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Job growth still flat, poverty increases

By DOUGLAS GRAVES
Special to the Bethlehem Press

For those who have been feeling encouraged about talk of Wall Street rebounding, some local professors and graduate students at Lehigh University's Iacocca Hall threw some cold water on all those warm fuzzies last month.

Dr. Michele Moser Deegan of Muhlenberg College led a packed room of more than 200 business, non-profit and academic leaders through graphs and statistics

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compiled by professors and graduate students.

Deegan is the director of the Lehigh Valley Research Consortium, part of the Lehigh Valley Association of Independent Colleges.

The statistics told a story about conditions in the Lehigh Valley that don't usually get attention from the press or politicians.

Besides the unsurprising find-

ings that poverty is getting worse and that joblessness is still rising, the Jan. 13 consortium studied population growth in Lehigh and Northampton counties, and in the case of Heidelberg Township, population decline.

"One of the things I learned," said Northampton County Executive John Stoffa after the meeting, "is that we're behind in Pennsylvania in terms of unemployment.

"We don't have a public health system in place. We can be proud of the Lehigh Valley but there is a whole lot to be accomplished."

Alan Jennings, the executive director of the Community Action Committee of the Lehigh Valley headquartered in South Bethlehem, was also subdued by the increases in area poverty in the report.

"A mean spirit has engulfed the Lehigh Valley and much of the country," he said.

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COUNTY Jan. 25 decision reversed

Election Commission
clears Gracedale petition
for the spring ballot

By CAROL SMITH
Special to the Bethlehem Press

Does the Save Gracedale petition conform to Northampton County's Home Rule Charter?

Reversing an earlier decision and ignoring the advice of its solicitor, the Election Commission Jan. 31 said "yes" and cleared the way for the petition's placement on the spring ballot.

The petition asks voters to prohibit Northampton County from selling or leasing Gracedale for five years.

At the Election Commission's Jan. 25 meeting, the Voter Registration office had not completed the signature verification process since at no time in the county's history had the office ever been challenged to review 23,000-plus signatures. (See related story on Page A3.)

At that time, the commissioners voted 3-2 to find the petition invalid because it violated the county's Home Rule Charter. According to Chris Spadoni, the Election Commission's solicitor, the HRC's section 1104 says that no initiative can be placed on the ballot if it impacts the county's finances.

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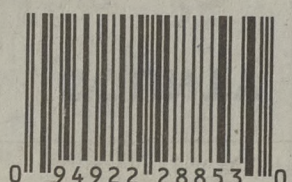
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PRESS PHOTO BY TIM GILMAN

The wet snow made for good snowman-making. Mina Griffin is all smiles as she hugs the "snowlady" she and her father, Lawrence, made in front of their home on West Union Boulevard in Bethlehem.



PRESS PHOTO BY DANA GRUBB

At night the intensified snowstorm dumped about an inch an hour in northeast Bethlehem. More snow photos on page A2.

SUPER BOWL XLV: TAILGATING AT LAMBEAU FIELD

A local Packers fan confesses

By NATE JASTRZEMSKI
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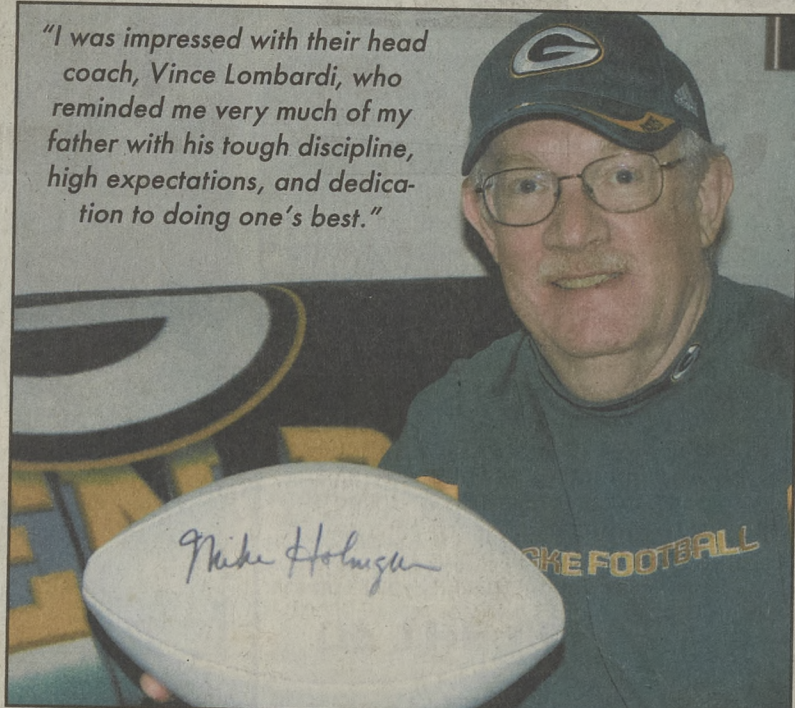
The Big Game cometh. February 6 marks Super Bowl XLV (45), in which the Pittsburgh Steelers will face the Green Bay Packers for the first time in a season-ender. The game takes place at Cowboys Stadium outside Dallas.

Press contributor and Packers fan Dana Grubb shared his long-time fascination with that Midwest team and his insights about the game to come.

Now marking his 50th year as a Packers fan, Grubb recalls first watching the championship game against the New York Giants in 1961 with his inspiration - his Dad.

"I was impressed with their head coach, Vince Lombardi, who reminded me very much of my father with his tough discipline, high expectations, and dedication to doing one's best," Grubb explained.

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PRESS PHOTO BY NATE JASTRZEMSKI

Dana Grubb shows off a football autographed by Mike Holmgren, who led the Packers to the Super Bowl in '97 and '98.

He admired Bart Starr and Jim Taylor, and respected players who were also serving in the military.

Grubb, a Bethlehemite and Liberty HS graduate, also appreciated similarly-sized Green Bay had its own pro football team.

He's traveled to see his team play and experienced firsthand what Green Bay has to offer both on and off the field.

"I've seen the Packers play in Buffalo, New York, Philadelphia and Green Bay," he said. "I've seen them win and lose."

"The tailgating around Lambeau Field on game day is phenomenal, and fans of the Packers opponents don't have to fear for their safety the way they do in Philly and New York," he continued. "It's friendly. The food is great - especially the brats - and the camaraderie is wonderful."

Grubb's adoration of the team has also invaded his home in

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Marsha Hess Springel

Resource director
Miller Keystone Blood Bank

Q & A

BY MARY PATRICIA FLETCHER



Q Why is blood donation so important?

A There is no substitute for blood. It is a simple and safe way to save other lives. One blood donation can save as many as four lives. Each day approximately 450 units of blood are needed in the area served by Miller-Keystone Blood Center.

Q Why are blood supplies short now? Is more blood needed at certain times of the year?

A January and February along with July and August are historically very bad months for us. There are many reasons for the shortage in the winter. Many people may be sick and unable to donate. Every time there is a snowstorm we lose donors. Busy travel schedules and holidays also prevent people from donating.

Over the holidays and during the summer, schools do not run blood drives and we rely on schools for a large portion of our blood. Also, more blood is needed due to accidents.

Donated blood cannot be used after 42 days so there is a continual need for blood donors.

Q What/ Who is the donated blood used for?

A The blood is used for patients in our 21 community hospitals. Donated blood is needed to care for premature infants, accident and trauma victims, people undergoing chemotherapy, burn victims, surgical patients and patients undergoing an organ or bone marrow transplant.

Q Who can donate blood?

A Any healthy individual who is at least 17 years old and weighs at least 110 pounds.

Q Who should not donate blood?

A Anyone who is not healthy or has a risky lifestyle. Individuals with certain diseases or who are taking medications may be required to wait to donate blood. People who have gotten a tattoo must wait a year before donating blood. A full list of restrictions can be found at www.giveapint.org.

Q Is there any risk for the blood donor?

A No. A new sterile kit is used for each donation. Each unit of donated blood is tested for 13 diseases. The

donor will be confidentially notified of any positive test results.

Q How often can someone donate blood?

A Blood can be separated into four different components for transfusion: red blood cells, platelets, plasma and cryoprecipitate. Donors can give whole blood or red cells every eight weeks. Platelets can be donated more frequently, up to 24 times per year. Blood plasma can be donated once a month.

Since red blood cells only have a shelf-life of 42 days and platelets only 5 days, it is important to donate regularly.

Q Are certain blood types needed more than others?

A All blood types are needed. O Negative is in high demand because it is the universal blood donor and may be used instead of all other blood types.

Q What is involved in the blood donation process?

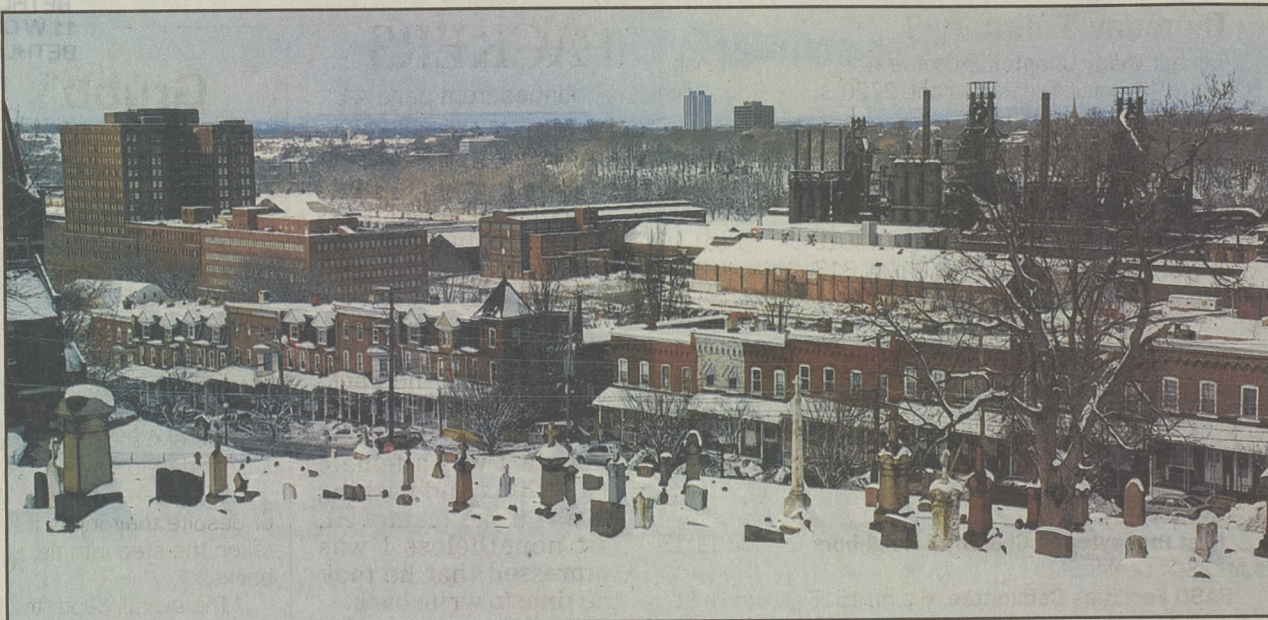
A The first step is registration, where your address, phone number and birthdate are recorded. Identification is required.

The next step takes you to screening. You are given a mini-physical which includes iron level, temperature, blood pressure and pulse. At this time you are asked several questions about your physical and lifestyle history. All information is confidential.

The next step is to have your blood drawn which takes about 5 to 10 minutes. The final step after your donation is to go to the canteen for drinks and snacks to assure you are still feeling well. The entire process takes 1-2 hours, depending on the type of blood donation.

Q If someone wants to donate blood, whom should they contact?

A Miller-Keystone Blood Center's website is www.giveapint.org where there is more information on blood donation and a listing of blood drives being held in the area. To schedule an appointment to donate, call 1-800-223-6667.



PRESS PHOTO BY DANA GRUBB

The slopes of the St. Michael's Cemetery provide a great vantage point for viewing the Southside environs and beyond after the latest storm.



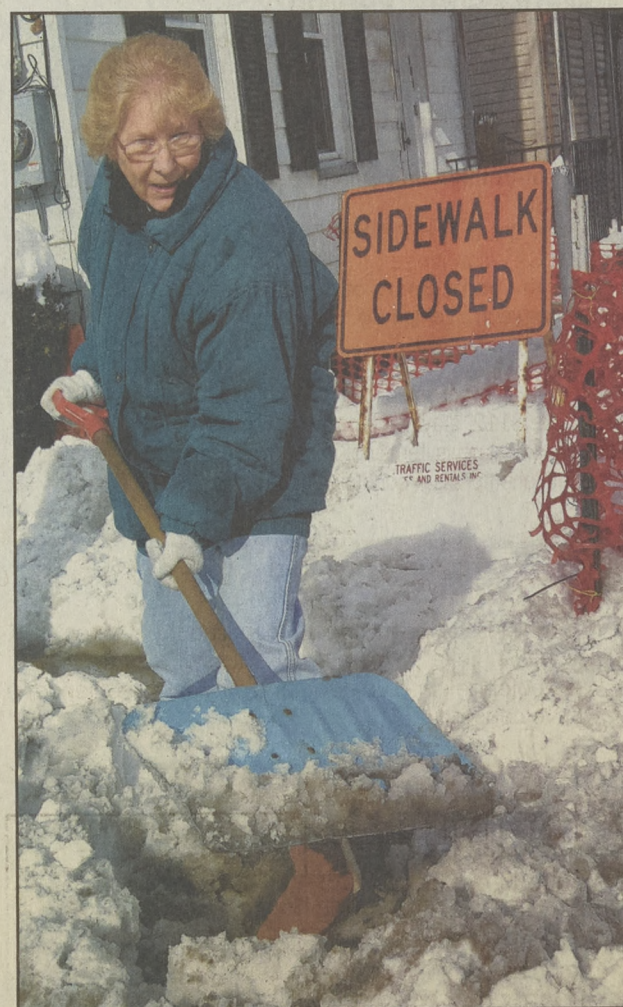
PRESS PHOTOS BY TIM GILMAN

Being a good neighbor, Diane Limoge shovels snow from the sidewalk of Julius "Butch" Rugeri, who turns 81 in March. Limoge, who lives on Maple Street in Bethlehem, said she has lived in the Lehigh Valley for 30 years, but grew up in Vermont where deep snow is a common sight.



Northeast MS buddies Brayden Williams, Raymond Hill and Eli Hall walking along Center Street near the Star City Restaurant in search of snow removal work. The three had done two jobs and had earned \$35 to be equally divided.

Snow, snow and more snow



Despite what the orange work sign says, Leola Crandell shovels her sidewalk at North New Street and West Union Boulevard with a vigor not seen in too many 69-year-olds. "I think we've had enough snow this year," said the Bethlehem resident, who was lucky to be off on the Wednesday after the storm and had already dug her car out for the next work day.



Sisters Kaitlyn and Kelsie carefully remove freshly fallen snow from their family car in front of their new home in Northeast Bethlehem. The daughters of Diane and John Bandell said they moved from Louisiana in October and were enjoying their first snowy winter outdoors.



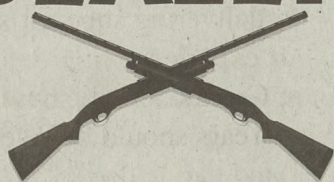
Corey Moffa does a good deed for his neighbor who is on dialysis treatment. A student at nearby Nitchmann MS, the teenage shoveler is the son of Dave and Paula Moffa, who reside on Maple Street.

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Gambling? I'm Surprised!
With the economy so bad, I'm surprised anyone would gamble away their hard-earned money at casinos, lotteries, etc. and not see this con scheme for what it is—"a sucker's game!" —Forbes, 1/16/84

I'm surprised any who call themselves "Christian" would gamble when the Bible so clearly states, "For the love of money is the root of all evil: which while some coveted after, they have erred from the faith, and pierced themselves through with many sorrows" (1 Timothy 6:10). The truly "born again" (John 3) have a new nature! "Old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new" (2 Corinthians 5:17). The greed that drives gambling is inconsistent with a new life in Christ! "He that maketh haste to be rich shall not be innocent" (Proverbs 28:20).

I'm surprised some try to disguise their greed by justifying gambling as a means to help a worthy cause. The truth is only a small part of their money goes to such causes! Gambling does more damage than good! It hurts the economy. It produces no goods. It depresses business by diverting money which otherwise could have been spent on consumer goods. It is the poor who are most often the victims and it devastates families, "He that is greedy of gain troubleth his own house" (Proverbs 15:27).

I'm surprised we tolerate leaders who push the addictive evil of gambling so unlike our first president, George Washington, who said, "Gambling is the child of avarice, the brother of iniquity, and the father of mischief." Scripture declares, "He that hasteth to be rich hath an evil eye, and considereth not that poverty shall come upon him" (Proverbs 28:23). "He that getteth riches, and not by right, shall leave them in the midst of his days, and at his end shall be a fool" (Jeremiah 17:11). Tragically, such a fool "who will gamble with money will gamble with his soul!"

Thursday, February 3

Lehigh Valley Chapter, Executive Women International, 5:30 p.m. Mountainside Restaurant, 2720 S. Pike Ave., Allentown. Call 610-264-6966.

Friday, February 4

First Friday, South Bethlehem, 6 to 10 p.m. between Third, Fourth and South New streets. Call 610-841-5831.
LEPOCO popcorn and politics, 7 p.m. 313 W. Fourth St. Call 610-691-8730 or visit www.lepoco.org.

Saturday, February 5

Diva Day, 2 to 4 p.m., Bethlehem Bethlehem Township Community Center, 2900 Farmersville Road. Call 610-332-1900 or visit www.btcenter.org.

Monday, February 7

First Presbyterian Church Hi Neighbors, 10 and 11:15 a.m. 2344 Center St.
BASD Facilities Committee, 6 p.m. 1516 Sycamore St., Education Center.
BASD Finance Committee following 6 p.m. facilities meeting, 1516 Sycamore St., Education Center.
BASD Special Board Meeting following finance meeting, 1516 Sycamore St., Education Center.
Bethlehem Township Board of Commissioners, 7 p.m. Municipal Building, 4225 Easton Ave.
Fountain Hill Council, 7 p.m. 941 Long St.
Freemansburg Council, 7 p.m. 600 Monroe St.
Hellertown Council, 7 p.m. 685 Main St.
Hanover Township Planning Commission, 7:30 p.m. 3630 Jacksonville Road.

Tuesday, February 8

Hellertown Planning Commission, 7 p.m. 685 Main St.
Hanover Township Supervisors, 7:30 p.m. 3630 Jacksonville Road.

Wednesday, February 9

YWCA's Great Decisions Lecture Series, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Auditorium, 1 Kirkland Village Circle. Call 610-867-4669.
Historic Area Review Board (HARB), 4 p.m. 10 E. Church St.
City of Bethlehem Zoning Hearing Board, 7 p.m. 10 E. Church St.
About South Bethlehem, 7 p.m. Cathedral Church of the Nativity, 321 Wyandotte St.
Lehigh County Board of Commissioners, 7:30 p.m. public hearing room, Lehigh Co. Government Center, 17 S. Seventh Street, Allentown.

To have an event listed, contact George Taylor at 610-625-2121, ext. 3112, gtaylor@tnonline.com or fax 610-625-2126. For additional local news items not in our print edition, check out www.bethlehempress-aroundtown.blogspot.com

CORRECTION

In our last issue we incorrectly identified the Women's 5K Classic as St. Luke's Women's 5K Classic. We apologize for our error and any inconvenience it may have caused.

COUNTY

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vote and the acceptance of 507 petitions and 19,651 signatures of Northampton County registered voters, the five members of the Election Commission send their decision to Northampton County Council for approval to be placed on the ballot.



PHOTO BY CAROL SMITH

Any private citizen or the county's administration has 20 days to review the petition and file objections in the Court of Common Pleas.

County Executive John Stoffa, who gave the petitioners credit for gathering the unprecedented number of signatures, said it was unclear what action the county will pursue. Stoffa added that his office does plan to move ahead on selection of a purchaser for Gracedale, which he hopes to have narrowed down by the end of the month. Currently, there are four potential buyers.

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While some Election Commission members

Election Commission Solicitor Chris Spadoni tells the commissioners that the Save Gracedale petition is in violation of Northampton County's Home Rule Charter.

said that the Voter Registration's validation of 19,651 signatures, which is 30 more than the number required to get the petition on the ballot, was what made them decide to reverse their earlier decision, others said that the petition did not impact the county's budget and that a judge and not the Election Commission should determine whether the petition and/or its signers violated the HRC.

Chairman Ken Kraft said, "We don't feel it [selling or leasing Gracedale] impacts the budget. It makes money, how can it impact the budget?"

Election Commission finds Save Gracedale petition violates Home Rule Charter

By CAROL SMITH
Special to the Bethlehem Press

Northampton County's Election Commission recently learned that the Save Gracedale petition did not conform to the county's Home Rule Charter. With this knowledge and the advice of the commission's solicitor, at a Jan. 25 meeting they voted 3-2 to find the ballot initia-

tive that would prevent the county from selling or leasing Gracedale for five years to be in violation of the HRC.

The commission's solicitor, Chris Spadoni, read and reread for the five commission members the specific section of the charter which the petition violates. The HRC governs how Northampton See **FINDS** on Page A4

PACKERS

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the form of a sizable collection of memorabilia, which includes hats, shirts, books, knickknacks and a great big blanket.

"The most significant items for me are a few letters from Bart Starr during the 1970s when he was head coach of the Packers," Grubb said. "Because of my first name, he thought I was a female fan writing and wishing him and the team well, but nonetheless I was impressed that he took the time to write back."

"Also, I'm very proud of an autographed photo that I took of place kicker Ryan Longwell during pre-game warm-ups his rookie year. He went on to become the Packers' all-time highest scorer in team history, before he left as a free agent and signed with the Minnesota Vikings."

Grubb also has 40 out of 50 years' worth of Packers Yearbooks, and, more unusual, actual Packers

Grubb's breakdown



Grubb

"Well, first, I think given the number of injuries the Packers suffered this year certainly subtracted from what could have been an even better season. They lost their starting tight end, starting running back, several starting linebackers, starting right tackle, and starting strong safety to season ending injuries. In addition, a starting defensive lineman from 2009 was suspended for drug related reasons."

"They peaked at the right time and have banded together despite their injury losses. Also, Aaron Rodgers has taken the step into the upper echelon of NFL quarterbacks."

"The overall depth that management has developed through the draft and free agent signings is a testament to sound management and excellent player development."

"The Super Bowl game will be close. They played in the 2009 season in Pittsburgh and the Steelers won on a last second touchdown by a point. Both play a three four defense, and they are very good defenses. I think the Packers have an edge on offense with their stable of receivers. I'm predicting a 31 to 28 score, hopefully with the Packers on top."

franchise stock.

"I purchased one share of stock in the Packers when shares were offered in the later 1990s," Grubb

said. "I did it for two reasons> First, it was meant to raise capital to ensure continued success of the team. Second, it was sym-

bolic for me as a fan to show my support. That share with fees cost me \$275."

America seems to build itself into frenzy this time each year, but for Grubb, it's all about the game itself.

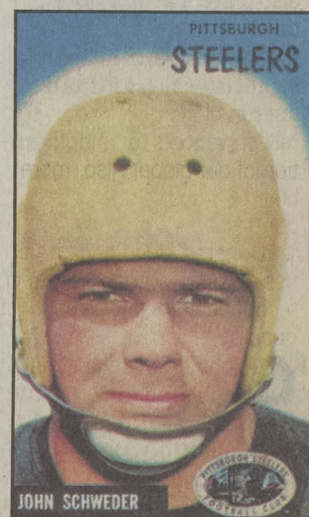
"I think the commercials are over-hyped anymore<" he said. "I'll still take one of the old ones like the Coca Cola Mean Joe Greene classic."

"I'm not into the Black-eyed Peas music, so I'm not looking forward to the halftime show either."

"I can't stand the commercialization of everything in America anymore, the Super Bowl included. I don't care about the over analysis by 4 million so-called experts, the pre-game could do with fewer interviews, and while I think the cheerleaders are gorgeous, you could eliminate them as well."

He'll likely sit not-at-all quietly at home to watch the game, doing pushups to ease the tension.

A Steeler fan for sure



JOHN SCHWEDER

Schweder said he doesn't collect memorabilia, but does possess jerseys, warm-up jackets and at least one trading card depicting his father.

PRESS PHOTO BY NATE JASTRZEMSKI

Former City Council member Mike Schweder, a lifelong Pittsburgh Steelers fan, displays an authentic 1950s jersey like those worn by his father, John Schweder, who played for the team from 1951 to 1955.

Former City Council Member Mike Schweder is a lifelong Pittsburgh fan whose father actually played for the Steelers in the 1950s. John Schweder was a first team All-American in 1949 from the University of Pennsylvania, and played the 1950 season with the Baltimore

Colts. He moved to Pittsburgh in 1951.

"I can remember seeing him play in both '54 and '55 so I have been a Steelers fan for 57 years," Schweder said.

"There were many lean years during those 57 seasons, particular-

ly in the end of the 1960s. There were seasons in that stretch when the Steelers lost 12 and 13 games a season. The arrival of Chuck Noll changed all of that," he said of the 23-season head coach who took over in 1969.

Schweder's read on the game

* The Steelers ability to win three out of the first four games with Dixon and Charlie Batch at quarterback was remarkable, and really set the stage for the rest of the season.

* Next Sunday their offensive line

will be without three of the five starters from the beginning of the season. I think it will be a game of two great defensive units, with the edge to the Steelers. As always Troy Polomalu will be key to the defense.

* Rodgers is a very gifted quarterback, and better than most of us thought, but Ben Roethlisberger usually finds a way to win.

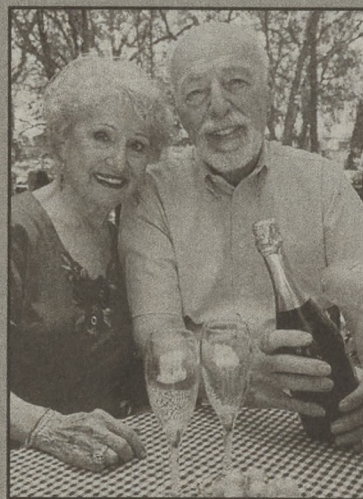
* My call is Steelers 28-17.

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William R. Szulborski

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William R. Szulborski, 58, of Bethlehem, died Jan. 22, 2011, at L.V. Hospice. He was a son of Kathleen (Hanley) Szulborski of Fountain Hill and the late William Stanley Szulborski.

He was a graduate of Bethlehem Catholic High School. He attended Kutztown University.

In 1973, he was elected as the youngest councilman ever to serve the Borough of Fountain Hill.



He retired as a supervisor from the U.S. Postal Service after 31 years of service.

In addition to his mother, he is survived by a daughter, Stephanie and her husband Dan Bauer of Catasauqua; two sisters, Kathleen Gessitz of Fountain Hill and Mary Fran and her husband Tom Leahy of Collegeville; a niece; and nephews.

Contributions may be made to our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Church, 3219 Santee Road, Bethlehem, PA 18020.

Arrangements were made by Connell Funeral Home Inc., Bethlehem.

Jose S. Dias

Lisbon Construction Company retiree

Jose S. Dias, 86, of Bethlehem, died Jan. 18, 2011, at his residence.

Born in Jamaica, N. Y., he was a son of the late Francisco and Rita (Sanchez) Dias. He was the husband of Angelina F. (Rodrigues) Dias.

He retired in 1989 from the Lisbon Construction



Company.

He was also a former member of the Portuguese American Club.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by a daughter, Isabel M. Rodrigues-Jose and her husband Jose; two grandchildren, Marco and Rosa; a sister Gloria; and several nieces and nephews.

He was predeceased by three sisters, Maria, Rosa and Armanda.

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John "Jack" M. Kametz

crane operator

John "Jack" M. Kametz, 82, of Bethlehem, died Jan. 23, 2011, at the Hospice House of St. Luke's. Born in Bethlehem, he was a son of the late Michael and Frances (McGoldrick) Kametz. He was the husband of Mary Ann Kametz for 56 years.

He served in the U.S. Navy during World War II. He retired from the Bethlehem Steel Corporation in 1989, after working as a crane operator for 38 years.

