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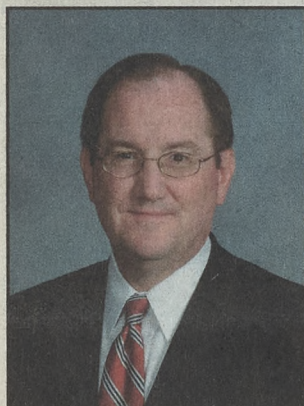
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All nine members of the Bethlehem Area School Board signed a letter in response to negative remarks about Superintendent Dr. Joseph Roy.

## Board members support

### Supt. Roy

Preliminary district budget unveiled

BY THERESA O'BRIEN  
Special to the Bethlehem Press

**B**ethlehem Area School Board members addressed a recent controversy around charter schools and race at their Dec. 16 meeting.

On Dec. 5, BASD hosted a press conference to discuss charter reforms. A reporter from another media outlet asked why parents choose charter schools, and Superintendent Dr. Joseph Roy's response included a long list of items, including a longer school day and busing. The last item Roy mentioned was that some parents may choose charter schools to avoid having their children attend school with students from other races or from poverty backgrounds.

"The fact is, when an uncomfortable topic is raised," BASD Board President Mike Faccinetto said, "we often hear these reactions."

Faccinetto asserted that "if poverty and race were not factors" in some families' opting for charter school, there would not have been any outcry.

Faccinetto read a statement signed by all nine members of the school board in response both to the charter school lobby's reaction to the press conference and to negative remarks

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PRESS PHOTOS BY MARK KIRLIN

One of the popular areas for residents and tourists alike is located near the Bethlehem Area Public Library and the Moravian Historic District. This home prominently features Luminaria kits along with festive holiday decorations.

## NEW BETHANY MINISTRIES Luminaria Night

### Holiday event reaches \$1M milestone

**T**housands of residents throughout the city lit up the night Dec. 15 with candles for a special holiday tradition; Bethlehem's 22nd annual Luminaria Night. The event was originally

scheduled for Saturday but was rescheduled to Sunday due to inclement weather. This year, New Bethany Ministries celebrates a milestone of \$1 million total raised during the event. The organization

uses the money from the sale of luminaria candle kits for programs aiding the poor, hungry, and homeless in Bethlehem and throughout the Lehigh Valley.



Luminaria kits are \$10 each and include 10 smaller bags, 10 candles and cups to hold the candles and provided sand.



Homes with luminaria candles lit along Church Street, with the city's Christmas tree in the background. More photos on page A2.

**PEOPLE SAY**  
BY DANA GRUBB

"What is your favorite holiday song?"



"I like 'Silver Bells.'" **Mary Ann Slutter**  
Nazareth



"'White Christmas' by Bing Crosby." **Ann Stigall**  
Keokuk, Iowa

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"'Have Yourself a Merry Little Christmas' by Brett Eldredge."  
**Annie Kline**  
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"'Little Drummer Boy' by Bing Crosby and David Bowie."  
**Theresa Kline**  
Mountaintop



"'Mary Did You Know' by Wynona Judd."  
**Suzanne Modrovsky**  
Mountaintop



"'Friendly Beasts' by Garth Brooks."  
**Catie Noble**  
Mountaintop



**Above:** One popular neighborhood to see luminaria lights is the Edgeboro section of Bethlehem. Residents from Bethlehem and surrounding areas drove throughout the city to enjoy the Luminaria.



**New Bethany Ministries' Luminaria Night 2019**

PRESS PHOTOS BY MARK KIRLIN

**Left:** Market Street residents were in holiday spirit as they lined luminaria kits all along the street for passersby to enjoy. Last year, 4,200 homes lit up for the event.

**BASD**

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about Dr. Roy made after the press conference by Saucon Valley SD Board President Dr. Shamim Pakzad.

"Sadly, the charter lobby has used this to distract from the [...] serious funding concerns we're raising. All nine members of this board stand behind Dr. Roy and his comments," the statement read, going on to assert that "denying that poverty and race are one of many reasons parents choose charter schools" is "troubling and frankly unacceptable," and that Pakzad's use of his public position to air "personal grievances" was inappropriate.

In other business, board members handled several appointments at their Dec. 16 meeting, along with a few financial matters, as well as presenting the district's tentative preliminary budget for 2020-2021. The district projects slightly more than \$300 million in revenue and just over \$311 million in expenses for next school year, leaving a gap of nearly \$11 million. Pension costs (PSERS) account for \$1.77 million, and payouts to charter school are anticipated to be more than \$1.6 million.

Highlights of the budget include expanded behavioral and mental health services, as well as additional funding for summer programs supporting the district's Reading by Grade 3 initiative. District CFO

Stacy Gober noted that revenue is anticipated to increase 3.17 percent, due in part to the expiration of the BethWorks TIF.

The board plans to vote on the preliminary budget Jan. 21, with a tentative final budget presented May 4, and a final budget adopted June 15. Although the district might not want to raise taxes more than the 3.2 percent cap imposed by Pa. Act 1, the board plans to apply for an Act 1 exception (based on special education spending) to remain flexible in light of variable state funding.

Dr. Dean Donaher and Shannon Patrick were appointed as trustee and alternate trustee, respectively, to the BASD Employee Benefit Trust, created in 2011 to self-insure district employees. They will fill the spots left vacant by Eugene McKeon's resignation and Tom Thomasik's retirement.

The board also approved the transfer of \$5 million from the General Fund to the Capital Reserve for future capital improvements, and the commitment of \$4.5 million from the Self-Insurance Fund for future fees and penalties related to the Affordable Care Act. Within the General Fund, the board assigned \$4 million of the balance in the General Fund for Pa. State Employees Retirement System (PSERS) rate stabilization and just over \$4.8 million to balance the 2019-20 budget. All measures passed by a vote of 9-0.



**In addition to** residents, many businesses participated in this year's event. One such business was the Cantelmi Long Funeral Home.



**Another image** from the Edgeboro neighborhood shows luminaria kits lining the streets. According to New Bethany Ministries literature, "Luminaries are a symbol of unity and caring for those less fortunate."



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**Newly hired BASD Business Manager** Frank Pearn chats before the meeting with Assistant Business Manager Dawn Young. Pearn was formerly the assistant business manager in the Parkland SD.

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**Bethlehem Farmer's Market,** Northampton Community College: 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Wednesdays, Laub Lounge, College Center/ Quad; 3835 Green Pond Road. Visit [www.northampton.edu/news/ncc-events-calendar.htm#eventfarmers-market-at-ncc-wednesdays-year-round](http://www.northampton.edu/news/ncc-events-calendar.htm#eventfarmers-market-at-ncc-wednesdays-year-round)

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Friday, December 27

**Teen Smash Bros Ultimate** gaming tournament for grades six to 12, 2 to 5 p.m. Register at the door the day of the event (in the Youth Department-second floor). Bring your Nintendo Switch or other compatible controller. Other games and gaming systems will be available for free play. Snacks will be provided. Main library, 11 W. Church St. Visit [www.bapl.org](http://www.bapl.org).

Monday, December 30

**YWCA presents "The Araboolies of Liberty Street,"** 11 a.m. to noon. Story, then craft a wacky and colorful neighborhood inspired by the book. Recommended for children in grades K – six. No registration is required. Main library, 11 W. Church St. Visit [www.bapl.org/events/ywca-presents-anytime-stories-for-rebel-girls-at-main/](http://www.bapl.org/events/ywca-presents-anytime-stories-for-rebel-girls-at-main/)



PRESS PHOTO BY CAROLE GORNEY

The 12-member Broughal Carolers from the South Bethlehem middle school entertain with seasonal music. Singers in the front row are Tula Sabrinski, Ingid Espinoza, Candace Greene, Kiara Galarza, Michelle Nunez, Emma Martin and Rosalie Henry. In the back row are Noelle Facey, Kritzic Diaz Rivera, Elijah Kovar, Ethan Seixas, Elijah Young, and the group's teacher and director Amy Potlock. She recently was named the Linny Award Educator of the Year.

# Kicking the soccer ball toward the goal

## State school support director lauds Broughal's progress

In June, Bethlehem Area School District administrators selected Broughal MS for a Comprehensive Support & Improvement (CSI) plan, based on the school's three-year average of math and English Language Arts (ELA) scores on the Pennsylvania System of School Assessment (PSSA) tests administered annually to eighth-graders. Broughal's CSI plan, using \$545,000 of Title I federal funds, encompasses three main areas: culture and mindset; instruction and assessment; and professional development. Today's final installment about the CSI plan looks at the results from the school's first-quarter ELA and math assessments, with additional commentary from Dr. Rosemary Hughes, director of school support at the Pa. Dept. of Education (PDE).

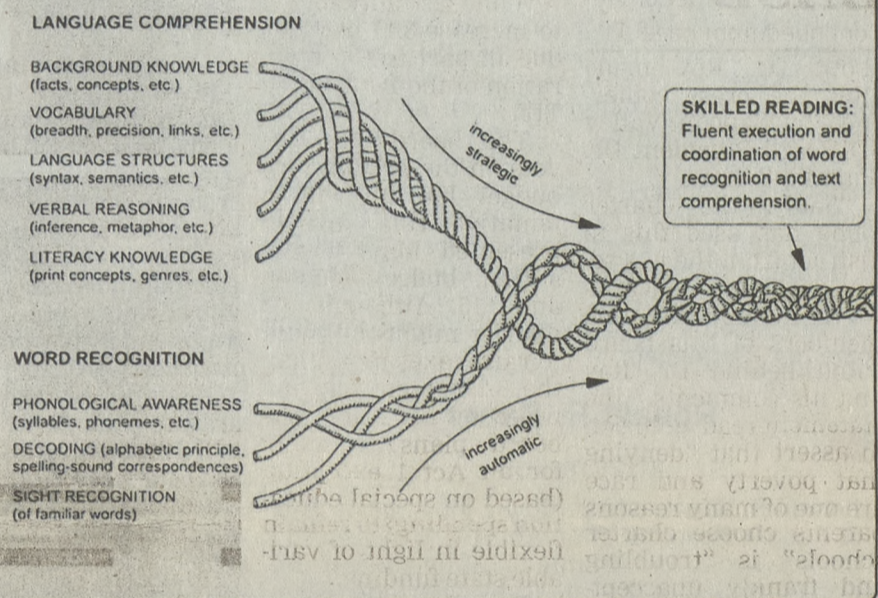
South Side STRONG Part 4

BASD has a commitment to share quarterly results with the Pa. Department of Education. These quarterly reports show whether Broughal has met the quarterly goals set during the summer, as well as describing barriers to achieving these goals. For this final article in the series on Broughal, the district shared its entire quarterly report to the PDE.

BY THERESA O'BRIEN  
Special to the Bethlehem Press

Broughal did not meet all of its milestones for the first quarter. However, where a goal was not met, barriers that stood in the way have been identified and addressed. Principal Rick Amato and his teachers gather and assess data at least weekly to change what's not working and expand on what is working, to reach the school's goals. "There are three quarterly routines that we have to monitor," Amato explains. The state wants ELA curriculum supervisor Kim Harper, math curriculum supervisor Mark James, grant administrator Jodi Frankelli, PDE regional supervisor Dr. Elizabeth Shotwell, Superintendent Dr. Joseph Roy, Chief Academic Officer Dr. Jack Silva, and Amato to sit down as a group to assess progress. "The state has built a mechanism to say that the old school way of corrective action is not the

THE MANY STRANDS THAT ARE WOVEN INTO SKILLED READING



The "reading rope" created by education researcher Dr. Hollis Scarborough illustrates the interconnectedness of the many individual skills necessary for fluent reading. Principal Rick Amato and his team face challenges in remediating skill gaps that have accumulated over years. BASD elementary students currently participate in a program called "Reading by Grade 3" that focuses on developing these skills, but the program was not available when today's Broughal students were in elementary schools.



PRESS PHOTOS BY THERESA O'BRIEN

Two of Amy Potlock's sixth-graders set up the electronic musical instruments they made as part of a Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Math (STEAM) initiative. Educators from DaVinci Science Center worked with the students to prepare for a demonstration open to the public.

In contrast to administrators tempted to resort to a "quick fix" to get out of corrective action, BASD and Broughal are building professional capabilities that will continue to deliver what students need, long after test scores have improved.

way anymore," Amato continues. "It's about 'Are you meeting your benchmark goals?' and 'How can we help?'"

Becoming data-driven

Being data-driven often sounds like jargon, but it's a meaningful term for a school in corrective action. One of the priority statements the state education department gave Broughal to guide its efforts instructs the school to "align curriculum, assessments, and instruction to the Pa. standards." As with every Pa. priority statement, the Broughal team created two goals – one for ELA and one for math – for this overall objective, with quarterly milestones to be met.

In order to teach all students grade-level material – without "dumbing it down" – teachers in ELA and math first had to gather data on what has been holding their students back from accessing grade-level materials. According to Amato, the children at Broughal are just as intelligent and cognitively capable as their peers at other middle schools, but they have skill gaps that needed to be identified, and then remediated.

Meeting the ELA quarterly milestone ("50 percent of teachers will use literacy strategies across the content areas by Sept. 30") was hampered by delayed access to the ELA professional

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## MEETING BOARD

Wednesday, December 25

**Christmas Day:** Most municipal and government offices closed.

Thursday, December 26

**Hanover NorCo Zoning Hearing Board** (as needed), time TBA. 3630 Jacksonville Road.

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## GRADUATIONS

Misericordia University

Lindsay Brantingson, of Bethlehem, earned a degree in physical therapy, DPT and participated in the Misericordia University winter commencement ceremony Dec. 15.

Misericordia University is located 301 Lake St., Dallas, 18612. For information, visit [www.misericordia.ed](http://www.misericordia.ed).

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**Dr. Robert L. Stull**

hospital staff physician



Dr. Robert L. Stull, 74, of Bethlehem, died Nov. 30, 2019, while under the care of St. Luke's Hospice House. Born in Allentown, he was a son of the late Archie R. and Veronica M. (Hajdinyak) Stull. He was the husband of Deborah (Collier) Stull for 50 years.

He was a 1963 graduate of Bethlehem Catholic HS, a 1968 graduate of Temple University School of Pharmacy and a 1978 graduate of the Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine.

He was a pharmacist and a doctor. For more than 40 years, he treated patients from his medical practice in Hellertown. During that time, he was on staff at St. Luke's Hospital and Lehigh Valley Hospital. He was a member of the American Osteopathic Association, the Pennsylvania Osteopathic Medical Association and the Pennsylvania Osteopathic Family Physicians Society.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by two daughters, Kristen Garza and her husband Matthew and Megan Anne Stull and her husband Gregory Hoobler; a sister, Rose Ann Ruth and her husband Edward; a nephew/godson, Brian Ruth; and two grandchildren, Abby and Robert.

Contributions may be made to St. Luke's Hospice Development Office, 800 Ostrum St., Fountain Hill, 18015; or to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, Tenn. 38105.

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**Pedro J. Quinones**

worked at Safe Harbor



Pedro J. Quinones, 77, of Bethlehem, died suddenly on Dec. 1, 2019, in Lehigh Valley Hospital - Muhlenberg. Born in Caguas, Puerto Rico, he was a son of the late Jose and Maria (Santabria) Quinones. He was the husband of Candida (Reyes) Quinones for 59 years.

He was retired. He had additionally worked with the homeless for 25 years at Safe Harbor Shelter, Easton.

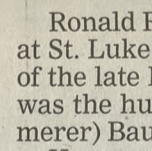
He was an active parishioner of Holy Infancy R. C. Church, Bethlehem.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by four daughters, Sandra Quinones of Brooklyn, Evelyn Quinones of New Jersey and twins, Wanda Roldan and Wilma Quinones, both of Brooklyn; four brothers; one sister; eight grandchildren, Erica I. Gonzalez, Wilmalyn G. Silva, Alexander P. Hernandez, Candida I. Roman, Scarlett N. Roldan, David N. Silva Jr., Edwin X. Roldan and Leah M. Sandler; and four great-grandchildren, Gabriella M. Hazoury, Tabitha M. Brown, Bella M. Roman and Janelle M. Brown.

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**Ronald R. Bauer**

AT&amp;T retiree



Ronald R. Bauer, of Allentown, died Dec. 2, 2019, at St. Luke's Hospital, Fountain Hill. He was a son of the late Leo J. and Minnie L. (Miller) Bauer. He was the husband of the late Ruby Charlotte (Kemerer) Bauer.

He was a Central Catholic HS graduate. He was in the United States Army during the Korean War.

He was employed by Bell Telephone and retired from AT & T, Long Lines, after 30 years. He was an Avon representative for more than 40 years.

He flew his own airplane.

He is survived by a daughter, Veronica Stauffer; three sons, Robert P. and his wife Darlene, Richard P. and his wife Debra and John P.; a brother, Leo Bauer; five grandchildren: Laurie Ryden, Nicole Becker, Richard Bauer Jr., Robert Bauer Jr. and his wife Tanya and Kristy Cressman and her husband Justin; and seven great-grandchildren, Jacquelyn Sanchez and her husband Justin, Rebecca Ryden, Makenzie Cressman, Hunter Berman, Catherine Becker, Avery Bauer, Jakob Cressman and Parker Bauer.

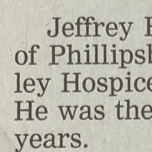
He was predeceased by a son, Ronald R. Bauer II; and two sisters, Geraldine Galowitch and Thelma Bauer.

Contributions may be made to Keystone Warriors, 16 E. Noble Ave., Shoemakersville, Pa. 19555.

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**Jeffrey H. Russ**

owned Fossil's Last Stand



Jeffrey H. Russ, 77, of Allentown and formerly of Phillipsburg, died Dec. 9, 2019, in Lehigh Valley Hospice, Lehigh Valley Hospital, Cedar Crest. He was the husband of Janice (Ahart) Russ for 54 years.

Born in Bridgeton, New Jersey, he was a son of the late Erwin and Gladys (Miller) Russ.

He was in the United States Navy.

He was a bartender and owned E. Goepf Street Saloon, Bethlehem, and Fossils Last Stand, Catawauqua.

He was a member of Saints Philip and James Catholic Church, Phillipsburg, New Jersey.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by three daughters, Jennifer Russ in South Carolina, Jackie Russ of Allentown and Jessica Russ of Whitehall; a brother, Leigh Russ (wife, Maureen) of Jamesburg, New Jersey; and eight grandchildren.

He was predeceased by a son, Jeffrey J.

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**GOAL**

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development program. Although Broughal implemented StudySync, an ELA curriculum aligned to Pa. standards, at the start of the school year, "Keys to Literacy" training for teachers did not take place until Oct. 14, which means that Broughal staff did not learn how to use comprehension routines until after the Sept. 30 quarterly milestone deadline.

"I don't mind saying that we didn't meet a goal, if I can explain why we didn't meet it - the training started late - and report that we're on track now," Amato says. He and his team recognized the challenge they faced, and stepped up the use of the ELA instructional tools by incorporating some training into the regular "data meetings" with teachers.

