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## BASD says state auditor is playing politics

**"The AG apparently doesn't understand the difference between an annual budget and long range planning."**

Dr. Joseph Roy  
BASD  
superintendent

BY NATE JASTRZEMSKI  
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State Auditor General Timothy DeFoor announced last week a dozen school districts, including Bethlehem's, had moved money to rainy-day accounts while unnecessarily raising taxes.

DeFoor said an audit analyzed data from 2017-21 and concludes those districts increased taxes while holding millions aside.

"These districts represent a cross-section of Pennsylvania - from wealthier to poorer tax bases and urban, suburban, and rural communities," DeFoor said in a press conference. "These districts have found a way to use the law to their advantage so

they could always raise property taxes. It's basically a 'shell game' that allowed these 12 school districts to collectively raise taxes 37 times during the four years we reviewed, which increased their respective General Fund accounts to \$390 million."

District officials are calling bull.

"The AG apparently doesn't understand the difference between an annual budget and long range planning," said Superintendent Dr. Joseph Roy, adding DeFoor, "misrepresented his own audit's findings so he could score political points that he had determined before the audit started."

The Pa. Association of School Business Officials in a statement

said districts must make good financial planning decisions to maintain stability and student programs and services, and that further analysis should be taken for state officials to understand how funds are managed and spent by all of the state's 500 school districts.

According to DeFoor's report, Act 1 of 2006, known as the Taxpayer Relief Act, was intended to give voters a greater say when a school district needed to raise property taxes beyond limits set by the law. Yet, school districts were raising taxes through exceptions granted by the state, while continuing to have sufficient

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## PEOPLE SAY

BY DANA GRUBB

Who do you predict will play in this year's Super Bowl?



"The Eagles and the Bengals."  
**Kim Kelly**  
Philadelphia



"Birds and Cincy."  
**Clint Hornberger**  
Philadelphia

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## NORCO

## Major Crimes Task Force

DA creates new entity just in case

BY NATE JASTRZEMSKI  
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Northampton County District Attorney Terry Houck announced Jan. 26 the creation of a Major Crimes Task Force, a promise made during his campaign for office. Media were invited to the county courthouse for the event.

The unit will operate under the DA to direct investigations involving homicides, gun violence, gang activity and other catastrophic and complex crimes Houck said are rare in the Lehigh Valley.

The task force consists of specialists and experts from seven participating departments but is not a permanent operational group, and will only be called to action in those exigent circumstances if the DA considers it necessary. The 42 group members will meet regularly for coordination and training discussions and will be provided a work space by the county, but will otherwise remain in their regular duties.

Houck said \$10,000 has been earmarked to support the program.

The task force was not in response to a specific incident, but the preponderance of major crimes nationwide. If a tragedy does occur, Houck said, "Are we going to be ready for this?"

"I hope we never have to activate it."

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School counselors can be a critical line of defense against worsening mental health conditions. And yet they remain all too uncommon, particularly in schools that serve poor and marginalized communities.

## More counselors needed

### Turning the tide on the youth mental health crisis

BY CAMEKA HAZEL  
Special to the Bethlehem Press

More than 130 children's organizations recently called on President Biden to declare a national emergency in response to America's youth mental health crisis. That news came just days after an expert panel recommended that all children ages eight to 18 receive routine screenings for anxiety.

These developments drew new attention to a worsening situation. Yet too often, concrete strategies for improving youth mental health are missing from the discussion.

One of those strategies should be expanded access to school counseling.

School counselors are trained to help K-12 students reach their goals by addressing academic,

**The many causes of youth depression and anxiety include cyberbullying, traumatic experiences, marginalization, and school shootings.**

career development, emotional and social challenges. These professionals have a skillset that goes beyond assisting students with navigating classroom conflicts and college readiness. They also have the training to recognize mental health warning signs.

School counselors can be a critical line of defense against worsening mental health conditions. And yet they remain all too uncommon, particularly in schools that serve poor and marginalized communities. More school counselors are needed.

There's no denying that Covid-19 has taken a tragic toll on young people's well-being. Be-

tween 2016 and 2021, mental health-related hospital admissions for people under 20 jumped by 61 percent, according to a recent analysis by the Clarify Health Institute.

But this decline in mental health began before the pandemic. A JAMA Pediatrics study published in 2019 found that nearly 8 million children between 6 and 18 reported at least one mental health condition.

The many causes of youth depression and anxiety include cyberbullying, traumatic experiences, marginalization, and school shootings. A majority of all American teens now worry that a shooting could occur at their own school, according to the Pew Research Center.

School counselors could help arrest these heartbreaking trends. But roughly a fifth of all students in grades K-12 have no access to counseling in their school.

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"Hoping the Eagles, and the Chiefs."  
**Michael Buskirk**  
Kunkletown



"Eagles and the Chiefs."  
**Lisa Dotter**  
New Tripoli



"Definitely the Eagles and Kansas City."  
**Wendy Breunig**  
Mertztown



"It's got to be the Eagles. And, it's the Kansas City Chiefs."  
**Craig Rimmel**  
Pottstown

## POLICE

COMPILED BY NATE JASTRZEMSKI

### Armed robbery

Police arrested Ryen Michael Mohr, 19, following the investigation of a Linden Street robbery Jan. 21.

Around 11:30 a.m. officers dispatched to the Bethlehem Star Dry Cleaners obtained video of the incident and identified Mohr, whose last known address was in the city. Mohr allegedly used a handgun to demand cash from employees before fleeing on foot.

Mohr was located at a residence in Allentown and taken into custody.

Mohr is charged with robbery, theft, possessing firearms without a license, and possessing instruments of crime.

## STATE POLICE

### Information sought

Investigators at the Pennsylvania State Police Troop M Bethlehem station are requesting help from the public in an armed robbery of a gas station in Northampton County Jan. 11.

A news release outlines the following details:

An unknown suspect entered the Valero Gas Station, 6007 West Main Boulevard, East Allen Township, Northampton County, brandished a knife and demanded money.

The store clerk gave the suspect a money pouch containing approximately \$3,800 in cash.

After the robbery, the suspect fled the store on foot toward Grouse Road.

The suspect is described as a male with long blond hair. He was wearing a black face mask along with a hooded sweatshirt, jeans and boots.

Anyone with information regarding the incident is asked to contact Trooper Michael Kowalishen of the Pennsylvania State Police Bethlehem Station at 610-861-2026.

A suspect brandished a knife and escaped on a foot in an armed robbery of a gas station along West Main Boulevard, Northampton County, Jan. 11.



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## TIDE

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Whereas the American School Counselor Association recommends one counselor for every 250 students, the average ratio nationwide is about one to 400 – and in some states, it's one to more than 600. At least 20 states don't even have school counselor mandates on the books. Black and low-income students are more likely than their peers to lack sufficient access.

But even these figures understate the severity of the counselor shortage. That's because the kinds of guidance that school

counselors provide can vary dramatically. Within high schools, specifically, the counselor's role is often confined to academics and college planning – with little focus on students' emotional and social well-being.

If we're to have any hope of reversing the alarming youth mental-health deterioration, we must improve access to school counselors. The federal government has provided several rounds of emergency relief funds to schools since the start of the pandemic, some of which have gone to mental health. In October, the Biden Administration released an

additional \$280 million for this purpose.

These funds are a welcome start, but we need additional action. Nationwide, all schools should be required to provide counseling services to their students and maintain appropriate counselor-to-student ratios. And at the state level, curriculum designers should incorporate social and emotional learning as standard practice for K-12 students.

The youth mental-health crisis is all around us. Expanding access to school counselors could make these tragedies far less common, while giving students the support,



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guidance, and care they need to flourish.

# 'A very real issue'

## One district's fight for teen mental health

BY THERESA O'BRIEN  
Special to the Bethlehem Press

In 2021, a series of articles in the Bethlehem Press looked at the rising rates of pediatric mental health issues and some reasons that the problem seems intractable: the proliferation of ever-present internet-connected devices in young people's environments, inadequate numbers of clinicians trained to diagnose and treat pediatric mental health complaints, and challenges in medicating a population for whom many adult drugs have not been approved. With these issues in mind, we spoke with two administrators in the Bethlehem Area School District who are part of a state-leading effort to ensure teens' access to mental health resources.

Seven years ago, the Bethlehem Area School District embarked on a journey to a trauma-informed schools (TIS) mindset, beginning with conversations at the building level at Broughal MS and Liberty HS. Liberty Principal Dr. Harrison Bailey III recalls watching pediatrician Nadine Burke Harris's TED talk about adverse childhood experiences (ACEs) and their effects on children's overall well-being.

"We knew there was an issue," he says. "We knew kids and staff were really struggling, but we didn't have a name for it, so we dove in and began the process of creating committees, researching what this was about, and it built steam over time."

One pressing issue was access to continuity of care, Bailey explains. "From a building perspective, when this started, we didn't have



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**Liberty HS Principal Dr. Harrison Bailey III**, named Secondary School Principal of the Year in 2021, has been a key player in Bethlehem Area School District's trauma-informed schools program since its earliest days.

any social workers in our buildings. That was extremely problematic in terms of providing services for kids. The services we did have were outside [...] It was a very disjointed way of providing services."

He notes that students received service on a first-come, first-served basis, so young people whose serious challenges arose later in the academic year sometimes had to wait to have their needs appropriately met.

After identifying this shortfall, the district moved to address it.

"It forced us to look at our referral system, our SAP [Student Assistance Program] process, the services kids have and how they get them," Bailey says. "That grew first into what we called the wellness office: one social worker and one Communities in Schools

worker; around two-and-a-half to three years ago, that blossomed into an actual wellness center, with four social workers, one Communities in Schools worker, occupational therapy through Moravian University, a peace room [...] We also contracted with the Pratyush Foundation to bring mindfulness into schools."

Pratyush Sinha Foundation is an Allentown-based nonprofit organization founded in 2013 to help children, teens and adults improve their health through mindfulness and yoga programs. The group uses the Mindful-Schools.org definition of mindfulness as "being present here and now, paying attention to thoughts, bodily sensations, emotions, and the external environment with kindness, nonjudgment, and curiosity."

Tracey Hirner, who had been principal at Thomas Jefferson ES, was appointed the district's first supervisor for social and emotional health services at the beginning of the 2021-22 academic year. One year later, Hirner was named director of student services for the district when BASD realigned some administrative roles as part of creating its Office of Equity Initiatives. She points out that both high schools and all four of the district's middle schools have mindfulness training, as well as several elementary schools. "It's also a natural part of the 'Leader in Me' work" at all of the district's elementary schools, she notes. ("Leader in Me" is a program developed by Franklin Covey as a young people's version

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**HANDS ON HISTORY CAMP:** The Moravian Historical Society is pleased to announce registration is now open for the 2023 Hands on History camp! Two week-long sessions are available for rising third graders to rising fifth graders to kick off their summer vacation immersed in history. This year's theme is "Science through History." Campers will engage in STEAM-centered activities on the historic site at 214 East Center Street in Nazareth.

Rising sixth graders and older can apply to be a Junior Counselor. Junior Counselors will assist camp counselors and presenters with group activities, set-up and clean-up, and engaging campers.

The two sessions of Hands on History will run Monday through Friday, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.: Session One: June 12-June 16; Session Two: June 19-June 23.

Details and registration can be found on the Moravian Historical Society website.

**BETHLEHEM CITY EXHIBITS:** Hub Willson Paintings and Photography. Till Feb. 13. Rotunda Gallery, 10 E. Church St. Hours: 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday to Friday. Masks optional. Covid regulations enforced. Visit [www.bfac-lv.org](http://www.bfac-lv.org) for more information. Upcoming: Printmakers Society of the Lehigh Valley members exhibition, Feb. 23 till March 30. Artist reception: 2 to 4 p.m. Feb. 26.

**CIVIL WAR ROUND TABLE OF EASTERN PA:** 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Delta Hotels by Marriot (former Holiday Inn), 7336 Adrienne Dr., Breinigsville. Programs: March 7: Andy Waskie: The History of the Grand Army of the Republic; April 4: Unique Looks at the Strange, Unusual, and Comical Side of America's 19th and Early 20th Century with Adam Shefts; May 2: Ron Kirkwood: Nurses/Women of Gettysburg Who Came to the Rescue at George Spangler Farm; June 6: "Mourning Customs and History" by Gretchen and James Kennedy. Information: Call 610-391-1000 or visit <http://www.cwrteasternpa.org/calendar-1>

**BACH YOUTH CHOIR:** The Bel Canto Youth Chorus of the Bach Choir of Bethlehem is accepting new singers for the spring term.

The choir is open to children and youth ages 7-18, with the Preparatory Chorus for younger singers and the Concert Choir for older singers.

The Bel Canto Youth Chorus is internationally recognized for its high standard of musical excellence and style.

Auditions are about 15 minutes long and both in person or on Zoom.

Tuition scholarships are available. To sign up for an audition, or for more information on the Bel Canto Youth Chorus and upcoming events, visit [bach.org](http://bach.org).

**VALLEY WRITER'S GROUP:** New York Times-bestselling author Maria V. Snyder will serve as keynote speaker for the Greater Lehigh Valley Writers Group (GLVWG)'s 2023 Write Stuff Conference, one of the premier events for writers in the greater Lehigh Valley. The event is scheduled for March 23-25, at the Best Western Lehigh Valley Hotel, 300 Gateway Drive, Bethlehem. The Write Stuff will be a live, in-person event with virtual options available for individuals who are unable to attend. The Write Stuff is sponsored in part by the MFA Program in Creative Writing and Publishing at DeSales University.

For a complete list of event pricing, registration and program information, and speaker bios, visit <https://greaterlehighvalley-writersgroup.wildapricot.org>.

**DEMENTIA SUPPORT GROUP:** The Division of Area Agency on Aging hosts a Dementia Support Group at the Dept. of Human Services building at 2801 Emrick Blvd. Bethlehem, PA on the third Thursday of each month from 5:30PM - 6:30PM.

Anyone interested in attending and would like more information can contact Ann Stager at 610-829-4540 or [astager@northamptoncounty.org](mailto:astager@northamptoncounty.org)

In the event of inclement weather, please check the Northampton County Facebook page or call 610-829-4540 to see if the group is cancelled.

**Wednesday, February 1**

**Great Decisions Foreign Policy Lecture:** "China's Foreign Policy: China's Push for Global Dominance" by Dr. Chris Herrick, professor emeritus of Political Science, Muhlenberg College. 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Kirkland Village auditorium, Bethlehem. Enter via First Presbyterian Church back parking lot, 2344 Center St. Information: call 610-866-2655. Masks required. Cost.

**Thursday, February 2**

**Current Events Informal Discussion Group:** Moderator: David M. Bell. World, national, state and local topics. Free. 2 p.m. Lehigh Valley Active Life, 1633 W. Elm St., Allentown, 18102. Information: call 610-437-3700 or visit <https://lvactivelife.org/>

**Lehigh Valley Pops Orchestra rehearsals,** 9 to 10:30 a.m. Conductor: George Fennell. 1633 W. Elm St., Allentown. Information: call 610-437-3700 or visit <https://lvactivelife.org/>

**Friday, February 3**

**First Friday - Southside**  
Elm Street Jazz Workshop rehearsals, 9 a.m. Director: Allan Meyerson. 1633 W. Elm St., Allentown. Information: call 610-437-3700 or visit <https://lvactivelife.org/>

**World War II History, "The Raid on St. Nazaire"** with Dr. Charles Bonos moderator: David M. Bell. World, national, state and local topics. Cost. Must register. 2 p.m. Lehigh Valley Active Life, 1633 W. Elm St., Allentown, 18102. Information: call 610-437-3700 or visit <https://lvactivelife.org/>

**Saturday, February 4**

**Saturday night dance** with Country Dance. Nominal cost; light refreshments. 7 to 10 p.m. 1633 W. Elm St., Allentown. Information: call 610-437-3700 or visit <https://lvactivelife.org/>

**Sunday, February 5**

**Queen of Hearts Tea Party:** Dress your best. Alice joins guests for a lovely party featuring a selection of Valentine's Day desserts and light refreshments. 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Kemerer Museum, Paint your own tea set. Use acrylic paint pens. Choose from a selection of stencils or work freehand to create a unique design. 11 a.m. - 5 p.m. Kemerer Museum, 427 N. New St. Information, other events: <https://historicbethlehem.org/>

**Make Your Own Valentines Day Cards** inspired by nineteenth century examples by the Moravians of historic Bethlehem. 11 a.m.- 5 p.m. Moravian Museum, 66 W. Church St. Information,

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**NORTHAMPTON MAJOR CRIMES TASK FORCE**



PRESS PHOTO BY NATE JASTRZEWSKI

Northampton County District Attorney Terry Houck says the seven main member departments of the task force are Bethlehem, Bethlehem Township, Colonial Regional, Easton, Forks Township, Palmer Township and Pennsylvania State Police, though all county municipalities will benefit from their expertise. See story on page A1.

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of the popular "Seven Habits of Highly Effective People" training for adults. Habits that both adults and children learn include "Think win-win" and "Sharpen the saw."

BASD's current three-tier system of supports includes social and emotional services provided to all students, as well as two levels of additional, need-based support.

"From what we hear as we get on calls beyond the Lehigh Valley, it [BASD] seems to be out in front," Hirner notes.

All elementary students, as well as students at Broughal MS and Northeast MS, receive Leader in Me training. All secondary students receive training in restorative practices; at Freedom HS and Liberty HS, specific training for teachers addresses the five pillars of "social and emotional learning": self-awareness, self-management, social awareness, relationship skills, and responsible decision-making.

Tier 2 supports are either small-group or targeted individual interventions; Tier 3 supports are provided on an individual basis and tailored to the child's specific needs.

"All 22 of our [school] buildings are certified outpatient clinics," Hirner explains. "We partner with St. Luke's and Lehigh Valley Hospital Network, and they have outpatient rooms that have been certified where the therapists from St. Luke's and LVHN are deployed."

In a situation that is unique to BASD, individual buildings have anywhere from a half-day to four days per week of hospital therapists on-site.

Therapeutic and psychiatric services are billed to students' insurance; the district helps uninsured and underinsured students apply for medical assistance, as well as investing General Operating Budget funds in social workers and therapists so that Tier 2 services can be deployed rapidly.

Bailey remarks that Liberty HS has a higher SAP referral rate



Tracey Hirner is Bethlehem Area School District's director of student services. The district created the role to coordinate its behavioral and mental health services for students, including care provided by community partners like St. Luke's and Lehigh Valley Health Network.

than other Lehigh Valley high schools, a data point highlighted in a November 2022 report by the Lehigh Valley Justice Institute using data from the Pa. Youth Survey. However, he contends that the disparity is "not [because] other schools aren't experiencing [mental health issues], but [because] our referral system is set up in a way that we have made it a priority to refer kids when we see the issue."

The LVJI report suggests that BASD's proactive approach to mental health issues may be responsible for the district's student-reported depression rate being lower than the other Lehigh Valley school districts included in the report.

PAYS data show that - as noted in nationwide publications - depression and suicidality have been rising among young people for

more than a decade, and worsened as schools across the state went virtual and students lost access to normal social activity.

"It was an issue pre-pandemic, and it's especially an issue post-pandemic," Hirner says. "We're so grateful that the district supports investing in social and emotional well-being, and that we have wellness centers in place. We just have to figure out how to keep growing it, because it's not getting easier."

Speaking frankly, she states, "We can't imagine where we'd be if we didn't have wellness centers in place."

In an era when the demand for youth mental health practitioners outstrips the supply, BASD's school-based approach may be the most reliable way to meet the most students' needs.

"The obvious advantage is that students are here in the building from 7:30 to 2:30, so for our social workers, that gives them the ability to schedule and access students in terms of the appointments while they're here," Bailey explains. "The challenge when you're working in the community is coordinating. Now you have to coordinate with parents to provide transportation, and students' work schedules, and there are so many barriers to just providing the appointment."

Putting the BASD experience into a national context, Bailey comments, "You ask any high school principal 'What's your number one issue?' and everyone will say 'mental health.' We've got to start moving on this at a much larger scale, especially in areas in our state that don't have services. You talk to some of these people in the middle of the state, who are out of the urban areas, it's a mental health desert [...]"

"We're fortunate," he asserts, "that we did a lot of this work up front, and garnered resources as a district and a school early on, because [...] if you have an issue, and you're trying to find services for yourself or your child, you might be waiting weeks or months. You're at the mercy of what you can find, which is a tough reality, especially if the kid is in crisis. It's a very real issue."

**Board members get a 'thank you'**

BY JENN RAGO  
Special to the Bethlehem Press

The Bethlehem Area School District recognized January as school director's month, and Superintendent Dr. Joseph Roy opened the Jan. 23 meeting thanking the directors for their service. Ten students from Freedom HS Chorus performed a thank-you song for the directors.

Governor Wolf ES Principal Rick Amato

**BETHLEHEM AREA SD**

and Bethlehem Education Association President Laura Kenny also thanked board members for their service.

Each director was given a certificate and Dr. Roy spoke about their individual contributions and accomplishments.

The agenda items: Paying bills, pay increase for Fountain hill crossing guards, pay

increase for after duty support police, EMS and fire (events) were voted on and all passed unanimously. Curriculum matters approved by the board include Agreement with Marker learning, and agreement with workforce board Lehigh Valley were also approved.

Board member Dr. Karen Beck-Pooley

reported the Northampton Community College board of Trustees met and are pleased to report that enrollment is picking up. Enrollment dropped in 2020-21 due to COVID. High school representatives Jessica DeEsch (Liberty) and Jasnally Florian (Freedom) gave their respective reports.

The next BASD committee meeting will be Feb. 6 at the Education Center.



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**Edward Joseph Hassick Sr.**



machinist in No. 2 shop



Edward Joseph Hassick Sr., 90, died January 19, 2023. Born in Bethlehem, he was a son of the late George and Susan (Risak) Hassick. He was the husband of Ann Loretta (Fatebene) Hassick for 63 years.

He was a graduate of Bethlehem Vo-Tech. He played football for Liberty HS.

He was in the U.S. Navy from 1952-1956, with time in the Mediterranean and Caribbean.

He was a machinist in the No. 2 Machine Shop, Bethlehem Steel Corporation, from which he retired.

He was a member of St. Peter's Evangelical Lutheran Church, Bethlehem.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by a daughter, Judy Hassick; a son, Edward Joseph Jr. and his wife Roseann; three grandchildren, Edward Joseph Hassick III and his wife Gina; Coriann Hassick and fiancé Giulio; and Michael Hassick; three great-grandchildren, Jace, Weston and Riley Hassick; and a sister, Suzanne Finn.

He was predeceased by four siblings, George, Paul, Irene and Ann.

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

**Bertha B. Unangst**

West Side Moravian Church member



Bertha "Berpie" B. Unangst, 77, of Bethlehem died in the home of her daughter, Brenda Rehrig of Bethlehem, on January 17, 2023. Born in Fountain Hill, she was a daughter of the late Delbert and Kathryn (Roth) Antrim. She was the wife of the late Arthur P. Unangst.

She was a Liberty HS graduate.

