS PROPUESTAS A LA CONSTITUCIÓN DE PENNSILVANIA

Esta notificación contiene información sobre preguntas que aparecerán en la papeleta en las Elecciones Primarias Municipales que se realizarán el 18 de mayo de 2021.

Las preguntas de la papeleta proponen tres enmiendas diferentes a la Constitución de Pensilvania, según una resolución conjunta de la Asamblea General de Pensilvania.

Si una o más preguntas de la papeleta se aprueban con la mayoría de votos, cada enmienda aprobada se convertirá en ley.

La Asamblea General de Pensilvania propuso primero las enmiendas durante la sesión de 2020 y las aprobó por segunda vez durante la sesión de 2021 de la legislatura, según lo requiere el Artículo XI, Sección 1 de la Constitución.

Esta notificación pública es parte del proceso de enmienda de la Constitución de Pensilvania. El Secretario del Estado deberá publicar:

- Una copia de la resolución conjunta que propone las enmiendas.
- El texto de cada pregunta que aparecerá en la papeleta.
- Una "Declaración Simple en Inglés" preparada por la Oficina del Procurador General que explique el objetivo, las limitaciones y efectos para el pueblo de este Estado (o "Commonwealth" en inglés) de cada pregunta en la papeleta.

El texto que aparece en **negrita** son los cambios en las palabras de la Constitución que propone la Asamblea General. Si la enmienda se aprueba, las palabras **subrayadas** se agregarían a la Constitución y las palabras **[entre corchetes]** se eliminarían.

Si necesita ayuda para leer esta publicidad o necesita el texto de la enmienda propuesta en un formato alternativo, llame o escriba al Departamento de Estado de Pensilvania, Oficina de Servicios de Elecciones y Notarías, Sala 210, North Office Building, Harrisburg, PA 17120, 1-877-868-3772 (opción 3), ra-elections@pa.gov.

Veronica Degraffenreid
Secretaria de Estado en funciones

RESOLUCIÓN CONJUNTA N.º 2021 - 1

Que propone enmiendas separadas y marcadas a la Constitución de Pensilvania, en la declaración de derechos, que disponga una prohibición de denegar o restringir la igualdad de derechos a causa de la raza y etnia; en la legislación, que brinde además disposiciones de acción en órdenes y resoluciones concurrentes; y, en lo ejecutivo, que brinde disposiciones para la declaración y el manejo de emergencias por desastre.

La Asamblea General del Commonwealth de Pensilvania por el presente resuelve lo siguiente:

Sección 1. Las siguientes enmiendas diferentes y marcadas a la Constitución de Pensilvania se proponen de conformidad con el Artículo XI:

(1) Que se enmiende el Artículo I de la Constitución de Pensilvania se enmiende mediante el agregado de una sección que diga:

Sección 29. Prohibición en contra denegar o restringir la igualdad de derechos a causa de la raza y etnia.

No se denegará ni restringirá la igualdad de derechos conforme a la ley en el Estado de Pensilvania por motivo de la raza o etnia de la persona.

(1.1) Que la sección 9 del Artículo III se enmiende para que diga lo siguiente

Sección 9. Acción sobre órdenes y resoluciones concurrentes.

Toda orden, resolución o voto para el cual pudiera ser necesaria la concurrencia de ambas Cámaras, excepto en el caso de **[pregunta de suspensión] preguntas de suspensión, extinción o extensión de una declaración de emergencia por desastre realizada mediante orden o proclamación ejecutiva, o parte de una declaración de emergencia por desastre declarada mediante orden o proclamación ejecutiva**, deberá presentarse al Gobernador y, antes de que entre en vigencia, deberá ser aprobado por él, o en el caso de desaprobarse, deberá ser aprobado nuevamente por dos tercios de ambas Cámaras, según las normas y limitaciones estipuladas en caso de un proyecto de ley.

(2) Que se enmiende el Artículo IV agregando una sección que diga:

Sección 20. Declaración y manejo de emergencias por desastre.

(a) Una declaración de emergencia por desastre podrá realizarse mediante orden o proclamación ejecutiva del Gobernador al tomar conocimiento de que ha ocurrido un desastre, o de que un desastre o una amenaza de desastre es inminente y pone en riesgo la salud, la seguridad o el bienestar de este Estado.