He was a parishioner of St. Simon and Jude Catholic Church, Bethlehem.

He was a member of the Hellertown American Legion and Bethlehem MORA Club.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by three children, John R. and his

wife Debra of Hellertown; Jane and her husband Larry Lowder of Nevada and Paul and his wife Diane of Bethlehem; three sisters, Jean Yanik of Allentown and Nancy Ihe and Janice Kametz, both of Bethlehem; seven grandchildren, Jonathan, Melissa, Jared, Christine, Jeffrey, Michael and Matthew; step-grandchildren, Layne, Valerie and Cody; and six great-grandchildren.

He was predeceased by two great-granddaughters.

Contributions may be made to the church or the VNA Hospice of St. Luke's, 1510 Valley Center Parkway, Suite 200, Bethlehem, PA 18017.

Arrangements were by Connell Funeral Home Inc., Bethlehem.

Anne Royce

of Holy Family Manor

Anne Royce, 84, formerly of Freemansburg Ave., Bethlehem Township, died Jan. 20, 2011, in Holy Family Manor, Bethlehem. Born in Bethlehem, she was a daughter of the late Antonio DeCarlo and Lena (Pelizoto) Nace. She was the stepdaughter of the late Vernon Nace. She was the wife of the late Harold Royce.

She was a phone operator for Eternal Light, Allentown. She worked for and volunteered at the Salvation Army, Goodwill Industries and for Catholic Charities, New

Helen H. Luecke

worked at Pioneer Sportswear

Helen H. Luecke, 79, of Forks Township, died Jan. 20, 2011, in the home of her daughter. Born in Bethlehem, she was a daughter of the late Frederick and Irene (Romig) Brauchle. She was the wife of the late Charles Luecke.

She worked for Pioneer Sportswear. She was a home health aide for many years.

She was a member of the Lutheran faith.

She is survived by two sons, Charles H. III and his partner, Don Costello of Easton and James A. and his wife, Wendy of Wind Gap; three daughters, Irene H. Flyte of Wyalusing, Nancy E. and her husband Joseph Mazak and LouAnn and her husband Ronald Haberstumpf of Bethlehem; nine grandchildren,

York.

She is survived by two brothers, Peter and his wife Jane DeCarlo and Frank and his wife Maria DeCarlo and her sister-in-law, Stella DeCarlo, all of Bethlehem; nieces; nephews; great-nieces; and great-nephews.

She was predeceased by two brothers, Victor and Anthony.

Contributions may be made to Holy Family Manor, 1200 Spring St., Bethlehem, PA 18018.

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Tammy, Denny, Jennifer, Dominic, Crystal, Joey, Steven, Jennae and Cody; 10 great-grandchildren, Elizabeth, Dominic, Emilee, Olivia, Zach, Gabe, Abigail, Dallas, Garrett and Jorgie; and two sisters, Fritzie Merkel and Diana Speck.

She was predeceased by a granddaughter, Andrea; seven sisters, Jean, Lea, Gertrude, Emily, Dot, Shirley and Marie; and two brothers, Sonny and Billy.

Contributions may be made to the Hospice House of the VNA of St. Luke's, 1510 Valley Center Parkway, Suite 200, Bethlehem, PA 18017 or to a charity of one's choice.

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In general, Valley cities and boroughs have since 2000 had population growth. Some have grown more than average, for example, Bangor grew by 22 percent, Tatamy by 17 percent and Alburis by 13 percent.

Overall, the greatest growth years of the decade were from years 2000 to 2006; growth rates slowed in the last part of the decade. For example, Lower Macungie grew 46 percent in the first years of the decade but slowed to seven percent between 2006 and 2009.

New housing permits, according to the study, are related to the slowdown in population growth. In Northampton County, new housing permits peaked at 1,986 in 2005, but by 2009, permits had dropped to 353 for the year.

The researchers found that Lehigh County issued 1,731 new housing permits issued in 2005 and by 2009 they were down to 613.

One quarter of Lehigh Valley's residents are school aged (including college) and about 15 percent are older, mostly retired adults. The workforce, those in the mid ranges, has stayed stable in spite of the recession, which started in December 2007.

The number of Latinos increased from 9.4 percent in 2009 to 13.4 percent in 2010, according to statistics provided by the study group.

The study gave high marks for the American Recovery Act money, saying that the local economy has benefited. From February 2009 through September 2010, the Lehigh Valley got 259 projects and over \$630 million resulting in over 400 jobs.

Of the 15 biggest employers in the Lehigh Valley, four that made the list in 2000 were off the Top 15 List in 2010: Lucent Technologies, PPL Electric, Mack Trucks and the Wood Company.

Only four commercial companies made the list for 2010; the other 11 are government entities.

Government, health care and education dominate the job market now.



PRESS PHOTOS BY DOUGLAS GRAVES

Dr. Michelle Moser Deegan, a political science professor at Muhlenberg College, led the "State of the Lehigh Valley: Community Trends at a Glance" meeting at Lehigh University.

The top employers for 2010: Federal Government, State Government, Northampton County, Lehigh County Government, Allentown School District, Bethlehem Area School District, Easton Area School District, Lehigh Valley Hospital Center, St. Luke's Hospital, Lehigh Valley Physician Group, Giant Food Stores, Wal-Mart Associates Inc., Air Products and Chemicals Inc. and the Guardian Life Insurance Company of America.

The scholars also looked at local education noting all 17 school districts in the Lehigh Valley had increases in the percentage of students who qualify for free or reduced lunch. Children from families with incomes between 130 per cent and 180 percent of the poverty level are eligible for reduced lunches.

According to Deegan, numerous studies since the 1960s have noted a strong connection between the level of child poverty and performance on tests such as the Pennsylvania System of School Assessment (PSSA) tests.

Northwestern Lehigh School District was one of the three districts that posted the highest increases in children from poor families. As a result of poor performance on 2010 PSSA tests, according to www.schooligger.com, Northwestern Lehigh High School dropped from 185 out of 672 high schools in PA to 426 in 2010. Of the several contributing factors that Northwestern Lehigh School District officials have considered for the drop in all measured areas of 11th grade PSSA scores in 2010, poverty is not one of them.

Deegan tempered her conclusions, saying, while it appears there may be some association between poverty and PSSA results, when she ran correlation statistics to check the relationship between poverty and poor results on PSSA tests, the results were inconclusive.

"Further tests of individual districts over time are needed to more closely examine the connection between poverty and student outcomes," Deegan said. More graduates

from poorer districts such as Bethlehem Area School District and Easton Area School district are choosing community colleges, according to Deegan.

The study also looked at the Valley's changes in land use and environment, political participation and "government affairs," public health and welfare issues. The study concluded by looking at public safety.

Lehigh Valley residents "give high marks to the region's overall environmental quality with over eight out of 10 residents rating the environment as excellent or good," according to research credited to Eike Reichardt and Christopher P. Borick.

On the political landscape, Democrats (209,145) outnumber Republicans (142,346). A fun fact: the number of Democrats who switched parties was almost exactly equal to the number of Republicans who switched - about 3,400 from each party turned their coats.

The percentage of children living in poverty in Lehigh County rose from 13.7 per cent in 2000 to 17 percent in 2009; in Northampton County child poverty rose slightly less, going from 9.8 per cent in 2000 to 11 percent in 2009. The state's child poverty level remained almost unchanged in the nine-year interim - about 16.5 per cent.

Crime statistics in four measures generally show a drop in crimes reported in Lehigh and Northampton counties from 2008 to 2009.

Lehigh: sex offenses, up 34 percent; robbery, down 3 percent; assault, down 4 percent; property crime, down 11 percent.

Northampton: sex offenses, down 8 percent; robbery, down 7 percent; assault, up 15 percent; and property crime, down 9 percent.

"Concern with becoming a victim of crime reached its lowest level since 2006 with 58 per cent of Lehigh Valley residents reporting that they were either very or somewhat concerned with the possibility of crime victimhood," wrote Scott Hoke and Jackie Hanzok, the authors of the public safety survey.

Regina (Zelasko) Jamiolkowski

Sacred Heart Church member

Regina (Zelasko) Jamiolkowski, 89, of Bethlehem Township, died Jan. 19, 2011, at St. Luke's Hospital, Bethlehem. Born in Sugar Notch, she was a daughter of the late Anthony and Veronica (Yasinski) Zelasko. She was the wife of the late Chester "Reds" Jamiolkowski for 59 years.

She was predeceased by seven brothers, Bernard, Anthony, Benjamin, Joseph, Alfred, Frank and Edmund Zelasko; and a sister, Genevieve Donchez.

Contributions may be made to VNA of St. Luke's, 1510 Valley Center Parkway, Bethlehem, PA 18017.

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She was a member of the U.A.W. and a member of the Bethlehem Township Autumn Club.

She is survived by a daughter, Karen A. (Jamiolkowski) and her hus-

band James Cote of Dunlap, Ill.; a son, Chet Jr. and his wife Marianne of Atkinson, N.H.; a sister, Helen Maslanka of Nazareth; five grandchildren, Brian, Kristen, Jodi, Jamie and Michel; and five great-grandchildren, Joshua, Jacob, Elisa Luna, Amalia and Lainey.

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John A. Kincaid Sr.

PB&NE Railroad conductor

John A. Kincaid Sr., 86, of Bethlehem, died Jan. 17, 2011, in St. Luke's Hospice House. Born in Fountain Hill, he was the son of the late William and Rose Milligan and the adopted son of the late Sylvester and Mary Kincaid. He was the husband of the late Erma M. (Thackston) Kincaid.

He was in the U.S. Navy from September 1941 to March 1947.

He was a conductor for the PB&NE Railroad for 37 years.

He was of the Protes-

tant faith.

He is survived by two daughters, Marion and her husband Bruce Danyluk and Lorelei and her husband Dominic Baptista, all of Bethlehem; two sons, Daniel and his wife Bonnie of Hellertown and John Jr. and his wife Frances of Pittsburgh; a sister, Marion Koonce of Conshohocken; five grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

Arrangements were made by Long Funeral Home Inc., Bethlehem.

FINDS

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ton County administration and council members conduct their business.

Commissioner Christopher Randazzo, who expressed his lack of knowledge of the facts of the petition process or understanding of the HRC law, and other commission members wanted to know how a petition the commission approved for circulation back in November 2010 could now be found out of compliance with county law.

Spadoni said that it is the right of taxpayers to circulate a petition to be voted on as a ballot issue. The solicitor added, however, that he had not been asked for advice on the wording of the Save Gracedale petition. He provided advice to the commission just on the petition process.

As the commissioners discovered, upon Spadoni's review of the 507 petitions that were delivered by the citizens wishing to prevent the sale or lease of Gracedale, it was the petition's wording that was problematic.

According to Spadoni who also cited legal precedents in a memorandum he read to the commissioners, the HRC prohibits any ballot initiative that restricts the county's financial stability. If placed on the ballot, the question to prohibit the sale or lease of Gracedale for five years "clearly impacts county finances."

The commission members, who originally thought they were meeting to vote on the validity of the 23,000-plus signatures, were surprised to find themselves



PHOTO BY CAROL SMITH

Ken Kraft, the chair of the Election Commission, takes time Jan. 25 to form the wording for the commission's vote on the Save Gracedale petition.

voting on the petition's compliance with the HRC.

Commission Chair Ken Kraft said he thought the issue of whether the petition was in compliance with the law should be made by a judge.

And it just so happens a lawsuit has been filed to throw out the petition. Citing more than a dozen reasons for irregularities in the manner in which the 507 petitions with their more than 23,000 signatures were gathered, Bernie O'Hare, of Nazareth, who is a former attorney, and Ron Angle, a NC councilman, have filed objections to the Gracedale petition in the Court of Common Pleas. O'Hare is a Bethlehem Press reporter.

O'Hare told the commissioners there were numerous violations regarding the circulation of the petitions. O'Hare said his review of the petitions found close to 5,000 signatures should be thrown out.

Stabbing

Fountain Hill Police arrested a 27-year-old woman following an attack she allegedly perpetrated at her home around 7 p.m. Jan. 6.

According to police, Luz Neireida Sanchez, of 1048 Delaware Ave., stabbed her boyfriend with a pair of scissors during an argument. Emergency services personnel arrived for a reported injury and discovered the domestic incident, relating it to police.

Sanchez and the male began arguing over who should cook dinner for the children and progressed to the question of alleged infidelity. She ripped his shirt and then swung at him with scissors in hand, catching him in the wrist, police said.

Sanchez was remanded to Lehigh County Prison for harassment, possession of instruments of crime, reckless endangerment and simple assault. The victim was given stitches at St. Luke's Hospital and released.

CITY POLICE

Fraud

A resident was nearly taken to the cleaners in an Internet scam in January but was saved by his bank, police said.

Detectives said the 50-year-old Ostrum Street man was using a Web site called "Westbridge Ltd.", an employment service, which allegedly required hundreds or even thousands of dollars to help him. When the victim tried to make a second transaction by moving money from his bank account to Western Union - to a total of \$4,000 - People's First Credit Union stopped the transaction and advised the man of the duplicity.

"Alert bank people saved him a lot of money," officers said, adding not blindly sending large amounts of money to a website is good advice.

Getting ready for Super Bowl Sunday



PRESS PHOTO BY TIM GILMAN

Avid runners Renell Carpenter and Kira Willey are not deterred by a recent snowfall as they cross a stone bridge over the Monocacy Creek in the Colonial Industrial Quarter. The two athletic Bethlehem residents say they run almost daily "rain, snow or shine" and are members of a "running club of two." According to the women, they are training for the seventh annual Lehigh Valley Road Runners Superbowl 10K, scheduled for Feb. 6 in Allentown's Lehigh Parkway.

Republicans offer full slate in race

CITY COUNCIL

By BERNIE O'HARE
Special to the Bethlehem Press

Bethlehem City Council races are almost always decided in the primary, when Democrats decide on their nominees. Republicans offer either no or only token resistance from perennial challengers like Esther Lee, who's been defeated eight times, or John Cornish, whose political career consists of 13 losses. In fact, Cornish once joked his only hope of winning would be if one of the Democrats died. But all that will change this year, when Republicans offer a full slate of candidates for the three council seats up for grabs.

Al Bernotas, Tom Carroll and Tony Simao are already regulars at City Council meetings, and would like to see what the view looks like from the other side of the desk. Two of these candidates, Carroll and Simao, are also members of the LV Tea Party. All three are running on a platform that will demand fiscal responsibility and accountability from an administration that has run up deficits of \$8 million over the past two years.

Bernotas, a retired marketer who still works as an emergency substitute teacher,

is a vocal opponent of the Elias Farmers Market expansion, and has immersed himself in planning and zoning issues.

Carroll, a former prosecutor in Montgomery and Northampton counties, is nephew to Jean Belinski, a current member of council. He has an active practice spanning eight counties, but has been attending meetings for years.

Simao, a client advocate in the health insurance industry, already films and publishes every council meeting on YouTube. He wants

to end what he calls a "steady cycle" of "spend, tax and borrow."

Registration statements in the elections office list Bob Pfenning, another regular at council meetings, as their campaign treasurer.

City Council President Bob Donchez and Council member J. William Reynolds, both Democrats, are expected to seek re-election. They'll be joined by Mike Recchiuti, a local lawyer making his second run for council.

Gordon B. Mowrer, a council veteran and former mayor, has already announced he is retiring and will not seek re-election.

Farmers market to open at SteelStacks

By AMY HERZOG
Special to the Bethlehem Press

Looking for a way to reduce your grocery bill? Fresh fruit and vegetables will now be available on the Southside for about the price of a meal from a drive-through establishment.

Lorraine Torrella, the farmers market manag-

er from ArtsQuest, announced the formation of a farmers market on the SteelStacks campus during a Mayor's South Side Task Force meeting Jan. 25.

The market will be located at Festival Plaza on Tuesdays from May

through November from 3 to 7 p.m. rain or shine. May 10 will be the grand opening and the closing date is set for Nov. 8 for a total of 27 Tuesdays. The market, will promote sustainability and contribute to the health and well-being of the community.

The goal is to open with 30 vendors.

"These farmers are not commercial farms. They have a little bit of everything," Torrella said. "They have eggs and chickens, fruits and vegetables. It's a great showing."

Torrella traveled almost a thousand miles See **SSTF** on Page A6

FIRST SATURDAY Valentine crafts set for Feb. 5

The First Saturdays series will be held from 10 a.m. to noon February 5 in room 403, Fowler Family Southside Center, 511 E. Third St. The program features sweetheart crafts for Valentine's Day. Call 610-861-7561 or visit copsnkidslv.org for information.

PIONEERS Group to meet Feb. 9 at Asbury

The Verizon Telecom Pioneer Club will meet at 1 p.m. Feb. 9 in Asbury Methodist Church, 1533 Springhouse Road, South Whitehall.

Installation of officers for 2011 will take place and Dan Kunkle from Lehigh Gap Nature Center, Slatington, will give a presentation.

Bring along a non-perishable item for the food bank.

HBP Hunt for History club in February

Historic Bethlehem Partnership begins a children's Hunt for History program at noon on Feb. 5. The interactive yearlong program for children age 4-12 will meet the first Saturday of every month for crafts, stories, games and fun.

The Feb. 5 and 12 "Follow Your Heart" valentines programs will be held at the Kemmerer Museum of Decorative Arts, 427 N. New St. Original valentines handcrafted in the 1800s will be on display. Children will make both their own valentines and a Victorian valentine puzzle purse.

The series continues from noon to 4 p.m. on March 5 at the museum. Children will card wool, spin it and weave their own cloth. Woven wool coverlets from the museum's collection will be on display.

The program is made possible with the support of Helen and Maurice Jones Fund. Call 610-691-6055 or visit www.historicbethlehem.org for information.

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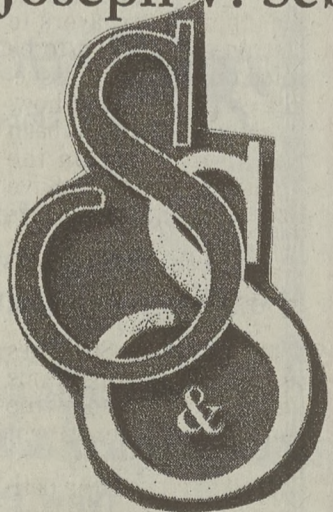
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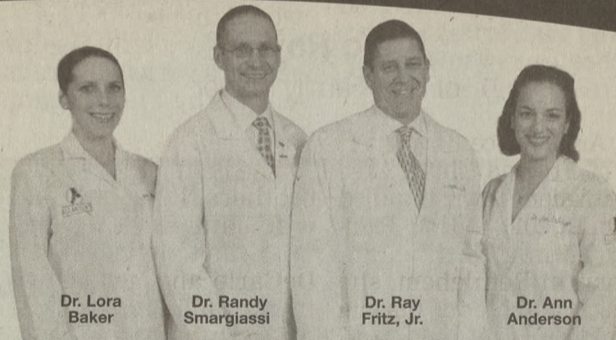


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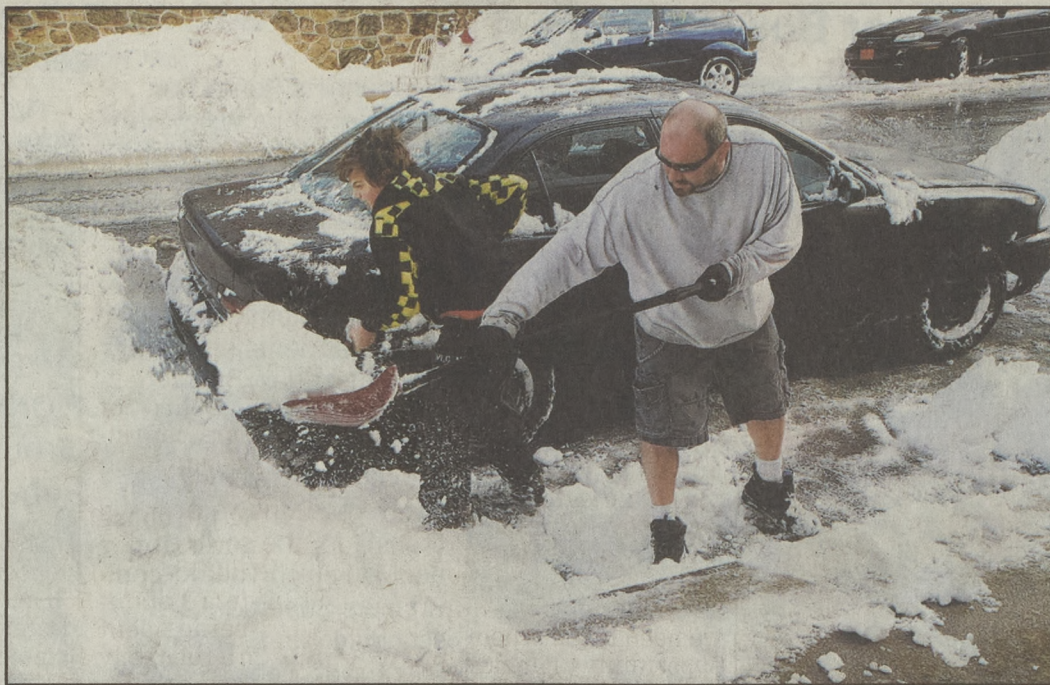
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Heat wave

"I always wear shorts," says 40-year-old Hayes Street resident Kevin Smith as he and his son Dakota clear out the family parking spot. It took them a little more than a half hour to get the shoveling job completed after last week's storm.



PRESS PHOTO BY DANA GRUBB

For sale: historic street signs

By MARK RECCEK
Special to the Bethlehem Press

HELLERTOWN

Hellertown Borough Council announced at its Jan. 18 meeting the sale of historic street signs for \$10 each. Council President Phil Weber said during the meeting that the street signs will be sold on a first come, first served basis.

The old street signs are currently being replaced by newer, PennDOT-mandated signs. The new street signs will be more visible to motorists.

According to borough Public Works Director Tom Henshaw, the borough is required to replace the older signs with new street signs.

"We are talking about \$15,000 of street signs because of a PennDOT mandate," Henshaw said.

Council member Gail Nolf suggested during the meeting that the borough consider donating the older signs to the historical society. Chief of Police Robert Shupp concurred with Nolf's recommenda-

tion. "The signs would be better served at the historical society," Shupp said.

Council member Mike McKenna also noted that the Saucon Valley Community Center has inquired of the borough if excess street signs can be donated to their organization for fundraising purposes.

Weber said anyone interested in purchasing a street sign should contact the municipal building at 610-838-7041 or personally stop in to fill out the necessary paperwork for purchase.

Council set a tentative deadline of Feb. 1 for the street sign sale proposal. After the Feb. 1 deadline, council will determine how many signs remain to be sold or donated.

Also during the meeting, Zoning and Codes Officer Joe Chernaskey discussed with council

six recently submitted complaints of residents not removing snow in a timely fashion from their personal property. Chernaskey said he intends to provide homeowners with a warning, in the form of a letter, before issuing a citation.

"I want to give them a heads up that this is the rule, and send them a letter," he explained. "I'd like to give people at least the benefit of the doubt that there is an ordinance."

Weber also asked Shupp the status of neighborhood block watches in the borough. Shupp said that due to low turnout in the past, block watches were temporarily suspended. However, Shupp said that he intends on moving them to other locations, within the borough.

"It was getting to the point where we only had two to three people," he said. "I'm thinking of moving the block watches

to high rises, Saucon Valley Manor, and churches, if they would be willing to host it."

Also during the meeting, Charlie Luthar, borough manager, announced that the borough received a grant from State Rep. Bob Freeman to work on and complete a zoning ordinance review through Barry Isett and Associates. According to Luthar, the borough zoning ordinance was last revised in 2002.

In other business, council unanimously approved three special event requests. Events approved by council include: concerts in the park, June 12, July 10, and Aug. 14; Hellertown-Lower Saucon Community Day, Aug. 20, from 9 a.m. until 9 p.m. at Dimmick Park; and a fishing contest at the Grist Mill, May 7-8.

Council's next meeting is scheduled for Feb. 7 at 7 p.m. in the borough municipal building.

SSTF

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visiting farms and farmers markets in order to bring the best products available to the area. Produce meats such as bison and veal, artisan breads, cheeses, raw milk and ice creams will be available.

"Prepared foods, foods made from scratch and brought here, will also be available", Torrella said. "This is eclectic; how mixed this neighborhood is. We want to focus on ethnic foods. How fun would that be?"

Vendors will also be selling a variety of crafts including homemade

soaps and alpaca wool and other natural fibers.

This is just one of the many new activities that will be available on the SteelStacks campus.

The ArtsQuest building will be completed Feb. 15.

Test dates to take a tour of the building will be held in mid-April. Road

restructuring on First Street has also begun in order to construct the Levitt Pavilion.

Check out the Arts Quest website for updates and more information at www.artsquest.org.

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More People Qualify for Roth IRA Conversions

Income limits no longer apply to rollovers or conversions to Roth IRAs from other retirement plans. In the past, only taxpayers with modified adjusted gross income of \$100,000 or less were eligible, and a married person filing a separate return who lived with his or her spouse at any time during the year was barred from Roth IRA rollovers or conversions, regardless of income.

For 2010 rollovers and conversions only, half of the resulting income must be included in income in tax year 2011 and the other half in 2012, unless the taxpayer chooses to include all of it in income in 2010. In all situations, taxpayers must report any 2010 conversion on Form 8606 for tax year 2010. These rules do not apply to rollovers from another Roth IRA or from a designated Roth account.

AIDSNET, Bethlehem, is recruiting community members to join the Board. Contact Ann Stuart Thacker for an interview, 610-882-1119, executive.director@aidynetpa.org.

AMERICAN DIABETES ASSOCIATION, Bethlehem, is looking for committee members for 2011 "Step Out Walk to Stop Diabetes." Contact Dawn Fernandez, 610-814-2701 x4625, dfernandez@diabetes.org.

LEHIGH VALLEY HOSPICE, Allentown, is looking for volunteers to offer extra comfort by making Comfort Bears and Comfort Shawls for their patients. Contact Kimberly Thompson, 610-969-0396, kimberly.thompson@lvh.com.

MORAVIAN HALL SQUARE, Nazareth, needs gift shop volunteers for a few hours a day. Contact Peggy Hanzelman, 610-746-1334, peggyh@moravian.com for an appointment.

THE SALVATION ARMY CHILDREN'S SERVICES, Allentown, needs volunteers to help with child care to children in foster care during agency training and special events. Contact Florence Rhue, 610-821-7706, florence_rhue@use.salvationarmy.org.

Contact the Volunteer Center to receive a brochure listing agencies in need of volunteers at 610-807-0336 or e-mail: vc@volunteerlv.org. Visit our website www.volunteerlv.org for a larger listing of volunteer opportunities.

COLLEGE NOTES

Northampton Community College Open House dates set

NCC will conduct tours of its main campus on at 11 a.m. on Feb. 8, March 8 and April 5 and at 3:30 p.m. on Feb. 24, March 23 and April 21. Tours will begin at the Enrollment Center, 3835 Green Pond Road. Prospective students and their families will have the opportunity to ask questions about the college and its 100 academic programs.

For information or to register, call 610-861-5500.

Northampton Community College's main campus is located at 3835 Green Pond Road. The Fowler Family Southside Center is located at 511 E. Third St. For more information, contact NCC at 610-861-5300 or 1-877-543-0998 or visit www.northampton.edu.

BIRTHS

Dec. 3: Torey Thomas and Lyndsay Kemmerer, son; Richard Pompey Jr. and Hurriyah Johnson, son; Bradley and Rebekah Miller, son; Andrew Stout and Angela Renner, daughter.

Dec. 4: Jonathan and Jennifer Parry, daughter.

Dec. 5: Wayne and Stephanie Freeh, son; Gioachino Ranzazzo and Alessandra Larusso, daughter.

Dec. 6: Jeremy and Briann Murdock, son; Hector Rios III and Jessica Ortiz, daughter.

Dec. 7: Mr. and Mrs. Pavel Rodriguez, son; Nery Perez, son; Kyaw and Mya Cho, son.

Dec. 9: Thomas Mathews Jr. and Amber Toth, daughter; Emily Noti, son.