She worked in the housekeeping department of Moravian College for more than 20 years until she retired. She was a bus driver for Lehigh Valley Child Care for five years. She was a home care worker in Northampton and Lehigh counties for the disabled.

She was a member of West Side Moravian Church, Bethlehem.

She is survived by a son, Douglas Unangst of Houston, Texas; a daughter, Brenda Rehrig of Bethlehem; a stepdaughter, Carol and her husband Richard Grube of Stockertown; three siblings, Wilbur Antrim and wife Rebecca of Mount Jewitt, Martha Franges of Northampton and Kay and her husband Timothy Moats of Quakertown; three grandchildren, Douglas Unangst Jr., Cody Rehrig and Drew Rehrig; four step-grandchildren; four step-great-grandchildren; nephews; and nieces.

She was predeceased by a stepson, Robert Unangst; a grandson, Christopher Rehrig; and a son-in-law, Ralph E. Rehrig.

Contributions may be made to the Good Shepherd Home-Raker Center, 601 St. John St., Allentown, PA 18103.

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

# Veterans sharing their stories

*Organization encourages women to use the ritual of storytelling, writing and public speaking to process and express their experiences in the service*

In partnership with Women Veterans Empowered & Thriving, the Banana Factory's Banko Gallery will soon showcase an exhibition centering around the experiences of women veterans through the ritual of storytelling. In celebration of the exhibit, the group hosted an opening ceremony featuring storytelling, networking and community gathering Jan. 21, and plans a closing reception March 18 from 2 to 4 p.m., at the Banana Factory.

WVE&T artists will attend both Feb. 3 and March 3 First Friday events at the Banana Factory for artist talks. These events are free and open to the public. "ArtsQuest has been a huge supporter of WVE&T," said Jenny Pacanowski, WVE&T founder and director. "We host our in-person workshops at the Banana Factory and have performed at ArtsQuest and the Banana Factory on Memorial Day weekends.

"The support we received from ArtsQuest has made it possible for Women Veterans Empowered & Thriving to grow and thrive in the Lehigh Valley, nationally and internationally," she said.

WVE&T is a reintegration program for women veterans that utilizes writing and performances to empower experience and to facilitate skills to thrive in daily life. One of the opportunities for the participants of the WVE&T programs is to embody the ritual of



PRESS PHOTO COURTESY WVET

**WVET founder Jenny Pacanowski**, second from left, with artists Monique Arucci, Sharon Wallace and Dominique Slack at a previous WVET event.

storytelling. The group creates curated live performances, to build a bridge of communication between veterans and civilians.

The nonprofit encourages women to use the ritual of storytelling, writing and public speaking to process and express their experiences in the service while also offering an opportunity for the community to support and witness the veterans sharing their stories.

After hosting poetry and spoken word workshops on the ArtsQuest campus for years, it was a natural transition for

the nonprofit group to bring its ritual storytelling performances to the Banko Gallery through the realm of visual arts for its own exhibit.

"The ArtsQuest staff is really excited to be working with Jennifer Pacanowski, the Women Veterans Empowered and Thriving organization and all of the participating artists," said Nicole Gencarelli, ArtsQuest visual arts manager. "And excited to bring more awareness to their work and WVET's mission with this exhibition."

Just as not all veterans' experiences and

stories are the same, the artwork ranges in medium and subject, some of which have been years in the making. By sharing the soul-baring expressions, the hope is to reconnect the two cultures, military and civilian, through the storytelling events as ancient warrior cultures did. The public is invited to attend and join in becoming part of the solution for the reintegration of veterans into the community.

According to Pacanowski, this will be the group's first exhibit of this kind.

"It is a huge accomplishment for the women in the organization and for women veterans everywhere," she said.

Pacanowski said the exhibits not only provide a forum to display artists' talents, but also to educate and grow awareness of the struggles and triumph of women veterans.

"As women veterans it is so important to be recognized for your service, especially for women who have served between the 1960s to 2001—often veterans are only associated with older men," Pacanowski said.

WVE&T's empowerment workshop are ongoing and free to attend, with separate groups for women vets only, all veterans and civilian support members of veterans, including families, caretakers and practitioners of veterans.

*Contributed article*

**BASD**

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funds in the General Fund to cover any budget shortfalls. Districts are permitted to raise taxes up to the Act 1 index without applying for exceptions.

Roy said DeFoor's comments blur the details. "The rationale for the audit of 12 districts was that districts apply for Act 1 exceptions (meaning they can then raise taxes above the Act 1 Index percentage) even though they have enough in their savings to not need to raise taxes above the Act 1 Index limit. The audit determined that of the 12 districts audited, 83 percent of the time these districts did not raise taxes above the Act 1 Index. In the four years audited, BASD never raised taxes above the Act 1 Index. And in two of those four years we had zero percent tax increases.

"So, when the AG didn't really find a problem with districts raising taxes above the index (remember 83 percent of the time district's did not do so), he purposely obscured that fact. He just went ahead and blamed districts for raising taxes at all."

Roy explained long range planning includes anticipated and unanticipated financial risks/costs such as increased costs imposed/mandated on districts by the state (pension costs and charter tuition costs) and capital/building costs districts face to maintain buildings and renovate/build schools in the future. "Additionally, credit rating firms like Moody's look at a district's fund balance to determine its credit rating. For example,

BASD is talking about renovating/building new Thomas Jefferson, William Penn and Fountain Hill elementary schools over the next five-10 years. By having money in fund balance, we can put toward the cost of construction, we reduce the amount we need to borrow and by having a strong credit rating, we get lower interest rates. Lower interest rates over the course of a 30 year multi-million dollar borrowing saves millions of dollars for taxpayers.

"The AG failed when he did not consider the difference between an annual budget and long term planning."

School Board President Mike Faccinnetto concurred with Roy's assessment. "There was a time when the BASD did not have enough fund balance to cover payroll and routine expenses from July 1 until late August, when tax payments started to roll in. We used to borrow money through a tax anticipation loan and pay around \$100,000 in interest each year with a healthy fund balance that is no longer necessary, thus saving tax money each year. Our financial advisers recommend having a portion of the fund balance that is unassigned sit there to keep our bond rating high. This saves millions over the years on our long-term debt portfolio."

Faccinnetto concluded, "Either the auditor general does not understand basic accounting and long-term strategic planning or this was a political stunt—either way the citizens of Pennsylvania deserve better in such a high-ranking state official."

BY CHRISTINA SANTO  
Special to The Press

Northampton County Council met Jan. 5 to discuss an employee health center.

At its Dec. 1, 2022, meeting, council voted to enact conditions on an employee health center. Council asked for a request for proposal to open the contract to additional bidders and a full survey of all employees.

Northampton County Executive Lamont Mc-

## NORTHAMPTON COUNTY

Clure vetoed the ordinance Dec. 9, 2022.

According to an employee survey, 78.2 percent of employees would use the center, McClure said. The survey was sent out to approximately 1,700 employees, 481 of whom responded.

Further, 62.6 percent of county employees would use the employee health center if it wasn't affiliated with the two

large health networks.

Councilman John Brown said he feels many county employees would be in favor of the health center; however, he does not support the motion due to the lack of a competitive bidding process.

Councilman John Goffredo echoed these sentiments and wondered how he can be sure the only option council

has been presented with is the best.

Council has only seen facts and testimony from Integrity Health and its clients.

After a lengthy discussion, seven council members voted in favor of overturning the veto. Six votes are required to successfully overturn the executive's veto. Councilman Kevin Lott and Councilwoman Tara Zrinski voted not to overturn the veto.

# County applies for home repair grant

BY MARIEKE ANDRONACHE  
Special to The Press

In the first order of business of 2023, Lehigh County Commissioner Geoff Brace announced Jan. 11 the county will be applying for the COVID-19 American Rescue Plan Act Whole-Home Repairs Program.

"The application will be submitted by the end of January. We will get our \$2.7 million," Brace said. "I offer a word of caution for folks. The county's \$2.7 million allocation is going to be limiting in the number of properties that get funded. The maximum award per property is \$50,000—that comes to about 54 projects."

The COVID-19 American Rescue Plan Act

Whole-Home Repairs Program states it was designed "to help address habitability and safety concerns, provide measures to improve energy or water efficiency and make units accessible for individuals with disabilities."

The program's website reported, "Funds are to be allocated for homeowners whose income does not exceed 80 percent of the area median income, as well as make loans available to small landlords renting affordable units and securing those loans with a mortgage recorded against the residential property."

Commissioners received an update from

the director of administration health care and property, cyber, crime insurance's office.

The administration of former Lehigh County Executive David Bausch eliminated post-retirement health care benefits for any new county employee hired on or after Jan. 1, 1987. For those with an employment date prior to that date, they, along with their spouse, would receive the benefits at no cost.

There are currently 670 grandfathered medical retirees. They were presented in the fall of 2022 with an opportunity to move to the Freedom Medicare

Advantage Plan, which provided them with the same benefits as before, but added coverage for vision, hearing and gym discounts.

Of those, 656 of these retirees chose this option, while 14 decided to remain with Signature 65 Plan. This amounts to a savings of \$550,000 with the change to a new plan for the county.

Travelers, the county's insurance broker, decided on a new approach for 2023 in terms of cyber and crime coverage—bundling them together.

There is also an increase in insurance coverage for the properties owned by the county.

The premium increase for these changes is \$90,000 for this fiscal year.



**Smoke Alarms at Home**

Smoke alarms are a key part of a home fire escape plan. When there is a fire, smoke spreads fast. Working smoke alarms give you early warning so you can get outside quickly.

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- Current alarms on the market employ different types of technology including multi-sensing, which could include smoke and carbon monoxide combined.
- Today's smoke alarms will be more

- technologically advanced to respond to a multitude of fire conditions.
- A smoke alarm should be on the ceiling or high on a wall. Keep smoke alarms away from the kitchen to reduce false alarms. They should be at least 10 feet (3 meters) from the stove.
- People who are hard-of-hearing or deaf can use special alarms. These alarms have strobe lights and bed shakers.
- Replace all smoke alarms when they are 10 years old.



## CENTER FOR ANIMAL HEALTH & WELFARE

Animals are available for adoption at the Center for Animal Health & Welfare no-kill shelter, 1165 Island Park Road, Easton. The shelter is working to end pet overpopulation by running a clinic so animals can be spayed or neutered before they go home. For more information, call 610-252-7722 or visit [www.healthyanimalcenter.org](http://www.healthyanimalcenter.org).



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other events: <https://historicbethlehem.org/>

### Tuesday, February 7

**An Evening with Devil Dan**; 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Civil War Roundtable of Eastern Pennsylvania, Delta Hotels by Marriott (former Holiday Inn), 7336 Adrienne Dr., Breinigsville. Information: Call 610-391-1000 or visit <http://www.cwrteasternpa.org/calendar-1>

**Good Vibrations Chorus** led by Nancy Shumaker. All singers welcome. 9:30 a.m. Lehigh Valley Active Life, 1633 W. Elm St., Allentown. Call 610-437-3700 for information or visit <https://lvactivelife.org/>

### Wednesday, February 8

**Free Karaoke with Bobby James**, 1-3 p.m. 1633 W. Elm St., Allentown. Information: call 610-437-3700 or visit <https://lvactivelife.org/>

**Great Decisions Foreign Policy Lecture**: "Economic Warfare: The Power of Sanctions" by Dr. Eva Marikova Leeds, economics professor at Moravian University, 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Kirkland Village auditorium, Bethlehem. Enter via First Presbyterian Church back parking lot, 2344 Center St. Information: call 610-866-2655. Masks required. Cost.

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## MEETING BOARD

### Wednesday, February 1

**Historical Architectural Review Board**, 5 p.m. Masks are required. City hall, 10 E. Church St. Submit public questions, comments, name and phone number 24 hours in advance via email to [planninginfo@bethlehem-pa.gov](mailto:planninginfo@bethlehem-pa.gov)

**Fountain Hill Finance, P.W., Personnel, House committees**, 5:30 p.m. 941 Long St.

**Hanover Twp. (LeCo) Council** 7:30 p.m. 2202 Grove Road.

### Thursday, February 2

**Bethlehem Environmental Advisory Council**, 7 p.m. Illick's Mill – second floor, 100 Illick's Mill Road.

**NorCo Economic Development**, 3:30 p.m. Northampton Co. Courthouse, 669 Washington St., Easton.

**NorCo Council**, 6:30 p.m. Northampton Co. Courthouse, 669 Washington St., Easton.

### Friday, February 3

**NorCo NCCD Education & Outreach Committee**, 1 p.m. Northampton Co. Courthouse, 669 Washington St., Easton.

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# Stauffer mourned, business addressed

BY CHRIS HARING

Special to the Bethlehem Press

At just short of an hour, the Jan. 17 Hellertown Council meeting was fairly brief, but several topics of ongoing interest within the borough were addressed.

Sadly, Council President Thomas Rieger began the evening's session with a moment of silence in honor of former council Vice President Gil Stauffer.

"Gil will always be remembered as a colleague who always had a positive outlook, even in the darkest of times, and I will miss his counsel and friendship," Reiger said.

Stauffer, who passed away Jan. 11 at age 81, was first elected in 2018 and served as the Hellertown Historical Society's treasurer. He resigned from his position on the council in September 2022, citing health issues.

In council business, borough Manager Cathy Hartranft provided an update regarding the Saucon Valley Compost Center, which has been significantly affected by the dissolution of the relationship between Hellertown and Lower Saucon Township.

Although the center's hours and staff will be reduced, the center will still provide services like Christmas tree and yard waste disposal in February, mulch loading through the spring and summer months,

## HELLERTOWN

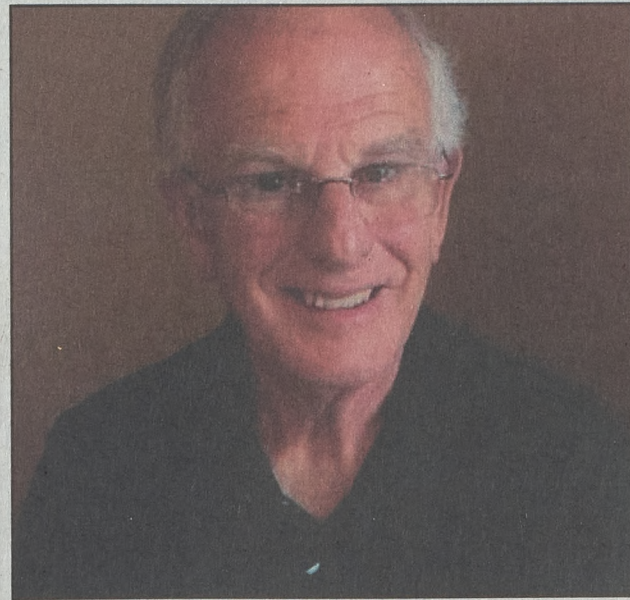


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Former council Vice President Gil Stauffer passed away Jan. 11 at age 81.

and leaf disposal in the fall.

In the past, patrons were issued identification cards, with about 921 distributed to Hellertown residents and 617 to Lower Saucon residents, Hartranft said.

She suggested offering 2023 cards – still free for Hellertownians – to Lower Saucon residents at \$25 each. The council unanimously approved Hartranft's plan, as Rieger noted, "I think this will be a year of transition."

Additionally, the borough once again discussed the heavily delayed, near-completion of the new Public Works facility at the former Reinhard School site on

Northampton Street.

The department's director, Barry Yonney, thanked the borough for their investment in the building. "It is such a pleasure [to be] up there and more organized... we really do appreciate it," he said.

However, when it came time to pay the final invoice from Pioneer Pole Building – a \$119,733 bill – Yonney and councilor Earl Hill noted a few outstanding concerns, including the intermittent failure of several automatic doors and a compressor. "If the doors aren't working, I'm not willing to pay the bill," Hill said.

Ultimately, the council once again chose to

table the payment, contingent upon resolving their remaining issues.

Lastly, borough homeowners with delinquent sanitation bills greater than three years old should beware, as Solicitor Michael Corriere shared that a form letter is being drafted to send to affected parties. Recipients would then have 30 days to either satisfy the debt or establish a payment plan, he said.

After some discussion, the council decided that the non-responsive folks' names, the address of the properties in question and corresponding dollar amounts will be published on the borough's website. Further action may also include filing a case in small claims court or a visit from the Northampton County Sheriff.

In other news, an appearance from Climate Action Committee member Garrett Powell did not occur as scheduled. However, his colleague, councilor Terri Fadem, shared a few items of note on the group's progress.

Fadem asked borough businesses and other invested parties to consider how their interests and climate action might be mutually beneficial, particularly noting 'clean energy' as a focal point. She also proposed that the committee host a town hall meeting on the topic shortly.

# Patrol car purchase takes a turn

BY MARIEKE ANDRONACHE

Special to the Bethlehem Press

A number of discussions overshadowed the purchase of a Koch 33 Ford Toyota for Bethlehem Township Police at the Jan. 16 commissioners' meeting, and the issue was not resolved.

Commissioner John Gallaguer questioned the necessity of this purchase, asking, "Has anyone looked at what is required to get one of these vehicles back to shape?" He suggested replacing

parts of the vehicle to be replaced.

Township Manager Doug Bruce said mechanics had already ruled that out.

Gallaguer presented a motion to remove the purchase order from the night's agenda. It passed by a vote of 4-0-1, with Commissioner Jan Beatty abstaining.

Budget allocation for a new vehicle is \$40,000. Cost for the vehicle in

question is \$38,000.

According to Commissioner Luke Verdes, this is an opportunity for the township to start looking into the costs of purchasing electric vehicles and/or hybrid ones, "especially if we want to move toward a more fuel-efficient fleet." He is calling on the township's Environment Board to do some research in what types of vehicles are out there

which can be of use to the township, as well as any grants the township could qualify for.

There was a tense moment when Commissioner Dale Sourbeck brought up an email sent by Gallaguer to the board which questioned the impartiality of the former might have on the purchase order.

Sourbeck said he retired 28 years ago and took a retirement buy-out 15 years ago. He made it clear that he no longer has ties to the company and said Gallaguer's email was uncalled for.

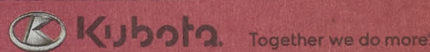
Commissioners passed a motion allowing MKSD Architects to replace the roof of the municipal building, as well as park pavilions.

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## SMART FUN AT HOME

One important thing to understand when you read is **cause and effect**.



For example, in the legend of Groundhog Day, when the groundhog sees his shadow, he goes back in his burrow. In this case, the **effect** is that the groundhog goes back in his burrow. That is what happens. What **causes** him to go back in his burrow? Getting frightened by his shadow.

### Try It!

1. With a parent or learning buddy at home, select an article from today's newspaper. Read the headline. Discuss what you think caused the news reported in the headline.
2. The headline usually tells what happened. This is called an **effect**. Read aloud to your learning buddy the first paragraph of the article. Does this tell you the **cause**? Read the rest of the article aloud. After each paragraph, stop and discuss what you have learned about what caused the news reported in the headline.

Complete the following:

HEADLINE (effect):

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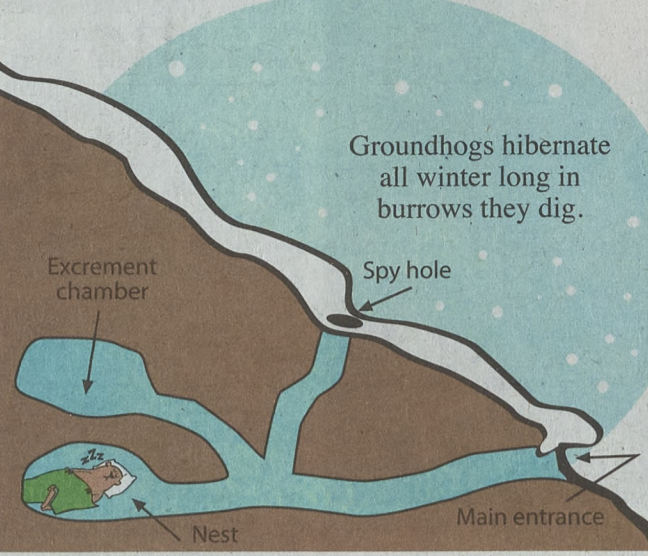
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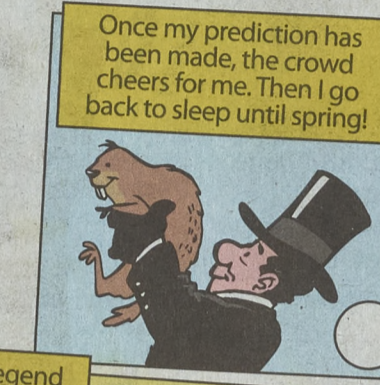
# WAKE UP, PUNXSUTAWNEY PHIL!



On February 2, weather forecasters all over the United States look to the town of Punxsutawney, Pennsylvania for a little advice. Legend says that the groundhog named Punxsutawney Phil can foretell the weather!



Groundhogs hibernate all winter long in burrows they dig.



Oh oh! Phil's snoring shook this story out of order. Number the panels from 1-5 in the correct order.

The legend says that if the sun is out, I see my shadow, get scared, and hide back in my burrow, and spring will not arrive for another six weeks...

Standards Link: History: Students understand the traditions, events and legends associated with special days.

### Shadow Search

Find the shadow that matches Phil exactly.



### Why do shadows change size?

Robert Louis Stevenson said a shadow is like a rubber ball because it grows and shrinks throughout a day. Try this experiment to find out why shadows change size.

Stuff you'll need: cup, pencil, flashlight, paper



Think About It: What time of day would Punxsutawney Phil have his long shadow?  
 Early Morning  Noon

Standards Link: Reading Comprehension: Follow multiple-step directions.

### Extra! Extra!

#### Guess What!

Here is a guessing game to play with one or more friends. Each player cuts out shapes and pictures of objects from the newspaper and holds them up, one at a time, in front of a light source. Take turns guessing what kind of shape or object is casting the shadow.

Standards Link: Physical Science: Objects can be described in terms of their physical properties (shape).

### Kid Scoop Puzzler

Spell a message to Punxsutawney Phil by solving these math problems. Use the number code to see what letter belongs under each answer.

1,190	169	2,222	521
+ 530	+ 362	+ 1,211	+ 213
○	○	○	○
1,697	2,763	<b>Number Code</b>	
+ 234	+ 1,226	531 = A	3,989 = P
○	○	734 = E	1,931 = U
○	○	3,433 = K	1,720 = W

Standards Link: Math/Number Sense: Find the sum of whole numbers to 10,000.

### Double Double Word Search

GROUNDHOG WEATHER SHADOWS BURROW BROWN LOUIS CHAMBER SPRING SOURCE FOOD WEEKS PHIL FEBRUARY SIX WAKE

Find the words in the puzzle. How many of them can you find on this page?

L	I	H	P	F	X	S	K	G	G
E	K	A	W	O	W	P	N	R	C
C	S	I	U	O	L	I	O	N	H
R	X	I	D	D	R	U	M	W	A
U	C	A	X	P	N	R	G	O	M
O	H	B	S	D	Y	X	U	R	B
S	R	E	H	T	A	E	W	B	E
Y	S	O	W	E	E	K	S	X	R
F	G	Y	R	A	U	R	B	E	F

Standards Link: Letter sequencing. Recognize identical words. Skim and scan reading. Recall spelling patterns.