(b) Cada declaración de emergencia por desastre emitida por el

Gobernador de conformidad con el inciso (a) deberá indicar la naturaleza del desastre, cada área en la que existe la amenaza y las condiciones del desastre, lo que incluye si se trata de un desastre natural, una emergencia militar, una emergencia de salud pública, un desastre tecnológico u otra emergencia general, según lo definido por ley. La Asamblea General deberá, por ley, disponer el modo en que se deberá manejar cada tipo de desastre enumerado en este inciso.

(c) Una declaración de emergencia por desastre realizada conforme al inciso (a) estará vigente durante no más de veintidós (22) días, a menos que se extienda en su totalidad o en parte mediante resolución concurrente de la Asamblea General.

(d) Al finalizar la declaración de emergencia por desastre conforme al inciso (a), el Gobernador no podrá emitir una nueva declaración de emergencia por desastre basada en los mismos hechos y circunstancias, o en hechos y circunstancias sustancialmente similares, sin la aprobación de una resolución concurrente de la Asamblea General que apruebe expresamente la nueva declaración de emergencia por desastre.

Sección 2. (a) Ante la primera aprobación por parte de la Asamblea General de estas enmiendas constitucionales propuestas, el Secretario del Estado procederá inmediatamente a cumplir con los requisitos publicitarios dispuestos en la sección 1 del Artículo XI de la Constitución de Pensilvania, y transmitirá las publicidades requeridas a dos diarios en todos los condados en donde se publican dichos diarios, dentro de un tiempo suficiente luego de la aprobación de las enmiendas constitucionales propuestas.

(b) Ante la segunda aprobación por parte de la Asamblea General de estas enmiendas constitucionales propuestas, el secretario del Estado procederá inmediatamente a cumplir con los requisitos publicitarios dispuestos en la sección 1 del Artículo XI de la Constitución de Pensilvania, y transmitirá las publicidades requeridas a dos diarios en todos los condados en donde se publiquen, dentro de un tiempo suficiente luego de la aprobación de las enmiendas constitucionales propuestas. El Secretario del Estado deberá:

(1) Presentar la enmienda constitucional propuesta de conformidad con la sección 1(1) de esta resolución a los electores de este Estado que cumplen con los requisitos como una pregunta separada en la papeleta en las primeras elecciones primarias, generales o municipales que cumplan con los requisitos de la sección 1 del Artículo XI de la Constitución de Pensilvania, y estén de acuerdo con él, y que ocurran al menos tres meses después de que la Asamblea General apruebe la enmienda constitucional propuesta.

(1.1) Presentar la enmienda constitucional propuesta de conformidad con la sección 1(1.1) de esta resolución a los electores de este Estado que con cumplen los requisitos como una pregunta separada en la papeleta en las primeras elecciones primarias, generales o municipales que cumplan con los requisitos de la sección 1 del Artículo XI de la Constitución de Pensilvania, y estén en conformidad con dicha sección, y que ocurran al menos tres meses después de que la Asamblea General apruebe la enmienda constitucional propuesta.

(2) Presentar la enmienda constitucional propuesta de conformidad con la sección 1(2) de esta resolución a los electores de este Estado que cumplen con los requisitos como una pregunta separada en la papeleta en las primeras elecciones primarias, generales o municipales que cumplan con los requisitos de la sección 1 del Artículo XI de la Constitución de Pensilvania, y estén en conformidad con dicha sección, y que ocurran al menos tres meses después de que la Asamblea General promulgue la enmienda constitucional propuesta.

**ENMIENDA CONSTITUCIONAL PROPUESTA -
ARTÍCULO, III, SECCIÓN 9**

EN RELACIÓN CON LA FINALIZACIÓN O EXTENSIÓN DE LAS DECLARACIONES DE EMERGENCIA POR DESASTRE

Pregunta para la papeleta electoral

¿Se debería enmendar la Constitución de Pensilvania de manera que se modifique la ley existente y se aumenten las capacidades de la Asamblea General para finalizar o extender de manera unilateral una declaración de emergencia por desastre, y las capacidades de las agencias del Estado para tratar los desastres sin importar su gravedad conforme a dicha declaración, a través de la aprobación de una resolución simultánea por una mayoría simple, eliminando de esta manera el actual peso y contrapeso de presentar una resolución al Gobernador para su aprobación o rechazo?

