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This is the second in a three-part series on sex trafficking in the Lehigh Valley. In this issue we will look at the behavioral, societal and technological factors that promote and sustain the sex trade.



DID YOU KNOW

· 12% - 18% of all websites are pornographic. · 30% of all data

transferred across the internet is pornography. · 25% (1 of 4) of all

search engine requests are pornography related. · Last year, porn sites got more visitors per month

than Netflix, Amazon, and Twitter combined. · 47% of families say pornography is a problem

in their home. ·8 - 11 years old is the average age of a child's first

exposure to pornography. · 90% of high school males will view pornography before they turn 18.

· 64% of Christian men/15% of Christian women say they watch pornography at least once a month.

> **Todd Clark** Church, Curious Living, Faith,

PEOPLE SAY

BY DANA GRUBB

This week the Mayor of Bethlehem proposed making it illegal to use your front lawn for parking your car. What do you think of that?



"It's okay." **Victor Clark** Hawker, South Australia

Sex Trafficking in the Valley

Fueled by pornography; promoted on the Internet



BY CAROLE GORNEY Special to the Bethlehem Press

e'll call her "Tiffany." She was from Philadelphia and she was angry with her dad, and just as many teenagers might do, she complained about him to her "friends" on Facebook. Someone named "Gracie" responded, saying that the same thing had happened to her. The two began conversing online. Soon Gracie suggested that Tiffany might like to meet another friend -a man - which she did. only to find herself being trafficked in New Jersey. Tiffany managed to escape from bondage to tell her story, but many others aren't so fortunate.

Her story is true and all too common. Vulnerable teens, homeless women or addicts lured into prostitution by traffickers promising love or security or needed drugs.

"Sex traffickers are master manipulators," according to William Walker, who oversees the work of the Immigration and Customs Enforce ment (ICE) investigative

OF WOMEN KEEP THEIR CYBER ACTIVITIES SECRET.

STRUGGLE WITH **PORNOGRAPHY** ADDICTION.

BREAKDOWN OF 72% / 28% MALE/FEMALE VISITORS TO

OF ALL WOMEN

TODAY'S CHRISTIAN WOMAN'S ONLINE **NEWSLETTER ADMITTED TO** INTENTIONALLY ACCESSING INTERNET PORN. WHILE MANY WOMEN WROTE IN TO EXPLAIN THEY'D ACCESSED THESE SITES TO BETTER UNDERSTAND WHAT WAS LURING THEIR HUSBANDS.

PORNOGRAPHY SITES: MALE FEMALE

WOMEN FAVOR CHAT ROOMS 2X MORE THAN MEN.

ACCESS **ADULT WEB** SITES EACH MONTH.

OF WOMEN ADMIT TO 10

WOMEN, FAR MORE THAN MEN, ARE LIKELY TO ACT OUT THEIR BEHAVIORS IN REAL LIFE, SUCH AS HAVING MULTIPLE PARTNERS, CASUAL SEX, OR AFFAIRS.

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420 MILLION

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2.5 BILLION (8% OF TOTAL EMAILS)

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INTERNET PORNOGRAPHY SALES

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agency for the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) in Philadelphia. He has been working with local law enforcement and social agencies in the Lehigh Valley to identify and convict traffickers and to provide help for the Lewistown

victims. "Victims are living,

breathing people with real world needs," Walker says. "It is important to focus on the vulnerability of the victims." Those vulnerabilities, he adds, are based on "a need for something – food, shelter, narcotics, love. Women most often believe their trafficker is a boyfriend or going to be their husband." That is why, Walker says, they often are not willing to disclose their victimization.

Kidnapping can be involved, but psychologist Heather Evans says it more likely involves deception and coercion in the context of a relationship with the trafficker

- "posing as a boyfriend or father figure, showing attention and affection, promising to take care of them, or a promise of a

Online trafficking

There's another aspect of the Tiffany story beyond her psychological vulnerability. That has to do with the role the Internet is playing in providing victims and attracting customers for

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"It could be unsightly." **Linda Lewis**

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"As long as you're not trashing your property I think they're infringing on everybody's rights, especially given the way they ticket you here in Bethlehem." **Frank Shovelin** South Whitehall



"You have to be flexible. It may not be aesthetically pleasing, but it is more practical.' **Laura Richardson** Allentown



"I think that's stupid. It's your property.' **Colleen Doerr** Milford



"Absolutely not." **Diane VanAntwerp** Los Angeles

CORRECTIONS

Last week we reported that the International Institute for Restorative Practices (IIRP) was granted a "Certificate of Appropriateness" for proposed signage for the properties at 531 and 544 Main Street by the Bethlehem Historic Conservation Commission Sept. 7. In fact it was the Historic Architectural Review Board granting the request. We apologize for our error.

In our story about the Spiritual Healing Center, we gave the wrong address. The correct address is 1019 West Broad St. and we misspelled Reiki. We apologize for our errors.

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the sex trade. Traffickers often prey on victims like Tiffany online.

Working as a licensed psychologist with the Valley Against Sex Trafficking (VAST) group, Linda Brownback explains.

"I have nine grandchildren and I began because I had this idea that I wanted to keep them from being abducted. Now I'm aware that there is more danger on their cell phones than on the street.

"Now they have apps that students can use to hide their online conversations. Parents have no idea how dangerous the Web is," she says.

Clients are also solicited online.

"Cell phones and the website make it easy,' according to Sgt. Rick Blake of the Bethlehem Township police. Traffickers post photos of the girls for sale openly online under "adult escorts." On the day of his interview for this article there had been 30 local ads posted on just one site since 8:30 that morning.

According to a 2012 Department of Justice report on prostitution and sex trafficking, there are dedicated websites that cater to customers of the sex trade, including posting tips on how to avoid arrest, and sharing information about police decoy operations.

Porn's role

The Internet has an even more insidious connection to sex trafficking. "Pornography is fuel

for the sex trafficking industry," according to VAST co-founder, Heather Evans. That includes websites exploiting child pornography in images and videos. Many women and children who are being sexually exploited and trafficked are also being used for the production of pornography, sometimes without their knowledge or consent.

In 2013, two Lehigh Valley men were prosecuted for possessing and disseminating child pornography. The 20-yearold Whitehall man had 73 chila porn movies, including a video of a 1-year-old girl being raped. The 24-year-old Allentown man's hard drive included a video of the rape of a 2-year-old boy.

"Pornography is the primary gateway to the purchase of humans for commercial sex,' according to Shared Hope International, an organization dedicated to bringing an end to sex trafficking. Quoted in a blog on the CovenantEyes website, Harvard University Professor Catherine

Mackinon concurs: "Consuming pornography is an experience of 'bought sex' and thus it creates a hunger to continue to purchase and objectify, and act out what is seen. And in a very literal way, pornography is advertising for trafficking, not just in general but also in the sense that traffickers and pimps use pornographic images of



If people have a smartphone or access to any other digital device, they have stumbled onto and been exposed to explicit content. If there has not been a conversation and some level of confession then they have secretively moved in the other direction and are likely currently covering up their exposure to this content. They might not be "seeking" it out yet, but they will repeatedly stumble onto it again and again as long as they are online. Source: Todd Clark in Church, Curious Living, Faith, Social Media

"Research shows that 90 percent of prostitutes were sexually abused as children. Their mindset is already affected by how they were treated. They think this is how people are treated, so it's OK.'

> Linda Brownback Valley Against Sex Trafficking

victims as specific adver-

tising for their 'products.""

The added problem,

Brownback says, is that

"pornography is highly

addictive. It affects the

prefrontal cortex - the

decision-making part of

the brain. The more you

watch, the more loss of

self-control there is. It

transforms the brain."

to reverse the effects,

because unlike a drug

She adds that it is difficult

that eventually leaves the

body, images stay in the

brain, and it takes a lot of

discipline not to access

Media and attitudes

During their inter-

views, both Brownback

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acknowledges that there

are some women who

will become prostitutes

because they think they

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be OK if her wish were to grow up to be a prostitute? No one would agree, but we mentally suspend good judgment and believe that the victim wants to do

For those who support the idea of legalizing prostitution, Brownback argues that doing so would say it is all right to buy and sell people. "It is not OK for me to

purchase a person even if she wants to sell, which I question."

The Department of Justice report supports her position: "Numerous studies show that most women engaged in prostitution want to exit 'the life,' but the emotional and physical harm resulting from commercial sex, compounding pre-existing vulnerabilities, can make leaving difficult.

alized media, and to issues 'No one really enjoys of public attitudes toward getting sold. It's like you prostitution and the objecsign a contract to be raped," a woman in a legal Nevada brothel told Dr. Melissa Farley during the author's two-year research on her book "Prostitution and Trafficking in Nevada: Making the other words, the rationale: Connections."

> Farley studied Nevada's legal and illegal prostitution sectors and concluded that there wasn't much difference between the two.

Social keyholes

Another part of the discussion on sex trafficking involves what was referred to by one source as "the gradual dumbing down of our tolerance for conditions like trafficking and the objectification of women." The finger is often pointed at media, specifically television and movies. Media messages normalize or even romanticize prostitution, such as was done in the movie "Pretty Woman," or through advertising that presents children as grown-up sexual objects.

On the flip side, according to the National Criminal Justice Reference Service, "Women are being presented as childlike - the effect being to cultivate a female sexuality associated with childlikeness, i.e., passivity, dependence, and vulnerability.'

A course on "How to Watch TV," taught for a few years at Lehigh University, explored the role of MTV and music videos in objectifying women. Many of the music videos shown in the class were of women groveling at the feet of their men, begging to be taken back by their male lovers, being dragged across the floor, and showing despair at being alone. Costumes and camera angles focused on body parts that were presented as being interchangeable. Individuals ceased to exist.

The American Psychological Assn. published a task force report on the sexualization of girls in America. The report found that American culture is so widely transforming females into sexual objects that is has become increasing difficult for females to see themselves as valuable outside of being sexual.

"The media subtly but powerfully impact our value and belief systems," Evans says. "While seeking to sell us products, it is telling us what is valuable, what is not good enough and what we need to do, who we need to be, and how we need to look and act to have power, attention, success and belonging in this world. It gives solutions to what we naturally crave and need."

Trafficking survivor Holly Anne Smith, in her book "Walking Prey," wrote "...negative messages in the media might sound trivial to an adult but to a 12-year-old girl, movies and other media are not only entertainment, they are keyholes to society. And these keyholes have multiplied with cell phones, video games, and the internet. Without supervision and interpretation, media messages can be channeled unfiltered into a teen's value system. My TV told me secrets about the world and about my place within the world.

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City Hall	Tuesday	10/11/16	5-7pm	10 E. Church St.
YMCA	Monday	10/17/16	5-7 pm	430 E. Broad St.
Lutheran Manor	Thursday	10/27/16	9-11am	2085 Westgate Dr.
Moravian House	Thursday	11/3/16	9-11am	720 Old York Rd.

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Rites and Rituals

Every religion in the world has rites and rituals, from the idol worshiper n the third world to modern Western faiths. The question is: Do they profit us in knowing God and truly worshiping Him? Many trust in them for their eternal hope. How many will reply when asked, "Are you a Christian?" "Oh yes! I was baptized, confirmed, passed my catechism," and go on and on naming rites they have followed. Jesus told the woman at Jacob's well in John 4, "But the hour cometh, and now is, when the true worshippers shall worship the Father in spirit and in truth: for the Father seeketh such to worship him" (John 4:23).

We must know God in our **spirit (heart)** and worship Him in the light of His revealed **truth**, the **Bible!** True faith in God is a matter of your heart being right with Him, not in the following of some prescribed procedure. warned his generation, "Wherefore the Lord said, Forasmuch as this people draw near me with their mouth, and with their lips do honour me, but have removed their heart far from me, and their fear

toward me is taught by the precept of men:" (Isaiah 29:13). Rites, ceremonies, and rituals benefit us nothing regarding a right rela tionship with God. You must **experience** His mercy and grace in your own heart and life! "For with the heart man believeth unto righteous ness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation

obedience, be baptized and commemorate His death in partaking of the communion bread and cup. But remember, that can NEVER save you! -Submitted by Carl Edwards

Confess that you are a sinner, repent wholeheartedly, believe in Jesus Christ as the only means of salvation and you will be saved! Then, in

A full calendar appears on the Bethlehem Press website, but due to space constraints, for ongoing events, please email, visit or

Salvation Army: every Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. Call 610-867-4681 for schedule.

Cops 'n' Kids Reading Room: 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. Wednesdays Call 610-861-5526 or email lvcops-n-kids@att.net. Must be accompanied by an adult. Northampton Community College, Fowler Family Southside Center, Room 403. Visit www.copsnkidslv.org.

Bethlehem Area Public Library: daily. Call 610-867-3761(main) or 610 867-7852 (south side) or visit www.bapl.org

or www.bapl.org/southside/ssprograms.htm. Moravian Book Shop: 428 Main St. Call 610-866-5481or visit

www.moravianbookshop.com. Bethlehem Farmers' Market: 11 a.m.- 3 p.m. Thursdays through Oct. 27. Farrington Square at New and Morton streets.

Saucon Valley Farmers Market, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. every Sunday, Water Street park, Hellertown.

Thursday, September 29

Quilt and Quip with Sandra Engle: 2 to 4 p.m. 428 Main St. Call 610-866-5481or visit www.moravianbookshop.com.

Friday, September 30

Octoberfest, 5 to 11 p.m. SteelStacks, 101 Founders Way. Brewers' Village: 7 to 9 p.m.; Oktoberfest Arena: 7:30 to 9 p.m.; Yuengling Town Square Biergarten: 6 to 11 p.m.; strolling musicians: 6 to 10 p.m. Visit http://www.steelstacks.org.

Saturday, October 1

Spartan Sprint, Northampton Community College's 5K Run/ Walk and a health festival with demos, yoga, an obstacle course, a pet walk, speakers, healthy food and more. 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. 3835

Bethlehem Longboard Jam, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. (rain or shine). Second stop of the Faceplant Freestyle Cup. Win prizes and cash. Downhill skatepark, boardercross race, freestyle/slide jam. 1538 High St. Visit www.faceplantboardriders.com for information.

Historic Bethlehem Museums & Sites, Kids' Club: Draw, explore and paint in the museum. Drop-in hours: 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Kemerer Museum of Decorative Arts, 427 N. New St. Cost, information: visit www.historicbethlehem.org or call 610-882-0450

Octoberfest, noon to 11 p.m. SteelStacks, 101 Founders Way. Brewers' Village: 1 to 9 p.m.; Oktoberfest Arena: 12:30 to 9 p.m.; Yuengling Town Square Biergarten: 2 to 11 p.m.; strolling musicians: noon to 10 p.m. Visit http://www.steelstacks.org.

Sunday, October 2

Octoberfest, noon to 11 p.m. SteelStacks, 101 Founders Way. Brewers' Village: 1 to 9 p.m.; Oktoberfest Arena: dachshund race, 3 p.m.; Yuengling Oktoberfest 5K Run/Walk 10:30 a.m. to 9 p.m.; Yuengling Town Square Biergarten: noon to 8 p.m.; strolling musicians: noon to 5:30 p.m. Visit http://www.steelstacks.org.

Tuesday, October 4

Civil War Roundtable, Eastern Pennsylvania, Lehigh Brigade: Sutler's Call 6 p.m., dinner (cost, reservations required by Sept. 29), 6:30 p.m. followed by program: The Battle at Falling Waters, the end of the Gettysburg Campaign, by George Franks (cost, no reservations required), 7:30 p.m. The Center at Holiday Inn Lehigh Valley, 7736 Adrienne Drive, Breinigsville, 18031. Call 610-253-4549, 610-882-9228 or 215-234-4884 or visit www.cwrteasternpa.org.

Wednesday, October 5

Free homework help in all subjects by Moravian College America Reads program tutors, grades K to 12. 4:30 to 6 p.m. No registration required. Youth Services department, main library, 11 W. Church St. Call 610-867-3761, ext.499 or visit www.bapl.org.

Spanish conversation, beginning basics: 5 to 6 p.m. Sept. 15 through Nov. 3; Bethlehem Area Public Library, Southside Branch, 400 Webster St. Call 610-867-7852 or visit www.bapl.org/southside/sskidsprograms.htm.

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MEETING BOARD

Wednesday, September 28

Bethlehem Parking Authority, 4:30 p.m., 85 W. North St. Bethlehem Zoning Hearing Board, as needed, 6 p.m. city hall,

Bethlehem Township Zoning Board, 6:30 p.m. Municipal building, 4225 Easton Ave.

Lehigh Co. Commissioners, 7:30 p.m. Public hearing room, Gov't. Center, 17 S. Seventh St., Allentown.

Monday, October 3

Bethlehem Twp. Commissioners, 7 p.m. Municipal building, 4225 Easton Ave.

Fountain Hill Council, 7 p.m. 941 Long St.

Hanover Twp. Planning Commission, 7:30 p.m. 3630 Jacksonville Road.

Hellertown Council, 7 p.m. 685 Main St.

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Poverty: A public conversation

'Until we can restore hope, the cycle will continue'

BY CAROLE GORNEY Special to the Bethlehem Press

SEPTEMBER 28, 2016

It started with a question about why poverty has been a forgotten issue in politics, and ended with a determination that the public needs to become educators on the issue, make government officials accountable,

and keep the discussion

going.
"It" was a public conversation on the voiceless in America, and more specifically the poor in the Lehigh Valley, hosted by the Bethlehem Area Public Library and sponsored by Friends of the Library. The program was held to discuss pertinent issues in advance of the Sept. 30 appearance of broadcaster, author, and social change agent Tavis Smiley at Lehigh University's Zoellner Arts Center.

Smiley, who hosts the late-night "Tavis Smiley Show" on PBS, will speak on "Accountable: Making America as Good as Its Promise."

Moderator Tyrone Russell, coordinator of racial and ethnic justice with the Community Action Agency of the Lehigh Valley, got the dis-cussion going with the four-member panel and the audience by stating that "poverty isn't part of a national dialogue as it should be," then

Panelist Esther Lee, president of the Bethlehem Chapter of the NAACP. commented that she was born during the Great Depression, and it was different then.

"Everyone was poor," she said. "We forget so easily because we just want to move forward." She said after the depression "the world didn't get better. It seems to have gone downhill," adding that "caring tofrom our society."

Bethlehem Councilwoman Olga Negron said dealing with poverty "comes down to panel of speakers. politics and wanting to be re-elected."

The conversation then turned to philanthropy and the emergence of nonprofits.

"How do they help?" Russell asked the panel.

Lee responded that nonprofits "only provide jobs for those who already can get them." Earlier she criticized philanthropy. "It is so easy for rich people to

Say you saw it in the Bethlehem Press



PRESS PHOTOS BY CAROLE GORNEY

Audience members contribute to the discussion on poverty at the Bethlehem Public Library. The consensus was that more meetings and discussions are needed, but more has to be done to include the victims of poverty in the conversations and to listen to what they had to say.



Audience member Susan McNamara, a retired Bethlehem resident, spoke up during the meeting, saying people deny the problem asking why that was the because they don't want to experience others'



Diane Elliott of New Bethany Ministries in South day seems so removed Bethlehem and Brett Feldman, a physician assistant who has practiced homeless medicine for the past nine years, offer the perspective from the victims of poverty as members of the

write a check rather best done when mixed than grabbing a child with hands-on experiwarmly and moving them along."

"I don't think philanthropy is all bad," pan-donation leads to hands elist Brett Feldman on," he said. responded. A certified program director of the Lehigh Valley Health Network's Street Medicine Program, Feldman said philanthropy is

ence working on a problem so it is understood.

"Sometimes that first

Negron added, "polphysician assistant and itics are killing our grants. Without the deep pockets, it would be impossible. We couldn't go

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Bethlehem Councilwoman Olga Dipini-Negron also serves on the Community Action Committee of the Lehigh Valley. Speaking about the assistance she received when she was a struggling single mother, she told the audience at the conversation on poverty, "I'll never have enough time to pay



The conversation on poverty was moderated by Tyrone Russell, an award-winning higher education professional who works to develop high school leadership conferences.





AREA DEATHS



Anthony J. Getsko

biology teacher Anthony J. Getsko, 77, of Bethlehem, died Sept. 13, 2016 in Lehigh Valley Hospital-Muhlen-

berg. Born in Shenandoah, he was a son of the late Anton and Zuzi (Zongora) Getsko He was the

husband of Madeline S. (DeNofa) Getsko for 51

He was in the U.S. Army. He earned both bachelor's and a mas- by a sister, Caroline ter's degrees from Kutz- Kerchner. town University.

He was a biology teacher for 34 years at 2105 Jennings St., Beth-Phillipsburg HS until he lehem, PA 18017. retired in 1999.

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late Robert

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Steidinger for 55 years.

He was a firefighter

School District for 35

Anne's R.C. Church,

vears, until he retired.

Robert M. Steidinger

Robert M. Steidinger, Bethlehem.

He grew roses and orchids, and was a member of the former Lehigh Valley Rose Society.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by a son, Anthony D.; two daughters, Kristen S. and her husband Peter Roumeliotis and Kara L. and her husband Brad Josar, all of Bethlehem; a niece, Brenda Senne-ca; a nephew, Bill Kerchner; and four grandchildren, Ava, Brianna, Luke and Jacob.

He was predeceased

Contributions be made to the church,

Arrangements were He was a member of made by James Funeral



PRESS PHOTOS BY TIM GILMAN

Musician Carol Yale of Bethlehem plays a viola on the back porch of the 1741 Gemeinhaus during an outdoor reception following the Zug lecture series.

Gemeinhaus marks 275th anniversary

featured cake each day. Twenty

Celebration of Bethlehem city firefighter, BASD bus driver featured the anniversary of the 1741 Gemeinhaus in He was a member downtown Bethlehem on Church Street. The anniversary took place Sept. 17 and 18 with a variety of mostly free

The 275th Community

of the Bethlehem Firefighters Local #735, the Teamsters Local 773, the Northend Wanderers and the Triboro Sportsman's Club. In addition to his

wife, he is survived by othy (Uttard) Steidinga son, Timothy S. of Bethlehem Township; three daughters, Susan, er. He was the husband Barbara (Schultz) Ann and Clareese, all He was a 1958 Liberty of Bethlehem; a sister, Eleanor Kuhns of Beth-He entered the Ma- lehem; five grandchilrine Corps and trans- dren, Crystal, Megan, ferred to the Army, and Amy, Howard III and served during the Viet- Matthew; and seven Matthew; and seven great-grandchildren.

Contributions may be with the City of Beth- made to the Bethlehem lehem for 38 years, and Public Library, 11 W. was a school bus driver Church St., Bethlehem, for the Bethlehem Area 18018.

Arrangements were made by James Funeral attended St. Home Inc., Bethlehem.

activities for children and adults. The oldest log-cabin in historic Bethlehem and the United States in continuous use is operated by Historic Bethlehem Museums. An afternoon birthday party

artisans showed their wares in the historic Sisters' House near the Gemeinhaus on Church Street. The celebration also coincided with the ongoing 275th anniversary of Bethlehem.



Ted Moyer, a tour guide for Historic Bethlehem Helen Irby, 89, of Harrson, Eloise Brodie, Museums & Sites, displays a paper model of Bethlehem, died September 14, 2016. She was the Merritt, Carolyn Mill-celebration. celebration.



A birthday cake with a picture of the 1741 Gemeinhaus is lighted by Lindsay Jancay, director of the Historic Bethlehem Museums & Sites collections and programs. The birthday party attracted Natalia Reyes who was with her mother Rosa Reyes of Bethlehem.

Helen Irby

born in Mississippi

late Nemiah Irby. Born er, Mary Inez (Peachy) in Hazelhurst, Miss., she Jones was a daughter of the Lovell. late Tom and Mary (Collins) Allen.

She is survived by six children, Peggy, who has been caring for her during the last Tom Allen Jr., Emaline several years, Benny, Robert and his wife Kar- Onelia Teresa Jones, en, Paul, Tony and Sam Charlie B. Allen and and his wife Wanda; William Henry Allen. eight grandchildren; 10 great-grandchildren; made by James Funeral and nieces and nephews, Home Inc., Bethlehem. Tommie McDonald, Lois

and Venessa

She was predeceasd by brothers and sisters, Mae Buleah Hilliard, Johnnie B. Allen, Pealeaner Askerneese, Allen, Carrie Fantcher,

Arrangements were

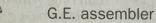


Hedge Seflovic of Emmaus and Nadine Novatnak of Bethlehem listen to crochet wire jewelry specialist Gina Rice of Tunkhannock displays her necklaces. An artisan pop-up show was held in the Single Sisters' House as part of the anniversary.



An outdoor reception was held in the backyard of the 1741 Gemeinhaus following the annual Jeanette Barres Zug lecture by Tim Noble about the building's architecture and construction by the city's Moravian founders.

Russell R. Gabel



Coopersburg, died persburg. in his home on Sept.19, 2016. Born in Hellertown, he was the son of the late Raymond and companion, Gerald, he Clara (Weaver) Gabel. is survived by a sister, He was the companion Margaret Brown; and of Gerald Schoch for 53 several nieces and nephyears.

He was in the U.S. Army.

al Electric as an assem- Leroy Gabel. bler for many years.

Russell R. Gabel, 87, Lutheran Church, Coo-

He was a member of the Jim Beam Club.

In addition to his

He was predeceased by a sister, Virginia He worked for Gener- Bealer; and a brother,

Arrangements were He was a member of made by James Funeral Zion Hill Evangelical Home Inc., Bethlehem.

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Tuesday, October 4 Bethlehem Council, 7 p.m. city hall, 10 E. Church St. Freemansburg Council, 7 p.m. budget workshop, 6 p.m.(as needed). 600 Monroe St.

Wednesday, October 5 Historical Architectural Review Board, 4 p.m. city hall, 10 E.

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forward." A woman in the audi-

ence joined in the criticism of nonprofits, saying they "simply put a bandaid on the symptoms. We'll keep the system of have and have-nots. We could solve the problem, but we keep the system by writing a check.'

Discussing the role of race in poverty, audience member Susan Mc-Namara, a retired Bethlehem resident, told a story about a high school band leader who had one African-American boy in the group when it was playing in Washington, D.C., and wanted to take a boat trip down the Poto-

was refused passage, the band leader said, "If you don't take all of us, you don't take any of us.

McNamara concluded, "We don't see enough of that. It is much deeper than politics. We do the Robert Frost thing - putting up fences in our own communities. We deny the problem because we can make excuses that there are social service agencies to deal with

Panelist Diane Elliott, executive director of New Bethany Ministries, discussed poverty from the perspective of motivation tion issues." and the poor.

en't motivated, but I do to them." say that the vast majority are. Part of the prob- matter of trust.

mac River. When the Af- lem is the government. If rican-Amreican student you are making \$100, you trust - to encourage and get assistance. If you are making \$101 you don't." Getting cut off makes it hard to maintain motivation.