### Kid Scoop VOCABULARY BUILDERS

This week's word: **BURROW**

The noun **burrow** means a hole or tunnel that animals dig for use as a home or shelter.

Climbing out of its **burrow**, the groundhog yawned.

Use the word **burrow** in a sentence today when talking with your friends and family.

### FROM THE Kid Scoop LESSON LIBRARY

#### Weather Adjectives

Look through the newspaper and choose five adjectives that describe weather. Then look through the newspaper for a picture or cartoon to illustrate each of these adjectives.

Standards Link: Grammar: Identify and use adjectives in writing.

### Why is the letter 'A' like a spring flower?

ANSWER: A B (bee) comes after it!

### Write On!

#### When is it spring?

How do you know when winter is over and spring has begun? Write a paragraph explaining how you know.

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## Yesterday: Not a lot of Eagles- 49ers memories

BY JEFF MOELLER  
Special to the Press

Do you remember any Eagles-49ers matchups from the 1970s and 80s? When the two meet in the NFC Championship Game Sunday at the Linc, it marked another infrequent meeting between the two teams in a rather short series history.

The 49ers lead the overall series 20-14-1, and the only prior playoff game that involved the two teams was in 1996 with San Francisco posting a 14-0 victory.

In this week's version of my Yesterday column - reminiscing about the 1960s 70s 80s and sometimes beyond - I will take a look at some Eagles-49ers matchups as well as some playoff ties and other football and non-related football facts to the matchup.

And what were 101 Dalmatians, and who was Mr. Ed?

Who played in the last Eagles-49ers playoff matchup: In 1996, the 49ers were still at the height of their game and were a Wild Card team with a 12-4 mark. The Eagles also were a Wild Card with a 10-6 record.

Steve Young threw for 161 yards with a touchdown and rushed for 65. Jerry Rice caught four balls, and the Niners defense was led by Bryant Young, Ken Norton Jr, and Merton Hanks (remember him?).

Many may have forgotten the Eagles' quarterbacks that day were Ty Detmer, who threw for 148 yards with two interceptions and former Washington quarterback Mark Rypien (yes, they had him), who threw for 77 with an interception. Rypien was signed in October when Rodney Peete went down with an injury.

Ex-49er Ricky Waters was the main back for the Birds, and wide receiver Freddie Solomon, another ex-49er was in the mix. How many of you recall Gary Anderson kicking and Irving Fryar catching passes? Who was the Eagles' coach? It was ex-49ers defensive coordinator Ray Rhodes.

Two Lost Classics: In 1983, the Eagles and 49ers met in the season opener at Candlestick Park, and the Birds came away with a 22-17 win. Ron Jaworski and Joe Pisarcik both saw time at quarterback, and top draft pick Michael Haddix was their leading ground gainer. Haddix also is regarded as one of the team's biggest busts in their history.

Mike Quick had a big game and would go on to have a banner year. See **DAY** on Page A8



PRESS PHOTO BY MARK KIRLIN

Josh Benka-Coker of Becahi, left, battles with Freedom's Nick Ellis.

## Teams look to clinch berths

BY PETER CAR  
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It was quite possibly the worst week of the season for all three Bethlehem teams on the hardwood this season, Freedom, Liberty and Bethlehem Catholic struggled in last week's competitions.

With the postseason just around the corner, it's crunchtime for teams to get themselves for the league and district tournament.

Freedom (13-6) went 2-1 last week, but dropped a 58-52 contest to Nazareth (8-10).

The Blue Eagles have won three out of their last four, including a 58-48 win over Liberty last week.

Head coach Joe Stellato just hopes that loss was a one-off in the effort department his team can avoid the rest of the year.

"The effort," Stellato said of the reason for concern against Naz-

areth. "We just didn't play as hard as they did. We did not get back on defense and gave up a lot of transition points. That was hard to swallow."

With Easton (2-16) and Liberty (12-7) on deck this week, the Pates were holding onto the sixth seed in the EPC tournament race and will need to finish strong in order to secure a berth in next week's league tournament.

"We have been playing good basketball up until the Nazareth game," Stellato said. "We need to get back on track this week. The Nazareth game will not sting as much if we take care of business this week."

Qualifying for the league tournament would mark the fourth straight year Freedom would join the eight-team EPC dance and it's something they are look-

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## District wrestling duals set for weekend

BY PETER CAR  
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The District 11 team wrestling championship will take place on Saturday at Freedom High School.

Both 3A and 2A classes will run at Freedom in the now one-day event for the tournament.

Quarterfinal round begins at 9 a.m. and semifinals will take place at 1 p.m.

Championship finals are set for 5:30 p.m.

The top eight teams in each

classification will qualify for the tournament, as seeding will be determined on February 2.

So far, four teams (Bethlehem Catholic, Pottsville, Nazareth and Northampton) have clinched 3A berths coming into the week, while seven teams (Saucon Valley, North Schuylkill, Notre Dame, Lehigh, Pen Argyl, Catasauqua and Blue Mountain) have clinched spots in 2A.

There will be no true-second place match this year either, as both finalists in each

class will secure a berth to next week's PIAA tournament, which gets underway with the opening round on Monday.

Bethlehem Catholic and Notre Dame have won their respective district titles the past two seasons. The Golden Hawks were also the PIAA 3A champion last season, while Saucon Valley won the 2A state crown.

The top teams in each class are listed below with their power rankings.

### 3A Standings

1. Bethlehem Cath.	10	0	0.832260
2. Pottsville	15	0	0.830266
3. Nazareth	11	1	0.786304
4. Northampton	7	2	0.744679
5. Easton	14	5	0.705209
6. Parkland	9	3	0.703712
7. Emmaus	13	4	0.686933
8. Freedom	12	6	0.651559
9. Stroudsburg	14	5	0.647360
10. Whitehall	9	5	0.617984
11. Liberty	9	8	0.532604

### 2A Standings

1. Saucon Valley	14	1	0.758070
2. North Schuylkill	12	1	0.735420
3. Notre Dame GP	7	1	0.723445
4. Lehigh	10	4	0.661191
5. Pen Argyl	9	4	0.604465
6. Catasauqua	8	4	0.601312
7. Blue Mountain	11	6	0.580748
8. Tri-Valley	7	7	0.510569
9. Mahanoy Area	8	6	0.489693
10. Palisades	5	4	0.487597

## BC edged by Easton

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Bethlehem Catholic's girls basketball team stayed true to its word, to get better as the season progresses, and by just three points, lost to undefeated Easton, 55-52, on Jan. 27 at Bethlehem Catholic.

Their last meeting on Dec. 16 resulted in a 29-point trouncing by the Red Rovers.

"I was proud of the effort tonight. Gotta give Easton credit, but our girls...We're scrapping, we're clawing, and that's the style of basketball we play. It was a one-possession game all the way to the end, and that's all you can ask for," said Becahi coach Jose Medina.

Kendra Rigo's game-high 20 points led the

offense for the Golden Hawks, often positioned underneath the basket where teammates found the senior forward time after time.

Becahi guard Ella Bincarosky pulled the Hawks to within one point with a 3-pointer, and at halftime, Becahi trailed, 27-26.

After Easton put up five points to open the third quarter, Becahi guard Mirynet Colon, who was making her return to play after being sidelined since the beginning of the season with an injury, was primed to shoot a 3, but saw Rigo underneath the basket at the last minute for two points.

Anye' Staton knocked down a 3 from the top of the key for the Red Rovers, extending their lead

to six points, but Becahi forward Aliyah Brame responded with a 3 for the Hawks.

Staton scored twice more but then lost the handle on the ball, and Becahi guard Cici Hernandez came up with the ball and the points for a 41-36 score at the end of the third quarter, Easton still leading.

"We talked about forcing turnovers to create offense on the other side. We tried to eliminate their ballhandlers by picking them up full court and trying to get them moving side-to-side," said Colon. "This being my first game back, the intensity was high, and I had high hopes for myself. It's a great time for me to come back."

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PRESS PHOTO BY MARK KIRLIN

Kendra Rigo battles with an Easton player during the team's recent loss to the Rovers.

## Freedom swimming teams fall to Parkland

BY KATIE MCDONALD  
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Freedom's swim team hosted Parkland on Jan. 24 and despite the Patriot boys loss, 138-43, and the Patriot girls loss, 142-40, the day was full of close swims, starting with the boys 200 medley relay.

Ryan Rummel, AJ Black, Micah Lawser,

and Giovanni Camaione placed third in the first boys event of the meet with a time of 1:52.41, missing second place by one-half second.

Rummel was the Patriots' first individual event winner of the day, clinching first place in the 50 freestyle with a time of 24.16. Alivia Deemer placed second in the same event for the

girls with a time of 28.02.

The Pates had strong swims in the 100 butterfly: Sofia Nabyt placed second in 1:08.13, out touching Parkland's Ella Rafeld, and Lawser took third place in 1:01.63, missing second place by a hair to Parkland's Dannik Khais.

Black was the second individual event winner for Freedom with a huge

victory in the 100 free in 54.56. Parkland's Jacob Grab was second in 54.58, and Thomas Price, also from Parkland, was third in 54.59.

The 100 breaststroke proved to be another close race for Black, won by Parkland's Gabe Krizel in 1:09.13. Colton Chung came in second for the Trojans in 1:09.64, and Black was

third in 1:09.74.

Rummel earned third-place points in the 100 backstroke with a time of 1:01.42. Parkland's Eric Linchuk was second with a time of 1:01.20, and Pedro Teran was the winner in 1:00.07. Freedom will host Liberty for their last dual meet of the season on Feb. 7.

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# DAY

Continued from page A7 with over 1,400 receiving yards. But the Mari-on Campbell-led Eagles went on to a 5-11 record and scored a league-low 233 points.

In 1975, the Eagles downed the Niners, 27-17 at the Vet. Mike Boryla was the Birds' quarterback, and he completed 23 of 36 for 241 yards with three touchdowns. Who was his running back? Try James McAlister, who ran for 40 yards, while veteran Art Malone and budding back Po James also saw some time.

Ex-Eagles Norm Snead and Steve Spurrier combined for three interceptions for the 49ers.

Bill Bergey was the heart of the Eagles' defense, and does kick returner Larry Marshall ring a bell?

The lone tie in the series was in 1956 when the two teams battled to a 10-10 tie at Connie Mack Stadium. The 3-5-1 Eagles were led by Bobby Walston, and the 2-6-1 49ers were led by Y.A. Title.

Some of you old-timers may remember that one.

Those Good Ol' Times: Many of you can remember when the championship games both were played in the afternoon.

The old start times were at 12:30 and 3 p.m., not making it a long wait for football. If we were in school, both games would be over by 7:30 at the latest. It seemed a lot natural back then, and even the Super Bowl was either a 1 or 4 p.m. kickoff.

The early Saturday afternoon playoff games also were a treat. I remember watching the Steelers-Raiders "Immaculate Reception" game on a Saturday afternoon.

# BOYS

Continued from page A7 ing to capitalize on with a trophy rather than just an appearance.

"Great for the program and these players who, for the last three years, have worked so hard to get into this position," he said, "but we are not just happy getting in. The goal is to be the first league championship in school history."

Liberty went 1-2 last week with losses to Naz-

The San Francisco Treat and some Freedom: If you preteen or early teen years covered the late 60s and early 70s, you must remember the San Francisco-based commercial for "Rice-A-Roni," labeled as the "San Francisco Treat."

It always was great to see video from San Francisco, and the image of a trolley car and its bell ringing was a lasting image for you.

In February 1975, Elton John's "Philadelphia Freedom" song was released, and it eventually made it to the top of the charts. The song ended the year at number three, and John dedicated the song to women's tennis star Billie Jean King, who played for the Philadelphia Freedom World Tennis team at time, toward her fight for women's rights.

And we all know Tony Bennett's classic, "I Left My Heart in San Francisco."

Some Famous Dogs and a Famous Horse: On Jan. 26, 1961, the Disney movie, "101 Dalmatians" was released, and it proved to be a big hit. It was a movie most of us have seen along the way, and another animal-based Disney product that was successful.

The movie was rereleased in 1969, 1979, 1985, and 1991. The last release was the 20th highest grossing movie for the year.

Growing up in the 60s, we all should remember the TV show, "Mr. Ed." The talking horse was on the air from 1961 to 1966. The theme song became a song that we could all sing.

Alan Young, the lead actor in the series, frequently visited Bamboo Harvester, the horse that played Mr. Ed, after the series until the horse's death in 1970 at the age of 19. (Hello ... I am Mister Ed)

Some Final 49ers Files: In the 1960s and 70s, some of the more well known names from the Bay Area were 49ers' legendary quarterback John Brodie, kicker Bruce Gossett, and wide receiver Gene Washington.

One of my most vivid memories of the area was when the Giants' Willie Mays and Bobby Bonds collided in right-center field running down a ball that Mays caught. It was early April 1970 and was NBC's Saturday Game of the Week.

Bonds suffered bruised ribs and had trouble breathing after he hit that memorable metal chained fence in the outfield at Candlestick Park. I watched that game live and was shocked.

On the basketball front, there was tireless working center Nate Thurmond, who made the most of his 6-foot-8 frame, and scoring guard Jeff Mullins.

To really jog a memory, how about the roller derby San Francisco Bay Bombers?

Memory Lane: Every week, I'll look back at a former player, coach, manager, or announcer from days past.

Do you remember Eagles' defensive end Carl Hariston? "Big Daddy" was an Eagles' seventh-round pick in the 1976 draft. Hariston spent eight seasons with the Eagles from 1976-83 and registered 57.5 sacks. He had a career-high 15.5 in 1979.

Hariston went on to play in Cleveland for 1984-89 where he had 37.5 sacks, and he ended his career with a one-year stop in Arizona in 1990.

He later was a defensive line coach with various teams from 1995-2014. Hariston received a Super Bowl ring when he was with the Rams in 2000.

areth and Muhlenberg and saw themselves drop to eighth in the league race, with a two game lead over Allen, East Stroudsburg North and Whitehall for the final spot in the league tournament.

The Hurricanes will need at least another win out of their last three for a chance to clinch an EPC spot, but with Bethlehem Catholic (12-6) and Freedom this week, it's a challenging task in two rivalry games.

The Hawks are in the same boat as Liber-

ty, as they were seeded seventh in the league race this week with a two game lead over the aforementioned three programs Liberty is trying to hold off.

Becahi lost to Freedom last week and then suffered a shocking 39-37 defeat to Easton last Friday night.

They need to right the ship this week with games against Liberty and Dieruff (5-14) to preserve their hopes of making the league tournament.

# BC gets 'huge' win

BY PETER CAR  
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If there was ever a better match to have before the start of the wrestling postseason, Bethlehem Catholic got that in last Saturday's 21-18 thriller over nationally ranked Malvern Prep.

The Hawks (10-0) won seven of 13 bouts against the fifth ranked Friars to give them the perfect boost of confidence before this weekend's District 11 3A dual tournament gets underway at Freedom.

"It was a huge win for the program," said head coach Jeff Karam. "It will definitely go a long way in preparing us for the upcoming weeks."

In a match where no bonus points were awarded, the Hawks jumped out with the first two wins by Keanu Dillard (107) and Nate Desmond (114) to grab a 6-0 lead.

Desmond knocked off nationally ranked Lukas Littleton-Mascaro

3-1 in a rematch of his championship bout at the Escape the Rock a few weeks ago.

From there, Malvern ran off three straight wins before the Hawks came away with their own streak of five straight victories from 139-172, capped off by Luke Thomas' 1-0 decision over Duncan Christensen [at 172].

From there Malvern took the final three bouts, but all were decisions to solidify the captivating win and give this constructed roster a glimpse of what they're capable of heading into the next two weeks of the team postseason.

"Wrestling a team of that quality with multiple nationally ranked guys will only help our guys as the competition will get better each week," said Karam.

Now the Hawks have their sights set on winning their seventh District 11 3A title this weekend, as they enter the district tournament

as favorites, but also know that Nazareth (11-1) will be the team, most likely, standing in their way.

Becahi and Nazareth are both ranked 1-2 in the state respectively, as the Hawks are the defending PIAA champions as well.

Freedom (12-6) could be the likely first opponent for the Hawks this weekend, as they look to lock up the eighth seed of the district seeding with a win over East Stroudsburg South on Wednesday night.

The Pates are looking to hold off Stroudsburg (14-5) for the final spot, who they just defeated 41-21 last week to give them an edge in the district power ratings.

Liberty (9-8) looks like they won't be able to make up enough ground to sneak into the tournament. The Hurricanes close out the season on Wednesday night against Pocono Mountain West.

# Outdoors: PGC has three livestreams

BY NICK HROMIAK  
Special to the Press

Perhaps it's a coincidence or just good timing but the Pennsylvania Game Commission (PGC) has established three livestream cameras at eagle nests, snow geese at Middle Creek Wildlife Management Area and a bear den, a subject we covered in last week's column.

According to the PGC, a new 24/7 livestream from a black bear den in Pike County was launched this week and will run into the spring of 2023. This is the first time since 2021 that the PGC has offered an up-close look inside a bear den. The agency says there are few dens in known spots where cameras can be installed and where footage can be streamed to viewers. But the PGC learned of this den for installation that's located under the deck of a residence in Pike.

PGC Information and Education Director Steve Smith said, "While all of our wildlife livestreams are popular, there's nothing like watching and listening to bear cubs as they begin to explore their surroundings and ultimately emerge from the den with their mothers to see their new world in Penn's Woods."

The livestreams are a collaborative effort by the PGC, HDontap and Comcast Business. HDontap provides the streaming services and Comcast Business provides the internet connectivity for the two eagle cameras.

"HDontap is thrilled to partner with the PGC for the return of the bear den cam. Watching the



CONTRIBUTED PHOTO

Pennsylvania Game Commission is live-streaming a bear den showing this sow bear and her cubs that are dened beneath the deck of a Pike County residence.

sow raise her cubs is a rare and beautiful experience. The bear cam is a staff favorite as it's a joy to watch the cubs play, learn and grow every day, and we know viewers will feel the same," said Kate Alexander of HDontap.

Pennsylvania's black bear cubs usually are born in January and begin walking in about eight weeks. They leave their den when 3 months old. During the 2019 run, the PGC said the bears left their den on April 11 and in 2021, their departure date was March 24.

As for the Farm County Bald Eagle Livestream, the nest cam is located on a long-established nest in a giant sycamore tree overlooking scenic farmland in Hanover Pa. Bald eagles typically lay eggs in mid-February and, if the eggs are viable, they'll hatch in mid-to late March with young fledging in June. But they do continue to return to the nest.

For the snow geese, who overwinter in Middle Creek, their migration typically peaks there from mid-February to March. It's a sight to see all the thousands

of white geese in the waters of Middle Creek.

To view all of these livestreams, go directly to HDontap or through www.pgc.pa.gov.

While on the subject of black bears, an interesting story comes from Grand View Outdoors who reported that a male black bear from New York trekked roughly 140 miles from his last known release site before succumbing to injuries sustained in a vehicle collision in Pennsylvania.

As the report goes, on Dec 26, 2022, a bear was recovered after it was struck by a vehicle and killed on SR 11, between Northumberland and Danville in northeast Pennsylvania.

It was learned that this bear was ear-tagged by the NY State Department of Environmental Conservation and was found up a tree in the middle of Albany, NY, on May 31, 2022. It was tranquilized and relocated to Delaware County, NY in the Catskills. Like many people who are moving from NYC to PA, guess this bear wanted to move here as well.

so it kept us in the game, the girls did a good job staying ready, and we just played to our strengths and tried to capitalize on that," he said.

A last-minute addition to Becahi's schedule was a second meeting with Parkland this past Saturday when the Hawks downed the Trojans for the second time this season, 50-48.

Fernandez made the game-winning free throws with less than one second left for the road victory.

Becahi's next contest is scheduled for Friday night when the Hawks will host Dieruff.