In math, Broughal met its quarterly milestone, despite delays in receiving the Swivl teacher-recording cameras ordered by the district. Math consultant Jason Adair lent the school several Swivl devices to be used until the new ones arrived. Instructor Heather Newhard, who has been working on data analysis at Broughal, worked with the math teachers to develop strategies for holding students accountable to math norms, which are clearly posted in every math classroom.

**Using instructor-level data to drive math improvement**

The second PDE priority statement directs Broughal faculty to "use a variety of assessments [...] to monitor student learning and make adjustments to programs and instructional practices." Although all students did not demonstrate 25-point growth on IXL math diagnostic assessments by Sept. 30 - the school's quarterly milestone goal - many students did, and the team used the data from IXL to figure out why.

When the math teachers were trained on the use of IXL in August, they were told that the best way for students to improve their skills (and their scores) was to spend 15 minutes a day, one day a week, in the tool's "diagnostic arena." Most of the teachers employed this strategy for the first three weeks of school, with disappointing progress.

Amato and his team turned to the data to find out why. Teacher-level data from IXL revealed that some teachers

- Christina Isernia, Michael O'Connell, and Michael Weiss - had better results than others. These teachers had taken a slightly different approach, having their students work on yellow-flagged "recommended skills" in IXL first, and only attempting the diagnostic arena problems once they had resolved their individual issues with the flagged skills. (In Part III of this series, we heard from one parent that her son voluntarily spends considerable time at home working on IXL problem sets, encouraged by one of his favorite teachers. Without realizing it, this student was one of the early beneficiaries of a positively differentiated approach.)

After learning this best practice from the teachers who initiated it, the other math teachers have incorporated it into their classroom routines, and Amato anticipates meeting the Jan. 3, 2020, milestone goal and reporting improved data to the PDE for the second quarterly report.

"Now our growth is much better," he says. "We're constantly checking it - all the time."



Two violinists prepare for the Dec. 11 holiday concert at Broughal MS.

Amato says he's hoping to get some help from IXL Learning, the company that offers the math assessment tool, in pulling effective reports more efficiently. He explains that much of the analysis was performed in Microsoft Excel by Newhard, using exported IXL data. Amato asserts that all schools using IXL would benefit from improved data analysis within the tool, and he plans to work with the vendor to encourage the incorporation of this type of functionality.

**First quarterly ELA goal met**

Broughal met its first quarterly milestone for ELA, administering the beginning-of-year benchmark to all students to determine the level of support needed by each student. This initial goal is the first step in accomplishing the end-of-year goal of decreasing the number of students needing intensive reading support by 6 percent.

Amato is confident in the outcomes-driven model being used. Assessments identify students who may need support, additional assessments are used to validate the support need, and the students are continually progress-monitored as they move through the nine-week skill gap-filling program. Amato explains that in order for students with skill gaps not to fall further behind, as much remediation as possible takes place during the "what you need" (intervention or enrichment) segment of the school day.

"Our kids are still getting their core studies in ELA," he said. "They're not yanked out of class."

During ELA classes, students can click on "scaffolds," tools within the StudySync software to help them access grade-level reading material even when some missing skills make it challenging.

There are, indeed, challenges. Some students were assessed as reading well below the benchmark for their grade level. Any student scoring in the "red" zone ("well below benchmark") on the Acadience assessment is further tested to determine exactly where the remediation should begin.

"For kids who were in the red," Amato explains, "we started them off at a sixth-grade passage, and then we had to go through all the way down - testing them three times, then taking the median and the average of their scores - to find out the actual point where they began to struggle."

Amato acknowledges that there will not be time to close every skill gap for every child. He refers to literacy scientist Dr. Hollis Scarborough,

whose work at Haskins Laboratories in the 1990s and early 2000s included the development of a "reading rope" showing how word-decoding skills and language-comprehension skills are woven together as a child learns to read.

"These kids haven't been through Reading by Grade 3 [the district's early literacy program]," he explains. "Early literacy has a huge impact" on later reading skill development.

**Aiming to hit the second quarterly ELA goal**

The team at Broughal isn't writing anyone off. From the students lagging the benchmark by one year to those with multi-year literacy skill deficits, everyone receives the appropriate level of support, which is continuously checked and validated through Acadience assessments.

For some of these students, it means going back to some of the basics of reading: awareness of phonemes and decoding letters into sounds. This can be a challenging proposition for pre-teens, because the instructional material used must be appropriate to both their reading level and their age level.

Broughal's intervention material selection was informed by the insights of adolescent literacy researcher Dr. Tim Shanahan.

"If you have an eighth-grader reading at a third-grade level," Amato says, "how do you give them something to read that's on their level, that's not babyish?"

Broughal is using the REWARDS program from Voyager Sopris Learning, developed by Dr. Anita Archer, Dr. Mary Gleason, and Dr. Vicky Vachon. The vendor's website cites numerous studies testifying to the program's ability to help "all struggling readers," including English language learners, students with reading disabilities and "students who have simply fallen behind" to remediate literacy skill gaps.

Despite the sizable gaps for some students, Amato is adamant that no one is being pigeon-holed.

"You're not tracked into an intervention group," he explains. "You're only in a group for nine weeks."

And there is no blaming or shaming. The instructors at Broughal are honest and direct with the students about the work that lies ahead. Amato shares the team's approach: "We say, 'Somewhere along the way, we missed the fact that you couldn't decode the words. We missed it. Whether it's vowel teams, or silent E, or something else. So we have to work with you to train your ear and your



Sixth-grader Ethan Estojak and DaVinci Science Center educator Dr. Ann Bebout greet viewers of Ethan's electronic musical instrument. The six-week project by Amy Putlock's music class was funded by a grant from the Lehigh Valley Community Foundation. Students learned coding and wiring skills to build the instruments and incorporated musical knowledge to write sheet music and play popular Christmas tunes like "Jingle Bells."

speech sounds to close that gap. It's going to look as if we're looking at a word and breaking it apart."

The district is confident in this approach.

"REWARDS is one of the more research-based practices [among literacy interventions]," Amato says. "While the students are in that program, we're progress-monitoring them. We will [assess] them over and over again, and keep moving them up."

**'On a really promising path'**

Dr. Rosemary Hughes, director of school support at PDE, believes Broughal and BASD are on the right track to succeed in appropriately meeting the needs of every student.

"I believe that at the district and the school level, they really do have the strong foundation they need to lead this work," she says. "They're on a really promising path."

The state's approach to school improvement has changed since the early days of No Child Left Behind.

"One of the biggest shifts that we made when we rolled out our CSI efforts under ESSA [the federal Every Student Succeeds Act of 2015] is to view a strong partnership with the district as first step in this process," Hughes explains.

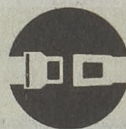
The current administration's approach, led by Pa. Education Secretary Pedro Rivera, is to view itself as a partner for schools and districts with challenges, rather than instituting a top-down, command-and-control approach.

"Prescriptive approaches don't work," Hughes says, "because the district and the school know their community better than anyone could." It is that community understanding, according to Hughes, that is necessary to ground any decisions made about strategies in the best interest of students, families, teachers, building leaders, district leaders and community partners.

Hughes and her team see Broughal - and the leadership at BASD - as having three distinct advantages that position them for success.

"First," she says, "is the ownership and the sense of urgency that the district leadership demonstrated in response to the [in need of comprehensive improvement] designation."

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# GOAL

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She explains that the designation is not a punitive one, but “a signal that there is a need for a closer and more intentional partnership to train the district and the school.” She describes it as “the data signaling an opportunity to try to unpack the local needs and work together to create a strategy to address those needs.”

Hughes invited BASD Chief Academic Officer Dr. Jack Silva and Broughal Principal Rick Amato to Harrisburg to present the CSI plan at one of Secretary Rivera’s monthly meetings.

“It was clear at the start,” she says, “that the district shared responsibility for identifying what could be improved – not only in the short term, but what’s really going to set their system up for continued success in preparing students for success in college, career and community.”

Another asset at Broughal that Hughes wanted to highlight for her colleagues in Harrisburg is BASD’s “investment in more sustainable capacity-building through professional development for the school leadership team and for the classroom teachers, and the fact that that is where they have prioritized their improvement efforts.” In contrast to administrators tempted to resort to a “quick fix” to get out of corrective action, BASD and Broughal are building professional capabilities that will continue to deliver what students need, long after test scores have improved.

Finally, Hughes notes, “They’re not making excuses. If they identify a need that they don’t have the resources to

meet that need, they seek out the partners that can help them creatively gain access.” Some of those partners are behavioral health professionals brought into schools to serve students in need of higher-tier social and emotional support. Others are community partners like Lehigh University, the Bethlehem Area Public Library South Side Branch, and the Hispanic Center of the Lehigh Valley, which help students access wi-fi and have a clean and quiet place to do homework.

Hughes has a positive view of the “spirit and culture” at Broughal.

“The authentic commitment of every member of that school community to figuring out what each individual student in that building needs to be successful, and then figuring out how to offer them those supports – it’s really motivating and encouraging,” she says. “From top to bottom, there’s a sincere investment and belief that every student can be successful if the system had better information on what each student needs, and actually worked to meet those needs and provide them with the support they need.”

Principal Rick Amato couldn’t agree more. He and his team at Broughal are fully committed to the goal of improving student achievement.

“You have to kick the soccer ball toward the goal,” he says. “If you’re not kicking, you’re not going to score any goals.”

And it’s beginning to pay off.

“Now we’re exposing our kids to more grade-level work [...] This is really promising to me, and I’m really proud of my staff.”

## ANOTHER VIEW - ED'S WORLD

Graphic commentary by Ed Courrier



## ArtsQuest gets \$45K county grant

### NORTHAMPTON COUNTY

Plans for the ArtsQuest Cultural Center in Bethlehem continue to move forward thanks to a \$45,000 Community Improvement Grant awarded to ArtsQuest by Northampton County. The matching grant from the County of Northampton’s Community Investment Partnership Program (CIPP) will be used toward the construction of the new Cultural Center, which is currently in the planning phases.

Funded from Table Games Revenue, the CIPP program provides resources to Northampton County’s communities that lack

access to resources in implementing comprehensive community revitalization plans and strategies that will improve the quality of life for citizens and create opportunities to stimulate, attract and sustain economic development. CIPP is designed to assist the county in prioritizing and allocating resources for the Northampton County Department of Community and Economic Development.

“ArtsQuest is one of the jewels of Northampton County, bringing arts and culture to both

our residents and the many tourists who travel here to participate in its programs,” said Northampton County Executive Lamont McClure. “The county is proud to provide funding for the new cultural center.”

The new, 80,000-square-foot cultural center, to be built on the site of the Banana Factory, will include the adaptive reuse of two buildings, as well as new construction, resulting in a three-story, contemporary arts facility that will serve as a gateway to Bethlehem’s

Southside Arts District. Among the new resources and programs in the building complex will be:

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  - New digital, print, fiber arts, video, wood-working and other studios
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- The new Cultural Center will also allow ArtsQuest to increase its resident artist studio spaces by 25 percent,

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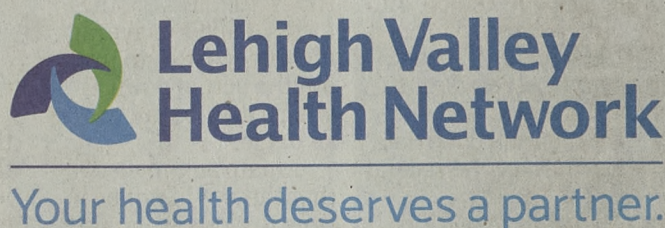


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# Several facade projects get reviewed

BY ED COURRIER  
Special to the Bethlehem Press

Restaurant owners William and Marylou Seixas were granted a certificate of appropriateness from the Bethlehem Historic Conservation Commission for signage, awnings and exterior light fixtures for Couchpota.doh! Kitchen at 306 Brodhead Ave. at the Nov. 28 meeting held in the Rotunda.

The Ecuadorian restaurant's logo, "Couchpota.doh!" is composed of individual, serif, back-lit aluminum channel letters with the second letter "O" in the shape of a potato. The word "kitchen" in the same font, is positioned below the logo and justified right on the 32-inch high by 168-inch wide black aluminum backing plate. The sign is to be centered horizontally over the storefront.

Two black fire-retardant canvas awnings with open end gables were approved for within two existing storefront openings. The couple was OK'd for three black gooseneck light fixtures, pending approval on a re-submitted design by the historic officer and HCC chair.

The circa 1890s Italianate building is owned by Angelina M, LLC, and was the former home of Shabby Chimelle's.

Norman and Jill Matthews scored a COA for their proposed signage for Dinky's Ice Cream Parlor & Grill at 312 E. Third St. The new sign featuring the eatery's logo measures 51 inches high by 94 inches wide and is to be installed on an existing sign band above the entrance. The distinctive stylized cur-

## BETHLEHEM HCC



**William and Marylou Seixas** seek a COA for signage, an awning and lights for their Couchpota.doh! Kitchen at 306 Brodhead Ave. Their restaurant serves Ecuadorian cuisine.

sive and serif words are centered over each other in a design that incorporates four dark red horizontal stripes with black outlines leading out from a central black oval toward the edges of the sign.

Approved window cling signage similar to the new wall sign is to be installed in one of the storefront windows at the right of the entrance.

Two gooseneck lighting fixtures to illuminate the wall sign, similar in style to existing fixtures at nearby Molinari's restaurant, were approved.

Permission was given pending final review of scale drawings depicting the locations of the new wall sign, lighting fixtures and window cling signage by the historic officer and HCC chair.

Polk Street Development owns the contemporary structure built in 2005.

Yadira Colon-Lopez from the Community Action Development Corp. of Bethlehem received approval for a freestanding sign in the Lopes International Park at 843 E. Fourth St. The 16-inch high by 48-inch wide sign with the name of the park faces outward from the corner of E. Fourth and Hayes streets. The word "Welcome" in English and several different languages is featured on the back of the sign. Colon-Lopez was advised by the board to install it on metal posts.

The small community park is adjacent to Lopes Seafood & Mini Market and the owner is listed as Albano N. Lopes.

Representing Catholic Senior Housing & Health Care Services, Inc., Randal Wadsworth and CEO Joseph Shadid received approval for replacing the slate roof for the main

roof, front porch and rear bump-out at 1304 Spring St. Shadid and Wadsworth explained the roofer told them the original shingles were too thin to repair. The commissioners agreed and approved replacing them with GAF Slateline shingles in 'Antique Slate' color for the quaint white-painted clapboard house.

Kala Shunmugam's efforts to seek board approval for converting a four-bay garage into a large carport without doors and replacing the collapsing roof with "historically inappropriate" architectural shingles behind 401 Fourth St. were rebuffed.

The board was united in refusing her permission to patch large areas of rotted mouldings and architectural details with Bondo putty as well as letting her replace a broken curved window with a flat-paned one in the turret at the front of the main building. The Victorian era yellow brick building that Shunmugam owns is in desperate need of repair, observed Chairman Philip Roeder. He informed her that the two-story turret protruding from the corner of the second floor is beginning to pull away from the building.

The board encouraged her to hire a qualified architect to advise her on how best to repair and restore her dilapidated property.

All voting in the evening's project proposals was unanimous.

The Bethlehem HCC is charged with the task of determining if new signs or other alterations to a building's exterior would be an appropriate fit for the neighborhood in one of three designated historic districts. Hearings are regularly scheduled on the third Monday of the month at city hall.

Obtaining a certificate of appropriateness is only a first step for business owners and residents in a designated historic district who wish to alter a building's exterior. The BHCC's recommendations are later reviewed, then voted on by city council before any project is allowed to proceed.



**From left, Randal Wadsworth and Joseph Shadid**, representing Catholic Senior Housing & Health, present their roof replacement proposal for 1304 Spring St.




**Norman and Jill Matthews** field questions from board members about their signage proposal for Dinky's Ice Cream Parlor & Grill at 312 E. Third St.



**Kala Shunmugam** appeals to HCC to grant her a COA to replace the roof and permanently remove the doors from a four-bay garage behind 401 Fourth St. Across from her, from left, are Roger Hudak and historic officer Jeff Long.



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as well as feature two Art Plazas, outdoor classrooms and digital design displays, all of which will help attract artists, arts enthusiasts and visitors to Bethlehem and the county.

"One of the primary goals of the new Cultural Center is to serve as an anchor that draws visitors to the city's arts district, provides opportunities for area artists to support their livelihood and helps to enhance the quality of life for the residents of our county," says ArtsQuest President & CEO Kassie Hilgert. "We thank Northampton County, its council and its Community and Economic Development Department for supporting the vision behind this exciting, new resource for our region."

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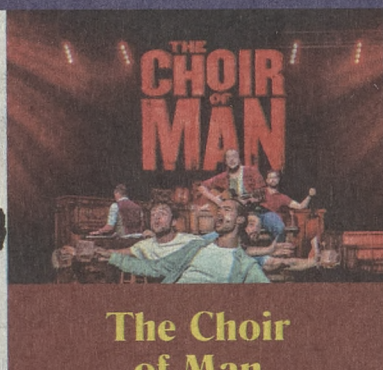
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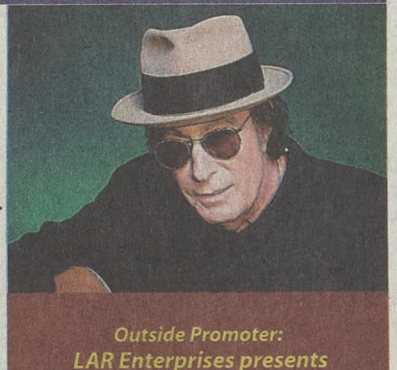
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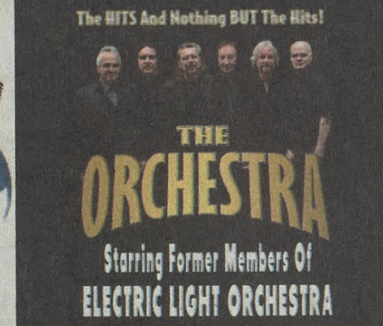
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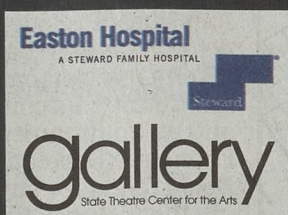


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## VOLUNTEERS

**VOLUNTEER CENTER TO MOVE** The Volunteer Center of the Lehigh Valley will relocate to the Banana Factory on 3rd Street in Bethlehem starting March 1, 2020. The nonprofit volunteer resource center has been serving the region for 35 years, connecting more than 25,000 volunteers with 450-plus nonprofit organizations, while partnering with more than 300 businesses annually.

"This move in connection with our longstanding relationship with Air Products and the opportunity to expand our ability to partner with ArtsQuest - the largest user of volunteers in the Lehigh Valley, is a perfect match," says Volunteer Center of the Lehigh Valley Executive Director Karen Smith. "We anticipate that this move will increase our visibility resulting in our expanded ability to serve the nonprofits and engage the businesses."