Declaración en lenguaje simple de la Oficina del Procurador General

La Resolución Conjunta N.º 2021-1 propone enmendar el Artículo III, Sección 9 de la Constitución de Pensilvania para suministrar

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una nueva excepción al tradicional procedimiento legislativo al permitir a la Asamblea General finalizar o extender una declaración de emergencia por desastre o una parte de dicha declaración sin necesidad de la aprobación del Gobernador.

Actualmente, el Artículo III, Sección 9 establece como regla general que todas las órdenes, resoluciones o votos que requieren la aprobación de la Cámara de Diputados y el Senado deben presentarse ante el Gobernador para su aprobación o veto. Las resoluciones de suspensión de la Asamblea General están exceptuadas de este proceso. Si el Gobernador aprueba la orden, resolución o voto, se convierten en ley. Si el Gobernador los veta, no se convierten en ley hasta que dos tercios de la Cámara de Diputados y Senadores voten para anular el veto. La enmienda propuesta crearía una excepción adicional a este procedimiento legislativo habitual para que las resoluciones conjuntas finalicen o extiendan, en todo o en parte, una declaración de emergencia por desastre emitida por el Gobernador.

La enmienda propuesta también tendrá efecto en revertir un reciente fallo del Tribunal Superior de Pensilvania que sostuvo que la Constitución de Pensilvania prohibía a la Asamblea General aprobar una resolución simultánea para finalizar la declaración de emergencia por desastre Covid-19 del Gobernador sin presentársela primero al Gobernador para su aprobación. Modificaría la ley para permitir a la Asamblea General finalizar o extender una declaración de emergencia por desastre a través de una resolución simultánea aprobada solo por una mayoría de miembros de la Cámara de Diputados y Senadores, sin tener que presentar la resolución al Gobernador para su aprobación o veto.

La enmienda propuesta está limitada en que solo modifica el proceso legislativo tradicional para finalizar o extender las declaraciones de emergencia por desastre emitidas por el Gobernador. La enmienda no alterará el procedimiento legislativo actual con respecto a qué órdenes, resoluciones o votos de la Asamblea General sobre cualquier otro asunto se presentan ante el Gobernador para su aprobación.

ENMIENDA CONSTITUCIONAL PROPUESTA - ARTÍCULO IV
DECLARACIÓN Y MANEJO DE EMERGENCIAS POR DESASTRE

Pregunta para la papeleta electoral

¿Se debería enmendar la Constitución de Pensilvania de manera que se modifique la ley existente a fin de que: una declaración de emergencia por desastre venza automáticamente después de 21 días, sin importar la gravedad de la emergencia, a menos que la Asamblea General tome medidas para extender la emergencia por desastre; el Gobernador no pueda declarar una nueva emergencia por desastre para responder a los peligros que el Commonwealth enfrente a menos que la Asamblea General apruebe una resolución simultánea; la Asamblea General promulgue nuevas leyes para el manejo de desastres?

Declaración en lenguaje simple de la Oficina del Procurador General

La Resolución Conjunta N.º 2021-1 propone incorporar una nueva sección al Artículo IV de la Constitución de Pensilvania. Esta enmienda incorpora capacidades para la declaración y manejo de emergencias por desastre directamente a la Constitución al:

- Conceder al Gobernador la autoridad para promulgar una declaración de emergencia por desastre mediante proclamación o decreto;
- Requerir que cada declaración indique la naturaleza, ubicación y tipo de desastre;
- Conceder a la Asamblea General la autoridad para aprobar leyes que establezcan la forma en que se deberá manejar cada desastre;
- Limitar la duración de la declaración del Gobernador a 21 días, a menos que se extienda de alguna otra forma, en todo o en parte, mediante una resolución simultánea de la Asamblea General;
- Evitar que el Gobernador, al vencimiento de la declaración, emita una nueva declaración basada en los mismos hechos o hechos sustancialmente similares, a menos que la Asamblea General apruebe una resolución simultánea que expresamente apruebe la nueva declaración.

Actualmente, la capacidad de declaración y manejo de emergencias por desastre está delegada por ley en el Gobernador. El Gobernador cuenta con la autoridad única de emitir y manejar todas las declaraciones de emergencia por desastre, que no pueden extenderse por más de 90 días a menos que el Gobernador las renueve. La Asamblea General puede anular una declaración de emergencia por desastre del Gobernador mediante resolución simultánea que debe presentarse al Gobernador para su aprobación o veto.