# DARTS AND TRAPSHOOTING

**TRAPSHOOTING**  
**Lehigh Valley Trapshooters League**  
COPLAY  
24 - Walt Shimer, Alan Onkotz, Tyler Schlecht  
23 - David Brader, Jeff Walp  
**LAPPAWINZO**  
25 - Craig Peischler  
24 - Paul Durkin  
23 - Steven Buzenli, Seth Tavolara, Roy Knipe  
**NORTH END**  
25 - Brian Kuder, Kelley Huber, Brian Snyder, Josh Bok, Debra Hunter  
**ONTELAUNEE**  
25 - Wyatt Reader, Joseph Mule, Scott Reinhard, Michael Oswald, Tim Bernhardt  
**PIONEER**  
25 - Jeffrey Blose  
24 - James DeLong, Joe Stevko, Ron Smith, Ashley Allworthy  
**RURAL**  
25 - Mike Endy  
24 - Dick Shuman, Charles Roberts, Ben Hopko, Thomas Clarke, Larry Endy, Jacob Madkiff  
**POCONO SLATE**  
25 - Michael Giamoni  
24 - Thatcher Oswald, Mark Hoffman, David De Palma  
23 - Jeff Woodling, Andrew Hensel  
**Standings**  
Ontelaunee 1601  
North End 1597  
Rural 1592  
Pioneer 1551  
Pocono Slate 1547  
Coplay 1526  
Lappawinzo 1521  
**Suburban Trapshooting League**  
Blue Ridge Rod and Gun Club  
1/29/2023  
**BLUE RIDGE 119**  
24 - Caitline Bonser, Art Koran Sr., Gavin Oplinger, Rich Trumbauer  
23 - Doug Heller, Steve Knappenberger, Craig Peischler, Luke Szoke, Mark Szoke, Tom Szoke  
**COPEECHAN 121**  
25 - Damion Giering  
24 - Donald Boehm, Joe Mule, Gavin Schmidt, Joe Sips  
**EAST BATH 125**

25 - Josh Bok, Travis Foose, Andrew Hensel, Rich Hildebrandt, John Manning, Bryan Noble, Joe Panto, Jack Thomas  
**RANGER LAKE 122**  
25 - Justin Conway, Chuck Pammer  
24 - Steve Buzenli, Dennis Cacciola Sr., Kelley Huber, Allan Hunter, Roy Knipe, Mark Ryan, Brian Snyder  
**Standings**  
1363 East Bath  
1353 Ranger Lake  
1342 Blue Ridge  
1321 Copeechan  
**DARTS**  
**Bethlehem Inter-Church**  
**Dart Baseball league**  
Second Half Week 3-9  
East Hills 6 3 .667 ---  
Trinity UCC 5 1 .833 1.5  
Holy Cross 5 1 .833 1.5  
First UCC 5 4 .556 1.0  
Bethany UCC 5 4 .556 1.0  
Star of Beth. 4 5 .444 2.0  
College Hill 3 6 .333 3.0  
St. Peters 2 7 .222 4.0  
Fritz Wesleyan 1 5 .167 3.5  
**RESULTS/HIGHLIGHTS**  
1/23/2023  
**Star of Bethlehem (HT) @**  
**East Hills 2-8, 3-7, 2-3**  
Star of Bethlehem - Dale Mack 7-12, Charlie Blatnik 6-12  
East Hills - Steve Scuba 7-13, Greg Costa 4-8, Joe Hegedus 5-12  
**First UCC @**  
**College Hill 3-2, 0-1, 2-4**  
College Hill - Stan Czeck game one broke tie 7th inning double. Andrew Hoch returned to darts hit game winning double bottom of 9th game 2. Tom Hartzell broke tie with Double steal followed by 2 run double.  
**St. Peters @**  
**Trinity UCC 3-6, 0-2, 2-3**  
Trinity UCC - Bud Walker 5-12, Caz Matuczinski 5-10  
**Fritz Wesleyan @**  
**Bethany UCC 2-0, 3-4 (13), 2-6**  
Fritz Wesleyan - Bryon Weller 4-12 4 RBIs 3 runs scored  
Bethany UCC - Glenn Morgan 6-14 3 Triples in a row Game 2. Jerry Miller, a new player, hit single in first at bat then

hit walk-off solo HR to win game 2  
Holy Cross - BYE  
**Suburban Dart League**  
Week 19  
With a sweep of Star of Bethlehem by scores of 11-3, 2-0, and 5-4, Dryland maintains first place. Leading the Dryland hitters were Bernie Yurko 7-13, Nathan Phares 6-12, Butch Silfies 6-13, Dave Crouthamel 5-12, Shawn Sigley 5-13 with HRs from Karen Krome and Lou Dervarics. Tyler Frankenfield, was 7-14 (HR), Scott Hoffer 7-15, Kyle Taylor 5-12, Bryan Frankenfield 5-15, and Nolan Hoffer with a HR for Star of Bethlehem.  
In another sweep we find St. Paul's beating Christ UCC 4-3, 5-1, and 6-1. Leading hitters included Jennifer Erking 7-13, Roger Kern 6-13 and Alan Antry 5-13 for St. Paul's. For Christ UCC, Garry Hunsicker was 7-13, Steve Hunsicker 5-14, Ed Yost 4-11 and a HR from Eric Yocum.  
Another sweep saw Emmanuel winning 7-0, 6-1, and 5-2 over Light of Christ. Top hitters for Emmanuel were Kim Williams 6-11 (2 HRs), Jim Hill 6-14, Troy Haydt 6-15 (2 HRs), and Jeff Hoffer 3-10 (HR). Dan Halteman was 7-12, Todd Jones 4-11 (HR), and HRs from Andy Mickelson and Chris Crisafi.  
After a 6-3 loss to Ebenezer, Farmersville came back to win 3-2 and 7-5 in 10 innings. Wade Chiltonnik was 8-12, Kyle Campbell 8-14, Dennis Koehler 4-11 with HRs from Dave Campbell and Jason Steigerwalt for Farmersville. Carol Portman was 6-14 (HR), Jim Voortman 5-14 (HR), with Zane Blevins and Brendan Blevins each added a HR for Ebenezer.  
**Standings**  
Dryland 35 22 .614  
St. Paul's 33 24 .579  
Star of Bethlehem 31 26 .544  
Emmanuel 30 27 .526  
Ebenezer 27 30 .474  
Christ UCC 25 29 .463  
Farmersville 23 31 .426  
Light of Christ 21 36 .368





PRESS PHOTOS BY DENNIS GLEW

Before singing the National Anthem and "Lift Every Voice and Sing," the moving hymn about Black freedom known as the National Negro Hymn, the Liberty Chorus listened to introductory comments from the president of the Bethlehem NAACP, Ms. Esther M. Lee. She was joined by (left to right) Tomacene Nickens, first vice president, and the Reverend Clinton Bryant, second vice president. Seated beyond Rev. Bryant are Rev. Lindsey Altwater Clifton and Rev. Kari Holmes.

# Personal principles, sacrifice focus of MLK luncheon tribute

BY DENNIS GLEW  
Special to the Bethlehem Press

The hall at Holy Ghost Church on Bethlehem's Southside was so full on the morning of Jan. 15 that I wondered what the fire department would say if they decided to inspect.

Among others, the crowd that gathered to honor Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. included Susan Wild, congressperson of Pennsylvania's Seventh District, J. William Reynolds, Bethlehem's mayor, Lamont McClure, executive of Northampton County, Dr. Joseph Roy, superintendent of Bethlehem's schools, and five members of the Bethlehem Police Department, including Chief Michelle Kott.

Also present were senior citizens, some in their 80s, a large number of students from Liberty HS, and several very young babies.

The place was packed, to put it mildly - young and old, white and black, public and private citizens who came to pay their respects to the memory of a man who would be celebrating his 94th birthday if he had been allowed to live so long.

Presiding over the celebration was the president of Bethlehem's chapter of the NAACP, Esther M. Lee. Under her direction, an agenda chiefly of speeches and songs moved quickly. The tone was set at the start by Liberty HS's four-person Color Guard, who marched to the front of the hall carrying the Stars and Stripes and then led the crowd in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance and singing the National Anthem.

Dr. King's personal principles and sacrifice would be front and center throughout the morning's activities, but, as the Color Guard showed, patriotism and what it means to be American were the deep issues.

Highlights of the morning's events included moving performances by Liberty's chorus of several hymns, especially the song so closely associated with the Civil Rights Movement, "We Shall Overcome."

The chorus was led by its director, Julie Wydrzynski. Also, two students read their prize-winning essays on the topic, "How Would Dr. King Address the Problem of Homelessness Today?"

Under Ms. Lee's good-humored but firm leadership, visiting politicians managed to keep their speeches to a limit of two minutes, more or less.

To conclude a stirring and interesting morning, members of the audience were invited to enjoy bag lunches, cookies and cold drinks as guests of the Bethlehem NAACP.



Does the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day have a future? We're looking at it. Alexander Joyner (R) and his partner, Margarita Barreto, brought their son, Seven Joyner, to pay his respects to the great American. They'll be back, they said.



John C. Betts of Bethlehem, who completed several tours in Vietnam with the 101st Airborne, wears insignia honoring the service of black soldiers from the days of the Buffalo Soldiers.



Unique Small, left, a special education teacher at Donegan ES, and Azariah Drungo, a senior at Liberty HS, join other women in serving bagged lunches and cookies to guests who chose to stay for lunch and fellowship after the celebration. The cookies were gone in a hurry.



Mayor William Reynolds chats with the Sobrinski family of Bethlehem, including daughter Zoe (right), a student at Broughal MS, who was a winner of the Bethlehem NAACP essay contest.

## BOARD

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### Monday, February 6

Fountain Hill Council, 7 p.m. 941 Long St.  
Hanover Twp. (NorCo) Board of Supervisors, 7 p.m. 3630 Jacksonville Road.  
BASD Board Facilities and Curriculum Committees meeting, 6 p.m. Education center, 1516 Sycamore St  
Bethlehem Twp. NorCo Board of Commissioners, 7 p.m. 4225 Easton Ave.  
Hellertown Borough Council, 7 p.m. 685 Main St.

### Tuesday, February 7

NorCo General Purpose Authority meeting, 8:15 a.m.  
Northampton Co. Courthouse, 669 Washington St., Easton.  
Bethlehem City Council meeting, 7 p.m. City hall, 10 E. Church St. Current and recent meetings are located online at [www.youtube.com/channel/UCRLFG5Y9UI0jADKaRE1W3xw](http://www.youtube.com/channel/UCRLFG5Y9UI0jADKaRE1W3xw)  
Community Development Authority, 5:30 p.m. City Hall, 10 E. Church St.  
NorCo Farmland Preservation meeting, 7 p.m. Northampton Co. Courthouse, 669 Washington St., Easton.  
Freemansburg Council, 7 p.m. 600 Monroe St.  
Saucon Valley School Board, 7 p.m., Audion building, 2097 Polk Valley Road. Visit [svpanthers.org/Domain/572](http://svpanthers.org/Domain/572)

### Wednesday, February 8

NorCo Karst Geology Advisory Council Meeting, 4 p.m.  
Northampton Co. Courthouse, 669 Washington St., Easton.  
Northampton Co. Industrial Development Authority meeting, 4 p.m., Northampton Co. Courthouse, 669 Washington St., Easton.  
Fountain Hill Stormwater Authority, 6 p.m. 941 Long St.  
Hellertown Water Authority Board, 7 p.m. 685 Main St., Hellertown.  
Hanover Twp. (NorCo) Recreation, 7:30 p.m. 3630 Jacksonville Rd.  
Bethlehem Twp. NorCo Municipal Authority, 6:30 p.m. 4225 Easton Ave.  
Lehigh Co. Commissioners, 7:30 p.m. Public hearing room, Gov't. Center, 17 S. Seventh St., Allentown.

## SCHOOL NEWS

### BASD

#### Human Resource Officer Giordana to retire

The Board of School Directors approved the retirement of Russell Giordano, chief human resources officer for the Bethlehem Area School District, at their meeting Jan. 23.

Giordano has served in his role of Chief Human Resources Officer with distinction since 2011. In addition to his current title, he also serves the district as the compliance officer, chief negotiator, and assistant board secretary.

In a district with 2,000+ employees and multiple employee labor groups, Giordano invested himself in supporting each staff member and worked hard to balance individual and organizational needs. Giordano's career as a human resources professional, combined with his experience as a long time school board member in Salisbury and his early years as a teacher proved to be the perfect recipe for meeting the ever more complex human resource needs of the district.

Giordano plans to work until the end of the school year and the district will begin a search for his successor immediately with a goal of having someone in place this spring who can then work alongside Giordano for a couple of months to aid with the transition.

**DISTRICT WEEKLY NEWSLETTER:** January is School Board Appreciation Month. This edition of the eNews contains a thank you video to our school board directors. Also in this edition are photos from the week and the highlighted student from Calypso ES, staff member from the Transportation Department, and graduate from Liberty HS Class of 1999. <https://express.adobe.com/page/ah7LgDQKV5Bxr/>

### CHARTER ARTS

#### Black Excellence Showcase opens Feb. 3

The Lehigh Valley Charter High School for the Arts (Charter Arts) Black Student Union presents this year's Black Excellence Showcase: "The Power to the People Show" on Friday, Feb. 3 at 7 p.m. The show is produced and directed by students, incorporating song, dance, skits and group numbers performed by students. An opening reception for the Black Excellence Exhibit will also be held in the school's Corpora Gallery the same evening.

Admission: Monetary donations or the donation of new or gently used diverse books will be accepted. All proceeds will benefit the Black Student Union's Little Free Libraries in Bethlehem and Allentown.

For more information: [CharterArts.org](http://CharterArts.org)

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BEHIND the THEATRE



## Rounding up ducks

I tried to get all my ducks in a row when my graduate class finished. The ducks laughed and ran away.

I have a couple more weeks before my next class begins. I have at least two more doctor's appointments before I find out what has been wearing me down (besides stress).

I don't do New Year's resolutions. If I did, my resolution would be "stop stressing!"

I have an unfortunate tendency to over-think.

Finding time to study for my next course worries me. So does balancing studies, home life and writing work. I think, for instance, my non-day job time needs to be on a schedule. Never mind that every time I have tried that, things go wrong. That's life.

The cost of groceries stresses me. Just buying the core staples is painful. But it is necessary. I just feel the increase in prices. I know most of us do.

Fire trucks parked just beyond our building this evening. As many of the buildings on our block are connected, that was concerning.

My ever-helpful adult son reminded me that if I was not looking out the window, I wouldn't be worried about the trucks.

Good idea. And not a bad metaphor for many of my other worries. Now, if I can just round up those ducks...



By Lani Goins

## ELECTION NEWS

### Lehigh County Coroner Buglio announces election bid

Lehigh County Coroner Daniel A. Buglio has announced his candidacy for re-election as coroner. His current term ends in January 2024.

Buglio, who has served in the coroner's office for almost 24 years, says he wants to continue his service to county residents, showing care, compassion and experience to the people and families he serves.

Having served as a police officer, he worked part time with the Slatington and Coplay police departments.

Buglio began in the coroner's office as a deputy coroner, was promoted to first deputy/operations manager in April 2019 and accepted the appointment of coroner in April 2022.

According to Buglio, the Lehigh County Coroner's Office and Forensic Center was the first office in the commonwealth to be nationally accredited by the International Association of Coroners and Medical Examiners, noting only five other agencies out of 67 in the commonwealth are accredited.

The Lehigh County Coroner's Office and Forensic Center is a 24/7 operation that investigates approximately 9,000 deaths annually, a number that continues to increase.

"I see the coroner's office as an apolitical office," Buglio said. "I can't promise to lower your taxes, make your community safer or your health care better, but I can give you care, compassion and experience. In a coroner career, that is what matters."

Buglio, member of the Lehigh County Suicide Prevention Coalition Task Force and Substance Use Task Force, co-chairs the Lehigh County Child Death Review Team.

He resides in South Whitehall Township with his husband, Eric, a registered nurse.



Buglio

### Hanna seeks re-election for sheriff

Sheriff Joseph N. Hanna has announced his candidacy for re-election for Sheriff of Lehigh County.

Hanna, now in his 44th consecutive year in law enforcement, expresses his passion to continue serving the residents of Lehigh County.

He had a distinguished 34-year career with the Allentown Police Department, rising to the rank of chief of police, and then transitioned to the Lehigh County District Attorney's Office as a county detective prior to running for sheriff. Hanna has brought many professional accomplishments to the Sheriff's Office since being elected sheriff in 2015.

Hanna is most proud of the Sheriff's Office attaining Pennsylvania State Accreditation on April 8, 2021, following a long arduous process that began in the year 2017.

Hanna and personnel throughout the Sheriff's Office are active throughout Lehigh County offering outreach programs and events to neighborhood and crime watch groups, schools and churches, and Sheriff's personnel are routinely present at other public and social events.

Sheriff Hanna extends his appreciation and gratefulness for the ongoing support of the county residents, Lehigh County administration, and his staff.

Sheriff Hanna affirms that "there is more work to be done" and he is enthusiastic about continuing that work with the residents and county government in continuing the mission, vision and core values of the Lehigh County Sheriff's Office.



Hanna

### Martin not seeking re-election

Lehigh County District Attorney Jim Martin has announced he will not be a candidate for re-election in the municipal election this year.

"It is my intent, God willing, to serve the remainder of my term in office, which will end the first Monday of January 2024," Martin said in a Jan. 17 news release.

Jan. 26 marks the 25th anniversary of Martin becoming district attorney.

Martin said he is proud of the record achieved in the district attorney's office over the last 25 years. He praised the dedication, professionalism and efforts of the many assistant district attorneys and dedicated members of the administrative staff.

Martin said he was grateful to his secretary of 28 years, Merrily Starkey, who also served as head of the administrative staff over the last 15 years.

Martin also thanked the many elected officials in Lehigh County, as well as the employees of the county, supporters, friends and citizens for their trust.



Martin

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# Happy 'Groundhog Day' wishes to you

BY APRIL PETERSON  
Special to the Bethlehem Press

Several years ago now, George Taylor, editor of the Bethlehem Press, used this space to share his experience of a generation-defining outdoor concert.

What began as a road trip to see a Joan Baez concert brought him to Woodstock; yes, THAT Woodstock, and, to borrow his words, "I realized I was part of a big world made up of a lot of individuals who matter, who can make things happen."

He, of course, tells the story better than I and allow me to recommend you check out his piece on the Lehigh Valley Press website.

This small story, albeit not of an outdoor concert featuring the likes of Jimi Hendrix, did broaden my horizons and a celebrity is tangentially involved.

I was in school in another part of the country near the end of the 20th century in a place I never truly imagined I would ever see: the Pacific Northwest.

Up to that point, the farthest point west I had been was Colorado, thanks to the generosity of my brother and a fascination with snowboarding.

Very far from home and on my own I attended a student meet-and-



COURTESY PUNXSUTAWNEY CHAMBER

greet for new arrivals. As we mingled, we shared where we were from.

The polite smile of a student from Korea opened in a broad grin

on hearing Pennsylvania was home.

"Pennsylvania?! Like 'Groundhog Day?'"

Yes! Like "Groundhog Day."

For those who may

have forgotten, the 1993 film comedy tells the story of television weather forecaster Phil Connors who annually covers Punxsutawney Phil's prediction and the surrounding festivities. Connors gets stuck in a time loop and relives Feb. 2 repeatedly until he experiences a revelation and breaks the spell or space time continuum or whatever it is that causes the problem.

Groundhog Day.

At this time of year memories of that meet-and-greet event often return.

Why would someone from somewhere on the other side of the world know about Groundhog Day? The world, for me, expanded thanks to Punxsutawney Phil.

And every Groundhog Day, in celebration in a way, a text crosses the miles from Pennsylvania to the Pacific Northwest, once or twice to Cambridge, Mass., where my friend went on to study for her doctorate at Harvard and, once, I'm pretty sure, to Seoul, Korea. "Happy Groundhog Day!"

Enjoy the (world-wide) Pennsylvania-centric holiday Feb. 2.

April Peterson is the editorial assistant for the East Penn Press and Salisbury Press.

## Trying to find My Daughters Team

BY JENN RAGO  
Special to the Bethlehem Press

It sounded like the perfect assignment. Writing the story for not just an event, but, the "launch" of a program to support women and organizations that protect women from rape, incest and genitalia mutilation. A very important and current subject.

So pen in hand, I set course for Dana Hall - Moravian University 5:30 p.m. 1-10-23. Arriving around 5 p.m. at the Moravian north campus, I notice it is oddly quiet - no one walking around campus, dark buildings. I can't find Dana Hall. No signs, no people no parking, no indication that an event, a launch was about to begin - Nothing, Nada, zilch.

Undaunted I found a Moravian security guard who was more than happy to help me. He explained that the campus was empty due to winter break and the students had gone home. He called the Moravian security main office, he called the south campus he called another officer - no one had any idea that this

event was happening, although he did remember an email several weeks ago mentioning My Daughters Team.

Hope springs eternal. Now both of us became determined to broaden our search. Traveling in separate vehicles we drove around the North Campus - the student union, the auditorium, dining areas, and other meeting spots - once again...nothing. We drove to the South campus; they sent us back to the North Campus. It was now after 5:30 pm and still there was nothing going on.

Totally frustrated and disappointed, the security guard admitted to me that there is no Dana Hall at Moravian - perhaps I should try Lehigh University. I bid him farewell and off I drove to Lehigh University.

Lehigh University, like Moravian, was dark, deserted and also in the midst of winter break. I quadruple checked the date time and place and called it a day.

Still plagued by thoughts of "what if's?" and "what did I miss?" I sought aid from the trusty internet to help find My

Daughters Team. After arriving home I tried to e-mail Kelly Lewis, who is the spokesperson for My Daughters Team. He only gives limited 15 minute pre-scheduled telephone appointments. I followed the automated prompts and scheduled an appointment to talk to him 1-12-23 at 4 p.m. I also emailed him a list of questions about My Daughters Team. Once again there was no phone call, email or response. I never heard from Kelly Lewis.

I believe in the need for programs like My Daughters Team and I would like to see it come to fruition. I have tried Googling, hunting assorted related web sites and search engines, with no success - I suspect the launch was grounded.

If you or anyone you know has information regarding My Daughters Team please email me at jennrago615@gmail.com.

Jenn Rago is a freelance reporter for the Bethlehem Press.

## Summer plans, parking on agenda

BY LANI GOINS  
Special to the Bethlehem Press

The Fountain Hill Recreation Committee reported Jan. 18 on the success of last year's summer program, and with staff returning, the committee plans a pay raise for returning playground staff. Also on the playground site, a pickleball court is being considered, though that will require a grant, preferably from a local source such as St. Luke's University Hospital.

Earlier this month, the Planning Commission heard the petition

of Attorney Joseph Piperto seeking to change the lot size per development unit for the entire borough by altering the zoning ordinance. This was due to a project at 940 Cherokee St. not receiving a variance for reduced lot size per dwelling unit. While the petition was not rejected, the commissioners want to amend it. The change in lot size would be allowed only in new developments in the town center. This decision is not yet codified.

The borough solicitor will work on the proposed amendment to bring to borough council at a future meeting, and the public must be allowed input.

Borough police would like signage to make parents aware of the new school traffic pattern, and also an amendment to the parking ordinance so that violators could be fined.

Resident Iris Kake asked about snow removal at drop-off

and pickup areas of the school

Council President Norman Blatt said snow removal is handled by the borough. He said, "people just have to handle it as best they can."

Borough Manager Eric Gratz said, "we are willing to address (the clearing of the snow in the streets around the school), but Delaware Avenue has priority for downtown removal." He added, "If the school district wants to take this on, no one will complain."

The next meeting is scheduled for Feb. 6 at 7 p.m. at borough hall.

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# Rayna Malhotra

Moravian Academy Upper School

Grade: 11

Family: Kamna Malhotra (Mother), Rakesh Malhotra (Father), Rhea Malhotra (Sister)

**Favorite subject(s):** From bacteria and botany to chemistry and coding, the applications of science are endless. So many of our world's biggest innovations have been a result of a simple experiment or a single line of code. I get most excited to step into the science classroom because I know that one day, I'll be using these same ideas to change the world of medicine and pharmacology through research as well.

**Activities:** I have been participating in scientific research for nearly five years now, and am currently conducting biochemical research at Lehigh University's College of Engineering. In addition, I am the president of my school's Engineering in Medicine & Biology club, co-captain of our Varsity Speech & Debate team, founder of our Sanitary Products and Public Health Awareness club, member of the Technology Science Association (TSA), and participant in DECA.

**Next steps:** After high school, I plan to attend a university for my undergraduate studies and major in biomedical engineering or computational biology.

**Career goals:** My most significant (and perhaps most ambitious) career goal is to found a multinational pharmaceutical and biotechnology company. I want to ensure that my work extends beyond the lab, my data exists beyond just a composition notebook, and the impacts of my research don't stop at simulations. I want to be a CEO or chief scientist, guiding the development of pivotal discoveries and driving scientists to develop creative solutions through commercial technologies.

**Heroes:** Undoubtedly, my biggest hero is my grandfather. He is an Indian war veteran and was amputated at age 27 after getting shot seven times in his right leg. He survived the unthinkable and his determination is what motivates me to be the best version of myself each day.

**Hobbies:** I enjoy spending my free time reading classic novels, playing the flute, doing photography, and trying to learn how to cook (emphasis on trying).



**Current job(s):** I'm currently a program host at WDIY Public Radio Station for the show Teen Scientist.

**Volunteer/community work:** As president of the Engineering in Medicine & Biology (EMB) club at MA, I organize a free 4-week opportunity for elementary students to gain hands-on experiences with engaging science experiments and projects. In addition, I have volunteered for the Lehigh Center for Clinical Research, Women Leaders in Data and AI (WLDA), and was a part of the St. Luke's Junior Volunteer program as a patient advocate and nurse's assistant.

**Likes:** Raspberries, Jane Austen, October, card games, sunsets, candles, Shirley Temple, margarita pizza, and Taylor Swift.