> problem, Elliot said, was making sure the poor are involved.

"We don't talk to them," she said. "How do we get them to sit at the table?"

She pointed out that they weren't participating in this public conversation.

"They're not here. They are working at jobs, or there are transporta-

She emphasized, "we "I don't say some ar- have to take the meetings

Beyond that was the offices a personal visit.

"We need to build develop that trust," Elliot concluded.

For Feldman, the key word was "hope."

'Until we can restore The other part of the hope, the poverty cycle will continue."

> Audience participants and panelists alike agreed that the conversation about poverty needed to continue. A suggestion was made to hold monthly meetings to which legislators would be invited; another, to continue the forums the NAACP is holding on homelessness and related topics. Everyone was also urged to write letters to or call legislators and other public officials; better yet, to pay them or their

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BETHLEHEM

Opioid session set for Oct. 3

There will be a free, open to the public community discussion about the Lehigh Valley's opioid epidemic and its effect on local neighborhoods and schools from 6:30 to 8 p.m. Oct. 3 in the Liberty HS auditorium,1115 Linden St.

The City of Beth-lehem Chief of Police Mark DiLuzio, BASD Superintendent of Schools Dr. Joseph Roy, and representatives the Bethlehem Bureau of Health and the Bethlehem Recovery Center will lead the discussion.

For more information, email khalkins@ basdschools.org or call 610-691-7200, extension 50948.

ALLENTOWN

Crop Walk

set for Oct. 9

The Greater Allentown CROP Hunger Walk will be 1:30 p.m. Oct. 9, beginning and ending at St. Timothy Lutheran Church, 140 S. Ott St., Allentown. Registration begins at 1 p.m.

Twenty-five percent of the funds raised by the CROP Hunger Walk returns to the Lehigh Valley. The remaining 75 percent is used by Church World Service for disaster relief.

For more information, or to donate go to www. cropwalk.org.

NORTHAMPTON

County farms host

tours Oct. 8, 9

Open gate farm tours will be held Oct. 8 and 9 at the following farms.

- · Baarda Farms Apple Blossom Village
- Elvern Farms · Purple Haze Alpacas
- · Spring Valley Farms
- Juniperdale Farms
- Point Phillip Peren-
- Equi-librium
 - Clear Spring Farm
- Z Arch Barn Farms Klein Farms Dairy & Creamery
- · Raub's Farm Market
- · LaFarm • Easton Urban Farm
- · Burnside Plantation Amore Farms
- Unangst Tree Farms · Seiple Farms

Sands promotes good hygiene



PRESS PHOTO BY KATIE WALLACE

Over 200 volunteers gathered recently at Sands Bethlehem casino and entertainment destination to help build 10,000 hygiene kits for social enterprise Clean the World. The kits will benefit nearly 20 charitable organizations in the greater Lehigh Valley. The effort is part of Sands Bethlehem's global corporate citizenship program, Sands Cares, and its ongoing partnership with Clean the World to support its mission of promoting good health and well-being around the globe through improved access to soap and hygiene education. "We're pleased to join forces with Clean the World again this year to provide valuable resources to those in need in our local community," said Mark Juliano, Sands Bethlehem president.

Just Born, workers at the table

BY NATE JASTRZEMSKI njastrzemski@tnonline.com

At 9 a.m. today representatives of Just Born Inc.'s hourly employees and management sat down with a federal mediator to try to find a consensus that will reopen the business to its regular schedule and workload. Contract negotiations began breaking down in May, though each side disagrees on

Three weeks ago about 400 of Just Born's 600 employees voted to strike. They are members of the Bakery, Confectionery, Tobacco Workers and Grain Millers International Union Local #6, and they have worked four-hour shifts ever since picketing the Stefko Boulevard candy maker, which opened in

Their primary contention is proposed changes to the pension fund and a 401K for new employees, which Local 6 members · Tolino Vineyards & say will eat into their

They say their responding proposal would save the company hundreds of thousands in health- pension change would care costs but was outright ignored by the company. They say they are unable to legally negotiate on the pensions because of the nature of the multi-company fund.

ice President of Corporate Affairs Matt Pye said in an interview last week they can, simply by voting to do so, as they in years past.

The National Labor Relations Board sided with Just Born in a similar case at a Philadelphia plant, he said.

"Can a change be made at the pension fund trustee level? Yes it can. Do they want to make that change? No they through do not. I think that's the even after voting to since 1923 and we want

income and healthcare. do what's right for future out on strike I think people that we want to there was no win for

Pye said the proposed not even immediately affect current employees, but only new hires. He did say the impact would be greater as years pass employees and new match or outnumber old-However, Just Born er ones. But while new a 401K, current employ-

have with amendments just for new people so they have a future. That's being respectful and representing their interests. That is the people coming in. major issue. Everything else is just noise.

and the pension.

Pye says at the Philadelphia plant employees continue to work negotiations cking point. strike, and Local 6's actobe has a wears."

more contentious argument.

'As soon as they went anybody. This was a watershed moment.'

Pye said the workers' pay is (average of \$22.42 an hour) more than 30 percent higher than average for plant workers in the Lehigh Valley and there are wage increases every year.

"At the end of the day employees would receive these folks make great money, there's great benees already have that efits here, we could have easily stayed at the table. Our plan would be But you wanted to strike over one issue, which is move them into a 401K the pension. We didn't even want to change the pension. We just want to make it right for the new

> 'The last thing that's going to happen is the doors closing here. We're going to do everything to keep Just Born in the valley. We've been here to be here for another 93

BRIEFLY

PSU/LV

Latino Month talk Oct. 4

The Global Education and Inclusive Excellence Center at Penn State Lehigh Valley, in celebration of Latino Heritage Month, will host "The Trouble with My Name" from noon to 1 p.m. Oct. 4 in room 135, Penn State Lehigh Valley, 2809 Saucon Valley Road, Center Valley.

The free, open to the public one-hour show is about the American Latino experience in the 21st century. Northampton Community College English professor Javier Avila, Ph.D., will examine the complexities of identity as a cultural construction through his poetry, autobiography and humor.

Registration is not required. For more information, email akj113@ psu.edu.

LCCC

Vendors, crafters wanted for fest

Independent designers, crafters and vendors are invited to sell their one-ofa-kind crafts and art at Lehigh Carbon Community College Foundation's fifth annual scholarship fall festival and car show Nov. 11 and 12.

The event will be open to the public 9 a.m-4 p.m.

For information, contact Jane Wilchak, LCCC's special events manager at jwilchak@lccc.edu or at 610-799-1929.

LUTZ-FRANKLIN

Apple festival

set for Oct. 1

The annual Apple Festival will be held from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Oct. 1 at the Lutz-Franklin Schoolhouse, 4216 Countryside Lane, Hellertown. The event is sponsored by the Lower Saucon Township Historical Society.

There will be apple tastings and products, a cake walk, the John Samuels Trio music and dancing, build a birdhouse, face painting, hayrides, apple dessert contest, and food and LST books for

For more information, visit www.lutzfranklin. com lshistorical@yahoo. com or call 610-625-8771.

Walmart begins hunt for seasonal help

ing several hundred them to pick up hours online fulfillment center in Bethlehem at 3215 Commerce Center Blvd. for the holiday shopping rush.

The company is also trying something new

people to work in its and earn extra money during the year, based on seasonal volume. In the past, Walmart used third parties to staff up Operations & Fulfillduring the busy holiday season.

it will keep seasonal sonal workers to have associates by making easier for them to come

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tomers and Traweek, vice president Walmart eCommerce ment. "We want to create a long-term relation-"We want our sea- ship with these seasonal associates in its HR sys- a deeper connection to them eligible to transfer

Walmart will be hir- tem, making it easier for Walmart and our cus- to open positions or givthis is the right way to ty to earn extra money do that," said Justen throughout the year by picking up shifts as the need arises. For many just looking

to work during the holidays keeping them in the system will make it

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BRIEFLY **MIRACLE LEAGUE**

Vendors needed for trick or treat

Northampton County Miracle League is looking for vendors and businesses to participate in trick-or-treat night by children with handicaps of the meeting. and special needs 5-7 ter, Palmer Township.

Rain date is Oct. 23. For more information or to volunteer, contact Shelly Alexander at 610-442-9026.

HEIP

Continued from page A5 back year after year.

"Not all of our seasonal associates are interested in a year-round positions, and we are taking a new approach to keep those folks engaged for opportunities to earn extra money throughout the year and to come back year after year to help around the holidays," Traweek said.

These hourly positions also come with opportunity and flexibility. Each facility has a variety of shortened shifts for the candidates to pick from so they can Alicia Karner and Alhave a schedule that fits their life.

is open now and will 19 to discuss the LERremain open through TA incentive zone in November. Anyone in north-central terested in applying can hem. walmartcareers. com/eComSeasonal.

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Residents speak first, police active

BY MICHELLE MEEH Special to the Bethlehem Press

Residents chance to speak first at the Sept. 20 City Council meeting. The public comment section of the meeting was recently

handing out candy to moved to the beginning During public comp.m. Oct. 22 at Charles ment, resident Barry Chrin Community Cen- Anderson spoke out against the proposed psychiatric hospital at Center Street and Dewberry Avenue. "I'm here

to ask for your help discouraging development," he said, calling the proposed development "potentially dan-gerous."

Community and Economic Development Director Alicia Karner said Acadia Healthcare withdrawn the plans for a proposed 80bed psychiatric hospital. "I do not think they will resubmit," she said.

Council member

the property. Karner said the property is still owned by Abraham Atiyeh, although she was

Resident Stephen Anfor recovering drug addicts. "I speak to them. Look into their eyes. They had a bad break,' he said. He said the residents there are good with shoveling snow city NAACP. and greet him when they meet.

given for the withdraw- school district is waital. Karner said no rea- ing to see what council son had been given. Cal- will do, she said. Callahlahan asked who owned an wanted to know if the school district was in away and next year two favor. "I can't speak to that," Karner said.

not sure if this was as an council's finance comindividual or as a busi- mittee met prior to the regular council meeting and discussed amending talics said he lives next the general fund budget, such as Wells Fargo and door to a halfway house the sewer fund budget, Big Brothers/Sisters. "A streetscape funds, and lot of the police departheard a presentation on ment is involved in comthe 2015 draft audit.

Police Chief Mark Dilowing the recent meetneighbors who help out ing with members of the

He said the police In other business, neighborhood meetings, urday he was part of the Callahan asked if Karner church, public and se- 100 trees for 100 years had communicated with nior groups. The police the school district on do an annual food for planted 100 trees in city the recently approved kids drive and a Christ- parks to celebrate 100 Local Economic Revi- mas program. There is years of Bethlehem's

what we really do," he said. There is also a junior police academy for two weeks each summer. It is in high demand, Di-Luzio said. This year they had to turn some sessions are planned to accommodate the inter-Callahan said the est among youth to see what police do.

DiLuzio said police partner with businesses and community groups munity policing," he said. He urged council to Luzio gave an update fol- come and see what the police department does. "Door's always open," he said.

Council member Mihave been attending chael Colon said on Satproject. Volunteers

Farmers market now open

The 10th annual Bethlehem Farmers' Market is open every Thursday from 11 a.m. - 3 p.m.

through Oct. 27. Located in Farrington Square, at New and Morton streets, it is a producer-only market offering local fresh produce, lunch items, baked bread, pastries and more.

MINSI

Scout's popcorn

sale begins

Area Boy Scouts are participating in a popcorn fundraiser and will be heading to area neighborhoods in hopes of helping to achieve their Scouting goals.

Not only is the popcorn a delicious treat, the fundraiser helps pave the way for youth to reach goals they set for themselves throughout the coming year.

Some scouts choose to use their popcorn accounts to pay for special activities, while others choose a new uniform or equipment.

They may also use the funds to attend once-in-alifetime events like a national jamboree or a trip to an adventure camp across the country.

For other scouts, the funds raised from selling popcorn offer their only opportunity to attend summer camp, a weeklong program where they gain valuable character attributes and skills.

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talization Tax Assess- an adult police academy unification. Bryan Callahan asked ment (LERTA) zone. The where "citizens can see if there was any reason

LERTA tax incentive talks continue

BY NATE JASTRZEMSKI njastrzemski@tnonline.com

City representatives lyson Lysaght once again appeared before The hiring process the school board Sept. Bethle-

> The proposed tax incentive zone is designed to assist local property owners with home improvements that may raise property values and eventually the quality of life in the neighborhood. The women said LERTA is one of several ongoing programs that could open numerous options for

BETHLEHEM AREA SD

Broad Street.

proved the plan and is ly refocused on. looking for the approval of the two other local freelancer Dana Grubb and Northamtpon Coun- and spoke during public ing an amended plan public stretching further west- projects 30 years ago as

the LERTA zone, saying against the LERTA," especially in attracting

homes and businesses staff, faculty, graduate between Liberty HS and students and off-campus housing for students, City council has ap- which the school is new-

Resident and Press taxing bodies - BASD used to work in city hall, ty – but is also suggest- comment. He recalled improvement well as work on the TIF College zone in the late 90s, and President Bryon Grigs- suggested the board and by appeared briefly to city ground their expec-voice his support for tations. "I'm not for or properties around the he said, but that from college could benefit, his experience it will prove more successful the better it's marketed. He said he feels it likely won't directly benefit residents much, but

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commercial properties. Grubb said BASD will be the key to the LERTA's success, because the way taxes are distributed the school

board can hold the city government to task in its social responsibilities for community betterment. Facili-Meanwhile, ties chief Mark Stein announced a change in some upcoming capital

projects, namely waiving a planned \$865,000 repainting of stadium bleachers to expand the replacement and maintenance of HVAC systems at East Hills MS. The work - which includes a boiler, dehumidifiers and the overall HVAC systems in the art and science wings, is scheduled as summer could be very helpful for work for 2017.

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NORTHAMPTON COUNTY

Does Norco need a new jail?

BY BERNIE O'HARE Special to the Bethlehem Press

SEPTEMBER 28, 2016

In 2000, then County Executive Glenn Reibman advised council that a new jail was needed to replace one built in 1871. He proposed a multi-phase plan, and got one \$29 million addition.

In 2008, then Executive John Stoffa informed council that a new jail was needed, and proposed moving county offices to Gracedale while building a new jail at a cost ranging between \$130 and \$160 million. Stoffa got a work release center in West Easton for a maximum of 100 residents.

Now, it's Executive John Brown's turn. At a pitched a new jail.

called Chez Northampton County, the jail is currently home to 732 inmates. "It's a beast!" is Keen's flat assessment. Susan Mauser, Chief He described a maintenance nightmare that offers only two treatment programs for an unstable inmate population. He complimented ity professional corrections officers who "come in, day in, day out," despite being subjected to 304

Retaining Walls

over 35 years



Northampton County's jail was first built in 1871. In 2008, then Executive John Stoffa informed council that a new jail was needed, and Sept. 14 meeting, Correc- proposed moving county offices to Gracedale while building a new jail at tions Director Dan Keen a cost ranging between \$130 and \$160 million.

Sometimes jokingly assaults or acts of aggression over the past Jail exceeds capacity three years.

Where it will be loand Brown.

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Keen made the case done at a time when a far cry from the 1,308 for a new jail, ideally there were triple beds projection in 2008. But on a 60-acre tract, that and inmates were sleep- this still exceeds the would be safer for in- ing in hallways, project- functional capacity at mates and staff. It would ed that 1,308 beds would the jail, which is 605. be built without the in- be needed by 2015. "We Keen explained that timidating, fortress-like treat animals better once the jail has more style of the current facil- than we treat our pris- than 605 inmates, there oners," he complained.

After that study, cated and how will it courts became more be funded are concerns willing to sentence of- bers apart. It is harder that Keen left to council fenders to state prison to segregate juvenile ofand the census began to

drop. There were only 732 inmates at the time Stoffa's prison study, of Keen's presentation, are challenges. It becomes more difficult to keep rival gang memfenders from the adult population, which is required by the Prison Rape Elimination Act.

Female Population

"We're out of room," said Keen. When female inmates are scheduled for court, they must walk through the male housing unit to get to what is called the bull pen. So on a weekly ba-

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BETHLEHEM AREA SD

Bike riders Bill Dewalt and Samantha Kahoe

downtown Bethlehem during one of their local

weekend rides. The recently engaged couple

stop for a cocktail break on Main Street in

Reports given to board

BY JAMES HALLEMAN Special to the Bethlehem Press

resides in Bethlehem.

Board members viewed four PowerPoint presentations Sept. 12 relating high Valley Academy Reto improvements in both infrastructure and student curricula. D'Huy consult- part of the five-year cycle, ing engineers gave an update on the new Nitschman the academy is making MS, currently under construction.

for the new Nitschman school were; projects that members to visit the charare already completed, and some tasks that should be completed a few weeks. B.A.S.D. is already planning ahead for projects for Summer 2017. Four projects have been green lighted for 2017, but one planned project may end up being put on the back burner for another year. Stadium bleachers painting project which is estimated to cost \$865,000 from capital funds. John Hawk of St. Luke's nia Department of Educapresented health and fitness sports medical updates that were part of the event.

agreement the distict has with St. Luke's Hosptial.

PRESS PHOTO BY TIM GILMAN

Executive Officer of the Legional Charter School presented its renewal plans as she demonstrated progress academically as well as increasing student enroll-Main discussion points ment. The charter school invited the BASD board ter school, and presented binders with examples of K-12 student curricula for the charter school.

Capital projects were not the only improvements on Monday nights agenda, improvements in curricu;a had BASD staff beaming with pride.

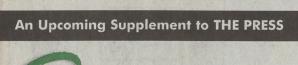
I announced that Broughal Middle School had been chosen to present Green Strides. Pennsylvation Secretary Rivera may attend the Green Strides



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NORCO

Continued from page 7 sis, male inmates expose themselves, resulting in complaints that must be investigated.

The current female population is 117, and there's no room for more. Yet Keen is projecting an average increase of 2.7 percent per

This has resulted in added cost. It was at \$4.2 million in 2013. Females tend to be sentenced to longer periods than males

Mentally Ill Inmates

Since 1955, Pennsylvania has closed 10 state hospitals, including Allentown State Hospital, just 1,500. It's a 96 percent drop inspired by the belief that mentally ill people do better in the community. Instead, they're ending up in county jails. Keen told council that 42 percent of NorCo inmates are must be replaced within on some form of psycho- the next three years. tropic medication. He is trying to have eight inmates transferred to a state hospital. For two of inherent danger to corthem, he has been waiting for nearly a year.

of the jail, built in 1871. There is no air condiwinter months, average 85-90 degrees.

"We're doing more compensation harm than good," said over the pas

The number of mentally ill inmates has increased 48 percent since 2010. For mentally ill women, commitments each year (52 percent) are mentally ill.

Corrections officers tervention and mental which food trays can be maintenance health first aid training.

Maintenance costs

Just last week, Keen discovered a 70-foot long ty has had one assault warned that eventually, pipe at the jail with a in the last 18 months, dozen leaks. This un- Northampton foreseen repair will cost experiences 100 a year. \$21,000. At a jail that was first built in 1871, these officers, things happen frequent- saying they work under ly. Over the past three stressful conditions. years, the county has spent \$1.9 million on Poor Design emergency facility repairs.

He has also just learned in a linear design on an three options.



NorCo Corrections Director Dan Keen calls the jail a "beast." Keen indicated the jail is reducing the number of scheduled for inspection by state corrections patients from 41,000 to officials. If it falls below the minimum standards set by the state, the county will eventually be forced, at its own expense, to house inmates in other counties.

ing the jail are corroding from the inside and el.

Officer safety

rections officers posed by inmates, they often These inmates are fall and injure themhoused on the old side selves while responding to emergencies. Uneven slate floors, improperly tioning, and even in the aligned steps and con-railing and fall onto the winter months, average densation build-ups on floor below. temperatures inside are floors have resulted in \$1.84 million in worker's claims over the past three the jail is scheduled

half of those committed ces grenade" (a shampoo counties. bottle containing a mixdoor to feed someone.

While Adams Coun-County

said Keen, earlier?

The current layout of the jail is what Keen Just last month, Keen calls a linear or "old was forced to ask council school" design, making to approve an additional it impossible for correchundred maintenance pervision. In one area, issues, small and large. cell blocks are arranged

that the walls surround- upper level, with a gate that is only at thigh lev-

Keen, who is built like an NFL lineman and did play college football, said it is impossible In addition to the for someone his size to walk through the area without his shoulders rubbing up against the open cells. If he attempt to move away from the cell, there is a risk that he could go over the

> State law and liability Keen indicated that

On the older side of corrections officials. If the facility, the cells it falls below the mini-have open bars. This mum standards set by makes it possible for an the state, the county will inmate to grab and in- eventually be forced, have increased 65 per- jure a corrections offi- at its own expense, to cent in that period. Over cer or hit him with a "fe- house inmates in other jure a corrections offi- at its own expense, to

This combination of ture of feces and urine). increased census, men-These older cells also tal health issues, grow-fixed. now undergo crisis in- lack wickets through ing female population, passed, meaning the of- poor design and officer ficer has to open the cell safety issues makes the is very serious about door to feed someone. county ripe for a civ- a new site, and will be county ripe for a civsomeone is going to be hurt seriously or fatally. "Then we'll say, 'Why "My hat's off to the didn't we do something

New facility

Keen said a new facility might surprise some people. Instead of having a fortress-like look, most new jails look like a school or office building. Urban yards would prison and we have a maintenance employ- tions officers to see all be built inside the walls ee to deal with several inmates under their su- on a tract between 40 and 60 acres.

Keen said there are shell.'

First, move everything to a new location. Second, keep female inmates in Easton and the work release facility in West Easton and build a new facility for males. Third, keep the female inmates in Easton and bring the work release inmates back to Easton, but build a new facility for the males.

Keen said several sites have been studied, though he did not say where. It seems unlikely it would remain in Easton. It would cost \$20 million just to tear down the current facility, and at least half the inmates would have to be sent to several locations for two

Keen said no one would be able to walk around in the new facility and would be released from Easton. Bob Werner suggested that it might be possible to market a new jail to another community on the basis of jobs produced. But John Cusick said a jail in another community like the Gracedale campus will be controversial, and recommended the county retain good zoning counsel for what will obviously be a fight. "It's gonna take time, effort and political will to move this ahead," he said. He added that this is not a Democratic or Republican issue, but is something that needs to be done to accomplish a "core function of county government."

for inspection by state Angle stated when he was on council, is "who the hell wants a new Especially prison?" when the price tag is over \$100 million.

Hayden Phillips said where the new jail goes is an administrative decision, but "this is something that needs to be

Administration Cathy Allen said the county il rights lawsuit. Keen back to council in 30 to 60 days once funding sources are identified. She hinted, "some of the people we need to be in our corner will be org. added, "There are people we have met with in the past that have changed. Positions have changed.'

Ken Kraft wants to break ground now. "We have a 200-year-old morgue in a barn," he said. "That's Northampton County in a nut-

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Avon has come a long way. She was quite sick when she arrived in the summer of 2013 but now she is happy, healthy and ready for a home.



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GRADUATION

Lehigh-Carbon Community College

Lehigh Carbon Community College's August 2016 graduates included eight Bethlehem area residents. They are Andrew Batalka Sr., Lydia Brown, Brian Fritz (Summa Cum Laude with a grade point average of 3.95 - 4.0), Andrew Kennedy (Cum Laude with a grade point average of 3.5 - 3.75.), Kelly McGuire, Elizabeth Rojas, Lilian Rosario and Logayn Wenner.

Northampton County Community College

Eight Bethlehem area residents have graduated from Northampton Community College and received their licensed practical nursing pins on Sept. 15. The graduates are Siri Amungwa, Cassandra DePietro, Marie Dongmo, Karissa Frankenfield, Melanie Gomez, Tiffany Martinez, Manyina Munsense and Nathan

Pratt Institute

Mallory Zondag of Bethlehem earned a fashion degree from New York City's Pratt Institute at its 127th commencement cere-The problem, as Ron mony at Radio City Music Hall.

Sarah Brown of Bethlehem earned a bachelor's degree in child study and human development from Tufts University. She graduated summa cum laude on May 22 during a university-wide commencement ceremony.

Wilkes University

Wilkes University awarded master's degrees in education to eight local students who graduated after the completion of the summer 2016 semester. They are Julie Bechtold, Corinne Brockel, Brandon Garcia, Jordan Hocking, Ronia Jarrah, Dawn Nickischer Acting Director of and Katie Royer, all of Bethlehem; and Amy Solano of Fountain

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AMERICA ON WHEELS, Allentown, will soon embark on new educational programs and camp programs for ages 6-12. If you have a passion for education and/or enjoy working with children, contact Linda Merkel, 610-432-4200, ext. 11, director@americaonwheels.

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Randy Terry III scored four touchdowns last week in the Hawks win over Liberty.

BC soars past LHS

Randy Terry III scores 4 TDs

BY TODD KRESS tkress@tnonline.com

Just before the first half was about to end, Liberty was on the verge of putting together a drive that would tie or give the Hurricanes a lead against rival Bethlehem Catholic. Instead, after first downs on that drive, the 'Canes punted the ball back over to the Golden Hawks.

That turned out to be the game's defining moment.

Bethlehem Catholic orchestrated a nine-play drive, and quarterback Javon Clements hit Karim Powell for cushion going into the break. touchdown that put the Golden Hawks up 17-7. Becahi never looked back, as it added three more scores in the second half (all from running back Randy Terry) that propelled the Golden Hawks to a 38-7 route over Liberty at BASD Stadium on Saturday afternoon.

"It was huge, the pass play and the momentum going into halftime," said head coach Kyle Haas. "I think if it were

10-7 it probably would've been a little different. But you're going up 17-7, having the momentum, seeing their demeanor, knowing we had a whole second half where we were going to keep the foot on the pedal, we felt pretty good about coming out.

Clements looked particularly bright on that drive. He connected with a Golden Hawk pass-catcher on a third-and-20 opportunity that kept the drive alive. Then he hit a wide open Powell in the middle of the end zone for the

For his first Liberty-Becahi game, I give him an A, Haas said of Clements. "He made some big throws at crucial times. He ran the ball very well for us. You can't say enough about his progress so far at this point.'

Once the second half got underway, Terry took over belt, he capped the Golden over Liberty. See HAWKS on Page 11



between the tackles. Already Becahi RB Pete Iselo hauls in a pass with a touchdown under his during Saturday afternoon's victory

Freedom blanked by PHS



PRESS PHOTO BY ROB MERCHANT

Joe Young and the Pates couldn't get the offense going against Parkland on Friday. Special to the Press

If at first, you don't succeed, try, try again. That's what the Freedom football team's offense did Friday night against Parkland, but nothing they tried seemed to work as they fell to the Trojans 17-0.