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## Holiday concert



PRESS PHOTO BY DANA GRUBB

Despite the bitter wintry weather Dec. 18, nearly 200 turned out at Moravian College's Foy Hall to enjoy the 50-member Bethlehem Municipal Band's Christmas concert. They performed 17 numbers, some well know Christmas staples like "Once in Royal David's City" and "O Holy Night," more contemporary selections like "Baby It's Cold Outside" and "Polar Express," and several numbers from "The Nutcracker Suite." Don Kemmerer and Sam Tate directed. Vocalists were Frank Ciliberti, Barbara Kemmerer and Desiree Kratzer. **Above:** Under the direction of Don Kemmerer the Bethlehem Municipal Band performs "Fantasy on Deck the Hall" by Richard Saucedo.

## Reflective art



PRESS PHOTO BY ED COURRIER

"It is a body of work that represents a turning point from my corporate photographs and begins to lay the foundation for focusing on the possibilities of making art that is more reflective of communities, understanding, and dignity," says artist Charles F. Stonewall as he stands beside a triptych featuring dancers from Kansas City. "Portraiture and the Performing Arts," an exhibition of photographs of dancers by Stonewall graced city hall's Rotunda Gallery recently. The exhibition was sponsored by the Bethlehem Fine Arts Commission in cooperation with the Olympus InVision Photography Festival. Information: [bfac-lv.org](http://bfac-lv.org).



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Questions, contact adviser, Mrs. Garman at [mgarman@base-schools.org](mailto:mgarman@base-schools.org).

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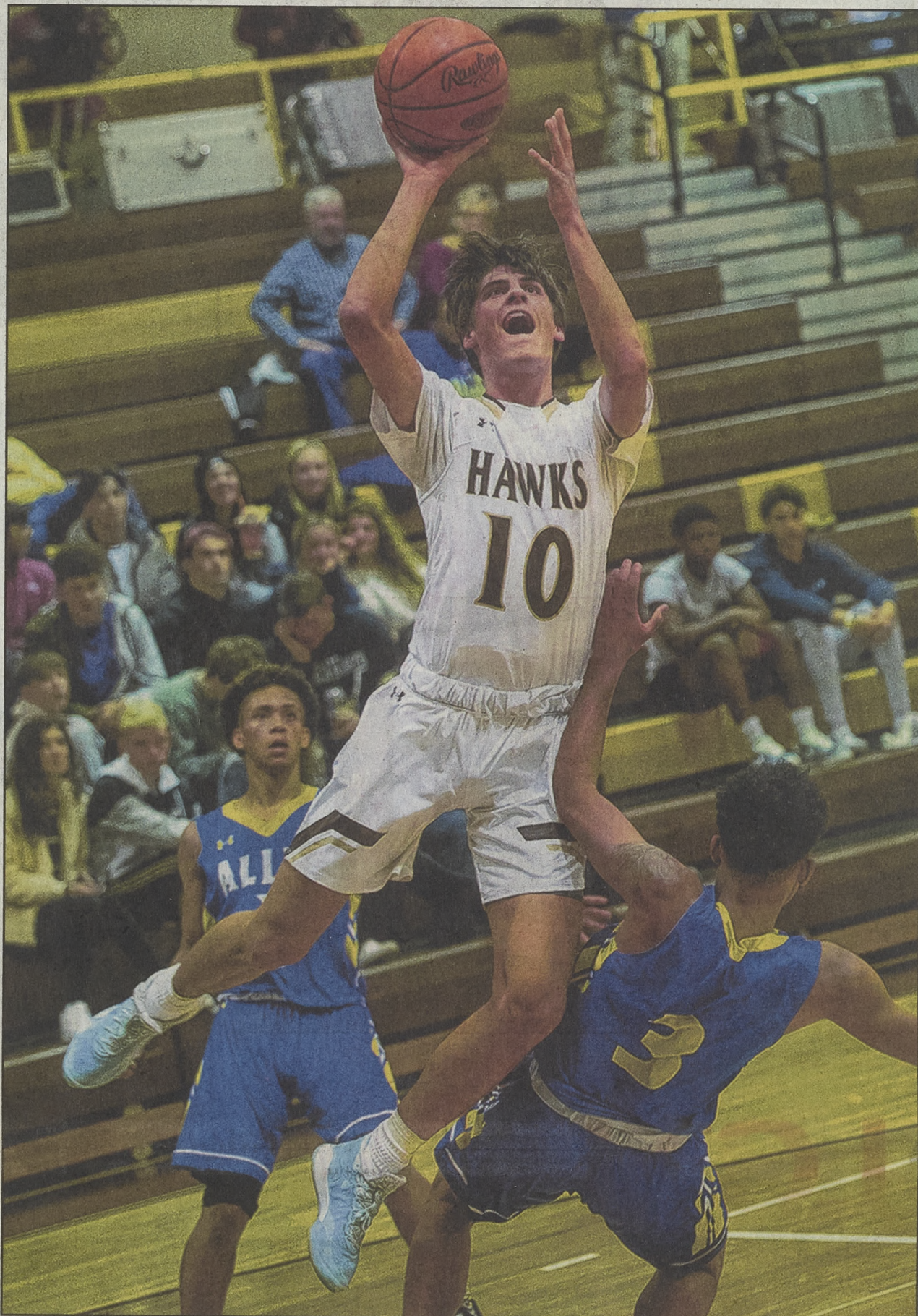
The Via All-Star Basketball Classic raises funds for Via's services for children and adults with disabilities.

Tickets, sponsor information and event details for the Via All-Star Basketball Classic, Clinics, Banquet and Lehigh Valley Basketball Hall of Fame are available online at [www.ViaNet.org](http://www.ViaNet.org) or by calling Alexis Zydyk at 610-317-8000 x436.

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# Holiday Tourney Time!



PRESS PHOTO BY MARK KIRLIN

Matt Stianche and the boys basketball team, shown here against Allen, hosted their own tournament this past weekend, which took place after Press deadlines, and will take to the road after Christmas for another tournament.

## Hawks to host annual tourney

BY PETER CAR  
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The 52nd annual Tony Iasiello Memorial Christmas City Wrestling Tournament will take place on December 27 and 28 at Bethlehem Catholic.

The Hawks annual event will again slot them as favorites to come home with the team title.

This year's participating teams include: Annetville Cleona, Bethlehem Catholic, Blair Academy (Second Varsity Team),

East Stroudsburg South, Faith Christian Academy, First Colonial (VA), Lehigh, Louis E. Dieruff, Mariana Bracetti, Palisades, Port Jervis NY., Roman Catholic, Schuylkill Valley, Southern Lehigh and Susquehanna Township.

Day one of action gets underway at 10am and runs straight through the day. Saturday's final day of action begins at 10am as well and runs straight through.

## Holiday Wrestling Classic set for LHS

BY PETER CAR  
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With the winter break upon us, it means the annual return of the Bethlehem Holiday Wrestling Classic. This year's event will take place on December 28-29.

The 32-team field includes Blue Mountain, Council Rock South, Wilkes-Barre/Coughlin, Delaware Valley, Easton, Emmaus, Freedom, Garnet Valley, Hazleton, Honesdale, Quakertown, Saucon Valley, Spring-Ford, Upper Dauphin, Whitehall,

Williamsport, Liberty, Nazareth, North Penn, Northampton, Northern Lebanon, Northwestern Lehigh, Parkland, Pen Argyl, Pennridge, Phillipsburg, Wilson, Wilson West Lawn, Wissahickon, Wyoming Valley West and Shenandoah.

Saturday's first round of wrestling gets underway at 8:30 a.m. and session two starts at 6:30 p.m., starting with quarterfinals.

Sunday's final session begins at 10am and runs straight through.

Finals will be held on two mats.

## Local teams hit the road

BY PETER CAR  
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With the holiday break upon us, our local boys' basketball teams will be hitting the road and enjoying some team camaraderie away from the Lehigh Valley.

Bethlehem Catholic will head to the 31st annual Robert H. Griffith Holiday Tournament for the fifth straight year slated for December 27 and 28.

Last year's field included Red Lion, York Catholic and York Suburban.

Freedom will head to the Jersey Shore this winter to take part in the Wildwood Boardwalk Basketball Classic.

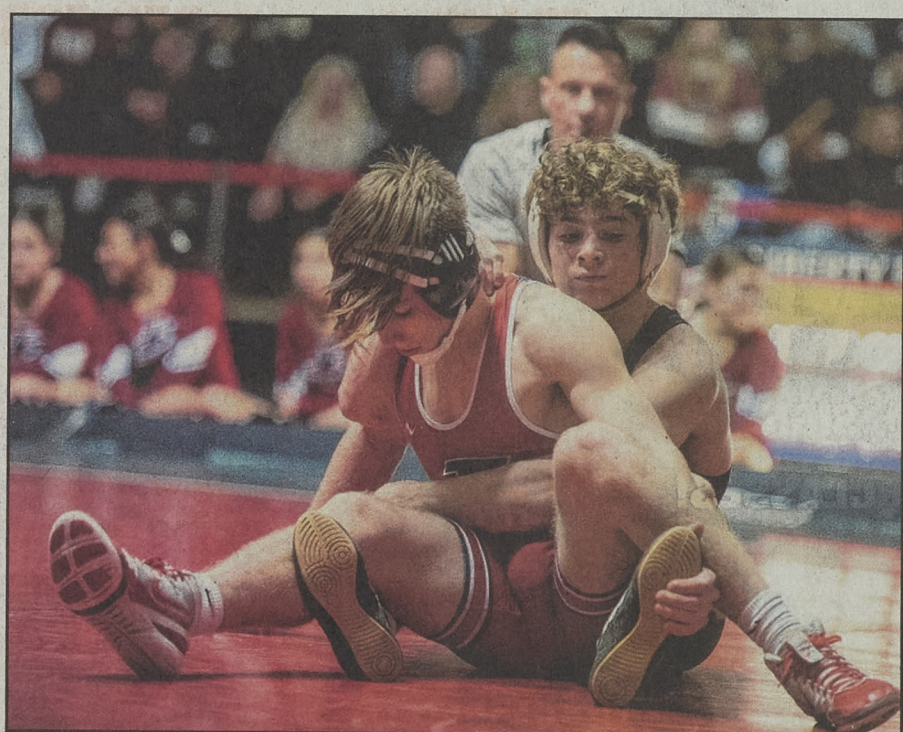
They will take on Sterling High School on December 29 at 2pm and then play on December 30.

Liberty's holiday tournament plans are subdued this year, as the Hurricanes head to Lancaster McCaskey in what was supposed to be a tournament field, however, a field of four teams failed to materialize.

Instead, the Hurricanes will play one game on December 28 against McCaskey. Liberty's junior varsity team will also make the road trip to play as well.

The next event that Liberty will take part of will be on January 12 at Parkland in the Parkinson's Event where they'll play Pennridge.

Parkland, Allen and Whitehall are also part of the event and will take on an out-of-area opponents.



PRESS PHOTO BY MARK KIRLIN

Kenny Herrmann, shown here wrestling against Liberty, committed to Harvard to wrestle.

## BC's Herrmann commits to attend Harvard

BY PETER CAR  
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Bethlehem Catholic senior wrestler Kenny Herrmann has decided his wrestling future belongs in the Ivy League. The Golden Hawk has committed to wrestle at Harvard, making the announcement before Becchi took off for the Ironman Tournament.

Herrmann is a three-time state medalist, grabbing seventh, fourth and second place finishes over the

past three years. Herrmann lost to Northampton's Julian Chlebove in last year's 132-pound PIAA 3A finals by a 6-2 margin. Battling the Arizona State bound Chlebove throughout districts, regionals and states permitted Herrmann from grabbing any gold medals in last year's postseason, but it didn't detract from his abilities.

He'll join former Becchi teammate Dillon Murphy on the Crimson squad.

# FHS hockey looks to turn things around

BY JEFF MOELLER  
Special to the Press

With injuries slowing their progress in the first half of the season, Freedom will be looking for a solid second half in the Lehigh Valley Scholastic Hockey League (LVSHL).

The Patriots began last week with an overall 2-5-1 mark with games left against Southern Lehigh and Northamp-

ton before the traditional holiday break for all teams.

"We're battling hard and fighting through the injuries," said first-year head coach Matt Phillippe. "We lost some key players and everyone else has picked up the slack."

"Once we get our lineup back, we should be OK."

Max Kontir, who is regarded as one of the

better players and one of the Patriots' leading returning scorers, has been sidelined since the fourth game of the season, and Steve Callaghan has also been lost since the fourth game. Kontir had seven points in the first four games.

Freedom has been paced by senior goalie Ryan Miller, who has been a mainstay in the nets with a 2-1 mark, along with junior defen-

seman John Mussella. Freshman Ryan Hathaway lead the Patriots with eight points (five goals and three assists), and sophomore Matt Fanning has five points (two goals and three assists).

Phillipes, a 2011 Emmaus graduate, and teacher at Liberty High School, isn't a stranger to Lehigh Valley hockey. He served as an assistant last season and has

coached two Phantoms youth hockey teams that past five years.

Being a teacher in the Bethlehem School District as well as a former local Pee Wee coach, Phillippe has a sense of familiarity with his players.

"I know a lot of them since they were little," he said. "I have watched them grow up as players. I see some of them in school, and overall

we have formed a good bond."

With chemistry continuing to form and injuries starting to mend, Phillippe anticipates a better second half of the season. The Patriots will play Southern Lehigh and Northampton before the league's traditional holiday break.

# LHS holds off DHS

BY KATIE MCDONALD  
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Liberty's girls' basketball team defeated Dieruff, 44-35, last Tuesday at Liberty where the Hurricanes had a healthy lead at half-time before the Huskies found a way to pull within five points in the fourth quarter.

"We lost our composure," said Liberty coach Andy Wescoe. "We didn't break down their pressure. We rushed and we turned the ball over. Really, just making poor decisions, poor passes, and some of it had to do with the pressure."

It was in the fourth quarter that Dieruff crept back into the game in earnest on a combination of foul shots and a three pointer by Annika Szalacha.

"We were frozen there for awhile on the scoreboard and we had to convert," said Wescoe. "We also broke them down a number of times and just missed wide open layups. We missed just way too many."

Liberty freshman Layla Orth hit a three and made two free throws to begin a shift in momentum, but Rosa



PRESS PHOTO BY MARK KIRLIN

Kathryn Wescoe makes a pass during a recent game this season. The team recently defeated Dieruff.

hit another three in response.

After Dieruff's Kalis Collazo opened the third quarter with two points, the Hurricanes went on a nine-point run, however.

Liberty sophomore Erin Eisenhart created a turnover and scored on a layup. Morgan Bokan found Kathryn Wescoe

who scored on a jumper, and Eisenhart scored again on a pass from Wescoe.

Dieruff's Elsa-Nicole Rosa hit a three, and the Huskies went on to score six more points.

Also last Tuesday, Freedom defeated Easton, 51-31, and Bethlehem Catholic defeated Allen, 72-31.

## DIVING

# Pate return experience

BY KATIE MCDONALD  
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Liberty diving coach Emily Kocis will be doing double duty this season, having also accepted the position of Freedom diving coach, replacing Lisa Young.

Jeff Zettlemoyer was the last coach to have headed up both teams in one season. Zettlemoyer is now doing more officiating.

Freedom's divers are all returners for 2019-2020. They are Fallon Tatlow, Sarah Gill, and Cailin Connelly.

"Practices will occur primarily at Liberty after school," said Kocis. "Prior to a meet at Freedom, if the girls wish, we will go to Freedom for practice."

Gill is currently the top diver for the Patriots. She recently placed third at the Cedar Crest

Classic in the 11-dive meet.

"Sarah and Fallon are working on front 2.5 somersaults. Fallon is also working on a back 1.5 somersault, 1 twist, and Sarah is also working on higher degree of difficulty twisting dives," Kocis said.

Freedom's next swim/dive meet is scheduled for Jan. 2 at Whitehall.

# LHS has newcomers

BY KATIE MCDONALD  
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Liberty's divers for the 2019-2020 season are Teegan Kunkel (captain), Mia Lobach, Jelle Samaha, and Keller Pooley for the girls' team, and Avante Kendall for the boys' team.

All are newcomers with the exception of Kunkel.

Additional divers from Bethlehem high schools are Moravian Academy's Alexa Fegley and Bethlehem Catholic's Anna Petke.

"Moravian Academy and Bethlehem Catholic are 2A schools and have their own set of meets they dive in, or will be diving exhibition with either Freedom or Liberty to get additional meet experience," said Liberty diving coach Emily Kocis.

"Alexa is competing for the first time this year as a sophomore but had been diving prior but was recovering last year from surgery."

Pooley is currently the Hurricanes' top diver.

"Keller is working on a front double pike and either adding twists to her existing twisting dives or diving them in," Kocis said.

Hurricane swim coach Reik Foust is also looking toward Jacob Eisenhardt, Jeff Eisenhardt, and Kalleeb Assan to achieve six dives so that they will be able to compete for Liberty sometime this season.

Liberty's next swim/dive meet is scheduled for Jan. 2 at home against Stroudsburg.

# Hawks fall to Allen

BY JAKE MELUSKEY  
Special to the Press

Allen's dangerous backcourt and stiff defense carried the Canaries to a 73-60 victory over the Bethlehem Catholic Golden Hawks on Tuesday, Dec. 17.

Bethlehem Catholic was led by star swingman Julian Thomas. The 6-3 senior tallied 20 points and grabbed eight rebounds. Hawks' sophomore center Isaiah Alexander, who stands 6-6 and has a brother on the sixth-ranked Kentucky basketball team, scored 11 points and added eight rebounds.

However, the Hawks struggled during the first parts of the game. The first quarter opened with dominant play from Allen. Quick steals and easy lay-ups built a double-digit lead for the Canaries by the end of the quarter.

The second quarter saw a much more even pace, with the Golden Hawk offense springing to life near the halfway mark of the quarter. Bethlehem Catholic seniors Matt Stianche and Bryan Santana converted on a couple of hard finishes, Thomas was able to net a couple of baskets, and Alexander connected on a long 3-pointer. The Golden Hawks scoring run shrank the lead to six with 3:15 remaining in the quarter.

After some good de-



PHOTO BY MARK KIRLIN

Isaiah Alexander and the Hawks fell to Allen last week and hosted a tourney, which came after early Press holiday deadlines.

fense by both teams, Allen went into halftime with a 33-23 lead over Bethlehem Catholic.

The second half was the same story for the Golden Hawks. Weak rebounding and poor transitioning led to a lot of fast break opportunities for the Allen team. Allen's combination of Ellis, Copeland, and Adderly were the main factor in Allen's intense pace and growing lead.

The other issue for the Golden Hawks was their presence under the

rim. Allen senior forward A'quele Adderly was an absolute monster in the paint. He scored 18 points and recorded a game-high 13 rebounds. His great rebounding spurred his high point totals, as Allen's second-chance opportunities plagued Bethlehem Catholic's defense all night.

Sophomore guard Nate Ellis led the Canaries with 21 points, 6 assists, and 3 steals. Playing the point guard position, Ellis served as the team's primary ball handler, delivering a solid performance in his second year at the varsity level.

Junior guards Manny Ozuna and Mel Copeland were both making a lot of plays for Allen throughout the night. Copeland scored 19 points and had three assists, while Ozuna tallied seven points and was a major force on the defensive end. The trio of guards caused nine turnovers against the Golden Hawks, each collecting three steals.