Dec. 13: Mr. and Mrs. Scott Franco, twin daughters; Desiree Sherry, daughter; Chris and Liz D'Amico, daughter; Elvin Ubiera and Stacey Guth, son.

Dec. 14: Randy Howell and Bleechet Hernandez, son; Ian Juma and Jasmine Brown, son.

Dec. 15: Arsenio Perez Guzman and Nilsa M. Maldonado, daughter; Chauntica Broughton, son; Doug and Becca Meiners, son.

Dec. 16: Jorge Pickett and Jessica Paller, son.

Dec. 17: Michael and Carly McKeon, daughter

Dec. 18: David Walker and Antonia Ramirez, daughter.

Dec. 19: Gerard McCafferty and Caitlin Folk, daughter.

Dec. 20: Irwin Clarence Williams and Monica Garcia, daughter; Devin Erick Harris and Bianca LaDonna Guarino, son; Mr. and Mrs. Luiz Perez, son; Mr. and Mrs. Chad Kramer, son; Paul Miller and Christina Moser, son.

Dec. 21: Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Loquasto, daughter; Steven Rojas and Corina Gonzalez, son.

Dec. 22: Mr. and Mrs. Jim Wharen, daughter.

Dec. 23: Jewel Kelley and Cecily Gargone, daughter; Lara Transue, daughter; Kelsey Lynne Gengaro, son; Aicicles Esquivel-Romero and Mariela Romero, daughter.

Dec. 26: Michael and Stephanie Corrigan, daughter; Geraldo Suarez and Kristina Rivera, son.

Dec. 27: Javier Serra and Angela Montafia, daughter.

Dec. 28: Mr. and Mrs. Michael Garganta, daughter; Jason and Amy Mertz, daughter; Lesby Ochoa, son; Anand Thakrar and Alison E. Green, son; Bryce and Aileen Bouton, son; Adrian Ramnarain and Angelina Pendola, son.

Dec. 29: Ryan and Tina Getz, son.

Dec. 31: Eddie Rodriguez and TeShauna Barnes, son; John Tomlinson III and Heather Gyetvay, son.

Jan. 2: Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Marler, son; Jalyza Rodriguez, son.

Jan. 3: Adam Lewczenko and Deidre Hartley-Jennings, son; Terrence Mosley and LaKisha Thelwell, son; Christian and Kelly Lampe, son; Mark.Cora and Nicole Grubbs, daughter.

Jan. 4: Matt and Tammy Lyons, daughter.

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Board approves new schedule

By MARK RECCEK
Special to the Bethlehem Press

Approved changes to Saucon Valley High School's 2011-2012 class schedule did not come without discussion and debate during the board's Jan. 24 meeting.

The newly approved changes will affect math and world language course block schedules. Further, class sessions will be reduced from 90 minutes to 41 minutes, and courses will now run all four quarters, rather than half-year.

Calculus I will run two sections in block and full-year formats and Calculus II will remain in a 90-minute block the last two quarters of the academic year.

Social studies, science, English and various elective courses will also run in 90-minute sessions and will be offered in half-year formats.

Board Member Sandra Miller, parent of a Saucon Valley High School student, provided board and community members with a short presentation concerning changes in the high school schedule. According to Miller, the scheduling changes would result in productive class instruction being lost to study halls, particularly with respect to math and world language courses, and further academic challenges for students.

"The math sequence works if we have Algebra I in seventh grade," Miller explained. "Otherwise, students must take two math classes in their sophomore year. When world language courses are added, the students will be forced into study halls."

A number of community members were in atten-

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Saucon Valley resident and parent of a high school senior, Cindy Oatis, speaks to the board in favor of maintaining block 5. Block 5 is a 30-minute period offered at the conclusion of the school day which provides students with additional academic support and allows for participation in extra-curricular school activities.

Oatis and spoke out against the partial elimination of block 5 from the school day. Block 5 is a 30-minute time period, offered at the end of the day, so that students can receive additional academic support and participate in extra-curricular activities. The new schedule reduces block 5 from being offered five days a week to two.

Cindy Oatis, resident and parent of a senior, spoke in favor of maintaining block 5. According to Oatis, block 5 has allowed her son to not only enroll in honors courses, but to train three to five hours a day in his chosen sport.

"I believe it helps everyone," Oatis said. "Block 5 allowed my son and oth-

that they take advantage of the administration's new scheduling plan as Saucon Valley has not experienced a drastic improvement in PSSA math scores in recent years, in comparison with other school districts, like Easton.

"The administration has come up with a plan and it's a reasonable plan," he said. "You're paying over a million dollars a year to run this place. Instead of continually challenging the board, we need to give them the opportunity to implement this plan."

Saucon Valley High School Principal Eric Kahler also spoke in favor of the scheduling change and said the district should make an effort at implementing the new schedule.

"I can't wave a magic wand," Kahler said. "All I can do is provide the greatest opportunity to the most students. We need to take some stabs at trying some new things."

Miller and fellow Board Member Sharon Stack were the lone members who voted against the new schedule.

District Superintendent Sandra Fellin shared with the board and community that the district should embrace the plan as it affords the opportunity for change.

"You can't do what you have always done and expect something different," she said. "This is about the students. This is our best way to try to change something."

The board's next meeting is scheduled for Feb. 7 at 7 p.m. in the high school Audion room.

Board examines expenses closely

By BERNIE O'HARE
Special to the Bethlehem Press

It's common to see local boards looking for nickels and dimes at budget time. But at its Jan. 17 meeting, Bethlehem Township's Board of Commissioners continued its close examination of expenses.

Reviewing purchase orders, Commissioner Michael Hudak complained in detail about the \$70,000 being spent for repairs to a relatively new HVAC system. He noted that one unit has been repaired nine times since installation.

"People are not looking as closely as they should," he complained.

Township Manager Howard Kutzler's request for a four-day training session in Boston, which will help him maintain his accreditation as a planner, was approved at an expense of around \$1,500. This money has already been set aside as part of the budget, and Kutler told commissioners he'd pay for his own meals, mileage and parking. Thomas Nolan suggested that the township pick up the tab for those expenses, but Jerry Batcha vetoed that notion, saying it's "quite admirable" that Kutler would offer to pay for some of the expenses. "I think we should take him up on it."

A \$510 request to send two police officers to Pittsburgh for a four-day conference about organized crime was tabled. Commissioners noted this has nothing to do with certification and seemed wary of paying for conferences while union negotiations are pending.

Sgt. Daryl LaPointe's



PRESS PHOTO BY BERNIE O'HARE

Commissioner Thomas Nolan proposes his appointment as alternate to Bethlehem Library Board.

request for State Police training as a "drug recognition expert" was granted. The commonwealth will pay for the training.

"Aren't all our officers already trained in recognizing drunk drivers?" asked Commissioner Hudak. Lapointe told commissioners this training would teach him to recognize the effects of other substances, from marijuana to cocaine.

Currently, there are only 81 drug recognition experts throughout Pennsylvania.

Commissioners reluctantly approved Pamela Magnan's re-appointment to the Bethlehem Area Public Library Advisory Board, but also added Commissioner Thomas Nolan as an alternate.

"We are not being represented well," complained Hudak. "They are there to pass on our opinions, our desires, our wants." Commissioners have repeatedly complained about their annual assessment, set at \$375,000 this year.

Board seeks safer school climate

By DOUGLAS GRAVES
Special to the Bethlehem Press

Officials at the Bethlehem Area School District introduced a plan to use "restorative practices" to reduce and prevent misbehavior, bullying and violence in schools. The program is an outgrowth of an alternative to the "zero tolerance" disciplinary practices that often lead to expulsion of students without resolving the underlying issues that may have led to the original problem.

Ted Wachtel, the co-author of two best-selling books for parents of troubled adolescents in the 1980s, "Toughlove" and "Toughlove Solutions," helped create the philosophy that has been credited with helping many problem schools develop a more effective disciplinary system.

The program would complement the existing disciplinary policy.

According to the proposal presented by BASD administrators, the pro-

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gram would simultaneously increase and improve student, staff and parent relationships and attitudes.

The expected results are "increased and improved instructional time and a safer, more connected school climate."

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The administration will include the cost in its recommended district budget for next year. BASD and the International Institute for Restorative Justice, based in Bethlehem, are negotiating for a "significantly discounted price" for the proprietary program.

BASD Superintendent Dr. Joseph Roy told The Press that he is resigning his position on the board of directors for IIRP to avoid any concerns about a conflict of interest.

The restorative justice program will complement

other plans for improving the school district, which has two high schools that have failed to make AYP (annual yearly progress) for the past three years.

In other business, Assistant Superintendent for Education and Chief Academic Officer Dr. Jack Silva introduced a four-year plan he called a "Roadmap to Educational Excellence 2010-2014." In the supporting documents he gave to the Curriculum Committee, Silva said a goal of the plan is to "once again be recognized as one of the top districts in the state."

The program is designed to "develop rigorous curriculum [sic] and assessment," to "foster positive relationships," to "enhance student engagement beyond the classroom" and to "provide professional development for high-quality instruction."

The more rigorous curricula plan is part of the district's effort to shift academic focus to the state's recently developed "Core State Standards," Pennsylvania graduation

requirements and soon to be introduced "Keystone Exams."

Silva plans, in part, to accomplish the goal to foster positive relationships through integration of the proposed restorative justice program.

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DAR welcomes new members

The Bethlehem Pennsylvania Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution hosted its Dec. 4 luncheon at the DAR Memorial House on Eighth Avenue in Bethlehem. Funds were raised to support "DAR Project Patriot," a committee that supports American service personnel in current conflicts abroad. Members prepared all the food and the decorations were provided by Regent Gerri Falk. Two individuals were given the oath of membership by Chaplain Virginia Murphy: Anne Seyfried of Bangor and Bethlehem resident Rebecca Jo Hawkins. Seyfried's ancestor is John Philip Achenbach, who resided in Plainfield Township. He took the Oath of Allegiance



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Sept. 1, 1777, and served as a private under Capt. Henry Alshouse and Lt. Abraham Horn. Hawkins' ancestor is Joseph Howell Jr. from Anson County, N.C. He was Overseer of Roads, signed the petition

and was a grand juror during the Revolutionary War. Bruce Gill of Harrington House, Bryn Mawr, spoke on Charles Thomson, secretary of the Continental and Confederate congresses, who designed the

presidential seal still in use today. ABOVE: Rebecca Hawkins, Bruce Gill and Anne Seyfried.

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Tough loss vs. K-Kids Patriots still eyeing D-11 playoff berth

By PETER CAR
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Northampton played the spoiler role on Monday night and Freedom felt rotten.

The K-Kids, who have struggled all season long to pick up wins, earned a morale boost with a 47-45 home victory over the Patriots to put a severe dent in Freedom's plans of making a late season push into districts.

Freedom (7-10, 4-5) had a chance of tying the contest in the final seconds after Northampton's Brian Wittreich missed the front end of a one and one with under 10 seconds left. Freedom grabbed the rebound and pushed the ball up court, only to miss three shots in the waning seconds to solidify Northampton's (3-13, 2-7) upset.

For Northampton head coach Ed Ohlson, the win snapped a six-game losing streak and gave the Kids a win they were due for.

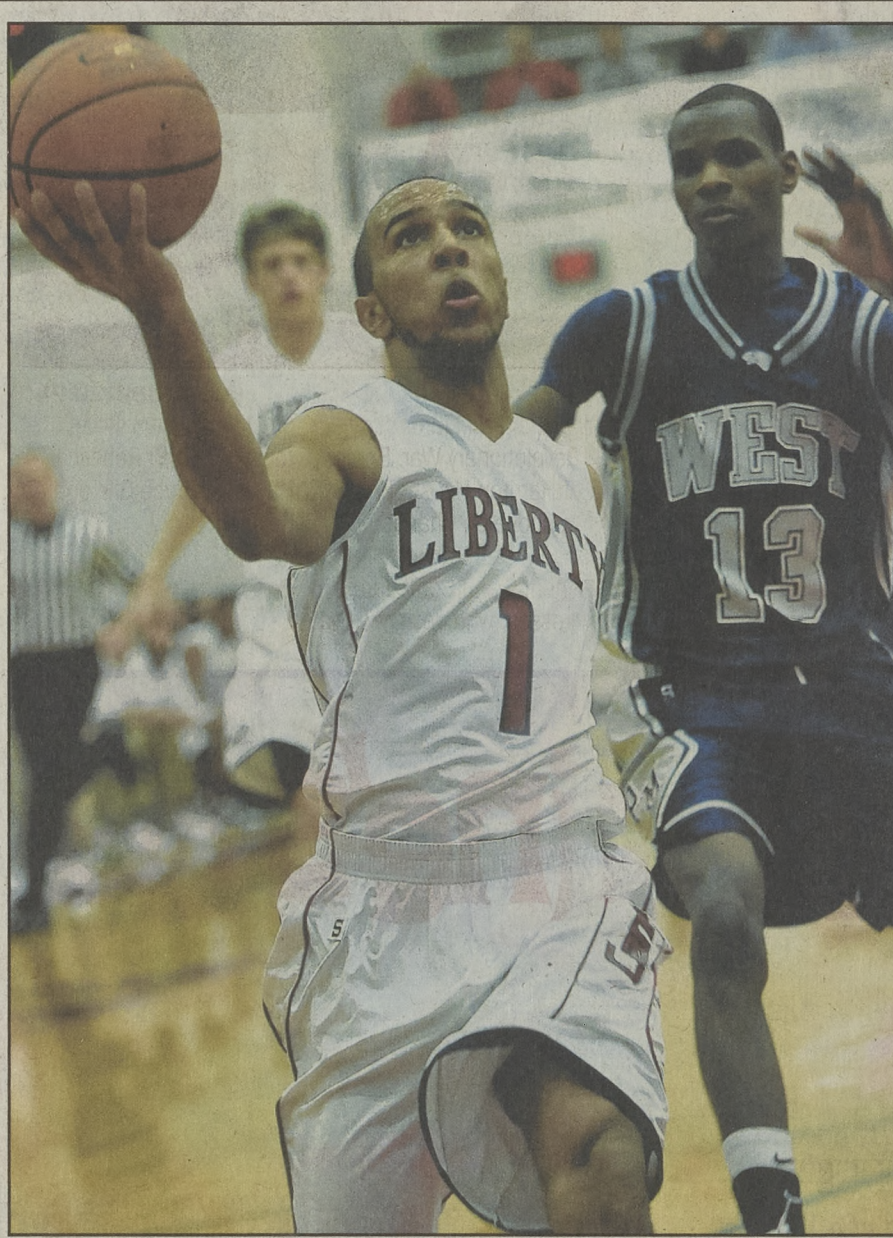
"We've had a bunch of games just like that, but they haven't gone our way this year," Ohlson said. "Even though we don't have a great record, we practice well and I have to give credit to our seniors for always hanging in there this year."

The Pates (7-10, 4-5) led throughout most of the first half, but a 14-3 run midway through the third period into the fourth quarter put Northampton ahead 45-40.

Freedom's Joe Lococo, who had a quiet night for the most part with only 10 points, eight of which in the fourth quarter, nailed his second three of the period at the 3:14 mark to pull the Pates within a bucket at 45-43.

Freedom could have tied the game at 45-45 with a pair of free throws, but a miss on a one-and-one gave Northampton another possession to put them back on top at 47-43 following a layup by Wittreich.

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Hoops

Izel Dickerson of the Liberty Hurricanes cruises to a basket in front of Pocono Mountain West's Quindell Brice. LHS lost to Pocono 49-45 during a Lehigh Valley Hoop Group Showcase game at Parkland High School this past weekend. It was the 'Canes second loss in a row.



PRESS PHOTO BY TIM GILMAN

Moravian Academy senior Taylor Brown, second from right, the newly selected Lehigh Valley Soccer Scholar Athlete, stands with his coach Bob Hartman (left of Brown) and parents Dan and Molly Brown of Schnecksville at the LVSSA banquet Sunday night in Fullerton.

SOCCER SCHOLAR ATHLETE

Taylor Brown wins soccer scholar athlete

By PETER CAR
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Taylor Brown didn't get a free trip to Disney World on Sunday night during the 2010 Lehigh Valley Soccer Scholar Athlete banquet, but he did walk away with the night's grand prize.

Brown, of Moravian Academy, was named the scholar athlete for the 2010 season in front of a capacity crowd at the Fullerton Firehall in Whitehall.

The award came as a surprise for Brown, but shouldn't shock outsiders considering Moravian's penchant for cranking out the academically talented.

It marks the third time in head coach Bob Hartman's tenure at Moravian to crown his own scholar athlete, which comes as no surprise when you consider the pedigree of Moravian Academy students.

"They just have a great work ethic," said Hartman of Moravian's student body. "The kids don't fool around. After practice is done, they're doing homework. After their games, they're doing homework. Taylor is no exception to that. He was one of the hardest working players I've ever come across. He wasn't a big player on the field, but he was an inspiration to our guys to

see someone of his size play so well and work so hard."

Brown, who stands at 5-foot-6, came up big on the night which featured PIAA Associate Executive Director Robert Lombardi as the guest speaker. Three new members of the Lehigh Valley Soccer Hall of Fame were also inducted, as Joseph Dueh, Jane Ervin and Gary Toth each found their place in local history.

But for Brown, finding his name atop the leader board was the biggest achievement he could have asked for.

"Being distinguished from such a large group of individuals is truly an honor," said Brown, who plans on studying in some realm of business at the University of Texas or at Boston College. "I was just really surprised to win, considering the quality of students that were apart of this."

Just about every school in and around the Lehigh Valley had a representative present and Brown distinguished himself from the pack of 40 candidates with a 3.4 GPA and 38 career goals.

Moravian was knocked out of the district semifinals by Southern Lehigh following a 5-1 loss in November, but Brown hopes he can give it a shot in college as a walk-on.

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WRESTLING

Hawks look for crowns

Weather could put off showdown with Easton

By PETER CAR
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It should be a week of memories for Bethlehem Catholic's wrestling team, but the winter God's could prevent half of the team's anticipated goals with an expected storm to rumble through the region on Tuesday and Wednesday.

This week's newest winter batch will have an affect on Becahi (6-1, 6-1), as they prepped to battle for the Lehigh Valley Conference championship tonight at home against Easton (15-1, 7-0).

Head coach Jeff Karam expects a capacity crowd for the match, but an expected ice storm could put the freeze on the bout for another two weeks.

With District Duals slated for this weekend at Freedom, all bouts have to be completed by Thursday for the seeding meeting.

That could postpone the bout until the week after state competition.

A delayed bout could

also shake up the top spots in the 2A bracket for this week since Pen Argyl (11-4, 10-0) and Becahi are the two-front runners for the top spots.

Since Pen Argyl wrestled Easton this year, which resulted in a 39-23 loss, the committee would have had more criteria to justify ranking the defending district champions Knights first or second, compared to Becahi, based on how the Hawks wrestled against Easton because of a common opponent.

That may not be the case if tonight's bout is called off.

"That's really the only common opponent both of us would have, so it would probably sway our seeding, depending on how we wrestled against Easton," said Karam of the Easton match for this weekend's seeding. "I want to wrestle the match on Wednesday and so do our kids, but if we have to wait until after states, it See Hawks on Page A10



PRESS PHOTO BY ROB MERCHANT

Zeke Moisey and the Hawks take on Easton in a key LVC wrestling battle - weather permitting.

INSIDE SPORTS

INSIDE

SWIMMING

The Liberty swimming team fell



to Emmaus in a recent meet. Meanwhile, the Patriots found themselves on the winning end.

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CHEERING

Becahi cheerleaders recently took second place in a competition.

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HOOPS

Liberty girls fall to Nazareth.

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THEY SAID IT

"I want to wrestle the match on Wednesday and so do our kids, but if we have to wait until after states, it would also be interesting to see how both of us would fair, should we both make it to states."

JEFF KARAM
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The Hokendauqua Park & Playground Association will be holding its 24th Annual Bob Warke Basketball Tournament and we have openings for teams to register.

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The football scholar athlete banquet is scheduled for 4:30 p.m., Sunday, March 6, 2011, at the Northampton Community Center.

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Freedom boys, girls get swimming wins

By KATIE MCDONALD
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Bouncing back from last week's loss against Parkland, the Freedom swim team posted girls and boys victories over Central on Friday.

Despite the Vikings' win in the 400 free relay, the last event of the day, the Patriot girls hung on for a 95-88 win.

"I knew we could do it.

I was really excited when we did win," said Freedom captain, Aubree Guidon.

The Patriots started off with a first place finish in the 200 medley relay, swum by Molly Magnan, Amanda Stammherr, Guidon and Nicole Giles.

Central's Courtney Udicious won the 200 free, but Stammherr and Munion had back-to-back

wins in the 200 IM and the 50 free, respectively.

The Patriots swept the diving event with Carol Byrnes placing first, Kaycee Stoudt placing second, and Kylie Hayes placing third.

Central's Natalie Snyder won the 100 fly, Magnan won the 100 free, and Munion was a repeat winner, this time in the 500 free.

Guidon said, "We were expecting a couple of close races. We knew some [Central] girls had times close to ours, so we wanted to get a good lead."

Guidon, Magnan, Stammherr, and Munion won the 200 free relay, and Guidon took first place in the 100 backstroke.

"I don't swim that, normally, and I knew that girl [Alexis Cameron] had a

fast time," said Guidon.

Stammherr won the 100 breaststroke.

The Patriot boys defeated Central, 120-60.

Peter Conzola, Seth Watlington, Rob DelFranco, and Scott DelFranco opened the boys' events with a first place finish in the 200 medley relay.

Individual event winners for Freedom were Connor Harrigan in the

200 free and the 500 free, Watlington in the 200 IM and the 100 breaststroke, Scott DelFranco in the 50 free and the 100 free, and Conzola in the 100 fly and the 100 backstroke.

Danny Csakai, David Corvino, Scott DelFranco, and Watlington took first place in the 200 free relay, and Csakai, Rob DelFranco, Corvino, and Conzola won the 400 free relay.

CHEERING Hawks capture second

By KATIE MCDONALD
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Becahi's varsity cheerleading squad took second place at a competition on Jan. 22, at the University of Pennsylvania.

The Hawks competed in the medium varsity division.

"We were actually really proud," said Becahi captain, Erin Hoppe. "We went out to put on our best routine."

For the first time this season, Becahi alternate Jenna Huber competed with the squad as a flyer. In addition, the Hawks were competing against Upper Darby, who is second in the nation.

"We knew they would be really tough to go up against, so we were proud of our success," Hoppe said. "There were more teams to compete against than usual."

The Hawks began their routine with a formation that moved into five single base heel stretches. The routine ended with a double. See **Cheer** on Page A11.



PRESS PHOTO BY LINDA ROTHROCK

Courtney Desh was part of the winning 200 medley relay team that took first against Emmaus.

Girls fall to EHS

By KATIE MCDONALD
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Even though Liberty's girls' swim team experienced its second loss of the season against Emmaus this weekend, the Hurricanes were proud of their performance on Saturday.

Liberty captain, Carly Albertson, said, "We did really good. Overall, we had a lot of good swims and best times. Multiple swimmers made it to districts, and Caroline Fitch beat six minutes in the 500 free."

The Hurricanes had a ten-point lead going into the diving event. Liberty assistant coach, Micki Montoro, held a motivational meeting with the girls, and the Hurricanes continued to hold a lead until the backstroke.

"We were all very excited," said Albertson.

Earlier last week, the Hurri-

cane girls defeated Northampton, 130-56.

Liberty's Katelyn Csaturi, Courtney Desh, Ashleigh Bothwell, and Elizabeth Williams opened the meet with a first place finish in the 200 medley relay.

Individual event winners for the Hurricanes included Albertson in the 200 free, Desh in the 200 IM, Leexa Leon in the 50 free, Bothwell in the 100 fly, Shelby Turner in the 100 free, Emily Cecchini in the 500 free, Rachel Rider in the 100 backstroke, and Amy Darlington in the 100 breaststroke.

"That was a good swim for me," said Albertson, regarding the 200 free. "I wasn't tired, and I still had enough energy to kick it up and finish strong."

Liberty's Meredith Sauer, Darlington, Elly Johnston, and Williams also won the 200 free relay.

'Cane boys lose to Hornets, beat Kids

By KATIE MCDONALD
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Although the Liberty boys' swim team lost its third meet of the season to Emmaus on Saturday, the Hurricanes left everything in the pool.

Liberty captain, Tyler Dolgos, said, "It actually went really well. A lot of us had best times, and

everyone swam to their potential."

Liberty's Eric Burcin, for example, went all out in the 100 breaststroke, but came in third.

"Eric gave it his all," said Dolgos.

Earlier in the week, the Hurricanes defeated Northampton, 124-51.

James Sheplock, Burcin, Clyde Gross, and

Galen Scheuffler started off the boys meet with a first place finish in the 200 medley relay, followed by a victory for Dolgos in the 200 free.

"I had the lead right away, but in the last three or four laps [Tim Shaw] started catching up, so I had to put a little more effort into it," Dolgos said. Sheplock won the 200

IM, Burcin won the 50 free, and Jake Kelhart placed first in diving.

Gross took first in the 100 fly, Cameron Angstadt won the 100 free, Matt Allred won the 100 breaststroke, and Dolgos placed first in the 500 free.

"The 500 was the first time I swam it," said Dolgos. "I just went into it, wanting to beat the person

next to me."

Burcin, Angstadt, Ryan Spadt, and Scheuffler took first place in the 200 free relay, and Sheplock, Angstadt, Spadt, and Scheuffler won the 400 free relay.

This week, the Hurricanes will take on Parkland.



PRESS PHOTO BY TIM GILMAN

Lehigh Valley Soccer Hall of Fame inductees Joseph Dueh Jr of Allentown, left, Jane Ervin of Whitehall Twp. and Gary F. Toth of Bethlehem display their plaques at the LVSSA Banquet.

LLL SIGNUPS

Lehigh Sports Association will be holding registration for 2011.

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WRESTLING

Questions heading into district dual tournament

By PETER CAR
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With district duals set for this weekend, figuring out where teams will be ranked the day before competition is always a guess, but there are certain variables that will assuredly happen no matter what occurs on the scheduled final day of the regular season (February 2).

Of course, weather could have an effect on seedings for this weekend's tournament at Freedom, since final day matches can help or hurt respective teams.

Starting with 2A, Pen Argyl (12-4) and Bethlehem Catholic (6-1) appear to be headed down the same path as last year, as both were the top two seeds and

received first round byes. The Knights earned the top seed last year and eventually won the district title.

Becahi could have the advantage for the top seed, since they have a trademark win over Nazareth. The Hawks could also bolster their chances with a good showing against Easton on Wednesday, but that bout may be in doubt because of another winter storm.

Saucon Valley (14-3) and Tri-Valley (18-4) may have the three and four seeds locked up. That could potentially pit Becahi against the Panthers again in the semifinals if the Hawks get the second seed. Saucon beat Becahi 41-24 last year in districts.

Pius X (14-8), Pine Grove (10-4) and Palmerton (9-4)

should round out spots five through seven, while the bottom three teams should be Lehighton, (11-8), Tamaqua (10-5), Central Catholic (4-7) or North Schuylkill (6-7).

In 3A, Easton (10-0) appears to be a lock for the top spot, but everything else will be up for debate.

The question could be where does a 10-1 Stroudsburg team fit into the mix of Parkland (10-3), Nazareth (5-2), Northampton (7-1) and Blue Mountain (8-0)?

Those teams, along with Easton will round out the top-six, but where they fit is anyone's guess.

Dieruff (12-4), Southern Lehigh (11-2), Pleasant Valley (10-4) and East Stroudsburg South (6-3) could round out the bottom half.

Hawks

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would also be interesting to see how both of us would fair, should we both make it to states. It would be a rare chance to see a 3A and 2A team go against each other after state competition, but we have to get there first."

Becahi understands that premise all too well, since the Hawks have suffered district dismay the past two seasons by being knocked out prematurely.

Saucon Valley ousted the Hawks 41-24 last year in the semifinals to add to

Becahi's woes, after losing in the semis two years ago as well.

With a monumental bout against Easton on tap two days before districts, Karam knows there are two points of focus for this week.