**Dislikes:** Olives, potholes, cats, wet socks, February, needles, the color yellow, and being on time.

**Greatest accomplishment (so far):** I would say my proudest accomplishment thus far has been getting the Pennsylvania Association of Broadcasters award for Outstanding Radio Public Affairs Program/series for my show on NPR. Getting this kind of recognition felt as though my goal of spreading stories of groundbreaking innovation and inspiring the next generation of young scientists was actually coming to fruition.

**Advice for peers:** Write down everything you want to achieve. Making a to-do list each night for the day ahead has been the single most helpful habit that I've ever gotten into. Seeing all of my goals for the next day and getting the satisfaction of crossing them off when I'm done has made me a much more productive person.

*Student profile subjects are selected by faculty and administration at the individual schools.*



PRESS PHOTOS BY TAMU QUIGLEY

**Beverly Bradley**, president of Cops 'n' Kids Children's Literacy Program of the Lehigh Valley, left, and **Marty Moyle**, guest reader, help Ella Kulesa, age 7, and her sister Sophia, age 5, select a scarf, headband and mittens made by a volunteer. More photos on page A12.

## Cops 'n' Kids

# Sharing winter kindness

BY TAMI QUIGLEY  
Special to the Bethlehem Press

Ah-choo! Sneezy the Snowman is cold, cold, cold, and he keeps doing things to warm up that cause him to melt. Did the children who attended "Winter Surprise!" at the Cops 'n' Kids Reading Room Jan. 14 know just what to do to build him up again and make him feel "just right"?

They sure did! Children ages three and up participated in a live-action, role-playing adventure as they discovered the surprise Sneezy needed with "Sneezy the Snowman" by Maureen Wright, a Pennsylvania author.

"It's about kindness," Beverly Bradley, president of Cops 'n' Kids Literacy Program of the Lehigh Valley, said, referring to the snowman melting and the kids putting him back together.

Guest reader Marty Moyle said the children's quest was to make Sneezy feel just right - not too hot or too cold - and in the process at times shared bits of their clothing to warm him up, then suggested having ice cream to cool off.

A Cops 'n' Kids program called "Winter Surprise!" was part of the Just Born Quality Confections Reading Room Saturday Event Series at the Cops 'n' Kids Reading Room in the Northampton Community College Fowler Family Southside Center.

Liberty HS volunteers helped at the event, and Moyle is office manager of the Athletic Department at Moravian University, a longtime partner in the mission of Cops 'n' Kids to connect kids and the community through literacy.

"Marty has done a variety of storytelling with us for 10 years - she's very creative," Bradley said of Moyle's involvement with Cops 'n' Kids.

Four Liberty students thoroughly enjoyed their morning of volunteering: seniors Katy Borneman, Emma Lison, Gabby Reyes and junior Alex Braxtone.

Borneman is co-president of the Cops 'n' Kids Club at Liberty. "I like working with Beverly and sharing and giving back. I've learned so much about what it means to give back and grown a lot," Borneman said.

"I love serving back to the community, and the



**Ethan Gyrynuik** happily shows his scarf to mom **Christine**.



**Enjoying the morning** are, from left, **Stephanie Berry**, daughter **Zariah Berry** and Liberty HS volunteer **Katy Borneman**.



kids love the events," Lison said.

"I've volunteered at the hospital since my freshman year, and this exposes me to a different age group and community of people," Reyes said. "This is my first time here. Everybody enjoys being together, and this provides an experience that maybe not a lot of people knew about beforehand."

Braxtone shared in the enthusiasm, adding, "I love spending time with little kids."

"These are volunteers extraordinaire," Bradley said. "The important thing is showing them as role models."

The morning included crafts - children making scarves that tie into the "Sneezy the Snowman" story - as well as children making thank-you cards for Moyle. Each child received a scarf, mittens and headband made by a volunteer. In addition, children were gifted with five free books, as they are at every Cops 'n' Kids event.

Cops 'n' Kids has distributed a total of 1,168,195 books as of Dec. 31, 2022, including the 59,859 books distributed in 2022. Approximately 26,540 individuals were served in 2022.

For more information on Cops 'n' Kids visit <http://www.copsnkid-slv.org>.

**Carly** presents her thank-you card to guest reader **Marty Moyle**, having written "We loved the story!" on the front of the card.

**Liberty HS** volunteer **Katy Borneman** holds **Zariah Berry**, age 4, displaying the pink scarf **Zariah** decorated with a cat during the craft activity of "Winter Surprise!" **Zariah's** mother **Stephanie** joins in the fun Jan. 14 at the Cops 'n' Kids Reading Room at Northampton Community College Fowler Family Southside Center.

## CHARTER ARTS HS NEWS

By Zoe Lachter

# Winter's busy time

The winter season is always a busy one for the Lehigh Valley Charter High School for the Arts. Students and teachers alike prepare for the end of the marking period and winter performances. The combination makes for a great way to wrap up the year. As we entered 2023, we got to showcase a culmination of all the efforts growth we had made during the first semester of school.

This year, as fall sank into winter, temperatures dropping with the leaves, we opened our performance season with Dance Soup. Dance Soup is the school's student-choreographed dance performance. The show featured group dances, solos, duets, and even a ballet piece accompanied by a string quartet of Charter Arts instrumental students. Each dance was uniquely moving, all of them coming together into a nice, "steaming hot bowl of dance soup!"

Another classic winter performance, one that occurs every year just before break, is the winter choral concert. This year's concert featured the ninth and 10th grade choir, the 11th and 12th grade choir, the treble choir and the touring choir. The mix of classic winter-themed music was the perfect transition into winter break.

After a long, hard first semester and a snow day or two in the books, the time off brought a nice pause to the year. A time to reflect, spend time with loved ones, and for many of us, enjoy our arts outside of school, letting creativity flow naturally. Students took the break to relax, enjoy the holidays, and of course, ring in the new year.

We returned to school after the break feeling refreshed and excited for the continuation of our busy winter season. The new year opened with multiple theater performances. The theater department put on "Charley's Aunt," by Brandon Thomas. The play tells the story of two friends, Charley and Jack, who wish to impress two ladies with a meeting with Charley's wealthy aunt

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Lachter



**YOUR LOCAL WEATHER**

7 Day Forecast	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday
Partly Cloudy	Partly Cloudy	Mostly Sunny	Sunny	Cloudy	Partly Cloudy	Cloudy	
35 / 23 3-9 mph WNW	40 / 24 6-11 mph SW	26 / 5 16-22 mph WNW	24 / 17 8-14 mph W	40 / 28 10-16 mph SSW	36 / 23 5-14 mph NW	33 / 22 1-7 mph SE	

**FORECAST FOR LEHIGH VALLEY PENNSYLVANIA**

Today we will see partly cloudy skies, high temperature of 35°, humidity of 43%. West northwest wind 3 to 9 mph. The record high temperature for today is 65° set in 1989. Expect partly cloudy skies tonight, overnight low of 23°. West southwest wind 7 mph. The wind chill for tonight could reach 17°. The record low for tonight is -5° set in 1935. Thursday, skies will be partly cloudy, high temperature of 40°, humidity of 50%. Southwest wind 6 to 11 mph. Thursday night, skies will be mostly cloudy, overnight low of 24°. West wind 9 to 16 mph. Friday, skies will be mostly sunny, high temperature of 26°, humidity of 37%. West northwest wind 16 to 22 mph. Friday night, skies will be clear, overnight low of 5°. Northwest wind 14 to 21 mph.

**Weather Trivia**

What is the temperature of lightning?



Answer: It is estimated at 50,000 degrees Fahrenheit.

**ELECTION**

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**Northampton County**

**Baratta seeks nomination for DA**

Stephen Baratta, a lifelong resident of Northampton County, with more than four decades of service to the community, seeks the Democratic nomination to serve as Northampton County District Attorney.

The Democratic primary will be May 16. A 1974 graduate of Bangor Area High School and a 1978 graduate of Lafayette College in Easton, Baratta attended Fordham University School of Law, completing his legal studies in 1981. He was admitted to practice law in Pennsylvania in 1981, when he began his private practice in Easton.

In his early years as an attorney, Baratta served the citizens of Northampton County in

representing individuals in all types of civil, criminal and domestic relations matters.

In 1985, Baratta was appointed solicitor of Northampton County Children and Youth and served as the solicitor of the Northampton County Department of Human Services in 1990. In 1992, Baratta was appointed to be the first assistant district attorney for Northampton County.

Baratta remained as Northampton County's first assistant district attorney until he was installed as judge for the Northampton County Court of Common Pleas in 1997.

In his 25 years of service as judge, Baratta presided over civil and criminal trials. He said he earned a reputation for being tough but fair, always ensuring justice was equally administered and finding new, innovative solutions to improve Northampton County's judicial system.

To learn more, visit [BarattaForDA.com](http://BarattaForDA.com).

**NOTICE**

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA**

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,  
Plaintiff  
v.  
J. RANDOLPH PARRY ARCHITECTS, PC, et al.,  
Defendants

**NOTICE TO POTENTIAL VICTIMS OF ALLEGED DISCRIMINATION AGAINST PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES AT THE J. RANDOLPH PARRY ARCHITECTS-DESIGNED COMPLEXES**

On September 28, 2022, the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania entered a Consent Order resolving claims in discrimination lawsuit brought by the United States against J. Randolph Parry Architects, PC, who designed eight senior living facilities in Pennsylvania. The United States alleges that the units and many common use areas (for example, rental offices, routes to amenities, etc.) are not accessible to persons with physical disabilities. As part of the Consent Order, Defendant J. Randolph Parry Architects, PC has agreed to contribute funds toward retrofits of the units and common use areas to comply with the Fair Housing Act and the Americans with Disabilities Act at the following senior housing and apartment communities:

- Traditions of Hanover, Bethlehem, Pennsylvania;
- Traditions of Hershey, Hershey, Pennsylvania;
- Chestnut Knoll, Boyertown, Pennsylvania;
- Arbour Square, Harleysville, Pennsylvania;
- Cedar Views Apartments, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania;
- The Birches, Newtown, Pennsylvania;
- Lifequest Nursing Center Addition, Quakertown, Pennsylvania; and
- Keystone Villa, Douglasville, Pennsylvania.

The Consent Order also establishes a Settlement Fund to compensate persons who have been harmed as a result of this alleged discrimination at any of the above-named complexes. You or members of your family may qualify to recover from the Settlement Fund if you or members of your family allege that you or they:

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- paid to have any portion of your apartment or the complex modified to be more accessible;
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You also may email the United States Department of Justice at [Fairhousing@usdoj.gov](mailto:Fairhousing@usdoj.gov)

**SHARING WINTER KINDNESS**



Beverly Bradley, president of Cops 'n' Kids Children's Literacy Program of the Lehigh Valley, gifts Ella Kulesa, age 7, and her sister Sophia, age 5, with the book, "What Does It Mean to Be Kind?" The girls attended with their mother, Krysta Kulesa.



Christine Gyrynuk admires the plaid scarf son Ethan, age 4, decorated with a turtle and a shark during the morning program of Cops 'n' Kids Children's Literacy Program of the Lehigh Valley.



Ella Kulesa, left, and her sister Sophia, age 5, check out the book, "What Does It Mean to Be Kind?" given to them by Cops 'n' Kids. Children receive five free books at each Cops 'n' Kids event.



Grace and Angel make thank-you cards for guest reader Marty Moyle.

**NEWS**

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from Brazil. But when Charley's Aunt cancels last minute, a friend must step in and pretend to be her. In this charming comedy, all of the characters were portrayed brilliantly by the cast of theater majors.

The school also put on "Sondheim on Sondheim," a musical tribute to famed composer Stephen Sondheim. The show features nearly three dozen songs from Sondheim's projects. "Sondheim on Sondheim" was directed by Erica Dickinson and Dr. Aaron Patterson and included an all-student pit orchestra. The

performance was an amazing showcase of the musical talent of the student body, with many majors coming together to bring the musical to life.

Now, as things cool down a bit and the semester comes to an end, we have the opportunity to take a step back and look forward to all that there is to come. Possibly one of the most exciting events on the horizon is Charter Arts' annual auditions Feb. 17 and 18. Just as much of our senior class begins solidifying post-graduation plans, we already get to meet a new generation of Charter Arts artists. We are wishing everyone good luck with their auditions and can't wait to see what the rest of the year may hold.

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## Hub Willson's art preserves



By Ed Courrier

"Preserving the Lehigh Valley in Art" highlights the work of Lehigh Valley artist and photographer Hub Willson, through Feb. 13, Rotunda Gallery, Town Hall, Bethlehem.

Willson, a commercial photographer in the Lehigh Valley for more than 50 years, is known for architectural, industrial, business, portraiture, fashion and performing arts subjects.

Ten years ago, Willson picked up a paintbrush and began experimenting with acrylics. The self-taught artist focused on "artistically-preserving" the parks, historic structures, farm buildings and farm land of the Lehigh Valley.

"Bogert's Bridge" (2022; acrylic on canvas, 18 in. x 24 in.) is one example of



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Hub Willson, "Bogert's Bridge" (2022; acrylic on canvas, 18 in. x 24 in.), "Preserving the Lehigh Valley in Art," Rotunda Gallery, Town Hall, Bethlehem.

Willson's landscape paintings of historic architecture.

"This happens to be near my house," he says. "It's my default place to go paint."

The wooden covered

bridge in Lehigh Parkway is flanked by a stone spring house and "Hunter's Cabin," a log house.

Willson paints en plein air during the warmer months. He experiments with various styles in the

winter in his studio, using reference photos and his imagination. "I'm usually out of my mind in the winter," he jokes.

Willson only works in acrylics. "I like to work See **WILSON** on Page B3

READERS PICK THE

## OSCAR WINNERS

Nominations for the 95th Academy Awards were announced Jan. 24.

The Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences presents the 2023 Academy Awards ceremonies honoring 2022 theatrical motion picture releases, 8 p.m. March 12, Dolby Theater, Los Angeles, televised on ABC-TV.

The Press Focus section again presents the "Readers Pick the Oscar Winners" contest. The person who picks the most correct number of Oscar recipients in seven major categories receives a \$50 Penn's Peak gift card, Roxy Theatre movie tickets, Press newspapers-web site prize package, and the opportunity to have his or her photo published in the Focus section of the eight Focus newspapers and websites.

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8 DAYS A WEEK

Your look ahead at  
**Valley Arts**

## Playing 'Games' at Touchstone



By Kathy Lauer-Williams

A new original play that explores the dynamics of childhood friendships premieres Feb. 16-26, Touchstone Theatre, Bethlehem.

"Games We Play" is an intimate, time-traveling exploration of the friendships we form as children and how we remember them as adults.

The two-person show was written and is performed by Touchstone Ensemble members Emma Ackerman and Chris Egging.

Egging grew up in rural Nebraska and Ackerman in suburban Pennsylvania. They say their shared reference points from growing up in the 1990s and 2000s resonated strongly between them.

"This show asks us to remember our inner kid," says Ackerman. "There's



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From left: Emma Ackerman, Chris Egging, "Games We Play," Touchstone Theatre, Bethlehem.

sword fighting, mix tapes, make-believe. But it's really about nostalgia, memory and the imperfection thereof. We all remember the past differently, and the way we remember things shapes our reality, whether it's true or not." The playwrights say

that, although the play follows the coming-of-age stories of two people from a specific generation, its themes of friendship, nostalgia and growing up have universal appeal.

"This show is for everyone," Egging says. "I can't wait to see what resonates

with different audience members of all ages."

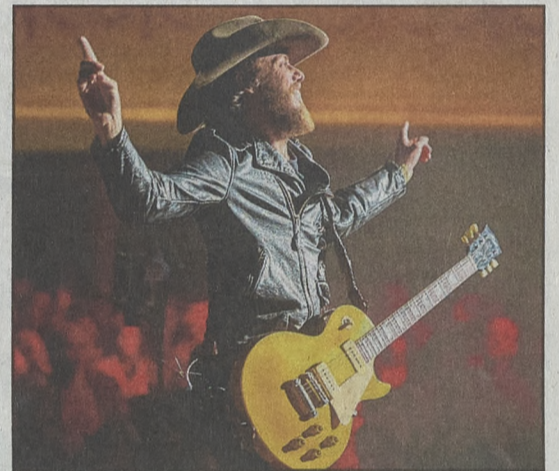
The production follows two characters from care-free childhood to responsibility-laden adulthood in nonlinear fashion as they retell and relive their shared memories from various points in their lives, and as they try, and sometimes fail, to stay connected.

"We're sitting with our legs dangling off the edge of a tree house, then hunched among piles of boxes, working through an aging parent's finances, sometimes in the same scene," Egging says.

The play includes original music written by Egging and Ackerman. Production support is by stage manager Alexis Leon. Choreographer is Ashley Tait Weller.

This will be Ackerman's final main stage production after a 15-year tenure at Touchstone. She plans to relocate from the Lehigh Valley.

"Games We Play" is Chris Egging's main stage See **'GAMES'** on Page B3



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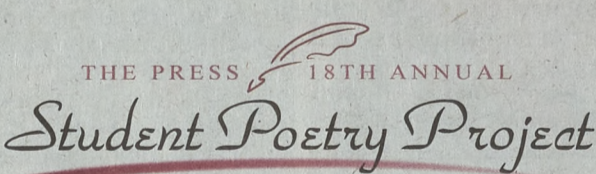
**Chris Janson**, George Birge, 8 p.m. Feb. 9, Penn's Peak, Jim Thorpe. Doors open at 6 p.m. Janson has been called the "future of country music." Rolling Stone magazine has said Janson is a "live legacy in the making." Christopher Pierre Janson was born on April 2, 1986, in Perryville, Mo., moving to Nashville, Tenn., after graduating high school. Janson has recorded the albums, "Buy Me a Boat" (2016), with the title cut hitting No. 2 on the Billboard Hot Country Songs chart; "Everybody" (2017); "Real Friends" (2019), with "Good Vibes" and "Done" hitting No. 1 on the Country chart, and "All In" (2022). Janson co-wrote singles for Tim McGraw ("Truck Yeah," 2012), LoCash ("I Love This Life," 2015), Randy Houser and Hank Williams Jr. Tickets: box office, 325 Maury Road, Jim Thorpe.; www.ticketmaster.com; Ticketmaster: 800-745-3000. Information: 866-605-PEAK (7325); https://www.pennspeak.com/events/all

## Lehigh Valley Press Student Poetry Project accepting entries

Entries are now being accepted for the 18th annual award-winning Lehigh Valley Press Student Poetry Project.

In celebration of National Poetry Month in April, poems will be selected in each of the Elementary School, Middle School and High School categories. The first, second and third place selections in each category will be published in the April 26 and April 27 Focus section in the eight Lehigh Valley Press newspapers and on the website.

The student in each of the three categories whose poem is selected for publication on the front page of the Focus section may have his



or her photo published, with the permission of the student's parent or guardian, published in the Press Focus section.

Three writers of the first-place poems will be invited to read their poems and be interviewed on "Lehigh Valley Arts Salon," 6:30 p.m. - 7 p.m. April 24, WDIY, Lehigh Valley Community Radio, 88.1 FM, www.wdiy.org.

The entry guidelines:

1. The Student Poetry Project is open to

Lehigh Valley elementary school, middle school and high school public, parochial, private, charter, cyber and home-school students in the circulation areas of the Lehigh Valley Press newspapers: Salisbury Press, East Penn Press, Parkland Press, Northwestern Press, Whitehall-Coplay Press, Catasauqua Press, Northampton Press and Bethlehem Press.

2. Poems are to be submitted in PDF form and

should not exceed one page in length using a font no smaller than 10 point. No illustrations will be accepted.

3. On the same page as the poem, include student name, age, grade, school, district, telephone number and email of parent or guardian for contact information only. The phone number and email will not be published or shared. Poems missing this information may not be considered.

4. Each student may submit up to three poems, which must be his or her original composition. Each poem should be a separate entry. Individual poems should be at least 10 lines in

length. However, students may submit up to three shorter poems on a single theme with a title, on a single page. Single poems shorter than 10 lines will not be accepted.

5. E-mail poems and/or questions to George VanDoren, Student Poetry Project coordinator: georgevan@me.com

6. Hand-written or printed versions of poems may be mailed to or dropped off to: Student Poetry Project, care of Lehigh Valley Press, 1633 N. 26th St., Allentown, Pa. 18104. Teachers may submit multiple class poems in a single envelope as long as they are on separate pages and contain the required

student information.

7. Entries must be received (by U.S. Mail or email) by 5 p.m. March 15.

8. Permission of a parent or guardian is required for a student's photo to be taken and published in the Focus section in the Lehigh Valley Press newspapers and websites.

9. Copies of poems will not be returned.

10. For ideas on teaching poetry, go to: facebook.com/PoetryProjectContest/ Please follow the Poetry Project facebook page for a "Poem of the Week" and other information about poetry: https://www.facebook.com/PoetryProjectContest

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## Invitation to first party must be honored

Dear Jacquelyn,  
I made the mistake of accepting an invitation to a party that I would rather not attend. I only know the host and barely anyone else. I was invited to another party that I'd rather attend on the same date. How do I get out of going to the first party?

Dear Reader,  
Keep your promises, even if it takes extra effort, and do the right thing.

You really must go to the party for the invitation that you accepted first. Backing out of a social commitment happens, but to back out of one to go to something

better is not a good idea.

**RESPECTFULLY  
YOURS**

By Jacquelyn Youst



You definitely don't want to burn any bridges, and that might happen if "party one" finds out you cancelled to go to "party two." You've already made the commitment and you should follow through. Find some positive reasons to be at the party instead of focusing on the downside.

When you find yourself at a party where you don't know anyone, the easiest people

to start talking to are the ones who appear as lost as you do. You can find them by looking for folks who are standing by themselves, wandering around, or just staring blankly around the room like you are.

They'll likely welcome your advances, and feel as relieved as you will to be talking to someone else. And who knows? You might even meet someone you'll like well enough to enjoy a brief conversation.

The next time you find yourself at the receiving end of an invitation you are not sure you want to accept, give a response that has some wiggle room, like "I have to check, but I'll get back to you." If you

keep your commitment loose, the other party is not surprised or hurt if you can't make it.

In the future, you should always do your best to only commit to the things that you're truly excited about and are very certain you'll make good on. For now, show up, chat, laugh and have a wonderful time.

Respectfully Yours,  
Jacquelyn

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## Finding what you expect

I'm sharing again the two-sentence quote from a friend that continues to resonated with me.

"I know it's sometimes hard to believe the best. But isn't it better than believing the worst," he wrote.

I couldn't just gloss over that sentence and forget about it. It made me recognize something in myself that I didn't like.

For most of my life, I absolutely believed the best would come. I woke up so many times expecting something good to happen. And so much of the time, it did.

Each night in bed I tried to review my day looking for all the good that came to me that day.

Sometimes it was something as simple as a surprise phone call from a friend that had disappeared from my life.

There was always something good to recount.

A few months ago a relative told me when she gets up in the morning she often has a sense of dread that something bad would happen that day.

She asked me if I ever felt the same way.

I said no. I most often have the opposite experience. When I get up in the morning I honestly expect something good to happen. And so much of the time something good does come my way.