Thomas was the catalyst for the Golden Hawks' offense all night, scoring on several acrobatic lay-ups and making a couple deep three-point shots. He was a main force on Bethlehem Catholic's 26-4 team, last year, and looks to be the primary scorer in their offense.



Bethlehem business owner and trainer Mike Kramer doing a cryotherapy session.

# Cryotherapy a healing option for athletes

BY KATIE MCDONALD  
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"Recovery one freeze at a time" is the motto at Cryotherapy of Bethlehem, a wellness option for athletes and active adults, owned by Kathleen Jobs, who is also a former competitive athlete.

Cryotherapy is the practice of using cold temperatures to promote natural healing and wellness, developed in 1978 by Dr. Toshima Yamachi to treat rheumatoid arthritis.

Jobs and her husband Mark opened their doors at 2223 Linden St. to the public this past August, but all clients must fill out a health questionnaire prior to stepping into the cryosauna, which is by appointment only.

"I call it the modern day ice bath, so instead of going in for 20 minutes, you go in for three minutes," said Jobs. "It's a dry cold. It's a recovery."

Jobs' mission is to give back to athletes in the area by assisting them with relieving pain from fatigue and soreness so they can perform at their best.

"I pride myself on communication and relationships and Bethlehem," Jobs said. "That means the world to me. It's about helping athletes and active adults."

First, the client undresses to his comfort level and puts on a cryo-safe robe, booties, socks and gloves. Once he has entered the machine, he modestly disrobes, and cold, dry, nitrogen vapor surrounds him. After three minutes, the session is over.

"Hopefully, my success will be working with the high schools," Jobs said.

Jobs currently treats athletes from Liberty, Freedom, Moravian Academy, Southern Lehigh, Allentown Central Catholic, Nazareth, and Lehigh University, in addition to adults throughout the Lehigh Valley.

"When the football players come in on a Saturday, that feels good," she said. "As an athlete myself...I understand what their bodies are dealing with, and that's what I really like...I enjoy helping them."

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# Kavva's, VegOut, to raise new signs

BY ED COURRIER  
Special to the Bethlehem Press

The Historical and Architectural Review Board granted approval for signage to two businesses at the Dec. 4 hearing.

Representing Kavva's Polish-European Market, Evan Blose from Fast Signs was granted a certificate of appropriateness to install 40-inch by 19.1-inch vinyl decal store signage at 99 W. Broad St. The black and gold business logo on a bone white background was quickly approved for the outermost panes of the projecting storefront windows that flank the entrance. The applicant was instructed to return if his client, market owner Kacper Waskiewicz, wanted to post hours of operation on the door.

The two-story red brick building is owned by Arthur Schmidt.

Brad Smith scored a COA for 48-inch by 21-inch window signage for his employer Mary Lopresti, owner of VegOut Bethlehem, at 1 E.

## BETHLEHEM HARB



EVAN BLOSE FROM FAST SIGNS PRESENTS A PROPOSED VINYL SIGN DESIGN FOR HIS CLIENT, KAVVA'S AT 99 W. BROAD ST.

Church St. The company logo is to be centered in two windows of the newly-opened vegan eatery at the corner of Church and New streets.

The submitted design

for the vinyl signage features "VegOut Bethlehem" in sans serif in all uppercase lettering and a small Bethlehem star with black letters and pinstripe outlined in

black.

Approval was granted, with the recommendation that the letters would be serif with off-white, not black for better visibility. Chairman Fred Bonsall urged they consider adapting the vegan restaurant's clever hand-drawn temporary sign featuring a stylized script font into a permanent one. Bonsall said, "The temporary sign looks great," adding, "Bam! It works!"

Genevieve Marcon owns the vintage 3½-story residential over commercial building.

The Historical and Architectural Review Board regularly meets the first Wednesday of every month to review all exterior changes proposed to buildings in the Bethlehem Historic District north of the Lehigh River. When a proposed project receives a certificate of appropriateness from the board, applicants must wait for city council to vote on it before proceeding.



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# Predicted cross expenses safe, clean energy program moves ahead

BY DOUGLAS GRAVES  
Special to the Bethlehem Press

## LEHIGH COUNTY

Lehigh County Commissioners appointed Heidi Baer as a member of the board of directors for the Lehigh County Housing Authority, an unpaid position, Dec. 11. Baer is from North Whitehall Township.

The county has restored \$100,000 for expenses it had expected to need following a suit that sought to remove the Christian cross from its official seal. It has since won on appeal, and so the predicted expenses never arose, and the money was moved back to the Stabilization Fund Balance. Final approval is expected at the next regular meeting.

Commissioners passed 8-1 the Lehigh County Property Assessed Clean Energy Program, which had its first reading last meeting. The program shall apply to building owners within Lehigh County and be known as the "Lehigh County C-PACE Program" or Commercial Property Assessed Clean Energy Program. The program allows building owners to obtain low-cost, long-term financing for energy efficient equipment, low-flow plumbing products and renewable energy projects.

Outgoing Commissioner Brad Osborne voted against the measure. He said he was concerned that since it "requires follow-up work from a committee," that the C-PACE Program



PRESS PHOTOS BY DOUGLAS GRAVES

Left: Commissioner Brad Osborne voted against the C-PACE Program. Right: Heidi Baer is now a member of the board of directors for the Lehigh County Housing Authority, a non-paid position. Baer is from North Whitehall Township.

should be approved by the next board. He also expressed concern that the program "expands the role of county government."

The Lehigh County C-PACE Program is designed to "facilitate low-cost, long-term financing to owners of agricultural, commercial and industrial properties for energy efficiency, water conservation and renewable energy projects." The county is authorized to seek a third party to administer the program.

Commissioners also approved 9-0 the distribution of a \$309,507 grant from Pennsylvania's Emergency Solutions grant program that funds street outreach, renovation or

rehabilitation of building used as emergency shelters, rapid rehousing and homelessness prevention assistance, Homeless Management Information System reporting and administration costs.

Distribution of money that the commissioners approved: Catholic Charities - \$25,216 for Homelessness Prevention; The Hispanic Center Lehigh Valley - \$40,000 for Rapid Rehousing; The Lehigh Conference of Churches - \$25,000 for Street Outreach; New Bethany Ministries - \$20,555 for Homelessness Prevention; Salvation Army - \$45,000 for emergency shelter and \$60,000 for Rapid Rehousing; Third Street Alliance

for Women and Children - \$65,000 for Rapid Rehousing and \$17,130 for Homelessness Prevention. The county receives \$11,606 to administer the program.

Commissioners also approved a contract with Etowah Dialysis, LLC a subsidiary of DaVita Inc. to provide hemodialysis services to Cedarbrook Senior Care and Rehabilitation's residents.

The Lehigh County Historical Society will continue its professional services agreement with the County to provide management for three county museums or historical sites. Commissioners approved a \$96,000 payment to the society which will be paid in 12 monthly increments. The historical sites whose management is funded are the Saylor Cement Museum, Coplay, the Lockridge Furnace Museum, Alburtis, and the Haines Mill Museum, Allentown.

Lehigh Commissioners agreed to a four-year lease for space in Coopersburg for use as a senior center. The lease amount is \$300 per month for a 1,300-square-foot space in St. John's United Church of Christ of Coopersburg at 538 Thomas St.

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**Edgeboro Moravian Putz/Christmas room.** Group tours, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. on the hour, Monday through Friday, by appointment. Walk-in hours are 6 to 8 p.m. Thursday, Friday, Saturday and 3 to 6 p.m. Sunday. 645 Hamilton Ave. Visit <http://edgeboromoravian.org/putz> or call 610-866-8793.

**Now through December 31**

**Central Moravian Church Putz:** 1 to 7 p.m. Thursday and Friday; 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Saturday; 1 to 5 p.m. Sunday. Closed Christmas Eve, Christmas Day. After Christmas: 1 to 5 p.m. daily to Dec. 31. Showings every half hour. Visit [www.centralmoravianchurch.org/whoware/the-christmas-community-putz-and-the-star-candle-shoppe/](http://www.centralmoravianchurch.org/whoware/the-christmas-community-putz-and-the-star-candle-shoppe/)

**Wednesday, December 25**

**Organ Noëls with Cathedral Organist Stephen Williams.** Guests David Macbeth and Charter Arts HS choir. The church's musical gift to the community. 3 p.m. Cathedral Church of the Nativity, 321 Wyandotte St. Call 610-865-0727 or visit [www.nativitycathedral.org/worship/music/](http://www.nativitycathedral.org/worship/music/).

**Saturday, December 28**

**Reading of Dylan Thomas's "A Child's Christmas in Wales"**, directed by George B. Miller. Set in the wintry Welsh countryside of the poet's youth with the sights, smells and sounds of a long-ago Christmas. 2 to 4:30 p.m. Main library, 11 W. Church St. Visit [www.bapl.org/events/](http://www.bapl.org/events/).

**Celtic Spirituality Night.** Cathedral Church of the Nativity, 321 Wyandotte St. Call 610-865-0727 or visit [www.nativitycathedral.org/worship/music/](http://www.nativitycathedral.org/worship/music/).

**Monday, Dec. 30 and Tuesday, Dec. 31**

**Peeps Fest:** Family Disco Lounge with Jason Didner & the Jungle Gym Jam, DJ (Wesley Works), bounce house, Tootsee and Friends balloons, Just Born gift bag. 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Dave Fry, 10 a.m., noon, 2 p.m.; Magician Eddy Ray, 11 a.m., 1, 3 p.m.; Face Painting and Sand Art, Leaning Tower of PEEPS, Wheels of Friendship, Imagi Nation: 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Musikfest Café, ArtsQuest Center. Peeps Chick Rising ceremony, kid-friendly band We Kids Rock and Critics Choice Diorama winner, 4:30 p.m. Fireworks, 5:15 p.m. Levitt Pavilion SteelStacks. Visit [www.steelstacks.org/festivals/peepsfest/peepsfest-schedule/](http://www.steelstacks.org/festivals/peepsfest/peepsfest-schedule/) for costs and schedules.

**Tuesday, December 31**

**New Year's Eve party for youth.** 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Main library, 11 W. Church St. Visit <https://www.bapl.org/events/>.

**Special Noon Year's Eve Storytime** at the Southside, 11:15 a.m. to noon. 400 Webster St. Call 610-867-7852 for information.

Libraries close at 5 p.m.



**Dr. Peter Kozicky** from Bethlehem checks out the unusual bottled beverages in the soda aisle. One that caught his attention was a flavored "peanut butter and jelly."



**André Negron**, with help from his mom Amy, gathers various shapes of candy to assemble into a model of a cell for a science class project. Negron is a student at Northeast MS.

**Grandpa Joe's attracts candy lovers**

BY ED COURRIER  
Special to the Bethlehem Press

Like a kid in his own candy store, CEO Christopher Beers excitedly greeted his first customers as they wandered in to explore Grandpa Joe's Candy Shop at his Bethlehem location's Oct. 17 grand opening.

The Grandpa Joe's founder opened his first candy shop in Pittsburgh in 2012. Since then, Beers said, "I've just continued to try to find unique small towns that really would be a great home run for a candy store like mine."

Beers grew up in the Lehigh area and attended Northampton Community College. Of the 10 Grandpa Joe's Candy Shops Beers has operating in downtown areas, five are in Ohio and five are in Pennsylvania, including the newly-opened Bethlehem store at 462 Main St. Another one is in Stroudsburg. "I've always been in love with the downtown Bethlehem," he said.

Inspired as a child after watching the movie "Willy Wonka & the Chocolate Factory," Beers decided the candy business was for him and named the enterprise after "Grandpa Joe," a character from novel portrayed by Jack Albertson in the 1971 film.

"If they make it, we have it," said Beers about the plethora of unique sweets he retails. Included are the recently resurrected Bar None chocolate bars, Idaho Spuds and Cherry Mash candy, and of course, Mike and Ikes and Peeps from Just Born.

Grandpa Joe's offers its "World Famous \$5 Candy Box," which allows customers to choose what they want



**Grandpa Joe's CEO Christopher Beers** with Bethlehem resident Ron Zongora, his first customer at his Lehigh Valley candy shop.



**Clara Valdes** examines a caramel apple pop at the store's grand opening. The North Carolina youngster was visiting her aunt, who lives in Bethlehem.



**Store manager Reese Badman** is assisted by Colleen Johnston at the chocolates counter. Johnston is an assistant manager at the Grandpa Joe's Stroudsburg store.

from stacked bins of candy along the back wall. Jelly beans and chocolate are sold by the pound. Vintage bottled soda, many with unique flavors like peanut butter and jelly, are available for purchase.

Beers credited Bruce Haines, managing

owner of the Bethlehem Hotel across the street, with advising and helping him with his newest venture. "We beefed up our toy and gift inventory," said Beers, after Haines had expressed a desire to see a toy store somewhere along Main St.

Among the family-friendly items for sale are Bob Ross lunchboxes, Mr. Rogers magnets, Bigfoot with Loch Ness Monster socks, lava lamps and Wonka Bars.

For folks with a taste for politics, there are 'National Embarrassments,' with the current president pictured on the tin declaring "They're Yuge!" Other tongue-in-cheek politically-themed merchandise includes coffee cups, and RGB and Bernie action figures.

For adventurous customers with iron stomachs, there are Crick-ettes, featuring the crunchy insects with different seasonings, and Scorpion Suckers, with the arachnids embedded in apple, blueberry and other lickable flavors.

The unique store strives to bring smiles to those who shop there.

For information, visit [grandpajoescandyshop.com](http://grandpajoescandyshop.com) or call 484-635-1957.



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Einstein with Friends of the Mounted Police board members and volunteers who helped to organize the recent event.



Einstein is accustomed to close-ups.

# Einstein & friends

## Celebrity camel returns for holiday event hosted by Friends of the Mounted Police

BY DANA GRUBB

Special to the Bethlehem Press

Einstein the snow camel, the camel who gained fame when he was caught in a November 2018 snowstorm, continues to remain in demand for special appearances. For the second year in a row the 12-year-old dromedary camel visited Bethlehem's Quadrant Private Wealth Stable, home of Bethlehem's mounted police patrol, at an event organized by the nonprofit Friends of the Mounted Police Dec. 15.

Undeterred by the cold and wind, Einstein posed in his pen for photos for many area residents, who also were able to visit with the horses and officers of the specialized



Einstein the Snow Camel arrives led by handler Steven Barsky, whose aunt Charis Matey is Einstein's owner at Peaceable Kingdom Petting Zoo in Bucks County.

Bethlehem police unit inside the stable.

Attendees also visited with Santa and Mrs. Claus, enjoyed hot cocoa, apple cider and Just Born peeps, and shopped the stable's gift store. Children took home a complimentary book from the Cops 'n' Kids program, met with police horses Pharaoh, George, Asa and Grey, and attended a book signing by Robin Stoner, author of "A Horse in Blue, Eli - a Call to Duty."

Pennsylvania State Representative Steve Samuelson also delivered a state house proclamation that recognized the mounted unit's 10th anniversary, presenting it to the nonprofit board's president Diane Mack.



Volunteer Jolene Vitalos with Einstein.



"This has been on my calendar for weeks," said Bethlehem resident Stephanie Davis, who presented Einstein's owner with an Einstein pillowcase.



Allison Ober of Bethlehem is star-struck by the four-legged celebrity.



Inside the Quadrant Private Wealth Stables, police horse Pharaoh is dressed for the holiday season.

Einstein greets Lilly, an 8-year-old standard poodle owned by volunteer Judith Deltuva.



Bethlehem residents Steve Crozier and Carole Dynes sidles up to Einstein's pen for a photograph with the celebrity camel.



Santa Claus listens intently as Liam Iannetta of Emmaus shares his Christmas list. Liam's sister Bryn waits for her turn.



Friends of the Bethlehem Mounted Police President Diane Mack with a proclamation from the Pennsylvania House of Representatives, which Representative Steve Samuelson presented in recognition of the mounted patrol's 10th anniversary.

# Rylan Foraker

## LV Charter HS for the Arts

**Grade:** 12  
**Family members:** Cindy (mom), Jeff (dad), Ewan (brother), Corbin (brother)  
**Favorite subject:** Physics, because I love learning about the way the universe works!  
**Activities:** Theatre Tech, graphic design, acting  
**Next steps:** Four-year university for entertainment technology  
**Career goals:** Theme park tech designer  
**Heroes:** Albert Einstein; he followed his dreams and beliefs through obstacles and controversy  
**Hobbies:** Vacationing, gaming, music production  
**Current job(s):** Hope Lock Kennels  
**Volunteer/community work:** Animal shelters  
**Likes:** Animals, theme parks and films  
**Dislikes:** Animal cruelty, anti-inclusivity and environmental destruction



**Greatest accomplishment (so far):** Evolving and changing as a person throughout my lifetime  
**Advice for peers:** Further educate yourself about something important to you and the ones you love. Knowledge is the key to success.

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

## NOTRE DAME HS NOTES

By Sydney Gregg

### Christmas spirit

Around this time each year, Christmas spirit fills the air. At Notre Dame, the true essence of Christmas is giving back to the community. To show ND's cheer, multiple fundraisers ranging from a Toys for Tots dress down day to a giving tree for local youth in foster care took place throughout the month of December.



Gregg

The beginning of winter also brought along with it the meticulous planning of Notre Dame's biggest fundraiser, Mini-THON. Started 12 years ago, Notre Dame's Mini-THON has danced right into the hearts of the community, as students in all grades stand and dance to raise money for pediatric cancer. Last year, the 300 students who participated raised over \$100,000 for the kids. With Zumba at 3 a.m., the teacher lip-syncing contest and the great memories the students make, Mini-THON is a great way to get involved within the community.

To kick-off the start of winter sports, the 12th annual Jeff Dailey tournament took place Dec. 6 and 7, with four teams competing for the championship: Freedom; Pocono Mountain West; Bethlehem Catholic; and Notre Dame. Freedom eventually came out on top. This tournament honors Jeff Dailey, a former student at Notre Dame who died in a tragic fire while attending East Stroudsburg University. On Saturday before the big championship, the Crusaders girls basketball team took on Central Catholic, ultimately winning 41-31.

As winter break approaches, the Crusader calendar is packed with all different types of events. Coming back from a well-deserved, two-week vacation, the students then put on their thinking caps to endure four days of intensive midterms. The conclusion of midterms signifies the start of the third quarter, and the beginning of a new semester. With all of the great things planned for Notre Dame's future, it sure is "A great day to be a Crusader!"

## SCHOOL NEWS

### BASD Insider television schedules

Service Electric: every Tuesday on Channel 50 at 6 p.m. and Thursday on Channel 2 at 8:30 p.m.  
 RCN: every Thursday on Channel 4 at 6 p.m. and every Sunday on Channel 4 at 6 p.m.

### Unit, Knights sponsor Coats for Kids

Unity Bank and the Knights of Columbus Sacred Heart Council, Bethlehem, organized a Coats for Kids project to benefit Freemansburg and Marvine elementary school students. The bank and council purchased and distributed approximately 60 new coats to the grades K through 5 students, based on the economic needs of the families in the area near the schools.