"We have Easton on Wednesday on Senior night in a big match that everyone has been waiting for," he said. "But once that is over, we're going to be thinking about Friday and Saturday at duals. You want to keep the intensity up all week and I don't think we should have a problem doing that with

the LVC title on the line."

Should the bout with Easton go on tonight, Karam knows that it won't be easy, but understands that like all tight matches, bonus points and unheralded heroes will make the difference between winning and losing.

"That's what it's going to come down to," he said. "Easton is solid at every weight and bonus points will be crucial. Our top tier guys know what they have to do, but it's really going to come up to the guys who aren't favored in their matches to come through for us."

Soccer

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"I would like to play again, but you never know what's going to happen

once you get into college," he said, noting that Texas doesn't have a varsity program. "Obviously academics are the most important thing on my mind

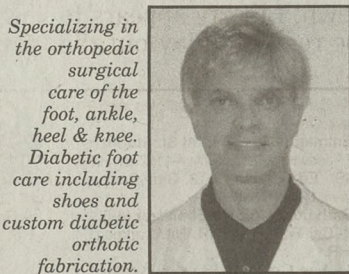
going forward."

Local players that were up for nomination included Liberty's Lloyd Achey and Bethlehem Catholic's Christopher Shaffer.

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VOLLEYBALL

Two Becahi players named all-state

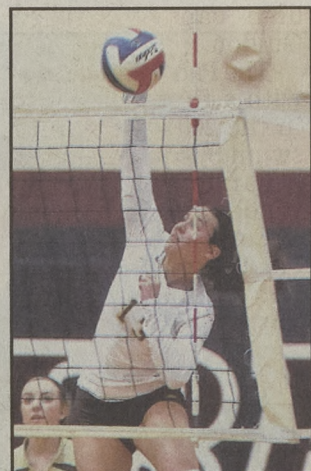
By KATIE MCDONALD
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Freedom volleyball player Brienne Giangioffe, and Becahi volleyball player Anna Domyan, were named to the Pennsylvania Volleyball Coaches Association All-State Team for 2010. Giangioffe, a junior, plays setter and middle hitter for the Patriots. "It's just a really big honor that I can use for college coaches. It kind of gives you a one-up in the college recruiting game," said Giangioffe.

Giangioffe also plays for Synergy Philadelphia (King of Prussia) in the offseason. "There's more travel to bigger tournaments, and you go to qualifiers to go to nationals," Giangioffe explained. Giangioffe competed at nationals two years ago, when she played for Synergy Lehigh Valley. Her volleyball career began in fifth grade when she played for Our Lady of Perpetual Help Elementary School for two years. Giangioffe then played for East Hills in seventh

and eighth grade, and for Bethlehem Catholic in ninth grade. In addition to Synergy, Giangioffe also played for Court Authority and Quikset. "I love learning more each year, the different girls who teach you more each year, and I love the competition," said Giangioffe. Domyan, also a junior, plays outside hitter for the Hawks. "I'm very excited. It was very surprising. It was very unexpected," said Domyan.

Domyan also plays for Synergy in the offseason. "I think about playing in college a lot because in the tournaments, coaches come and watch," Domyan said. Domyan's volleyball career began in fifth grade when she played for St. Anne's Elementary School. Domyan also played club ball for Quikset and Court Authority. "It's just a sport I really enjoy playing," said Domyan. "I tried everything, but volleyball took over."



PRESS PHOTOS BY ROB MERCHANT
Anna Domyan, left, and Brienne Giangioffe were named to the all-state volleyball team.

FHS

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A pair of Lococo free throws brought the game back within two at 47-45, but with 11.6 seconds left in the game, Freedom was at the line again for two free throws and the Pates couldn't capitalize. Jarrett Carnes missed both from the line to set up the sequence of Wittreich missing on the other end, followed by Freedom's frantic finish, only to come up short.

A win would have helped Freedom tremendously, since they only need three wins to clinch a district berth. With five games left against Emmaus, Parkland, Bethlehem Catholic, Easton and Liberty, the Pates have little room for error at this point.

"That's a bad loss for us," said Pates head coach Joe Stellato. "We didn't play well at all. We laid an egg and didn't deserve to win."

Nyreef Jackson opened the Pates scoring with 10 points in the first quarter, as Freedom looked like the superior team in the first eight minutes,

building a 12-8 advantage after the first. But three-pointers kept the Kids in the contest, as they nailed four in the first half and nine in the game, led by Wittreich's (12-points) pair and three treys by Zach Holubowski (nine points). "We haven't been hitting threes all year, but we have been coming back," Ohlson said about the early deficit. "We made some adjustments on the defensive end at halftime and told our guys that we can't give up easy shots. We needed to play tougher and we did that in the second half."

Freedom sputtered with their offensive continuity in the third quarter, as the easy shots in the post that were prevalent in the first half became non-existent in the final 16 minutes.

Still, a loss is a loss and Stellato hopes this isn't the bullet that ends up killing Freedom's season in the end.

"We thought we were just going to walk in here and win and that obviously didn't happen," he said. "We had an opportunity to help our position for districts, but we really put ourselves against the wall now."



PRESS PHOTO BY SCOTT J. COPE
Sean Driscoll, right, and the rest of the Pates are hoping for a playoff berth.

ICE HOCKEY

Patriots battling for playoff spot

By JEFF MOELLER
Special to the Press

Over the final couple weeks, character might be a word that will be circulating through the Freedom and Liberty hockey locker rooms.

Both teams may be headed in different directions to finish their respective seasons in the Lehigh Valley Scholastic Hockey League (LVSHL), but both their mettle and fortitude certainly will be tested.

Unfortunately, Freedom finds itself in a similar situation as it was last year when the Pates missed the playoffs in the final week of the season. They had their initial meeting of the season with Easton Monday night, a game that doesn't have any implications further determining their status in the LVSHL Pure Division, but a victory certainly could have been a boost for Freedom, which had been outscored 24-3 in its previous three contests.

After Easton, Freedom will open its February play next week with two pivotal matchups against Emmaus and Southern Lehigh respectively, both of whom stand in their way of the postseason bid.

Beginning play this week, Freedom was locked in a three-way tie with the latter two teams for one playoff berth. However, there is a possibility the league will have the top-

four teams in the playoffs, meaning one team will still be bumped from contention.

It has been a frustrating few weeks for Freedom, Emmaus and Southern Lehigh as all three teams have been stuck on two wins apiece as none of the three teams has been able to break from the pack and firmly secure their future.

For Freedom, there is still some glimmer of hope. They defeated Southern Lehigh, 8-4, on Dec. 6, avenging an earlier 10-4 defeat. Freedom dropped an 8-3 decision to Emmaus on Nov. 8.

"We have known all along what we need to do," said Freedom head coach Mike Mould. "These guys finished short last year and they have the incentive to get back to the post season."

"We have been skating short most of the year, but we all need to do whatever we can to get there. It won't be an easy road, but it will be worth it."

"We just all have to suck it up," stressed captain and leading scorer Sean Driscoll, who had accumulated 26 points heading into this week's play. "We knew we can beat these teams down the stretch. Now, we have to do it."

On the other side of town, Liberty appears to be ready to play out the

season as they have lost 11-straight games. It has been a long and strenuous three-month drought for Liberty. Their lone win was against Easton on Oct. 25. Ironically, Liberty will end its season with Easton Feb. 28.

Still, head coach Pete Darlington wants his troops to exit with some determination and dignity. He explained how team captain Nick Martone recently addressed the team on the aspects of maturing as players on and off the ice.

"I spoke to the team before our game against Northampton (an 11-5 defeat) and explained to them how they could beat this team on any given night with some hard work," he stated. "We work hard and then we have breakdowns."

"But we want to finish this season with class and dignity. We also want to end as mature young men out there. That's an important aspect for them. It hasn't been easy, but they want to leave with their heads held high."

"It would be nice to get another win before the year ends. I have been waiting for the game where everything clicks. It there for us, but we have to keep working to find it."

In the next few weeks, both Freedom and Liberty need to find the switches at the right time.

LHS girls top EHS

By KATIE MCDONALD
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Liberty's girls basketball team may have gotten off to a slow start last week against Emmaus, but a second quarter run was more than the Hornets could handle as the Hurricanes claimed a 56-42 victory.

Liberty captain JJ Hilliard said, "They played us in a zone, but we weren't playing to the basket like we should have been [in the first quarter]. Our offense did the damage in the second quarter."

Sparkling the second quarter for the Hurricanes was CJ Hilliard, who hit two three pointers.

"Hitting the shots were definitely a big thing for me and the rest of the team," said CJ Hilliard. "The girls did a good job getting me there and comfortable to shoot those shots."

CJ Hilliard also had a three pointer in both the third and fourth quarters, and led the team with 18 points.

"When we swung the ball crosscourt, I was open every time in the corner, and the skip passes were open," she said.

JJ Hilliard also hit a three pointer in the first quarter, and had a total of eight points. Jody Chickey scored 11 points, Shay Lewis and Hawaou Doukoure added six points each, Kali Shumock had five, and Maggie Zerbe scored two.

Later in the week, the Hurricanes fell to Nazareth, 53-39.

Also last week, Becahi split two games with a 41-38 loss to Parkland, followed by a 46-43 victory over Emmaus. Freedom lost to Whitehall, 30-27, and Dieruff, 33-30, before defeating Stroudsburg, 50-41.



PRESS PHOTO BY ROB MERCHANT
Jody Chickey and the girls fell to Nazareth last week.



PHOTO BY LINDA ROTHROCK
Jarrett Carnes and the Pates fell to the Kids.

Cheer

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ble star, which ended in a hitch.

Becahi also won top honors in the medium varsity division at the

Patriot Pride Cheerleading Competition on Jan. 29, at Freedom High School, where the Patriots performed as exhibition.

The Hawks' next competition is scheduled for Feb. 12, at Moravian College.

SONIC TRYOUTS

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Players may be invited back for further evaluation on April 10, if necessary. Players selected are expected to report to the first official day of train-

ing on April 23. Official training sessions will continue April 26, 28 and May 5, 7, 10, 12, 14, 15, and 17 (times to be determined). Sonic's NPSL season is tentatively scheduled to start on May 19.

All NCAA DIII players are expected to attend all FC SONIC training sessions unless their spring college season conflicts with these dates. All NCAA DI players must report to training on May 5, unless permission is granted to report at a later date.

For tryout forms, waivers and further tryout information, go to www.fcsonic.org.

DARTS

M - Rick Hasonich 9-15, Jeff Hasonich 8-15, Dave Casey 6-15 HR.
Emmanuel (9-5, 3-1) at St. Zeph. (4-0)
E - Joey Hoffert, Jeff Fritz 4-11, Zack Hill HR.
SS - Ed Wychock 6-13, Gary Buczynski, Travis Beahm 5-13.
Bath Luth (10-4) at Ebenezer (6-5, 8-4)
E - Carl Fraley 6-12 HR, Jim Voortman 6-12 2 HR.
B - Lee Creyer 6-13, John Keefe 5-12 HR, Doug Moser 5-13 HR, Bob Fyfe HR, Doc Cavello HR.

Standings

St. Paul's	36	18	667
Trinity Luth	34	23	596
Dryland	32	25	561
Salem UCC	31	26	544
Christ UCC	31	26	544
Bath Luth	29	28	509
Salem Luth	29	28	509
St. Stephens	27	30	476
Emmanuel	26	31	454
Ebenezer	22	29	431
Messiah	19	35	352
Farmersville	20	37	351

SUBURBAN DART LEAGUE
Salem UCC (1-0) at St. Paul's (7-2, 5-2)
SP - Dave Clark, Kevin Gross 4-11, Rich Kern, Zach Kern 4-12, Jennifer Erkingler HR, Deb Hughes HR.
S - Sherry Bush 5-12 2HR, Bruce Roth 3-11 HR.
Farmersville (4-1) at Dryland (4-3, 4-1)
D - Shawn Sigley 6-13, Don Deravics 4-11, Butch Silfies 4-11 HR.
F - Wade Chilmonik, Don Kerbaugh 5-12 HR, Ben Kerbaugh 4-12 HR, Tom George HR.
Christ UCC (6-5) at Salem Luth (4-2, 5-4 10in)
SL - Bill Hoch Jr. 6-14, Bryan Frankentfield 5-12.
C - Joe Hunsicker 6-13, Garry Hunsicker, Darius Dalcin 5-13, Dan Dalcin HR.
Trinity (8-7 14in, 8-1, 5-4) at Messiah TL - Tristin Burd 10-15 cycle HR, Maybel Smith 6-14, Harold Wombold 6-17, Larry Fehrl 4-7, Joe Smith 4-14, Sandy Wombold 4-16.

BETHLEHEM INTER-CHURCH DART BASEBALL LEAGUE

1. St. Peter's Lutheran	8	1	889
2. Christ UCC	5	1	833
3. Fritz-Wesleyan	6	3	667
4. Christ Luth	6	3	667
5. Schoenersville	4	2	667
6. First UCC	5	4	556
7. College Hill Mor	4	5	444
8. Holy Trinity Luth	4	5	444
9. East Hills Mor	2	4	333
10. St. Matthew's Luth	3	6	333
11. Bethany UCC	2	7	222
12. Trinity UCC	1	5	167
13. W Side-Edge Mor	1	5	167

RESULTS FROM 1/17/11
West Side-Edgeboro at Fritz-Wesleyan: 1-7, 2-10, 7-1; Paul Messmer 6-13 & Chet Kulp 5-13 for W.S.E. Matt Balkan 5-10, Herb Gates 6-11 & Blair Weller 5-12 for Fritz.
RESULTS FROM 1/24/11
Christ Luth at St. Matthew's: 6-1, 3-1, 7-3
Holy Trinity at Fritz-Wes.: 4-10, 0-9, 6-1
Bethany at College Hill: 0-10, 7-8 (10), 5-3
East Hills at West Side-Edgeboro: no report
Christ UCC at First UCC: 6-2, 10-1, 5-4 (10)

St. Peter's at Trinity UCC: 3-4, 4-2, 2-1
BYE: Schoenersville

HIGHLIGHTS FROM 1/24/11

- 1) Norm Hein 6-13 for Christ Lutheran.
- 2) Mel Krotz 6-13 for St. Matthew's.
- 3) Dave Rapnyek 5-13 & Ed Mickowski 4-11 for Holy Trinity.
- 4) Roger Rehm 7-13 & Ed Weller 5-13 for Fritz-Wesleyan.
- 5) Tom Hartzell 8-14, Bill Austin 5-10 & Steve Dimenichi 4-9 (including a game-winning HR Game 2) for College Hill.
- 6) Fred Ackerman & Charley Bergay each 5-14 or Bethany.
- 7) Connie Wirth 4-12 (3 home runs) & Travis Frankentfield 6-13 for St. Peter's.
- 8) Ann Marie Scholl 3-6 for Trinity UCC.
- 9) Tim Cordas 7-12, Bill Roth 5-13 & Michael Tietzworth 4-11 for First UCC.
- 10) Al Beahm 8-15, Gordy Fiegel 6-15 & Craig Ellis, Sr. 5-12 for Christ UCC.

NOTE
Christ U.C.C. will play their second half matches in Eberts Hall (where the DET is held). Please enter through the side door at Center and East Market Streets.

City's loss, township's gain

HANOVER TOWNSHIP

BY BERNIE O'HARE
Special to the Bethlehem Press

Sticky buns. Whoopie pies. Chocolate peanut butter mousse bombs.

Believe it or not, that's what you'll find at Vegan Treats, currently located at 1444 Linden St. in Bethlehem. But sadly for Bethlehem sweet teeth, this popular vegan baker is moving to a larger, 16,557-square-foot shop at 310 Stoke Park Road in Hanover Township.

Representing owner Danielle Konya before Hanover Township supervisors Jan. 25 in a conditional use hearing, Bethlehem Attorney Joe Piperato gave the most compelling argument for giving Danielle whatever she wants.

"Has anyone here ever been to Danielle's location?" Piperato asked.

"No, we don't eat sticky buns," joked Township Manager Jay Finnigan.

"It's right by the, the ...
"... the Cup," answered several Hanover supervisors.

Konya, who expects to



PRESS PHOTO BY BERNIE O'HARE

Joe Piperato, representing Vegan Treats owner Danielle Konya, shares a laugh with Hanover supervisors. Konya proposes to move her business from Bethlehem to the township.

employ 10 bakers in the back of her store and two employees out front, told supervisors her business is "bursting at the seams" in Bethlehem and needs

the larger location available in Hanover Township. In addition to her retail operation, she ships cakes to restaurants in New York City and

Philadelphia.

Her vegan products avoid heavy cream, butter and eggs, and contain about 30 percent less fat than other products.

"You wouldn't know the difference in the taste buds," she promised.

Hanover supervisors will decide whether to grant Vegan Treats' conditional use application at their Feb. 8 meeting.

In other business, the supervisors unanimously approved the purchase of two 1-ton Chevrolet trucks at a price of \$31,699.56, from Penske Buick GMC. Both trucks will be upgraded with a snow plow, dump body and hydraulics at a cost of \$26,200 for one truck and \$22,98 for the other.

The trucks are part of the budget approved last year.

At the end of the meeting, Finnigan announced he has been re-elected chair of the Northampton County Gaming Authority.

"Our condolences," wisecracked solicitor James Broughal.

BY BERNIE O'HARE
Special to the Bethlehem Press

During a brief but well-attended meeting of the Bethlehem Township Planning Commission Jan. 24, the seven-member board reviewed plans for a 6,400-square-foot pole barn maintenance building on Moravian Academy's sprawling 121-acre campus. Located along the eastern edge of the campus, the building will be accessed by an internal driveway instead of directly from Green Pond Road. According to Angelo M. Capuzzi of Chester Valley Engineers, it will be 300 feet away from the nearest road.

Asked about the habitual flooding along Green Pond Road, Capuzzi stated that an additional detention basin was recently added, but because of the sinkhole potential of the soil in that area, options are limited.

Director of Campus Facilities and Development Bill Stank told plan-

ners the building would store lawn care equipment, a pick-up truck and a van. Board members Kenn R. Edinger and James Daley suggested that the safety committee review the above-ground fuel tanks, as well as a proposal for an 18-foot-wide driveway.

After their formal presentation, Stank and Capuzzi informally reviewed their plans with neighbors and, upon completion, nobody objected to the proposal.

Planners will consider approval during their February meeting.

In other business, the board reorganized by keeping the same team it had in place last year: Lee Snover, James Daley and Kenn R. Edinger were unanimously elected Chair, Vice-Chair and Secretary.

Quietly sitting in the back, watching the proceedings, was Township Commissioner Paul Weiss. He said it felt good to be a spectator for a change.

Board appoints interim treasurer

By DOUGLAS GRAVES
Special to the Bethlehem Press

BETHLEHEM AREA SD

Last year's annual audit, which Bethlehem Area School District's officials have not released to the public, prompted the administration to seek an "operations review" by an outside company.

The BASD's Human Resources Committee meeting Jan. 24 delayed the administration's request to solicit proposals to conduct an operational review of the business office, the human resources office and the grant writing office. The three offices have 25 employees. The HR Committee wants the administration to prepare the request for proposal before the committee places the request on the agenda for the regular school board meeting Jan. 31.

According to papers submitted to the committee, BASD has "systemic challenges" regarding "task completion," "clarity of job roles" and with "implementation of new financial software."

"The district has a mix of old procedures, partially implemented new systems, and job roles that have not changed as processes have been revised," according to the document submitted to the HR Committee.

Officials hope to pay for the cost of a consultant with savings realized by correcting or improving inefficient "work processes."

Asked why, with an internal information technology department, the district was having trou-

ble implementing IT systems in the business office, Superintendent Dr. Joseph Roy replied, "That's what we want to find out."

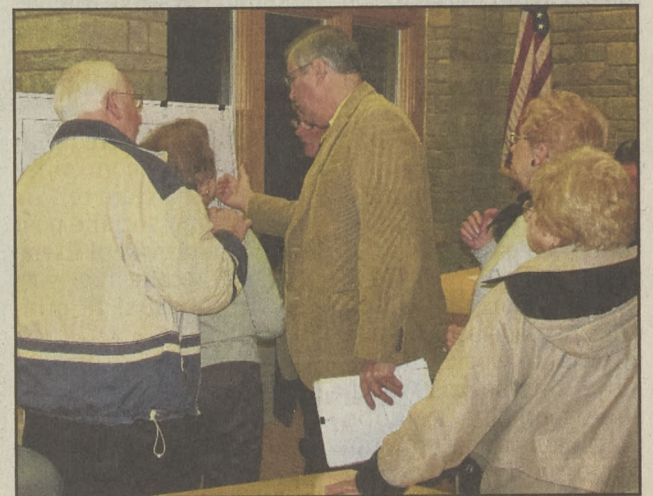
In other business, the HR Committee concurred in the administration's request to appoint Mary Ann Cacciola to serve as interim school board treasurer for the remainder of the 2010-2011 fiscal year. The committee agreed to add the request to the regular meeting's agenda.

Cacciola replaces Anne Morton, the assistant director of business affairs. Roy said he could not discuss the personnel change, citing the confidentiality of personnel issues.

The change comes after

board member Benjamin Tenaglia repeatedly questioned the treasurer's report. Tenaglia said he has been concerned that the business office is mixing bond funds in error.

At the beginning of the committee meeting, Stephen Antalics urged the school board not to use hand-held calculators in elementary school math classes. He held up a calculator, calling it a "dangerous tool" that robs children of the ability to learn math.



PRESS PHOTO BY BERNIE O'HARE

Engineer Angelo Capuzzi reviews Moravian Academy plans with township neighbors.

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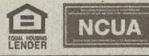
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Honoring Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

'What still needs to be done?'

By DOUGLAS GRAVES
Special to the Bethlehem Press

"You got to get them to read," said Bethlehem Chapter of the NAACP Esther Lee to Bethlehem Area School District Superintendent Dr. Joseph Roy. "Negro children in the city need to learn to read."

Lee was talking to Dr. Roy and Liberty HS Principal Joanne Durante, who were attending the Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. celebration Jan. 17 at the Cathedral Church of the Nativity's Sayre Hall in Bethlehem.

"I don't see you moving forward to correct this," Lee said. She was speaking from the stage before a room packed with about 120 people for the 1 p. m. ceremony.

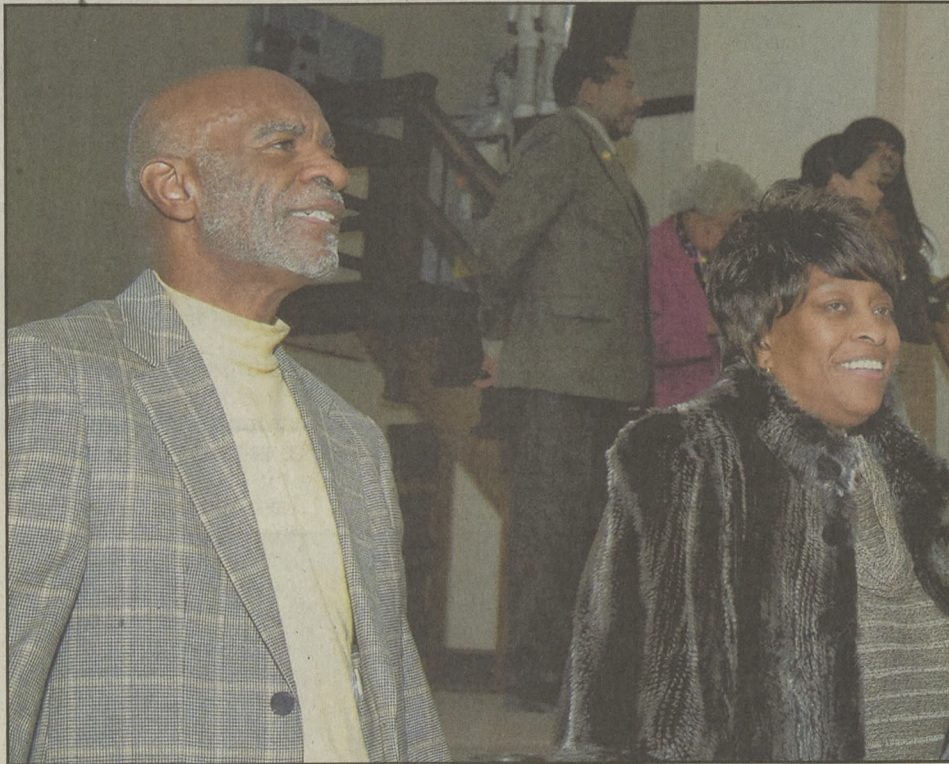
"We've got to come together to develop a plan," Lee said. In a later interview, she said she is concerned about both special education programs and regular education in the city's school system.

Keynote speaker Dr. Wandalyn J. Enix used the occasion to recall the commitment to civil rights that Dr. King demanded of volunteers who supported him.

"I am struck by the fact that Dr. King had every volunteer sign a commitment card," she said. She read the short list of promises.

Of the promises volunteers made before being allowed to work with Dr. King, one seems worth renewing by modern politicians and their supporters: "I will refrain from the violence of fist, tongue, or heart."

"We gather to honor not only a great man, but also to honor the timeless ideas he championed," Mayor John Callahan said. "For Martin Luther King believed in and fought for and ultimately died for nothing less than the promise of America."



PRESS PHOTOS BY DOUGLAS GRAVES

Keynote speakers the Rev. Melvin Tatum and Dr. Wandalyn J. Enix. Tatum recalled the service of Vietnam Veterans in the cause of civil rights and Enix used the occasion to honor the commitment to civil rights that Dr. King demanded of volunteers who supported him.



The graceful Barlow sisters, Jasmine, Ayanna and Naomi perform as the dance group "Unction Dance Troupe."

The Very Reverend Anthony R. Pompa said, "I have been influenced by Dr. King's words: 'I have a dream that my four little children will one day live in a nation where they will not be judged by the

color of their skin but by the content of their character.'"

Pompa spoke of meeting some early civil rights leaders and not knowing who they were until later in their relationship. He

said their defining quality was their strong and good characters.

"The more we work together, the better we are," said Pompa. "When we take time to listen, we get along." Pompa is the



Ayanna Wilcher, Marlene "Linny" Fowler and Jamel Hodges enjoy one of the songs at the Martin Luther King celebration. Wilcher is the Assistant Director for Diversity at Lehigh University, Fowler is a Bethlehem philanthropist and artist and Hodges is the Director of Multicultural Affairs at Lehigh University.



"You got to get them to read," says Bethlehem Chapter of the NAACP Esther Lee to BASD Superintendent Dr. Joseph Roy.



Liberty HS student leaders Kevin Peterman and Justin Amann observe the Martin Luther King holiday celebration at the Cathedral Church of the Nativity. Amann is LHS senior class president.

dean and rector of the Cathedral Church of the Nativity.

Pa. Rep. Steve Samuelson of the 135th Legislative District quoted Dr. King directly: "Injustice anywhere is injustice everywhere."

"Ask ourselves," said Samuelson, "What can I do? What can we do? What still needs to be done?"

Freedom HS graduate and aspiring model Latoya

Strickland was the mistress of ceremonies. She is a student at East Stroudsburg University.

Following the program, the crowd joined hands in several large circles and sang the civil rights hymn, "We Shall Overcome."

The Bethlehem NAACP and the YWCA of Bethlehem sponsored the annual program.

BRIEFLY

AMC
Feb. 6 program canceled

The Allentown Music Club's Feb. 6 "Celebration of Opera" program has been canceled. The next program will be "Spring Is In The Air" at 2:15 p.m. March 6 at Hope U.C.C., 1031 Flexer Ave., Allentown. The Annual String Award will be presented at this meeting. For information, call 610-435-1371.

HAM RADIO
Group to meet on Feb. 3

The Delaware-Lehigh Amateur Radio Club will meet 7:30 p.m. Feb. 3, in

the Nancy Run Fire Company Hall, 3564 Easton Ave., Bethlehem.

The program, "Computers in the Radio Shack," will be presented by Jeff Welsh/ N3QO.

Members and the public are welcome to attend. For more information, log on to dlarc.org, e-mail ke3aw@arrl.net or call 610-432-8286.

CT OF B
Show set for Feb. 20

Children's Theatre of Bethlehem presents the Theatreworks USA Professional production of "Fancy Nancy, Duck For President and Other Stories" at 2 p.m. Feb. 20. The show will be held at Northeast Middle School, 1170 Fernwood St. For information, call 610-317-2985.