Lately that's no longer true. I've started to worry that something bad is coming.

I worry that I will get a bad jolt when my missing-in-action insurance company finally responds.

There's a reason for that fear. Each day on our local social media sites there are horror stories about the way insurance companies are only paying for a fraction of their hurricane damages.

I worry how I will pay to rebuild my home if that happens to me.

My daughter Andrea is chastising me about what she calls my newly acquired negative attitude.

"Read the stories," I tell her. "You'll see why I have sufficient cause to worry."

She's not buying it.

"You're worrying about worse case scenario. There is no reason to stress yourself out like that," she says.

Ahhh, there it is again. She questions why I'm fearing the worst instead of believing in the best.

From the time she was a little kid, Andrea always believed in the best happening.

We used to tell her she was extraordinarily lucky in big things and small ones. Whenever she put a coin in the bubble gum machine she got a prize.

I remember when she first applied for a photographer's job at the Philadelphia Daily News. I told her not to expect to be hired because major Philadelphia newspapers demanded five years experience. She only had two years.

"Someone has to get the job," she said. "Why not me?"

She expected the best and she got the job.

There's a well-known school of thought that says if we believe something will happen, it will.

It's not hokey. There's even a name for getting what you expect to happen.

**WARMEST  
REGARDS**

By Pattie Mihalik  
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It's called confirmation bias. Those who believe in it believe everything happens because of your expectations.

My hair dresser is a big proponent of that theory.

When COVID-19 was at its peak in our area and most people were wearing masks, Nicole refused to wear one.

For more than a year I stopped going to her salon. She has close body contact with so many people every day and I didn't want to take a chance.

Now that our area is no longer a COVID hotbed, I went back to Nicole's salon.

She reiterated her COVID beliefs.

"If you believe you won't get it, you won't," she says. "If you think you will, then you'll get COVID."

"People need to understand the power of the mind," she said. "Our beliefs become a self-fulfilling prophecy."

I believe in the power of the mind and I certainly believe in a self-fulfilling prophecy. But not in the same context as my beautician.

When I was doing my student teaching there was a boy who was shunned by his classmates. His teachers didn't expect much from him and he didn't expect much from himself.

I talked him into joining the student newspaper I was starting, believing I could help him.

I decided to do an experiment in self-fulfilling prophecy.

I picked George as staff photographer and trusted him with using my expensive Nikon camera. Other teachers called me "nuts."

By showing him I believed in him, George started to believe in himself. In turn, I gradually saw a difference in how other students treated him.

When George won the award for most improved student, his mother came to the awards ceremony. She told me it was the first time any of her children were applauded.

There are so many interesting theories about confirmation bias — believing something is true because we believe it is.

In the dating world, how many times do believe someone has so many sterling qualities. We think it's true because we believe it is.

With the passage of a little time, we often find it wasn't true.

The high divorce rate shows finding what we expect to find doesn't always lead to a positive outcome.

And yet, there are many times when it does.

I tend to believe in people.

I also believe in the goodness of people.

Start with that premise and see if you get what you expect.

I'd love to hear your stories.

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## Handle household products with caution

**Q. What do the warnings on the bottles under my kitchen sink mean? I find them confusing.**

Many of the household products we use contain poisons. These products include pesticides, oven cleaners, detergents, polish, paint and drain uncloggers.

Manufacturers use a high-medium-low system on labels to alert you to hazards. The following are brief descriptions:

**DANGER** means if the danger is not avoided, it will cause death or serious injury.

**WARNING** means if the warning is not heeded, it can cause death or serious injury.

**CAUTION** means if the precaution is not taken, it may cause minor or moderate injury.

If you have an emergency with a household product, here are some steps you can take. The order of the steps depends upon the severity of the problem. You can call 911 and the poison control center at 800-222-1222. Read the label for instructions and an emergency phone number.

The following are some general first-aid instructions:

\* If you get a poison onto your skin or in your eyes, rinse the affected area in the shower for at least 15 minutes.

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\* If you inhale toxic fumes, get to fresh air immediately.

\* If poison is swallowed, do not use an emetic medicine such as syrup of ipecac to induce vomiting. Doctors no longer recommend using these medicines because there is no evidence they prevent poisons from entering the bloodstream.

And now for some tips to prevent exposure to dangerous substances:

\* Don't keep flammable products in your home.

\* Check household products regularly for loose caps.

\* Keep products in their original containers. This prevents confusion and keeps the labels around for reference.

\* Don't store toxic household products near food or medicine.

\* Never throw these products in the trash cans where children can get to them. Call your local government to find out where you can dispose of these products properly.

The following is some information about the dangers in common household products:

\* Paint can irritate the eyes and skin. Paint fumes can give you headaches, nausea and dizziness.

\* Clothes detergents, if ingested, can cause nausea, vomiting, shock, convulsions and coma.

\* Ammonia fumes can irritate eyes and lungs. Never mix ammonia with chlorine bleach because the combination produces a potentially lethal gas.

\* Oven cleaners that contain lye can burn you and are potentially fatal if swallowed. Spray cleaners pose a threat to your lungs.

\* Toilet bowl cleaners rely on acids that can burn.

\* Mold removers can cause breathing problems.

\* Drain cleaners contain lye and sulfuric acid that can blind you if they splash in your eyes.

\* Carpet cleaners that contain perchloroethylene cause dizziness, sleepiness, nausea, loss of appetite and disorientation. Carpet cleaners that use naphthalene can damage your liver.

\* Furniture polish is an irritant that, if ingested, can cause nausea and vomiting.

\* Air fresheners contain chemicals that can irritate skin and eyes, cause fatal lung problems and brain damage. They can be highly-flammable, too.

\* Mothballs can cause headaches, dizziness, irritation, cataract formation and liver damage.

\* Weed-killers can irritate the eyes and skin, and cause vomiting and diarrhea.

\* Insect repellents can depress the central nervous system and cause forms of mental illness.

\* Rat killers contain warfarin, a blood-thinner. If you swallow a lot of it, it will create internal bleeding.

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## Tips for physical challenges of gardening

The physical benefits of working in the garden are a perfect complement to the rewards of creating a beautiful space or harvesting the freshest vegetables.

But the physical demands of garden work can become a challenge with age. If you find that challenge of creating the garden of your dreams no longer aligns with your body's reality, it's time to re-evaluate how you work in the garden and adapt to those changes.

**Abandon perfectionism:** Prioritize areas of your garden where you spend time or are ever-present views from inside your home. Re-think areas that you rarely see or use. Make conscious decisions about where the tended garden ends and either plant a border of easy-care shrubs or weed whack the space a couple of times a season.

**Be a realist:** Consider your time, budget and physical abilities. Your garden should be a pleasure, not a burden. It may mean eliminating areas you've tended in the past and turning them over to less labor-intensive plantings.

**Ask for help:** If you can afford a garden help-

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of large containers than many small pots.

**Plant shrubs:** Choose those that colonize and take over a bed in lieu of perennial plantings that require more time to maintain. Carefully chosen, shrubs can add interest the entire year. There are plants that will shrug off deer, drought and poor soil, filling space and adding interest without adding maintenance.

**Employ groundcovers:** Once you've planted shrubs, add groundcovers to complement them. A sunny hillside planted with junipers or ornamental grasses can be under-planted with moss phlox or sedum species. Each will battle erosion and look beautiful throughout the growing season.

**Work smarter, not harder:** Tools are bound to make chores easier in the garden. Look for kneelers and scooters if stooping and bending becomes a challenge. Extended or wider handles can make life easier for stiff backs or arthritic hands. Lightweight coiled or fabric hoses can make watering easier than lugging the older, heavier versions around the garden.

A proactive approach to meeting the challenges of age or physical changes can make your garden a pleasure, not a burden.

**Start your seedlings**

Plan to start your seeds indoors so they are at the correct stage of development to move outside after the last frost.

Wait another week before planting if the weatherman predicts frost at that time. Follow the instructions on the seed packet and use the calendar to figure out the sowing dates.

Always read the directions on the seed packet. Larger seeds, such as beans and corn, do best if you sow them directly in the garden.

Write the sowing date on each seed packet and group together with other packets having the same sowing time.

"Growing Green" is contributed by Diane Dorn, Lehigh County Extension Office Staff, and Master Gardeners. Information: Lehigh County Extension Office, 610-391-9840; Northampton County Extension Office, 610-813-6613.



## WILSON

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fast and put layers on top of layers." For him, oils take too long to dry. "I don't have that kind of patience," he admits.  
With almost 1,400 paintings completed to date, "painting for me is still a learning process," Willson says. "I don't think you ever finish that learning process."  
While most of the works on display are acrylic paintings, a few of Willson's landscape, portrait and dance photographic prints are in the exhibition. Willson has been a photographer for the Ballet Guild of the Lehigh Valley and Repertory Dance Theatre for more than 40 years.  
One of the portraits in the exhibition com-

bines photography with painting. "Dena" (2022; painting, photography on Giclee, 16 in. x 20 in.) is of a young woman photographed against a plain background while clothed in Renaissance-era garb. She holds a large jug. The background is a "Mona Lisa-ish" landscape rendered in acrylics. The images were combined digitally and printed with a canvas texture.  
"This is what I call a 'paintograph,' a combination of painting and photography," Willson says.  
Music is a large part of Willson's life. He began playing the drums at age 12. "Then I got into a band at 15 that had a Top 10 record," he says, noting that the rock group, The Shillings,

performed on television shows in Philadelphia and Boston.  
Willson has played drums and keyboards with bands for the last four decades. One of the groups, Steppin Out, performs a reunion concert every November in Godfrey Daniels, Bethlehem. Four new songs that Willson has written are available on Spotify.  
Willson's friend, fellow musician Dave Fry, refers to the photographer, fine artist and musician as "a Renaissance man."  
Willson, a 1967 graduate of William Allen High School, received a bachelor's degree from Kutztown University in fine art advertising in 1971. His studio is in a building that houses Dan's Camera City in

Allentown.  
The exhibition, co-curated by James A. DePietro and Richard Begbie, is sponsored by the Bethlehem Fine Arts Commission.  
"Preserving the Lehigh Valley in Art," through Feb. 13, Rotunda Gallery, Town Hall, 10 E. Church St., Bethlehem. Gallery hours: 8 a.m. - 4 p.m. Monday - Friday, Closed weekends and holidays. Information: <https://bfac-lv.org/rotunda-gallery-shows-2/>  
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## PSO returns with 'Winter Vivaldi'

The Pennsylvania Sinfonia Orchestra, with Paul Chou, Music Director, presents its annual "Winter Vivaldi" concert, 3 p.m. Feb. 5, Wesley Church, 2540 Center St., Bethlehem.  
Performing is the Sinfonia chamber ensemble and guest soloists Father Sean Duggan, piano; and Roger Isaacs, countertenor, and J.S. Bach, "Agnus Dei, Mass in B Minor"; J.S. Bach, "Erbarme dich, mein Gott, St. Matthew Passion"; J.C. Bach, "Ach, dass ich Wassers gnug hatte"; George Frideric Handel, "Ombra mai fu"; Roger Isaacs, countertenor, and J.S. Bach, "Piano Concerto in G minor, BWV 1058"; Father Sean Duggan, piano.  
The chamber ensemble is: Simon Maurer, violin, viola; Paul Chou, violin, viola; Inna Ezyerovich, violin; Stephani Bell, violin; Agnes Maurer, viola; Elizabeth Mendoza, cello; Ian Vos, bass; Rainer Beckmann, recorder, and Allan Birney, harpsichord.  
Tickets: at door; 610-434-7811; [www.etix.com](http://www.etix.com)  
Concert schedule: [www.PASinfonia.org](http://www.PASinfonia.org)

## 'GAMES'

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premiere as he goes from a designer behind-the-scenes to a performer onstage.  
"Games We Play," 8 p.m. Feb. 16-18, 23-25; 2 p.m. Feb. 19, 26. Tickets: 610-867-1689; <http://www.touchstone.org/>  
"Curtain Rises" is a column about the theater, stage shows, the actors in them and the directors and artists who make them happen. To request coverage, email: [Paul.Willistein@focuseditor.com](mailto:Paul.Willistein@focuseditor.com), [pwillistein@tnonline.com](mailto:pwillistein@tnonline.com).

playhouse.org/  
"Summer Lovin," 7 p.m. Fridays; 4, 7 p.m. Saturdays; 12:30 p.m. Sundays, through April 29, Pines Dinner Theatre, 448 N. 17th St., Allentown. 610-433-2333; <https://www.pinesdinnertheatre.com/>  
"Menopause the Musical," 7:30 p.m. Feb. 3, State Theatre, 453 Northampton St., Easton. 610-252-3132; <https://statetheatre.org/>  
"Games We Play," 8 p.m. Feb. 16-18, 23-25; 2 p.m. Feb. 19, 26, Touchstone Theatre, 321 E. Fourth St., Bethlehem. 610-867-1689; <http://www.touchstone.org/>  
"Hairspray," 2, 7:30 p.m. Feb. 18, State Theatre, 453 Northampton St., Easton. 610-252-3132; <https://statetheatre.org/>  
"Company the Musical," 7 p.m. Feb. 23-25, 2 p.m. Feb. 26, Samuels Theater, Cedar Crest College, 100 College Drive, Allentown. 610-740-3780; <https://www.cedarcrest.edu/academics/performing-arts/events.shtm>

"Dreamgirls," 7:30 p.m. Feb. 25, March 1-4; 2 p.m. Feb. 26, March 5, virtual, 10 a.m. March 4, Munopco Music Theatre, Scottish Rite Cathedral, 1533 Hamilton St., Allentown. 610-437-2441; <https://www.munopco.org/>  
"The Importance of Being Earnest," 8 p.m. Feb. 22-25, March 2-3; 2 p.m. Feb. 26, March 5; 9:45 a.m. Feb. 27, Main Stage, Labuda Center for the Performing Arts, DeSales University, 2755 Station Avenue, Center Valley. 610-282-3192. <https://www.desales.edu/news-events/act-1-productions>  
"Love + Information," 8 p.m. Feb. 23-25; 2 p.m. Feb. 26, Baker Theater, Muhlenberg

College, 2400 Chew St., Allentown. 484-664-3333; <https://www.muhlenberg.edu/academics/theatre-dance/>  
"Silent Sky," 7:30 p.m. Feb. 24-25, March 2-4, Feb. 26, Lehigh Department of Theater, Diamond Theater, Zoellner Arts Center, 420 E. Packer Avenue, Bethlehem. 610-740-3780. <https://theatre.cas.lehigh.edu>  
"Sister Act," 7:30 p.m. Feb. 24-25, March 3-4, 9-11; 2 p.m. Feb. 26, March 5, 12, Civic Theatre, 527 N. 19th St., Allentown. 610-432-8943; <https://civictheatre.com/>  
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From left: Puss in Boots (Antonio Banderas), Perrito (Harvey Guillén), Kitty Softpaws (Salma Hayek Pinault), "Puss in Boots: The Last Wish."

# 'Wish' fulfillment

**AT THE MOVIES**  
By Paul Willistein  
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"Puss in Boots: The Last Wish" is nominated for an animated feature film Oscar.

"Puss in Boots: The Last Wish" is a sequel to "Puss in Boots" (2014), a spinoff of the "Shrek" DreamWorks Animation franchise.

"Puss in Boots: The Last Wish" opens in the town of Del Mar. Puss (voiced by Antonio Banderas) battles The Sleeping Giant of Del Mar. After getting conked on the head by a church bell, Puss is in his last of a cat's nine lives.

A doctor urges Puss to retire from his swash-buckling ways. As he contemplates retirement, Puss encounters the Big Bad Wolf (Wagner Moura), who challenges him to a duel.

Puss hides out in a cat-rescue house run by Mama Luna (Da'Vine Joy Randolph). There, Puss befriends a therapy dog, Perrito (Harvey Guillén), disguised as a cat.

Goldilocks (Florence Pugh) and the Three Bears of Mama Bear (Olvia Colman), Papa Bear (Ray Winstone) and Baby Bear (Samson Kayo) track down Puss, who hears about the Wishing Star. Meanwhile, Big Jack Horner (John Mulaney) is also seeking the Wishing Star.

Puss wants to ask the Wishing Star for a longer life. That would help him make amends with his ex-girlfriend Kitty Softpaws (Salma Hayek Pinault).

Off they go into the Dark Forest. From then on, "Puss in Boots: The Last Wish" becomes a quest film with obstacles, adventures and battles along the way.

Antonio Banderas has the most memorable voice characterization as Puss. Florence Pugh is a hoot as Goldilocks. Harvey Guillén as Perrito the therapy dog is hilarious.

The director is Joel Crawford (director, "The Croods: A New Age," 2020) and co-director is Januel Mercado (theatrical movie directorial debut).

The animation in "Puss in Boots: The Last Wish" is a work of art. At times, it's as though the movie-goer is watching an impressionism painting in motion. The movie is worthy of an Oscar nomination for its animation alone.

"Puss in Boots: The Last Wish," MPAA rated PG (Parental Guidance Suggested: Some material may not be suitable for children.) for action, violence, rude humor language and some scary moments.; Genre: Animation, Adventure, Comedy. Run Time: 1 hr., 42 min.; Distributed by Universal Pictures.

**Theatrical Movie Domestic Box Office, Jan. 27-29:** "Avatar: The Way of Water" continued at No. 1 with \$15.7 million in 3,600 theaters, \$620.5 million, seven weeks. 2. "Puss in Boots: The Last Wish" stayed in place, \$10.6 million in 3,452 theaters, \$140.8 million, six weeks. 3. "A Man Called Otto" moved up two places, \$6.7 million in 3,957 theaters, \$46 million, five weeks. 4. "M3GAN" dropped one place, \$6.3 million

in 3,416 theaters, \$82.2 million, four weeks. 5. "Pathaan," \$5.9 million, 695 theaters, \$8.5 million since Jan. 25 opening. 6. "Missing" dropped two places, \$5.6 million in 3,025 theaters, \$17.5 million, two weeks. 7. "Plane" dropped one place, \$3.8 million in 2,850 theaters, \$25.3 million, three weeks. 8. "Infinity Pool," opening, \$2.7 million in 1,835 theaters. 9. "Left Behind: Rise of the Antichrist," \$2.3 million in 1,405 theaters, \$2.9 million since Jan. 26 opening. 10. "The Wandering Earth II," \$1.3 million in 142 theaters, opening Jan. 22.

Movie box office information from Box Office Mojo as of Jan. 29 is subject to change.

**Unreel, Feb. 3:** "80 for Brady," PG-13: Kyle Marvin directs Rita Moreno, Sally Field, Jane Fonda and Lily Tomlin in the comedy. Female friends attend the Super Bowl with the goal of meeting NFL quarterback Tom Brady.

"Knock at the Cabin," Rated R: M. Night Shyamalan directs Dave Bautista, Jonathan Groff and Ben Aldridge in the Horror film. A girl and her parents, taken hostage, must make a choice to avoid the apocalypse.

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- Austin Butler, "Elvis"
- Colin Farrell, "The Banshees of Inisherin"
- Brendan Fraser, "The Whale"
- Paul Mescal, "Aftersun"
- Bill Nighy, "Living"

### SUPPORTING ACTRESS

- Angela Bassett, "Black Panther: Wakanda Forever"
- Hong Chau, "The Whale"
- Kerry Condon, "The Banshees of Inisherin"
- Jamie Lee Curtis, "Everything Everywhere All at Once"
- Stephanie Hsu, "Everything Everywhere All at Once"

### LEAD ACTRESS

- Cate Blanchett, "Tár"
- Ana de Armas, "Blonde"
- Andrea Riseborough, "To Leslie"
- Michelle Williams, "The Fabelmans"
- Michelle Yeoh, "Everything Everywhere All at Once"

### DIRECTOR

- Martin McDonagh, "The Banshees of Inisherin"
- Daniel Kwan, Daniel Scheinert, "Everything Everywhere All at Once"
- Steven Spielberg, "The Fabelmans"
- Todd Field, "Tár"
- Ruben Östlund, "Triangle of Sadness"

### SUPPORTING ACTOR

- Brendan Gleeson, "The Banshees of Inisherin"
- Brian Tyree Henry, "Causeway"
- Judd Hirsch, "The Fabelmans"
- Barry Keoghan, "The Banshees of Inisherin"
- Ke Huy Quan, "Everything Everywhere All at Once"

### BEST PICTURE

- "All Quiet on the Western Front"
- "Avatar: The Way of Water"
- "The Banshees of Inisherin"
- "Elvis"
- "Everything Everywhere All at Once"
- "The Fabelmans"
- "Tár"
- "Top Gun: Maverick"
- "Triangle of Sadness"
- "Women Talking"

### ANIMATED FEATURE FILM

- "Guillermo del Toro's Pinocchio"
- "Marcel the Shell with Shoe"
- "Puss in Boots: The Last Wish"
- "The Sea Beast"
- "Turning Red"

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<p><b>BIBLE FELLOWSHIP</b></p> <p><b>WHITEHALL BIBLE FELLOWSHIP CHURCH</b> 3300 Seventh Street Whitehall, 610-434-8661 www.WhitehallBFC.org Timothy Schmoyer, Sr. Pastor 9 a.m. Sunday School 10:15a.m. Morning Worship 6 p.m. Bible Study</p>	<p><b>ZIEGELS LUTHERAN</b> 9990 Ziegels Church Road Breinigsville, PA 18031 Phone: 610-285-6157 www.ziegelschurch.org 8:30 a.m. Worship 10 a.m. Sunday School Online Worship on Facebook and YouTube Handicapped Accessible Rev. Andrew Meckstroth, Pastor</p>	<p><b>CONCORDIA LUTHERAN CHURCH</b> 2623 Brookside Rd., Macungie (Intersection of Sauerkraut Lane) Join Us Every Sunday! 8 &amp; 10:45 a.m. (Worship) 9:15 a.m. Fellowship 9:30 a.m. (Family Education) Rev. Wally Vinovskis 610-965-3265 Friendly People, Awesome God concordia-macungie.com</p>	<p><b>PRESBYTERIAN</b></p> <p><b>PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF CATASAUQUA</b> 210 Pine St. - 610-264-2595 9:30 a.m. Sunday School 10:45 a.m. Worship</p>	<p><b>CEDAR CHURCH</b> Better Together ELCA &amp; UCC 3419 Broadway, Allentown 610-395-6332 www.cedarunionchurch.com Rev. Candi Cain- Borgman 9:30 am Worship Service In Person or Facebook Live Friendly People - Serving Christ Come Join US!</p>	<p><b>ST. JOHN'S UCC MICKLEY'S</b> 2918 MacArthur Rd., Whitehall Int. MacArthur &amp; Eberhardt Rd. 610-821-8725 stjohnsuccmickleys.org Rev. Virginia Schlegel 10:30 a.m. Worship All Are Welcome Here!</p>	<p><b>ST. PETER'S LYNNVILLE UCC</b> 5129 Schochary Road New Tripoli, PA 610-298-8064 Worship 9:30 a.m. Handicapped Accessible All Welcome!</p>
<p><b>EPISCOPAL</b></p> <p><b>ST STEPHENS EPISCOPAL CHURCH</b> 3900 Mechanicsville Rd Whitehall PA 18052 610-435-3901 Email: saintste@ptd.net Rev. Jonathan Mayo www.saintste.com Service: Sundays, 11am Holy Eucharist Livestreamed on FB @ facebook.com/Whitehallepiscopal Handicap Accessible, All Welcome!</p>	<p><b>GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH</b> 28 W. Main St. Macungie In Person &amp; Livestream Worship 10:30 a.m. Adult Forum, 9:15 a.m. Handicap Accessible Air Conditioned Call church office for more info. Rev. Samantha Drennan 610-966-3325 www.gracemacungie.org</p>	<p><b>SHEPHERD OF THE HILLS LUTHERAN CHURCH</b> 4331 Main St., Whitehall 610-262-1600 Rev. James W. Schlegel Wheelchair accessible 8 a.m. Worship (Communion) 10:15 a.m. Worship (Communion) 8:50 a.m. Sunday School</p>	<p><b>PRESBYTERIAN (ECO)</b></p> <p><b>GRACE CHURCH BETHLEHEM</b> Worshipping at Bethlehem Catholic High School, 2133 Madison Ave., Bethlehem Rev. Dr. Marnie Crumpler, Sr. Pastor 8:30 a.m. Modern Worship 9:45 a.m. Classic Worship 11 a.m. Modern Worship Services all livestreamed at gracecb.org 610-333-5508</p>	<p><b>ST. PETER'S UNION CHURCH</b> 7863 St. Peters Road P.O. Box 147 Macungie, PA 18062-0147 (610) 966-3030 Rev. Dr. Paul Sorcek 9:00 a.m. Sunday Worship "Come to the Mountaintop ... and Refresh Your Faith</p>	<p><b>ST. JOHN'S UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST</b> 139 North Fourth St. Emmaus 610-965-9158 Pastor Rev. Dr. Paul Knappenberger 8 &amp; 10:30 a.m. Worship 9:15 Sunday School Tuesdays 6:30 p.m. Informal Worship</p>	<p><b>EMMANUEL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH</b> 2336 S. 9th Street Allentown, PA. 18103 610-797-1571 Pastor Lela Hartranft 9:15am Sunday Service Children's Sunday School TBA Preschool Tues-Thurs 9:15am-12:45pm https://www.facebook.com/ EUMALLENTOWN Eumcsec@gmail.com</p>
						<p><b>WESLEYAN</b></p> <p><b>FAITH WESLEYAN CHURCH</b> 3356 Route 309 Orefield PA 18069 610-398-0172 Rev. Brenda Smith Worship, 9:00 and 10:45 a.m. Adult, Youth &amp; Children's Ministries Handicap Accessible www.faihweschurch.org facebook.com/Faith- Wesleyan-Church-Orefield-PA</p>



## Rev. Stephen Emick retires from First Presbyterian Church of Allentown

CONTRIBUTED PHOTO

Rev. Stephen Emick, pastor for pastoral care at First Presbyterian Church of Allentown, 3231 W. Tilghman St., Allentown, retires Jan. 31 after 33 years of ordained ministry; 28 of which with First Presbyterian Church of Allentown. A celebration was held following the Jan. 22 service. Emick received a proclamation from Allentown Mayor Matthew Tuerk and Councilwoman Candidda Affa acknowledging Emick's many accomplishments and service within the community. In his message to the congregation, Emick said, "I cannot possibly express fully my deep appreciation and love for all of you and our congregation and for the privilege of serving as one of your pastors for the past 28 years. Thank you." Emick's plans include working on his hobby of model trains.