## COLLEGE NOTES

### Northampton Community College

Nurse aide information session Jan. 7

There will be a free information session on becoming a certified nurse aide at 6 p.m. Jan. 7 at Northampton Community College's Fowler Family Southside Center, 511 E. Third St. Participants will learn about the CNA training program, potential earnings and how to get started.

Prerequisites must be received and approved two weeks before the classes begin Feb. 3. There is a fee. For an information packet and to enroll, call 610-332-6585 or visit [www.northampton.edu/healthcarecerts](http://www.northampton.edu/healthcarecerts).

### RN/LPN reactivation information Jan. 7

There will be a free information session for registered and licensed practical nurses who have inactive or international licenses or graduates who wish to prepare for the NCLEX test at 6 p.m. January 7 at Northampton Community College's Fowler Family Southside Center, 511 E. Third St.

Reactivation classes will begin on January 27. For more information, call 610-332-6585. To register, visit [www.northampton.edu/nursingce](http://www.northampton.edu/nursingce).

*Northampton Community College's main campus is located at 3835 Green Pond Road. The Fowler Family Southside Center is located at 511 E. Third St. For information, call 610-861-5000 or visit [www.northampton.edu](http://www.northampton.edu).*



**Nitschmann MS** students decorated a tree for Lehigh Valley International Airport's 23rd annual Holiday Festival of Trees. The tree was donated by Old Homestead Tree Farm.

PRESS PHOTOS BY SAMANTHA ANDERSON

## Holiday Festival of Trees



**Miller Heights ES** students show off their Husky pride with their decorations. The tree was donated by Old Homestead Tree Farm.



**Freedom HS's** Life Skills students celebrate their school pride on their tree, donated by Yenser's Tree Farm.



**Pow! East Hills MS's** superhero theme adds a splash of color to the lobby area. The tree was donated by Unangst Tree Farm.



**Hanover ES** students used snowman ornaments to decorate their tree, donated by Yenser's Tree Farm.

## Students support ACS



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**Members of the Lehigh Valley Charter HS for the Arts' Student Council** presented a \$1,000 donation to Kristina High, community development manager at the American Cancer Society Oct. 30. The Student Council raised the funds from T-shirt and food sales during its annual PINK OUT initiative in support of Breast Cancer Awareness month. Check presentation participants Cyndi Evans (adviser), Ashlyn Leary, Anee Reiser, Amy Nesfeder (adviser), Evie Braden, Dr. Carise Comstock (Charter Arts' principal), Hailey Belverio, Mercedes Lobb, Diane Labelle (Charter Arts' executive eirector) and Kristina High.

### YOUR LOCAL WEATHER

7 Day Forecast	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday
	Partly Cloudy	Partly Cloudy	Rain Likely	Partly Cloudy	Mostly Cloudy	Sunny	Cloudy
	39 / 28 2-6 mph WNW	38 / 30 2-6 mph E	50 / 42 6-8 mph S	46 / 38 6-10 mph W	42 / 34 3-5 mph WNW	37 / 29 4-13 mph NW	35 / 31 7-14 mph SSW

**FORECAST FOR LEHIGH VALLEY PENNSYLVANIA**

Today we will see partly cloudy skies, high of 39°, humidity of 66%. West northwest wind 2 to 6 mph. The record high for today is 65° set in 1964. Expect partly cloudy skies tonight, overnight low of 28°. Light winds. The record low for tonight is -3° set in 1980. Thursday, skies will be partly cloudy, high of 38°, humidity of 65%. East wind 2 to 6 mph. Thursday night, skies will be cloudy with a 65% chance of scattered rain, overnight low of 30°. Southeast wind 7 mph. Friday, skies will be cloudy with a 75% chance of rain, high of 50°, humidity of 96%. South wind 8 mph. Friday night, skies will be mostly cloudy with a 75% chance of rain, overnight low of 42°. West southwest wind 8 mph. Saturday, skies will be partly cloudy, high of 46°, humidity of 73%.

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### Weather Trivia

How many years is the sun's solar cycle?

Answer: Eleven years.

*From All of us at Lehigh Fuels..*  
*During the holiday season, our thoughts*  
*turn gratefully to those who have*  
*made our success possible.*  
*In this spirit we say, simply, but sincerely...*  
**Thank you.**  
**and Happy New Year!**

## Bob Cohen Room opens new page

BY DANA GRUBB  
Special to the Bethlehem Press

Friends, area residents and elected officials joined the family of the late Bob Cohen at the Bethlehem Area Public Library Nov. 16, to officially dedicate the Bob Cohen Room.

The \$300,000 project converted the once children's library area into a multi-purpose 3,600-square-foot space complete with ADA accessible restrooms, kitchenette and room divider.

Cohen served on the library's board of trustees over several decades, according to head librarian Josh Berk, who said that Cohen and his wife Amy came to him to discuss the eventual reuse of the space once the children's library was expanded and relocated to the library's second floor.

Cohen was remembered for his exploratory, curious nature and his brother Bill called him the "epitome of the library" because of that



PRESS PHOTOS BY DANA GRUBB

Head librarian Josh Berk applauds as the Cohen's grandson, Christopher Cohen cuts a ceremonial ribbon to signify the Bob Cohen Room's dedication. Holding the ribbon are his sister Madalynn Cohen and his grandmother, Bob's wife, Amy Cohen.

spirit. Cohen passed away in 2016, but with his his Nov. 19 birth date approaching, attendees joined in singing "Happy Birthday" and remembering his friend-

ly, community-spirited life, while they also enjoyed some birthday cake and refreshments.

Proclamations from Mayor Robert Donchez and Northampton Coun-

ty Executive Lamont McClure, who attended, were presented to the family. Donchez proclaimed Oct. 16 'Bob Cohen Day' in Bethlehem.



**Bob Cohen's** sister, Marian Weiss reads from a newspaper column written by Bob Cohen in which he said, "a public library represents a bastion of democracy." Weiss and her husband Bruce came from Woodstock, IL to attend.



**Cohen family** friend Bobby Peruzzi performs a trombone solo, "As Time Goes By."



**Bethlehem Township Commissioner** John Merhottein peruses copies of "Home at My typewriter, Selected Poems by Bob Cohen." Merhottein also serves as the Township's trustee on the BAPL board.



**Bill Cohen**, Bob Cohen's brother, performs a song written by his brother entitled "That's What I Want in My Life." Cohen and his wife Randi attended from their home in Columbus, Ohio.



**Bethlehem Area Public Library** head librarian Josh Berk thanks the Cohen family and everyone in the community for their support for the \$300,000 project. Berk said that meetings, concerts, art shows and other community events would be able to use the 3,600-square-foot space.

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# Santa Claus & the Belsnickel

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*The night before Christmas  
is very near  
but creatures are stirring,  
even the mice.  
All quiver in fear, cause  
Belsnickel soon will be here.  
What? — What happened to  
Santa Claus? What happened to  
sugarplum fairies,  
sweets and spice?  
And who's this Belsnickel  
fellow?  
He's neither jolly nor mellow.  
Belsnickel gets children who  
are naughty, not nice.  
His glaring stare is colder*

*than arctic ice.  
He comes before Christmas  
and carries a switch.  
This Belsnickel fellow sounds  
more like a Halloween witch.  
Does this script have  
some kind of glitch?  
No carrot at Christmas,  
only the stick?  
Must Christmas come with  
some kind of hitch?  
None of this Belsnickel stuff  
say the kids today.  
Just give us our gifts  
'cause we want to play.  
Winter's no time to be*

*out making hay!  
In trumpy brown knickers,  
a coat and a cap,  
Belsnickel comes to each house  
following his map.  
His gray beard flowing over his  
tattered old scarf,  
He carries a switch  
to help with his part.  
To get your attention  
he'll jingle his bell and  
scratch at your door.  
To lower your guard he'll  
scatter peanuts, oranges and  
treats on your floor.  
When you pick up your treat,*

*he'll switch at your feet.  
Before Christmas sun,  
he'll come just one more time if  
you're good,  
to leave nice gifts under your  
tree as you hoped he would  
That's the Belsnickel;  
he's nasty but nice.  
Du besser bischt gudt,  
der Belsnickel kumpt!  
Well kids, have no fear  
Belsnickel hasn't been seen  
very near for many a year.  
These days it's usually Santa  
who comes around here*

## About the Belsnickel

The Belsnickel used to visit the homes of Pennsylvania Dutch children many years ago.

In those days, the children were often told during the year, "Du besser bischt gudt der Belsnickel kumpt." (Loosely — you'd better be good, the Belsnickel will come.)

The last sighting of Belsnickel around here reported to us was by Ruth Rinker of Sciota. She grew up in the West End of Monroe County. Ruth tells us that Belsnickel visited her home only once, in 1926. She was around 6 years old then.

Ruth, then Ruth Gougher, lived on the "outskirts" of Kunkletown with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Gougher, and her younger brother, Walter. It was Christmas Eve 1926, just a little after dark. Ruth and her 4-year-old brother, both in stocking feet, were dressed in their flannel nightclothes — almost ready for bed. Mom and Dad were around, but Ruth's grandfather had gone to visit some neighbors. They heard some sleigh bells jingling. Then, there was a scary rattling on the porch. Suddenly, there appeared at the window an old man in trumpy clothes. He scratched his switch on the window to get the children's attention and scare them. The children were really frightened. They wouldn't go near the door. So Ruth's dad opened the door for Belsnickel.

There stood the Belsnickel. He was an old man dressed in trumpy clothes. He wore brown knickers, boots and a dark



overcoat. His long, gray beard flowed out from under a visored cap and poured over his tattered scarf. He was about the same height as her grandfather, but Belsnickel had a potbelly as big as a pillow. Belsnickel only stepped a foot or two into the Goughers' kitchen. He scattered peanuts and oranges on the floor — a very special treat in those days.

This relaxed the kids a little. A sudden rush of braveness came over Ruth and Walter. It was brought on by the treats Belsnickel had spread on the floor in front of him. They moved forward and started picking up the orange and peanut treats. Then, without even the hint of a warning, Belsnickel lashed out with his fresh-cut switch. He started thrashing their legs with the birch twig. It hurt,

tells Ruth.

The children scampered and ran. They hid behind the old brown Apollo cookstove. They stayed behind the stove until Belsnickel left. Then the kids came out from behind the old brown cookstove and picked up the treats.

After that they went to bed — their legs still smarting a little from the Belsnickel's switch. The next morning when they awoke, Ruth and her brother Walter found gifts under the Christmas tree. Belsnickel had returned later Christmas Eve and left them under the tree for Ruth and Walter. That was the one and only time Belsnickel visited Ruth and Walter. After that, it was Santa Claus instead of Belsnickel who visited the Goucher home in Kunkletown each Christmas to leave presents for the kids.

Ruth and Walter liked Santa much better than Belsnickel. Santa doesn't have a switch. Knecht Ruprecht, perhaps a distant cousin of Belsnickel, still visits children in Germany. Several weeks before Christmas, St. Nikolaus and one of his helpers, Ruprecht, visit German children. St. Nikolaus (Santa) has a list with all the children's names. The list tells what things naughty and what things nice the children did during the year. St. Nikolaus gives the kids treats, oranges, candy, apples and nuts, for the nice things they have done.

On the other hand, Ruprecht carries his stick. Ruprecht swats the naughty kids with his stick. The kids sing Christmas songs and recite poetry as part of the festivities. Then St. Nikolaus makes a list of what toys and things the children want for Christmas. Neither St. Nikolaus, nor his nasty helper Ruprecht, return on Christmas Day. Rather, on Christmas Eve, Christkind and the Christmas angels come, unseen by anyone, and place gifts under the tree.

Merry Christmas!

### Author's Note:

We asked other people with Pennsylvania Dutch roots if Belsnickel had ever visited them. Only a few had been visited by him. Some said they had heard about Belsnickel from the older folks, but their childhoods were spent years after Ruth Rinker's 1926 encounter with Belsnickel. In the early 1900s, as well as the 1800s, the West End of Monroe County, at the foothills of the Pocono Mountains, was a very remote and isolated area. (So were many other rural areas.) It's rather tempting to speculate therefore that it was difficult for St. Nikolaus, Ruprecht, Christkind and the Christmas angels all to make their way to the West End at Christmastime. Perhaps that is why Belsnickel performed all the tasks of these other Christmas personalities — Ruprecht's switching, St. Nikolaus' scattering treats, and Christkind's leaving gifts. These Christmas personalities are very cooperative indeed. They change and modify their schedules and roles somewhat to accommodate the Christmas customs and calendars of each region, or sometimes each household, they visit. Unfortunately, Belsnickel is another one of those precious and unique elements of the local Pennsylvania Dutch culture that is being lost.

We would like to hear about more encounters with Belsnickel. If you have or if you know anyone who has ever encountered Belsnickel, email [tneditor@tnonline.com](mailto:tneditor@tnonline.com). We would like to put together a compendium of stories about Belsnickel — before he disappears forever.

## Santa and the Belsnickel make a deal

Once upon a time, in the Pocono Mountain forest in Pennsylvania, Santa Claus was bringing Christmas joy to the homes of the mountain forest folks — as well as the rest of the world. He heard some little children crying "What? — How could this be? Children crying on Christmas Eve?" thought Santa.

In a very uncommon event, Santa appeared before the kids.

"Why are you crying on Christmas Eve?" asked Santa.

The children told Santa about the Belsnickel.

The Belsnickel lived deep in the mountain forest. Belsnickel was an older man. In the wintertime, his long gray beard flowed out from under his visored cap and poured over his tattered old scarf.

When he would go out in the winter's cold, he would wear old boots, brown knickers, and a trumpy old topcoat.

The Belsnickel was rigid and strict. His eyes were colder than Arctic ice. And he never put up with any foolishness.

In his younger days, Belsnickel had been a schoolmaster. He was known throughout the land as the meanest and toughest schoolmaster ever.

The children who attended Belsnickel's school were well-behaved due to Belsnickel's very strict discipline. But they did not enjoy his school.

When Belsnickel finally retired, the

kids were happy indeed. They had one of the best parties ever.

Well, after Belsnickel retired, the teachers let the kids get away with murder. The kids didn't do their homework. They partied all the time. And they got into all kinds of mischief. Somebody had to step in and do something. The parents didn't know who to turn to. Finally they sought out Belsnickel. "Belsnickel, you've got to come back," the parents said.

"Since you retired there is no one to discipline the kids. They do whatever they want to do. And they aren't learning a thing in school. Not only that, but the kids have gotten unruly around their homes. And they have become very rude, too."

"But what can I do?" said the grumpy old Belsnickel. "I'm not at the school anymore."

Then Belsnickel had an idea. In the middle of the winter he would get fresh oranges, fruits and nuts — a very special winter treat in those days — and go around to each house. He would use the treats to bait the kids. And when they would come after the treats, he would thrash them with his switch for their naughty deeds.

And so, every year after that, in the middle of the winter, around Christmastime, Belsnickel would hitch the horse to the old country sleigh. He would go to each child's house. Belsnickel would

make scary noises on the porch and scratch at the window with his switch to frighten the children and get their attention. After that he would knock at the door.

The parents would open the door for Belsnickel. Belsnickel would take just one or two steps into the house. He would scatter his oranges, nuts and treats on the floor in front of him. When the children would come forward to pick up the treats, Belsnickel would take his switch to their legs.

The children would scamper and run. They would hide behind the cookstove or whatever was handy.

After the Belsnickel would leave, the children would come out from their hiding places and pick up their treats.

During the year, whenever the children were naughty, the parents would remind them that if they didn't behave, the Belsnickel would put them on his list and come to thrash them on the night of the winter solstice — the longest night of the year.

Well, it worked! The kids were so scared of Belsnickel. All their parents and teachers had to do was remind them that if they misbehaved, the Belsnickel would come at Christmastime and take his switch to them. The children did their homework. They were well-behaved. And they were polite.

But the kids were just terrified of this Belsnickel fellow. And what made it even worse for the kids was that Belsnickel came just a few nights before Christmas.

After the kids told Santa about the Belsnickel, they asked Santa for his help. And they promised Santa that if he would get the Belsnickel to stop coming around at Christmastime, they would behave all year long.

"OK," said Santa. "That sounds good to me. But if you don't keep your promise to behave all year, I'll cross you off my Christmas gift list."

Then Santa asked Rudolph, the reindeer, to lead him to the Belsnickel.

el. "Merry Christmas, Belsnickel!" said Santa when he found him.

"Humbug," grumped Belsnickel.

"Why do you take your switch to the children at Christmastime?" asked Santa. After the Belsnickel finished explaining the reasons, Santa said, "Well, Belsnickel, then all you want is that the children should be good, right?"

"Exactly," said Belsnickel.

"Let me suggest a solution," said Santa.

"I'll keep a list of the kids who have been naughty and the kids who have been nice. I won't leave toys for the naughty kids at Christmas — if you won't go around switching at them any more. No toys will be punishment enough."

"You've got yourself a deal," said the Belsnickel.

"I'm getting very old and very tired. And I really don't enjoy having to go around every Christmas and taking my switch to the naughty children."

"But Santa," said Belsnickel, "if your plan doesn't work and the kids get bad again — well maybe I'll just have to come back"

"Belsnickel," said Santa, "now you won't have very much to do. Why don't you come up to the North Pole with Rudolph and me. You can help us make toys for the kids. There's plenty of room, and Mrs. Claus is an excellent cook, you'll see."

And so it was. Santa and the Belsnickel had their deal. Belsnickel retired and went to the North Pole with Santa. He doesn't come around anymore — except sometimes he still helps Santa deliver his Christmas gifts in the mountain forests.

These days the parents tell their children when they misbehave — you better be good or Santa won't bring you anything for Christmas!

Belsnickel now lives at the North Pole with Santa and his helpers making toys all summer long for Christmas Eve night.

## Ways to avoid unwanted nickname

Dear Jacquelyn,  
How can I politely get people to stop using a nickname? My name is Joseph and a very small number of people call me Joe, which I don't regard as my name. It really bothers me when I am introduced to people as Joe because then others think my name is Joe. What is the politest way to request that someone use my actual name?

**RESPECTFULLY YOURS**  
By Jacquelyn Youst



you are put in the awkward position of correcting someone you just met.

Keep in mind, they may simply be using mental shorthand without realizing. Your name may be viewed as two different versions of the same thing rather than two distinct and separate things.

For in-person introductions, it's fairly easy to correct the name mishap. Simply extend your hand in greeting and say, "Actually, I prefer Joseph. Thanks." Po-

lately requesting your preferred name be used is fine.

For the times when someone repeatedly uses a nickname, politely say, "I am sorry I haven't corrected you sooner, and I don't mean to cause you embarrassment, but from now on, can you refer to me as Joseph? I just want the continuity so people all recognize me as me when my name is said. More people refer to me as Joseph, and I prefer that name to Joe."

Deliver the message gently and clearly to avoid hurt feelings.

If this has been going on for a long time and it seems awkward to say anything now, tell people that you've decided to be called Joseph from

now on. Then they don't feel like they've been getting it wrong all these years, and you've made it clear what you want.

Most people are happy to know what your name preference is, so don't hesitate to correct them politely and right away.

Respectfully Yours,  
Jacquelyn

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## Each Christmas tree tells a story

As I was decorating my Christmas tree, I was filled with joy, gratitude and love.