Si se aprueba, la enmienda transferiría ciertas autoridades existentes del Gobernador para responder y manejar emergencias por desastre a la Asamblea General. El Gobernador conservaría la autoridad de emitir la declaración de emergencia por desastre inicial pero la duración permitida de la declaración se reduciría de 90 a 21 días. La autoridad única de extender la declaración recaería en la Asamblea General; actualmente, esta capacidad la tiene el Gobernador. Al vencimiento de la declaración inicial, la enmienda prohíbe al Gobernador emitir una nueva declaración basada en los mismos hechos o hechos similares sin la aprobación de la Asamblea General. El Gobernador dejaría de tener autoridad unilateral para manejar los desastres, pero tendría que hacerlo de manera consistente con las leyes aprobadas por la Asamblea General.

Si se aprueba, se requeriría que la Asamblea General apruebe leyes nuevas que establezcan la forma en que se deberá manejar cada desastre. Si se incorpora a la Constitución de Pensilvania, la enmienda propuesta no podrá modificarse ni derogarse salvo mediante una decisión judicial que establezca que una parte o toda la enmienda propuesta es inconstitucional o mediante la aprobación de una enmienda constitucional posterior.

ENMIENDA CONSTITUCIONAL PROPUESTA - ARTÍCULO I
PROHIBICIÓN EN CONTRA DE LA NEGACIÓN O PRIVACIÓN
DE LA IGUALDAD DE DERECHOS DEBIDO A LA RAZA O ETNIA

Pregunta para la papeleta electoral

¿Se debería enmendar la Constitución de Pensilvania mediante la incorporación de una nueva sección que disponga que la igualdad de derechos ante la ley no debería negarse ni privarse debido a la raza o etnia de una persona?

Declaración en lenguaje simple de la Oficina del Procurador General

La Resolución Conjunta N.º 2021-1, si se aprueba por el electorado, incorporaría una nueva sección al Artículo I de la Constitución de Pensilvania. Esta enmienda crea una prohibición constitucional en contra de la restricción o el rechazo de la igualdad de derechos de una persona ante la ley de Pensilvania debido a la raza o etnia.

En general, la inclusión de esta enmienda dentro de la Constitución de Pensilvania significa que no recurrir a la discriminación basada en la raza o etnia es un principio esencial de la libertad y del libre gobierno. Esta enmienda se aplica a todas las entidades de gobierno estatales, del condado y locales de Pensilvania, y garantiza la igualdad de derechos ante la ley. La enmienda, si se aprueba, será parte de la Constitución de Pensilvania. Como tal, sus disposiciones deben ser aplicadas de manera consistente con las demás disposiciones de la Constitución.

Este derecho de igualdad de ser libres de discriminación racial o étnica existirá independientemente de cualquiera de estos derechos conforme a la Constitución de Estados Unidos o la correspondiente legislación federal. Si las protecciones federales actuales que prohíben la discriminación racial o étnica fueran abolidas, la prohibición contra dicha discriminación permanecerá en la Constitución de Pensilvania. La enmienda está limitada de manera que crea un derecho solo conforme a la ley de Pensilvania.

Una vez que se incorpore a la Constitución de Pensilvania, el derecho a ser libre de discriminación racial y étnica ante la ley no podrá ser eliminado excepto por una decisión judicial que determine que la enmienda es inconstitucional o la aprobación de una enmienda constitucional posterior. Si se aprueba, la Asamblea General podrá aprobar nuevas leyes para implementar la enmienda, pero no aprobará leyes inconsistentes con esta.

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FORECAST FOR LEHIGH VALLEY PENNSYLVANIA

Today we will see partly cloudy skies with a high temperature of 47°, humidity of 65%. Southwest wind 6 mph. The record high temperature for today is 77° set in 2017. Expect mostly cloudy skies tonight with an overnight low of 31°. West southwest wind 6 mph. The wind chill for tonight could reach 27°. The record low for tonight is -8° set in 2015. Thursday, skies will be partly cloudy with a high temperature of 42°, humidity of 62%. West northwest wind 6 to 9 mph. Thursday night, skies will be partly cloudy with an overnight low of 22°. Northwest wind 7 mph. Friday, skies will be mostly sunny with a high temperature of 38°, humidity of 59%. Northwest wind 8 mph. Friday night, skies will be partly cloudy with an overnight low of 23°. South southeast wind 6 mph.