PUBLIC NOTICE BIDS WANTED

Sealed electronic bids will be received by the Lehigh County Schools Joint Purchasing Board, until 2:00 p.m., February 20, 2023, for the following: Science Supplies

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Upper Macungie Township Zoning Board of Adjustment will hold a public hearing on February 8th, 2023 at 6:30 P.M., at the Township Building, 8330 Schantz Road, Breinigsville 18031, to hear the following appeal: #02 23 002

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a public hearing will be held by the Lower Macungie Township Board of Commissioners on February 16, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. at the Lower Macungie Township Municipal Building, 3400 Brookside Road, Macungie, PA, on the conditional use application of Lower Macungie Mixed Use Development, LLC, who is seeking approval pursuant to Chapter 27, § 27-2412 and § 27-10C03 of the Township Zoning Code

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Salisbury Township Zoning Hearing Board will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, February 8, 2023 at 7:00 PM in the Township Municipal Building located at 2900 South Pike Ave, Allentown, PA 18103. The meeting will be held to hear the following cases: APPEAL NO. 23-0009 - 3425 EISENHOWER AVENUE

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Council of Hanover Township will hold a public meeting on February 15, 2023, at 7:00 p.m., in the Public Meeting Room of the Municipal Building, at 2202 Grove Road, Allentown, PA 18109, to hear the following conditional use appeal: CU # 1-2023 - Sysco Corporation Attn: Michael Schonberg - 20 Theodore Conrad Drive, Jersey City, NJ 07305. Location: 800 Willowbrook Road, Allentown, PA 18109, PIN 640942782479

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the Planning Commission of South Whitehall Township will meet in the Township Municipal Building located at 4444 Walbert Avenue, Allentown, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania, on Thursday February 16, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. for an agenda review, and at 7:30 p.m. for the purpose of conducting a public meeting to discuss the following, and any other business brought before the Board.

PUBLIC NOTICE NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING AND SPECIAL MEETING OF CATASAUQUA BOROUGH COUNCIL DATE: FEBRUARY 6, 2023 TIME: 7PM PLACE: 90 BRIDGE STREET, CATASAUQUA

PUBLIC NOTICE CATASAUQUA BOROUGH ZONING HEARING BOARD MEMBERS The Catasauqua Zoning Hearing Board will hear the following appeal on Tuesday, February 21, 2023 at 7:30 PM in the Municipal Complex, 90 Bridge Street, Catasauqua, PA 18032.

PUBLIC NOTICE - SOUTH WHITEHALL TOWNSHIP 2023 PENSION COMMITTEE PUBLIC MEETINGS NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, pursuant to Section 709(a) of the Pennsylvania Sunshine Act, 65 Pa.C.S.709(a), that the Pension Committee of South Whitehall Township, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania will hold regular public meetings as follows, commencing at 9:00-10:00 AM, prevailing time, identified as follows: Monday, February 6, 2023; Wednesday, April 26, 2023; Wednesday, July 26, 2023; and Wednesday, October 25, 2023.

PUBLIC NOTICE Pursuant to state law, the following is a list of occupants from the AIRPORT ROAD SELF STORAGE INC., 7249 Airport Road, Bath, PA 18014, who will have the contents of their respective space sold to satisfy the owner's lien.

King Classic Sudoku

9x9 grid for King Classic Sudoku with some numbers filled in: 7, 8, 8, 9, 6, 1, 3, 5, 1, 9, 7, 6, 4, 2, 3, 7, 3, 1, 2, 6, 9, 8, 4, 6, 4, 9, 3, 9, 3, 1, 8, 3, 7, 6, 1, 8, 6

Difficulty: ★★★ 2-1

Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once.

Answer to previous puzzle: 5 7 1 4 9 6 3 2 8, 2 3 8 7 5 1 4 9 6, 9 4 6 3 2 8 7 5 1, 3 8 2 1 7 5 6 4 9, 4 6 9 8 3 2 1 7 5, 7 1 5 6 4 9 8 3 2, 8 2 3 5 1 7 9 6 4, 6 9 4 2 8 3 5 1 7, 1 5 7 9 6 4 2 8 3

CRYPTOGRAM

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Today's Cryptoquip Clue: O equals H

See solutions on Page B8

PREMIER Crossword

NOT A SINGLE SPOT ACROSS

- 1 Hoover, e.g. 7 Hertz rival 12 Military vehicle for recon 20 Roma's place 21 Go into a major tizzy 22 Worth of a security at its face 23 Rare musical gift 25 Being filmed 26 Aug. follower 27 Feel awful 28 Tree's anchor 30 Sandbox toy 31 Elicitor of a rave review 39 Newton and Asimov 41 Beats of life 42 Klutzy sorts 43 Naiad or dryad 44 Plant swelling 46 Ben of "Zoolander" 49 Mint quality 54 "13th" director DuVernay 55 Styne of song 56 TV spots 57 Vaper's item 58 How-to unit 59 Catch sight of 60 Ostrich's kin 61 Big name in cosmetics 64 Big bees 66 Rainforests and such 69 Round one of the corners in Monopoly 72 Mets' div. 73 Vast span 74 Awful review 77 First-aid plant 78 Purplish berry 79 Derby, e.g. 80 Buffalo's county 81 Aladdin's monkey pal 82 Excellent etiquette 88 Wasn't penned up 90 Levi's, e.g. 91 Start 92 Singer Celine 93 Green sushi condiment 96 "M\*A\*S\*H" actor David Ogden 97 Famed Steelers play of 1972 102 Cole Porter's "— Love" 103 "I got — in Kalamazoo" 104 Toothpaste tube inits. 105 — kwon do 108 O.J. Simpson trial judge 111 Activity that will be unsuccessful when applied to this puzzle's theme? 117 Hans Christian — 118 JFK Library architect 119 The Beach Boys' "Help Me, —"

15x15 crossword grid with numbers indicating starting points for clues.

- 120 People giving rubdowns 121 Printer brand 122 Motto 123 German for "eight" 124 Design detail 125 — wrestling 126 Strategy 127 Quaint newspaper section 128 Primary 129 Dressed for night-night 130 IHOP topping 131 Result 132 — Moines 133 Autograph: Abbr. 134 All tied up 135 Sharp knocks 136 "You are not!" retort 137 Noble acts 138 "All booked up, sorry" 139 Model Tequila 140 Catch sight of 141 Liverpool loc. 142 Purple flower 143 — acid (fat substance) 144 Irish actor Stephen 145 Allowance 146 Sizable vase 147 Put to work 148 A single time 149 Sports sides 150 Early TV host Jack 151 "Dark Angel" star Jessica 152 Healthy intellects 153 Introducing 154 Broadcaster 155 Aeries, e.g. 156 Big primate 157 Clutch sitter 158 Film scorer Morricone 159 — Z (old Camaro) 160 List of options 161 Partly open 162 Newirth of "Cheers" 163 Nonclerical 164 "Me? Never!" 165 Husbands-to-be 166 Tots' haulers 167 — discount 168 Smartphone pic, often 169 Railing sites 170 Sunni's faith 171 Animated 2016 Disney film 172 After a time 173 Sup at home 174 Adobe Acrobat file 175 Forever — day 176 "Manhattan Beach" novelist Jennifer 177 Sooner than, poetically 178 Sch. in Terre Haute 179 Gig hookup 180 FedEx rival 181 Zodiac lion 182 Dallas Stars' org. 183 "Yabba dabba —!"



PUBLIC NOTICE

Trexlerstown Self Storage located at 1455 Trexlerstown Road, Macungie PA, 18062 intends to satisfy its Self Storage lien against contents of the following spaces for non-payment of Rent or other charges: Robert T James Leased Space #B307, Brienne Favier Lease Space #L1824, Schwana Griffin Leased Space #B532, Schwana Griffin Leased Space #B223, Michael J. Rebner Leased Space #K1713. The items will be sold online February 16th, 2023 at 11:00 a.m. at [www.StorageTreasures.com](http://www.StorageTreasures.com). The winner of the sale is subject to the terms and conditions of the website, preregistration to bid is required. The sale may be withdrawn at any time. Feb. 1, 8

PUBLIC NOTICE

**Storage Self Storage Lehigh Street, 1449 Lehigh Street, Allentown Pa 18103** intends to satisfy its Self Storage lien against contents of the following spaces for non-payment of Rent or other charges: **Anthony Santiago, leased space #1177; Alize Thomas, leased space #1039** The items will be sold online **February 16, 2023** at 11:00 a.m. at [www.StorageTreasures.com](http://www.StorageTreasures.com). The winner of the sale is subject to the terms and conditions of the website, preregistration to bid is required. The sale may be withdrawn at any time. Feb. 1, 8

**SOUTH WHITEHALL TOWNSHIP PUBLIC NOTICE**

Notice is hereby given that the **South Whitehall Township Board of Commissioners** will hold a **Special Meeting**, at the Township Municipal Building, located at 4444 Walbert Avenue, Allentown, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania on **Monday, February 6, 2023, at 5:00 p.m. Purpose of Meeting:** To conduct a scheduled interview of a candidate who submitted the SWT Volunteer Board Member Application form, in order to fill a current Zoning Hearing Board Alternate vacancy, which exists on the SWT Zoning Hearing Board. Please feel free to view this meeting from your computer, tablet or smartphone at: <https://meet.goto.com/567632125>. For more information, visit the Township website at [www.southwhitehall.com](http://www.southwhitehall.com).

THOMAS R. PETRUCCI  
Township Manager

Feb. 1

**PUBLIC NOTICE POLICE OFFICER**

The Borough of Macungie is accepting applications for the position of full time police officer. Applications may be obtained on the Borough's website or at Macungie Borough Hall, 21 Locust Street, Macungie, PA, Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Completed applications must be submitted to the Borough Manager, prior to 12:00 Noon on February 15, 2023, along with a fifty dollar (\$50.00) non-refundable application fee. Qualification requirements and benefit information may be obtained at Macungie Borough Hall. The physical agility testing will be given on Saturday, February 18, 2023, beginning at 9:00 a.m., at Macungie Memorial Park, 50 N. Poplar Street, Macungie, PA. The written examination will be administered on February 18, 2023, beginning at 12:00 p.m. at Macungie Institute, 510 E. Main Street, Macungie, PA. The Borough of Macungie is an equal opportunity employer.

John A. Brown  
Borough Manager  
Craig Finnerty, Chairperson  
Civil Service Commission

Feb. 1

**PUBLIC NOTICE SOUTH WHITEHALL TOWNSHIP**

Notice is hereby given that the Zoning Hearing Board of South Whitehall Township will conduct Public Hearings on **TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 2023, at 7:00 P.M.**, and **TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 2023, at 7:00 P.M.**, in the South Whitehall Township Municipal Building located at 4444 Walbert Ave, Allentown, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania, for the following zoning appeal: **ZHP-2022-10:** In the Case of Moyer Construction LLC, the Zoning Hearing Board will meet on **TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 2023, at 7:00 P.M.**, and **TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 2023, at 7:00 P.M.**, for the continuation of the hearing first held on December 01, 2022, in which Moyer Construction LLC will resume seeking a Favorable Interpretation from Section 350-23(b), Uses Not Specifically Listed, Similar Uses, which permits the Zoning Hearing Board to determine that a proposed Use is sufficiently similar in character and impact to that of a listed Use so that the proposed Use may be treated the same as the listed Use. The Applicant seeks a Favorable Interpretation pursuant to Section 350-23(b) that a Sober Living Residence is sufficiently similar in character and impact to an Assisted Living Residence which is a permitted Use in the R5 Zoning District. The subject property is located at 3599 Broadway and is zoned R5 Medium Density Residential District. Tax ID No. 548643493992 1. The above-referenced property is in South Whitehall Township, Lehigh County, PA. Copies of any plans, applications, and/or supporting documents that were submitted can be available for public inspection at the Township Building during normal business hours where they may be examined without charge or obtained for a charge not greater than the cost thereof (it is recommended that appointments be made in advance). All appellants, or their representative with legal standing, must attend. All objectors and interested parties are invited to attend and will have the opportunity to be heard. Feb. 1 8

**PUBLIC NOTICE TOWNSHIP OF WHITEHALL ZONING HEARING BOARD PUBLIC HEARING**

The specially scheduled meeting of the Whitehall Township Zoning Hearing Board will be held on **February 21, 2023, 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: **DOCKET # 2043 - Adam J. Shafnisky and Shannon M. Shafnisky** - 3425 N. Front Street, Whitehall, PA 18052. **Location: 3435 N. Front Street, Whitehall, PA 18052, PIN 549954618461**, the subject property is located in a R-5A High Density Residential Without Apartments Zoning District. Applicants are requesting to overrule the Zoning Officer's issuance of a Building Permit approved March 17, 2022 for new construction because the application listed the use as "Automobile Sales/Service" and that it was not a change in use. This is the third Hearing. **DOCKET #2047 - 3435 N. Front St, LLC**- 2909 Bridge Lane, Bethlehem, PA 18020. **Location: 3435 North Front Street, Whitehall, PA 18052, PIN 549954618461**, the subject property is located in a R-5A High Density Residential Without Apartments Zoning District. This is an Appeal from an Enforcement Notice. In the alternative, Applicant is requesting a Variance to section 27-87(A)(8) of the Zoning Ordinance to allow outdoor parking or storing of damaged or junked motor vehicles or parts thereof for more than 72 hours. Continued to this meeting with the consent of the Property Owner. **DOCKET # 2048 - Adam J. Shafnisky and Shannon M. Shafnisky** - 3425 N. Front Street, Whitehall, PA 18052. **Location: 3435 N. Front Street, Whitehall, PA 18052, PIN 549954618461**, the subject property is located in a R-5A High Density Residential Without Apartments Zoning District. Applicants are requesting to overrule the Zoning Officer's extension of a Building Permit. **DOCKET # 2049 - Robert J. and Kathleen F. Gancel** - 3794 Dogwood Drive, Whitehall, PA 18052. **Location: 3794 Dogwood Drive, Whitehall, PA 18052, PIN 549817284311**, the subject property is located in a R-4 Medium Density Residential Zoning District. This may be an Appeal from an Enforcement Notice. Applicants are requesting a Variance to Section 27-92 of the Zoning Ordinance to allow parking a commercial vehicle on a tract of land located in the R-4 Zoning District, and may be requesting Variances to Sections. 27-23 and 27-102(A)(3), (4), and (7) of the Zoning Ordinance to allow a home occupation without a Use Permit, with external characteristics or evidence of its existence, which is not conducted in the principal residential structure, and exhibits noise discernible beyond the property line. **DOCKET # 2050 - Solar Renewable Energy, LLC** - 4550 Lena Drive, Suite 201, Mechanicsburg, PA 17055. **Location: 4195 Scheldys Road, Whitehall, PA 18052, PIN 558010002139**, the subject property is located in a R-1 Very Low Density Residential Zoning District. Applicant is requesting a favorable interpretation that a proposed solar farm which will not be regulated by the Public Utility Commission is a permitted use as support infrastructure, or in the alternative a Special Exception Use approval pursuant to Section 27-63 of the Zoning Ordinance or a Use Variance to Section 27-62(A), a Variance from Section 27-89(A)(4) waiving the requirement for buffer strips and screening, a favorable interpretation that the proposed solar panels are not impervious, or in the alternative a Variance to Section 27-70(E)(5) to allow 59,146.5 square feet of impervious surface in addition to the proposed driveway and transformer pad which measurements cannot be determined from the application, where only 57,564.5 square feet are allowed. Copies of plans, applications and supporting documents are available for public inspection at the Township Municipal Building. Comments and questions may be submitted to [CGittinger@whitehall-township.com](mailto:CGittinger@whitehall-township.com). The decisions of the Township of Whitehall Zoning Hearing Board are made without regard to race, color, national origin, familial status, and disability status of the Applicant. The Whitehall Township Municipal Building is accessible to the physically handicapped. Any person that requires special assistance to understand the nature of the business conducted at the above meeting because of visual, hearing, or other impairment, is requested to contact the Zoning Officer at least five (5) days prior to the scheduled meeting to arrange for the necessary assistance. Applicants, and all interested parties **MUST** appear at this hearing to be considered. The Whitehall Township Zoning Hearing Board has an obligation to affirmatively further fair housing and to review all land use and zoning applications in accordance with federal civil rights statutes. This includes taking meaningful actions that overcome patterns of segregation and foster inclusive communities free from barriers that restrict access to opportunity based on protected characteristics. The Zoning Hearing Board, in its land use and zoning decisions, does not discriminate against persons based on race, color, national origin, religion, sex, disability, or familial status and reviews all land use and zoning applications in accordance with federal civil rights statutes. Public comments made on the basis of bias and stereotype concerning people within these protected classes will not be taken into consideration by the Zoning Hearing Board in its deliberations. Christopher W. Gittinger  
Zoning and Code Enforcement Officer  
Feb. 1, 8

PUBLIC NOTICE

**Notice of Self Storage Sale**  
Please take notice Nazareth Pike Self Storage 173 Nazareth Pike, Bethlehem, PA 18020 intends to hold a public sale to the highest bidder of the property stored by the following tenants at the storage facility. The sale will occur as an online auction via [www.storage-treasures.com](http://www.storage-treasures.com) on 2/21/2023 at 11:00am. Matthew Bodtmann unit #139; Aliyah Duffie unit #187; Elias Martinez unit #234; Jeremy Chupella unit #249; Christine Scott unit #306; Patricia Shores-Mazza unit #375; Nathanael Gordon unit #389; Eduardo Fernandez unit #439; Ethan Wescoe unit #492; Ida Lamberton unit #507; Francisco Pomaes unit #533. This sale may be withdrawn at any time without notice. Certain terms and conditions apply. Feb. 1, 8

PUBLIC NOTICE ESTATE NOTICE

Estate of **JENNIE CLARA TIFFANY** aka Jennie C. Tiffany, Deceased, late of the City of Allentown, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Letters of Administration, have been granted to the undersigned, who requests all persons having claims or demands against the estate of the decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the decedent to make payments without delay to:  
**PAMALA RIOVO WHEELER**  
Administrator  
c/o her attorney  
**JOHN M. ASHCRAFT, III, ESQUIRE**  
Address: 20 North 5th Street, Suite #1  
Emmaus, PA 18049-2406  
Jan. 25, Feb. 1, 8

PUBLIC NOTICE ESTATE REGISTRATION NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, in the Estate of the Decedent set forth below, the Register of Wills has granted Letters Testamentary to the person named. 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 executors or to their attorneys named below:  
Decedent: **Henry Stephen Rosenberger**  
Date of Death: December 11, 2022  
Late of: Bethlehem, Northampton County, Pennsylvania  
Executor: **Barry Jon Fell**  
c/o William W. Matz, Jr., Esquire  
211 W. Broad Street  
Bethlehem, PA 18018-5517  
William W. Matz, Jr., Esquire  
211 W. Broad Street  
Bethlehem, PA 18018-5517  
Attorney:  
Feb. 1, 8, 15

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Borough Council of the Borough of Alburtis, at its regular meeting to be held on Wednesday, February 8, 2023, commencing at 7:00 p.m. at the Alburtis Borough Hall, 260 Franklin Street, Alburtis, Pennsylvania 18011, will consider and may enact an ordinance entitled and summarized as follows:  
**AN ORDINANCE REVISING THE COMPENSATION OF THE BOROUGH MANAGER, CHANGING THE HOLIDAY RULES FOR THE SALARIED CHIEF OF POLICE TO CONFORM TO OTHER SALARIED EMPLOYEES, AND REVISING ORDINANCE REFERENCES TO BOROUGH MEDICAL PLANS TO CONFORM TO NAME CHANGES MADE BY CAPITAL BLUE CROSS.**  
Copies of the full text of the proposed ordinance may be examined or obtained at cost at the Alburtis Borough Hall at the address set forth above during regular business hours, or by making arrangements with the Borough Manager at 610-966-4777. The Alburtis Borough Hall is accessible to the disabled. Please contact the Borough Manager at 610-966-4777 to arrange for any accommodations for a disability.  
David G. Knerr, Esquire  
Solicitor  
Feb. 1