That's because many of the decorations I use each year come with warm memories of the special friends who gave them to me.

My tree has changed through the years. But one thing remains constant. Sentimentality reigns. When I lived in Pennsylvania I always had the biggest tree I could find, fresh from a local Christmas tree farm.

We don't have those delightful Christmas tree farms in Florida. So my tree is pure Florida, a far cry from the traditional tree I had for decades.

There is a lot of "new" on this year's tree. Traditional Christmas colors have been replaced with turquoise and silver ornaments, and my traditional Christmas balls have been replaced with Florida birds and quirky nautical items.

Some decorations never will be replaced on my Christmas tree because cherished friends gave them to me.

Over three decades ago, my friend Jan gave me a Christmas angel. It's gotten battered over the years and its wings are now extremely wobbly. But that angel never lost its glow for me because it represents the best kind of lasting friendship.

The same is true of the beautiful fairy given to me by my precious friend Linda Koehler.

For many years Linda and I had the joy of working together at the Times News. While we both went on to the enchanted land we call retirement, one never retires or tires of the warmth of a special friendship.

When I put those two ornaments on the tree, I am washed in joy as I think of those friends.

One ornament that will always be a part of my tree has its own bit of history and relevant story. That story could be called "When I didn't have a dollar."

When my daughters were young I so badly wanted the beautiful drummer boy that looked like it was made from marshmallows and candy.

I recall looking at it with longing, wanting it for our Christmas tree. But it was \$2, and even a dollar was hard to come by in those days.

When I got a small check in the mail for a story I had published, I went back and bought the ornament.

As I put it on my tree this year I was filled with gratitude for my life. That ornament also spurs me on to remember to give to local charities that help those struggling to survive.

Many people decorate their Christmas tree with things that have significant meaning for them.

When our local shell club brought handmade decorations for a tree at the environmental center, everything on the tree was made of shells.

Some of the shells had a sentimental story behind them and many were special because they carried stories of warm friendships.

When I wrote the story

**WARMEST REGARDS**

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for our local paper, I asked each person to tell me "the story behind your favorite shell decoration."

After the interviews as I packed up my photo gear, a woman came into center with a demand. It was definitely a demand, not a request.

"I want you to come to my house and do a story on my Christmas tree because all the decorations were given to me by friends," she said.

The woman never bothered coming when I was interviewing other shell club members because she didn't only want to be part of a group. She wanted her own story. Yet there was nothing special about her tree.

I told her I was leaving on vacation and only had time to write the shell club story. Sorry.

The woman went to see my editor and demanded he send me to her house. He thought I should pacify her and write the story.

Sorry. Can't do it, I said. I'm leaving on vacation and there is nothing unique about having a tree that includes ornaments from a friend.

Many of us have that. Or, we have ornaments that represent family milestones. Several of my friends have trees decorated with photos from each year of their children's life.

Their children now have children of their own, so photos of the grandchildren are now included on the tree.

Another friend has a tree with ornaments that once belonged to her beloved grandmother.

"Every ornament tells a story about my grandmother. That's what makes it special for me," said my friend.

Our local garden club has a Christmas tour featuring homes with unique Christmas decorations.

The tree in each home has decorations made only with things found in nature. I marveled at how tiny seeds can become works of art.

There are so many ways a Christmas tree can be special.

It doesn't matter if the tree is big or small, real or artificial.

The only thing that matters is how much joy it brings.

After my husband Andy died years ago, putting up a Christmas tree lost its appeal that year.

I decided the only tree I wanted was one made from bare branches. You probably get the meaning behind that.

My friend Mary found the perfect bare branch that we decorated only with birds.

It might not have been a traditional tree but it had meaning for me.

And isn't that the best kind of tree?

Here's wishing you a Christmas season filled with meaning.

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## Discussion of appropriate gifts urged

Q. My daughter has children from a previous marriage. She has recently remarried. Her in-laws are buying expensive and not necessarily age-appropriate gifts for the grandchildren on birthdays and holidays. I don't want to get into a spending war with them, but I'm not sure how to handle this. I don't want to become the cheap grandparent.

**THE FAMILY PROJECT**  
By Carole Gorney



children. "They may also want to put a limit on the number of gifts since kids tend to think in terms of how many gifts they get," Wallace added.

"The second part of this is not just the amount and cost of gifts, but their appropriateness," panelist Chad Stefanyak said. "I think the daughter and her new husband need to have a discussion about at what age they want their children have what gifts."

"For example, they may have opinions about a particular video game that they think is too violent, or at what age they want their children to have their own cell phones or laptops," said Stefanyak.

Panelist Denise Continenza said it's definitely a conversation that has to be had before opening packages

on Christmas morning. It could be made easier, she said, by creating a gift list before birthdays and holidays.

Another way of handling the problem, panelist Vince Confalone said, would be for the daughter's parents to concentrate on creating memories and traditions with the grandchildren. These are the best gifts grandparents can give, whether it's making a particular meal, or eating a special cookie or watching a favorite movie every year for the holidays.

"Don't get into a buying war," Confalone urged, "Fight with traditions and you won't be in a sprint, you'll be in a marathon."

This week's team of parenting experts are: Pam Wallace, program coordinator, Project Child, a program of Valley Youth House; Chad Stefanyak, school counselor; Denise Continenza, extension educator, and Vince Confalone,

Valley Youth House, family therapist.

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## Types, use of hand sanitizers detailed

Editor's Note: In the last two "Healthy Geezer" columns, the topic was gastroenteritis and noroviruses. In this column, the topic is hand sanitizers to fight germs that cause stomach infections.

Germs are microbes that cause disease. Microbes are microscopic organisms that are everywhere. Some microbes cause disease. Others are essential for health. Most microbes belong to one of four major groups: bacteria, viruses, fungi or protozoa.

Among the most common germs are noroviruses. These give you gastroenteritis, mistakenly called stomach flu. Gastroenteritis is an inflammation of the stomach and intestines. It is not related to flu, a respiratory illness caused by influenza virus.

Norovirus, the common term for the infection, is highly contagious and spreads swiftly wherever there are crowds of people:

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nursing homes, dormitories, hotels and cruise ships, for example. Usually, noroviruses are found in contaminated food or drinks, but they also live on surfaces. They can be spread through contact with an infected person.

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the best defenses against norovirus are washing your hands with soap and water often, avoiding handshakes during outbreaks and using alcohol-based hand sanitizers.

Hand sanitizers are available in gels, foams, wipes and sprays. While the active ingredient in most of these products is alcohol, others use triclosan and benzalkonium chloride.

The level of alcohol

in most sanitizers is 62 to 65 percent. It is effective against most bacteria, fungi and many viruses. Alcohol dries the skin, irritates sores and doesn't protect against new germs that infect the hands.

Triclosan comes in a concentration of about 0.1 percent. It kills bacteria, but not viruses. Triclosan is usually non-drying and won't sting. It provides short-term protection from new germ exposure when it dries.

Benzalkonium chloride (BAC) and its close relative, benzethonium chloride, are synthetic germicides. BAC is a newer active ingredient in hand sanitizers. It is part of a group known as Quats, which have been used for about 70 years in thousands of products such as Lysol, Bactine and Wet Ones.

BAC is at 0.1 percent in hand sanitizers. It is a full-spectrum germ killer and seems to provide short-term protection against more germ expo-

sure.

Which kind of hand sanitizer should you use to avoid norovirus? There's a body of evidence that alcohol sanitizers are not very effective against norovirus, but that hand sanitizers with BAC provide protection against the bug.

The recommended application method is the same for all hand sanitizers. Put some on and rub it over all areas of your hands. Use enough so that it stays wet on your hands for at least 15 seconds for maximum effect.

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**ABES**  
Annual awards to appear Jan. 1

The 14th annual ABES Awards for Lehigh Valley theater will be published in the Focus section in the Jan. 1 and 2 print and website editions of the Lehigh Valley Press.

The ABES, as in Allentown, Bethlehem and Easton, is an overview of musicals and plays annually produced by Lehigh Valley theater troupes.

The ABES are based on shows attended in 2019 by Carole Gorney, theater reviewer for Focus, and Paul Willistain, Focus editor.

# One of a kindness

"A Beautiful Day In The Neighborhood" is an odd little film.

On the one hand, it's been perceived as a biopic of Latrobe, Westmoreland County, native Fred Rogers (1928 - 2003), host of "Mister Rogers Neighborhood" (1968 - 2001), produced by WQED, Pittsburgh, and telecast on Public Broadcasting Television stations.

On the other hand, the film is not a Fred Rogers biopic.

While I may have been one of the moviegoers expecting a biopic along the lines of the excellent documentary film, "Won't You Be My Neighbor?" (2018), directed by Morgan Neville (Oscar recipient, "20 Feet From Stardom," 2013), which chronicled the personal life and career of Fred Rogers, "this is not that film."

That's OK, to a point. "A Beautiful Day In The Neighborhood" is more of a melodrama about hard-boiled journalist Tom Junod, two-time National Magazine Awards recipient from the American Society of Magazine Editors, who interviewed Fred Rogers for a 1998 Esquire magazine article, "Can You Say... Hero?" Junod, who became friends with Rogers, appeared in the documentary, "Won't You Be My Neighbor?"

The screenplay is by Micah Fitzerman-Blue and Noah Harpster (co-screenwriters, "Maleficent: Mistress of Evil," 2019) for "A Beautiful Day In The Neighborhood," directed by Marielle Heller (director of the compelling drama also based on real-life characters, "Can You Ever Forgive Me?," 2018, which received three Oscar nominations: actress, Melissa McCarthy; supporting actor, Richard E. Grant; adapted screenplay, Nicole Holofcener, Jeff Whitty).

In "A Beautiful Day In The Neighborhood," journalist Junod is renamed Lloyd Vogel (Matthew Rhys, Emmy recipient, 2018, TV's "The Americans," 2013-2018).

In "A Beautiful Day

## MOVIE REVIEW

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In "The Neighborhood," Vogel is depicted as reluctant to interview Rogers and initially obstinate in resisting Rogers' own questioning of Vogel's life.

Vogel is shown in the film as having gotten into a fistfight with his father, Jerry (Chris Cooper, supporting actor Oscar recipient, "Adaptation," 2002), at the wedding reception of Vogel's sister, Lorraine (Tammy Blanchard).

The illness of Vogel's father and the testy relationship of Vogel and his father, as well as the tension-filled marriage of Vogel and his wife, Andrea (Susan Kelechi Watson, Screen Actors Guild ensemble recipient, 2018, 2019, TV's "This Is Us," 2016-2020), form the basis of the plot.

"A Beautiful Day In The Neighborhood" is not so beautiful in terms of Vogel's personality nor his frayed relationships with his father, his wife and Rogers.

It's also not so beautiful in the look of the film, which is desaturated, almost drab in appearance, with washed-out browns, blues and grays in scenes, costumes and characters, with the notable exception of the bright red cardigan sweater Mister Rogers dons at the beginning of each episode of his TV show.

Director Heller and the screenwriters cleverly use the miniature set of the "Neighborhood of Make-Believe" to ease the storyline on down the road. It's akin to a three-dimensional Google Maps. The effect is surrealistic, with, in one scene, Vogel reduced in size to the miniature people of the "Neighborhood of Make-Believe."

There's no mistaking Tom Hanks in the role of Fred Rogers. What other movie star could have played Rogers?

One can't imagine any-

one other than five-time Oscar nominee (actor Oscar recipient, "Forrest Gump," 1995, and "Philadelphia," 1994) Hanks as Mister Rogers.

Among his 91 theatrical movie and television show roles, "A Beautiful Day In The Neighborhood" is at least the eighth theatrical feature film in which Hanks has portrayed a real-life person, including Washington Post newspaper editor Ben Bradlee, "The Post" (2017); Airline pilot Chesley "Sully" Sullenberger, "Sully" (2016); Atty. James B. Donovan, "Bridge Of Spies" (2015); Walt Disney, "Saving Mr. Banks" (2013); cargo freighter Captain Richard Phillips, "Captain Phillips" (2013); Congressman Charlie Wilson, "Charlie Wilson's War" (2007), and Astronaut Jim Lovell, "Apollo 13" (1995).

Hanks is a cinematic chameleon, disappearing into the role of Rogers. It's not just the red sweater.

As with his other roles, you realize you're watching Hanks, yet his vocal inflections (Rogers' cozy, relaxing, slow-talking style is akin to Autonomous Sensory Meridian Response, or ASMR), facial expressions and body language are so realistic that you think you're watching Mr. Rogers.

Hanks is aided by the wise decision by director Heller to slow things down, so much so that there are pauses in scenes, silent moments of no dialogue, with Hanks as Rogers looking at Rhys as Vogel in a back and forth of wordless communication and understanding.

This renders "A Beautiful Day In The Neighborhood" a kind of meditative exercise in the observations, tenants and philosophy of Mr. Rogers about kindness, coping and forgiveness.



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Tom Hanks (Fred Rogers), Matthew Rhys (Lloyd Vogel), "A Beautiful Day In The Neighborhood."

My introduction to "Mister Rogers' Neighborhood" was much rougher, by way of Eddie Murphy's hilarious spoof playing Mr. Robinson in "Mister Robinson's Neighborhood" in nine sketches on "Saturday Night Live" (1981-1984).

"A Beautiful Day In The Neighborhood" begins with the keyboard and vibraphone opening notes of the TV show theme song. The movie-goer is mesmerized. The movie is a lullaby for adults.

"A Beautiful Day In The Neighborhood" provides an insightful look into the life of a hot-shot, self-possessed, narcissistic journalist who lets his guard down long enough to become one of the people who are in the neighborhood. You may recognize him.

And after you depart the movie theater, your neighborhood and the world may look more like the "Neighborhood of Make-Believe."

"A Beautiful Day In The Neighborhood," MPAA Rated PG (Parental Guidance Suggested

Some material may not be suitable for children. Parents urged to give "parental guidance." May contain some material parents might not like for their young children.) for some strong thematic material, a brief fight, and some mild language; Genre: Biography, Drama; Run time: 1 hr., 49 min. Distributed by Sony Pictures.

### Credit Readers

**Anonymous:** At the end of "A Beautiful Day In The Neighborhood," the real Fred Rogers is shown singing a song he wrote, "You Did It." The film was shot on location in Pittsburgh, including the WQED TV studios. Tom Hanks and Fred Rogers are reportedly sixth-cousins.

**Box Office:** Dec. 22-23 weekend box office results were unavailable because of the early Focus section deadline for the Christmas Day holiday.

**Unreel, Dec. 27:** "1917," R: Sam Mendes directs Benedict Cumberbatch, Colin Firth, Andrew Scott and Richard Madden in the

World War I Drama. Two young British soldiers must deliver a message in enemy territory.

**"Little Women," PG:** Greta Gerwig directs Saoirse Ronan, Emma Watson, Laura Dern, Meryl Streep, Timothée Chalamet and Florence Pugh in the Romantic Drama. Four sisters grow up in America after the Civil War. The screenplay is based on the Louisa May Alcott novel.

**"Spies in Disguise," PG:** Nick Bruno and Troy Quane direct the animation feature film with the voice talents of Karen Gillan, Rachel Brosnahan, Tom Holland, Will Smith, Rashida Jones, Reba McEntire and DJ Khaled. The world's top spy is transformed into a pigeon.

**"Just Mercy," PG-13:** Destin Daniel Cretton directs Brie Larson, Jamie Foxx, Michael B. Jordan and Tim Blake Nelson in the Drama. It's based on a memoir by Atty. Bryan Stevenson who appealed the murder conviction of Walter McMillian.



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## LVHN holds groundbreaking for Lower Nazareth hospital

Lehigh Valley Health Network (LVHN) broke ground Dec. 6 for its new health campus just off Route 33 along Hecktown Road in Lower Nazareth Township. Grand opening is slated for summer 2021.

The new medical campus will include a 106,000-square-foot, two-story hospital; 35,000-square-foot Lehigh Valley Cancer Institute and 61,000-square-foot medical office building. The campus will offer advanced surgical, emergency, and orthopedic care, cancer services, advanced imaging, diagnostic testing and more.

At the groundbreaking, Brian Nester, DO,

MBA, FACOEP, LVHN President and Chief Executive Officer, announced that the new hospital will be called Lehigh Valley Hospital - Hecktown Oaks.

"Oak trees evoke a sense of strength and protection and inspire awe in nature. By naming our hospital Lehigh Valley Hospital - Hecktown Oaks, we want the residents of Northampton County and nearby communities to know that we are here to provide strength and sanctuary when you need a health care partner most," said Nester.

Nester announced that the President for LVH - Hecktown Oaks is Rachel Lefebvre, Vice

President, Operations at LVH - 17th Street in Allentown. "I am looking forward to bringing Lehigh Valley Health Network's advanced services and technologies to patient care in this area, and am particularly proud to bring an amazing team of health care providers who offer the best in expert and compassionate care," Lefebvre said.

Surgeon Pat Toselli, DO, Chief Medical Officer at LVH - Muhlenberg, Bethlehem, was introduced as Chief Medical Officer for LVH - Hecktown Oaks.

The construction of the campus is a direct response to demand for LVHN care in



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Artist's rendering of Lehigh Valley Hospital - Hecktown Oaks.

Northampton County, where nearly one-third of residents already receive health care services from an LVHN provider. Over the last seven years, the number of visits from Northamp-

ton County residents to Lehigh Valley Physician Group (LVPG) providers increased 91 percent. In fiscal year 2018, LVPG had more than 430,000 visits from Northampton County residents.

The new health campus extends the services LVHN and Lehigh Valley Reilly Children's Hospital already provide in the county.

## Sales of houses in Lehigh Valley decline second month in row

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Sales of houses in the Lehigh Valley declined in November for a second straight month.

Closed sales for houses in the Lehigh Valley declined 1.5 percent, by only 11 properties, in November, with 700 houses sold, compared to 711 houses sold in November 2018, according to the Greater Lehigh Valley Realtors (GLVR) monthly report released Dec. 12.

The percentage of decline in closed sales for houses in November is less than that of the percentage of decline for closed sales for houses in October. Also, the number of houses sold in November was equivalent to the number of houses sold in October.

Closed sales for houses in the Lehigh Valley decreased 5.5 percent in October, with 703 houses sold, compared to 744 houses sold in October 2018.

Closed sales for the 11 months of 2019 are up slightly, 0.7 percent, to 7,931, compared to 7,877 for the 11 months of 2018.

In 2019, closed sales decreased in seven months, increased in three months and were flat in one month.

Closed sales increased in September, May and April; declined in November, October, August, July, March, February and January, and were flat in June.

The percentage of pending sales again increased, up by double digits in November, com-

pared to October.

Pending sales increased 18 percent in November, to 656 houses, compared to 556 houses in November 2018.

Pending sales increased 8.6 percent in October, to 767 houses, compared to 706 houses in October 2018.

New listings again decreased, down 9.6 percent in November to 614 houses, compared to 679 houses in November 2018.

The average sales price again increased, up 2.2 percent in November to \$226,317, compared to \$221,525 in November 2018.

The median sales price again increased, up 5.1 percent in November to \$205,000, compared to \$195,000 in November 2018.

