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A YEAR IN REVIEW

BY NATE JASTRZEMSKI
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It was our first full year in an office outside the city, but The Bethlehem Press has maintained its deep involvement in and love for the city and the surrounding municipalities we serve. Each of our weekly issues has been filled with matters close to home and of statewide or national interest with a local twist. It was a year of both economic recovery and social unrest as ... Here are highlights of items we brought you in 2016:

January

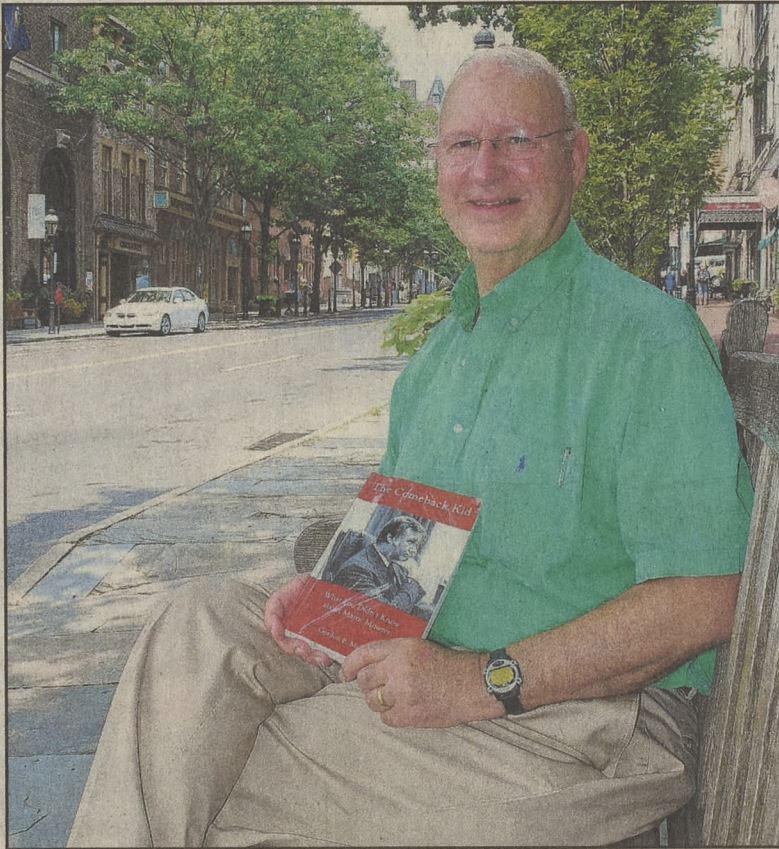
- Becahi grad and actor Dan Roebuck returns to film a movie, "Getting Grace," in his hometown
- Lehigh County DA approves police departments using Naloxone to counteract effects of opioid overdose, which has become increasingly common
- The 1921 Boyd Theater, recently sold but untouched for years following severe rain damage, is designated blighted
- Stretched to its financial limit, Northampton Country narrowly avoids borrowing from Lafayette Bank when an unexpected influx of state funds finally allows bills to get paid
- A weekend storm dropped a record 32 inches of snow on the Lehigh Valley
- BASD announces all its buildings are nearing full wireless accessibility

February

- Mark Iampietro retires as leader of the Bethlehem Housing Authority following 42 years of serving the community's residents and improving its low-income housing
- Freemansburg gets tough on bill collections after late water and sewer bills borough-wide reach about \$140,000 each
- BASD continuing discussion of new artificial turf at Freedom HS and others; eventually accepted by board despite health fears and lack of medical studies confirming either safety or danger
- Two-year Fahy Bridge refurbishment project begins

March

- Bethlehem Township's Green Pond development plan is reduced for greater natural preservation, but contentious discussion continues for months
- Lehigh University grad and journalist Marty Baron returns to speak about the role of the press following the release of the film "Spotlight," about his Boston Globe team's investigation into allegations of sexual abuse by Catholic clergy
- Easton Mayor Sal Panto and Allentown Mayor Ed Pawlowski in a Lehigh Valley mayors' presentation stress importance of working together because "local government



PRESS PHOTOS BY DANA GRUBB

Former Bethlehem Mayor Gordon Mowrer, recognized as "The Main Street Mayor" for his efforts to preserve the history and buildings of Bethlehem's downtown business district, died in late July.



PRESS PHOTOS BY DANA GRUBB

Mark Iampietro celebrated retirement from his 42-year career at the Bethlehem Housing Authority Jan. 29. He called his career "varied," describing his career path as going "from the mailroom to the boardroom."