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Whitehall Township Legal & Legislative Committee will hold its next meeting on Wednesday, February 8, 2023, at 7:00 p.m. at the Whitehall Township Municipal Building, 3219 MacArthur Road, Whitehall, PA. Feb. 1

PUBLIC NOTICE ESTATE NOTICE

ESTATE OF Harry T. Deisroth, deceased, late of Macungie, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Letters Testamentary have been granted to the individual named below, who requests all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payment to:  
Amy D. Scott, Executrix  
c/o Eric R. Strauss, Esquire  
WORTH, MAGEE & FISHER, P.C.  
2610 Walbert Avenue  
Allentown, PA 18104  
Jan. 18, 25, Feb. 1

PUBLIC NOTICE ESTATE NOTICE

Estate of **DOROTHY E. ASHCRAFT** aka Dorothy Ashcraft, aka Dorothy Emily Ashcraft, Deceased, late of Lower Macungie Township, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Letters Testamentary, have been granted to the undersigned, who requests that all persons having claims or demands against the estate of the decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the decedent to make payments without delay to:  
**JOHN M. ASHCRAFT, III**  
Executor  
**JOHN M. ASHCRAFT, III, ESQUIRE**  
Attorney  
Address: 20 North 5th Street, Suite #1  
Emmaus, PA 18049-2406  
Jan. 18, 25, Feb. 1

PUBLIC NOTICE

ESTATE OF Harlan G. Wanamaker, deceased, late of Township of Weisenberg, Lehigh County, PA, Letters Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who requests all persons having claims or demands against the estate of the decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the decedent to make payments without delay to:  
**DEBRA A. GORE a/k/a DEBRA A. HUGHES AND TODD H. WANAMAKER, CO-EXECUTORS**  
c/o STEPHEN A. STRACK, ESQUIRE  
Steckel and Stopp LLC  
125 S. Walnut Street, Suite 210  
Slatington PA 18080  
Feb. 1, 8, 15

PUBLIC NOTICE ESTATE NOTICE

ESTATE OF **WILLIAM CLARK** a/k/a **WILLIAM J. CLARK**, Deceased, late of Whitehall, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Letters Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who requests all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to:  
**Stanley Mesuch, Executor**  
c/o David B. Schwartz, Esquire  
514 Fullerton Avenue, Suite 2  
Whitehall, PA 18052  
or to: **David B. Schwartz, Esquire**  
514 Fullerton Avenue, Suite 2  
Whitehall, PA 18052  
Jan. 25, Feb. 1, 8

PUBLIC NOTICE ESTATE NOTICE

Estate of **Michael J. Fink a/k/a Michael Fink**, deceased, late of Catasauqua, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Letters Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who requests all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to:  
**Thomas Alan Fink, Executor**  
c/o **Michael Ira Stump, Esquire**  
207 E. Main Street  
Suite 100  
Macungie, PA 18062  
or to his Attorney  
**Michael Ira Stump, Esquire**  
207 E. Main Street  
Suite 100  
Macungie, PA 18062  
Feb. 1, 8, 15

PUBLIC NOTICE MEETING NOTICE

The Borough of Emmaus Recreation and Entertainment Commission meetings will be held at 4:00PM via zoom on the **second Wednesday** of the month. This is an update to the previously advertised meeting schedules. The public is invited to attend.  
Meeting ID: 882 4890 3659  
Passcode: 718022  
February 8, 2023  
March 8, 2023  
April 12, 2023  
May 10, 2023  
Shane M. Pepe  
Borough Manager  
Feb. 1

June 14, 2023	October 11, 2023
July 12, 2023	November 8, 2023
August 9, 2023	December 13, 2023
September 13, 2023	

PUBLIC NOTICE

**BOROUGH OF EMMAUS HEATING OIL, KEROSENE, UNLEADED FUEL, DIESEL FUEL NOTICE TO BIDDERS**  
The Borough of Emmaus, Lehigh County, PA, will receive sealed bids for purchase of the following:  
3,000 gallons of Heating Oil per year - (9,000 gallons over 3 years)  
1,000 gallons of Kerosene per year - (3,000 gallons over 3 years)  
24,000 gallons of Unleaded Fuel per year - (72,000 gallons over 3 years)  
20,000 gallons of Diesel Fuel per year - (60,000 gallons over 3 years)  
Bids shall be made upon Bidder's Forms supplied by Emmaus Borough and must be in accordance with the Bid Specifications. Copies of the Bid Forms and Specifications can be obtained through the Borough Manager's office, located at the temporary Borough Hall, 420 S 10th Street, Emmaus PA 18049 at no cost of \$10.00 per set if mailed.  
Bids shall be labeled "Heating Oil, Kerosene, Unleaded Fuel, & Diesel Fuel" and must be received in the Borough Manager's Office by 10:30 A.M., Thursday, February 16, 2023, at which time the bids received will be publicly opened and read.  
Bids shall remain firm for a period of sixty (60) days.  
The Borough of Emmaus reserves the right to waive any informalities in, or to reject, any and all bids, and to enter into such a contract as may be deemed to be in the best interest of the Borough of Emmaus.  
Borough of Emmaus  
Shane M. Pepe  
Borough Manager  
Jan. 25, Feb. 1

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Whitehall Township Board of Commissioners will hold a Regular Public Meeting on Monday, February 13, 2023 in the Public Meeting Room of the Whitehall Township Municipal Building, 3219 MacArthur Road to discuss and take action on the below listed legislation.  
**ORDINANCES**  
1. BILL NO. 3-2023  
TITLE: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CERTAIN SECTIONS OF THE TRAFFIC IMPACT FEE REGULATIONS; BY ADOPTING A REVISED TRANSPORTATION SERVICE AREA MAP (Traffic Impact Advisory Committee)  
2. BILL NO. 4-2022  
TITLE: AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING THE SALARY OF THE TOWNSHIP MAYOR FOR THE YEARS, 2024, 2025, 2026, AND 2027 (ADMIN)  
3. BILL NO. 5-2023  
TITLE: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE PERSONNEL POLICIES AND PROCEDURES OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WHITEHALL AS CONTAINED IN CHAPTER I, PART 8 ARTICLE XXXVI OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES, SPECIFICALLY AS IT PERTAINS TO THE TOWNSHIP'S HARASSMENT POLICY (ADMINISTRATION)  
4. BILL NO. 6-2023  
TITLE: AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF A PROPOSAL FOR PROVIDING OPERATIONAL AND MAINTENANCE SERVICES FOR STREET LIGHTS FOR WHITEHALL TOWNSHIP, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 3.20 IN THE HOME RULE CHARTER WHICH REQUIRES AUTHORIZATION OF ACQUISITIONS IN EXCESS OF \$25,000 BY ORDINANCE. (PUBLIC WORKS)  
5. BILL NO. 7-2023  
TITLE: AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF A PROPOSAL FOR THE PURCHASE OF A 2023 FREIGHTLINER CAB AND CHASSIS TANDEM AXLE DUMP TRUCK FOR THE PUBLIC WORKS BUREAU OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WHITEHALL, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 3.20 OF THE HOME RULE CHARTER WHICH REQUIRES AUTHORIZATION OF ACQUISITIONS IN EXCESS OF \$25,000 BY ORDINANCE (PUBLIC WORKS)  
Copies of the full text of the proposed legislative items may be examined by any citizen in the Administration Office of the Township of Whitehall, PA, on any business day between 8:00 am and 4:00 p.m. The Whitehall Township Municipal Building is accessible to the physically handicapped. Assistance for the visually and/or hearing impaired is available upon request at least five (5) working days prior to this meeting.  
/s/Thomas Slonaker  
FOR THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
TOWNSHIP OF WHITEHALL  
Feb. 1

PUBLIC NOTICE ESTATE NOTICE

Estate of Barbara A. Roper, a/k/a Barbara W. Roper, deceased, late of Bethlehem, Northampton County, Pennsylvania. Letters Testamentary have been granted to Michael A. Santanasto, who requests that all persons having claims or demands against the Estate make known the same and all persons indebted to the decedent make payment without delay to: Santanasto Law, 210 E. Broad Street, Bethlehem, PA 18018. Jan. 18, 25, Feb. 1

PUBLIC NOTICE ESTATE NOTICE

Estate of Thomas A. Nemeth, deceased, late of Bethlehem, Northampton County, Pennsylvania. Letters Testamentary have been granted to Dino P. Cantelmi, who requests that all persons having claims or demands against the Estate make known the same and all persons indebted to the decedent make payment without delay to: Santanasto Law, 210 E. Broad Street, Bethlehem, PA 18018. Jan. 18, 25, Feb. 1

PUBLIC NOTICE ESTATE NOTICE

ESTATE OF **BERNARD A. BUHOSKY, a/k/a BERNARD BUHOSKY**  
PUBLIC NOTICE ESTATE OF **BERNARD A. BUHOSKY, a/k/a BERNARD BUHOSKY**, deceased, late of North Whitehall Township, Pennsylvania. Letters Testamentary have been granted to Susan M. Roth, who requests that all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payment without delay to: Susam M. Roth, Executrix c/o **CRAIG B. NEELY, Esq.**, 209 Main Street, Emmaus, PA 18049, 610-928-1188. Jan. 18, 25, Feb. 1

PUBLIC NOTICE

"Trust of Marion L. Bohunicky, late of the Township of Lehigh, County of Northampton, and Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.  
The Trustee, Brian Bohunicky, requests all persons having claims or demands against the Trust or the Settlor to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the Settlor to make payments without delay to Brian Bohunicky, Trustee, c/o 2045 Westgate Drive, Suite 404, Bethlehem, PA 18017; or Timothy J. Duckworth, Esquire, Mosebach, Funt, Dayton & Duckworth, P.C., 2045 Westgate Drive, Suite 404, Bethlehem, PA 18017." Jan. 18, 25 & Feb. 1

PUBLIC NOTICE

"Estate of Kathryn Contrino, Deceased, late of the Borough of Northampton, County of Northampton, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. Letters Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who requests all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to Dominic F. Contrino, Jr., Executor, c/o 2045 Westgate Drive, Suite 404, Bethlehem, PA 18017; or Timothy J. Duckworth, Esquire, Mosebach, Funt, Dayton & Duckworth, P.C., 2045 Westgate Drive, Suite 404, Bethlehem, PA 18017." Feb. 1, 8, 15

PUBLIC NOTICE ESTATE NOTICE

Estate of Emily I. Gress, Deceased, late of Emmaus, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Letters of Administration have been granted to the undersigned, who requests all persons having claims or demands against the estate of the decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the decedent to make payments without delay to:  
**Deborah E. Gress**  
Estate of Emily I. Gress  
c/o **Daniel K. McCarthy, Esquire**  
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**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
**ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING**  
**SALISBURY TOWNSHIP, LEHIGH COUNTY, PA**  
 The Salisbury Township Environmental Advisory Council meeting is Wednesday February 15, 2023 at 7:00 P.M. in the Municipal Building 2900 South Pike Avenue Allentown, PA 18103. Agenda items include Speaker Mr. Chris Kocher from Wildland Conservancy and various environmental concerns.  
 Feb. 1, 8

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
**ESTATE OF NANCY L. JOSEPH**, Deceased, late of Allentown Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Letters Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who request all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to:  
 Lance B. Joseph and Lisa L. Joseph, Co-Executors  
 c/o David B. Schwartz, Esquire  
 514 Fullerton Avenue, Suite 2  
 Whitehall, PA 18052  
 or to: David B. Schwartz, Esquire  
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**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
**ESTATE OF JOSEPH J. ONCHECK, JR.**, deceased, late of the Lehigh Township, Walnutport, Northampton County, Pennsylvania. Letters of Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who requests all persons having claims or demands against the estate of the decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the decedent to make payments without delay to:  
 Jennifer L. Hugo  
 c/o Keith W. Strohl, Esquire  
 Steckel and Stopp LLC  
 125 S. Walnut Street, Suite 210  
 Slatington, PA 18080  
 Jan. 25, Feb. 1, 8

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
**ESTATE OF Barbara J. Rice**, late of Emmaus, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Letters of Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who requests all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to Paul E. Rice, Executor, c/o The Roth Law Firm, P.O. 4355, Allentown, PA 18105 or his attorney, Robert B. Roth, Esquire, The Roth Law Firm, P.O. 4355, Allentown, PA 18105.  
 Jan. 18, 25, Feb. 1

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
**ESTATE NOTICE**  
**Estate of Honor Fulop**, late of Northampton, Northampton County, Pennsylvania. Letters Testamentary have been granted to Jeanie Smock, who requests all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to Jeanie Smock, c/o The Roth Law Firm, 123 N. 5th St., Allentown, PA 18102 or their Attorney, Larry R. Roth, Esquire, The Roth Law Firm, 123 N. 5th St., Allentown, PA 18102.  
 Jan. 18, 25, Feb. 1

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
**ESTATE NOTICE**  
**ESTATE OF JEFFREY T. TEETS**, deceased, late of Coplay Borough, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Letters Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who requests all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make payments without delay to:  
 Executor: Mary Ann Kneas  
 c/o David B. Shulman, Esquire  
 SHULMAN LAW OFFICE PC  
 419 Delaware Avenue  
 P.O. Box 157  
 Palmerton, PA 18071  
 Jan. 25, Feb. 1, 8

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
**ESTATE NOTICE**  
**ESTATE OF James F. Borneman**, deceased, late of 1034 Hawthorn Road, Salisbury Township, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Letters Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who requests all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to James F. Borneman, Jr. or Jeffrey S. Borneman, c/o The Roth Law Firm, 123 North Fifth Street, Allentown, PA 18102 or their attorney, Larry R. Roth, Esquire, The Roth Law Firm, 123 North Fifth Street, Allentown, PA 18102.  
 Jan. 18, 25, Feb. 1

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
**ESTATE NOTICE**  
**ESTATE OF Christel A. Benevento**, deceased, late of 2810 Windy Hill Road, Salisbury Township, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Letters of Administration have been granted to the undersigned, who requests all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to David M. Roth, Esquire, The Roth Law Firm, 123 North Fifth Street, Allentown, PA 18102 or his attorney, Robert B. Roth, Esquire, The Roth Law Firm, 123 North Fifth Street, Allentown, PA 18102.  
 Jan. 18, 25, Feb. 1

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
**ESTATE NOTICE**  
**ESTATE OF James J. Doherty, Jr.**, a/k/a **James Joseph Doherty, Jr.**, deceased, late of Salisbury Township, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Letters Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who requests all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to Rachel A. Oehmke, Executrix  
 c/o YOUNG & YOUNG  
 Rebecca M. Young, Esq.  
 Lia K. Snyder, Esq.  
 119 E. Main Street  
 Macungie, PA 18062  
 Or to her Attorney YOUNG & YOUNG  
 Rebecca M. Young, Esq.  
 Lia K. Snyder, Esq.  
 119 E. Main Street  
 Macungie, PA 18062  
 Jan. 25, Feb. 1, 8

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
**ESTATE NOTICE**  
**ESTATE OF Miriam L. Lapp**, deceased, late of Upper Macungie Township, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Letters Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who requests all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to Jennifer A. Lynn, Executrix  
 c/o YOUNG & YOUNG  
 Rebecca M. Young, Esq.  
 Lia K. Snyder, Esq.  
 119 E. Main Street  
 Macungie, PA 18062  
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**ESTATE NOTICE**  
**RAYMOND HARK**  
**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
**ESTATE OF Raymond Hark**, deceased, late of Emmaus Borough, Pennsylvania. Letters of Administration have been granted to Barbara Hark, who requests all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to:  
 Barbara Hark, Administrator, c/o CRAIG B. NEELY, Esq., 209 Main Street, Emmaus, PA 18049, 610-928-1188.  
 Jan. 18, 25, Feb. 1

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
 "Estate of Charles S. Inhoff, Deceased, late of Catasauqua, County of Lehigh, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. Letters Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who requests all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to Charles M. Inhoff, Executor, c/o 2045 Westgate Drive, Suite 404, Bethlehem, PA 18017; or Timothy J. Duckworth, Esquire, Mosebach, Funt, Dayton & Duckworth, P.C., 2045 Westgate Drive, Suite 404, Bethlehem, PA 18017."  
 Jan. 18, 25, Feb. 1

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
**ESTATE NOTICE**  
**ESTATE OF Walter H. Snyder, Sr.**, late of Germansville, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Letters Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who requests all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to Sharon L. Bagentose, or to Walter H. Snyder, Jr., Co-Executors, c/o The Roth Law Firm, 123 North Fifth Street, Allentown, PA 18102 or their attorney, David M. Roth, Esquire, The Roth Law Firm, 123 North Fifth Street, Allentown, PA 18102.  
 Jan. 18, 25, Feb. 1

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
**ESTATE NOTICE**  
**ESTATE OF Donald V. Seipt**, deceased, late of 95 Buttermilk Road, Williams Township, Northampton County, Pennsylvania. Letters of Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who requests all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to Kathryn B. Hlavaty, Donald A. Seipt, or William D. Seipt, c/o The Roth Law Firm, 123 North Fifth Street, Allentown, PA 18102 or his attorney, Robert B. Roth, Esquire, The Roth Law Firm, 123 North Fifth Street, Allentown, PA 18102.  
 Jan. 18, 25, Feb. 1

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
**ESTATE NOTICE**  
**Estate of Sherwood L. Albert, Sr.**, late of Nazareth, Northampton 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 known the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to Sherwood L. Albert, Jr., Executor, c/o The Roth Law Firm, P.O. 4355, Allentown, PA 18105 or his Attorney, Robert B. Roth, Esquire, The Roth Law Firm, P.O. 4355, Allentown, PA 18105.  
 Jan. 25, Feb. 1, 8

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
**ESTATE NOTICE**  
**Estate of Gloria L. Madtes**, late of Whitehall, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Letters Testamentary have been granted to Jeffrey D. Madtes, who requests all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to Jeffrey D. Madtes, c/o The Roth Law Firm, P.O. Box 4355, Allentown, PA 18105 or their Attorney, Larry R. Roth, Esquire, The Roth Law Firm, P.O. Box 4355, Allentown, PA 18105.  
 Jan. 18, 25, Feb. 1

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
**ESTATE NOTICE**  
**Estate of June Oleksa**, 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 known the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to Mark Oleksa, or to Carol Misus, Co-Executors, c/o The Roth Law Firm, 123 North Fifth Street, Allentown, PA 18102 or their attorney, David M. Roth, Esquire, The Roth Law Firm, 123 North Fifth Street, Allentown, PA 18102.  
 Jan. 18, 25, Feb. 1

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
**ESTATE NOTICE**  
**Estate of Kathryn M. Stauffer**, deceased, late of Macungie, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Letters Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who requests all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to:  
 Timothy S. Smith, Executor  
 c/o Emily A. Zettlemoyer  
 53 North Third Street, Emmaus, PA 18049  
 or to his attorney:  
 Emily A. Zettlemoyer, Esq.  
 53 North Third Street, Emmaus, PA 18049  
 Jan. 18, 25, Feb. 1

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
**ESTATE NOTICE**  
**Estate of STEPHEN J. HALABURA**, of Bethlehem, Northampton County, Pennsylvania 18018. LETTERS TESTAMENTARY been granted to the undersigned who requests all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of said Decedent to make known the same and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to:  
**Walter Haag - Executor**  
 c/o Joseph J. Velitsky, Esquire  
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 Feb. 1, 8, 15

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**Full-Time Public Works Employees**  
 The Borough of Emmaus is currently accepting applications for two full-time public works employees. In the first position, we are seeking laborers with skills relating to underground utility work, including but not limited to water and sewer operations, equipment operations, and other skillsets associated with municipal utilities. For the second position, we are seeking laborers in areas such as construction, carpentry, equipment operations, excavating, highway work, parks, and other work related to this position. Public Works employees are required to have a variety of different skills from a variety of different backgrounds. Municipal public works experience is a plus. Applications and more information can be obtained at the temporary Emmaus Town Hall, 420 S. 10th Street, Emmaus PA or by visiting www.borough.emmaus.pa.us. Pay ranges from \$16 to \$19 per hour DOQ. Deadline for submission of applications is due February 10, 2023, at 12:00 PM. EOE

**ENGINEERING**

Avago Technologies US Inc. has an opening in Breinigsville, PA for R&D Engineer Hardware (6199400) to design & characterization of high-speed Indium Phosphide-based optoelectronic devices. Ref job code & mail resume: HR (JO) 1320 Ridder Park Dr, San Jose CA 95131.

The Lehigh Valley Press has an immediate opening for a reliable **Sample Delivery Driver** to deliver samples to various neighborhoods in the Lehigh Valley area. Daytime hours vary and will not exceed 25hrs per week however all deliveries must be completed by 5PM. Must have a valid driver's license and good driving record. For more information and to apply please go to Employment Opportunities at www.pencor.com. EOE.

**Toddler Teacher Needed:**

There is a \$500 signing bonus and \$15 - \$16 hourly wage depending on education and experience. Five paid vacation days after ninety days. Paid holidays and two paid sick days from the start. Simple IRA is available, where the company matches 3%. No weekends or nights. Full or part time. Looking for a loving, energetic and organized person. Child care center is in Emmaus. Contact Jan at jansteltz@aol.com or 484-866-5070.

**Full-Time Paramedic/Supervisor**

The Borough of Emmaus has an immediate opening for several full-time Paramedic positions. Position starts at \$29.00 per hour with excellent benefits. Successful candidate shall be a Pennsylvania-licensed paramedic or PHRN and shall have all updated certifications at the time of hire. Candidate shall have a valid PA driver license, HAZMAT Awareness Operations course, EVOIC, at least two years' active, documented experience as an EMT, one year as a paramedic, or an equivalent combination. The Borough is also hiring a potential Supervisor position within the Ambulance Department. The Lieutenant position shall be a line supervisory position, assisting the Chief with different management functions of the department. Starting salary is \$32.00 per hour. Job description and application can be found at www.borough.emmaus.pa.us or at Emmaus Town Hall, 420 S. 10th Street, Emmaus, PA 18049. Application deadline is 12:00 PM on Wednesday, February 22, 2023. Include copies of all certifications and background checks with application. EOE.

**Part-Time Public Works Employees**

The Borough of Emmaus is currently accepting applications for several part-time public works employees. We are seeking laborers in areas such as construction, carpentry, equipment operations, excavating, highway work, parks, and other work related to this position. Public Works employees are required to have a variety of different skills from a variety of different backgrounds. Municipal public works experience is a plus. Applications and more information can be obtained at the temporary Emmaus Town Hall, 420 S. 10th Street, Emmaus PA or by visiting www.borough.emmaus.pa.us. Pay ranges from \$16 to \$19 per hour DOQ. Deadline for submission of applications is due February 10, 2023, at 12:00 PM. EOE

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