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This Week in Bethlehem History

February 2

James Henry Coffin

Bethlehem has long benefited from having several well-regarded colleges in the vicinity. Each college brings highly educated professors who become our neighbors.



Karen M. Samuels
Columnist

With the recent harsh winter weather, it would have been advantageous to have a neighbor such as Lafayette College professor and meteorologist James Henry Coffin. He was a professor of mathematics, natural philosophy and astronomy at Lafayette College for 27 years. He lived with his family in the College Hill section of Easton.

Coffin was born Sept. 6, 1806, in Williamsburg, Mass., to Matthew and Betsey (Allen) Coffin. He was one of seven brothers and sisters. The Coffin family was descended from English pioneer Tristram Coffin, who was the first settler on Nantucket Island.

Matthew Coffin suffered financial problems as a real estate broker due to a depression at the end of the War of 1812. Upon his death in 1820, the family was left penniless. James was sent to live with his uncle, the Reverend Moses Hallock of Plainfield, Mass. Hallock was described in biographies as a kind and generous man. He was a graduate of Yale College and tutored many bright young students such as William Cullen Bryant.

Coffin benefited from his tutoring as well. Despite Coffin's great ability in mathematics he planned to become a musical instrument and cabinetmaker. His cousin, Rev. William A. Hallock, D.D., convinced him to attend Amherst College instead, in 1823.

Coffin later described this decision as a life-changing event. He paid his tuition by tutoring at the college and teaching penmanship and stenography at local schools. Coffin contracted measles that affected his eyesight and prevented his graduation until 1828.

In 1829, Coffin opened a boarding school for young men in Greenfield, Mass., called the Fellenberg Manual Labor Institution. It was the first school of its kind in the United States. The students could work to pay their expenses at school. While at Fellenberg, he published his bookkeeping system,

"Progressive Exercises in Book Keeping, By Single and Double Entry" (1836) that was used by Massachusetts state schools.

Although the boarding school attracted many students, Coffin had to close the school in 1836 due to incompetence of an administrator on staff.

Needing a steady income, Coffin took the position of principal of the Academy of Ogdensburg, N.Y., where he began his lifelong pursuit of the study of meteorology. His first project was to note his observations of barometric changes and wind velocity during periods of rain.

In 1839, Coffin joined the faculty of Williams College and attempted to publish the monthly journal "The Meteorological Register." He had hoped through the journal to standardize the way weather information was gathered. The publication failed after the first issue.

In 1840, Coffin built an observatory on the summit of Mt. Greylock in Adams, Mass., and installed the first combined, self-registering anemometer and barometer for recording wind variations and barometric changes.

Coffin continued to write articles and papers about his meteorological observations. He became internationally known for his work and caught the attention of Lafayette College. He arrived at Lafayette in 1846 and not only taught

classes but also served as vice-president (1849-1853) and treasurer (1863-1873). He also served as dean, registrar and bursar.

Beginning in 1846 Coffin was placed in charge of tabulating data for the Smithsonian Meteorological Project for the newly established Smithsonian Institution. For more than 30 years he collected information on the motion of winds from 600 land stations and several stations at sea.

Coffin, described as a kind, modest and honorable man, experienced several personal tragedies during his life. He lost his first wife, Aurelia Medici Jennings, in 1850. They had three children together: Elizabeth, Selden and Martha. He then married Abby Elizabeth Young in 1851 and they had one child, James Henry. James died at 1-year of age and his oldest child, Elizabeth, died at age 21. Coffin died on Feb. 6, 1873, of erysipelas, a bacterial infection of the skin. He was buried in Easton, Pa.



The History of Northampton County (1877) included this drawing of James Henry Coffin.



Cold, with a side of freezing

Harbin is a city of almost 9 million in northern China, is famous for its annual Snow and Ice Festival.

By BRANDON TAYLOR
Special to the Bethlehem Press

As I stared up at the massive ice castle glistening in front of me, a light flurry of snow gently blowing all around as the sun began to set, the lashes on my right eye froze together. With this temporary impairment, I was only able to enjoy the castle's changing lights – blue, red, pink, purple, blue – at 50 percent.

Aiya!, I thought to myself as the hairs in my nose also began to freeze. What had I gotten myself into?

Dressed in a heavy down winter jacket, insulated Timberland boots and layer upon layer of thermal clothing, I felt like I was part of an expedition heading to Antarctica. But despite the frigid, possibly life-threatening conditions, the Earth's poles were still thousands of miles away – I was just in Harbin for the annual Harbin Snow and Ice Festival.

The draw of the ice festival had failed to pull me last year. I was just starting my expat life in China and, as compelling as it was to go see one of the most prominent ice festivals in the world, was fully content with the weather Beijing had to offer – it was cold enough and there was plenty of snow. Why go north where it was even colder?

That was last year. This year Beijing has had a lack of any of the fluffy white stuff. As a native of the hills of northeastern Pennsylvania – where winter means cold weather, regular snow showers and the occasional Nor'easter (a massive snow storm along America's east coast that causes mass chaos) – I've been grossly disappointed with the Chinese capital's winter. So like a misguided goose, I headed north for a winter excursion.

Friends who had lived or worked in Harbin assured me that I'd have a great time – the snow and ice were beautiful and made Harbin look like a city out of a winter wonderland tale – but that I'd need to dress warmly. The words "you could die" were also mentioned, if only to tease. Unfazed, I booked train tickets, reserved a hotel



As cold as it was (-25 degrees Fahrenheit at its coldest), the low temperature didn't detract from the experience.



The ice sculptures of Zhaolin Park are expertly crafted with the finest detail. Sculpted animals, real and mythological, kept watch over the park grounds.

room, and invested in a few pairs of maoku (wool pants). I also bought enough heat packs to put in every pocket of my jacket and pants and in both boots.

But nothing could prepare me for the change in scenery of Harbin – or the change in temperature. That first breath of frosty, Siberian cooled air chilled my lungs as I disembarked the train. Jack Frost nipped at my nose as I made my way to the station exit with a crowd of closely packed travelers that provided a bit of additional warmth.

For a moment, Harbin didn't feel much colder

than Beijing – and then I stepped into the open plaza in front of the rail station. Suddenly, it felt like Jack Frost had punched me in the face; my eyebrows, nose and cheeks quickly started to hurt from the cold as my ungloved hands went numb.

Harbin is a city of almost 9 million, but I couldn't figure out why a single person would want to live there, enduring temperatures that for me had existed only as numbers on a thermometer. Clearly Harbin was a city founded in the midst of an extremely hot summer before the winter chills set in.

The desire to jump on the first train bound back for Beijing subsided after I flagged down a taxi and zipped across the city to my hotel in the warmth of the cab. Ice monuments lined the sidewalks, as if large chunks of ice had fallen from the sky in a hailstorm of epic proportions and were promptly carved into the icy beauties that dotted the cityscape.

As cold as it was (-25 degrees Fahrenheit at its coldest), the low temperature didn't detract from the experience. The ice sculptures of Zhaolin Park were expertly crafted with the finest detail. Sculpted animals, real and mythological, kept watch over the park grounds; bridges of ice made for some cautious river crossings; and a few classic Chinese architectural structures dazzled with their size and splendor.

On Zhongyandajie, Harbin's central pedestrian street, ice carvings of Disney characters greeted visitors and residents out for a stroll. Mickey, Minnie, Winnie the Pooh, King Triton and others from the treasured Disney vault were out in their icy forms to celebrate the festival. Kids, and a few adults, slipped and slid as they climbed on and had their photo taken with their cartoon favorites.

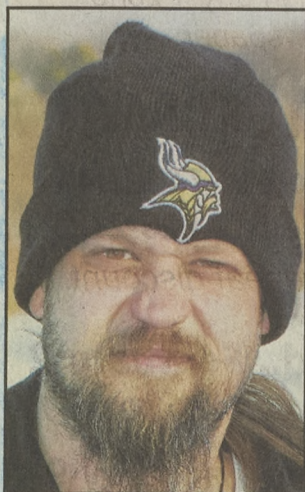
After spending a solid three hours outside in the night cold, I had to retreat to the shelter of my hotel room. As my body thawed I went over my plan for the next day: an afternoon at Harbin's Siberian Tiger Park a stroll through Stalin Park, and an evening at the epic Ice and Snow World.

Next week, the castles and towers of the Ice and Snow World and Harbin's Tiger Preserve.

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PEOPLE SAY ... BY DANA GRUBB

What is your prediction for the Super Bowl?



"The Packers, 28 to 17."
Dakota Weros
Bethlehem



"The Packers, 28 to 24. Aaron Rodgers will be the MVP."
Patrick Albus
Bethlehem Township



"Steelers. It's definitely going to be a close one and tough. Hopefully the Steelers pull it off."
Brian Salabsky
Bethlehem



"The Packers 28 to 24. I think it's going to be a close game."
Cris Weros
Bethlehem



"I'll say the Packers by 10 points. It's going to be close."
Stacy Salabsky
Bethlehem



"I'm going with the Steelers. Steelers win by a touchdown."
Amber Kortbawi
Bethlehem

Edwin Mejia

Freedom HS

Grade: 12

Family members: Dorka Morillo, mom; Iliana Mejia, sister; Jay Mejia, brother; Edward Mejia, dad

Favorite subject: Physics, because it is the most fundamental of all the sciences and it covers almost everything

Activities: Drumline (tenor drums)/Concert Band (trumpet), school newspaper, Future Educators Association and National Honor Society

Next steps: Four-year university in either NYC, Pennsylvania or Boston

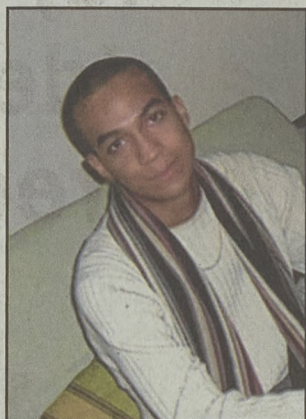
Career goals: To become an engineer who is involved with his work as opposed to sitting at a desk doing pointless tasks; then, to become a teacher or professor of physics so that I can help other students achieve their goals

Heroes: My brother because he is a United States Marine working for his country; he helped me avoid drowning one day in a pool when I was younger, and because he motivated me to do well in school

Hobbies: Produce music on my laptop and distribute it to my friends and family by making music videos to accompany the song

Current job(s): Arby's Restaurant employee

Volunteer/community work: Participate in the American Cancer Society's "Relay



for Life" in order to support the search of a cure for cancer

Likes: Music, science, girls, friends and dancing at football games

Dislikes: Drama that people make, English and Spanish classes, liars, and people who take what they have for granted

Greatest accomplishment (so far): Created two original music videos on Youtube that have a total of about 6,000 views

Advice for peers: Don't get caught up in the classic high school lifestyle of drinking and partying all the time because in the end it won't be worth it. I've seen it happen to my friends and I would hate for it to happen to other people.

Julia Swan coordinates student profiles for the Bethlehem Press.



Standing at 4 feet tall Lloyd Bachrach prepares to demonstrate how he gets around without his prosthetic limbs. Bachrach spoke to Saint Michael the Archangel Middle School students about overcoming limitations in life by following his five keys to success.

'Everyone is differently-abled'

St. Mike speaker emphasizes five keys to having a successful life

By AMY HERZOG
Special to the Bethlehem Press

Lloyd Bachrach was born with a congenital bone deficiency which left his legs unusually small, but Bachrach never let his physical limitations hold him back.

"God put me in this body for a reason," he says.

Inspired by individuals he calls dream-makers; Bachrach built his self-esteem by playing sports. Starting with swimming, he worked his way through Little League baseball, track and field, gymnastics, and sitting volleyball. Along with numerous awards and medals Bachrach represented the United States during the 1996 Olympics as a member of the USA Paralympic sit volleyball squad.

The inspirational speaker visited students St. Michael the Archangel middle school, recently sharing his story of overcoming adversity and perseverance with grades 5 to 8.

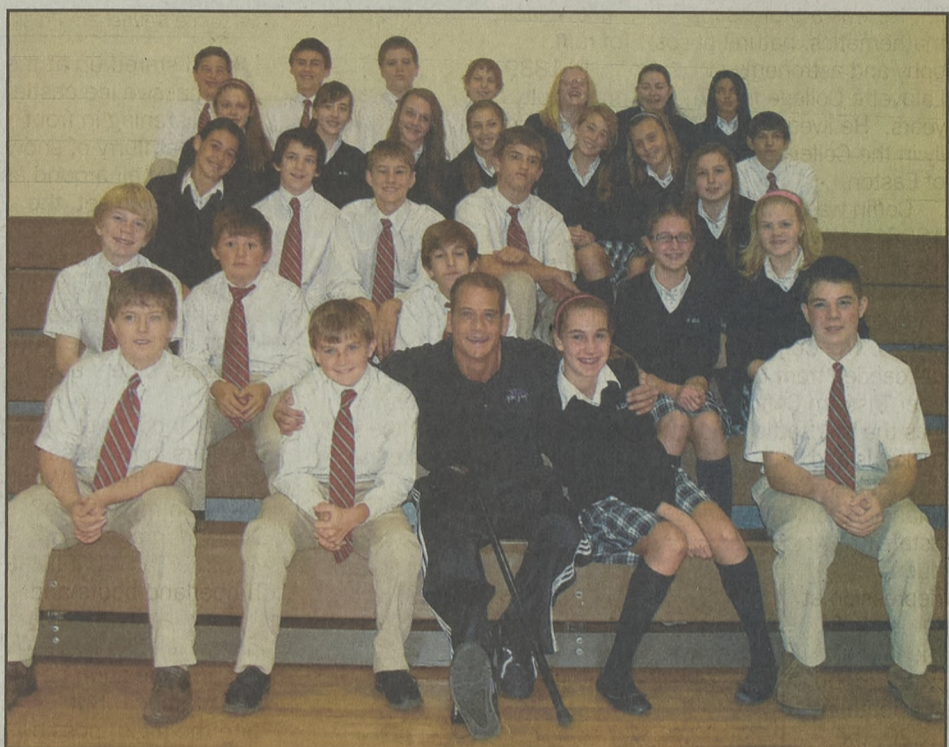
Pointing out that disabilities can happen to anyone at any time, Bachrach discussed what the word "handicapped" means to him.

"I do not like the word handicapped. I am differently-abled," he said. "Everyone is differently-abled. We each do things in a unique special way."

Bachrach does not allow his disability to limit what he does or attempts to accomplish.

With the five keys to success, he presents five principles that guide his life and have led to great success.

The five keys include



St. Micheal the Archangel's eighth grade class with Lloyd Bachrach.



"The only limitations we have are the limitations we place on ourselves."

Lloyd Bachrach



Bachrach performs part of his gymnastic routine, with which he has won many awards and trophies.

high self-esteem, such as believing in yourself and taking pride in what you do, focus with a positive attitude and always expect the best possible outcome, set powerful goals, giving your brain a place to aim, persevere and never quit, along with maintaining a healthy mind, body and spirit.

"The only limitations we have are the limitations we place on ourselves," Bachrach told his young audience.

Students and faculty alike found themselves inspired by Bachrach's simple but profound message.

"I really enjoyed introducing him," said Max Ebert, an eighth grade student. "He's such a great guy."

Bachrach travels about eight weeks a year presenting his story and the message behind "Yes, You Can" to students. For more information about Bachrach and his program, visit www.yes-you-can.net.

BAVTS NEWS

SkillsUSA competitions today

Holiday events opened the hearts of BAVTS students by giving back to the community, and the New Year is bustling with preparation for showcasing students' work with spinning tops, SkillsUSA competitions and engaging middle grades in career and technical skills.



Megan Lillie
Bethlehem Area VTS

welding, cosmetology, culinary arts and manufacturing processes. Each class will engage students with hands-on activities to give them an idea of some of the skills and concepts that they might see in these trade areas. In addition, the students will also receive and introduction to each class.

Students of BAVTS will be leading the tour, giving them an opportunity to work on communication skills and an opportunity to showcase their projects and skills. This event also gives students an added bonus as they will earn community service hours to enhance personal growth and meet graduation requirements.

The Precision Machining Annual Top Spinning contest was held Jan. 11. For the last 21 years, students in the second year of machining design and use machine tools to create a spinning top. Seven level two students competed against each other and the stop watch. Ron (R.J.) Mullins from Liberty HS received the top honor for his top spinning time of 6 minutes and 46 seconds.

Feb. 2 brings the District 11 SkillsUSA Championships to Agall at the Allentown Fair Grounds, the Best Western Conference Center on Route 22 and Route 512, along with several other sponsored sights in the surrounding communities. There will be 51 contests, some of which are individual contests while others are team

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The Christmas City Tree removal is a giant task undertaken each year by the Public Works Department and led by its Electrical Shop crew. Said to be the Lehigh Valley's largest freshly cut and illuminated Christmas Tree, it is put up in the City Center Payrow Plaza between City Hall and the Bethlehem Public Library. The smaller Mayor's Tree is also customarily removed from the plaza the same day.

End of the season



This year's 45-foot douglas fir was removed Jan. 24 by lopping off the evergreen branches one at a time with a chainsaw operated by an electrical worker in a city cherry-picker bucket. Kevin Moyzan of Bethlehem was given that honor this year, and poses with the chain saw and the top of the tree after completing the job.



City workers collect the freshly cut douglas fir branches to be hauled away.

OLPH Glee Club concert held

The 22-member Our Lady of Perpetual Help School Glee Club held its first Christmas Concert Dec. 16 at the Marian Inn. The fourth-through-eighth grade singers raised \$2,500 to help fund the school's new science and computer labs for fall 2011. They also participated in the annual Christmas Angel program, which benefits three needy families identified by the parish.

Since 2008 the Glee Club has performed at school events, assisted living facilities, hospitals and nursing homes to provide joy and encouragement through the gift of music. Students made Christmas ornaments, magnets and cards for Good Shepherd Home residents.

This past spring the group raised \$5,000 for St. Jude's Hospital. This past spring and fall, the Bethlehem Township school participated in the 'Walk in our Shoes' programs sponsored by Blue Ridge Cable Company. A Blue Ridge Cable Channel 13 reporter and a cameraman came to the school and videotaped several of the students packing and loading up the shoes for distribution. The 376 pairs of gently used children's shoes were shipped to Afghanistan and other war-torn areas, where they were distributed by U.S. military personnel. Some of the young beneficiaries have never had a pair of their own shoes before.

Spring Garden seeks to host Jan Brett

Spring Garden Elementary School is participating in a contest to win a visit by Jan Brett, a well-known children's books illustrator, to the school during the 2011-2012 school year. The school is currently ranked sixth nationally. Voting is open to persons age 18 and older. Voters do not need to be affiliated with the school or from the area. Visit www.facebook.com/pages/JanBrett/118867344844914 and click on the contest link on the top right of the page. Entry deadline is April 2, 2011. The school or library who has the most entries who "like" Jan Brett on Facebook will win the free visit by Brett.

Spring Garden ES library media specialist and library coordinator Nancy Mikitka is the coordinator.

Notre Dame Speech and Debate Club winners

The Notre Dame High School Speech and Debate Club competed in the Martin Luther King Open Tournament at E.L. Meyers HS in WilkesBarre Jan. 15. The following students won awards: Vicki Baker, fifth place, Crisis Management; Lauren Albers, fifth place, Varsity Dramatic Performance; Linzie Rosa, fourth place, Dr. King Extemporaneous Commentary; Zaneta Bell, fifth place and Tom Kennebeck, semi-finalist, Varsity Oral Interpretation; Mario D' Aniello, fourth place, Novice Original Oratory; Zaneta Bell, fourth place, Dr. King Original Poetry; and Irene Kurtz, fifth place, Student Congress.

The club also competed in an Allentown Diocesan Forensic League tournament on Jan. 22 at Central Catholic HS, Reading. The following students won awards: Linzie Rosa, second place and Lauren Albers, third place, Dramatic Performance; Isaac Lee, third place, Extemporaneous Speaking; Lauren Albers, second place and Tom Kennebeck, third place, Oral Interpretation; Tom Kennebeck, first place and Cristina Watson, third place, Original Oratory; Irene Kurtz, first place and Ryan Carrigan, third place, Student Congress.

The following students earned degrees from the National Forensic League: Ryan Carrigan and Irene Kurtz, Degree of Excellence and Tom Kennebeck, Degree of Distinction.

Notre Dame to host Diocesan Music Festival

Notre Dame HS will host the 37th annual Allentown Diocesan Music Festival at 2 p.m. Feb. 5. Students from eight Catholic high schools in the Diocese of Allentown, which includes Berks, Carbon, Lehigh, Northampton and Schuylkill counties, will participate. There will be Diocesan band and chorus performances. Guest Conductors for the festival are band director Dr. Christopher J. Heffner and chorus director Dr. Mark L. Mecham, both of Lebanon Valley College, Annville. Doors open at 1:30 p.m. For information, contact Charles Hopta, 610-868-1431, ext. 125

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The contests are run by more than 200 volunteers from surrounding business and industry. BAVTS is one of five schools participating. All together there will be approximately 450 competitors. The awards ceremony will follow the competitions at Parkland HS beginning at 6 p.m. Students winning a gold medal at District Championships will travel to Hershey in April to compete against other winners throughout Pennsylvania.

Other upcoming events at

BAVTS include the National Technical Honor Society school dance, which is a fundraising event to benefit "Autism Speaks." NTHS will also be seeking funding to attend the Mountain Trail Outdoor Leadership Conference in North Carolina, where members will be participating in a variety of physically and mentally challenging activities such as rock climbing, hiking, cooperation courses, high ropes courses and other team building activities promoting leadership along with personal and professional growth.

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Cristina Nassif, above, center, portrays the title role in "Carmen" in a semi-staged version of the opera Feb. 12 and 13 in Symphony Hall, Allentown.

'Carmen' takes the stage

Allentown Symphony, singers, dancers present a Valentine of the opera classic



Classical Views
 By Diane Wittry

Back in the late 1800s, the three popular types of entertainment in Paris were "the Opera," the "Opera-Comique" and the "Operetta."

The first was geared toward the upper class. The second two were targeted towards middle-class families, and tended to have lighter songs, spoken dialogue and happy endings, much like modern-day musicals.

"Carmen" by Georges Bizet was written as an Opera-Comique, but it did not have a family-friendly plot, nor a happy ending.

Georges Bizet was 36 in 1875 when "Carmen" premiered in Paris. Three months later, he was dead.

The initial failure of "Carmen" weighed heavily on him and is thought to

be a cause of his massive heart attack. Little did he know that "Carmen" would become the most performed and well-loved opera of all time.

In the opera, the character Carmen is both heroine and villain. She smokes, seduces men, dances provocatively, and smuggles illegal goods. She is a gypsy, and represents the lower classes of society. She is powerfully seductive; an irresistible woman who lives her life freely without concern for society's rules and structure.

In Bizet's opera, she destroys the life of an honest, although perhaps misguided soldier, Don José. And in the end he kills her, not for destroying his life (he deserted the Army to be with her), but because she simply does not love him anymore.

For Parisian audiences in 1875, accustomed to light-hearted entertainment and happy endings, the plot of "Carmen" was shocking. "Death at the Comique?"

was one critic's headline. It wasn't until three years after its debut, when the opera was performed in London that the work's reputation turned. By 1883, "Carmen" was considered a masterpiece.

It is amazing how many renditions have been created of the music and plot for "Carmen." By 1948, more than 16 film versions of the "Carmen" story had been made. There was a 1943 Oscar Hammerstein Broadway musical, "Carmen Jones," made into a movie by director Otto Preminger in 1954. There was even a flamenco version of Carmen in the 1980's.

There are many variations on the themes of Bizet's "Carmen" written for solo flute and trumpet, a "Carmen Fantasy" for solo violin and other compositions that utilize his famous melodies. Two popular orchestral suites comprise music from the opera. There is even a ballet by the Russian composer Shchedrin for five percussionists and

strings. Almost everyone knows the famous melody of the Toreador Escamillo — not perhaps by title. But if you heard it, you could hum along.

At 8 p.m. Feb. 12 and 3 p.m. Feb. 13, I will be bringing you yet another version of the opera "Carmen." For this concert with the Allentown Symphony Orchestra, I wanted to condense the almost three-hour opera to a more standard concert length. I wanted to give you all of the most popular music and the core of the plot, without the confusion of all the auxiliary characters.

I wanted to have you enjoy the music performed by the orchestra on stage and the singing and acting of the lead singers. I wanted to incorporate the chorus and dancers utilized in the original performances. And I wanted to feature video sets because I thought it would be something new and exciting to bring to our audience. I found that this

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8 DAYS A WEEK

Your look ahead at Valley Arts



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"First Friday" February: Gallery exhibits open, receptions are held, performers are heard. It's "First Friday." Also, the third annual "Winter Restaurant Week" continues through Feb. 5 on Bethlehem's south side and in its downtown. On Feb. 4, singer-songwriter Dina Hall is at Cleo's Silversmith Studio & Gallery, 21 E. Third St.; "Figurative Male Images" by Edward Meneely opens at Home & Planet, 25 E. Third St.; visit studios 6 - 9 p.m., the Banana Factory, 25 W. Third St.; and attend a reception 7 - 10 p.m. for paintings and drawings, including the above example, "Candle Opera and Cat" (Gauche, pen and ink on paper; 18 x 24"; 2009) by Eleanor Byström, through Feb. 28, Fox Optical & Gallery, 28 E. Third St., Bethlehem. 610-332-2400.



PHOTO BY TONY SIENZANT

Story and songs zone: Hannah Graser, Phoebe Wilcox and Sarah Kelton, above, perform "Angels of Song & Story," 8 p.m. Feb. 5, TimeZones Global Goodies & Framing Gallery, 7 E. Third St., Bethlehem. Kelton opens the show at the gallery adjacent to Monsoon with her Nashville-influenced songs. Graser, a young indie-folkster songwriter closes the show. In between, Wilcox reads from her newly-published novel, "Angels Carry The Sun," nominated for a PEN-Faulkner Award and Pushcart Prize. Food and beverages will be available. 610-866-8463

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"Super Bach!": It's a fugue. It's a cantata. It's "Super Bach!" at the 12th annual Bach Choir of Bethlehem "Family Concert," 3 p.m. Feb. 6, Baker Hall, Zoellner Arts Center, Lehigh University. Bethlehem Area School District Governor Wolf Elementary School third grade students created quilt-like illustrations, above, to be projected when the Choir sings the "Gloria" and "Et in terra pax" from Bach's "Mass in B Minor." Also on the program: eight violin students of Nancy Terlaak Poot's Suzuki Program perform the first movement of Bach's "Double Violin Concerto in D Minor" with the Bach Festival Orchestra. 610-866-4382, ext. 10

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Call for entries from student poets

The sixth annual Student Poetry Project is accepting poems.

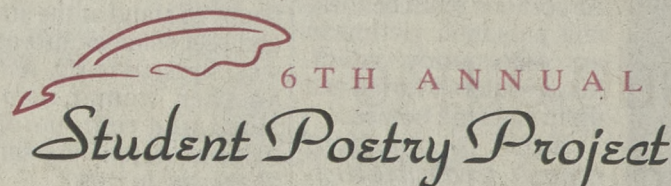
In celebration of National Poetry Month in April, the top three poems in the Elementary, Middle and High School categories will be published in the April 27 and 28 Focus section of the Lehigh Valley Press newspapers.

The student whose poem places first in each category may have his or her photo published.

First-place winners are invited to read their poems on "Lehigh Valley Arts Salon," 6-6:30 p.m. April 25, WDIY, 88.1 FM, www.wdiy.org.

All entrants are invited to read their poems at 2 p.m. May 7 at Touchstone Theatre, Bethlehem.

Entry guidelines:



1. The Student Poetry Project is open to elementary, middle and high school students in the circulation areas of Bethlehem, East Penn, Salisbury, Parkland, North-western, Whitehall-Coplay, Catasauqua and Northampton Press, including public, parochial, private, charter and cyber schools.
2. Poems are not to exceed one typed, double-spaced, maximum 60-space line, 8 1/2 x 11-inch page.
3. Poems must be the original work of the student.