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mindful of how they approach the big dig. "Please do your best to not throw snow back into the road. There is nowhere to go with it, but it'll just cause more problems" for plow trucks, he said.

Discussion later turned to warmer, sunnier times when Chad Miller, Saucon Valley High School music teacher and choral director, joined the meeting to discuss his idea to hold a youth musical theater performance at Dimmick Park this summer. "One of my biggest concerns is to do something for the high school students who have been affected through COVID, not being able to do a standard performance," he said.

For some students, this will be their second year being unable to hold their spring show in a traditional fashion. "COVID's just been pretty devastating to our department," Miller added. The department is currently scheduled to hold a modified, fully-masked show in April, with Miller noting that due to current restrictions, attendance would be limited to 150 folks indoors "if (we) are even able to do that."

He indicated that the musical, if approved, would be presented free-of-charge to the public, with donations accepted to recoup expenses for production costs such as lighting and sound. The performances would be tentatively scheduled for the week-end of June 18-20, with Godspell being the show

of choice. "I know I'm going to have enough interest from the students to do it and from the community to come see it," Miller added.

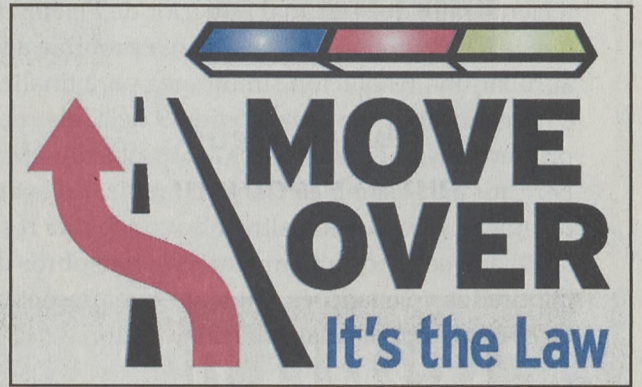
Rieger, council members and Mayor David Heintzelman were strongly supportive of Miller's plan and vision, with only some small concerns being raised regarding potential parking and traffic flow issues, which the mayor assured would be taken care of. Heintzelman said of Miller, "I'm just glad that you have come to the plate to give these kids an opportunity." He pledged full support for the show, adding "whatever (Miller) needs, he will have from the community... I applaud you."

In other borough business, the council heard from firefighter Randy Yardumian,

who provided council with an update on the department's new truck, initially approved for purchase in December 2019. Despite the disruptions produced by the COVID-19 pandemic over the past year, the truck, which has been undergoing assembly in Michigan, is on schedule to arrive later this year, in line with original projections.

Yardumian indicated that members of the department would travel to conduct the final inspection of the vehicle in mid-March, with subsequent final touches and training expected to take several weeks. He said he expects the truck to join the department's fleet in full service "no later than (the) middle of May, early June."

Highway Safety Week

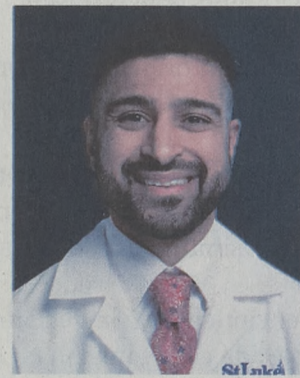


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27, and after that will be available on-demand for just \$15. Information:

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Opening the concert is the piece, "Salut d'amour," a little-known work by Edward Elgar that he wrote as an engagement present for his wife Caroline Alice Roberts. Can you imagine someone writing such a beautiful little piece for you? It is certainly a much better gift than chocolate for Valentine's Day.

Another beautiful and romantic piece on the program is Sergei Rachmaninoff's "Vocalise," which was originally written as a song for soprano without words. The soprano simply sings "ah" the entire time.

It reminds us that often pure music is so

much more powerful than words for expressing strong emotions of the heart. We will perform this piece in a version written for strings only.

During the concert, Jameson Platte, ASO Acting Principal Cellist, performs the "Allegro Appassionato" by Camille Saint-Saens. The word "Appassionato" is sometimes used in a title of music and means "passionate." I think this is a fitting name for this piece, which presents a fiery energy in the solo cello part, but also a lyric warmth and tenderness.