Inventory again decreased by double digits, down 29.2 percent in November to 1,488 units, compared to 2,101 units in November 2018.

Days on the market again decreased by double digits, down 10.5 percent in November, or 34 days, compared to 38 days in November 2018.

The months' supply of inventory again decreased by double digits, down 33.3 percent in November, or 2 months, compared to 3 months in November 2018.

The percentage of list price received increased slightly, up 0.8 percent in November to 98.3 percent, compared to 97.5 percent in November 2018.

The housing affordability index again increased by double digits, to 10.8 percent in November, compared to November 2018.

**Market analysis**  
According to the GLVR, the November data showed "more of the same," with prices up, inventory down and closed sales steady.

"Heading into 2020, real estate in the Lehigh Valley is on firm ground with little chance of price declines," said GLVR CEO Justin Poremba.

"However, in order for the market to be healthier, more supply is needed to assure home prices as well as rents do not consistently outgrow income gains," Poremba said.

Residential new construction activity continues to rise nationally. The U.S. Commerce Department reported that new housing permits rose 5 percent in October to a new 12-year high of 1.46 million units. Additional work needs to be done to address and, more importantly, correct inadequate levels of inventory, according to

the GLVR.

"Increased home building can serve as a stimulator for the overall economy, and we strongly encourage more homes to be built as buyer demand remains strong," said GLVR President Carl Billera.

"There is no shortage of buyers seeking homes, but a lack of available units continues to drag down the market, not only in the Lehigh Valley, but across the country," Billera said.

In November, the Federal Reserve reduced its benchmark rate for the third time in 2019. The action was widely anticipated by the market. Mortgage rates remained steady in November and are down more than 1 percent from November 2018.

Observed the GLVR November report, while many economic signs are quite strong, total household debt has been rising for 21 consecutive quarters and is now \$1.3 trillion higher than the previous peak of \$12.68 trillion in 2008.

While delinquency rates remain low across most debt types, including mortgages, higher consumer debt loads can limit future household spending capability and increase risk if the economy slows down, concluded the GLVR November report.

**Closed sales**  
Closed sales for houses in the Lehigh Valley decreased 5.5 percent in October, with 703 houses sold, compared to 744 houses sold in October 2018.

Closed sales for houses in the Lehigh Valley increased 1.3 percent in September, with 699 houses sold, up from 690 houses sold in September 2018.

Closed sales for houses

in the Lehigh Valley decreased 2.7 percent in August, with 926 houses sold, down from 952 houses sold in August 2018.

Closed sales for houses in the Lehigh Valley decreased 7.2 percent in July, with 814 houses sold, down from 877 houses sold in July 2018.

Closed sales for houses in the Lehigh Valley didn't increase or decline in June, 0.0 percent, with 901 houses sold, identical to 901 houses sold in June 2018.

Closed sales for houses in the Lehigh Valley increased 0.4 percent in May, with 815 houses sold, up from 812 houses sold in May 2018.

Closed sales for houses in the Lehigh Valley increased 3.8 percent in April, with 651 houses sold, up from 627 houses sold in April 2018.

Closed sales for houses in the Lehigh Valley decreased 7.2 percent in March, with 589 houses sold, down from 635 houses sold in March 2018.

Closed sales for houses in the Lehigh Valley decreased 7.7 percent in February, with 418 houses sold, down from 453 houses sold in February 2018.

Closed sales for houses in the Lehigh Valley decreased 5.7 percent in January, with 448 houses sold, down from 475 houses sold in January 2018.

**Carbon County**  
In Carbon County, the Median Sales Price increased to \$157,500 in November.

Closed Sales increased, by two properties, to 55 in November.

Pending Sales increased to 63 in November.

There was a decrease in inventory to 278 units in November.

Days on Market decreased to 79 days in November.

**GLVR information**  
The Greater Lehigh Valley Realtors is a not-for-profit trade association representing more than 2,000 Realtors in Carbon, Lehigh and Northampton counties.

GLVR provides professional development and training resources, competitive market information, legislative advocacy, peer review and mediation processes for members, and a dispute resolution service for consumers.

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## Faith Presbyterian Church hosts holiday craft fair



PRESS PHOTOS BY JAKE MELUSKEY

Faith Presbyterian Church, 3002 N. Second St., Emmaus, held a holiday craft fair Dec. 7. ABOVE: Santa Claus attends the holiday craft fair at Faith Presbyterian Church to visit with the children.



The largest room at Faith Presbyterian Church is packed with tables full of holiday gifts and decorations, including birdhouses, Christmas ornaments, totes, purses, jewelry, paintings, handmade baskets, floral, wreaths, dog treats, soaps and lotions, embroidered items, quilted items, candy and more.

PUBLIC NOTICE
UPPER MILFORD TOWNSHIP - NOTICE OF AUDITOR'S MEETING
Auditor's Meeting - Tuesday, January 7th, 2020 at 3:00 p.m.

This meeting is held in the Upper Milford Township Municipal Building, 5671 Chestnut Street, Zionsville, PA.
Upper Milford Township
Dec. 25
PUBLIC NOTICE
The following is a list of meeting schedules for calendary year 2020.

PLANNING COMMISSION: Second Monday of each month @ 7 pm as needed
January 13 July 13
February 10 August 10
March 9 September 14
April 13 October 12
May 11 November 9
June 8 December 14

ZONING HEARING BOARD: Third Monday of each month at 7 pm as needed
January 20 July 20
February 17 August 17
March 16 September 21
April 20 October 19
May 18 November 16
June 15 December 21

STORMWATER AUTHORITY: Second Wednesday of each month @ 6 p.m. as needed
January 8 July 8
February 12 August 12
March 11 September 9
April 8 October 14
May 13 November 11
June 10 December 9

COMMITTEE MEETINGS - all meetings are as needed
Police - First Monday starting at 5:45 P.M.
Finance, Public Works, Personnel, House & Ordinance - First Wednesday of each month starting at 5:30 P.M.
Fire, Health & Sanitation, Recreation - Third Wednesday of each month starting at 5:30 P.M.
Anthony Branco, Executive Administrator
Dec. 25

PUBLIC NOTICE
PUBLIC NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT PRELIMINARY BUDGET FOR WHITEHALL-COPLAY SCHOOL DISTRICT
Notice is hereby given in accordance with Act 1 of Special Session of 2006 that the Board of School Directors of Whitehall-Coplay School District intends to adopt a 2020-21 Preliminary Budget at its public meeting beginning at 7 PM on January 13, 2020.

PUBLIC NOTICE
TOWNSHIP OF WHITEHALL
BUREAU OF PLANNING, ZONING & DEVELOPMENT
LEGAL NOTICE is hereby given by the Township of Whitehall, Bureau of Planning, Zoning & Development and the Plumbing Inspector, to all Master and Journeyman Plumbers licensed by the Township that, according to Section P-112.5 of the Whitehall Township Plumbing Code, all said licenses MUST be renewed on or before January 31, 2020 or all rights to same shall be relinquished, thus losing the ability to perform services within the Township.

LICENSES MUST BE RENEWED IN PERSON BY THE LICENSE HOLDER ONLY. You must bring with you, your PA Driver License or PA Photo ID and payment. Licenses can be renewed at the Development Office at the Municipal Building, 3219 MacArthur Road, Whitehall, PA 18052, Monday through Friday between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.
Dec. 11, 25

PUBLIC NOTICE
ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS
FOOTBALL STADIUM IMPROVEMENTS
for the
WHITEHALL-COPLAY SCHOOL DISTRICT
WHITEHALL, PENNSYLVANIA
Sealed proposals will be received in duplicate by the Whitehall-Coplay School District, OWNER, at the District Administration Building, 2940 MacArthur Road, Whitehall, Pennsylvania 18052 until 2:00 PM prevailing time on Tuesday, February 04, 2020, at which time Bids will be publicly opened and read aloud for the Football Stadium Improvements Project for the Whitehall-Coplay School District.

The Project Architect is Breslin, Ridyard, Fadero Architects, 1226 Union Blvd., Allentown, PA 18109, Phone: 610-437-9626. The Project Construction Manager is D'Huy Engineering, Inc., One East Broad Street, Suite 310, Bethlehem, PA 18018, Phone: 610-865-3000.
The Bid must be accompanied by a Bid Security in the amount of ten percent of the total amount of Bid. All Bids must be effective for sixty (60) days from the date of Bid opening.
Contract Documents for the work can be obtained by applying to Breslin Ridyard Fadero Architects, 1226 Union Boulevard, Allentown, PA 18109; Telephone 610-437-9626 with a non-refundable fee of \$100.00. Checks shall be made payable to "Breslin Ridyard Fadero Architects". Documents will be sent electronically via wetransfer.com. An additional non-refundable fee of \$25.00 is required for shipping and handling if a compact disc (CD) of the documents is to be sent. Contractors must supply the following information with their request for documents: Company name, contact person, along with numbers for phone and fax, and email address.
Drawings, Specifications, Instructions to Bidders, Proposal Forms, and other Contract Documents may be examined at the office of the Architect, and at the following locations:
Altoona Builders Exchange; www.altoonaebx.com
Dodge Data & Analytics; www.construction.com
Northeast PA Contractors Association (NEPCA); www.nepca.org
Pennsylvania Builders Exchange; www.pbe.org
The Blue Book Network; www.thebluebook.com
ConstructConnect; www.constructconnect.com

A Pre-Bid Conference will be held at 2:00 PM on Tuesday, January 14, 2020 at the Whitehall High School located at 3800 Mechanicsville Road, Whitehall, Pennsylvania. Representatives of the Owner, Construction Manager, and Architect will be present to discuss the project. Attendance is not mandatory but is highly recommended. The Architect will transmit to all prospective Bidders of record such Addenda as Architect considers necessary in response to questions arising at the conference.

OWNER'S CONTACT: Mr. Philip A. Bankos
Supervisor of Buildings and Grounds
2590 Campus Drive
Whitehall, Pennsylvania 18052
Phone: 610-439-0110, x1153
Fax: 610-433-0197

Proposals must be accompanied by a certified check and/or bond, with corporate surety authorized to do business in Pennsylvania.
All bids must be submitted in sealed envelopes, plainly marked on the outside "BID FOR CONSTRUCTION FOR THE FOOTBALL STADIUM IMPROVEMENTS FOR THE WHITEHALL-COPLAY SCHOOL DISTRICT" - and mailed or delivered to the undersigned, District Administration Building, 2940 MacArthur Road, Whitehall, Pennsylvania, before the hour and date above specified.
This project is subject to the Pennsylvania Prevailing Wage Act, approved August 15, 1961, P.L. 987 (Act No. 442), as amended and supplemented, and reference is made to the prevailing minimum wage rates applicable to this project which have been promulgated by the Secretary of Labor and Industry.
Bidders shall refer to provisions of the Federal and State statutes, rules and regulations dealing with the prevention of environmental pollution and the preservation of the public natural resources that affect the project; said statement of provisions being submitted, as part of the specifications, pursuant to Section 3301 of the Pennsylvania Procurement Code, 62 Pa.C.S. §3301.
The Whitehall-Coplay School District reserves the right to accept or reject any or all Bids or portions thereof.
By Order of the Board of School Directors
Whitehall-Coplay School District
J. Michael Malay, Jr., CPA
Business Manager
Dec. 25, Jan. 1 & 8

PUBLIC NOTICE
ESTATE OF GEORGINE C. MENIO, deceased, late of the City of Bethlehem, County of Northampton and Commonwealth of 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:
Christopher G. Menio
1563 Burkhardt Street
Hellertown, PA 18055
or to his Attorney:
Neil D. Ettinger, Esquire
Ettinger & Associates, LLC
Peachtree Office Plaza
1815 Schadt Avenue
Whitehall, PA 18052
Dec. 11, 18, 25

PUBLIC NOTICE
ESTATE OF THELMA A. HOLLAND, Deceased, late of Allentown, 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:
Lesley H. Fallon, Executor
Estate of Thelma A. Holland
c/o Maxwell E. Davison, Esquire
c/o Andrew V. Schantz, Esquire
Davison & McCarthy, P.C.
Two City Center
645 Hamilton Street, Suite 510
Allentown, PA 18101
or to her attorneys at the above address.
Dec. 18, 25, Jan. 1

PUBLIC NOTICE
ESTATE OF GLORIA ISABEL WORSLEY a/k/a GLORIA S. WORSLEY, Deceased, late of Allentown, 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:
Susan Ritter, Executrix
Estate of Gloria Isabel Worsley
aka Gloria S. Worsley
c/o Maxwell E. Davison, Esquire
c/o Andrew V. Schantz, Esquire
Davison & McCarthy, P.C.
Two City Center
645 Hamilton Street, Suite 510
Allentown, PA 18101
or to her attorneys at the above address.
Dec. 25, Jan. 1, 8

PUBLIC NOTICE
East Allen Township
Reorganization Meetings
The Board of Supervisors of East Allen Township Reorganization Meeting is scheduled for Monday, January 6, 2020 at 7:00 PM.
The Board of Auditors of East Allen Township Reorganization Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, January 7, 2020 at 5:00 PM.
Both meetings will be held at the East Allen Township Municipal Building at 5344 Nor-Bath Boulevard, Northampton, PA. All interested parties are welcome to attend.
Brent M. Green, Township Manager
Dec. 25

PUBLIC NOTICE
EAST ALLEN TOWNSHIP
2020 MEETING SCHEDULE
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS REORGANIZATION January 6, 2020 at 7:00 PM
ELECTED AUDITORS REORGANIZATION January 7, 2020 at 5:00 PM
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS GENERAL 4th Thursday at 7:00 PM (Nov. 12 & Dec. 16 at 7:00 PM)
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WORKSHOP 2nd Wednesday at 7:00 PM (Jan. 6 at 7:00 PM)
PLANNING COMMISSION 1st Thursday at 7:00 PM (Jan. 9 at 7:00 PM)
ZONING HEARING BOARD 3rd Tuesday at 7:00 PM (as needed)
CONDITIONAL USE HEARINGS 2nd Wednesday at 7:00 PM (as needed)
PARKS AND RECREATION 1st Wednesday at 4:00 PM (Meets every other month starting January 8 at 4:00 PM)
All meetings are held at the Municipal Building, 5344 Nor-Bath Boulevard, Northampton, PA. Any change to the above will be advertised. Special meetings are scheduled when necessary and advertised accordingly.
ALL MEETINGS ARE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC
INTERESTED PERSONS ARE INVITED TO ATTEND
Brent M. Green, Township Manager

PUBLIC NOTICE
SALISBURY TOWNSHIP
NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING
ZONING HEARING BOARD
Notice is hereby given that a Public Meeting will be held by the Zoning Hearing Board of Salisbury Township, Lehigh County PA on Tuesday January 7, 2020, at 7:00 PM in the Township Municipal Building located at 2900 South Pike Avenue, Allentown PA 18103.
87 CHESTNUT HILL RD - APPEAL # A-2020-0015
Hear the Appeal of Mr. Benjamin Hoffman seeking a favorable appeal to the Zoning Hearing Board requesting a Variance for the property located at 87 Chestnut Hill Road, Emmaus PA. The property is located in the R-2 Zoning District of Salisbury Township.
The Zoning Officer made the recommendation to have the Variance submitted to the Township for review under § 27-112.5.C and §112.5.(1). The Board shall hear requests for Variances filed with the Board in writing by any landowner.
1132 SOUTH CEDAR CREST BLVD. ALLENTOWN, PA # A-19-0011
Hear the Appeal of Ganesh and Hanuman, LLC. The property is in the C-1 Zoning District where an Auto Service Station would not normally be allowed. The Applicant requests a Variance with respect to the number of parking spaces. The use was recognized by the Township as a non-conforming use when it approved the subdivision plan. The use may include the sale of ready-to-eat food for consumption off the lot.
Dec. 18, 25

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA
INTEGON GENERAL INSURANCE CORPORATION, Plaintiff, Civil Action No.: 5:19-cv-04281
v.
EDWIN RODRIGUEZ and ELVIS LUNA Defendants

This matter is a Declaratory Judgment Action seeking a judicial declaration that Plaintiff, Integon General Insurance Corporation has no duty to defend or indemnify Defendant, Edwin Rodriguez relating to the action filed by Defendant, Elvis Luna in the Court of Common Pleas of Lehigh County, Docket number: 2019-C-1295.
NOTICE
If you wish to defend, you must enter a written appearance personally or by attorney and file your defenses or objections in writing with the Court. You are warned that if you fail to do so the case may proceed without you and a judgment may be entered against you without further notice for the relief requested by Plaintiff. You may lose money or property or other rights important to you.
YOU SHOULD TAKE THIS PAPER TO YOUR LAWYER AT ONCE. IF YOU DO NOT HAVE A LAWYER, GO TO OR TELEPHONE THE OFFICE SET FORTH BELOW. THIS OFFICE CAN PROVIDE YOU WITH INFORMATION ABOUT HIRING A LAWYER.
IF YOU CANNOT AFFORD A LAWYER, THIS OFFICE MAY BE ABLE TO PROVIDE YOU WITH INFORMATION ABOUT AGENCIES THAT MAY OFFER LEGAL SERVICES TO ELIGIBLE PERSONS AT A REDUCED FEE OR NO FEE.
Lawyer Referral Service
PO Box 1324
Allentown, PA 18105-1324
Telephone No.: (610)433-7094
Pa. Leh. R.C.P. 1018.1
Dec. 25

PUBLIC NOTICE
THE BOROUGH OF CATASAUQUA
AN ORDINANCE APPROVING COLLECTION PROCEDURES AND ADOPTING INTEREST AND SCHEDULE OF ATTORNEY FEES AND CHARGES TO BE ADDED TO THE AMOUNT COLLECTED AS PART OF UNPAID REAL ESTATE TAXES AND MUNICIPAL CLAIMS FOR DELINQUENT ACCOUNTS.
Dec. 25

PUBLIC NOTICE
The Bethlehem Area School District's 2020-21 Preliminary Budget is available for public inspection. Members of the public may view the Preliminary Budget online or at the Ed. Center, BASD, 1516 Sycamore St., Bethlehem, PA. Members of the public may request a copy of the Preliminary Budget and a reasonable copying fee will be charged.
The Board of Directors will act on the 2020-21 Preliminary Budget at the Special Bd Mtg on Jan. 21, 2020 (snow date Jan. 22), at 6 p.m. at Ed. Center, Edgeboro Rm, address above.
Stacy M. Gober, Board Secretary
Dec. 25

PUBLIC NOTICE
ESTATE OF RALPH D. HAAF, Decedent, late of Weisenberg Township, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Letters Administration have been granted to the undersigned, who requests that all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent make known the same, and all persons indebted to said Decedent are requested to make payment in full, without delay, to: George D. Haaf, Executor for Decedent's Estate.
ESTATE OF RALPH D. HAAF, deceased
GEORGE D. HAAF, EXECUTOR
9847 OLD 22
BREINIGSVILLE, PA 18031
Dec. 18, 25, Jan. 1