4. One poem may be submitted per email. Email submissions are welcomed.
5. Multiple printed entries from classrooms may be submitted in one envelope.
6. Entries must be received by the Ides of March, March 15, 2011.
7. Permission of a parent or guardian is required for a student's photo to be made and published in the Focus section.
8. Copies of poems will not be returned.
9. Include student name,

age, school grade, school, school district, telephone number (of parent or guardian, where applicable) for notification, if the poem is selected for publication. Addresses and phone numbers will not be published.

10. Email your poem, with Student Poetry Project in the subject line to: pwillistein@gmail.com; mail your poem to: Student Poetry Project, Lehigh Valley Press, 308 E. Third St., Bethlehem, Pa. 18015; drop off your poem at the Bethlehem office, 308 E. Third St., Bethlehem, or the Parkland area office, 1633 N. 26th St. (26th Street and Walbert Avenue), South Whitehall, of Lehigh Valley Press.

Information: Paul Willis-stein, Focus Editor, pwillistein@nonline.com



Nominees for the 83rd Academy Awards ceremony have been announced.

Awards for outstanding film achievements of 2010 will be presented at 8 p.m. Eastern Standard Time Feb. 27 in the Kodak Theatre, Hollywood and Highland Center, and televised live by the ABC Television Network.

The person who chooses the most correct number of Oscar recipients receives a \$50 Penn's Peak gift card; tickets to movies at the Roxy Theatre, Northampton; a Lehigh Valley Press newspapers prize package; and the winner's photo in the Focus section.

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Snowshoes way to go to enjoy the snow

Lonely? You don't have to be

BUD'S VIEW
By Bud Cole



In recent years, snowshoeing has become one of the most widespread winter recreational activities in Pennsylvania.

Good old Mother Nature has blessed Pennsylvania with plenty of snow during the past few winters.

So far this winter in the Lehigh Valley, we have had a fairly consistent snow cover since the day after Christmas.

You can't avoid the snow. So, don't be a couch potato. Go out and enjoy it. Snowshoers say, "If you can walk, you can snowshoe." Of course, the most important ingredient is the snow.

Snowshoeing is easy to learn, relatively inexpensive, especially once you have your own snowshoes, and you can snowshoe almost anywhere.

The most positive reason, however, for snow-



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Snowshoe explorers pause for group photo during recent snowshoeing adventure.

shoeing is that it will improve your fitness level. Snowshoeing burns up to 45 percent more calories than jogging or skiing. A 150-pound individual burns 544 calories per hour snowshoeing.

If I snowshoe for four hours, I will burn an entire day's calorie intake, 2,176 calories. And maybe I will eventually weigh 150 pounds again.

Using ski poles during snowshoeing increases calorie burn and cardiovascular exercise because

of additional swinging of the arms and poles to provide additional balance.

As the snow was piling up during a recent snowstorm, my wife, Bev, and I decide the driveway and walkway clearing could wait. We were ready to head outside to explore our neighborhood, local nature trails and canal towpaths on our snowshoes as soon as the snow stopped falling.

We spent three sunny hours exploring the Lehigh and New England

Trail (LNE) at the Lehigh Gap Nature Center. This trail begins at the new visitor center, rises about 100 feet and then levels out on the old Lehigh and New England railroad bed.

We had a great afternoon. It was our first time exploring the LNE Trail on snowshoes. What I love most is the quiet serenity that accompanies a fresh snowfall. I become one with nature.

Be sure to stretch before and after snowshoeing, dress properly for the weather and don't overdo it. Wicking-type long underwear should be worn next to the skin, followed by fleece and finally an outer garment that will repel precipitation and the wind. Wear a hat, gloves and a neck gator.

Now, get out there and enjoy the snow.

That's the way I see it! *Email comments and questions to: bbbcole@enternet.net. To schedule programs, hikes and birthday parties, call 610-767-4043.*

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There was a story in our paper today about an 83-year-old woman who volunteers each day at an arts center.

"What's so special about that?" was my first thought when I glanced at the story. There are plenty of octogenarians who help hospitals, organizations or churches by doing volunteer work.

I've written many stories about noteworthy older volunteers. I think they are commendable as well as sorely needed. But most don't make newspaper headlines.

As I read the story about the woman who volunteers at the arts center, I found she did, indeed, have a story to tell as well as an important message to pass on.

Her message is this: You may have to be alone. But you don't have to be lonely.

Like many women her age, she built her life around her husband. After he retired, they did everything together. That's good and that's bad, as the woman learned after her husband died.

What she didn't realize until after her husband passed away was that she had no close friends, no one to go with her when she wanted company. Her husband was more than her best friend. He was her only close friend.

After months of sitting alone feeling sorry for herself, she saw a small blurb in the paper saying volunteers were needed at several community organizations. She's not all that active, but she knew she could answer the phone and sit at the front desk of the arts center.

The arts center is a big place bustling with people. "Just being around people cheered me up and made me feel better," said the volunteer.

When I read her story, the truth of her words resonated with me: We don't have to be lonely.

But many people are. There were two specific times in my life when I knew the meaning of loneliness. The first was when I moved to Palmerton where I knew absolutely no one. I had moved from my hometown where I knew everyone.

My husband was busy trying to prove himself in his new, demanding job while my kids were busy trying to fit in at a new school. I, for the most part, was alone all day.

So I did what so many people are advised to do—I volunteered. My experience volunteering at our church kitchen wasn't warm and fuzzy. I was happy to stand at the sink and peel potatoes, just as I was directed to do, until another woman came along and told me off. "This is my job," she said. "I always do this."

I felt like a fifth wheel and never went back. But not all my experiences

WARMEST REGARDS

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were like that. I did meet people and formed wonderful friendships from my other volunteer activities.

The loneliest time of my life was after my husband died. But I was lucky enough to have a support system of wonderful friends who helped me through an extremely difficult time.

Widowhood is a hard road to walk. It's made even more difficult because people don't remember to include widows in their activities.

If you live near someone who lost a spouse, ask her to go out with you for pizza, or invite her to a community happening. Both of you will benefit from it.

When I moved to Florida where I had no friends and no family, I had enough experience in life to know the remedy for loneliness: Go, go, go. Join, join, join.

I read the community section of the paper each day, making note of all activities open to the public. I went somewhere every day. Not all the activities worked out.

Let's face it. Not all groups are welcoming to outsiders. But joining some clubs gave me a wealth of friends.

Florida is a bit different because we are a state of transplants. Everyone is from somewhere else and few people are surrounded by generations of family. People for the most part are eager to make new friends and enjoy new experiences.

Before I was here for six months, I already had a new "family," a group of close friends that care about each other.

But I also meet a lot of lonely people. They complain that they have no friends and have nothing to do. But they don't push themselves to go new places.

"I can't go anywhere alone and I don't have anyone to go with," said one woman. I told her about our local senior center and gave her the name and phone number of another member who might be a buddy.

"Oh, I can't call a stranger," she said. "Tell her to call me."

Those who won't reach out to others will probably stay alone. But even those who try aren't successful every time.

My friend Jeanne is determined to enlarge her circle of friendship. She has done all the right things. She joined a popular club and exchanged phone numbers with some women she especially liked.

When she called one woman and asked her to get together for lunch, the woman said she was too busy with company. Not every flower blooms and not every friendship blossoms. But that shouldn't stop us from trying again.

Jeanne just volunteered at two more organizations and I know she will develop new friendships.

If you're sitting there feeling lonely, realize that the face in the mirror is the one with the power to change your life.

Ask someone to join you for lunch. Volunteer for a new group. Do something new.

Yes, it's hard. But being lonely is so much harder.

Vitamin D can improve your strength

Q. I'm 68 years old and I want to know how much Vitamin D you need to be healthy.

The United States Institute of Medicine of the National Academy of Sciences has established Adequate Intake (AI) levels for vitamin D. The daily levels in International Units (IU) for everyone are as follows according to age:

- Under the age of 50 — 200 IU
- From 50 - 70 years-old — 400 IU
- More than 70 years-old — 600 IU

The recommended upper limit for vitamin D is 2,000 IU a day. Vitamin

HEALTHY GEEZER

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D can be toxic when taken in higher doses.

Vitamin D is included in most multivitamins, usually in strengths from 50 IU to 1,000 IU. Vitamin D toxicity is rare. There is a greater risk of poisoning if you have liver or kidney conditions, or if you take some diuretics.

There are different forms of Vitamin D. The major forms, that is, the ones important to humans, are vitamin D2

and vitamin D3.

Vitamin D2 is synthesized by plants. We get vitamin D in our diet. Very few foods in nature contain vitamin D. It is found in eggs, dairy products, fish, oysters and cod liver oil.

Foods, such as milk, may be fortified with vitamin D2 or D3. Fortified foods provide most of the vitamin D in the American diet.

Vitamin D3 is synthesized in human skin when it is exposed to sunlight. About 10 minutes of daily exposure to sun is considered enough to prevent deficiencies.

Vitamin D's primary

job is to maintain normal amounts of calcium and phosphorus in your blood. Vitamin D helps keep your bones strong.

Research suggests that vitamin D may protect us not only from osteoporosis (loss of bone density) but also from high blood pressure, cancer, heart disease, diabetes, multiple sclerosis and psoriasis.

Populations at a high risk for vitamin D deficiencies include the elderly, obese individuals and people with limited sun exposure. Osteomalacia, also known as adult rickets, is found in older patients deficient in vitamin D. Osteomalacia causes bone and muscle weakness.

People older than 50 are at increased risk of developing vitamin D insufficiency. As people age, skin cannot synthesize vitamin D as efficiently, and the kidneys are less able to convert vitamin D to its active hormone form.

Recent studies indicate that vitamin D reduces the risk of falling, which is especially dangerous for seniors. However, to obtain the benefits of the vitamin, you must take 700 to 1,000 IU a day.

These studies buttress other research that has shown that vitamin D improves strength, balance and bone health in the elderly.

Each year, one third of people 65 and older, and one half of people 50 and older fall at least once. Almost one-tenth of these falls puts their victims in an emergency room. Many seniors who fall end up in nursing homes.

Have a question? Email: fred@healthygeezers.com

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Americaplatz goes south side; DBA has new Musikfest role

Musikfest 2011 will straddle the Lehigh River with two main festival sites moving from Bethlehem's north side to south side.

Americaplatz-relocates from Bethlehem's City Center along Church Street to Levitt Pavilion SteelStacks at the former Bethlehem Steel Corp. south side plant. Attendees may bring blankets and lawn chairs to the grass lawn, 2,500-capacity, venue, open 5-11 p.m. Aug. 5-14.

Sands RiverPlace on Sand Island is replaced by Sands Steel Stage at PNC Plaza, also at SteelStacks, accommodating 7,200 people, 500 more than previously for Musikfest headliners.

The new venues mark the first major changes

at the festival since 2000, when four stages, including Plaza Tropical and RiverPlace, were added.

"Bringing Musikfest to south Bethlehem is a win-win for everyone. By including Musikfest programming at SteelStacks, it will have a positive impact on the many businesses, shops and restaurants on the South Side," said Bethlehem Mayor John Callahan.

The Sands Steel Stage will have reserved seating in two seating sections and include approximately 3,000 bleacher seats at the back of the venue. While the RiverPlace back lawn was more than 450 feet from the stage, the Steel Stage will have seats no more than 200 feet from the stage.

Ticketed concerts in

the Candlelight Concert Series at Foy Hall, Moravian College, and Performing Arts Series at Lehigh University, will move to The Musikfest Café presented by Yuengling on the third and fourth floors of ArtsQuest Center at SteelStacks.

Acts for the Sands Steel Stage and Musikfest Café are to be announced.

New will be music-themed lunches-brunches Fridays - Sundays and late-night performances, including comedy, in Musikfest Café.

The Frank Banko Alehouse Cinemas will offer workshops by Musikfest artists, educational programs and music-focused documentary films, adding a new programming component to the festival.

The Downtown Bethlehem Association (DBA) will be primary sponsor of Main Street performers, stage sponsor of Liederplatz at the Sun Inn courtyard, and develop and present programming. Details are to be announced.

"Many of the businesses in the Historic Shopping District have the 10 days of Musikfest factored into their business plan, therefore it was a unanimous feeling among the downtown community that we work together to present the Main Street and Liederplatz venues," said Lynn Logue, Vice President of Bethlehem for the Greater Lehigh Valley Chamber of Commerce.

The city's historic district will continue to offer free music and arts programming noon - 11 p.m. daily at Banana Island, the Chamber Series at Central Moravian Church's Old Chapel, Festplatz, Handwerkplatz,

Liederplatz, Lyrikplatz, Main Street, Plaza Tropical, Vesper Concert Series at Central Moravian Church and Volksplatz.

"Over the years, we've heard from the community that they love the fact that they can stroll from stage to stage enjoying the free music, so we're pleased to say that with the exception of Americaplatz, which is moving to the SteelStacks campus, none of that free programming on the North Side is changing," said Jeff Parks, ArtsQuest President.

The 2011 festival will showcase programming at 15 venues, one more than in 2010, at 10 sites on the city's north side and five locations at SteelStacks, to open May 1.

The south side venues are Levitt Pavilion SteelStacks, ArtsQuest Center's Frank Banko Alehouse Cinemas and Musikfest Café presented by Yuengling, SteelStacks Town Square, and

PNC Plaza, site of Sands Steel Stage.

Twelve of the Musikfest venues are free, two are ticketed, and one, The Frank Banko Alehouse Cinemas, will offer free and ticketed programming. The majority of the festival's nearly 500 performances are free.

SteelStacks Town Square, 5 p.m. - midnight Monday - Thursday and noon - 1 a.m. Fridays-Sundays, will showcase street performers, local and regional bands, and acoustic singer-songwriters.

ArtsQuest will again offer shuttle service from off-site parking to festival grounds. Patrons may travel to festival sites by walking or via the LOOP bus.

ArtsQuest is working with the city and other entities to provide shuttle service between festival venues on the north and south sides. Details are to be finalized.

8 DAYS A WEEK

YOUR LEHIGH VALLEY ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT CALENDAR

By ALEXANDRA RACINES
Special to The Press

ART EXHIBITS

ALLENTOWN ART MUSEUM COLLECTION
Lafayette College, Williams Center for the Arts Gallery, Hamilton and High streets, Easton. 610-330-5009

Revisiting the Italian Renaissance: Painting and Sculpture from the Museum, Feb. 5 - March 26; Lecture, Reception, 7 p.m. Feb. 17. Reservation required

Lehigh County Government Center, 17 S. Seventh St., Allentown. 610-782-3038

Leo Krikorian, "574EV"; Jane Piper, "Blue Hydrangea"; Ben Wilson, "Airbound," through September. Walking Tour, noon Feb. 2

Lehigh University, Zoellner Arts Center, 420 E. Packer Avenue, Bethlehem. 610-858-2787

Harry Bertola: Double-Branched Gongs, through October

AMERICA ON WHEELS
5 N. Front St., Allentown. 610-432-4200

Come to the Drag Strip with Us, through May 20: 1960's era drag-racing cars

British Invasion: British Cars, through May

ANTONIO SALEMME FOUNDATION
542 Hamilton St., Allentown. 610-434-7476

Allentown Chen Arts Group: Walking The Edge, through Feb. 5

ART SCHNECK OPTICAL COMPANY
720 Harrison St., Emmaus. 610-965-4066

Parkland Art League Exhibit: Tina Madonia: Paintings, through Feb. 26

BANANA FACTORY
25 W. Third St., Bethlehem. 610-332-1300

Dick Morrill, through March 13, Banko Family Room Gallery

A View Through My Eyes, through March 20: Photographs by Marcia Jones

GoggleWorks Artists' Exchange Exhibition, through March 27; First Friday reception, 6 - 9 p.m. Feb. 4

BAUM SCHOOL OF ART
510 Linden St., Allentown. 610-433-0032

Fashions by Rose Ackerman, Feb. 10 - March 4; Reception, 6 - 8 p.m. Feb. 10

Scholastic Scholarship Exhibition, through Feb. 5: Works by Berks, Carbon, Lehigh, Northampton counties high school students.

BETHEHEM CITY HALL ROTUNDA
City Hall, 10 E. Church St., Bethlehem. 610-865-7000

James Harmon, Winifred Helton-Harmon: Winnie and Jim Nature Studies, through Feb. 28; Reception, 2 - 4 p.m. Feb. 6

CEDAR CREST COLLEGE
100 College Drive, Allentown. 610-606-4666

Four from Philly: Ceramic Art by four Pennsylvania artists, through Feb. 26, Lachaise Gallery

CONNEXIONS GALLERY
213 Northampton St., Easton. 610-250-7627

Maria Woodford, 7 p.m. Feb. 2: Open Mike

Cindy Vojnovic: Multi Entrende, through Feb. 27

DA VINCI SCIENCE CENTER
3145 Hamilton Boulevard Bypass, Allentown. 484-661-1002

Oh I See, through Feb. 6

More Than Meets The Eye: Insect photographs by Michael Much, through Feb. 6

FALK'S ART GALLERY
1418 Main St., Hellertown. 610-838-9191

Leonard Dimmick: Paintings, through March 31

FOX OPTICAL AND GALLERY
28 E. Third St., Bethlehem. 610-332-2400

Eleanor Bystrom: Drawings and Paintings, through Feb. 28; First Friday reception, 7 - 10 p.m. Feb. 4

GALLERY AT ST. JOHN'S
330 Ferry St., Easton. 610-258-6119

James DePietro: A Series of Series, through Feb. 27; Artist's talk, 12:30 p.m. Feb. 6

GOUNDIE HOUSE
501 Main St., Bethlehem. 610-691-6055

Hidden Treasures - Bethlehem's Past Revealed, through March 12

HELLER HOMESTEAD ART GALLERY
1890 - 92 Friedensville Road, Lower Saucon Township. 610-216-0566

Donna Santiago, Feb. 5 - April 17; Reception, 7 - 9 p.m. Feb. 7. Snow date: Feb. 8

HOME AND PLANET
25 E. Third St., Bethlehem. 610-866-7370

Edward Meneely: Figurative Male Images, through Feb. 28; First Friday reception, 6 - 10 p.m. Feb. 4

JEWISH COMMUNITY CENTER OF ALLENTOWN
702 N. 22nd St., Allentown. 610-435-3571

Agnes Boyle, through March 11

Eileen Denitz, through March 11

KALMBACH MEMORIAL PARK

COMMUNITY CENTER

200 Cotton St., Macungie. 610-965-1140

Parkland Art League Exhibit: Elizabeth Kenny, Kathryn LaRose: Paintings, through Feb. 22

LAFAYETTE COLLEGE
Williams Visual Arts Building, 243 N. Third St., Easton. 610-330-5831

Past Imperfect: Video Works from Ecuador, through March 4

Open Studio Figure Drawing, 7 p.m. Thursdays

LEHIGH COUNTY SENIOR CENTER
1633 Elm St., Allentown. 610-437-3700

King Henry Dance, 1 p.m. Feb. 2; 7:30 p.m. Feb. 5

LEHIGH UNIVERSITY
Zoellner Arts Center, 420 E. Packer Avenue, Bethlehem. 610-858-2787

Walt Whitman: Leaves of Grass, through Dec. 13, Lower Gallery

A.W. Leh: Architect, through May 31: Photography by John Kish IV and Robert Walch, DuBois Gallery, Maginnes Hall, Asa Packer Campus, 9 W. Packer Avenue, Bethlehem. 610-758-3095

Art, Architecture, Design Student Projects, through May, Girdler Gallery, University Center, 29 Trembley Drive, Bethlehem. 610-758-3615

Axl Leskocek Portfolio and Patrick Heron, through May 31: Prints from the Lehigh University Art Gallery Collection, Rauch Business Center Gallery, 621 Taylor St., Bethlehem. 610-758-4863

Emilio Sanchez, through April 1: Prints from the Lehigh University Art Gallery Collection, Siegel Gallery, Jacocca Hall, Mountaintop Campus, 111 Research Drive, Bethlehem. 610-866-8852

Larry Fink, William Gottlieb: The Sight of Sounds, through March 6

LEHIGH VALLEY ARTS COUNCIL
840 Hamilton St., Suite 201 Butz Building, Allentown. 610-437-1074

Eileen M. Denitz: Paintings, through March 1

LEHIGH VALLEY HERITAGE MUSEUM
432 W. Walnut St., Allentown. 610-435-1074

Pennsylvania German Exhibit, through July 31, Pearl Gallery

LOWER MACUNGIE LIBRARY
3450 Brookside Road, Lower Macungie Township. 610-966-6864

Parkland Art League: Liz Kenney, through February

LUTHER CREST RETIREMENT COMMUNITY
800 Hausman Road, South Whitehall Township. 1-800-606-3424

Parkland Art League Exhibit: Betty Knesevitch, Catherine Rhoades, through February

MERCANTILE HOME
140 Northampton St., Easton. 610-258-4046

Makin' Merry, through Feb. 27

MORAVIAN COLLEGE
Priscilla Payne Hurd Campus, Main and Church streets, Bethlehem. 610-861-1667

Emilio Dilorio: The Figure: Drawings, Paintings and Sculpture, through March 6

MORAVIAN HISTORICAL SOCIETY
214 E. Center St., Nazareth. 610-759-5070

Spring Exhibition, Feb. 5 - June

MUHLBERG COLLEGE
Baker Center for the Arts, 2400 Chew St., Allentown. 484-664-3100

Christopher Payne: Asylum: The Closed World of State Mental Hospitals, through Feb. 26; Artist's Talk, 7 p.m. Feb. 16, Recital Hall, Martin Art Gallery

NEW ARTS PROGRAM
173 Main St., Kutztown. 610-683-6440

Nicholas Hill: Kyoto Calligraphy Lessons, through March 5

NORTHAMPTON COMMUNITY COLLEGE
Main Campus, 3835 Green Pond Road, Bethlehem Township. 610-861-5300

Carol Heft, Jackie Lima: Strength and Beauty, through Feb. 22

NORTHAMPTON COUNTY HISTORICAL AND GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY
Sigal Museum, 342 Northampton St., Easton. 610-253-1222

Frank Wyso: The Coal Connection, through Feb. 28

Frank Wyso: Sculpture and Paintings, through May 31

PENN STATE LEHIGH VALLEY
2809 Saucon Valley Road, Center Valley. 610-285-5067

The Art Behind the Instruction: Artists Who Teach at Penn State Lehigh Valley, through Feb. 19: Greta Brubaker, Ron De Long, Glen Hansen, Jeanine Hill, Kevin Kelley, Ann Lalik, Jacqueline McLaughlin, Kate Morgan, Ann Williams

PERK ON MAIN
332 Main St., Emmaus. 610-966-0203

Andrew Nuver: Drawings, through Feb. 28

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70 W. North St., Bethlehem. 610-861-2741

Artists in Recovery, 1 - 3 p.m. Third Thursdays

STATE THEATRE
Fifth and Northampton streets, Easton. 610-258-7766

Lehigh Art Alliance Annual Spring Juried Exhibition, Feb. 4 - March 26; Reception, 6 - 8 p.m. Feb. 4, The Gallery

THE MUSEUM OF ETHNOGRAPHY
Masonic Building, 22 S. Third St., second floor, Easton. 908-689-0079

Marya: Not Just Eye Candy, through June 30

TIMEZONES GLOBAL GOODIES AND FRAMING GALLERY
7 E. Third St., Bethlehem. 610-866-8463

New Year = New Perceptions: Pen and ink drawings, metal and wax paintings by Steven Condra, through February

CINEMA

ALLENTOWN BREW WORKS
812 - 816 W. Hamilton St., Allentown. 610-433-7777

"Gasland," 7 p.m. Feb. 10

ALLENTOWN SYMPHONY HALL
23 N. Sixth St., Allentown. 610-432-6715

"King Lear," 7 p.m. Feb. 3: National Theatre: Live in HD

"Nixon in China," 1 p.m. Feb. 12: The Met: Live in HD

CIVIC THEATRE
527 N. 19th St., Allentown. 610-432-0888

"The King's Speech," 7:30 p.m. Feb. 2, 3

LEPOGO PEACE CENTER
313 W. Fourth St., Bethlehem. 610-691-8730

"In the King of Prussia," 7 p.m. Feb. 4: Popcorn and Politics Film Series

UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST CHURCH
424 Center St., Bethlehem. 610-866-7652

"The Power of Community," 6 p.m. Feb. 11

CONCERTS

ALLENTOWN SYMPHONY HALL
23 N. Sixth St., Allentown. 610-432-6715

David Richie, Berks Opera Workshop Singers, 11:30 a.m. Feb. 12: "Unleashing Your Inner Opera Fan: The Chairman Sings"

Allentown Symphony Orchestra, Cristina Nassif, 8 p.m. Feb. 12; 3 p.m. Feb. 13: "Carmen"; Diane Witry, noon Feb. 11: Brown Bag Discussion Series

CENTRAL MORAVIAN CHURCH
Main and Church streets, Bethlehem. 610-866-5661

Bach Choir of Bethlehem, 12:10 p.m. Feb. 8: Noon-Ten Concert Series

CHARLES A. BROWN ICEHOUSE
56 River St., Bethlehem. 610-332-1400

Dave Fry, 10 a.m. Feb. 12: Icehouse Series

CLEO'S SILVERSMITH GALLERY AND STUDIO
21 E. Third St., Bethlehem. 610-868-7200

Dina Hall, 6 p.m. Feb. 4: First Friday

COMFORT SUITES
120 W. Third St., Bethlehem. 610-882-9700

On Fire, 9:30 p.m. Feb. 4: First Friday

CROCODILE ROCK CAFE
520 W. Hamilton St., Allentown. 610-434-4600

We Came As Romans, 5 p.m. Feb. 5

Escape the Fate, 7 p.m. Feb. 9

My Fetish Valentine 3, 8 p.m. Feb. 11

Jimmy Eat World, David Bazan and Band, 7 p.m. Feb. 12. Sold Out

GODFREY DANIELS
7 E. Fourth St., Bethlehem. 610-867-2390

Wayne Johnston, 8 p.m. Feb. 4

Eighteenth Hour, 8 p.m. Feb. 5

Terry Kitchen, 7 p.m. Feb. 6; Mance Robinson

Bluegrass Jam, 7 p.m. Feb. 8. Free

Sara Hickman, 7:30 p.m. Feb. 10

Lili Anel, 8 p.m. Feb. 11

Jackie Tice Ensemble, 8 p.m. Feb. 12

HOPE UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST
1031 Flexer Avenue, Allentown. 610-395-9773

"A Celebration of Opera and Etc.," 3 p.m. Feb. 6: Maryann Appleby, Susan K. Smith, sopranos; Gary Edick, tenor, Brian Molchany, baritone, Santa Peters, Dr. Charles McClain, Michael Wall, piano; Erin Dry, flute; Anthony Simons, clarinet. Allentown Music Club, 610-261-4072

LAFAYETTE COLLEGE
Williams Center for the Arts, Hamilton and High streets, Easton. 610-330-5009

Saxophone Summit, 3 p.m. Feb. 6: Saxophone trio: Joe Lovano, Dave Liebman, Ravi Coltrane

Ethos Percussion Group, 8 p.m. Feb. 8

BodyNormal: Baker Center for the Arts, Zoellner Arts Center, 420 E. Packer Avenue, Bethlehem. 610-758-2787

New York Jazz Repertory Orchestra, 8 p.m. Feb. 5: A Tribute to Johnny Richards

Bach Choir of Bethlehem, 3 p.m. Feb. 6:

"Super Bach!"