Freedom tried to run the ball, but gained only seven yards on 20 carries for the night. When your quarterback gets sacked five times though, it's going to impact your offense in a big way. Even though he was under constant pressure, Joe Young was able to complete 19 passes on 32 attempts for 169 yards in the game. The effort made him Freedom's alltime leader in completed

passes with 242 and left him just 100 yards shy of the school's record for passing yards.

"I thought that especially considering the pressure that he had on him all night, Joe did a tremendous job for us," said coach Jason Roeder. "We just didn't pick up their blitz, even at times when they brought just a three-man rush, we didn't block well, so you can believe that we'll be working on that.'

The Patriots seemed to be mounting an attack in the third quarter when they moved to the Parkland 14 and were in good shape with a second-and-one. Young hit Alec Huertas around the five-yard line, but Huer-

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District luncheon discusses playoff changes

BY PETER CAR pcar@tnonline.com

District 11 held a luncheon Thursday after-noon at the Moravian College-St. Luke's Sports and Rehabilitation Center in Bethlehem to discus changes coming up this sports calendar year, in regards to post-season playoff berths, with the new PIAA classifications coming into

effect this year.
The biggest change in most sports this year is how teams qualify for the postseason where the numbers have changed, as well as the qualification scale, where in year's past, having a .500 overall or league record automatically granted you access to the postseason. Teams that also won their con-ference championship also gained automatic entry to the postseason.

This year another option has been thrown into the equation due to the new classification

'We've added the factor where there's a minimum number of qualifiers in each sport," said District 11 chairman Bob Hartman. "For example, if there's 13 teams in a specific classification, half of that is 6.5 and then we're rounding that up to the next even number, making it eight minimum qualifiers. If there are teams beyond the minimum that qualify based on their record, they also qualify.

"Any sport that has four teams or less, all of those teams will be in our playoff. Our goal is to have even numbers in many cases, so teams don't get byes into semifinal rounds and even the playing field across all sports."

League champions will still get preferential seeding in District 11 brackets, but sports in classifications that are paired with sub-regional teams, there will be no preferential seeded criteria. Teams will be seeded based on their

power rating.
In the fall those sports include boys and girls golf and 4A girls volleyball. In 5A football, since there are only four teams in that classification, there will be a road play-in game with a District 2 opponent in week 12 for entry to the state tournament. In 2017, that play-in game will be in District 11.

As far as other notes to take away from the luncheon, this year's slate for all six District 11 football championships will be held at neutral sites. Those sites will be determined at a later date.

People have asked if Liberty and Freedom both meet in the 6A title, where will they play? said Northwestern ath-

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LHS girls get a win; Becahi falls to WHS

BY KATIE MCDONALD kmcdonald@tnonline.com

Liberty's girls' soccer team added a win and a loss to its record last week, while Bethlehem Catholic fell to Whitehall on Monday.

The Hurricanes defeated East Stroudsburg South last Wednesday

Muller Madison scored on an assist by Mia DelCorso toward the end of the first half, and on an assist by Olivia Askerneese toward the end of the second half. Merve Okumus scored a restart goal with 2:39 left in the game.

Gabrielle Bonnar made 21 saves for East Stroudsburg South, and Jess Becker made four sist. saves for Liberty.

Hurricanes lost to Pocono Mountain West 3-2.

Becker made five saves in that game, and Zephyrs. goals were made by Olivia Askerneese and Theresa Cazarrubias. Haley Jupina had an as-

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PRESS PHOTO BY NANCY SCHOLZ

Liberty's Sara Ebersole gets control of the ball during a game vs. Northwestern this year.

ves for Liberty. On Monday, Beth-Two days later, the lehem Catholic hosted Whitehall, but lost 5-1.

good saves on one-on- Nazareth on Thursday. ones," said Whitehall

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Whitehall will have played Liberty on Tues-Kiera Peterson made day, past Press dead-18 saves against the lines, and Bethlehem Catholic will have faced 'She challenged our Emmaus, also on Tuesforwards a lot and made day and will travel to



PRESS PHOTO BY ROB MERCHANT

David Caccese scored a goal for Becahi during this past weekend's 3-2 victory over Notre Dame.

Becahi boys need OT to knock off NDGP

BY KATIE MCDONALD kmcdonald@tnonline.com

Bethlehem Catholic's boys' soccer team succeeded in leaving last year's win-loss record behind them by scoring a 3-2 overtime victory against Notre Game-Green Pond on Saturday, putting the Hawks at four wins as of this past weekend.

The Hawks struck first against the Crusaders when Joe Hawach scored from in front of the goal 12 minutes into the game. the first half, assisted by Michael Spirk.

Notre Dame tied the game when Pat Elward put in a corner kick.

Luke Fleissner five time, had 0 saves. minutes into the second half, but with less than five minutes left in reg-

overtime, Notre Dame missed a win when a and went out of bounds. Caccese's second goal on another Aitken assist sist by Chuck Tichy. after five minutes ended

assist by Connor Aitken.

Alex Ficarra had nine with 1:53 remaining. saves, and Bethlehem had 12 saves. Tom Cor- saves.

Notre Dame went ley, who went in goal for ahead 2-1 on a goal by the Hawks during over-

Also last week, Freedom came out on the losing end of a match ulation, Becahi's David against Allento Caccese scored on an tral Catholic 2-1. against Allentown Cen-

Garrett Winchella Twenty seconds into scored on an assist by Finn McMullen for the Vikings, but the Patriots shot hit the left post low tied with 16:24 left in the second half when Eric Schantz scored on an as-

Winchella scored the game-winning goal on a Notre Dame goalie header off a thrown in

Freedom goalkeep-Catholic's Brian Freiss er Derek Bast made 12

Patriots and K-Kids play to 0-0 draw

BY KATIE MCDONALD kmcdonald@tnonline.com

Better execution overall would have made the difference for the Freedom Patriot girls' soccer team in its 0-0 draw Northampton on Friday because, as coach Bob Eaton, said, it's never just any one thing.

"Keep it simple," Eaton said.

Northampton coach Chaz Saul said that other games have not been quite as frustrating for the K-Kids, so consistency will make a differ-

ence in the future. "If we can get more consistent, we'll stay around," Saul said. "Our offense needs work, [for example] instead of passing, strike."

Defensively, things were working on both teams.

Freedom keeper, important saves on scoring attempts by Abigail Czarnicki, and when the Patriot offense made back-to-back attempts, one by Emma Joseph and one by Mary Boglioli in the second overtime, the Patriots were

"Our communication was good, I thought,' said Northampton defender, Gaby Ascencio. "We talked a lot and



PRESS PHOTO BY SCOTT PAGEL

Freedom defender Julia Ackerman, right, battles for the ball with Northampton's Abi Czarnicki Tara Hathaway, had during last Friday afternoon's game. The two teams played to a scoreless tie.

> saved [keeper] Gabbi Demchak.

communication is not 2-5-2 overall. lost on fellow centerback, Lexi Peploe.

ing to our feet was work-record is 8-0-1.

4) Dick Hacker 6-14 for First UCC.

Freedom's overall record is 4-5-1, while The importance of Northampton's record is

On Thursday, the Patriots will host East "We communicate Stroudsburg North, who who's on, pressure, no have a record of 0-10, pressure," Peploe said. while the K-Kids will 'Our settling with the travel to Pleasant Valball back there and pass-ley. Pleasant Valley's

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9/12: College Hill at First UCC 7-1,

Bethlehem Inter-Church Dart

9/19: Holy Cross at West Side Edgeboro 6-2, 5-0,6-4; Christ UCC at Schoenersville 0-1, 1-7, 4-2; First UCC at Trinity UCC 3-5 (12), 1-4, 5-4; Christ Lutheran at East Hills 2-3, 6-0, 0-6; St. Matthew's at St. Peter's 4-5, 1-3, 0-1; Fritz-Wesleyan at Bethany 5-4, 5-3, 6-3 (12), 0-1 (12) HIGHLIGHTS 9/19 5-15 & Lynn Stryker 5-15 (including the cycle) for Holy Cross. Side-Edgeboro. 3) Matt Fullman 7-15 for Trinity ersville.

5) Matt Balikian 7-16, Roger Rehm 6-16 & Jay Johnson 4-7 (including the cycle) for Fritz-Wesleyan. 6) Dan Sabetti 5-13 for Bethany. 7) Dale Mack 7-12 (4 HBP) &

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Peter's

6-5, 1-0; Holy Trinity at College Hill 9) Bob Filaseta 5-13 for Christ Lutheran.

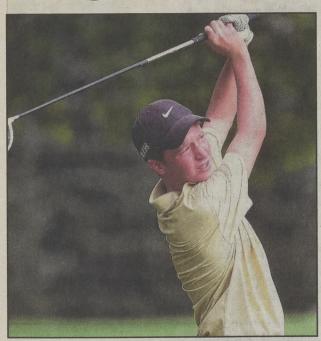
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2) Steve Kish 3-6 for West 5-12 for Christ UCC. 12) Joe Hixson 4-8 for Schoen-





BC golfers have solid year, postseason next



PRESS PHOTO BY NANCY SCHOLZ

Bethlehem Catholic's Sean Costello will play in this week's EPC golf tournament.

BY JEFF MOELLER Special to the Press

Before the season, Catholic Bethlehem head golf coach Tim Mc-Gorry believed his club would experience their share of growing pains. The Hawks began the season without two-time district champion Nick Maff, who took his game to Monmouth University this fall.

For the most part, the Hawks did grow. In fact, they likely progressed more than expected. Over the next few weeks, a trio of golfers will advance to the District 11 tournament. They also finished the regular season with an impressive 11-7 mark.

"It was a great season for us," said McGorry. "I am very pleased

with our results and we to do well." have three guys going to districts. I didn't ex-Nick (Maff) the past few years, but we had guys who worked hard and improved their game."

Sean Costello, Jake Smedley, and Kyle upcoming league tour-nament for the Golden Hawks. Costello has been hovering around the 81 mark, while the Smedleys both have been close to the 82-83 mark all season.

a solid job for us," said were tough to play. But McGorry. "All of them have worked very hard The Golden Hawks

McGorry noted how ant, productive year.
the club broke the 400 "It was a fun year," the club broke the 400 golfer like we had with high water mark for suc-

for us," added McGorry.
"Once we got there, we gained more confidence. to next year.' We were not at the top Smedley will play in the of the upper end, but we still hit our marks."

McGorry also stated how his golfers adjusted well to a series of new

courses this season.

"We played at a lot of different places," said McGorry. "We had some Justin Kinter, Austin Negron, Nate Spearko, Wester Potrone and Max "They all have done new courses and they

Overall, it was a pleas-

pect that and I am real- barrier this season in said McGorry. "I'm very ly happy for them. We a match against Allen- happy for the kids. I really didn't have a stud town Central Catholic, a didn't think we could get this many wins. We have qualified three dis-"That was a big mark trict golfers and we have a number of guys back. We're looking forward

> Liberty will have Joey Altimose, Evan Cartwright, Austin Stella, Nolan Beaggell, Sammy Kraihanzel and Morgan Krause who participat-

Mehta who played.

Also playing for the to get where they are. will return the majority Hawks are Chad Sodl They all have the ability of their roster next year. and Mike Barattini.



Bethlehem Catholic fans cheered their team on to victory Saturday.



Liberty fans organized a blackout for the game.

Continued from page 9 Hawks' second drive of the third quarter with a And just over three minutes later. Terry broke a Liberty tackle and scampered 11 yards up the middle of the field for another touchdown that put Becahi ahead 31-7.

Terry put the stamp on Becahi's victory when he burst through the middle of the line untouched for a 46-yard scamper that made it a 38-7 game. He ran for 89 yards in the second half compared to 40 in the first second quarter.

"We came out more focused," Terry said. "We went into the locker room saying the score was 0-0. We came out on the field and I told them that it wasn't 17-7.

"I give it up to the linemen. They stay on I can to try and score."

The Golden Hawks' senior tailback did more lineup. than his fair share for Becahi. He normally and they were giving suits up at cornerback us a little bit of a fight, on defense, too, but was Terry said. "We put held off that side of the our nose in the dirt and ball due to a banged up everything, we got to knee. But that didn't work, and it wasn't all seem to matter, as the that it was cracked up to Golden Hawks' defense be with this big rivalry." rose to the occasion over the final 24 minutes.

ball down the field 63 yards on its first possession of the game. The

forced terback Todd Erney and at the tempo we play at." running back Gunner credited to the Golden skid.

Hawks' entire defensive

"At first we came in

Haas believes his team's conditioning also Liberty moved the played a pivotal role in slowing down Liberty's

high-scoring attack. "We push the pace 'Canes later scored mid- as much as we possibly way through the second can in the game offenquarter with another sively. We kind of saw lengthy drive. But the as the second quarter second half was a differ- was winding down that ent story. their demeanor changed
The Golden Hawks on the field. They were Liberty into walking back to the ball. three-and-outs on its I told the kids at halffirst three possessions time this is why we con-of the second half. Quar- dition and why we play

Becahi travels to Anglovich struggled to Easton next week, while get on track after the Liberty hosts Dieruff halftime whistle, and looking to stop its curcut back or do whatever much of that can be rent two-game losing



PRESS PHOTOS BY LINDA ROTHROCK

The Bethlehem Catholic marching band.



The Liberty marching band.

Continued from page 9 tas fumbled the ball and Parkland recovered to end any momentum that Freedom was putting together for themselves.

Parkland's first two scores of the night came off turnovers. On their first drive of the night, Young was intercepted by Juan Salas, and turned the interception into a 25-yard field goal. Parkland kicked off and Freedom found a somewhat unusual way to turnover the ball, when the ball appeared headed out of bounds, but took a Parkland bounce, stayed in bounds and was recovered by the Trojans. From there, Parkland drove down and put the a two-yard run to go up now as their defense

not going to win if you don't protect the ball," stressed Roeder. "That was another area where we just didn't do a good job tonight and we're actually pretty lucky that it didn't cost us more than it did. Our defense had a lot of extra work to do because we kept giving the ball back.

Young was intercepted again later in get his team's issues the game and the Patriots coughed up the ball twice on fumbles, giving any easier. Next week, the Trojans five takeaways on the night.

The win gave Parkhaven't allowed a point in over 130-minutes over

ball in the end zone on their past three games continues to dominate "In general, you're in the EPC. The potent defense amplified Freedom's miscues on the night

'They're well disciplined, and for whatever reason, we just didn't perform well. We didn't block well, we didn't protect the football well ... a lot to work on," said Roeder, whose team is now at 3-2 on the season.

Roeder will work to corrected quickly, since the schedule doesn't get the Patriots travel to Emmaus to face the surprising, and undefeated, land (4-1) their second Hornets. At 5-0, Emmaus straight shutout. They leads the EPC South Division.

FIELD HOCKEY Liberty looking to get back on track

BY PETER CAR pcar@tnonline.com

After a fast start to the season, Liberty's field hockey team has now dropped two straight 9-0 start.

The Hurricanes (9-2) lost to Whitehall 1-0 last Friday on a second half goal by Emily Wells and that was followed by a 5-0 defeat to Emmaus Monday afternoon.

After trailing 1-0 at, halftime, Emmaus was able to find the back of the cage four times in the second half to coast to victory.

Liberty 15-1 in the con- playoff race as well. test, putting them in the midst of their first taste a seven-game winless of adversity this season.

The 'Canes host Nazcontests following their areth (2-8-1) and Easton (4-4) Wednesday and Friday this week and should be able to get back on track.

Liberty has already clinched a district berth, but look to keep their status as one of the top three teams in the EPC playoff race, as they have a stranglehold on the Steel Division.

Freedom (3-6-1) and Bethlehem Catholic (3-5) are trying to keep them- the schedule.

The Hornets outshot selves in the district

The Patriots snapped streak on Monday by topping East Strouds-burg North 4-0. Emily Saulino and Emma Telatovich tallied a pair of goals for the Pates, as they try to get back to .500 this week with contests against Pocono Mountain East (7-3) and Dieruff (0-7).

The Hawks lost to Nazareth 4-1 on Monday and face a brutal week ahead with Emmaus (9-0), Whitehall (7-3) and Lansdale Catholic on

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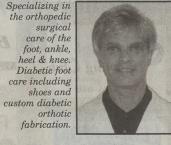
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PRESS PHOTOS BY LINDA ROTHROCK

Youth Football

The Bethlehem Raiders took on Northampton Athletic Association in Suburban Youth Football League action this past weekend. Above, the Pee Wee's Jahovanny Soto looks to break away from an NAA player, while (right) Junior Pee Wee player William Cruz looks to break a tackle. The teams next play at Lower Mac on Oct. 1.



Pete's Top-10: PHS knocking on door

BY PETER CAR pcar@tnonline.com

Well, you can say that my picks last week were a bit off the mark. Liberty, Freedom and Easton each dropped contests, pushing them further down the EPC totem pole, while Parkland, Bethlehem Catholic and Whitehall climb.

Emmaus remains on top for a second straight week, while Saucon Valley makes their highest jump of the season.

Midway through the season, there are still a lot of questions to be answered. Hopefully, this week provides more

1. Emmaus (5-0) Last week's rank: #1 some separation with a hall's number.

win this week. The Pick: Emmaus 27- 28- Whitehall 14

Freedom 14 2. Parkland (4-1) Last week's rank: #3

ing giant is awake. The Pick: Parkland

28- Whitehall 21 3. Becahi (4-1)

Last week's rank: #6 Hawks win last week again. was one of the most impressive of the season. Now they'll face a tough task at Cottingham.

The Pick: Bethlehem (5-0) Catholic 27- Easton 20 La 4. Whitehall (3-2)

Last week's rank: #7 Two straight impressive wins for the Zephs. Now comes Parkland, them all.

Hornets can gain who always has White-

The Pick: Parkland

5. Liberty (3-2) Last week's rank: #2 Perfect time on the

Looks like the sleep- schedule for Dieruff. The Pick: Liberty 42-Dieruff 20

6. Central (4-1) Last week's rank: #8

The Pick: Central Catholic 49- East Stroudsburg North 20

Saucon Valley

Last week's rank: #9 Panthers lead the District 11 4A playoff bracket, which is truly the most interesting race of

The Pick: Saucon Valley 35- Northwestern 7 8. Easton (2-3)

Last week's rank: #5 Rovers might be on there way out of the poll. The Pick: Bethlehem Catholic 27- Easton 20

9. Notre Dame GP Last week's rank: #10

Doesn't look like a Vikes should cruise loss will be coming this week. The Pick: NDGP 35-

Palmerton 13 10. Freedom (3-2)

Last week's rank: #4 Patriots will be in trouble with another de-

The Pick: Emmaus 27-Freedom 14 Last week: 4-3 Overall record: 29-11

State rankings don't Liberty has swept mean much to Liberty eight of their nine op-ponents this year, dropvolleyball coach Missy The Hurricanes (9-0), the top ranked team in ping their only two sets

closely."

Top-ranked

BY PETER CAR pcar@tnonline.com

sweeping

17 at Memorial Gymna-

Becahi (7-2) always be-

ing a marquee bout on

the calendar, Monday

night's affair was a

showcase for their Dig

Pink matchup, which

raises awareness for breast cancer as we head

into the month of Octo-

to us," said Lynn. "We planned the night

around our Beca match

because we know they'll

be a tough opponent and

we want this event to

showcase exciting vol-

up to their top billing

Volleyball Coaches Association, as Lina Peru-

gini led the team with 10

kills and 13 digs. Aman-

da Rachwal had seven

kills and four blocks,

while Julia Burcin had

forward to playing Beca

because we don't play a

lot of the higher ranked

teams during our Steel

Lynn said, "so play-

schedule,"

'We've been looking

The Hurricanes lived

the Pennsylvania

leyball."

five digs.

Division

"Our Dig Pink match

always important

Liberty eases by Becahi

in a match against Emmaus earlier this month. the state, just contin-They finish the week ued to take care of busioff with Dieruff (1-9) toness Monday night after night at home, as they Bethlehem Catholic 25-22, 25-15, 25-

skill lets us examine ourselves a little more

look to continue one of the best starts in school With a match against

"We still have things to work on and the girls know we've got a tough road ahead to achieve our ultimate goals," said Lynn. "Being ranked number one in the state in week three means very little in the grand scheme of things. We're very aware of what we'd like to achieve this season and our priority is staying focused and improving each match. We're going to stay hungry and humble because we haven't earned the right to get lazy or comfortable. We're proud of our accomplishments so far, but the season is only half over and we still have a long way to

The Hawks will look to clinch a district berth this week as they set out to take on Allen (1-9) and

Easton (4-6). Freedom (7-3) is also on the verge of qualifying for the postseason, as the Patriots swept Dieruff Monday night 25-4, 25-7, 25-10.

The Pates take on Wednesday night.

D-11

Continued from page 9

letic director Jason Zimmerman. "I can tell you for sure, that game would be played at BASD Stadium, since we consider that a neu-

We are also looking at potential doubleheaders on that Saturday to help keep things in one area for the fans and media.'

Other notes from the con ence included: All championship winning teams or individuals this year will be given District 11 championship T-shirts.

"I just received 28 boxes of 1,500 shirts that will be given out to our student-athletes this year," Hartman said. "Only championship players will have these shirts to wear in their community.'

· Hartman also noted that efforts to land the District 11 individual wrestling tournament

at the PPL Center in Allentown this year's postseason. fell through this year because of a conflict with a Phantoms game that couldn't be moved. Hartman appears steadfast on the idea of having the tournament at the site in the future.

 The PIAA has also adopted a criteria based system from District 11 to provide better seeding at the PIAA tournament, so the top wrestlers in each weight, can be placed on opposite sides of the bracket.

• Coca-Cola Park has seemed to fallen out of the picture for future baseball championship sites, as Lehigh and Lafayette have been all six classes narrowed down as venues the district appear happy with.

· In baseball, the PIAA has moved to the standard of only allowing pitchers to throw a maximum of 200 pitches per week. • The District 11 lacrosse finals 6A

may be held at Lehigh as well.

As far as the football schedule *Play-in game at District 2 in for this fall, here are the dates for Week 12

Friday, Nov. 4, 2016 A, 4, & 5A

Semifinals; 6A Quarterfinals Saturday, Nov 5, 2A Quarterfi-

Friday, Nov. 11, 2016 A, 4A, & 5A Championship Finals; 6A

Saturday, Nov. 12, 2016 2A Championship Final; 3A Semifi-

Friday, Nov. 18, 2016 6A Championship Final; 5A DXI Champion vs. DII Champion

Saturday, Nov. 19, 2016 3A Championship Final

Qualification breakdown for

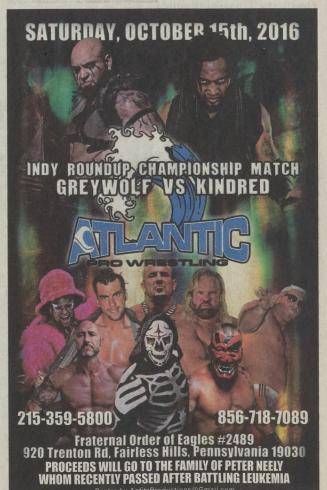
Class	Teams	Bracket	Week
A	5	4	12
2A	6	4	12
3A	11	8	13
4A	7	4	12
*5A	4	4	13
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ing a team with Beca's

PRESS PHOTO BY ROB MERCHANT

Becahi's Rachel Tanczos (14) looks to get the ball past Liberty's Kristin Kaleycik (16) and Amanda Rachwal (19) during the local showdown Monday night at Liberty. The Hurricanes went on to win the match.





FOOD AT THE FAIR

BRIEFLY

BETHLEHEM

Historic Haunts begins Sept. 30

The Moravian Book Shop's Historic Haunts of Downtown Bethlehem Ghost Tours will begin Sept. 30 and continue through all weekends in October.

The candlelit tour of the historic Bethlehem four. area will be led by a knowlegeable guide.

For tour information and reservations, phone www.moravianbookshop.com or https:// www.facebook.com/

VALLEY

Civil War group's dinner Oct. 4

The Civil War Round-table, Eastern Pennsyl-Kurtz has been entering vania, Lehigh Brigade, the fair's culinary comwill meet Oct. 4 at The petitions for 15 years, Center at Holiday Inn and she couldn't remem-Lehigh Valley, 7736 Adri- ber how many times enne Drive, Breinigs- she has won. A judge ville, 18031.

Sutler's Call begins at times to count." 6 p.m., and dinner (cost, reservations required \$150 went to Julie Hamby Sept. 29,) starts a 6:30 ilton. Another culinary

Waters, the end of the third to her credit, this Gettysburg Campaign, year she entered a Noby George Franks (cost, bake Peach Cheesecake quired), program is at

882-9228 or 215-234-4884 Cups, but wasn't present

SENIORS

Health Fair set for Oct. 6

The Salvation Army will hold its third annual Senior Health Fair 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Oct. 6 at stuffed with chocolate 521 Pembroke Road.

There will be a free light lunch, door prizes, free flu shots, heel scans, and representatives from many local agencies covering senior health, aging, quality of life and legal issues area.

Rep. Steve Samuelson's staff members will be there to assist attend-

Call 610-867-4681 for information.

ALLENTOWN

Band concert

set for Oct. 7

There will be a free Allentown Band concert at 7:30 p.m. Oct. 7 at First Presbyterian Church, 2344 Center St.

The guest artist is soprano soloist Evelyn Stewart.

For more information, visit www.allentownband.com.

PSU/VALLEY

Creamery orders

being accepted

The Penn State Lehigh Valley Alumni Society is accepting orders through Oct. 14 for its Berkey

Creamery ice cream sale.
Proceeds from the sale benefit the Alumni Society First-Year Scholarship Fund, which provides financial assistance to outstanding students enrolled or planning to enroll at Penn State Le-

high Valley. This sale is the only locally where place half-gallon containers of Berkey Creamery ice cream can be ordered. Those interested can choose from 11 flavors. There is a cost per half

Order forms are available at http://psulvalumni.org/icecream online.

Everything was peachy at the fair

Special to the Bethlehem Press

It took 12 judges more than an hour to taste all 22 entries and declare the winner in this year's Fresh Peach Dessert Competition at the Great Allentown Fair. First the field was narrowed down to eight, followed by more tasting, then down to the final

Entries ranged from pies and cakes to tartlets and cheesecake, and were judged on taste and 610-866-5481 or visit flavor (60 points), overall appearance and texture (20 points) and originality and creativity (20 points).