PUBLIC NOTICE
LOWHILL TOWNSHIP
BOARD OR SUPERVISORS
Lehigh County, Pennsylvania
7000 Herber Rd
New Tripoli, Pa 18066
610-298-2641
Lowhill Township Board of Supervisors will be taking sealed bids for the following
Sealed Bid Specifications or equivalent:
2008 Peterbilt Dump Truck or Newer
10' Aluminum Dump
Electric Tarp
Removable Sides
10' Power Angle Plow
Differential Lock
315 hp Cummins Diesel or equivalent
Central Hydraulics
Salt Spreader
Air Conditioning

All bids for the above or an equal or better equivalent will be taken at the Municipal Building until Thursday January 6, 2020 @ 2:00 pm. Bids will be opened at 2:30 pm. The Board reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids.
Jill Seymour, Secretary
Lowhill, 2nd class
Dec. 25, Jan. 1

PUBLIC NOTICE
ESTATE OF RALPH J. PIERONI, late of Schnecksville, Lehigh County, PA 18078
Letters Testamentary having been granted to Lisa G. Barlok and Annette M. Van Dien by the Lehigh County Register of Wills, the co-Executors hereby request all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to: Co-Executors c/o Anthony G. O'Malley, Jr., Esquire, 233 Pershing Blvd., Whitehall, PA 18052.
Dec. 18, 25, Jan. 1

PUBLIC NOTICE
ESTATE OF HOWARD D. SNYDER, late of Vescosville, Lehigh County, PA 18106. Letters of Administration have 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: Wanda Kalusky, 6702 Hollenbach Rd., New Tripoli, PA 18066.
Dec. 18, 25, Jan. 1

PUBLIC NOTICE
Weisenberg Township Zoning Hearing Board will conduct a public hearing on Wednesday, January 8, 2020, starting at 7:00 P.M. in the Township Municipal Building at 2175 Seipstown Road, Fogelsville, PA. The Zoning Hearing Board will consider the following Appeal:
Case No. 2020-01, Appeal No. 304. A hearing in the Appeal of Applicant, Albert L. Granger, with a mailing address of 2141 Packhouse Road, Fogelsville, PA 18051 seeking a special exception from the Rural District Section 904, for a special exception to construct a single-family residence on the property for his personal use for which the property 2141 Packhouse Road, Weisenberg Township, Fogelsville, PA is currently subject to a Special Exception Use under the hotel/restaurant/resort (per prior Application). In the alternative, the Applicant requests a Zoning Hearing Board Interpretation that the special exception is not necessary, as defined by the Weisenberg Township Zoning Ordinance, as well as, the other requirements necessary for a special exception specifically including, but not limited to Section 1310 et seq. of the Weisenberg Township Zoning Ordinance, for the establishment of a special exception to construct a single-family residence, on the property for his personal use.
The parcel identified for the Owner, Albert L. Granger, as 2141 Packhouse Road, Fogelsville, PA 18051 identified as Parcel-Id #544695281676 1 (Document Id. 7396210). The Applicant seeks the following zoning approval via special exception (specifically, Section 904 pursuant to the Weisenberg Township Zoning Ordinance to convert and/or construct the personal residence from the previously approved special exception (Decision from September 27, 2002) as well as, compliance with the other special exception provisions located at Section 1310 et seq.
The above-referenced property is located in Weisenberg Township, Lehigh County, PA. Copies of the Appeal Application, plans and supporting documents filed with the Appeal Application, are available for public inspection at the Township Municipal Building during regular business hours. All interested parties are invited to attend and be heard.
NEIL D. ETTINGER, SOLICITOR
WEISENBERG TOWNSHIP
ZONING HEARING BOARD
Dec. 18, 25

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Dec. 18, 25, Jan. 1

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, make payment, without delay, to the administrators or to their attorneys named below:
Decedent: HELEN M. PHILLIP
Date of Death: March 16, 2019
Late of: Bethlehem, Northampton County, Pennsylvania
Executor: Marie Helen Mingora
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
Dec. 25, Jan. 1, 8

PUBLIC NOTICE
ESTATE OF Bernard M. Schramko, a/k/a Bernard Michael Schramko, Deceased, late of Allentown, County of Lehigh, Commonwealth of 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 Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., Executor, c/o 1620 Pond Road, Suite 75, Allentown, PA 18104; or William H. Dayton, Jr., Esquire, Mosebach, Funt, Dayton & Duckworth, P.C., 1620 Pond Road, Suite 75, Allentown, PA 18104.
Dec. 18, 25, Jan. 1

PUBLIC NOTICE
ESTATE OF Winifred A. Kaiser, deceased, late of Nazareth Borough, County of Northampton, Commonwealth of 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 Keith Martin Kaiser and Gerald M. Kaiser, Jr., Administrators, 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.
Dec/ 18, 25, Jan. 1

PUBLIC NOTICE
INCORPORATION NOTICE
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT Articles of Incorporation were filed with and approved by the Department of State of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania on the 8TH day of OCTOBER 2019, for the purpose of creating a business corporation which has been incorporated under the provisions of the Business Corporation Law of 1988. The name of the corporation is V & J TRANSPORT CORPORATION.
Dec. 25

PUBLIC NOTICE
ESTATE OF MARY FRITZINGER a/k/a MARY K. FRITZINGER, deceased, late of Whitehall Township, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania, Letters Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who requests all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to:
Executor: Douglas C. Fritzinger
c/o Joshua D. Shulman, Esquire
SHULMAN LAW OFFICE PC
1935 Center Street
Northampton, PA 18067
Dec. 18, 25, Jan. 1

PUBLIC NOTICE
FOR ESTATE OF HOWARD D. SNYDER, late of Vescosville, Lehigh County, PA 18106. Letters of Administration have 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: Wanda Kalusky, 6702 Hollenbach Rd., New Tripoli, PA 18066.
Dec. 18, 25, Jan. 1

PUBLIC NOTICE
SALISBURY TOWNSHIP
2020 SCHEDULE OF PUBLIC MEETINGS
Notice is hereby given that in 2020, the Regular Meetings of the Salisbury Township Board of Commissioners are held on the second and fourth Thursdays of each month at 7:00 p.m. in the Board Room at the Municipal Building, 2900 South Pike Avenue, Salisbury Township, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Regular Meetings are followed by Workshop Meetings. Additionally, a special reorganization meeting of the Board of Commissioners will be held on Monday, January 6, 2020 at 5:15 pm. No meeting will be held on November 26, 2020 due to the Thanksgiving holiday.
Regular monthly meetings of other Salisbury Boards and Commissions are held at the Municipal Building as follows:
SALISBURY TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION
Second Tuesday of each month at 7:30 p.m.
SALISBURY TOWNSHIP ZONING HEARING BOARD
First Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m.
(\*except November meeting will be held Wednesday, November 4, 2020)
SALISBURY TOWNSHIP ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY COUNCIL
Third Wednesday of each month at 7:30 p.m.
SALISBURY TOWNSHIP RECREATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE
Third Monday of every other Month, starting with Jan., at 7:30 PM
Cathy Bonaskiewich
Township Manager/Secretary
Dec. 25

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The above-referenced property is located in Weisenberg Township, Lehigh County, PA. Copies of the Appeal Application, plans and supporting documents filed with the Appeal Application, are available for public inspection at the Township Municipal Building during regular business hours. All interested parties are invited to attend and be heard.
NEIL D. ETTINGER, SOLICITOR
WEISENBERG TOWNSHIP
ZONING HEARING BOARD
Dec. 18, 25

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
Northwestern Lehigh School District vs. Sherry L. Domenico - No. 2018-ML-0589 - Court of Common Pleas of Lehigh County, PA. Notice is given that the above was named as Defendant in a civil action by Plaintiff to recover 2017 real estate taxes for property located at 6680 Jefferson Court, Lynn Township, PA, PIN No. 542926918128-1. A Writ of Scire Facias for \$2,837.67 was filed. You are notified to plead to the Writ on or before 20 days from the date of this publication or a judgment may be entered. If you wish to defend, you must enter a written appearance personally or by attorney and file your defenses or objections in writing with the court. You are warned that if you fail to do so, the case may proceed without you and a judgment may be entered against you without further notice for the relief requested by Plaintiff. You may lose money, property or other rights important to you. YOU SHOULD TAKE THIS PAPER TO YOUR LAWYER AT ONCE. IF YOU DO NOT HAVE A LAWYER OR CANNOT AFFORD ONE, GO TO OR TELEPHONE THE OFFICE SET FORTH BELOW TO FIND OUT WHERE YOU CAN GET LEGAL HELP. Lawyer Referral Service, P.O. Box 1324, Allentown, PA 18105, 610.433.7094. Portnoff Law Assoc., Ltd., P.O. Box 391, Norristown, PA 19404, 866.211.9466. Dec. 25, Jan. 1, 8

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
**ESTATE of Margaret M. Rooney, aka Margaret O. Rooney**, late of Allentown, County of Lehigh and State of Pennsylvania, deceased.  
WHEREAS, Certificate of Grant of Letters of Testamentary in the above named estate have been granted to Timothy G. Rooney, aka Timothy Rooney, Administrator of the Estate of Margaret M. Rooney, aka Margaret O. Rooney. All persons indebted to the said estate are requested to make immediate payment, and those having claims or demands to present the same without delay to: **Timothy Rooney**  
**3878 Highpoint Drive**  
**Allentown, PA 18103-6100**  
Dec. 11, 18, 25

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
**ESTATE of NEVIN R. GEORGE**, 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:  
**DAVID C. GEORGE AND RICHARD N. GEORGE, EXECUTORS**  
**c/o CHARLES A. WATERS, ESQUIRE**  
**STECKEL AND STOPP LLC**  
**125 S. WALNUT STREET, SUITE 210**  
**SLATINGTON, PA 18080**  
Dec. 11, 18, 25

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
**ESTATE of SHIRLEY E. RAUBENHOLD**, deceased, late of Allentown, 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:  
**SCOTT RAUBENHOLD, Executor**  
Address: c/o Bruce W. Weida, Esq.  
245 Main Street  
Emmaus, PA 18049  
or to their Attorney: Bruce W. Weida, Esq.  
245 Main Street  
Emmaus, PA 18049  
Dec. 11, 18, 25

**60 SPECIAL NOTICES**  
**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
**PUBLIC SEALED BID SALE**  
FORD VIN# 1FMCU 93178KD65345  
A.B.E. AUTO SALVAGE, INC.  
4418 Easton Ave., Bethlehem, PA 18020  
610-807-9700  
PA SALVOR #M-1272  
Thurs., Dec. 19, 2019  
8:00 AM - 4:00 PM

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
Parkland School District vs. Shirley A. Eck - No. 2017-ML-0814 - Court of Common Pleas of Lehigh County, PA. Notice is given that the above was named as Defendant in a civil action by Plaintiff to recover 2016 and 2017 real estate taxes for property located at 9062 Breiningsville Road, Upper Macungie, PA, PIN No. 545465174453-1. An Amended Writ of Scire Facias for \$5,648.85 was filed. You are notified to plead to the Writ on or before 20 days from the date of this publication or a judgment may be entered. If you wish to defend, you must enter a written appearance personally or by attorney and file your defenses or objections in writing with the court. You are warned that if you fail to do so, the case may proceed without you and a judgment may be entered against you without further notice for the relief requested by Plaintiff. You may lose money, property or other rights important to you. YOU SHOULD TAKE THIS PAPER TO YOUR LAWYER AT ONCE. IF YOU DO NOT HAVE A LAWYER OR CANNOT AFFORD ONE, GO TO OR TELEPHONE THE OFFICE SET FORTH BELOW TO FIND OUT WHERE YOU CAN GET LEGAL HELP. Lawyer Referral Service, P.O. Box 1324, Allentown, PA 18105, 610.433.7094. Portnoff Law Assoc., Ltd., P.O. Box 391, Norristown, PA 19404, 866.211.9466. Dec. 25, Jan. 1, 8

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
**ESTATE of Sophia A. Gergel aka Sophia Ann Gergel**, deceased, late of Allentown, 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:  
**Mary A. Carfara, Executrix**  
**c/o Michael Ira Stump, Esquire**  
**207 E. Main Street, Suite 100**  
**Macungie, PA 18062**  
or to her Attorney: **Michael Ira Stump, Esq.**  
**207 E. Main Street, Ste.100**  
**Macungie, PA 18062**  
Dec. 25, Jan. 1, 8

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
**ESTATE of Roger W. Steele**, deceased, late of Allentown, formerly of Neffs, 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:  
**WILLIAM R. STEELE, EXECUTOR**  
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Dec. 18, 25, Jan. 1

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
**ESTATE of RAYMOND JOSEPH SAGL, a/k/a RAYMOND J. SAGL**, deceased, late of Allentown, 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:  
**Raymond J. Sagl, Executor**  
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Dec. 18, 25, Jan. 1

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**ESTATE of LEONA M. GROMAN**, deceased, late of Catasauqua, Northampton 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:  
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**STECKEL AND STOPP, LLC**  
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**Slatington, PA 18080**  
Dec. 18, 25, Jan. 1

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
**ESTATE of ANNA A. LONG**, deceased, late of Lynn Township, New Tripoli, 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:  
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**ESTATE of NANCY L. DECH, a/k/a NANCY DECH** deceased, late of South Whitehall Township, 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:  
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Dec. 25, Jan. 1, 8

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
**ESTATE of GERTRUD K. MILLER, a/k/a GERTRUDE MILLER**, deceased, late of South Whitehall Township, 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:  
**Jutta Miller & Peter Miller, Executors**  
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FWC JG HWF FBWKQU NME BQYG?

See solution on page B8

Today's Cryptoquip Clue: B equals T

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
Northern Lehigh School District vs. Gary L. Olewine - No. 2016-ML-1842 - Court of Common Pleas of Lehigh County, PA. Notice is given that the above was named as Defendant in a civil action by Plaintiff to recover 2014-2016 real estate taxes for property located at 4414 Clover Hollow Road, Washington Township, PA, PIN No. 555110085069-1. An Amended Writ of Scire Facias for \$16,123.78 was filed. You are notified to plead to the Writ on or before 20 days from the date of this publication or a judgment may be entered. If you wish to defend, you must enter a written appearance personally or by attorney and file your defenses or objections in writing with the court. You are warned that if you fail to do so, the case may proceed without you and a judgment may be entered against you without further notice for the relief requested by Plaintiff. You may lose money, property or other rights important to you. YOU SHOULD TAKE THIS PAPER TO YOUR LAWYER AT ONCE. IF YOU DO NOT HAVE A LAWYER OR CANNOT AFFORD ONE, GO TO OR TELEPHONE THE OFFICE SET FORTH BELOW TO FIND OUT WHERE YOU CAN GET LEGAL HELP. Lawyer Referral Service, P.O. Box 1324, Allentown, PA 18105, 610.433.7094. Portnoff Law Assoc., Ltd., P.O. Box 391, Norristown, PA 19404, 866.211.9466. Dec. 25, Jan. 1, 8

**PREMIER Crossword** By Frank A. Longo

**ENGLISH QUINTET ACROSS**

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18		
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**DOWN**

1 Tick follower  
2 Eight, in Madrid  
3 Bangkok resident  
4 Fumble  
5 Rumble  
6 "Yes, yes!" in Mexico  
7 "For shame!"  
8 "Just — suspected!"  
9 Bit of hearsay  
10 Reprimands  
11 Actors Baio and Wolf  
12 A Hawaiian Island  
13 Work unit, in physics.  
14 Sound of a crying baby  
15 Ryan of "Love Story"  
16 Swedish vehicle make  
17 Ta-ta, to Tati  
18 Most minor  
24 Aristocratic  
25 Numbered hwy.  
30 Scholastic sports org.

31 Some turns and jabs  
32 Principal  
33 Standoffish  
34 Tarp material  
35 "I didn't know that!"  
36 Period  
37 Avid  
38 First strategy  
40 Buddy  
44 Viking locale  
45 E-address  
46 Plaster painting  
47 Archie Bunker, e.g.  
48 Hubbubs  
49 Model binder  
50 U.S. Open units  
53 Sewing case  
54 Beehive State college team  
57 Bodily trunk  
59 Ed of "Roots"  
60 Habituate (to)  
61 Negative conjunction  
62 Neat piles  
67 Visibility reducers  
68 DiFranco of song  
69 Pre-coll., in education  
70 Pluralizable word  
71 Appoint to holy office  
72 Oahu tree  
73 French gal pal  
74 Tiara stones  
77 Have a tiff

78 She divorced Donald  
79 Intersects  
81 Bible book after Micah  
82 Tax form pro  
83 Went to town on  
85 Plant pouch  
86 Run off to tie the knot  
90 Cuzco locale  
93 "Likely story!"  
94 "Thrilla in Manila" boxer  
95 Spoke indistinctly and softly  
96 Put one's finger on, say  
98 "R.I.P." sites  
99 City in Alaska  
102 Legitimate  
103 Superior to  
104 Sophia of "Two Women"  
105 Froth-filled  
106 Pious song  
107 "Common Sense" writer Thomas  
109 Aleppo locale  
112 Possible reply to "That so?"  
113 Hungarian sheepdog  
114 Kellogg's waffle brand  
115 Holier-than —  
117 Blast source  
118 — Grande  
119 Dir. from Little Rock to Chicago  
120 Juicy Fruit, e.g.  
121 Bullring yell

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See solution on page B8

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
Allentown School District vs. Santiago A. Castro, Docket No. 2014-ML-3115, Court of Common Pleas of Lehigh County, PA. Notice is given that the above was named as Defendant in a civil action by Plaintiff to recover 2013-2014 real estate taxes for property located at 823 W. Linden Street, Allentown, PA, PIN No. 640700067925-1. A Writ of Scire Facias for \$6,441.84 was filed. You are notified to plead to the Writ on or before 20 days from the date of this publication or a judgment may be entered. If you wish to defend, you must enter a written appearance personally or by attorney and file your defenses or objections in writing with the court. You are warned that if you fail to do so, the case may proceed without you and a judgment may be entered against you without further notice for the relief requested by Plaintiff. You may lose money, property or other rights important to you. YOU SHOULD TAKE THIS PAPER TO YOUR LAWYER AT ONCE. IF YOU DO NOT HAVE A LAWYER OR CANNOT AFFORD ONE, GO TO OR TELEPHONE THE OFFICE SET FORTH BELOW TO FIND OUT WHERE YOU CAN GET LEGAL HELP. Lawyer Referral Service, P.O. Box 1324, Allentown, PA 18105, 610.433.7094. Portnoff Law Assoc., Ltd., P.O. Box 391, Norristown, PA 19404, 866.211.9466. Dec. 25, Jan. 1, 8

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**Conceptis Sudoku**

By Dave Green

		8	7	6				
	5			1				
	3		2					
4			8					
1			9			3	7	
9				2	6		1	
	1							3
		6					9	
		9	3	5	4			

Difficulty Level ★★★

12/25

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	9	8	4	3	2	6	7	1
6	7	1	9	5	8	4	2	3
3	2	4	7	1	6	5	9	8
2	3	5	6	9	4	8	1	7
1	8	6	3	2	7	9	5	4
9	4	7	5	8	1	3	6	2
7	5	9	1	4	3	2	8	6
4	6	2	8	7	9	1	3	5
8	1	3	2	6	5	7	4	9

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