Lehigh University Philharmonic, Eugene Albulescu, Director, 8 p.m. Feb. 11, 12: "Orchestra Marathon." Free

MACUNGIE INSTITUTE
510 E. Main St., Macungie. 610-966-7830

Valley Music Together, 9:30, 10:30 a.m. Tuesdays, Thursdays; 10 a.m. Saturdays

MORAVIAN COLLEGE
Foy Concert Hall, Priscilla Payne Hurd Campus, Main and Church streets, Bethlehem. 610-861-1640

Alan Gaumer, trumpet, Neil Wetzel, clarinet, 7:30 p.m. Feb. 3

Albert Lazaro, jazz guitar, 7:30 p.m. Feb. 4: Senior Recital, Peter Concert Hall. Free

Kevin Bagar, jazz guitar, Emily Brown, voice, 7:30 p.m. Feb. 5: Junior Recital. Free

Borromeo String Quartet, 8 p.m. Feb. 11. Chamber Music Society of Bethlehem, 610-435-7611

Two Part Invention, 7:30 p.m. Feb. 12: John Arnold, guitar, Nora Suggs, flute "Nocturnes and Lullabies," Peter Concert Hall

Delta Omicron, 4 p.m. Feb. 13: "Spring Musicales," Peter Concert Hall

PENN'S PEAK
325 Maury Road, Penn Forest Township. 1-866-605-7325

Roadies Open Mic Nights, 6 p.m. Thursdays

Rubik's Cube: 80's tribute, 8 p.m. Feb. 4

Yellow Brick Road: Elton John tribute, 8 p.m. Feb. 5

An Evening with Railroad Earth, 8 p.m. Feb. 11

Parrotbeach: Jimmy Buffet tribute, 8 p.m. Feb. 12

STATE THEATRE
Fifth and Northampton streets, Easton. 610-258-7766

Patti Lupone, Mandy Patinkin, 8 p.m. Feb. 12

TIMEZONES GLOBAL GOODIES AND FRAMING GALLERY
7 E. Third St., Bethlehem. 610-866-8463

Hannah Graser, Sarah Kelton, Phoebe Wilcox, 7:30 p.m. Feb. 5: "Angels of Song and Story"

UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST CHURCH
424 Center St., Bethlehem. 610-866-7652

Vivian Wang, piano, 3 p.m. Feb. 13: Unitarian Universalist Church Second Sunday Concert Series

UPPER MILFORD TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL BUILDING
5671 Chestnut St., Old Zionville. 610-966-6419

Lara Herscovitch, 7 p.m. Feb. 12: Listen Live! Open Mic Nights

VARGTIMMEN KING KOFFEE
506 Chestnut St., Emmaus. 610-965-3257

Open Mic Nights, 7 p.m. Wednesdays

DANCE

FEARLESS FIRE COMPANY
Starlite Ballroom, 1221 S. Front St., Allentown. 610-767-2549

Allentown Area Swing Dance Society, lesson, 7 p.m.; open dancing, 8:30 p.m. Tuesdays; Dennis, Lynn Bonser, 5:30 p.m. Feb. 8: Cha Cha; Wingo Hom, 7 p.m. Feb. 8: Cha Cha

USADance, 8:30 p.m. Tuesdays: Open Dance Sessions

JEWISH COMMUNITY CENTER OF ALLENTOWN
702 N. 22nd St., Allentown. 610-435-3571

Israeli Dancing, 7:30 p.m. Mondays: Beginners; 8:30 p.m. Mondays: Experienced dancers

LAFAYETTE COLLEGE
Williams Center for the Arts, Hamilton and High streets, Easton. 610-330-5009

Lar Lubovitch Dance Company, 8 p.m. Feb. 3: "Jazz Trilogy"

MUHLBERG COLLEGE
Baker Center for the Arts, 2400 Chew St., Allentown. 484-664-3100

Master Choreographers, 8 p.m. Feb. 10, 11; 2 p.m. Feb. 12: Charles Q. Anderson, Heidi Cruz-Austin, Corrie Franz Cowart, Shelley Oliver, Trinetta Singleton, Nicole Wolcott

SCOTTISH RITE CATHEDRAL
1533 Hamilton St., Allentown. 610-433-3232

Repertory Dance Theatre, 1, 7 p.m. Feb. 12: "Dorothy's Adventures in Oz:" Encore Performance

UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST CHURCH
424 Center St., Bethlehem. 610-923-0997

Folk Dance, 6 p.m. Sundays

Contra Dance, 7 p.m. Feb. 12, 610-868-7432

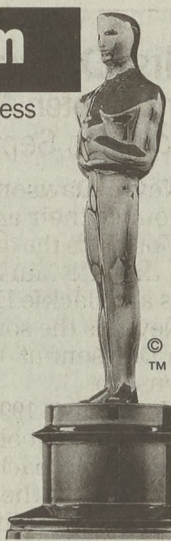
EVENTS

ALLENTOWN FAIRGROUNDS AGRI-PLEX
302 N. 17th St., Allentown. 610-433-7541

District 11 SkillsUSA Championships, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. Feb. 2

Oscar Contest Entry Form

Pick the recipients and win prizes in the annual Lehigh Valley Press Readers Pick the Oscars Contest. Contest categories are:



Actress

- Annette Bening, "The Kids Are All Right"
- Nicole Kidman, "Rabbit Hole"
- Jennifer Lawrence, "Winter's Bone"
- Natalie Portman, "Black Swan"
- Michelle Williams, "Blue Valentine"

Supporting Actress

- Amy Adams, "The Fighter"
- Helena Bonham Carter, "The King's Speech"
- Melissa Leo, "The Fighter"
- Hailee Steinfeld, "True Grit"
- Jacki Weaver, "Animal Kingdom"

Actor

- Javier Bardem, "Biutiful"
- Jeff Bridges, "True Grit"
- Jesse Eisenberg, "The Social Network"
- Colin Firth, "The King's Speech"
- James Franco, "127 Hours"

Supporting Actor

- Christian Bale, "The Fighter"
- John Hawkes, "Winter's Bone"
- Jeremy Renner, "The Town"
- Mark Ruffalo, "The Kids Are All Right"
- Geoffrey Rush, "The King's Speech"

Director

- Darren Aronofsky, "Black Swan"
- David O. Russell, "The Fighter"
- Tom Hooper, "The King's Speech"
- David Fincher, "The Social Network"
- Joel Coen and Ethan Coen, "True Grit"

Picture

- "Black Swan"
- "The Fighter"
- "Inception"
- "The Kids Are All Right"
- "The King's Speech"
- "127 Hours"
- "The Social Network"
- "Toy Story 3"
- "True Grit"
- "Winter's Bone"

Animated Feature

- "How to Train Your Dragon"
- "The Illusionist"
- "Toy Story 3"

Contest Information

Email your Oscar recipient picks to: pwillistein@gmail.com; mail entry form to: Paul Willistein, Focus Editor, Lehigh Valley Press newspapers, 308 E. Third St., Bethlehem, Pa. 18015; drop off entry form 9 a.m. - 5 p.m., Lehigh Valley Press, 308 E. Third St., Bethlehem; or 1633 N.

26th St., (26th Street and Walbert Avenue), South Whitehall Township. Include name, address, telephone number, email. Contact information provided will not be published. One entry per person. Entry deadline: Feb. 25. In the event of tie, the winner is chosen at random.

LEHIGH VALLEY STAGE

"All The Single Funny Ladies 2," 8 p.m. Feb. 13, The Associated Mess, featuring Chelsea Carle, Katie DeRosa, Cheryl Moritz, Laura Romano, Syd Stauffer, Megan Ward, Civic Theatre of Allentown Theatre 514, 514 N. 19th St., Allentown. Women may enter "My Worst Date Ever" contest. Winning story staged for "Single Ladies." Winner receives two free tickets to show. Email: WorstDate@theAssociatedMess.com. Entry deadline: Feb. 6

"Disney's High School Musical Jr.," 8 p.m. Feb. 18; 2, 8 p.m. Feb. 19; 3 p.m. Feb. 20, Pennsylvania Playhouse, Illicks Mill Road, Bethlehem. 610-865-6665

"Fresh Voices: 'The Matter of Moments,'" 8 p.m. Feb. 18, 19, Touchstone Theatre, 321 E. Fourth St., Bethlehem. Three original works-in-progress by 2010 - '11 Touchstone Apprentices Mariel Iezoni

and Anne Losq. Admission "Pay What You Will." 610-867-1689

"Moby Dick! The Musical," 8 p.m., Feb. 17, 18, 19; 2 p.m. Feb. 20, Cedar Crest College Performing Arts, Samuels Theatre, Tompkins College Center, Cedar Crest College, Allentown. 610-606-4608

"Story Cabaret," 8 p.m. Feb. 25: Lehigh Valley Storytelling Guild, Touchstone Theatre Café, 321 E. Fourth St., Bethlehem. Open mike for 10 min. stories. 610-867-1689, 484-767-2456.

"The Italian Laugh Pack": Pat Cooper, Dom Irrera, John Caponera, 8 p.m. Feb. 4, State Theatre, 453 Northampton St., Easton. 610-252-3132

"The Book of Love," through March 6, Pines Dinner Theatre, 448 N. 17th St., Allentown. Matinees Thursday, Sunday: dinner, 12:30 p.m.; show, 2 p.m.; evenings Friday, Saturday: dinner, 6:30 p.m.; show, 8 p.m.

610-433-2333
"The Cemetery Club," Feb. 4, 5, 6, 11, 12, 13; 8 p.m. Fridays, Saturdays; 3 p.m. Sundays, Pennsylvania Playhouse, Illicks Mill Road, Bethlehem. 610-865-6665

"The Dancing Granny, Tales of African Origin," 10 a.m. Feb. 5, Mock Turtle Marionette Theater, Charles A. Brown IceHouse, 56 River Road, Sand Island, Bethlehem. Marionetteer Doug Roysdon, Bach Choir's Grace Hocella. Puppet-making workshop (lion puppets). Presentation by Black History Month event partner, The Caring Place, Allentown. 610-867-8208

"The Last Days of Judas Iscariot," 8 p.m. Feb. 18, 19; 2 p.m. Feb. 20; 8 p.m. Feb. 23 - 26, Lehigh University Department of Theatre, Diamond Theater, Zoellner Arts Center, 420 E. Packer Avenue, Lehigh University, Bethlehem. 610-758-2787 (7LU-ARTS)

THEATER REVIEWS

Fun 'Book' takes on marriage

By TRACY ANTONIOLI
Special to The Press

Escape the cold and snow this winter and cuddle up with that someone special for an evening of food and fun at "The Book of Love," continuing through March 6 at The Pines Dinner Theater, Allentown.

The three-person musical adds a comedic twist to the ups and downs of romance

Featuring original music by writer-director-choreographer Oliver Blatt, "Book" follows the courtship and marriage of Adam and Evelyn, played by Brandon Wood and Amber Kerestes, respectively.

It is clear by the second number that two sorely need match.com. Fortunately, with a lot of help from Dr. Siegfried, played by Joshua Neff, and his patented "Book of Love,"

the two finally find each other.

Several vocal numbers jazz up the fast-paced production, including the high-energy duet, "March of the Bridezillas." Anyone who has ever planned a wedding will appreciate it.

Wood and Kerestes are featured in several numbers, including "One Giant Step," where wedded bliss meets vocal harmony. In the show, unlike in life, the harmonizing continues into the marriage with the number, "Fifteen Christmases."

While "Book" focuses on Adam and Evelyn, these lovable characters would never have found each other without a little help from several quite memorable friends.

Siegfried, the German psychologist; Louie, a bumbling French chef; an extremely flamboyant

wedding planner named Pierre; and Apollo Neptune Mithra, the sandal-wearing New Age guru, are all played by Neff. To say that Neff's quadruple-role performance is entertaining is a huge understatement. I dare you not to laugh.

Sets and costumes are simple yet effective. A small bookshelf, a desk, and a book sign-out stamp indicate a library. Add to that Evelyn in a long skirt and button-down sweater; and the scene is set.

If you think the awkwardness of dating is funny, wait until you witness the hilarity of marriage in Act Two.

But no matter where you are in your relationship — single, in love, or married for 50 years, you'll enjoy The Pines Dinner Theater production of "The Book of Love."

A humorous, thoughtful 'Club'

By DOUGLAS GRAVES
Special to The Press

How long do you wait after your spouse dies before resuming your own life?

For some rollicking good advice, see Ivan Menchell's "The Cemetery Club," a two-act play in its Lehigh Valley debut directed by Gary Boyer, continuing through Feb. 13 at Pennsylvania Playhouse, Bethlehem.

Three widows who are long-time friends meet every month to visit the gravesites of their husbands. They call themselves "The Cemetery Club."

Vicki Montesano (Lucille) gives a brilliant portrayal, projecting believable senior sexuality with swaggering braggadocio. She embarrasses her friends with stories of the many men in her life while speaking disparagingly of her depart-

ed, Harry. Terry De Biase (Ida) has secretly realized that she is longing for a new life, a new love.

Mary Catherine Bracali (Doris), unlike her friends, remains devoted to the memory of her Abe. She trims the ivy from his headstone and longs for the day she can join him.

Sam, a mutual acquaintance whose own wife has passed away, meets the widows at the cemetery where his wife is also buried. Sam, played with self-effacing charm by Steve Harris, like Ida, has been thinking that he should start life over.

In spite of Lucille, or "Lucifer," as Sam calls her, having set her fur hat for the eligible bachelor, Sam has eyes only for Ida. After a painfully shy social call, Sam and Ida start seeing each other.

The widows, all brides-

maids for their friend's second or third wedding, are uproariously funny as they get dressed in girlish bridesmaid gowns. Montesano steals the spotlight when she gets her matronly left into a much too small gown complete with a princess tiara and red-haired wig covering her gray hair.

When Sam arrives to chaffer the women to the wedding, he has a date, Mildred, also a long-time acquaintance of the group.

Mildred (Lucille Kincaid) plays the "other woman" with saucy and devilish spite when she realizes Ida has feelings for Sam.

The play, while ending on a sad note when Doris finally joins Abe at the cemetery, sees Ida and Sam as a happy couple, and Lucille as the last member of "The Cemetery Club."

Three women of song, words

By TONY SIENZANT
Special to The Press

"Angels of Song & Story" showcases the talents of three women from three generations at 8 p.m. Feb. 5 at TimeZones Global Goodies & Framing Gallery, 7 E. Third St., Bethlehem.

The show opens with the Nashville-inflected songs of Sarah Kelton, 29, and ends with Bethlehem's own indie folk artist Hannah Graser, 17.

In between, Phoebe Wilcox, 46, of Bucks County, will read from her newly published novel, "Angels Carry The Sun" (Lilly Press; 203 pp.; \$14.95), nom-

inated for a PEN-Faulkner Award and Pushcart Prize.

"It's a kind of 'Lolita' storyline ... in reverse," explains Wilcox.

The mother of two has hawked her novel on the streets of Doylestown, Bethlehem and Greenwich Village.

"I love it when someone says they read the book in one sitting [and] couldn't put it down," Wilcox says.

Graser, a Liberty High School teen, was described by WMMR deejay Blake Damm as "the best lyricist in the Lehigh Valley."

She was nominated for nine Lehigh Valley Music Awards and won in two categories in December.

Graser performed at Mayfair, RiverFusion and Musikfest.

But, as with most teen years, it's been a rollercoaster ride. Two close friends died a week apart and then Bethlehem's Wildflower Cafe closed its doors.

"I started performing open mikes there [Wildflower] four or five years ago and I fell in love with it," Graser says.

For Kelton, the last few years have been rewarding and a learning experience. She recorded in Col-

orado with three-time Grammy winner Tom Wasinger and bounced around Nashville for a year — two very different environments.

"Nashville is such a popular destination for artists that I had to see what it was all about. I did find a city exploding with talent. I saw a lot of musical devotion and excitement to create," says Kelton.

Unfortunately, she also "saw a lot of desperation" and "people trying so hard to be the one to land the big deal."

Boulder was a big contrast. "I really enjoy the natural inspiration of music that is happening [there] ... so many incredibly talented musicians who are living a different way."

For that reason and because of Wasinger, she may be heading back.

"He's [Wasinger] traveled all over the world playing music and collecting interesting instruments from various cultures," says Kelton.

"Angels of Song & Story" is being presented by Z Productions, of which Tony Sienzant is executive producer.

CK PLAYERS Auditions set for '39 Steps'

Auditions for the stage show, "The 39 Steps," based on the Alfred Hitchcock movie, will be held 7 - 8:30 p.m. Feb. 9 and 4 - 6 p.m. Feb. 13 in McCoolle's Arts & Events Place, 10 S. Main St., Quakertown. "The 39 Steps" runs June 3 - 19 in McCoolle's

Arts & Events Place.

Four to eight actors, including males and females, ages 21 - 50, are sought to portray 150 characters.

Those auditioning are to read from the script.

Also needed is a stage manager and volunteers to handle lighting and sound.

Information: 610-395-7176

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WEDDING

Zizzamia-Stover
Couple is wed
at Emmaus church

Shannon Marie Stover, daughter of John O. Stover Jr. and Susan M. Stover, of Emmaus, became the bride of Christopher Michael Zizzamia, son of Joseph and Yvonne Zizzamia, of Cherry Hill, N.J., Oct. 23, 2010, during a double-ring ceremony at St. Ann's Church, Emmaus.

Monsignor Thomas Hoban and Monsignor John Mraz officiated at the ceremony.

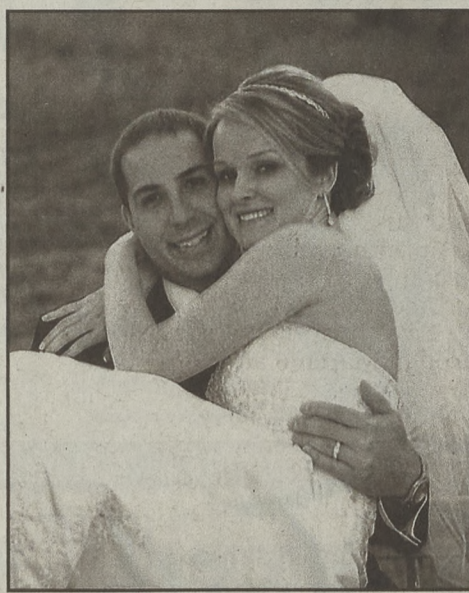
Given in marriage by her father, the bride chose Amber Miller, of Catauqua, as the maid of honor.

Joseph E. Zizzamia, of Cherry Hill, N.J., served as the best man.

Following the ceremony, the couple welcomed friends and family to a reception at Bear Creek Mountain Resort, Longswamp Township, Berks County. They spent their honeymoon in Aruba.

The bride received a bachelor's of arts degree from Shippensburg University and a master's of business administration degree from Rosemont College.

She works for Worldwide Clinical Trials, King of Prussia, Montgomery



Mr. and Mrs. Christopher Zizzamia

County.

The groom received a bachelor's of arts degree from Shippensburg University and a master's of business administration degree from Rosemont College.

He works for Cephalon, Inc., Frazer, Chester County.

The couple resides in Skippack.

ENGAGEMENTS

Ellis-Dawson
Northampton Area High School
grad plans September wedding

Nevin Dawson and Morgan Ellis announce their engagement.

Morgan is the daughter of Dale Jakel and the late Marion Jakel and Ricky Ellis and Jackie Ellis.

Nevin is the son of David and Caroline Dawson, of Cherryville, Lehigh Township.

Morgan is a 1998 graduate of Greenwood High School, Bowling Green, Ky. She received bachelor's and master's degrees from the University of Kentucky and the University of Oregon, respectively.

She works for the Delaware Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control, specializing in renewable energy and climate policy.

Nevin is a 1997 graduate of Northampton Area High School. He received bachelor's and master's degrees in forestry from The Pennsylvania State University and North Carolina State University, respectively.

He is a forest stewardship educator for the University of Maryland Extension.



Nevin Dawson and Morgan Ellis

Morgan and Nevin live in Chestertown, Md. They are planning a September 2011 wedding.

8 DAYS

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Antique and Modern Arms Show, 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. Feb. 12; 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. Feb. 13

DOWNTOWN, SOUTHSIDE BETHLEHEM
Bethlehem Restaurant Week, through Feb. 5

LEHIGH COUNTRY CLUB
2319 S. Cedar Crest Boulevard, Allentown. 610-437-1451

Allentown Symphony Ball, 5:30 p.m. Feb. 5

LEHIGH UNIVERSITY
Stabler Arena, 124 Goodman Drive, Bethlehem. 610-758-3770

Harlem Globetrotters, 7 p.m. Feb. 11: "4 Times The Fun"

NANCY RUN FIRE COMPANY HALL
3564 Easton Avenue, Bethlehem. 610-691-2021

Jeff Welsh, 7:30 p.m. Feb. 3: "Computers in the Radio Shack." Delaware-Lehigh Amateur Radio Club Monthly Meeting

SOUTHSIDE BETHLEHEM
First Friday, 6 - 10 p.m. Feb. 4

FESTIVALS

EMMAUS SNOWBLAST WINTER FESTIVAL

Downtown Emmaus

Opening Ceremony, 5 p.m. Feb. 4, Emmaus Triangle, Main St., Emmaus

Sculpted Ice Demonstration, 5 p.m. Feb. 4, Emmaus Triangle

Snowblast Ice Princess, 5 p.m. Feb. 4, Emmaus Triangle

Emmaus Main Street Program Icebar, 5 - 9 p.m. Feb. 4, Emmaus Triangle

Firepit Warming Stations, 5 - 9 p.m. Feb. 4, Emmaus Triangle; 11 a.m. Feb. 5, Emmaus Public Library, 11 E. Main St., Emmaus. 610-965-9284

Music by WesleyWorks Entertainment, 5 - 9 p.m. Feb. 4, Emmaus Triangle

Winter Wonderland Party, 5 - 9 p.m. Feb. 4, Cottage, 397 Main St., Emmaus. 610-965-8720

Emmaus Singing Society Band, 6 p.m. Feb. 4, Perk on Main, 332 Main St., Emmaus. 610-966-0203

Snowblast Winter Festival Art Show, 6 p.m. Feb. 4, West Valley Presbyterian Church, 326 Main St., Emmaus. 610-421-8066

Joe Scholz, 6:15 p.m. Feb. 4: Juggler, Emmaus Triangle

Joel Shimer, 7 p.m. Feb. 4, West Valley Presbyterian Church; noon, 1, 2, 3 p.m. Feb. 5, Emmaus Public Library

Fermata Nowhere: Emmaus High School Acapella Group, 7:30 p.m. Feb. 4, West Valley Presbyterian Church

Fireside Storytelling, Crafts, Music, 11 a.m., 1:30 p.m. Feb. 5, Emmaus Public Library

Crafts, Native American Storytelling, Drum Circle, Food, Drink, 11 a.m. - 4 p.m. Feb. 5, Seven Generations Charter School, 154 E. Minor St., Emmaus. 610-421-8844

Games, Crafts, Food, Hot Drinks, 11 a.m. - 4 p.m. Feb. 5, St. Matthew's Evangelical Congregational Church, 35 N. Fifth St., Emmaus. 610-965-5570

Hearth-side Cooking, Music, Food, Drink, 11 a.m. - 4 p.m. Feb. 5, 1803 House, 55 S. Keystone St., Emmaus. 610-965-0152

SnowBlast Winter Hike, 1 p.m. Feb. 5, Kline's Lane Trail, Kline's Lane, Emmaus

LITERARY EVENTS

BARNES AND NOBLE BOOKSELLERS

Promenade Shops, 2960 Center Valley Parkway, Upper Saucon Township. 610-791-3261

Alisa Bowman, 1 p.m. Feb. 12: "Project: Happily Ever After: Saving Your Marriage When The Fairytale Falters" discussion, book signing

BETHLEHEM AREA PUBLIC LIBRARY

11 W. Church St., Bethlehem. 610-867-3761

Kathryn Craft, 7 p.m. Feb. 8: "Those Critical

Pages" discussion

BORDERS BOOKSELLERS

1937 Whitehall Mall, Whitehall. 610-432-5520

Sonya Christman, 1 p.m. Feb. 12: "Deadliest Trip" discussion, book signing

DESALES UNIVERSITY

2755 Station Avenue, Center Valley. 610-282-1100

Tony Macaulay, 7 p.m. Feb. 2: "Northern Ireland Political History, Peace Policy, and Where They Are Now," Commonwealth Room, Conference Center

GODFREY DANIELS

7 E. Fourth St., Bethlehem. 610-867-2390

Bob Heffelfinger, 2 p.m. Feb. 2; Kristin Pedemonti, 2 p.m. Feb. 20: Children's Storytelling Series

Story Circle, 7 p.m. Feb. 9

GRANNY MCCARTHY'S TEA ROOM

Donegal Square, 534 Main St., Bethlehem. 610-866-3244

Tony Macaulay, 10 a.m. Feb. 5: "The Paperboy" reading, discussion, book signing

LEHIGH COUNTY SENIOR CENTER

1633 Elm St., Allentown. 610-437-3700

Ted LaRose, 1 p.m. Feb. 4: "Strange Stories, Amazing facts of America's Past"

LEHIGH UNIVERSITY

Baker Center for the Arts, Zoellner Arts Center, 420 E. Packer Avenue, Bethlehem. 610-758-2787

Tony Macaulay, 4 p.m. Feb. 3: "A Process for Removing Interface Barriers," Coxe Hall, Asa Packer Campus, 32 Sayre Drive, Bethlehem. 610-758-4505

LEHIGH VALLEY FRIENDS MEETING

4116 Bath Pike, Bethlehem. 610-691-3411

Johanna Berrigan, 6:30 p.m., dinner, 7:15 p.m., lecture, Feb. 5: "Hope and Despair: Haiti after the Earthquake." Lepoco Potluck and Politics Discussion Series

MUHLBERG COLLEGE

2400 Chew St., Allentown. 484-664-3363

Dr. Christopher Kovats-Bernat, noon Feb. 4: "Haiti." Institute for Jewish-Christian Understanding Luncheon Discussion Series

NORTHAMPTON COUNTY HISTORICAL AND GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

Friday Noon Lectures, Sigal Museum, 342 Northampton St., Easton. 610-253-1222

Ed Henning, 10 a.m. Tuesdays, Fridays: "Stories about Northampton County: Lenape Lifeways - What the Rocks Tell Us"

Carol Kuhn, 9:30 a.m. Wednesdays: "Stories about Northampton County: Lenape Lifeways, Lenape-Pennsylvania German Connection"

Curlee Holton, noon Feb. 4: "African American Graphic Arts: From Slavery to Today." Reservation required

Ed Dean, noon Feb. 11: "We Interrupt this Broadcast." Reservation required

PANERA BAKERY-BREAD CAFE

3301 Bath Pike, Bethlehem Township. 610-866-9802

Lepoco Book Discussion Group, 6 p.m. Feb. 2: "The Poisonwood Bible" by Barbara Kingsolver

PARKLAND COMMUNITY LIBRARY

4422 Walbert Avenue, South Whitehall Township. 610-398-1361

Kathryn Craft, 7 p.m. Feb. 10: "Good from Page One." Reservation requested

SOUTHERN LEHIGH PUBLIC LIBRARY

3200 Preston Lane, Center Valley. 610-282-8825

Judy Creighton, 7 p.m. Feb. 7: "Seed Starting"

STATE THEATRE

Fifth and Northampton streets, Easton. 610-258-7766

Anthony Bourdain, 8 p.m. Feb. 11: "No Reservations Required"

Submission deadline for 8 Days A Week is noon Monday, 10 days prior to the Wednesday-Thursday Focus section publication date. Email: Alexandra Racines

Passino-Fritchman

Parkland graduate plans
December nuptials

Donna and Brad Passino, of Scranton, announce the engagement of their daughter, Karen Marie-Elizabeth, to Andrew James Fritchman, son of James and Jane Fritchman, of South Whitehall Township.

The bride-to-be is a 2006 graduate of Scranton High School. She received a bachelor's of arts degree in communications from Cedar Crest College in December 2009.

She is a sales account manager for Hewlett-Packard, Conway, Ark.

The groom-to-be is a 2005 graduate of Parkland High School. He received a bachelor's of science degree in mechanical engineering from Lehigh University in May 2009.

He is a field engineer for Schlumberger, Conway, Ark.

A December 2011 wedding in the scenic Pocono Mountains is planned.

The couple will reside in Conway, along with their beloved dog, Calvin.



Andrew James Fritchman and Karen Marie-Elizabeth Passino

VIEWES

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was quite a task to undertake for a pair of symphony concerts.

First, I had to decide which language we were going to use. The opera is set in Seville, Spain, but it was written in French, Bizet's native language. When "Carmen" was first performed for the Metropolitan Opera in 1884 in New York City, it was sung in Italian.

Other early performances were often done in the native language of the country. Later on, sung recitatives were substituted for the spoken French dialogue because many singers could not speak French clearly.

For our performance, I decided to keep the singing in French, with super-titles to give everyone the translation. I added a narrator (in English) to take us through the story.