Sharon Kurtz took the blue ribbon and \$200 cash prize for her Peaches and Cream Pie, made with cream cheese and heavy cream, and beautifully decorated with commented, "Too many

Second place and ilton. Another culinary veteran with three sec-The Battle at Falling ond place wins and one reservations re-ringed with lady fingers.

Diane Toomey of Allentown placed third Call 610-253-4549, 610- with her Peach Rose or visit www.cwrteast- to accept her ribbon and ernpa.org. \$100 check.

Fourth-place winner Deborah Burrows of Bethlehem won \$50 and was the most excited of all the contestants. This was the first time she had ever entered at the fair, and she said she was "very happy with fourth place." Her creation was Peach Croute featur-



PRESS PHOTOS BY CAROLE GORNEY

Miss Allentown Fair Julie Long presents the blue ribbon to Sharon Kurtz of Emmaus, whose Peaches and Cream Pie swept the 2016 Fresh Peach Dessert Competition sponsored by Bechdolt's Orchard in Hellertown.



Pastry doves adorns the top of the blue-ribbonwinning peach pie at this year's Fresh Peach Dessert Competition. Entries were judged on for ages 50 and up from ing poached peaches, flavor, but also on appearance and originality.



The first time was the charm for Deborah Burrows of Bethlehem, whose first-ever fair entry placed fourth out of a total of 22 peach dessert entries.

truffles, baked in puff pastry and served with a peach schnapps sauce.

The competition was sponsored by Bechdolt's Orchard in Hellertown, which provided some of the largest cash awards at the fair, along with gift certificates to all 22 of the contestants. Onlookers also received complimentary of peaches from the or-

BRIEFLY

Additional bus service offered

Lehigh and Northampton Transportation Authority has expanded its LANTA bus service to the new Hamilton Crossings Shopping Center in Low-er Macungie Township.

"In anticipation of increased demand for service to Hamilton Crossings and Trexler Mall we have added Saturday and Sunday service to the Route 222 bus route," Owen O'Neil, LANTA's executive director, said in a recent press release.

"Additional weekday trips are also added for the route, which runs between the Allentown Transportation Center and Trexlertown," O'Neil added.

Complete route and schedule information is available at www.lantabus.com or by calling 610-776-7433.

BETHLEHEM

Co-op partners with Molinari's

The Bethlehem Food Co-op is partenering with Fran Molinari, owner of Molinari's restaurant, in a new scholarship program to help families on the Southside take ownership of the co-op. The Molinari's Southside Membership Scholarship Program, open to Southside Bethlehem residents, will award two scholarships for coop memberships each vear.

Families must complete an application and meet requirements. Forms are available at the Southside branch of the public library, the Boys & Girls Club and the Hispanic Center; and on the web at www.bethlehemfood.coop/scholarships. The winners will be announced at the co-op's annual membership meeting Oct. 3.

For more information, visit http://www. bethlehemfood.coop.

BETHLEHEM

Holy Ghost fair yard sale Oct. 22, 23

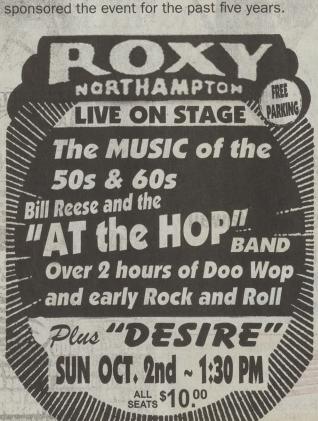
Holy Ghost Roman Catholic Church will hold a fall fair and yard sale from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Oct. 22 and from 9 a.m. to noon Oct. 23 in the parish social hall and garage, 417 Carlton Ave.

There will be homemade cabbage and apple strudel, kiffles, nut and poppy seed rolls, jams and jellies, candy, pierogies, noodles and spaghetti sauce for sale. There is a tricky tray drawing, gift baskets and other prizes.

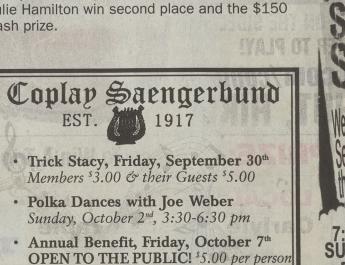
There will be food and beverages for sale on Oct. 22.



Chris Rowe, owner and manager of Bechdolt's Orchard in Hellertown, distributes bags of peaches to spectators at the Allenton Fair's peach dessert competition. Bechdolt's has sponsored the event for the past five years.



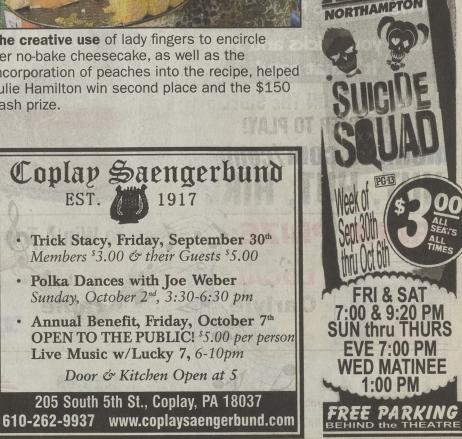


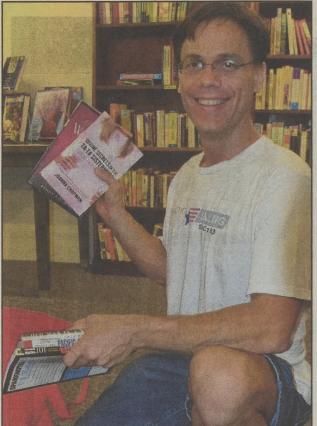


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The Bethlehem Area Public Library's recent September book sale earned \$9,828, taking the year-to-date book sale proceeds to \$49,133 for 2016. Book sale coordinator Laurel Stone said Halloween items and first editions sold particularly well. The final sale for 2016 is scheduled Nov. 30 and Dec. 3. Stone said the holiday sale will offer "tons of holiday items for both adults and children" Information about future sales is available at www.bestbooksale. org or by calling 610-867-3761, ext. 235.

Above: Book sale patrons come from near and far. Randy Grabow drove all the way from Lake Ariel in Wayne County and said he frequents the Bethlehem Area Public Library's sales, usually looking for books about history.

At the fair



PRESS PHOTO BY TIM GILMAN Andrea Boyko enjoys a waffle ice cream sandwich at the 2016 Great Allentown Fair while her son Xavier looks up in curiosity from his comfortable child carrier. "Our family comes every year for the rides. animals and food," said Boyko of Alburtis.

ELECTION POLICY A message to candidates, and our readers

As we approach the Nov. 8 General Election, the Bethlehem Press, in the interest of fairness, will halt the publication of columns by local government officials and letters to the editor submitted by those running for

The last week for publication of columns by local government officials is the Oct. 6 edition.

We will, of course, continue to cover the local races, in news stories generated by our own reporters.

Letters to the Editor supporting a candidate needed to be received by The Press no later than by 5 p.m. Oct.

George Taylor, editor **Bethlehem Press**



Gerrymandering: 'The biggest election fix'

BY BERNIE OHARE Special to the Bethlehem Press

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Barry Kauffman, executive director of Common Cause Pa and a member of FairDistricts-Pa. was the clean-up hitter at a recent gerrymandering forum before a full house at Unitarian Universalist Church in Bethle-

And he hit it out of the park. "We heard a

lot from

our can-

ANALYSIS Part 3 of a 4-part series about redistricting reform

didates about elections being fixed,"
Kauffman observed. "Well, they
are right, but for all the wrong reasons. Redistricting abuse is probably the biggest problem, the biggest fix.

Partisans who oppose redistricting reform argue that "only a fool would give up his advantage to the enemy." But to the politicians preparing these distorted maps, the real enemy is not the Democrats. It is the people themselves.

So in 2011, while the power structure decided on new Congressional districts, the public was kept in the dark. So were legislators like Steve Samuelson who with no knowledge would be asked to vote for something he had neither seen nor reviewed.

You have to vote for it to see what's in it. When you finally do, it's too late.

Guarantees success

Here's how Kauffman ex-

plained it:

"Elections are in fact being determined before the first vote is cast ... The redistricting process has made the voters irrelevant. In fact, in most districts, the battle is not between Democrats and Republicans. The battle has become politicians against the voters. It's now all about allowing lawmakers to pick their voters instead of voters picking their lawmakers."

Gridlock results

Because the people no longer really elect their representatives, legislators can ignore the issues that really bother constituents, like property tax reform.

As Kauffman explains it, "The current system makes the primary the real election in most areas of the state, and if you aren't registered with the majority party in your district, you really do not have a say. That means the most radical wings of each party control the real election and, ultimately, the power structure and agenda of the legislature. It means that a lawmaker's biggest threat is a primary challenge

Editor's Note: Part One described the dramatic increase in the use of both technological advances and hybrid SuperPACs with the goal of controlling Congress. Part Two detailed a bipartisan legislative fix proposed by State Senator Lisa Boscola and State Rep. David



PRESS PHOTO BY BERNIE O'HARE Barry Kauffman, executive director at Common Cause Pa, urges citizens to start discussing this matter with their local community leaders. He states that local municipalities are "tired of being chopped up to pieces just to protect the electability

and therefore, they must cater to the most extreme wings of their parties, where they really turn out in the primaries. It means governing gridlock and the inability to compromise for the common good. Thus, the ability to govern from the center, where stands. Who supports it? Who most people's beliefs and aspirations reside, becomes lost.'

This, according to Kauffman, is why there was a nine-month budget gridlock. It is why the U.S. Senate is incapable of performing the basic task of confirming a Supreme Court justice and other judges. It's why the U.S. House periodically shuts the government down.

"They no longer feel accountable to voters," Kaufman said. "They feel accountable to the power structure. This means the issues you care about – economy, education, government ethics, healthcare, and environment - don't get dealt with because the other issues suck up all the oxygen."

Pressure for reform

Kauffman urges citizens to start discussing this matter with their local community leaders. He says local municipalities are "tired of being chopped up to pieces just to protect the electability of politicians.'

State Representative David Parker adds that, until the last round of redistricting, Monroe County was divided up among six different state senators, none of whom lived there. Kauffman predicts that will happen to

Cumberland County next.
"When you redistrict in this way, it really damages a local community's power base," he observes. "They know it makes it much more difficult to organize support for local initiatives.

So far, resolutions supporting the Boscola-Parker proposal have been approved in Pittsburgh, Cumberland County, West Hanover Township, East Pennsboro Township, Upper Allen Township, Lower Paxton Township, Highspire Borough Council and Capital Region Council of Government

Part IV: Where the legislation

Fall yard waste collection begins

of politicians."

BY MARK RECCEK Special to the Bethlehem Press

Hellertown Borough has announced its 2016 fall waste collection at council's Sept. 6 meeting.

Borough Director of Public Works Tom Hencurbside yard waste collection will occur during the week of Sept. 26, with collections following the weekly trash collection

Residents, Henshaw

place their yard waste Henshaw added. at the normal collection location the evening bepick-up date.

Henshaw also said shaw informed council residents should septhe community wide arate yard waste from except Nov. 25 and 26. garbage and bundle the waste with a string, bag or container.

> not accept grass, sod, tree stumps, or commer-ligations for borough

> said, are directed to cial business materials,

The Saucon Valley Compost Center, 2011 fore the trash collection Springtown Road, is open to receive yard waste 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Friday and Saturday,

In other business during the meeting, unanimously council Also, the borough will approved the 2017 Minimum Municipal Ob-

non-uniform and uniform employees.

According to borough Manager Cathy Hartranft, the 2017 MMO for non-uniform employees is \$21,450 and the 2017 MMO for uniform employees is \$49,084.60.

Hartranft told council employer contributions and state aid will cover the MMO for non-uniform employees and employee contributions and state aid will cover the amount for the uniform employees.

Muller presents no-increase budget LEHIGH COUNTY

Special to the Bethlehem Press

out his proposed 2017 budget, amounting to

dium, Limeport.

ble by the efforts of our employees every day to serve our citizens effeccosts under control. tively and efficiently,' Muller said.

owner paying \$668 in Officers taxes in 2017.

According to Muller the county budgeted stressed, is still in "very one clerical for the sher-

Lehigh County Exec- was balanced by a 2016 serves." utive Tom Muller laid surplus and \$2.4 million in reserves.

"For our third con-\$399 million that in-secutive year, we not cludes no tax increase only have wiped out a for county homeowners, budget deficit but will Aug. 31 at Limeport Staend with a surplus," he noted. "We expect to end Proposing a budget 2016 with a \$5.3 million change in personnel with no tax increase surplus, thanks to their headcount, with county has been made possi- efforts. A focus on employee wellness has also ing at 1,962. Muller said helped keep healthcare the personnel total of

County reserves are 1988 county level. \$22.6 million, which The millage rate will Muller touted as being seeks to add nine posiremain at 3.68 mills, 20 percent above the with the average home- Government Finance law and order areas. guidelines.

The county, deficit of \$7.7 million sound shape with re- iff, one for adult proba-

However, Muller said county health care costs will increase 4 percent. Such costs, he said, are "still about a \$25 million line item in our budget.'

Also, the proposed 2017 budget sees no personnel totals remain-1,962 remains below the

The proposed budget tions, with seven in the Association Added positions include one assistant district athe torney, three deputies,

detective for the crime center, one auditor for the controller and one information technology manager for the ERP project.

The general wage increase for non-union employees of 2.25 percent, Muller said, is offset partially by an increase in health care payroll deductions.

Muller also said in 2017 the county will put zero percent into Cedarbrook Nursing Home.

Additionally, the proposed budget includes \$2 million for farmland preservation, with \$1.5 million coming from the bond fund and \$500,000 from the county gaming

PRESS PHOTOS BY TIM GILMAN

Elizabeth Nemec

Bethlehem Catholic HS

Grade: 12 Family members: Mary (mother), William (father), and Julia (sister)

Favorite subject(s): U.S. Government and Politics because every answer is correct as long as you can weasel a convincing argument

Activities: Literary Magazine, Mock Trail Club, Key Club, History Club, Girl Scouts

Next steps (after high school): College, plus impending debt

Career goals: Find something I love

Heroes: Lady Bird Johnson because she showed cool composure in the face of chaos, and she was a faithful women's rights activist.

Hobbies: Figure skating, photography, cooking and

Current job(s): I work at the Frenchtown Café year round and during the summer, my friend and I also run a camp for children.

Volunteer/community work: Girl Scout Ambassador, St. Thomas Church Youth Group member, and volunteer at St.



Luke's Hospital

BETHLEHEM CATHOLIC

By Elizabeth Nemec

The year is off to a smashing start for Bethlehem Catholic as

students spread their wings across the city, conquering countless

areas such as athletics, academics, and the

arts. As the fall sports season gets underway,

Becahi football team beat Pocono Mountain West 59-15, followed by a 50-0 victory against

Northampton, and a 27-7 win over Nazareth.

Becahi team is packed with outstanding players

this year, including tackle/defensive end Niko

Camacho (senior), linebacker/halfback Ralphy

Lozada (senior), offensive running back/defensive cornerback Randy Terry (senior), and wide receiver/cornerback Daizhun

It is not surprising that Becahi's football team is dominating on

the field, considering the superior cheering provided by the Becahi

cheer team. Captains Sasha Kish and Amber Firth are confident

Becahi's girls cross country team is also in tip-top shape,

currently in the running to go to states. Top contenders are Rowan Pepe (senior), Lauren Bunke (junior), Hope Brown (junior), and

Solei Rodriguez (sophomore). The boys cross country team looks hopeful to make states as well, with seniors Jacob Maruscak, Ivan Korpics, and Austin Tucker and sophomore Aaron Smith being key

The girls tennis team is sitting in a good spot right now, currently tied for first place in the Eastern Pennsylvania Conference with a 14-0 season so far. Doubles pair Maureen Mazza and Gabriella Duffy (seniors) are undefeated and Maureen Mazza is hoping to break Becahi history this season for most doubles wins.

The girls volleyball team has lived up to expectations, leading a 7-1 season and looking stronger than ever. The girls plan to execute a successful season, led by team players such as outside hitter Rachel Tanczos (senior) and outside Megan Friend (senior). The boys soccer team is currently 3-6, with victories over Dieruff, Freedom and Pocono Mountain West. The girls soccer team is 3-5, displaying wins against William Allen, Dieruff, and East

Becahi's entire student body is eagerly awaiting the homecoming dance, which will take place Oct. 8. Students will be dressing in their best and letting loose on the dance floor, hopefully in celebration of a homecoming game victory for football.

The theater program has begun rehearsals for its fall production of "The Odd Couple." The show is expected to be a delightful and comedic piece that will entertain all. The show will be performed in January; exact dates are to be announced. The theater department has also officially announced that the spring musical is to be "Oklahoma!" Students are already stirring with enthusiasm

for this timeless musical, a fantastic opportunity to showcase

for their annual 12-hour dance marathon which takes place in February. This student run event raises money for the Four Diamonds Fund, a foundation dedicated to supporting children who

are facing pediatric cancer. Keep an eye out for all the exciting

the great opportunities to have fun and support a great cause.

Mini-THON events that will take place soon, and don't miss any of

The Becahi Mini-THON team is already hard at work preparing

Becahi's talented dancers, actors, and singers.

that the team will go to states and nationals this year.

The team has an overall 3-1 standing. The

tion of victories across all fields.

Rhodes (junior).

contributors to the team.

Stroudsburg South.

Becahi is already claiming an impressive collec-

Starting off the season on a high note, the

Hawks' proud start

Likes: Good books, soft blankets, puppies, golden sunsets

Dislikes: Writing about

Greatest accomplishment (so far): Learning to tie my

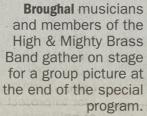
Advice for peers: If it makes appearnace. you happy, keep doing it.

Julia Swan coordinates student profiles for the Bethlehem Press. Student profile subjects are selected by faculty and administration at the individual schools

High & Mighty Brass Band guests The Broughal MS band

The High & Mighty Brass Band presents a mini-performance at Broughal prior to its SteelStacks

summer camp, led by director Adam Stoltz, had a noteworthy program Aug. 18 with a special performance by the High & Mighty Brass Band. The eightpiece party sound band from Brooklyn intermingled with the young musicians and their parents after their mini-concert in the South Bethlehem school auditorium. The brass band was in Bethlehem for a show that night at SteelStacks as part of the Levitt Pavilion's









Amanda Delgado gets an autograph from tuba player Harry Phillips after the performance at Broughal.

Band trumpeter Rafael Vasques watches the High & Mighty Brass Band on his tablet as he records their show in the school's auditorium.



SCHOOL NEWS

FHS: Hockey club car wash Oct. 1

Freedom's Ice Hockey Club is holding a car wash Oct. 1 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Heights Market on Freemansburg Avenue. Advance tickets are available from any Freedom ice hockey player or by contacting Amy Musella at fihcpres@gmail.

Gov. Wolf ES: Fall family festival Oct. 1

Governor Wolf ES will hold a fall family festival Oct. 1 (rain date Oct. 2) from noon to 4 p.m. at the school, located at 1920 Butztown Road. There will be a face painter, pumpkin painting, photo booth, games and prizes, food tent, bake sale, vendors and a tricky tray. The fundraiser benefits the fifth grade classes. Contact Donna Frantz, PTA president, at dfrantz@rcn.

BASD: Back to School Breakfast Oct. 5

BASD retirees are invited to join the tradition of keeping touch with other BASD retirees and the school district Oct. 5 from 8 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. Those who attend will enjoy a complimentary breakfast buffet; learn more about The Foundation for the Bethlehem Area School District and their mission to support BASD; and have plenty of time to share memories and news with friends. Guest speaker will be Superintendent Dr. Joseph J. Roy. The event will take place at Traditions of Hanover, 5300 Northgate Drive, Bethlehem. Seating is limited. Please RSVP by Sept. 23 by calling 610-

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Trombonist Jeremiah Rosado gets a mini-lesson from Kevin Moehringer, a trombone player with the High & Mighty Brass Band.

YOUR LOCAL WEATHER Friday Saturday Sunday Forecast DIL 1/2 DIL 1/2 中文 Mostly Few Few Partly Partly Partly Showers Showers Cloudy Cloudy Cloudy Cloudy 72 / 53 68 / 55 68 / 53 69 / 51 69 / 48 64 / 46 67 / 45 Today we will see mostly sunny skies with a slight chance of showers, high temperature of 72°, humidity of 64%. The record high temperature LEHIGH for today is 96° set in 1914. Expect mostly cloudy skies tonight with a 40% chance of showers, overnight low of 53°. The record low for tonight is 34° set in 1956. Thursday, skies will be mostly cloudy with a 30% chance of showers, high temperature of 68°, humidity of 83%. Skies will be mostly cloudy Thursday night with a 40% chance of showers, overnight low of 55°. Expect partly cloudy skies Friday with a 30% chance of showers, high temperature of 68°. Skies will remain partly cloudy Saturday with a high temperature of 69°. Partly cloudy skies will continue Sunday with a high temperature of 69°. **Weather Trivia** What is a tornado family? wuswer: A series of tornadoes produced by a single superceil.

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861-0500, ext. 60255 or e-mail The Foundation@basdschools.org.

Lehigh: College of Education Open House Oct. 6

Lehigh's College of Ed invites all BASD employees to come and learn about the college's programs in comparative and international education, counseling psychology, educational leadership, instructional technology, school psychology, special education and teacher education at a Fall Open House Oct. 6 at lacocca Hall, Mountaintop Campus. Whether you are looking to take a course, learn about the cutting-edge research in the field, looking to become certified or enrolling in a masters or doctoral program - they have you covered.

This is an informal event, so stop in anytime during the 4-6 p.m. timeframe. RSVP at www.coe.lehigh.edu/openhouse

Banana Factory: Ed. Open House at ArtsQuest Oct. 7

Educators are invited to ArtsQuest Educator Open House, followed by First Friday at the Banana Factory. ArtsQuest invites local K-12 educators to come explore the Banana Factory Arts Center and ArtsQuest campus. During this free guided tour and presentation, educators will explore the Banana Factory Arts Center, engage in art-making activities and learn about ArtsQuest's art programming, including visiting artist residencies, artist mentorships, field trips, after-school enrichment and professional development. The event concludes with an informal reception. Enjoy refreshments as you chat with peers, ArtsQuest staff, and the Banana Factory's teaching artists.

Following the Open House, stick around for First Friday! On the first Friday of every month, South Bethlehem comes alive for a community celebration. Local merchants, restaurants and galleries open their doors to celebrate the community. The fun kicks off at 6 p.m. each month and wraps up around 9 p.m. RSVP to Lisa Harms by Oct. 3. lharms@artsquest.org.



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Liberty: Football Club pig roast Oct. 9

You're Invited to the Liberty HS Football Club pig roast Sunday, Oct. 9 from 3 to 6 p.m. at Roosevelt's on Elizabeth Avenue. Proceeds support Liberty Football Club. The pig roast includes all you can eat pig roast and sides, beer, wine and soda. There will also be a silent auction and raffles. If you are interested in attending please contact Bonnie Downing at 484.767.0704 or Gayle McLaughlin at 610-704-0811 or by email at gmclaughlin@basdschools.org

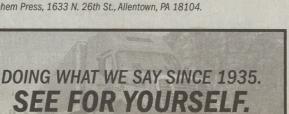
Lehigh: Teaching, Learning, Technology Summit Oct. 15

Lehigh University's College of Education, CIU20 & CIU20 will offer the third annual Teaching, Learning, and Technology Summit at the Rauch Business Center Oct. 15 from 8:30 a.m. - 2:45 p.m. You will attend the keynote presentation by Johnna Weller, Ed.D., director of Professional Learning for Discovery Education, a huge variety of sessions (workshop and lectures) and collaborate in the networking lounge. Learn more at www.ciu20.org/summit

Liberty: Field hockey bag bingo Oct. 16

Liberty HS Field Hockey Designer Bag Bingo fundraiser will be held on Sunday, Oct. 16 at 1 p.m. in the Liberty HS Cafeteria. Doors open at noon. Refreshments will be available. Contact mkomdahl@basdschools.org for

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Explore music in a new way with Branford Marsalis, ASO

CLASSICAL

By Diane Wittry



As I was growing up, everyone knew the names Wynton and Branford Marsalis. Trumpeter Wynton was winning Grammy Awards for his classical and jazz recordings. His brother, saxophonist Branford, was leader of the Tonight Show Band (1992-'95) on "The Tonight Show with Jay Leno.'

Initially, they both surprised the music world with their ability to fluctuate between the genres of classical and jazz.

Artists usually had to "specialize" in what they did. You were either a classical artist or a jazz performer. Classical artists even tended to separate themselves further according to specific composers and styles. The Marsalis brothers, breaking tradition, easily crossed back and forth between styles and opened the door for many other jazz elements into classical and vice-versa.

Branford Marsalis, three-time Grammy Award-winner, has played with jazz ensembles since the 1980s. He began performing with classical ensembles in 2003, making his first appearance with the New York Philharmonic in summer 2010 and has returned to that stage many times.

Branford has become known as the more adventuresome of the two brothers as he experimented Hall, Allentown. with new sounds and dabbled in new compositions. As a composer, Branford was nominated for a 2010 Tony Award for "Best Original Score Written for for "Outstanding Music in a Play," both for the Broadway revival of August Wilson's "Fences."

This interest in new music drew Branford to the sounds and compositions of Brazilian composer Hector Villa-Lobos, one of the most significant musical minds of the pioning the "Fantasia" in emperor, Beethoven ve-20th century in Brazil. 2008 when he toured with hemently erased these Villa-Lobos' music was influenced by Brazilian folk ira, performing music by the work "Sinfonia Eroica rajevo music, as well as classical music, creating a combi- rating the 50th anniver- giare il sovvenire di un yond the Baton" and "Banation of musical styles.

Villa-Lobos'



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Guest artist Branford Marsalis opens the Allentown Symphony Orchestra 2016-'17 classical music season concerts, 7:30 p.m. Oct. 15, and 3 p.m. Oct. 16, Miller Symphony Hall, Allentown.

musicians to incorporate tive-American and Por- become a staple of Branhe was deeply influenced since. by the classical compos-1 (1916), which was given the subtitle "A Memoria de Mozart." This musical tribute to Mozart is the piece that will open the Allentown Symphony Orchestra 2016-'17 classical music season concerts, 7:30 p.m. Oct. 15 and 3 p.m. Oct. 16, Miller Symphony

> will join the ASO performing the "Fantasia for mous French saxophonist take over the world. The Marcel Mule.