The composer Ludwig van Beethoven never married, but there are lots of rumors about his various loves and infatuations. Our Concertmaster, Eliezer Gutman, performs Beethoven's famous "Romance in F Major." This heart-felt piece is simple and

calming and really does set a wonderful mood for romance. It makes you wonder who Beethoven might have been thinking about as he wrote it.

Another composer who was quite the ladies' man when he was young, but never married, was Johannes Brahms. Brahms really knew how to write a romantic melody and also how to motivate you to want to tap your toes and dance.

Both of these elements are present in his famous "Piano Quartet in G minor." This substantial piece in four movements or sections takes us through a variety of emotions from love and reflection to Hungarian folk dances and melodies. I know that you will enjoy how the music takes us on an interesting journey through the piece, ending up with a fast and furious gypsy dance.

During the month of February, I am so thrilled that we can share our love of music with all of you. May it warm your hearts as it expresses all those wonderful emotions that we can't quite put into words.

See you at the Symphony!

Diane Wittry is Music Director and Conductor of the Allentown Symphony Orchestra; Music Director and Conductor of The Garden State Philharmonic, New Jersey, and author of "Beyond the Baton: What Every Conductor Needs To Know" and "Baton Basics: Communicating Music Through Gestures." Wittry, one of "Musical America" Worldwide Top 30 Musical Influencers, teaches conducting workshops throughout the United States and Europe.



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are set catty-corner to each other. They're all kind of tilted in various ways."

The image of windows and siding coming together in the shot is one of the artist's favorites, as well as one of his more challenging projects.

Delluva, who spends much of her creative time with printmaking, decided to go back to drawing with charcoal.

"I found it to be so wonderful during this period of time," she says. "I could get messy and experiment with just the simple line charcoal."

She worked areas of the images with a kneaded eraser, and in some, used white charcoal pencil for highlights.

Prior to the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic, Delluva would photograph scenery that resonated with her in walks along the canal. These provided references for her artwork.

"Towpath Meanderings: A Glimpse of the River" (2020; Charcoal; 14 in. x 16 in.) is one in a series of drawings from her towpath journeys. Delluva renders tangled trees in bold strokes with delicate foliage seemingly flowing from the branches.

Among DePietro's

works in the gallery are three from his "Stream of Consciousness Series." Loaded with symbolic images, the paintings express the artist's political views regarding racism, the coronavirus pandemic and the United States.

"A History of American Racism: Sign O' The Times" (2021; Mixed media: Oil, acrylic, spray paint on gesso board; 24 in. x 36 in.) is from the series. The vertical triptych depicts the feet of a lynched man in the top panel. The word "Breathe" in the center links the upper part with the painted collage-like lower image.

"The bottom half is a patchwork quilt that symbolizes the different protest groups that are fighting against the injustice and the groups that are creating the injustice," says DePietro.

Patches, flags and emblems relating to the Black Lives Matter movement visually collide. A handmade doll depicting an African-American girl and a sprig from a cotton plant lay on top.

"Rose Window" (2020; Mosaic, 22 in. x 31 in.) by Kozero started with a frame she had found. She created a non-transparent mosaic that resembles a stained-glass window with a mosaic rose resting on the sill. "I have a lot of irides-

cent glass. I have Rembrandt glass which has painting on the back, gold-luster tiles, and these tiles I made," she says.

The work is a combination of found objects, like the frame, glass pieces she has collected, and glass she has manufactured in her own kiln.

Master Pastelist Jacqueline Meyerson sweetens up the show with "Tootsies" (2019; Pastel; 27 in. x 27 in.).

Inspired by the bowl of bite-size Tootsie Rolls that she and her husband kept around for their grandchildren, the photorealistic rendering is a large-scale close-up of the jumbled, tightly-wrapped candy.

"It's fun and it reminds me of when I was a kid," says Meyerson,

adding that Tootsie Rolls were among her favorite penny candies.

The award-winning piece is from Meyerson's "Organized Chaos Series," where she strategically arranges her subject matter "to take your eye on a journey."

Also on view is "The Lehigh Art Alliance 86th Annual Winter Juried Exhibition," through April 25, Crayola Gallery.

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