Next, I had to decide which music to keep and what to leave out. This was difficult because all the music is so beautiful. I immediately cut some of the auxiliary roles like Zuziga and Morales. I debated long and hard over the role of Micaela, Don José's girlfriend, but finally decided that since her character was not in the original book that the opera was based upon, I

would cut her role and focus on Carmen as the main character.

After that, I knew that I needed to put together a superb vocal cast. The Academy of Vocal Arts (AVA) in Philadelphia is fast becoming the "finishing" school for singers at the Metropolitan Opera in New York. I met with AVA Faculty to see who of their students or recent graduates might be right for this type of production.

I am happy to report that we have a top-quality cast headed by Cristina Nassif as Carmen, a 2003 AVA graduate; Eric Dubin as Escamillo, a 2007 AVA grad; and Viktor Antipenko as Don José, an AVA student. To work with the chorus, I selected Eduardo Azzati of Moravian College. For the dancers, we partnered with the Ballet Guild of the Lehigh Valley and its Artistic Director Karen Knerr.

My job was not done with hiring the singers and dancers. I was also going to need a great stage director and video designer. Enter the talented Ted Huffman, stage director, who is quickly making a name for himself in the United States and Europe. He will be staging works for the San Francisco Symphony next season. With Ted's help we found the very creative Cate Hevner, who is putting

together extraordinary visual images to display behind the orchestra during the performance.

As you can tell, this production of the semi-staged, abridged version of Bizet's "Carmen" is not your "same old" symphony concert. This is a once-in-a-lifetime experience that you will not want to miss.

We don't have a cast of 1,000, but we do have a lot of people involved to bring you very special performances at Symphony Hall with the Allentown Symphony Orchestra.

What makes it especially nice is that it is Valentine's Day weekend. What better way to celebrate with your loved one than to go to a performance of "Carmen"? The story is dramatic and the music is fantastic. I hope to see you there.

Diane Wittry is music director and conductor of the Allentown Symphony Orchestra and Norwalk Symphony in Connecticut. ASO concert ticket information: 610-432-6715, www.AllentownSymphony.org

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BFAC
Nominees asked
for Arts Tribute

The Bethlehem Fine Arts Commission (BFAC) is accepting nominations for its 21th annual Tribute to the Arts.

Awards will be presented at a reception, 5:30 - 7 p.m. May 5, Payne Gallery, Moravian College, Bethle-

hem. BFAC nominations deadline is Feb. 14.

Information is available at www.bfac-iv.org, and from Robin Beaty, 610-867-3308.

Last year's recipients were Ramona LaBarre (individual), Lehigh Art Alliance (arts organization), Deja Brew (corporate service).

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9 a.m. Holy Communion
28 Book of Common Prayer
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Rev. James Johnson

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3449 Cherryville Road
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9:45 a.m. Sunday School
7 p.m. Evening Service
(Nursery, all services)

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Whitehall, PA 18052
610-434-8661
www.WhitehallBFC.org
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6 p.m. Bible Study
7 p.m. Youth Group

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Jeffery A. Brinks, Pastor
9 a.m. Education Hour
10:30 a.m. Worship
(Nursery available)
Sanctuary handicapped accessible

HEIDELBERG UCC
Irvin & Church Roads
Heidelberg Township
Pastor Karen Yonney
610-767-4740
Puppet Ministry
8:30 a.m. Worship
9:45 a.m. Sunday School
Handicapped Accessible
Air Conditioned
www.uochidelberg.org

JORDAN UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST
1837 Church Road, Allentown
(Corner of 309 & Walbert Ave.)
610-395-2218
Rev. Dr. David Charles Smith, Sr. Pastor
9:15 a.m. Sunday School
8 & 10:30 a.m. Worship
jordanucc.org

ST. JOHN'S U.C.C. FULLERTON
575 Grape Street, Whitehall 18052
Rev. Dr. Becky J. Beckwith, Sr. Pastor
Rev. George R. Eckstein, Assoc. Pastor
Worship, 8:15 & 10:45 a.m.
9:30 a.m. Sunday School
Accessible & Elevator
Everyone is Welcome!
610-264-8421
stjohnsucc.pastor@ron.com

ST. JOHN'S UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST
Emmaus 610-965-9158
Sr. Pastor, Rev. Paul Knappenberger
8 & 10:30 a.m. Worship
9:15 a.m. Sunday School

ST. PAUL'S UCC OF INDIANLAND
787 Almond Road
Walnutport (Cherryville)
610-767-5751
Rev. Martin E. Nuscher
9 a.m. Sunday School
10:15 a.m. Traditional Worship
8 a.m. Contemporary Worship,
2nd & 4th Sunday
Nursery Available, Handicapped Accessible

ST. PAUL'S UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST
South Rt. 100 & Church Lane
Trexlerstown - 610-395-4571
Rev. Al Bastin, Co-Pastor
Rev. Carol Bastin, Co-Pastor
9 a.m. Sunday School
9 a.m. Worship
10:30 a.m. Worship, Nursery

SALEM UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST
615 Third Street
Catasauqua, PA 18032
610-264-4091
Pastor Robert Lewis, Interim Pastor
9 a.m. Sunday School
10 a.m. Sunday Worship
8:30 a.m. Adult Sunday School
Handicapped Accessible
Nursery Available

SOLOMON'S UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST
82 S. Church Street
Macungie, PA 18062
Office 610-966-3086
Rev. Dr. Martha H. Boyer, Pastor
9 a.m. Church School
10:15 a.m. Worship

TRINITY UCC
Third & Copley Sts.
Coplay, PA 610-262-8933
Pastor Steve Hummel
9:15 a.m. Sunday School
10:30 a.m. Divine Worship
(Child Care available)
Communion, 1st Sunday/mo.

UNION U.C.C.
5550 Route 873, Neffs
(610) 767-6961
Rev. Thomas N. Thomas,
Senior Pastor
Rev. Kris P. Snyder-Samuels,
Associate Pastor
8 a.m. Worship Service
10:30 a.m. Worship Service

ZIEGEL UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST
9990 Ziegels Church Road
Breinigsville, PA 18031
Phone: 610-285-5157
www.ziegelschurch.org
Sunday School, 10 a.m.
Worship, 8:30 a.m.
Handicapped Accessible
Pastor Candi Cain-Borgman

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Springhouse Rd. & Walbert Ave.
Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.
Worship Services, 8:30 & 11 a.m.
Open Door Community Worship, 11 a.m.
610-398-2577
www.asburylv.org

BETHANY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
1208 Brookside Road
Wescosville 610-395-3613
Contemporary Worship, Sat. 5 p.m.,
Sun. 9:15 and 11 a.m.
Blended Worship, Sun. 8 a.m.
(Child Care Available, Hearing Ass.,
Handicapped Access at all services.)
(Signing for the Deaf at 11 a.m.)
9:15 & 11 a.m. Sunday School
5 p.m. Children's Church
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Emmaus, PA 18049
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Bethlehem - 610-866-1388
www.calvarywesleyanchurch.net
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Sunday a.m. Children, Youth & Adult Classes
AWANA (Wednesday evenings)
Autism Ministry
Youth Ministry
Iglesia De Restauracion Jehova-Nisi
Covenant Christian Academy
Celebrate Recovery
Senior Pastor, Dwight Mikessell

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Kim - Ext. 3173 Donna - Ext. 3109

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Apply in Person: When: Wednesdays only, 1/26/11 thru 2/23/11 9:00 am to 11:00 am Where: 4000 Mountain View Drive, Danielsville, PA 18038 (across from the 946 entrance of Danielsville Family Practice) Call 610-954-7701, X 2022 for directions and job info. EOE.

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AS400 Programmer/Billing-AS400 Operator Palmerton, Pa. This individual will be responsible for organizing, administration and troubleshooting issues related to the cable billing system.

This candidate must also have knowledge of RPG programming and AS400 Operations.

Required Skill Set - RPGLE, CLP programming skills, Synon COOL:2E or greater skills is a bonus - Minimum of 10 + years of billing/IS background in Cable Industry - AS/400 knowledge (file transfers, ftp process, transfer of programs from Test to Prod) - PC Support Skills (trouble shoot user problems when necessary) - Create and administer clear and concise documentation - Dependable, reliable, leadership skills - Excellent organizational skills - Excel skills (data transfers to and from series) - Data Entry accuracy - The ability to communicate concisely with the technology team and intercompany departments - Must be self-motivated with the ability to prioritize/execute multiple concurrent tasks. - Ability to develop tools such as reports or queries to help identify and analyze - Statement presentation and verification - Data integrity - Revenue assurance - System upgrades - Data conversions - Process implementation

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NOTICE OF POLICE OFFICER EXAMINATION FOR BOROUGHS OF EMMAUS

The Emmaus Borough Civil Service Commission is seeking applicants to establish an eligibility list for the position of Police Officer. Applications may be obtained in the Borough Manager's Office, Emmaus Borough Hall, 28 South Fourth Street, Emmaus, PA, between the hours of 8:00 A.M. and 4 P.M., Monday through Friday. Completed applications must be filed on or before 4:00 P.M., February 28th, 2011, at the Borough Manager's Office. All applicants are required to pay a non-refundable fee of \$25.00 upon submission of a completed application. To be eligible for participation in any examination, an applicant must have reached his or her twenty-first (21st) birthday before the deadline for submitting a completed application. An applicant must have either a bachelor's degree from an accredited college or university, an associate's degree from an accredited college or university in criminal justice/law enforcement, or a related police field, or possess a high school diploma or a GED and have continuously served as a part-time police officer for the Borough of Emmaus for a period of two (2) years with a minimum of 500 hours of police work for the Borough of Emmaus within the last two (2) years as a part-time officer or served as a full-time police officer for two (2) continuous years with any state police force (or its equivalent) such as highway patrol or a municipal police department. A person who is in the last semester of obtaining his or her college degree or associate's degree in full-time for two (2) continuous years with any state police force (or its equivalent) such as highway patrol or a municipal police department. A person who is in the last semester of obtaining his or her college degree or associate's degree in full-time for two (2) continuous years with any state police force (or its equivalent) such as highway patrol or a municipal police department. A person who is in the last semester of obtaining his or her college degree or associate's degree in full-time for two (2) continuous years with any state police force (or its equivalent) such as highway patrol or a municipal police department.

IN HOME CARE Giver needed for older person. Macungie area. PT day shift 10-3, 2-3 days per week. Light housekeeping, errands, appointments, etc. Hourly rate. Must have exp. & ref's. 610-965-3383

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RN's, Trach/Vent exp. Sign On Bonus. 610-740-3800

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POOL MANAGER

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ASHLEY FURNITURE INDUSTRIES, INC.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the Building Code Appeals Board of South Whitehall Township will meet in the Township Municipal Building located at 4444 Walbert Avenue, Allentown, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania, on Wednesday February 9th and February 23rd 2011 at 1:00 p.m.

PUBLIC NOTICE

The ESTATE of LOUIS S. PFEIFFER, deceased, of the City of Allentown, County of Lehigh, PA. Notice is hereby given that Letters of Administration for the above Estate were granted to Gregory R. Reed, Administrator, on December 28, 2010.

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Whitehall Township Legal & Legislative Committee will hold its next meeting on Wednesday, February 9th, 2011, at 7:00 p.m. in the Public Meeting Room of the Whitehall Township Municipal Building.

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Catasauqua Planning Commission will meet at 7:00 P.M. on the fourth Tuesday of every month. The meetings will be held at Borough Hall, 118 Bridge Street, Catasauqua, PA.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that there will be a Public Hearing before the Board of Supervisors of Upper Macungie Township on Thursday, February 17, 2011, at 6:00 P.M., in the Township Building at 8330 Schantz Road, Breinigsville, PA 18031.

PUBLIC NOTICE

ESTATE OF LOWELL T. SCHERER, deceased, late of Allentown, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Letters Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who request all persons having claims or demands against the estate of the decedent to make payments without delay to:

PUBLIC NOTICE CORPORATION NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Articles of Incorporation have been filed with the Department of State of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, at Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, for the purpose of obtaining a Certificate of Incorporation of a proposed business corporation to be organized under the provisions of the Pennsylvania Business Corporation Law of 1988, approved December 21, 1988, P.L. 1444, No. 177, as amended, 15 Pa.C.S.A. §501, et seq.

LAW OFFICES Charles A. Wilkinson, Esq. 68 East Broad St. P.O. Box 1426 Bethlehem, PA 18016-1426 (610) 867-9700

PUBLIC NOTICE INVITATION TO BID

Sealed proposals for the Broad Street Improvement Project will be received at the Borough of Emmaus Office, 28 S. 4th Street, Emmaus, PA 18049, by the Emmaus Borough until 10:00 a.m. prevailing time on February 18, 2011. Proposals will be publicly opened and read aloud at that time.

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Work will include, but will not necessarily be limited to, providing all labor, materials, equipment, and appurtenances for the installation of a proposed water main and the reconstruction of Broad Street, including grading, paving, medians, and other work as described in the contract documents, in accordance with PENNDOT Publication 408.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Contract documents can be obtained from the Borough at 28 S. 4th Street, Emmaus, PA 18049, for a \$50.00 non-refundable payment. Contract documents are available by mail for an additional \$15.00. Bidders must acquire contract documents to be considered a qualified bidder.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Bidders shall attend a Pre-Bid Conference at 10:00 a.m. on February 9, 2011, Emmaus Borough Council Chambers, 28 S. 4th Street, Emmaus, PA. 18049.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

The Borough of Emmaus reserves the right to accept or reject any of all bids that may be in the best interest of the Borough. Craig B. Neely, Borough Manager Jan. 26, Feb. 2

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the Weisenberg Township Zoning Hearing Board will conduct a public hearing on Wednesday, February 9, 2011, starting at 7:30 P.M. in the Township Municipal Building at 2175 Seipstown Road, Fogelsville, PA. The Zoning Hearing Board will consider the following Appeal:

PUBLIC NOTICE

Case No. 2011-1, Appeal No. 279. A hearing in the Appeal of Ruhmel Properties, LLC, with an address of 9905 Old 22, Breinigsville, PA 18031, seeking as outlined in the Application the following:

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PUBLIC NOTICE

APPEAL #484, Case #11-01 A hearing of the appeal of Brian Hardy for relief of the determination of the Zoning Officer and dimensional variance for a non-conforming garage constructed too close to the road and within an "A" zone flood plain. The property is located at 8774 Cardinal Road, Kempton PA 19529 and is in the AP- Agricultural Preservation District. The size of the lot is approximately 140 x 108 (11,784 sq.ft.).

PUBLIC NOTICE

APPEAL #1-11: The appeal of Eric & Marita Augello, 274 E. Main Street, Bath, PA for a special exception permit. Specifically, the applicants are requesting to convert an existing four unit structure into a five unit residential structure at 107 S. Front Street, Catasauqua, PA. The property is located in an R-2 Medium Density Residential Zoning District.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Approval of the minutes of the July 20, 2010 meeting. Re-organization of the Board.

PUBLIC NOTICE

NEIL D. ETINGER, SOLICITOR WEISENBERG TOWNSHIP ZONING HEARING BOARD Jan. 26, Feb. 2

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Eric L. Schlosser 1025 Main Street Slatington, PA 18080

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Lowhill Township Board of Supervisors meeting scheduled for Thursday, February 3 at 7:30 p.m. has been cancelled and rescheduled for Thursday, February 17 at 7:30 p.m.

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE is hereby given that on January 20, 2011, the Board of Supervisors of Upper Milford Township, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania, approved Resolution No. 2011-019 authorizing the construction of a sanitary sewer system near the area of the Village of Vera Cruz, known as the Vera Cruz Area Sewer Project.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE OF HEARING/MEETING Notice is hereby given that the Lynn Township Zoning Hearing Board will conduct a public hearing/meeting at the Lynn Township Municipal Building, 7911 Kings Highway, Lynnport on Tuesday, February 22, 2011 at 7:00PM to hear the following appeal(s):

PUBLIC NOTICE

APPEAL #1705 - Joseph E. Brown - 3755 Coplay Creek Road, Allentown, PA 18104. Location: 2008 Columbia Avenue, Whitehall, PA 18052, PIN 640806057608, the subject property is located in a R5A High Density Residential w/o Apts. Zoning District.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

The Lower Macungie Township Parks and Recreation Board will hold a meeting on February 9, 2011 at 7 PM at the Township Building, 3400 Brookside Road, Macungie, PA. Discussions will include agenda items from the January 26, 2011 postponed meeting. The public is invited. Feb. 2

PUBLIC NOTICE

"JOINT MEETING" Notice is hereby given that the Lynn Township Board of Supervisors will be attending a joint meeting with the Lynn Township Sewer Authority on Tuesday, February 8th, 2011 @ 6:00 p.m. during the regular scheduled Sewer Authority meeting. The meeting will be conducted at the Lynn Township Municipal Building, 7911 Kings Highway, New Tripoli.

PUBLIC NOTICE

AUDITOR'S REPORT Notice is hereby given that the Annual Financial Statement of Northwestern Lehigh School District for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2010, was filed on January 12, 2011, in the office of the Prothonotary, Lehigh County Court-house, Clerk of Judicial Court, Civil Department, 455 W. Hamilton Street, Allentown, PA 18101-1614, and will be confirmed absolutely unless an appeal is taken therefrom within thirty (30) days after the filing thereof. The report is available for public inspection at the business office of the School District during normal business hours. Jan. 19, Feb. 2

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PUBLIC NOTICE

THE TOWNSHIP OF WHITEHALL ZONING HEARING BOARD PUBLIC HEARING The regular monthly meeting of the Whitehall Township Zoning Hearing Board will be held on February 15, 2011, at 7:00 p.m., in the Public Meeting Room of the Municipal Building, at 3219 MacArthur Road, Whitehall, PA 18052, to hear the following appeals:

PUBLIC NOTICE

DOCKET # 1704 - Walmart Stores, Inc. - 2001 SE 10th Street, Bartonville, AR 72716. Location: 2601 MacArthur Road, Whitehall, PA 18052, PIN 549865190012, the subject property is located in a C2 Regional/Community Commercial Zoning District. Applicant is requesting the following relief, along with other relief as may be required from the Zoning Ordinance, a favorable interpretation of Sec. 27-156 of the Zoning Ordinance that certain signs be characterized as direction signs and a variance from Sec. 27-156 (A) to permit the directional signs to have sign display areas ranging from 17.77 square feet to 102.74 square feet; if the favorable interpretation set forth in request #1 above is granted, a variance from Sec. 27-161 (A)(2) to permit a wall sign with a sign display area of 298 square feet; if the favorable interpretation set forth in request #1 above is not granted, then, in the alternative to the relief requested at items #1 and #2 above, a variance from Sec. 27-161 (A)(1) to permit a total of five (5) wall signs for a business establishment and a variance from Sec. 27-161 (A)(2) to permit the five (5) wall signs to have display areas totaling 568.41 square feet, with individual sign display areas ranging from 17.77 square feet to 298 square feet; a variance from Sec. 27-156 (A) of the Zoning Ordinance to permit the Applicant to construct a directional sign with a sign display area of 3.18 square feet. Continued to this meeting at the request of the Applicant.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS TOWNSHIP OF SALISBURY, LEHIGH COUNTY, PA The Township of Salisbury will accept sealed proposals for the installation of a Fire Alarm system at the Eastern Salisbury Fire and Rescue Building, 1000 E. Emmaus Avenue, Allentown PA, 18103 in accordance with Drawings E-1, dated August 16, 2010, prepared by Liberty Engineering. The work shall include, but is not limited to, installing owner-supplied equipment and all other required incidental items for a fully operational fire alarm system.

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Sealed Proposals will be received until 10:00 a.m. (prevailing time) on Monday, February 21, 2011, at the office of the Township Manager, Salisbury Township, 2900 S. Pike Avenue, Allentown, PA 18103 at which time they will be publicly opened. All Proposals should be sealed, marked and addressed as follows: Proposals For Installation of Fire Alarm System, Salisbury Township, 2900 South Pike Avenue Allentown, PA 18103.

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Township reserves the right to reject any or all quotations/proposals for any reasons. Randy Soriano, Township Manager Township of Salisbury Feb. 2, 9

PUBLIC NOTICE

STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT SHAWANO COUNTY PUBLICATION AMENDED SUMMONS Case No. 10-CV-219 The Honorable James R. Habeck Case Code 30404 (Foreclosure of Mortgage) The amount claimed exceeds \$5000.00 Wells Fargo Bank, NA, 3476 Stateview Boulevard, Fort Mill, SC 29715, Plaintiff vs. Timothy J. Gonia, 2340 N. 47th St., Milwaukee, WI 53210-2922; Beneficial Wisconsin, Inc., 26525 N. Riverwoods Blvd., Mettawa, IL 60045-3428; State of Wisconsin Department of Children and Families, c/o Attorney General, 17 West Main Street, Madison, WI 53703 and United General Mortgage, 1412 Walter Street, Bethlehem, PA 18015-5300, Defendants

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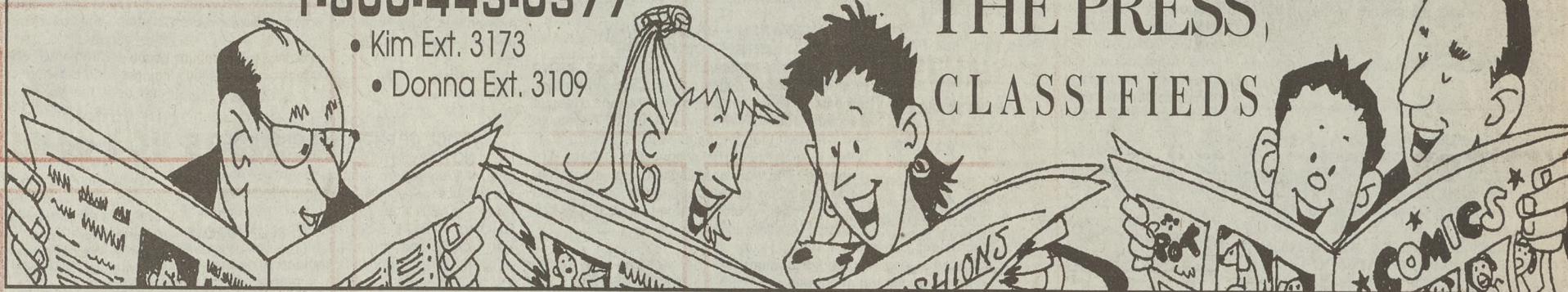
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PUBLIC NOTICE INVITATION TO BID

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By Order of the Board
Robert V. Strauss, Business Manager
Jan. 19, 26, Feb. 2

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Notice is hereby given that in the estate of the decedent set forth below the Register of Wills has granted Testamentary Letters to the person named below. All persons having claims or demands against said estate are requested to make known the same, and all persons indebted to said estate are requested to make payment without delay to the Executor or his attorney named below.

ESTATE OF: VIRGINIA S. LIVIRRIE
DATE OF DEATH: December 19, 2010
Late of the City of Bethlehem, County of Northampton
CO-EXECUTORS: Roy L. Smith and J. Lawrence Smith, III
c/o James Martin Connell, Esquire
251 E. Broad Street
Bethlehem, PA 18018
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Feb. 2, 9, 16

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LOWER MACUNGIE TOWNSHIP
LEHIGH COUNTY, PA

The Township of Lower Macungie will receive sealed bids for completion of roadway pavement sealing; replacement/repair of utilities and curb and sidewalk; planting of street trees; swale grading and stabilization; installation of detention pond fencing; and correction of deficiencies identified in punch lists. Sealed bids will be received until 3:00 PM (prevailing time) on February 22, 2011, at Lower Macungie Township 3400 Brookside Road, Macungie PA 18062, after which time they will be opened and read aloud publicly. All bids shall be sealed, marked, and addressed as follows:

LOWER MACUNGIE TOWNSHIP
Attention: Bruce E. Fosselman, Township Manager
3400 Brookside Road
Macungie, PA 18062

PROPOSAL FOR WILDFLOWER ESTATES/BEAUMONT AT BROOKSIDE COMPLETION OF PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS

Copies of the Drawings, Specifications and Bid Forms may be examined and obtained at the office of Keystone Consulting Engineers, Inc., 6235 Hamilton Boulevard, Suite 100, Wescosville, PA 18106, upon request and a deposit of Fifty dollars (\$50.00) per set. The full amount of the deposit for one set of documents will be refunded to a bona fide bidder who returns the documents in good condition within ten (10) days after the date of the bid opening.

Each Bid must be accompanied by bid security made payable to Lower Macungie Township in an amount of 10% of the Bid and in the form of a certified or bank check or a Bid Bond issued by a surety meeting the requirements of Paragraph 5.1 of the General Conditions. The successful Bidder must furnish Performance and Payment Bonds each in an amount equal to the Contract Price and meeting the requirements of Paragraph 5.1 of the General Conditions.

The Township of Lower Macungie reserves the right to waive any informalities in, and to reject any or all Bids and to accept any Bid which is in its best interest.

Renea Flexer, Township Secretary
Feb. 2, 9

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Whitehall Township Board of Commissioners will hold a regular Public Meeting on Monday, February 14, 2011, 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 legislation:

BILL NO. 3-2011
TITLE: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 15, SECTION 37 OF THE 2006 CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF WHITEHALL TOWNSHIP, ESTABLISHING A "NO PARKING ZONE" AT ALL TIMES IN WHITEHALL TOWNSHIP ALONG THE SOUTH SIDE OF CENTER STREET FOR A DISTANCE OF 20 FEET FROM A POINT 250 FEET EAST OF S. 4TH AVENUE; AND ALONG THE SOUTHWEST SIDE OF CEMETERY ROAD BETWEEN MAIN STREET/SR329 AND HILLCREST LANE IN THE TOWNSHIP OF WHITEHALL, LEHIGH COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA. - Charles J. Fonzone, Solicitor

BILL NO. 4-2011
TITLE: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF WHITEHALL TOWNSHIP, APPENDIX "M", THE OFFICIAL FEE SCHEDULE, BY AMENDING SUBSECTION M-7, INTERNATIONAL CODES BY UPDATING AND REVISING VARIOUS FEES; BY REVISING SECTION M-12, LIQUOR LICENSE TRANSFER APPLICATION BY UPDATING SAID FEES; BY REVISING SECTION M-16, PLANNING, ZONING AND DEVELOPMENT, BY UPDATING AND REVISING VARIOUS FEES; BY REVISING SECTION M-21, STREETS, BY UPDATING AND REVISING CERTAIN FEES; AND BY REVISING CERTAIN FEES CHARGED BY THE TOWNSHIP'S CONTRACTED INSPECTION AGENCY. - Charles J. Fonzone, Solicitor

BILL NO. 5-2011
TITLE: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF WHITEHALL TOWNSHIP, CHAPTER 5, CODE ENFORCEMENT, BY ADDING ARTICLE V, PROPERTY MAINTENANCE CODE, AND REPLACING ALL PROVISIONS CURRENTLY IN SECTION 5-15, BY ADOPTING THE 2009 INTERNATIONAL PROPERTY MAINTENANCE CODE - Charles J. Fonzone, Solicitor

BILL NO. 6-2011
TITLE: AN ORDINANCE WAIVING THE REQUIRED INSTALLATION OF CURBING & SIDEWALKS ALONG SPRING MILL ROAD FRONTAGE BORDERING THE PROPERTY OF THE EGYPT VFW, WHITEHALL TOWNSHIP, LEHIGH COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, AS REQUIRED IN CHAPTER 21, SECTION 407 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF WHITEHALL TOWNSHIP. - Charles J. Fonzone, Solicitor

BILL NO. 7-2011
TITLE: AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE TOWNSHIP MAYOR TO ACCEPT A COUNTY OF LEHIGH QUIT CLAIM DEED FOR PROPERTY LOCATED WITHIN THE JORDAN CREEK PARK, ON THE EAST SIDE OF MICKLY ROAD, IN THE TOWNSHIP OF WHITEHALL, COUNTY OF LEHIGH, CONSISTING OF APPROXIMATELY 20.13 ACRES MORE OR LESS, AND FURTHER IDENTIFIED AS PIN #549759931986-1. - 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/ Paul F. Geissinger
FOR THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
TOWNSHIP OF WHITEHALL
Feb. 3

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