> he never actually per- Bonaparte"), with a Gerformed the piece and it man phrase underneath

the Philarmonia Brasile- words and in 1806 retitled Classical Musicians, Sa-Villa-Lobos, commemosary of the composer's grand Uomo" ("Heroic ton Basics" (both, Oxford music death. The "Fantasia for Symphony, Composed to University Press).

also displays African, Na- Soprano Saxophone" has tuguese influences. And ford's repertoire ever

As a champion of muers Bach, Mozart and sical change and diver-Beethoven. This was ev- sity, Branford Marsalis idenced in his early com- can certainly appreciate position, Sinfonietta No. the pairing of his performance of pieces by Villa-Lobos, with the famous Symphony No 3, "The "Eroica," by Ludwig van Beethoven.

Symphony No. 3 marks dramatic turning point in Beethoven's life, both in his compositional style, but also in the fact that he was beginning to lose his Keeping with the Vilhearing, which for a mula-Lobos theme, Marsalis sician was his most precious asset.

Symphony initially used Although Mule re- an Italian phrase, "Intitoceived a copy of the score, lata Bonaparte" ("Titled was not premiered until the title, "Geschriben auf 1951 in Rio de Janeiro, Bonaparte" ("Written for Bonaparte"). After Na-Branford began cham- poleon declared himself

celebrate the memory of a great man").

We know the piece now simply as "The Eroica." It is a stirring work, bold and innovative musically. It projects optimism, power and strength, characteristics that I am sure Beethoven originally admired in Napoleon.

The first movement begins with two striking chords. This was something never done before at the beginning of a symphony, and still immediately grabs your attention. A funeral march anchors the second movements, contrasted with festive hunting horns in the third movement. The piece finishes with a triumphal finale that starts as a folk melody and becomes faster and faster with a flourish of ferocious string playing. It is Beethoven's music at his best.

Tributes to the past, and adventures into new musical arenas tie all of these pieces together. These same characteristics are exemplified by our featured guest artist Branford Marsalis. He and his family have been classical and jazz trail-blazers for the last few decades. They are rooted in the traditional, but always pushing forward musically, like Beethoven during his own time period.

With a "gracious poise and supple tone," Branford Marsalis will take the stage with the Allentown Symphony Orchestra in a pair of concerts to be remembered. Come explore the music with us in a new way.

"Meet the Artist," with Branford Mar-salis and Diane Witthearing, which for a mu- ry, noon Oct. 14, Miler Symphony Hall, Allentown. Marsalis With Symphony No. 3, will speak about his Soprano Saxophone and written in 1803, we are en- life, his musicianship Orchestra," also by Vil- sconced in a time when the and answer questions the Theatre" and received la-Lobos. This piece was French leader, Napoleon from the audience. a 2010 Drama Desk Award written in 1948 for the fa- Bonaparte, is striving to The event is free for patrons and those attending the Oct. 15 or 16 Allentown Symphony Concert.

> Diane Wittry is Music Director and Conductor of the Allentown Symphony Orchestra, Artistic Director (USA), International Cultural Exchange Program for Philharmonic. ... Composed per festeg- Bosnia, and author, "Be-

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Election-year event: Charles Krauthammer takes a look at the Presidential Election 2016 at 8 p.m. Oct. 6 at the State Theatre Center for the Arts, Easton. Krauthammer has written a syndicated column for The Washington Post for which he won the 1987 Pulitzer Prize for distinguished commentary. He is the author of the New York Times No. 1 Bestseller, "Things That Matter: Three Decades of Passions, Pastimes and Politics," and appears nightly on Fox's evening news program, "Special Report with Bret Baier." Ticket Information: statetheatre.org, 1-800-999-STATE, 610-252-3132



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Cuba Libre: The debut tour in the United States and Canada of The Havana Cuba All Stars makes a stop at 7:30 p.m. Oct. 7 at the State Theatre Center for the Arts, Easton. "The Asere Friendship Tour" celebrates the new open friendship between the United States and Cuba. Hear Cuba's rich musical heritage, from the Rumba to the Cha-Cha-Cha to the Habanera. The exciting band includes rhythmic drums and castanets, wailing trumpets and masterful acoustic guitar. Ticket Information: statetheatre. org, 1-800-999-STATE, 610-252-3132



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Met season: The Met Opera 2016-17 Live On Screen In HD: Wagner's "Tristan und Isolde," is at noon Oct. 8, Miller Symphony Hall, Allentown. "Tristan und Isolde" opens the Met season in a new production by Mariusz Treliński. The cast includes Nina Stemme (Isolde). Stuart Skelton (Tristan), Ekaterina Gubanova (Brangane) and René Pape (King Marke). Sir Simon Rattle conducts. Sung in German. Ticket information: Miller Symphony Hall Box Office, 23 N. Sixth St., Allentown; allentownsymphony.org; 610-432-6715

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A contestant in a billboard-sitting contest in the movie, "Billboard," filmed in the Lehigh Valley.

AND MORE

Zelker's 'Billboard' broadcasts the Valley

BY ASHLEIGH STRANGE side local talent. Special to The Press

Zeke Zelker has been bringing the Lehigh Valley into the spotlight for 20 years with his film cess Diaries," productions. Most of the films he has directed or produced have been linked to his hometown Lehigh Valley area.

For his latest feature film, "The Great WTYT 960 Billboard Sitting Contest," Zelker has brought together feature film actors to star along-

Leo Fitzpatrick ("Elephant," "Lords of Dogtown") and Heather come to the Dollhouse")

board-sitting contest to save the station from the Darlene Cates ("What's clutches of corporate ra- Eating Gilbert Grape") See 'BILLBOARD' on page B2

dio mogul, Eric Roberts and ("The Dark Knight," ("Per "The Expendables").

and David Lind play the portray deejays at the four contestants that hit the jackpot. fictional crumbling ra- brave the elements atop dio station WTYT 960, a Rothrock Motor Sales tors and I respect them helmed by station man- car dealership billboard and the work that they

There are cameos by

("Pete's Dragon").

Zelker was looking Area actors Michael for actors who respected Matarazzo ("The Prin- Fegley, Cristina Lucas the artistic process and cess Diaries," "Wel- Tissot, Kristyn Koczur were equally passionate about his project and he

"They are all fine acager, Casey, played by John Robinson ("Kids," the production. "Bill-board" was filmed in the Casey proposes a bill-Lehigh Valley.

Zelker laughs as he



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LVHM

'Presidency' exhibit to open Oct. 1

The exhibit, American Presidency,"

opens 1 p.m. Oct. 1, Le- pieces and items related tured are Presidential portraits, campaign but-

high Valley Heritage to presidents Abraham Museum, 432 W. Wal- Lincoln, Franklin Delanut St., Allentown. Fea- no Roosevelt and Harry Truman.

On opening day, commemorative there's a program and one-day display of two authentic documents authentic written in George Washington's hand on loan from the National Park Service.

> Information: lehighvalleyheritagemuseum. org, 610-435-1074

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work. I can see his character so clearly that I just started calling him "Billboard" is inspired by a real-life billboard-sitting contest sponsored by a radio sta-

> hall Township. The plot of "Billportrayed board" through what is dubbed "transmedia," whereby a story is told across

> tion and held in 1982-'83

along Route 22 in White-

'BILLBOARD'

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accidentally calls Rob-

inson by his character's

name. "That's how com-

mitted they are to this

multiple media platforms. In addition to the feature film, there has been a stage production, a web series and a social media presence.

Zelker's team even created a radio station website, wtyt960.com, to promote audience interaction. Bands from all over the world submitted music, some of which will heard in the web series and movie.

Zelker and his team also created a mobile app whereby the audience can interact with the characters via social

Zelker, a Forks Township resident and Emmaus High School graduate, is one of the pioneers of this form of storytelling, having produced the transmedia project, "Pandemic," which was shown at Sundance Film Festival.

The aim is to turn passive amusement into engaging entertainment. Creating a space for the audience to get involved is paramount to the story of "Billboard." Community involvement is one of the mainstays of local radio stations. Zelker has chosen to focus "Billboard" on that unique quality. "I still believe in radio and I still believe in the power of community," says Zelker.



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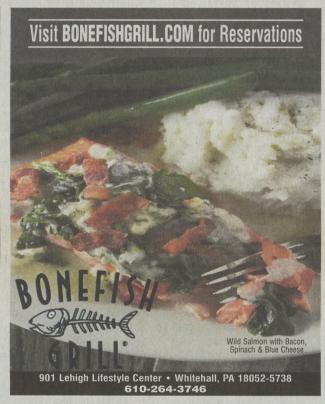






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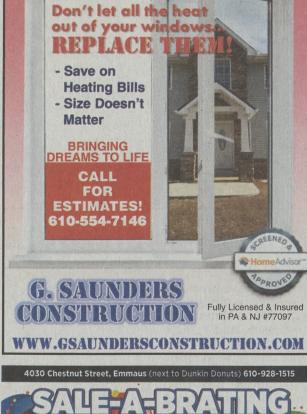
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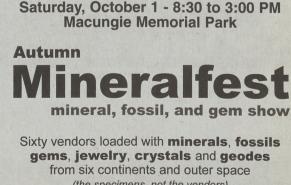
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'Seven' rides again, magnificently

Movie theater multiplex dumpsters are filled with lobby displays for remakes that bombed at the box office.

Summer 2016's most notable remake bomb is "Ben-Hur," which, with a budget of \$100 million, not including its advertising budget (typically half of a film's budget), has grossed an estimated \$26 million in the United States. "Ben-Hur" 2016 couldn't match the 1959 classic starring Charlton Heston.

Many examples of box-office poison remakes can be cited. Still, remakes are a Hollywood tradition, going back to the advent of synchronous sound motion pictures that remade silent films.

You need look no fur-ther than 2016's "The Magnificent Seven" remake of director John a Bible-verse spouting Sturges' 1960 western movie classic starring Yul Brynner and Steve McQueen. Happily, "The Magnificent Seven" remake by director Antoine Fuqua, reteaming here with Denzel Washington Equallizer," 2014) and Washington and Ethan Hawke ("Training Day," 2001) stands alone.

Washington is ostensibly playing the Brynner part as leader of the seven southwest hired guns, but that's about where the similarity ends in the screenplay by Richard Wenk ("The Equalizer," "The Me-chanic," 2011) and Nic Pizzolatto (TV's "True Detective," 2014-15, and a novelist) based on the screenplay by Akira Kurosawa, Shinobu Hashimoto and Hideo Oguni for director Kurosawa's 1954 "Seven Samurai" ("Shichinin no samurai"), which inspired the 1960 "Magnificent Seven.'

of seven gunslingers protecting villagers terrorized by bandits, a widow (an impressive The 2016 version rides

MOVIE REVIEW By Paul Willistein



Haley Bennett) summons seven savvy tough guys, each with a particular "killer" talent (including Chris Pratt, D'Onofrio, Vincent Byung-hun Lee, Manuel Garcia-Rulfo, Martin Sensmeier) to protect a circa 1879 town from a ruthless mining operator (Peter Sarsgaard), appropriating land at the end of a gun.

Several of the performances are memorable: Washington's quiet presence under a huge black cowboy hat, Pratt's snide cardshark, Sarsgaard's cruel-eyed capitalist, and mountain man played by D'Onofrio, who could garner a supporting actor Oscar nomination.

The screenplay moves inexorably toward a huge, cleverly staged and lengthy conflagration that rivals those in director Sam Peckinpah's "The Wild

Bunch" (1969). The new "Seven" is visually atmospheric: impressive vistas, se-pia-saturated color, extensive use of sun flare, and upward-view camera angle framing on some of the lead actors by Director of Photography Mauro Fiore (Oscar, cinematography, "Avatar," 2010).

There's lot of violence. The body count is in the dozens. While there is a modicum of blood in the depictions of shootings, knife stabbings and arrow piercings, it is convincing and wince-inducing.

While "The Magnificent Seven" achieves In the 2016 "Magnif- a true emotional resoicent Seven," instead nance, it won't make you forget the 1960 original inal nor the 1954 Kurosawa film. Nor should it.

on its own merits.

"The Magnificent six weeks. Seven," MPAA Rated PG-13 (Parents Strongly 13.) for extended and intense sequences of Western violence, and for historical smoking, some language and suggestive material; Genre: Western; Run time: 2 hrs., 12 mins.; Distributed by Columbia Pictures.

Credit Readers credits when images of offshore drilling rig the Number 7 (similar to Deepwater Horizon, the film's score was writhistory. ten by James Horner. and themes for the 2016 rects a plane crash in 2015. Horner. Horner's collab- a night guard at an arscore with additional terminds a bank heist. music by Simon Rhodes.

Box Office, Sept. 23: "The Magnificent Seven" rode to the top, opening at No. 1 with \$35 ing "Storks" circling at one week, and detouring "Sully" to No. 3, after two weeks straight at No. 1, with \$13.8 million, \$92.3 million, three

weeks;
4. "Bridget Jones's
11. \$16.4 Baby," \$4.5 million, \$16.4 million, two weeks; 5. 'Snowden," \$4.1 million, \$15.1 million, two weeks; 6. "Blair Witch," \$3.9 million, \$16.1 million; 7. "Don't Breathe," \$3.8 million, \$81.1 million, nier, sues her for libel five weeks; 8. "Suicide Squad," \$3.1 million, system. \$318.1 million, eight weeks; 9. "When the Bough Breaks," \$2.5 million, \$26.6 million, three weeks; 10. "Kubo and the Two Strings." \$1.1

million, \$45.9 million,

Unreel, Sept. 30: "Miss Peregrine's Cautioned. Some Material May Be Inappropri-Children," PG-13: Tim ate For Children Under Burton ("Beetlejuice," "Edward Scissorhands,"
"The Nightmare Before Christmas") directs Eva Green, Asa Butterfield, Samuel L. Jackson and Judi Dench in the fantasy film about a home

where the residents

have special powers.

"Deepwater Hori-Anonymous: A ver- zon," PG-13: Peter Berg sion of the iconic Elmer directs Dylan O'Brien, Bernstein theme for the Mark Wahlberg, Kate 1960 "The Magnificent Hudson and Kurt Rus-Seven" is orchestrated sell in the drama based at the top of the closing on the true story of the the original film's poster which exploded in April and logo) are shown for 2010 in the Gulf of Mexthe 2016 "The Magnifi- ico, creating the worst cent Seven," for which oil spill in United States'

"Masterminds," He completed portions PG-13: Jared Hess di-Kristen Wiig, movie before he died in Kate McKinnon, Jason Sudeikis and Owen Wil-The film is dedicated to son in the comedy about orator Simon Franglen mored car company in is also credited for the the southern who masthe southern who mas-

"American ey," R: Andrea Arnold directs Sasha Lane, Shia LaBeouf, Riley Keough and McCaul Lombarmillion, one week, keep- di in the drama about a teen girl who joins a No. 2, with \$21.8 million, traveling magazine sales crew and gets caught up in bad behavior.

"Denial," PG-13: Mick Jackson directs Rachel Weisz, Andrew Scott, Timothy Spall and Tom Wilkinson in the drama based on the true story about writer and historian Deborah E. Lipstadt who must prove the Holocaust actually occurred when David Irving, a renowned de-



Living a satisfactory single life

Can you live happily as a single person?

My answer to that is, WARMEST of course you can. With the right attitude, you can find happiness in every stage of life.

Granted, you may like some stages better than spouses. others, but you certainly can find satisfaction and happiness in every stage and every phase of life.

belief system, I gladly agreed to write a story on a class centered on how to live happily as a single the therapist said, is only person. Even though I am no longer single, I knew the story would interest

When I walked into the classroom number.

know how you can live have to make it happen." happily as a single person? I can tell you in two words," said the office harder when we're older,

"You can't!"

that after her husband act with people. died, she worked hard to make a new life for her-

ing a singles group "but contact and trying new no one looked at me." When she joined a la- were some of her suggesdies group, it quickly fell tions. apart, she said.

needed to go to the class, instead of just giving me ority. Create a map about directions.

I thought I would find people with a much more positive attitude taking the class and I was right.

The instructor, a psychotherapist with years of experience, immediately made people feel good about themselves. "By coming here today you are taking a positive step to improve your life," she said.

a relationship therapist, she said she finds people come to her because they activities. want a better life. She tells them the same thing she told the class: "If you want things to change. you have to be the one to make things change.'

I think that motto should be ingrained in everyone's thinking pro-

Later in the class, when she listened to a bit of the backgrounds of attendees, she found most of the class was there because they had lost spouses and were lonely.

"Living alone and being alone aren't the same thing," the life coach emphasized,

"A single person can and plenty of single people are happy with their lives.'

I was glad she said that because I have some single friends who love life as a single person. friends and meaningful activities they enjoy. In fact, one woman just rejected a marriage proposperfect for her.

gle," she insisted.

in the class. They were of life. struggling to make a new

By Pattie Mihalik



The only man in the class said he never found his footing after he was divorced years ago. He With that as my strong came to class because he wants to stop being lonely, he said.

Wanting to change, part of it. "What you need is a plan of action.'

She spent an hour giva large percentage of our ing suggestions for that action.

"As human beings, center where the class we're wired to need huwas being held, I stopped man contact. But you in the office to ask the can't sit back and wait for someone to say they want "Oh, do you want to to be your friend. You

While acknowledging that making friends is she emphasized the need to put yourself in a posi-She went on to tell me tion where you can inter-

Joining a friendly church, getting involved in volunteer work where She said she tried join- you have a lot of people activities and hobbies

"If you have a strong I thought that the clerk need for connection with others, make it your priwhat you are going to do differently to make it happen," she urged.

By the end of the class, all attendees had done exactly that, vowing to take her suggestions on how to meet others.

With the proliferation of meet-up groups in the area, the therapist said it's easier now to get to know others. If you're not In her many years as Google "meetups" and you'll find groups that meet for a wide variety of

> If you can't find the kind of group you are interested in, start one of your own, she advised. One recent widow did

exactly that when she realized she needed friends. She passed out flyers in her neighborhood for her ladies lunch bunch. Four came to the first luncheon and the group has grown to 18 women.

"When you get a group, make a pact to be there for each other," she suggested. "If you're lonely, re-

alize there are a lot of lonely people out there who are also looking for lead a happy, active life a friend, just as there are others looking for a lasting relationship," the life coach said.

Based on her own experiences and what she hears from her clients, the therapist said she Their lives are filled with knows on-line dating works. But she did advise "stay cautious" because it's easy to be scammed.

She told the class the al from a guy we think is most important asset to have is a positive at-"I know myself and I titude. That brings me know I am happier sin- back to my own conclusion that with the right That wasn't the case attitude, you can find with the men and women happiness in every stage What your

Gynecomastia defined, explained

Q. My breasts have become large and I'm embarrassed. What HEALTHY can I do?

This question came from a man in his 60s. Breast enlargement in males is common. So is the embarrassment. ural hormonal changes About 30 percent of older men have this condition, which can be caused by hormonal changes or simple weight gain. It can occur in one or both breasts.

When the usual balance of the female hormone estrogen and the male hormone testosterone in a man shifts, he can get "gynecomastia," which is derived from two Greek words that mean "woman" and "breast."

male traits including are used to treat prostate forefinger and places the growth of breasts. Testosterone dictates male traits such as muscle mass and body hair.

Males normally produce small quantities of estrogen to regulate bone density, sperm production and mood. Nat-





that lead to gynecomasage but also during in-

fancy and adolescence. Gynecomastia can be caused by a health problem such as liver, kidney mastia." This occurs or thyroid diseases. This condition can also result lot of chest fat that enfrom drinking alcohol larges his breasts. You or taking drugs such as can tell the difference steroids, marijuana, am- between false gyne-

tions that can cause breasts. gynecomastia. These Estrogen controls fe- such as finasteride that al spreads a thumb and

as digitalis and calcium this tissue can be moved channel-blockers.

additional Some ness, swelling and nipple discharge.

If you have enlarged breasts, see your doctor for a check-up. Enlarged tia occur not only in old breasts can be a symptom of breast cancer or a testicular tumor.

There is a condition when a male just has a phetamines and heroin. comastia and the real There are medica- thing by examining the

In the examination, include: anti-androgens a healthcare professioncancer; AIDS medica- them (opposing each tions such as efavirenz other) on the circumor didanosine; anti-anx- ference of the breast. iety medications such The fingers are then as Valium; tricyclic an- squeezed gently toward tidepressants; antibiot- the nipple. Gynecomasics; ulcer medications tia is diagnosed if there such as cimetidine; che- is enlarged glandular motherapy drugs, and tissue that feels like a heart medications such rubbery disk. Often,

around. Gynecomastia usual-

symptoms of gyneco- ly will go away without mastia include tender- treatment. This condition is often treated with drugs. Sometimes, enlarged breasts are reduced surgically. Medications used to

treat breast cancer and other conditions may be helpful for some men gynecomastia. These drugs include anti-estrogen medications such as raloxifene and tamoxifen.

Two types of surgery are used to treat gynecomastia: liposuction and mastectomy. Liposuction removes breast fat, but not the breast gland tissue. Mastectomy removes the breast gland tissue.

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Persons with disabilities

employment panel

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Flea market finds at Holy Trinity Lutheran



PRESS PHOTOS BY AL RECKER

Mary Rock, of Germansville, finds some plush toys for her daughter at a flea market, held recently at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, Northampton.



Michelle Wesolowski, of East Allen Township, checks out the Christmas

items for sale at the event.

Allaik matters at Civic 514

BY NELSON QUIÑONES Special to The Press

ater Gallery 514 and what film screenings in Civic and spaces stands out is artist Khalil Theatre514. Allaik's impressively large canvas (18 ft. x 48 stretcher suspended from the ceiling by a wiring system. "Sedona Vortex" transcends the canvas. Allaik shaped the canvas to give it the illusion of three dimensions.

Way, It you take several stretcher suspended from the steps back, to metallic hues of blues and greens artist's statement: "My work is the dialogue between these two limitless universes, one within and one beyond. It is the dialogue between Matter

laik," continues through Sept. 30. The gallery is Walk into Civic The- open 30 minutes before

way, if you take several movement. in.) without a wooden stretcher suspended from steps back, to metallic

three dimensions.

The exhibition, "The Artwork of Khalil Al
"The Sacred Gate" (78 dialogue between Matter mixed media work. Gaps

The dialogue between The dialogue between Matter mixed media work. Gaps

resemble amoebas. Circles and The color palette of waves within the piece brown earth tones gives give the appearance of

The dialogue between 8943

void and matter in Allaik's art pieces continues with 10 drypoint etchings in black and gray on paper. The etchings serve as models for the sculp-

Allaik comes full circle with the steel sculptures representative of his theme of matter and void with shapes and open spaces in the sculp-ture. Some of the sculpture show grooves from grinder blades, reminiscent of 19th century artists who showed paint strokes on the canvas.

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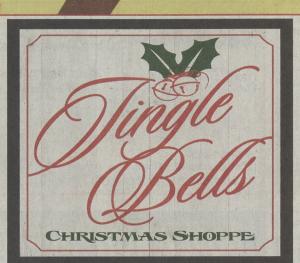


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Mark Wellington and Tanya DeLucas

Mauer-Bailey Couple plans 2017 wedding

Chris and Steph Maurer, of Emmaus, announce the engagement of their daughter, Erin, to Mike Bailey, son of Tom and Wendy Bailey, of Macungie.

The couple are 2011 graduates of Emmaus High School.

Erin is a 2015 honors graduate of the University of Vermont with a Bachelor of Science degree in exercise and movement science. She is an exercise specialist at St. Luke's Sports and Rehabilitation, Jim Thorpe.

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Mike Bailey and Steph Maurer

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See solution on page B10

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PREMIER Crossword

PET NAMES

- 21 24-hour time
- have had your first
- kiss with 39 Pallid
- 41 Beige shade

- William
- aficionado
- 69 Bad pun
- 76 Hit the roof
- 80 board (séance tool)
- 88 What the Promised Land
- 95 Fail, as a business 96 Partner of hither
- 102 Observing one's curfew,
- 108 Brown and simmer
- 111 With 65-Down
- car tank topper 114 Suffix with fact

- Alexander
- procedures 13 Lemon drink

- as the Bard
- 28 Tennis divider
- 29 Poem form

- 42 Otherwise called,
- 44 Dodged, as a duty 47 "Li'l" Al Capp

- 66 Novelist Joyce Carol -
- 79 Gucci rival
- 86 Formal promise87 1976-81 skit series
- idiomatically
- 109 Italy's cont.

- ACROSS
 1 "Seinfield" actor

- 6 Per normal
- 20 Actress Dillon
- 26 Stew morsel
- That ship

- 55 Pulitzer-winning 56 Guevara in "Evita"
- Had -59 Wii or Xbox
- 72 Words on a help-desk sign 73 Neonate
- 81 Words after guilty or ugly 83 First lady?
- is said to flow with 92 Double nature 94 Singer Griffith
- 97 Old name of Tokyo 99 DeLuise and DiMaggio 101 Discontinue
- 110 Beseech

23

27

- 16 "The Big Bang Theory" airer 19 Surfing site
- 22 Pilot's fig.23 1998 film with Joseph Fiennes
- 30 1987 Dustin Hoffman 32 Whom you might
- briefly 43 Magnate Onassis
- character 49 Gerbils, e.g.53 Friend of Peter Pan
- Work unit 58 Lyle Lovett's "If I
- 61 It's ere noon 62 Spock player Leonard 64 "Isn't that adorable!"
- - Hunting (for) Acorn maker 5 Oklahoma-to-Iowa dir. 6 Jazzed (up) Rage silently

126

Suffix with form 9 Title for Churchill 10 Parisian "a' 11 "Ta-ta!"

125 Big blood line

126 Albeit, briefly 127 Bread variety

128 Backs out

129 Stroll along

1 Joke around

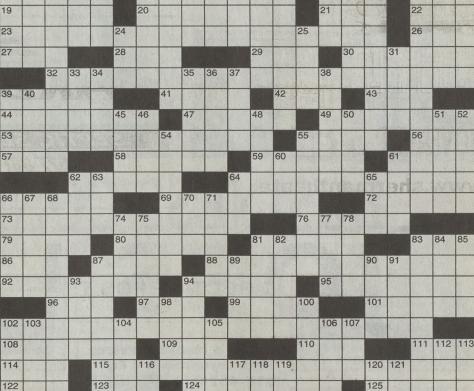
Sore feeling

13 Big whoop 14 Boat hoist 15 Visor 16 18th-century British exporer 17 Make dim, as with tears

24 Hit skit show, in brief

77 Boxing place 25 Onion cousin © 2016 by King Features Syndicate

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128 31 See 113-Down

36 Asteroid path

- 115 1983's Best Picture (and 33 Buffalo group this puzzle's theme)
- 122 China's Chou En-34 Dark black 123 Academic email ender 35 City SSW of Jacksonville 124 Become flat

127

- 37 Comic Nora 38 Moola maker 39 "... — forgive those who ..." 40 "Fer —!" ("Def!")
- 46 Actress Olivia 48 Instigate 50 Grimm brute 51 Play lazily, as a guitar

45 Mild yellow cheese

54 Rainbow mnemonic55 Old-style emblem with a motto 60 Wonderment 61 Hazy stuff

52 Smell, e.g.

63 Alternative to "equi-" 12 Big battle on the ground 64 Baler input 65 See 111-Across 66 Like many Netflix flicks

62 Neighbor of S. Dak.

- Alphabet sequence 68 Walkie-talkie, e.g.70 Old British rule in India
 - U.S. leader #44 74 Birds of myth 75 Mulling spice
- 89 -- Chinese 90 Fictional Finn "That's - hadn't heard" 93 TV's Anderson 94 Abstaining individual

129

78 Cancel out

metals 82 Be too frugal

83 Puts in peril

87 Darkly evil

84 Signs flashed

by Churchill

85 Brontë heroine Jane

81 Big name in lightweight

100 Overcome 102 Bit of hardware with a crosspiece - Heep 103 -(Dickens villain)

98 "Carpe —

- 104 Strapped 105 Hidden treasure 106 Runs across 107 Links letters
- 112 Hand's cost 113 With 31-Down, "Don't go anywhere" 116 Deplore
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- 121 Cattle call See solution on page B10

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PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE is hereby given that the Whitehall Township Board of Commissioners will hold a first reading/public hearing on October 10, 2016, and will hold a second reading/public hearing and will consider for adoption on October 24, 2016, the following proposed amendment to the Whitehall Township Zoning Ordinance. Both hearings will be held at 7:00 pm in the public meeting room of the Whitehall Township Municipal Building, 3219 MacArthur Road, Whitehall, PA 18502.

BEFORE THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WHITEHALL

ORDINANCE NO. _

BILL NO. 17-2016 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE WHITEHALL TOWNSHIP CODIFIED ORDINANCES, CHAPTER 27, ZONING, BY AMENDING THE GENERAL REGULATIONS TO PERMIT 'ADAPTIVE RE-USE' FOR AFFORDABLE HOUSING AND MULTI-FAMILY HOUSING AS A PERMITTED USE IN ALL RESIDENTIAL (R-1, R-2, R-3, R-3A, R-4, R-5, R-5A, AND R-6) ZONING DISTRICTS. (Legal & Legislative)

WHEREAS, Whitehall Township has enacted an official Zoning Ordinance and corresponding Zoning Map to regulate the type, size and location of structures and uses, and

WHEREAS, the Township now wishes to amend this Ordinance with respect to existing structures in all residential zoning districts, to add regulations allowing 'adaptive re-use' of these structures in specific situations;

WHEREAS, the Township recognizes the need to provide for all types of housing and especially for affordable housing within the municipality; and

WHEREAS, the Township desires to provide for adaptive re-use for affordable housing and multi-family housing NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED that the

Whitehall Township Zoning Ordinance, Chapter 27 of the Whitehall Township Codified Ordinances shall be amended to include the following

§27-199.1 Adaptive Re-Use for Affordable Housing and

Multi-Family Housing.

A. Adaptive Re-Use for Affordable Housing and Multi-Family Housing shall be permitted by right in all residential zoning districts. Adaptive re-use is the process of reusing an old site or building for a purpose other than which it was built or designed for. It is the conversion of a principal building that was originally constructed and used for principal commercial, institutional, or industrial uses which may or may not be considered or designated as blighted pursuant to the Whitehall Township blight certification provisions, into dwelling units. Adaptive re-use is NOT the razing and redeveloping of an entire structure; however, it may include selective demolition of up to 50% of the existing structure and reconstruction of these demolished areas and minor additions, said additions keeping in nature and character with original structure. Adaptive re-use shall be limited to a principal building over 5,000 square feet in size - the original structure having existed for a period of fifty years prior to the adoption of this Ordinance, or predating the enactment of the original Whitehall Township Zoning Ordinance and Map; and has been vacant, partially vacant or underutilized, in that at least 50% of the structure has remained vacant for a minimum period of three consecutive years.

Affordable Housing shall be defined as housing that is targeted to households earning at or below 60% Area Median Income (AMI) for Lehigh County, and with rent and income limits established through a regulatory agreement with a duration of at least 15 years, which is recorded in the Lehigh County Recorder of Deed's office. Rent and income restrictions for households at 60% AMI shall be defined according to the guidelines of the Federal Low Income Housing Tax Credit Program, as may be amended. A copy of the Regulatory Agreement containing such restrictions shall be submitted to the Township at the time of application. In the event that the Regulatory Agreement is not recorded until construction is complete, a copy of the recorded document shall be submitted to the Township within 90 days of issuance of the Certificate of Occupancy.

C. Multi-Family Housing shall be defined as a group of dwelling

units in one (1) or more buildings that are located on one (1) lot containing separate living quarters that is designed for occupancy by more than one (1) family living independently of each other, and containing two (2) or more dwelling units, with or without independent outside access. Multi-Family Housing includes, but is not limited to, townhouses, condominiums and apartments.

Exterior changes to the building shall be compatible with the current design of the building and neighborhood. Applicant shall be required to present artist and/or architectural renderings of the proposed exterior changes to the structure for review by the Township.

The maximum density shall be limited by the existing square footage of the structures and any allowable additional square footage proposed and permitted under 27-199.1, provided that all units meet the following minimum square footages

Unit Type Single Level units Multi-level Units

1-Bedroom 2-Bedroom 850 700 3-Bedroom 4-Bedroom 1100 1200 5-Bedroom 1300 1400

And provided that all applicable building codes and standards are met with respect to occupancy and sleeping areas.

F. Residential parking. The following parking is permitted in an

Adaptive Re-Use for Affordable Housing and Multi-Family Housing: 1. Parking stall width may be reduced to 9'x18' in size for on-site parking.

Parking area setbacks from on-site buildings and from surrounding streets may be reduced, and screening requirements may be reduced if providing screening is impracticable due to site configuration and existing nonconformities

Parking requirements shall be 1.2 parking spaces per unit for Affordable Housing and 2.0 parking spaces per unit for Multi-Family Housing and each unit shall be assigned a

designated parking space.
The Property Owner shall use all commercially reasonable efforts to remove snow from on-site parking spaces within 48 hours of a snow storm.

An increase in lot coverage and impervious surfaces may be

permitted of up to 10% of what is existing at time of application on site - up to a maximum total of 80% impervious surface. Existing uses exceeding this amount will be permitted to remain but shall not increase beyond what

H. The application for Adaptive Re-use for Affordable Housing and Multi-Family Housing shall include a site plan prepared by a registered design professional indicating the lot area, parking proposed, the division of the structure, if proposed, and surrounding uses; and an elevation drawing.

The adaptive re-use of the building must comply with current building codes and must be reviewed by the Fire Code Official and Township Engineer for compliance and compatibility.

J. Structure setbacks will be permitted as they currently exist.

Any rebuilt areas shall be rebuilt in same location or in keeping with existing setbacks of existing structure, or in a manner that reduces existing

Building and/or structure height and other existing nonconformities will be permitted as they currently exist. Any proposed additions shall not exceed the maximum height of existing remaining buildings.

L. The Property Owner shall ensure that the leases contain a provision prohibiting an impact based home occupation.

2. The Ordinance shall be further amended as follows:

§27-70 - A shall be amended to add the following subsection:

Adaptive Re-Use for Affordable Housing and Multi-Family Housing.

- A shall be amended to add the following subsection:

(13)Adaptive Re-Use for Affordable Housing and Multi-Family Housing.

§27-72 - A shall be amended to add the following subsection: Adaptive Re-Use for Affordable Housing and Multi-

Family Housing. §27-73 - A shall be amended to add the following

subsection: Adaptive Re-Use for Affordable Housing and Multi-

Family Housing.

- A shall be amended to add the following

subsection: Adaptive Re-Use for Affordable Housing and Multi-Family Housing.

§27-75 - A shall be amended to add the following subsection: Adaptive Re-Use for Affordable Housing and Multi-

§27-76 - A shall be amended to add the following

subsection: Adaptive Re-Use for Affordable Housing and Multi-Family Housing.

§27-77 - A shall be amended to add the following subsection:

Adaptive Re-Use for Affordable Housing and Multi-Family Housing.

All other provisions of the hereinabove noted sections shall remain

ORDAINED AND ENACTED this _ day of

2016, at a regular public meeting and shall become effective in two (2)

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS TOWNSHIP OF WHITEHALL Phillips M. Armstrong, President

ATTEST:

Thomas Slonaker, Secretary

AND NOW, TO WIT, this __ , 2016, the day of above is approved

Edward D. Hozza, Jr., Mayor

The proposed Ordinance amendment has been revised since the June 13, 2016, public hearing before the Commissioners to add Multi-Family Housing as a permitted use for adaptive re-use of existing structures and to change the parking requirements to 1.2 parking spaces per unit for Affordable Housing and 2.0 parking spaces per unit for Multi-

Family Housing.

Copies of the complete text of the proposed Ordinance may also be viewed at the Municipal Building during normal business hours of 8:00 am to 4:30 pm. Special accommodations may be made if necessary by first calling in advance 610-437-5524.

Prepared by Charles Fonzone, Esq., solicitor for Whitehall Township.

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Whitehall Township Board of Commissioners will hold a regular Public Meeting on Monday, October 10th, at 7:00 p.m., in the Public Meeting Room of the Whitehall Township Municipal Building, 3219 MacArthur Road, Whitehall, PA, to discuss and take action on the following legisla-

BILL NO. 17-2016 (First Reading)

TITLE: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE WHITEHALL TOWNSHIP CODIFIED ORDINANCES, CHAPTER 27, ZONING, BY AMENDING THE GENERAL REGULATIONS TO PERMIT ADAPTIVE RE-USE' FOR AFFORDABLE AND MULTI-FAMILY HOUSING AS A PERMITTED USE IN ALL RESIDENTIAL (R-1, R-2, R-3, R-3A, R-4, R-5, R-5A, AND R-6) ZONING DISTRICT - Charles J.

BILL NO. 22-2016

TITLE: AN ORDINANCE DEFERRING THE REQUIRED INSTALLATION OF SIDEWALKS ALONG THE MACARTHUR ROAD FRONTAGE OF 2845 MACARTHUR ROAD, AS REQUIRED IN CHAPTER 21, SECTON 407 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF WHITEHALL TOWNSHIP - Charles J. Fonzone, Solicitor

BILL NO. 23-2016

TITLE: AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF A PRO-POSAL FOR THE PURCHASE OF IN CAR CAMERA SYSTEM FOR FIFTEEN (15) POLICE VEHICLES IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 3.20 IN THE HOME RULE CHARTER WHICH REQUIRES AUTHORIZATION OF ACQUISITIONS IN EXCESS OF \$25,000 BY ORDINANCE - Charles J. Fonzone, Solicitor

BILL NO. 24-2016 TITLE: AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF A PRO-POSAL FOR THE PURCHASE AND INSTALLATION OF NEW FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT SOFTWARE, FOR THE WHITEHALL TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL BUILDING, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 3.20 IN THE HOME RULE CHARTER WHICH REQUIRES AUTHORIZATION OF ACQUISITIONS IN EXCESS OF \$25,000 BY ORDINANCE - Charles J. Fonzone, Solicitor

Copies of the full text of the proposed legislative items may be examined by any citizen in the Administration office of the Township of Whitehall, PA, on any business day between 8:00 am and 4:00 p.m. The Whitehall Township Municipal Building is accessible to the physically handicapped. Assistance for the visually and/or hearing impaired is available upon

request at least five (5) working days prior to this meeting. /s/Thomas Slonaker___ FOR THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
TOWNSHIP OF WHITEHALL

Sept. 28

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PUBLIC NOTICE

ESTATE OF ELAINE L. NIEDERMEYER Decedent, late of South Whitehall Township, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania, Letters Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who requests that all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent make known the same, and all persons indebted to said Decedent are requested to make payment in full, without delay, to: Executrix: Lisa A. Sturgis c/o Jon A. Swartz, Esquire

Attorney: Jon A. Swartz, Esquire 7736 Main Street, Fogelsville, PA 18051 Sept. 28, Oct. 5, 12

7736 Main Street, Fogelsville, PA 18051

PUBLIC NOTICE Estate of EDGAR W. KERN, late of Allentown, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania.

Letters Testamentary have been granted to the person(s) named below, who request(s) all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to: PATRICE KERN-GROSS

also known as PATRICE SUSAN KERN-GROSS c/o James R. Wishchuk, JD

Allentown, PA 18104-1360

2310 Walbert Avenue, Suite 103 Allentown, PA 18104-1360 or to her Attorney: James R. Wishchuk, JD 2310 Walbert Ave., Suite 103

Sept. 14, 21, 28

PUBLIC NOTICE Estate of MARY JANE NADIG, late of Allentown, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania.

Letters Testamentary have been granted to

the person(s) named below, who request(s) all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to **CRAIG T. NADIG** Executor:

also known as **CRAIG NADIG**

Allentown, PA 18104-1360

c/o James R. Wishchuk, JD 2310 Walbert Avenue, Suite 103 Allentown, PA 18104-1360 or to her Attorney: James R. Wishchuk, JD 2310 Walbert Ave., Suite 103

Sept. 21, 28, Oct. 5

PUBLIC NOTICE **COND 2016-17A** The Board of Supervisors of East Allen

Township will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, October 12, 2016, at 7:30 PM at the Township Building, 5344 Nor-Bath Blvd., Northampton, PA 18067 to consider the following ap-

The appellants, Vertek Construction Management, requests a conditional use approval to allow for warehousing to be constructed on the subject property. The property is located at 7378 Airport Rd.

in East Allen Township, Bath, PA 18014, Tax Parcel # L5-7-2, located in the Planned Commercial (PC-1) Zoning District. Any interested party is welcome to attend

and will have an opportunity to be heard. Shawn Leidy East Allen Township

Zoning/Code Enforcement Officer Sept. 21, 28

PUBLIC NOTICE
Estate of Doris E. Scheurle, Deceased. Late of Salisbury Twp., Lehigh County, PA. Letters Testamentary on the above Estate have been granted to the undersigned, who request all persons having claims or demands against the estate of the decedent to make known the same and all persons indebted to the decedent to make payment without delay to Robert E. Scheurle, Executor, c/o Amy H. Besser, Esq., 1701 Walnut St., 6th Fl., Phila., PA 9103. Or to his Atty.: Amy H. Besser, Klenk Law, 1701 Walnut St., 6th Fl., Phila., PA 19103. Sept. 28, Oct. 5, 12

PUBLIC NOTICE
ESTATE of WALTER A. ERNEY, late of the City of Bethlehem, County of Northampton and Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Letters Testamentary on the above named estate have been granted to the undersigned. All persons indebted to the said estate are requested to make immediate payment, and those having claims or demands to present the same without delay to:

STEVEN KRESGE, Executor

c/o WILLIAM P. LEESON, ESQUIRE 70 East Broad Street P.O. Box 1426 Bethlehem, PA 18016-1426 Sept. 14, 21, 28

PUBLIC NOTICE Estate of RONALD F. SICHER, late of Whitehall Township, Lehigh County, Pennsyl-

Letters Testamentary have been granted to the person(s) named below, who request(s) all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to:

Executor: JEFFREY SICHER also known as JEFFREY LEE SICHER also known as JEFFREY L. SICHER c/o James R. Wishchuk, JD 2310 Walbert Avenue, Suite 103 Allentown, PA 18104-1360 or to his Attorney: James R. Wishchuk, JD

2310 Walbert Ave., Suite 103 Allentown, PA 18104-1360 Sept. 14, 21, 28 **PUBLIC NOTICE**

Notice of Public Hearing Notice is hereby given that the Heidelberg Township Zoning Hearing Board will conduct a Public Hearing at the Heidelberg Township Municipal Building, 6272 Route 309, New Tripoli, on October 17, 2016 at 7:30 p.m. to hear the follow-

APPEAL #256, CASE #16-3

The appeal of Northwestern Lehigh School District, Dr. Mary Anne Wright, Superintendent, of the Heidelberg Township Zoning Ordinance to allow a variance under Section 27-504 of the 10% maximum lot coverage which may be increased to 20% if a groundwater recharge system is used to mitigate the impervious coverage over 10% and any other relief deemed necessary. The current impervious coverage which was granted by a previous variance is 34.84%. The requested lot coverage is 35.09%. The property location is 6493 Route 309, New Tripoli, PA 18066, and it is in the Agricultural Preservation

Christopher Noll Zoning Officer Sept. 28, Oct. 5

PUBLIC NOTICE

LOWHILL TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVI-SORS WILL BE HOLDING A BUDGET WORK-SHOP ON THURSDAY OCTOBER 6, 2016 AT 5:30 PM AT THE MUNICIPAL BUILDING, 7000 HERBER ROAD, NEW TRIPOLI, PA 18066. Jill Seymour, Municipal Secretary

PUBLIC NOTICE ESTATE of JOEL T. KATZMAN, deceased, late of South Whitehall Township, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Letters Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who requests all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent make payments without delay to Seth S. Executor, c/o: Law Offices of Alan

Penn, P.O. Box 121, Orefield, PA 18069 LAW OFFICES OF ALAN PENN P.O. BOX 121 OREFIELD, PA 18069 Sept. 14, 21, 28

PUBLIC NOTICE ESTATE OF EVA W. SHEESLEY, deceased. late of Upper Macungie Township, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Letters Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who requests all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make known the same and all persons indebted to the Decedent

to make payments without delay to:
Margaret A. Powell and
Robert A. Sheesley, Jr., Executors c/o Wiener and Wiener LLP Suite 400 512 Hamilton Street Allentown, PA 18101 OR to their attorney Wiener and Wiener LLP 512 Hamilton Street Allentown, PA 18101 Sept. 28, Oct. 5, 12

PUBLIC NOTICE NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF HANOVER TOWNSHIP, NORTHAMPTON PENNSYLVANIA, WILL HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING ON TUESDAY OCTOBER 11, 2016 AT 7:00 P.M. PREVAILING TIME AT THE TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL BUILDING, 3630 JACKSONVILLE ROAD, BETHLEHEM, PENN-SYLVANIA, 18017, FOR THE PURPOSE OF HEARING THE APPEAL, ARUN BHALLA AND SUMAN BAHALLA WHO IS SEEKING A CON-DITIONAL USE PERMIT PURSUANT TO SEC-TION 185-22.1 (3)(b) THE APPELLANT IS SEEKING RELIEF TO INSTALL ROOF TOP SOLAR PANELS ON THE PREMISES FACING A ROAD WHICH IS PERMITTED AS A CONDI-TIONAL USE WITH APPROVAL BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AND REGULA-TIONS SPECIFIC TO ALL ZONING DISTRICT. THE PROPERTY IS LOCATED AT 2086 QUAIL CREEK RD, BETHLEHEM, PENNSYLVANIA, 18017 AND CONTAINS APPROXIMATELY .4419 ACRES OR APPROXIMATELY 19,249 SQUARE FEET ALL INTERESTED PARTIES MAY ATTEND

THE HEARING AND THEY SHALL BE HEARD. MS. YVONNE D. KUTZ ZONING ADMINISTRATOR HANOVER TOWNSHIP NORTHAMPTON COUNTY

PENNSYLVANIA

Sept. 21, 28

PUBLIC NOTICE

ESTATE of MARVIN T. HECKMAN, deceased, late of Moore Township, Northampton County, PA, Letters Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who requests all persons having claims or demands against the estate of the decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the decedent to

make payments without delay to:
THOMAS C. HECKMAN 208 SHADYNOOK HILL ROAD HARLEYSVILLE, PA 19438

or to their attorney, Steckel and Stopp, By: Charles W. Stopp, at 125 S. Walnut Street, Slatington, PA 18080. Sept. 28, Oct. 5, 12

PUBLIC NOTICE
ESTATE of PATRICIA MAE VENNINGER a/k/a PATRICIA M. VENNINGER, late of the City of Allentown, County of Lehigh and Com-

monwealth of Pennsylvania, deceased NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Letters Testamentary on the above named estate have been granted to the undersigned. All persons indebted to the said estate are requested to make immediate payment, and those having claims or demands to present the same without delay to:

SHARON LOUFIK, Executrix c/o GAIL WEINER SHEARER, ESQUIRE GAIL WEINER SHEARER, ESQUIRE 70 E. Broad Street PO Box 1426

Bethlehem, PA 18016-1426 Sept. 28, Oct. 5, 12

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that Bethlehem Township Self Storage located at 2736 Santee Rd., Bethlehem, PA 18020 will sell by Public Auction on Saturday - October 29th, 2016 at 11:00AM - to satisfy the landlord's lien, the contents of the following units:

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35	Barbara Massi
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152	Glayds Incle
206	Barbara Rehl
226	Dana Burton
241	Cassandra Yo
261	Orion Provini
267	Jermain Kelly
285	Shanese Gree
1007	Anthony Caller
1014	Luis Padilla
1016	Luis Padilla
313	Nicolette Stark
318	Robin Briggs
338	Holly Kennedy
365	Nevillion Fung
370	Mohamed Kutt
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PUBLIC NOTICE NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING **ZONING HEARING BOARD**

Notice is hereby given that a Public Meeting will be held by the Zoning Hearing Board of Salisbury Township, Lehigh County PA on Tuesday October 4th, 2016 at 7:00 PM in the Township Municipal Building located at 2900 South Pike Ave., Allentown PA 18103.

Please note this project was continued from the September 6, 2016

2775 HONEYSUCKLE ROAD, BETHLEHEM PA 18015 -**APPEAL NO. A-16-9977**

Hear the Appeal of Mr. Bruce D. Shoemaker and Karen A. Shoemaker for favorable consideration associated with 2775 Honeysuckle Road located in the Conservation-Residential (CR) Zoning District. The property is considered non-conforming to the current Zoning Ordinance since the parcel is approximately 27,300 SF and the Ordinance requires a minimum of 2 acres. The Applicants are requesting a favorable consideration for a Variance from Section 307.2.A regarding the Table of Requirements of maximum building coverage of 10% when the Applicant proposes 16%. The Applicant requests consideration for a Variance under §307.2.A. that requires a maximum impervious coverage of 15% and the Applicant pro-

Applicant seeks Special Exception pursuant to §806.3.B for a reduction of the side yard where 25 feet is required or a Variance from §307.2.A of the Zoning Ordinance to reduce the side yard setback.

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE is hereby given that the Fountain Hill Borough Council will hold a second reading/public hearing on October 3, 2016 and will consider for adoption the following Ordinance

Ordinance 827 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE BOROUGH OF FOUNTAIN HILL, CHAPTER 15, PART 3, PROHIBITING PARKING AT VARIOUIS TIMES, AMENDING SECTION 302 (c) (3), BY APPROVING THE DELETION OF THE FOLLOWING HANDICAPPED **PARKING SPACES**

STREET	SIDE	LOCATIO
Russell Avenue	Front	#1229
Russell Avenue	Front	#1120
Seneca Street	Front	#748

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THEBOROUGH OF FOUNTAIN HILL BY AMENDING CHAPTER 10 TOADD A NEW PART 5 RESTRICTED VEGETATION, PROVIDINGFOR REGULATIONS GOVERNING THE CULTIVATION OF RUNNINGBAM-BOO AND OTHER ENUMERATED NOXIOUS PLANTS AND PROVID-ING FOR THE ENFORCEMENT OF THIS ORDINANCE BY THE CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER, ABATEMENT OF THERESTRICTED

VEGETATION AND PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS. Full copies are available for inspection at the Borough Office located at 941 Long Street, Fountain Hill, PA 18015.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF HANOVER TOWNSHIP, NORTHAMPTON COUNTY, PENNSYL-VANIA, WILL HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING ON TUESDAY OCTOBER 11, 2016, AT 7:30 P.M. PREVAILING TIME AT THE TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL BUILDING, 3630 JACKSONVILLE ROAD, BETHLEHEM, PENNSYL-VANIA, 18017, FOR THE PURPOSE OF HEARING THE APPEAL, 3355 HIGH POINT LLC, 559 MAIN STREET, 3RD FLOOR, BETHLEHEM, PA 18018, WHO IS SEEKING A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT PURSUANT TO SECTION 185-54. THE APPELLANT IS SEEKING RELIEF TO ALLOW A DAYCARE TO BE LOCATED IN THE IN THE P.O.R.R. (PLANNED OFFICE RESEARCH AND RESIDENTIAL) ZONING DISTRICT WHICH IS PERMITTED AS A CONDITIONAL USE WITH APPROVAL BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVIORS. THE PROPERTY WHICH APPELLENT IS SEEKING TO DEVELOP IS LOCATED AT 3355 HIGH POINT BOULE-VARD, BETHLEHEM, PENNSYLVANIA, 18017 AND CONTAINS AP PROXIMATELY 2.01 ACRES OR APPROXIMATELY 85,565 SQUARE

PUBLIC NOTICE

ALL INTERESTED PARTIES MAY ATTEND THE HEARING AND THEY SHALL BE HEARD.

MS. YVONNE D. KUTZ, ZONING ADMINISTRATOR HANOVER TOWNSHIP NORTHAMPTON COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

Sept. 21, 28

PUBLIC NOTICE BOROUGH OF FOUNTAIN HILL LEHIGH COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA ANNUAL AUDIT AND FINANCIAL REPORT DECEMBER 31, 2015

FUND EQUITY, JANUARY 1, 2015	\$ 13,664,313
REVENUES General Fund Special Revenue Fund Debt Service Fund Enterprise Funds Fiduciary Funds TOTAL REVENUES	2,853,527 343,580 120,172 1,755,759 435,290 5,508,328
EXPENDITURES General Fund Special Revenue Fund Debt Service Fund Enterprise Funds Fiduciary Funds TOTAL EXPENDITURES	2,388,922 123,665 120,172 1,700,413 841,865 5,175,037
FUND EQUITY, DECEMBER 31, 2015	\$ 13,997,604

STATEMENT OF ASSETS, LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY **DECEMBER 31, 2015**

ASSETS	
Cash and Investments Due from Other Funds	\$ 4,403,655
	3,625
Sewer System, Net	3,509,638
General Fixed Assets	6,112,872
Other Assets	7,341
Amount to be Provided for Retirement	
of General Long-Term Debt	893,012
	\$ 14,930,143
LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY	
Other Payroll Withholdings	\$ 2,806
Due to Other Funds	3,625
General Obligation Notes	821,667
Capital Lease Obligations	99,606
Escrow Liabilities	4.835
Fund Fauity	13 997 604

\$ 14,930,143

ASSESSED VALUATION OF THE BOROUGH

\$ 236,334,600

The above statements have been compiled from the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Municipal Annual Audit and Financial Report for 2015. Copies of the complete audit report will be available for examination at the Borough's offices upon completion of the audit.

PUBLIC NOTICE TOWNSHIP OF WHITEHALL ZONING HEARING BOARD PUBLIC HEARING

The regular monthly meeting of the Whitehall Township Zoning Hear-ing Board will be held on October 18, 2016, at 7:00 p.m., in the Public Meeting Room of the Municipal Building, at 3219 MacArthur Road, White-

hall, PA 18052, to hear the following appeals Location: 1305 Marathon Drive, Whitehall, PA 18052, PIN 548756938956; the subject property is located in a 44 Medium Density Residential Zoning District. Applicant is requesting a variance to Sec. 27-74 E (5) and Sec. 27-18 of the Zoning Ordinance regarding work without a permit and maximum impervious coverage or covering entire rear yard with concrete without first securing the necessary and required approvals. Continued to this meeting at the request of the Applicant.

DOCKET # 1858 - DTC MacArthur Road, LP - 1665 Valley Center Parkway, Suite 110, Bethlehem, PA 18017. Location: 2998 MacArthur Road, Whitehall, PA 18052, PIN 549827572645, 549827483978 and 549827383253, the subject property is located in a C1 Neighborhood Commercial Zoning District. Applicant is requesting a variance to Section 27-155 A (1), Sec. 27-155 A (3), Sec. 27-161 A (1), Sec. 27-165 B, Sec. 27-165 C, Sec. 27-165 D and Sec. 27-165 E of the Zoning Ordinance regarding permitting a freestanding sign of 93.88 SF in lieu of the 75 SF maximum allowable; permitting a freestanding sign to be located 10.0 FT from a Right-of-Way line in lieu of the 25 FT setback required; permitting six (6) wall signs in lieu of the one (1) permitted per business establishment; permitting an electronic display sign within the C1 District; permitting an electronic display sign to be located 10.0 FT from a street, highway, or other public right-of-way in lieu of the 50.0 FT requirement; permitting an electronic display sign to be located 200.2 FT from a residence or residential zoning district in lieu of the 1,000.0 FT requirement; and permitting an electronic display sign to change its display once per minute in lieu of the maximum frequency of no more than four (4) times per hour or once every

15 minutes. Continued to this meeting at the request of the Applicant. DOCKET # 1859 - Chad Erie - 739 Morris Road, East Greenville, PA 18041. Location: 3404 N. Ruch Street, Whitehall, PA 18052, PIN 549905810582, the subject property is located in a R5A High Density Residential without Apartments Zoning District. Applicant is requesting a variance/interpretation to Sec. 27-76 A, Sec. 27-76 E and Sec. 27-121 of the Zoning Ordinance regarding use permitted in the R5A High Density Residential Zoning District, Applicant proposing a dwelling consisting of not more than 2 dwelling units which was previously permitted when the use was established; recognition of any dimensional nonconformities as it pertains to setbacks; any dimensional variances necessary from 27-121 pertaining to the establishment of apartments associated with the preexisting dimensional nonconformities.

Copies of plans, applications and supporting documents are available for public inspection at the Township Municipal Building.

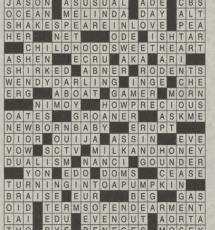
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Closing the pool for another season

embrace the cooler weather and mer meets the pool. Pool walls Follow the manufacturer's direcleaves begin to fall from the trees, gae can hide and multiply. pool owners must prepare to close, or winterize, their pools.

Gather your supplies

need to close the pool. Having ev- and 7.8 to prevent stains, scal- ment, testing to make sure the erything on hand will make the ing and algae growth. Alkalinity process far more efficient than try-should be 80 to 125 ppm for plaster/ ing to wing it. Closing a pool can gunite pools and 125 to 150 ppm for be a large job, so it pays to have other pool types. Test the level of some extra hands available. Enlist available chlorine, and super-chlosome helpers who will be available rinate the pool to maintain a sanito hand you materials or to assist tation level of at least 4 ppm. Once with placing the cover on the pool, the pool cover is on, the amount which can be challenging to do on of chlorine that escapes due to your own.

Don't wait until last minute

The chemicals used throughout the season will also be needed in the winterization process. Therefore, be sure you have enough before pool supplies become difficult to find in area stores. These include sanitizer, algaecide and pH-balancing chemicals.

Clean the entire pool area

Ensuring the pool water and the surface of the pool is clean can make reopening the pool easy. Vacuum the pool thoroughly, re-

Closing a pool at the end of the moving any debris and organic Shut off equipment swimming season can be bitter- matter that can contribute to algae sweet. Homeowners may be sad to growth. Don't forget to brush down er, and any other equipment. Let bid adieu to the lazy days of splash- the walls of the pool and clean the all water drain out and allow all ing and swimming, but ready to jets and area where the filter skim- to dry before storing them away. the beauty of autumn. Before the have plenty of crevices where al-

Test the water

facturer Hayward recommends Make a list of the supplies you adjusting the pH to between 7.2 outlets that feed the pool equipsunlight and evaporation will decrease. An algaecide may be used, if desired, as well. In very cold climates, a pool-water antifreeze may be necessary. Check with your pool supply retailer for more infor-

Run the filter

Run the filter at least 24 hours before disassembling the filter for the season. This will help circulate any chemicals added through the

Drain the pool's water

skimmer opening. Many pools do keep them secure and clean until not need to be completely drained the next swimming season begins. for the winter.

Turn off the filter pump, heattions for lubrication and covering. Install freeze plugs if you choose to

Leading pool products manu- Adjust electricity settings

Turn off the circuit to outdoor power is off.

Put accessories away

Remove any ladders, diving boards, slides, external drain lines, and other recreational materials from the pool, storing them in a garage or shed so they are not subjected to potentially harsh winter weather.

Apply your pool cover

Inflate air pillows to roughly 80 percent full if you will be using them. Gather your helpers to attach the pool cover or leaf catcher net. Secure it thoroughly with anchors, water bags, wire fasteners, or whatever method is applicable for the cover and pool type. Remember, a quality pool cover will last for several years and keep leaves, dust and other unwanted items out of the water.

Come early autumn, homeown-Water should fall just below the ers can begin closing their pools to



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Reap garden rewards even in fall

Gardening is a re- in the autumn, and they you live. Begin seeds for gardening. Onions, shal- nate and so established to employ some strate-warding hobby that can can make wonderful your autumn plantings lots and garlic are best plants can take root. gies to keep them under help people relax and additions to the dinner indoors, because sum- planted mid-fall after In addition, consider a control. For example, inproduce an enviable table. Broccoli, kale, col- mer heat and dryness the soil has cooled. deners even find their es, artichokes, and beets tions to nurture young seedlings to more sun- or get baked in the sun. keep slugs and snails meals are more fresh are just some of the seedlings. and flavorful when us- many autumn planting

ers do the bulk of their vest continues through harvested. leaves begin falling.

landscape. Many gar- lards, spinach, squash- are not the best condi-

Fall gardens provide for most of the year.

ing items they grew options you can try. compost so that you can in the ground, as they the conditions ideal for Fall vegetable garthemselves. Celery also is best replenish the nutrients need time to adjust to your autumn vegetables dens can be worthy en-While many garden- in the fall, and its har- lost from the last crop the unfiltered sun.

plants thrive in cool- crops that have been when to put plants in the be kept moist to germi- pests, so you may need fall. er temperatures. That harvested through the ground for your region. group includes autumn spring and summer Many plants still need vegetables that are ripe with fall-friendly alter- the sun and warmth of for the picking when natives, you can keep late summer to thrive leaves begin falling. your garden productive and produce well into the fall. If you are una reason to enjoy the Begin the process by sure, consult with a looft-enjoyable autumn counting back 12 to 14 cal garden center, where air. So many different weeks from the expected you can learn about var-

Enrich the soil with peratures before they go tain moisture and keep autumn plants.

Be sure to thoroughly gardening in the spring winter in temperate Each region is dif- water the garden. New- ture and cooler temperate and summer, certain climates. By replacing ferent, so learn about ly planted beds should tures can attract garden of gardening into the

shade covering so that sect barriers and all-nat-Gradually introduce the soil doesn't dry out ural baited traps can light and outdoor tem- Mulch also can help re- from munching on your to grow.

deavors, vielding plenty Remember that mois- of crops and providing





Preparing your fireplace or stove for the season

ing stoves not only can be inspected. Creosote can build beautiful focal points within up inside of the chimney. Crea home, but they also provide osote is highly flammable and an additional source of heat becomes more difficult and and can be used to keep rooms expensive to clean the longer or entire homes comfortable it builds up inside your flue without the need for addition- lining. In addition, animals al and potentially costly heat- may have created nest inside ing sources.

suring a fireplace or stove is dents. in good working order helps to guarantee efficiency of use Install or check detectors and safety during the winter months.

that, between 2009-2013, American fire departments heating equipment.

The NFPA notes that the ery five to 10 years. leading factor contributing to home-heating fires is a failure to keep things clean, principally from solid-fueled heating equipment. The following are a handful of ways to stay safe as you get ready for another cozy season around the fire.

Start with the chimney

Fireplaces and wood-burn- ney thoroughly cleaned and of the chimney since the last Just like more modern time the fireplace was used. A home heating systems, stoves professional chimney sweep and fireplaces need to be should be hired in this situamaintained, and that main-tion. He or she will be able to tenance includes readying effectively clean the chimney them before winter when they in a manner that is the least are used more heavily. En- messy and disruptive to resi-

Operational alarms are essential to preventing inju-Open-flame heating sourc- ry or death resulting from es carry with them certain smoke or carbon monoxide risks. The National Fire Pro- inhalation. Such detectors are tection Association states inexpensive safeguards that should be installed on every floor of the house. Batteries responded to 56,000 home should be replaced every six structure fires that involved months, and the alarms them-

Inspect the chimney from outdoors as well

any bricks in the chimney and surrounding areas for cracks. If left unaddressed, these can the flow of air inside a chimcause dangerous fires. If there ney. It should be checked priare serious cracks, a pro- or to the first use of a stove or fessional may need to make fireplace so homeowners can repairs or the chimney may be certain it opens and closes need to be replaced. You also smoothly. Begin by having your chim- can have the chimney capped



selves should be changed ev- Prepare fireplaces, chimneys and heating stoves for another season of regular use.

with a screen to keep animals Clear out and debris from entering.

Inspect the mortar around Inspect the damper

A damper is a valve or plate that stops or regulates

flammable items

Move flammable items away from the front of a fireplace or stove. Be sure curtains or other home furnishings are far enough away that they will not catch fire from any errant sparks or flames.

Order wood now

Be sure there is plenty of

wood for the season. Ask a wood supplier to estimate just how much will be needed, and double-check that the wood will arrive in time for the start of the season.

By preparing for fireplace and wood stove use now, homeowners can ensure their winters are comfortable and



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Protect pipes from freezing this winter

Freezing pipes are a concern for homeowners who live in cold climates. When temperatures dip below freezing, the risk that pipes will freeze rises. Should a pipe burst, the damage that results can be extensive and costly.

Any pipe can freeze, but those that are directly exposed to the cold are the most vulnerable. These include pipes that feed outdoor hoses, swimming pool supply lines, pipes in unheated indoor rooms (i.e., basements or garages), and any pipes that run close to the outdoors through uninsulated walls. Water expands as it freezes, and that expansion can place pressure on whatever is trying to contain it, including pipes.

To avoid serious damage, homeowners need to pre- onset of cold weather. Drain pare for the arrival of colder water before freezing tem- that feed outdoor spigots/ house comfortable even when in the event a pipe bursts. how they protect pipes.



kler supply lines prior to the has come and gone. forget to drain outdoor gar- to allow water to drain out. who are traveling should set damage to a home.

· Drain water from swim- den hoses and store them ming pools and water sprin- inside after watering season

to drain and expand outward frozen pipes. without damaging the pipe.

so that heat can find its way faucet. inside. Consider wrapping these pipes with an insulating around where pipes enter the material as well, such as heat house. Use insulating foam to tape or pipe sleeves.

thermostat temperature. En- doors. sure the temperature inside your home does not drop be- ways be avoided. Therefore, it low 55 F; otherwise, problems is important that everyone in · Close indoor water valves ble thermostat to keep the shut off the main water valve weather and be smart about peratures arrive, and don't bibs. Open the spigot outside you are not home. Individuals This can prevent expensive

Keep the outside valve open the thermostat so that it will so that any water that has keep the home at the recomaccumulated will continue mended temperature to avoid

· Open one faucet. When An insulated bib dome also it is very cold outside, parcan help prevent frozen pipes. ticularly at night, let water · Open cabinet doors to al- slowly drip from one faucet low heat to reach pipes inside to prevent freezing. Choose of cabinets. Keep the doors the sink that is furthest from open to spaces that may not where water enters the house be heated or insulated as well so water is flowing through as other areas of the home all of the pipes to reach that

Increase insulation seal any drafts where pipes · Maintain a consistent enter the house from the out-

Frozen pipes cannot alcan arise. Use a programma- the household knows how to



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2. Seal Windows and Doors - If not properly sealed, windows and doors can be a major culprit for heat loss. To keep the warm air inside, inspect the weather-stripping around your home's windows and doors for leaks, rot or decay. Repair or replace structural framing, and caulk inside and out, if necessary.

3. Insulate well - One of the easiest and most effective defenses against heat loss is proper insulation. Prevent cold drafts from entering and the loss of heated air through basement headers, which, when left exposed, can make your furnace work harder.

4. Backyard Care - Save your property from potential damage by trimming overgrown trees and shrubs to prevent ice-laden branches from thrashing against electrical wires and your home's exterior. Drain/shut off any exterior faucets and sprinkler systems to prevent freezing. Ensure rain or snow drains away from the house to avoid foundation problems.

5. Roof and Gutters - Inspect your roof for shingles that are warped, damaged or even missing to prevent a future leak. Use roofing cement and a caulking gun to seal joints where water could penetrate, such as around the chimney, skylights or vent pipes. Make sure that your gutters and downspouts are securely fastened. Downspouts should extend at least five feet away from the home to prevent flooding. When it comes to preventative maintenance, a little time and effort can save thousands in energy costs and repair bills over the lifetime of your home.

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How to prevent mold growth in your home

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But mold inside a home can be a formidable foe, triggering allergic reactions and increasing a person's risk of developing respiratory problems. Mold can even cause damage to a home by attaching itself to wood and breaking down that wood.

Because the consequences of mold growth inside a home can be so dire, it's important that men and women take steps to prevent mold growth in their homes and apartments.

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency notes that controlling moisture levels in a home or apartment is the key to controlling mold as well.

· Address spills quickly and properly. Many instances of mold infestations can be traced to leaks or spills that were not quickly or properly ad-

The EPA advises that wet or damp materials or areas should be dried within 24 to 48 hours to prevent the growth of mold. Make sure spills are thoroughly cleaned as opposed to a cursory cleanup of only the areas visible to the naked eye.

Inspect nearby crevices when spills occur to ensure the area where the spill happened and all surrounding areas vulnerable to mold growth more successful at keeping indoor are dry. In addition, fix leaky plumbing fixtures immediately, hiring a professional if necessary.

 Inspect the ground surrounding your home. Factors outside a home can sometimes contribute to mold growth within a home. Make sure the ground outside your home slopes away from the foundation.

If the ground slopes toward your home, rainwater or runoff from sprinkler systems may direct water into your home, creating conditions favorable to mold growth inside.

Gutters and downspouts also should be inspected to ensure they are working optimally. If not, they the roof that can ultimately lead to prevented. mold growth.



Bathrooms are vulnerable to mold growth.

· Monitor indoor humidity. The EPA advises that homeowners keep indoor humidity below 60 percent relative humidity, which can be measured with humidity meters available at many hardware stores.

Homeowners who can keep indoor humidity at levels 30 to 50 percent below relative humidity might be even mold growth at bay.

· Dry wet surfaces immediately. Surfaces can become wet even if a home has no leaky fixtures and no spills have occurred. For example, the surfaces of bathroom walls, ceilings and floors get wet when a home's inhabitants take hot baths or showers.

That condensation is natural, but such surfaces are also susceptible to mold growth. Make sure to dry wet surfaces immediately, and keep exhaust fans on or windows open when bathing to decrease the likelihood of mold growth.

Mold growth can be detrimental to human beings and their homes. But can contribute to water damage on many mold infestations are easily



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Simplify fall leaf cleanup

and blooming chrysan- Garden. So rather than themums are symbols merely dropping off of of autumn. But nothing trees when the wind signals the arrival of fall blows, the leaves actualmore than the millions ly fall off deliberately. of leaves that begin to cascade from the trees en leaves can contribute

tiful than the yellow, issues. Leaves also can red, purple, and orange cause staining on driveleaves that coat neigh- ways and walkways. borhoods and country- Prompt removal can sides each fall. But in help prevent any prob-spite of their beauty, lems. To make faster leaves might be a nui- and easier work of leaf tasked with removing in mind. the growing piles of them from their lawns. Those with large oak and maple trees in front of their homes understand the seemingly endless work of leaf removal.

As the days begin to grow shorter and colder, these changes trigger a hormone release in trees, prompting them to drop their leaves. This chemical message causes the formation of abscission cells where the leaf stem meets the

Begins with.

Apple pie, pumpkins the Missouri Botanical

Left untouched, fallas the temperatures dip. to lawn problems such Many people feel as poor aeration, mold nothing is more beaugrowth and moisture sance to homeowners removal, keep these tips

Mow over thin leaf coverage

If only a few leaves have fallen, use a mulching mower to shred the leaves until they are small enough that they won't suffocate the lawn. The small pieces will decompose in the lawn, reintroducing nutrients as a result.

Use an ergonomic leaf rake

bushes and hard-to-effect. reach crevices, and they work faster than rakes.

onto a tarp and then drag the tarp to the curbside or to the back of a truck for proper disposal. Special leaf scoopers enable you to grab more leaves if they need to be picked

Work with the wind

Rake in the direction the wind is blowing and Rake or blow leaves downhill if your property slopes. This way it will be easier on you, and you won't be working against Mother Nature.

Spread out the job

Do not attempt to reup and transported. Oth- move all fallen leaves in

er work of the job than if you tried to do it all at once. Keep in mind that leaves will continue to fall throughout the season and you may need to spend a few days removing leaves from your yard.

Removing leaves is a large part of fall home maintenance. Employ these tips to make this task less strenuous.





Home improvement projects for your fall to-do list

Homeowners know buvers. that maintaining a home appealing to prospective

that maintaining a home can be a year-round job. Fall has become a seating increased precipitation increased precipitation larger. Inspect your ceiltwo such projects. Gutings for signs of leaking ters clogged with leaves Fall has become a sea-No home is immune with home improveto wear and tear, and ment, but homeowners homeowners who want need not wait until the to protect their real es- leaves begin changing tate investments should colors to start planning try to stay two steps their next projects. ahead to ensure their The following are a few homes do not succumb items homeowners can to the elements or be- add to their fall home come outdated and un- improvement to-do lists.

Roof inspection

warmer months than during the late fall and winter. As a result, easily identified by look- leaks immediately. homeowners may not ing for water stains on be aware of leaky roofs interior ceilings. Once until autumn has come and gone. But waiting until winter to inspect identify the location of the roof can prove disas- the leak and fix it before trous, as weather condi-winter rains and snow-

ly costly damage.

you see a stain, you can climb onto the roof to

ings for signs of leaking ters clogged with leaves after a strong rainfall, Leaky roofs can be and then address any cause serious roof dam-

Gutter cleaning

While some homeowners prefer to delay their gutter cleaning projects until late fall. those whose homes are on a ladder when cleantions will not be condu-fall turn the problem surrounded by trees

cive to inspection and into something much may need to schedule and other debris can age, and that damage can extend all the way inside a home.

In addition, clogged gutters make great nesting areas for insects or critters. Always stand See **HOME** on Page 10



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ing gutters, wearing gloves to remove items by hand and dropping leaves and debris into a trash can below. Standing on the roof and leaning over gutters greatly increases your risk of

If the gutters are clear when you first examine them in early fall, you can wait until later in the season to give them a complete and thorough cleaning. Once you have finished clearing the gutters, you can use a hose to run water through them and the downspouts to confirm everything is functioning properly.

Window and doorway inspection

Before temperatures start dropping once again, homeowners will want to inspect their windows and doorways for leaks. Over time, cracks can develop around windows and doorways, and while such cracks are rarenoticeable when the weather outside is warm, they can be quite obvious and very costly if they remain unsealed come the start of winter. Cold air can enter a

home through cracks around windows and doorways, and many homeowners who don't

the thermostats in their ble. homes. That can prove quite expensive over Patio cleanup a full winter. Choose a place a hand by win- and summer, and that dows and external door- can result in a lot of wear ways in your home to and tear. Once you store sidewalk that need to be bishing their homes.

suspect leaks may re- If you can, seal these winter, inspect your enspond by turning up cracks as soon as possi- tire patio to determine if home

Patios are popular see if you can feel drafts. patio furniture for the addressed.

Preparing for fall improvement it needs any refurbish- projects ahead of time ing. While certain patio can help homeowners projects may be best left complete projects in for spring, you can still a timely manner and windy autumn day to hangouts during spring clean any stained areas ensures they won't be around the grill and forced to brave the winlook for cracks in the ter elements when refur-



Autumn is a great time to inspect patios that might have endured some wear and tear during the heavy usage seasons of spring and summer.

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can inadvertently expose home- in children or pregnant women. quire professional containment owners to hidden dangers. For It is essential that homeowners and cleanup. example, lead paint may be lurk- control their exposure to lead paint in older homes.

may cause brain damage or other ted respirator.

Home improvement projects adverse health effects, especially

If lead is discovered, it may re-

Contact your local health auing underneath layers of existing or other hazardous substances thority if you discover or suspect through the use of protective you have discovered lead paint Exposure to lead dust or fumes equipment, such as a properly fit- or other hazardous materials in vour home.



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Potential trouble signs for driveways

Though they are often easy to overlook, driveways are durable parts of a home that can greatly impact a home's curb appeal. Driveways endure quite a bit of wear and tear over their lifespans, and homeowners who have not given their driveways much thought may want to start looking for potential trouble signs that indicate a need for some driveway maintenance.

According to the online home improvement resource HomeAdvisor. com, the average cost of a driveway installation in 2015 was just under \$3,700. Those costs are influenced by a host of factors, including the size of the driveway and the material it's made of.

Damaged driveways do not necessarily need to be replaced, as some may just need minor repairs. But homeowners who see any of the following trouble signs in their driveways may want to consult a professional contractor to determine what their next steps should be.

Potholes

Potholes might be most often associated with heavily trafficked roadways, but even driveways are susceptible to potholes. As the ground beneath the driveway expands and may not be indicative contracts, the pavement above that ground weaksusceptible to damage.

timately lead to large drainage



Surface cracks in a driveway may indicate a problem that requires immediate attention.

heavy snowfall may see down the road. their driveways develop shoveled or plowed.

may even expand over tible to water damage.

Accumulation of

of anything other than a rainy day. But waproblems. chunks of the driveway Such problems may be breaking down, creat- the result of structural ing holes as a result. problems with the slope

Homeowners who live of the driveway, which in areas that experience can cause bigger issues

When water is not abpotholes after they are sorbed into the ground or directed away from Potholes that are not your home, it can then fixed may damage ve- flow into the house, pohicles that drive on the tentially making your pavement, and potholes garage or home suscep-

Cracks

Cracking is one of the more noticeable issues Puddles that form that can plague driveduring a rainstorm ways. Many driveways experience as materials inevitably succumb to the eleens and becomes more ter that pools or runs ments. Driveway cracks down the middle of the may develop for various That damage may ul- driveway may indicate reasons, including poor initial installation.

Tree roots that grow beneath the driveway

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What to look for during roof inspections

weather than its roof.

equate to several pounds start of winter. of pressure placed on a residential roof. Roofs can conduct their own particularly when they do not often collapse un- cursory roof inspec- have been exposed to der heavy snowfall. But tions, but they may not harsh weather over a peadverse winter weath- know exactly what to riod of years. Individual er conditions can com- look for. The National shingles can be replaced promise roofs in other Roofing Contractors As- as spot treatments, but

potentially problemat-roof damage. ic issues that can arise

Cold weather can be when roofs are battered missing shingles may tough on a home, and by cold, blustery weath- prove troublesome. Inperhaps no part of a er. That's why many clement weather can home is more vulner- home improvement spe- test the strength of even able to harsh winter cialists advise home- the most durable roofs. owners to conduct roof Even though many roofs Fallen snow can inspections prior to the are designed to last up to

Many sociation says that there if the damage is wide-Water leakage and are certain key areas to damage to the roof's in- inspect that may reveal terior are just two of the some telltale signs of

30 years, some may need homeowners to be replaced early, spread, a new roof may be necessary.

· Attic leaks or water elsewhere might signal · Curled, cracked or issues with the roof. Figure out if water inside the home is coming from the always indicate problems with the roofing, but it's better to be safe than sorthat adjoin the roof, like cannot direct water away

of an aging or damaged shingles, is needed.

roof. Water stains do not Inspect a roof each fall to get an idea of the potential damage and any necessary repairs that may be needed before nasty weather sets in.

skylights or a chimneys. · Look for protective Poorly installed flashing granules wearing off. If can cause leaks. Stains debris needs to be cleared gutters are filled with the that appear below chimsandy granular material neys or near attic winthat coats roofing shin- dows may indicate new gles, that may be a sign flashing, and not new

· Gutters and downfessional roofers can rec- condition. A roof is the ognize properly installed sum of its parts, and that flashing, the material includes downspouts and other parts of the house clogged or damaged, they roofs as well.

from the house properly. Snow, leaves and other pacity.

· Animals and insects elements. can cause damage, too. It's not just poor weather with your home's roof be-· Inspect flashing. Pro- spouts should be in good that homeowners need fore they become bigger to consider with regard to roof damage. Boring insects and animals may that connects the roof to gutters. If the gutters are cause problems with

A roof inspection may shed light on potential pest problems. Holes or nesting materials may from gutters to help them indicate that an animal function at optimal ca- or animals are using the attic as a shelter from the

> Get to the root of issues problems once winter arrives. A thorough inspection can reveal problems that may prove costly if ignored.





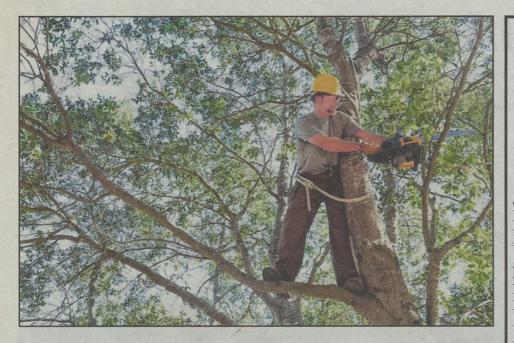
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surface may also contribute to cracking as driveways ultimately succumb to the pressure created by the growing roots. Some cracks may prove less problematic than others, but homeowners

should still speak with a contractor if they notice their driveway is starting to succumb to

Driveways may not draw the attention of homeowners too often, but damaged driveways that go ignored may ultimately lead to very costly problems.





Your guide to proper tree pruning

pruning for a variety tra help. Branches may one-quarter of the way reasons. Storms may be heavy, and it takes a through. This helps prehave damaged branches, guided hand to ensure vent the bark from splitnecessitating a pruning. the branches fall in a ting. In other instances, trees safe manner so they do their yards, overpowering the landscape.

sects are less likely to correctly. be problematic during

ing on to thicker ones, two to three feet from

Trees may require which may require ex- the trunk and about

Branches also need to Autumn and win- be trimmed properly to ter, when trees largely facilitate good healing. of the branch so that the go dormant and fallen Trees will form a callus final cut can be made leaves make it easier bark covering over cuts without the branch to see the branches be- to keep out disease and splitting and falling. neath, may be prime decay, much as a scab times to prune. Prun- forms over a person's right where the limb exing during the dormant wound. Damaging the trudes from the branch period also minimizes bark on a tree while collar, or the swollen sap loss and stress to pruning may interfere the tree, and can help with that process, so docut down on the growth it-yourselfers need to of fungi. In addition, in- take the time to prune branch collar when

the colder months of the Lipford, home improve- es may not require the ment expert and host Trimming and prun- of the radio program every effort should be ing can be handled by "Today's Homeowner," do-it-yourselfers if the larger limbs may rebranches are smaller quire three cuts instead and more manageable. of one. The first cut is a much to prune, less is Practice on thinner small notch in the bot- usually more. All prunbranches before mov- tom of the limb, around ing can put some level

A relief cut is then may have outgrown not cause damage or in- made a few inches away from the notch cut, and goes all the way through. This removes the weight

The final cut is made bump that then forms into the tree limb. Follow the slant of the making the cut. Small-According to Danny er or thinner branchsame three steps, but made to reduce injury to the tree.

When deciding how

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How to spot an unhealthy tree

Perhaps because they unhealthy. Homeown- already started to lean can live for so many ers who suspect they in the opposite direction priority are overlooked in favor formed. or other areas of a lawn and garden that don't Check around the seem so strong in the base of the tree face of Mother Nature.

But trees are susceptible to damage and disease, and homeowners who learn to recognize symptoms of such problems can prevent them from escalating and reto their properties.

The following are homeowners can determine if their trees are

years, trees have a way have a tree that poses a of the cracking or raised of falling down home- safety risk should con- soil. landscaping tact a professional tree Trees service for an immedi- Examine for fungus also tend to be big and ate inspection and steer strong, so it's no sur- clear of the tree until an on the tree trunk or close prise that they often inspection has been per- to it may be a sign that

may offer some telltale tree is another sign of signs that the tree is decay. If the wood be-unhealthy. Soil that is hind fungal growth cracked or raised at the crumbles easily, then base of the tree may be homeowners should call indicative of a tree that a professional tree serhas started to uproot. duce the risk that the If you recognize any trees will cause damage cracking or if the soil is raised, look at the tree to for quite some time. see if it is leaning. If the just some of the ways soil is cracked or raised Look for cavities on because it is uprooting, the trunk then the tree might have

The growth of fungus the tree is rotting or decaying. Fungal growth, such as a sudden population of mushrooms, The base of a tree around the base of the decay. If the wood bevice, as the fungal problem on the tree has likely already been festering

Cracks and cavities ly deep cracks and cav- wood can harm anyone ities may be indicative unlucky enough to be Weak connections of a structural problem. Multiple cracks and cav-

Look for dead wood

It may sound simple, but dead wood poses a threat to the tree and branches either won't anyone who happens to have leaves or the leaves not be on its way out, but spend time in its vicin- will be brown (dead

on a tree may not be an ity. Dead wood snaps pine branches will have you may have to take emergency, but especial- easily, and falling dead brown needles).

Unhealthy trees often the dead wood snaps. have weak connections pose a significant safeities also serve as red Dead wood branches between their branchwon't bend in the wind, es and their trunks. If and such branches fre- branches don't appear to to recognize the signs quently fall off of trees be strongly connected to of unhealthy trees can when strong gusts of wind come along. Dead the tree bark, call a tree do something to prevent service to determine a dying trees from damagsolution. The tree might ing their homes.

steps to strengthen the connections so branches are not at risk of falling.

Unhealthy trees can ty hazard on a property. Homeowners who learn



Unhealthy trees may need to be removed from a property before they cause significant damage.



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beneath the tree when

of stress on the tree and increase its vulnerability to disease and insect prune more than 25 percent of the crown.

fering with utility lines larger limbs. or to meet community laws.

However, infestation. A good rule prune minimally to the spread of disease to of thumb is to never avoid damaging the other trees.

According to experts make the job safer and vice if pruning proves at TreeHelp.com, living easier. Use a pole prun- beyond your capabilbranches should com- er and lopper, rope ities. Doing so is safe prise at least two-thirds saws, folding prun- and often well worth the height of the tree. er, and a bucksaw. A the investment.

In some instances, the chainsaw can be used rules may need to be in some instances, esbent if trees are inter- pecially when pruning

> Always disinfect pruning tools after always you're done to prevent

Consider hiring a The right tools also professional tree ser-

How to repot a plant

Gardening time is here, with people enjoying plants both inside and outside of their homes. Container gardening, which is a planting method in which flowers and other plants are grown in pots and other containers, is quite popular because

of design versatility.
Containers can be moved from location to location if plants are not thriving in a particular spot. They also make gardening possible when there isn't any available land space,

which might be the case for apartment-dwellers.

Flower pots enable plant enthusiasts to enjoy foliage inside of the home as well. Houseplants can add beauty to interior spaces and help

filter indoor air.

In the late 1980s, NASA and the Associated Landscape Contractors of America actually studied house-plants as a way to purify the air in space facilities. They found several plants are particularly good at filtering out common volatile organic compounds (VOCs). Having plants around can create inviting spaces and improve healthy conditions inside and out.

Part of caring for plants in containers involves knowing when a potted plant might need a little tender loving care. As plants grow larger, they may outgrow their containers and require more roomy

Without ample space, plants may not be able to adequately draw up water and nutrients to support top growth. Repotting may seem like it finesse so not to damage the plants.

Gardening experts like those from Fine Gardening, HGTV and Today's Homeowner suggest these repotting

· Be sure the plant is well watered for a few days prior to the repotting process. Watering also will help loosen the root ball from inside of

the smaller pot.

· A plant ready for repotting should slide out with most of the soil in one piece. If the soil is free-falling, it may not need to be repotted at this point because there's still room for the roots to expand. Other signs that roots poking out of the soil or plants that are straggly and pale.

Have all of your materials, which in- out of direct sunlight.

clude a trowel, gloves, scissors, and potting soil, handy so that you can tackle the process smoothly.

· Remove your plant from the pot carefully. Place the plant on its side, then support the main stem in one hand and use the other hand to gently pull the pot away. Be careful not to pull on the main stem or break the stem. Tread gently.

· Cut away any rotten or dead roots, and trim really long ends. Make three or four vertical cuts about a third of the way up the reis easy, but it actually takes a little maining root ball. This also will help with water and nutrient absorption once the plant is in its new pot.

Gently untangle any remaining roots and prepare to place the plant

in a new pot.

· Choose a new pot that is slightly larger than the root ball. Fill the pot with soil so that the root ball sits about an inch below the rim of the pot. Add more soil around the roots to fill the pot. Be sure to leave enough room so that with each watering the pot can hold water.

· Thoroughly water the plant after repotting to moisten the soil.

Watch your plant afterwards to be plants may need repotting include sure that it's taking to its new potted home. It can take around three to four weeks for the plant to recov-• Consider repotting outside be-cause the process can be messy. er from repotting. Water regularly, avoid fertilizing and keep the plant

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How to tend to an indoor herb garden

flavor of store-bought or pre- the plants may go dormant. pared foods with an herb

again and again.

Harvesting fresh herbs is consider one does not have a backyard, need to thrive. and even those that do might on the calendar.

Herb gardens are perhaps pinch of herbs to give a meal roots soggy. some extra flavor.

picked ingredients can add area must have adequate inhibit the hatching of insect flavor to any meal. A home light to simulate the longer eggs. Soil from outdoors may chef can even improve the days of summer; otherwise, be more susceptible to insects

It's ideal to have a southern dirt. garnish that can transform exposure on the herbs, with at otherwise bland dishes into least eight hours of sunlight side, use packaged soil or a something you'll want to eat per day. If you do not live in nonsoil alternative that will a particularly sunny locale, easy for homeowners who the plants with grow lights, have gardens right in their which will provide the full soapy water to kill the bugs backyards. However, every- spectrum of light the plants without harming the plants

Indoor air can become too eating. find their gardens threatened dry for herbs, so you will need by changing seasons or un- to compensate by providing according to their waterwanted critters. When gar- humidity. While there may be ing needs to make maintedens are moved indoors, the added humidity in a kitchen nance that much easier. New bounty of fresh ingredients greenhouse window, it still sprouts generally need more continues no matter the date may not be enough to keep the water than established plants. plants healthy.

some of the easiest gardens plants daily to create some rience a growth spurt, trim to cultivate indoors because extra humidity, or place herb some of the plants and freeze they don't require large pots pots on top of a water-filled or much space. The plants tray with pebbles so the themselves are relatively evaporating water will add ers begin by growing parsley, compact, and it only takes a moisture without making the chives, oregano, and basil,

When growing herbs in- to indoor gardens because

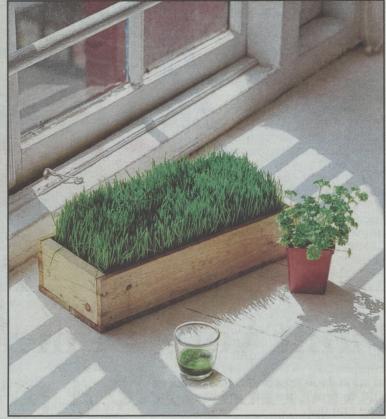
Fresh herbs and recently doors, your indoor growing there is no cold weather to that are already living in the

> Instead of soil from outhold moisture without the supplementing added risk of bugs. If small insects appear, use a mist of or making the herbs unfit for

> > Group herbs together

Prune the herbs as needed Think about misting the for recipes. If the herbs expethe herbs for later use.

Many indoor herb gardenbut you can experiment with Insects are another threat just about any herb.



A sunny location is necessary when cultivating an indoor herbs garden.

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curs when plants adversely respond to being moved do your best to avoid dismain moist. from one place to anoth- turbing the root, even reer. Plants may need to sisting the urge to shake likely to occur if most of mate to its new location, be moved for a variety of dirt off the roots. reasons, but homeowners should be especially care-throughout transplanting, up as many of the roots as moved. ful when moving plants too, as roots that dry out possible before picking up

Transplant shock oc- around their properties.

ound their properties. are more susceptible to the plant and moving it. When moving a plant, damage than those that re- Water also can be

Water also can help prevent transplant shock Transplant shock is less by helping the plant acclithe roots are moved along so remember to water Keep the rootball wet with the plant, so try to dig the plant after it has been







Paint your home's exterior like a pro

pensive way to trans- Don't hamper the final For example, if you're form just about any outcome with poor tim- painting stucco, you space. Many people ing. paint the interiors of their homes, but home Prepare the painting exteriors also can undergo dramatic makeovers with fresh coats of

Timing the job right and heeding some tips from professionals and do-it-yourselfers have tread the painting path before you can make the job go smooth-

Consider the time of year

when planning an exand low humidity, such tains lead. as autumn. Keep in to dry completely and any dirt from the house. spot to see how the colcure, and that can be dif- In addition, repair any

Painting is an inex- ficult in damp weather. cracks or imperfections.

surfaces

Resist the temptation to start painting straight away. Paint may not adhere to unprepared surfaces, and dirt and other debris may show through and mar the finished product. Repainting a home's exterior stains will likely involve reping paint prior to making your first strokes.

Wear protective gear Consider local weath- when scraping, sanding er patterns and forecasts or brushing old paint, as terior painting project. dust that can be danger-Choose a time of year ous to inhale, particuwhen there is little rain larly if the old paint con-

may have to fill in any pitting or holes.

Use this opportunity to inspect caulking around windows and doors. Re-caulk as needed to seal up drafty areas or those that may cause water infiltration prior to painting.

Prime and cover

It may be a little extra moving peeling or chip- work, but apply a quality primer as the first coat to hide any imperfections, such as wood knots or discoloration from weathering. Primsuch tasks can generate er provides a smooth, even surface which to put your paint

Once you have ap-Employ a chlorine plied the primer, test mind that the paint will bleach solution to kill your paint color in a require a couple of days any mildew and to scrub small, inconspicuous

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How to choose a kitchen/bath designer/remodeler

Remodeling a kitchen or bathroom can be overwhelming for any homeowner. For all but the most experienced carpenters, this is not a do-it-yourself project. Remodeling these rooms is very different from a bedroom, dining room or family room. A specialized professional should be brought in to insure success of the project.

Some criteria for finding an appropriate professional:

- 1. Choose a kitchen/bath dealer. They are specialists who can take care of your remodel from concept to completion. Do this the same way you would seek out a specialist in any field.
- 2. The kitchen/bath dealer you choose should have a permanent, well kept showroom and not just be working out of a truck or even his home. How long the dealer has been a member of the same community is also important.
- Make sure the dealer belongs to local and national trade organizations like NKBA, BKBG and the local Chamber of Commerce among others.
- Check that the dealer has a Home Improvement Contractor number and is lead safe certified.
- 5. Look for staff to have credentials such as AKBD for example (Associate Kitchen & Bath Designer) from the National Kitchen and Bath Association.
- 6. Ask for satisfied customer references. (Information needed for you to contact their past customers and ask them about their experience, should be made available to
- Talk to a prospective kitchen/bath dealer about your remodel and decide if he or she is friendly, knowledgeable and someone you could work with easily. This is the most important consideration as you will partner with them closely to insure the success of your project.

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or looks in the daylight. You do not want to paint the entire home only to find out you dislike the color.

Try these painting techniques

Rent a paint sprayer for large Surface areas. The sprayer will produce a more uniform application and is less time-consuming than painting everything with a brush or roller. Make sure you've chosen a high-quality paint, as the added expense is worth it if the paint lasts longer and coats more evenly.

Also, if you have purchased multiple cans of paint, mix them all in one large bucket to ensure the same color; otherwise, the colors may not match perfectly.

The experts at HGTV recommend working your way from top to bottom in a smooth, controlled manner, overlapping each stroke by eight inches. Trim and hardto-reach areas should be left for brush work so you can maintain control over your tools.

If you are painting areas like steps or staircases, consider adding a little fine-grain sand to the paint to improve traction, as paint can be slippery when wet.

If painting your home's exterior is beyond your capabilities, hire a professional. He or she will get the work done in a timely manner, and you can rest assured that the job will be done correctly.

Finding the right fencing fit

erect fences on their prop- without primer. erties for various reasons. Parents may find fences provide peace of mind during those times when their voungsters are playing in the vard, while other homeowners prefer fences for the privacy they can provide.

Whatever compels homeowners to consider fencing for their properties, those that have decided to install fencing will soon realize they have numerous options. Finding the right fencing material for your property requires considering a host of factors, including budget and personal style.

Aluminum

Aluminum fencing is ideal for those looking for Chain-link something that's both ornamental and functional. Aluminum fencing may not appeal to those homeowners whose biggest priority is es are not solid walls.

But aluminum fences are typically low maintenance, and they can be effective at keeping both kids and pets in the yard. Aluminum fences painted with a rust-inhibeven less maintenance than link fences can add some privacy is not a significant properties.

Bamboo

Bamboo is a less traditional fencing option that sive fencing options, vinyl may appeal to homeowners who want to do something tial sticker shock thanks that's both different and to its durability. In addieco-friendly. Bamboo grows tion, vinyl fences require naturally, which should little maintenance, savappeal to homeowners who ing homeowners the exwant their homes to have as little negative impact on the such as repainting. Vinyl environment as possible.

ple privacy and comes in can choose the style that various styles. Homeowners should consult with a with regard to aesthetic fencing specialist before appeal and privacy. choosing a style so they can be certain they choose the Wood most climate-appropriate option.

Chain-link fences may not add the aesthetic appeal homeowners are looking for, but they are rela- color. tively inexpensive, durable install chain-link fencing.

Homeowners choose to aluminum fences painted aesthetic appeal and a little privacy.

Vinyl

Among the more expencan make up for that inipense of paying for upkeep fencing comes in various Bamboo provides am- styles, and homeowners best suits their priorities

Of course, no discussion of fencing would be complete without mentioning wood fencing. Many homebecause of its versatility

The options are endless and time-consuming. privacy, as aluminum fenc- and functional. Chain-link when it comes to crafting fences are low mainte- wood fencing, which also homeowners looking to nance, though homeown- can be stained in any color add fencing to their propers looking for fences to homeowners prefer. Wood provide some privacy may fencing can be designed need to get creative if they not only for homeowners and/or install their own who prioritize privacy, Planting flowers, shrub- but it also can be crafted iting primer may require bery or trees near chain- for homeowners for whom best fencing fit for their

concern. Wood is a relatively inexpensive fencing owners love wood fencing material, but the maintenance required to keep with regard to design and wood fencing looking great can sometimes be costly

Options abound erties. Homeowners hesitant to choose a material fencing can consult local professionals to find the









Houseplants can clean indoor air

that can pay a host of dividends, both purifiers are often not enough, and for the planet and the people doing the those who want the air in their homes gardening. Healthy plant life can help to be as clean as possible may benefit clean the air by absorbing carbon from introducing certain houseplants dioxide and various air pollutants, while the act of gardening can help handful of plants that can help to imgardeners combat stress.

Published in 2011 in the Journal of Health Psychology, a study most often associated with hand from researchers in the Netherlands creams and hand soaps, but the aloe found that gardening promotes relief from acute stress. In the study, two ice gardeners should have no problem groups of participants were asked to growing, can clear indoor air of formcomplete a stressful task and then aldehyde and benzene, two common instructed to either read indoors or garden outdoors for 30 minutes. After ers many people use in their homes. 30 minutes, the latter group had lower levels of the stress hormone cortisol mood than the group instructed to read indoors.

provide gardeners with a reason to used to combat benzene, carbon dioxspend some time relaxing outdoors ide, formaldehyde and xylene. in an effort to relieve stress. Gardenin an effort to relieve stress. Gardeners who raise certain plants may be exploring the possibilities of longable to bring those benefits with them when going inside as well. According certain houseplants were more effecto an article published in the jour-tive at cleaning air inside energy-efnal Environmental Health Perspec- ficient, nonventilated buildings than tives in October 2011, houseplants others. One such plant was English can work wonders when it comes to improving overall health, removing formaldehyde found in certain housetoxins from air, soil and water by metabolizing some toxic chemicals and sequestering such toxins by incorporating them into plant tissues.

everyone, but especially so for those and trichloroethylene. people who suffer from respiratodoor air filtration an essential part of as well. any strategy to improve respiratory

Gardening is a rewarding hobby health. But filtration systems and air into their homes. The following are a prove indoor air quality.

· Aloe vera: Aloe vera might be vera plant, a succulent that even novbyproducts of chemical-based clean-

· Spider plant: Spider plants are resilient, and that makes them great and even reported being in a better houseplants for busy men and women who tend to be forgetful when caring for their plants. In addition, spider But gardening does more than just plants are pet-friendly and can be

term space habitation found that ivy, which can effectively combat the hold cleaning products.

· Bamboo palm: Bamboo palms also releasing harmless byproducts while found their way onto NASA's list. Bamboo palm plants thrive indoors, where they are especially effective at Clean indoor air is important for filtering out the chemicals benzene

Gardening has been proven to be a ry ailments like asthma. In fact, the soothing hobby that can help garden-American Academy of Allergy, Asthers reduce stress. But the health benma and Immunology considers in- efits of gardening can extend indoors

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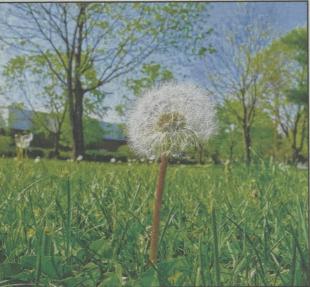
Stop weeds before they take over

Few things can be as troublesome to gardeners and landscapers as weeds. Weeds seemingly spring up overnight and quickly can overrun lawns and/or garden beds. Landscaping enthusiasts may spend countless hours and weekends coping with weeds without truly getting to the root of the problem. However, preventing weed growth need not be so difficult.

According to the experts at "This Old House" and The Family Handyman, the secret to preventing weeds healthy lawn. A vigorously growing lawn will crowd out weeds and the arid conditions crab- difficult to control. Recblock the sun weed seeds grass likes so much. need to germinate and thrive. As a result, fewer herbicides may be need-

Mow at the right

ously virulent weed that can quickly snuff out watering, wet the soil blades of grass. Crab- to a depth of four to six grass likes hot, dry coninches. This helps grass amounts ditions, and it only takes to establish strong root one plant to spread the systems that will help fertilizer, finding the seeds that can overtake lawns overpower pesky right amount to deliver the lawn. Preventing weeds. these conditions can stop crabgrass from Time weed killers flourishing. Mowing at higher heights and leav- ly remove weeds or ap- require fertilizer once ing grass blades taller ply weed killers, timing or twice annually, in the can shade the soil, help- is key. Combat weeds in autumn and spring. ing to prevent the ger- the early spring before mination of crabgrass. they have a time to fully guidelines, lawn and Shady conditions also form and start prolifer- garden enthusiasts can will help the soil retain ating through seed disprevent the prolifera-moisture and prevent persement. Once seeds tion of unsightly and po-



is to maintain a thick, Weeds, such as dandelions, can quickly take over lawns and gardens.

Water deeply

ed and homeowners can tomed to growing in leaf weeds, like dandelispend less times on their adverse conditions, in ons, unwanted grasses, hands and knees pulling cluding especially hot and sedges are the three out weeds. When most common types of such conditions arise, weeds. Homeowners roots while the roots on the type of weed that Crabgrass is a notori- of the grass can easily is most prevalent in die off. Instead, when their lawns. to a depth of four to six Watch fertilizer

ognize that no single herbicide or weeding tactic will work for ev-Weeds are accus- ery type of weed. Broadweeds establish deep will have to adapt based

Strike a balance with continuous nutrition to the lawn, but not overfeed it so that weeds can Whether you manual- thrive. Many lawns only

By following these spread, their growth is tentially harmful weeds.

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Choose a qualified contractor

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you need

Before you price out siding with con-

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as well as which siding for a license number as formation from online Reports suggests multi-nally, divide the total advocacy the width of each rect- to estimate how many materials what you can measure resents 100 square feet. have improved and can from the ground, to Knowing how much

> Vinyl siding can of gables and other completely transform surfaces the look of a home and Calculate how much and divide each total make it more energy by two. Then add all efficient. Consumers the totals. To allow for who do their homewaste, don't subtract work will get the best for doors, windows value for their invest-







The importance of clean gutters

and shrubs take on their owners are apt to put off. ing water and not much the process. brilliant display of reds, Waiting to clean gutters more. Gutters filled with oranges, purples, and can lead to considerable yellows that mark the problems, so it's best to end of the growing seators. Fall foliage may vance of the winter.

Watting to clean gutters infore. Gutters finded with leaves and other debris can quickly become heavy. This stresses the entire gutter system and flooded basements and make for ideal photo backdrops and scenic ter and runoff from the fall off of the home en- Leaking water will pool days in the country-roof so it drains properly tirely. side, but closer to home away from homes. When leaves may be more of a gutters are clogged with hindrance than an aes-leaves, a number of thetic pleasure.

The hundreds of leaves that adorn the Leaks maples, oaks and other trees near homes will eventually fall as aueventually fall as au- When clogged gutters quickly become breed- Gutter cleaning tumn turns into winter. do not allow the water ing spots for harmful should be scheduled in Some will float down to to drain away proper-lawns, while others will ly, water will find other get lodged in gutters ways to the ground. It may nest in gutters, cre- can hire gutter-cleaning and downspouts, posing may work itself right ating unsightly messes services to handle the problems that can cause substantial and poten- ings of the home. In that sprout in clogged selves. tially costly problems addition to damaging gutters can grow unfor homeowners.

but they may not com- to pests. pletely understand why. Gutter cleaning can be a messy and time-consuming project, making

problems can occur.

path of least resistance. ing water. Gutters can and crack. into the walls and ceil- and more damage. Seeds walls and ceilings, mois- checked. Homeowners know ture inside the home can that gutter cleaning is promote mold growth. an important part of It also makes interior fall home maintenance, spaces more appealing water and leaves in gut-

Excess weight

Nesting areas

pests.

Ice-damming

Gutters are meant to roof, lifting shingles and expensive repairs.

Every autumn, trees it a project many home-hold the weight of travel-destroying the roof in

Gutters guide rainwa- can cause the gutters to cracked foundations. around the foundation, expanding when frozen and causing cracks in Clogged gutters can basement and crawlserve as nesting areas space walls. It also can for insects and birds. cause driveways and Mosquitoes and other other cement areas Water will take the insects lay eggs in pool- around the home to sag

> the spring and fall of Furthermore, birds each year. Homeowners job or do the job them-

Rinse the gutters with water from the hose afterward to ensure good **e-damming** run-off. Take the time to seal any leaks as well. This routine mainteters can freeze over. nance can save home-Blocked water can back owners many headaches up and push against the and prevent some very

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never be left to linger on a yard for very long, and some homeowners may be surprised to learn that waiting to rake until all of the trees on a property have shed their leaves can be detrimental to the

That's because fallen leaves trap moisture and prevent sunlight and air from reaching the grass, making lawns more vulnerable to disease. Fallen

Mulching may be the

al for many homeown- lawns at risk of disease. remove the need to rake. insects.

When leaves they prevent their lawns from owners who prefer to minced into tiny pieces they enrich the soil with being suffocated by fallen avoid spending several that are left behind on nutrients, so much so leaves may want to con- weekend afternoons each the lawn. Such pieces are that some lawns may not fall raking leaves. Many so small that they won't even need to be fertilized Fallen leaves should lawnmowers are now block air or light from in the fall.

But as these tiny piecare es of leaves decompose,





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