PRESS PHOTO BY JOANNA IRELAND

New Bethany Ministries, a faith-based agency that provides meals, housing and other supportive services to the homeless, poor and mentally ill, celebrated its 30th anniversary. New Bethany began its mission in 1986, opening its doors at its Fourth and Wyandotte streets building.

efficiency is horrible" and state and federal governments won't help. Pawlowski's administration was at this time under investigation for corruption by the FBI

- Freemansburg Police Chief Todd Pantuso resigns, citing micro-managing and interference by council
- City announces yearlong plans for 275th anniversary events
- City approves construction of Dennis Benner's six-story retail building and nearby 600-space car park on the Southside

April

- Local legislators introduce new Drug Court; hold numerous public forums and form specific plans to combat growing heroin epidemic
- Bethlehem Authority gets first permits after long planning for Carbon County watershed properties' testing for giant wind turbines for energy creation. The process bogs down throughout the year as Carbon residents are told by local lawyers and officials the authority is acting on its own and irresponsibly, when in fact every step of the project must be approved by more than a dozen state and federal agencies
- Local music house Godfrey Daniels celebrates 40 years at 7 E. Fourth St.

May

- BASD's Minio-THON fundraiser for pediatric cancer breaks last year's record of \$100,000 by more than \$25,000
- Northampton County DA and chiefs lend support to existing Lehigh County Regional Crime Center for increased crime fighting coordination and resources
- Winds last month shatter dozens of windows in the imposing Steel general office on East Third Street. The long-vacant building is quickly zipped up in protective mesh and crews are observed working on and in it for months, but Sands representatives say only preventive maintenance is taking place and there are no immediate plans for the building
- Bethlehem Township police to test working with body cameras

June

- Northampton County Council members acknowledge discussing county business in emails rather than with public accessibility and vow to be more careful
 - Local NAACP President Esther Lee, 82, honored for decades of civil rights work by Black Elks
 - Bethlehem Township commissioners vote 3-2 to apply for a \$250,000 grant for upgraded restrooms at Northside Athletic Complex, where its Bulldogs Athletic Association teams play. This was part of the esti-
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PEOPLE SAY

BY DANA GRUBB

What are you most looking forward to in the New Year?



"Getting the old year behind us."
Don Evans
Center Valley



"I just started running, normally my sport is soccer, so I am looking forward to getting into great running shape."
Adam Evans
Elizabethtown

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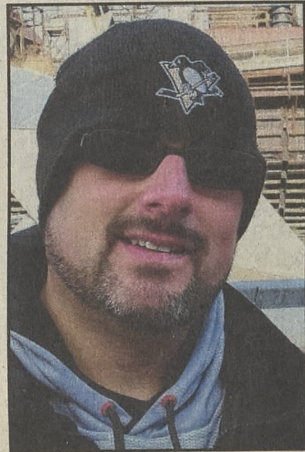
What are you most looking forward to in the New Year?



"Peace in the world and a good transition with people getting along with each other."
Linda Carubia
Basking Ridge, N.J.



"Good health and happiness."
Sarah McCulloh
Rahway, N.J.



"Good health! I'm just getting over some surgery."
Richard Marshall
Plainfield Township



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Logan Verrinder
Bethlehem

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YEAR

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mated \$350,000 project

July

- BAPL opens long-awaited second floor renovation that is extensive children and teen section
- A rash of brutal shootings involving police and civilians nationwide, in Orlando, St. Paul, Baton Rouge and Dallas, attracts Bethlehemites to a Monday evening peace rally at Payrow Plaza to espouse solidarity and mutual respect
- Bethlehem Rotary Club celebrates 100 years
- The First Presbyterian Church of Bethlehem, at 141 years old and 2,600 members, tries to tear its assets free of its governing body when it decided to recognize and perform same sex marriages. The local church was forced to remain part of the greater body
- Former mayor and council member Gordon Mowrer dies at 80
- Bethlehem's National Museum & Industrial History opens

August

- Area municipalities vote to condemn rules change in Allentown's Neighborhood Improvement Zone allowing hotel tax money to be used there for any purpose, rather than for area tourism and jobs support, as is traditional
- Freemansburg administrators apply for grants to purchase new fire engine and repair an aged water pump house supplying about 1,000 homes
- Locals gather for viewing party as Becahi grad Joe Kovacs wins a silver medal in shot put at the Rio de Janeiro Olympic games
- Residents receive flyers disparaging Liberty HS and implying a campus rife with crime and drug use. The mailer was found to be sent by parties supportive of the new Innovative Arts Charter School in Catasauqua. BASD Superintendent Dr. Joseph Roy said it was a result of corruption possible through charter schools, who are not answerable to the public; convincing more Bethlehem students to attend the school would keep its student population high and secure continued rent money for the building owner, who in this case was area developer Abe Atiyah. The school's CEO resigned after this incident

September

- Freedom HS's football field is renovated with controversial synthetic turf
- Months of negotiations break down at the Just Born candy company on Stecko Boulevard and 2/3 of its employees go on strike. Weeks later a deal is struck, but about 60 workers found themselves permanent-

ly replaced by new hires

- Bethlehem Township and Freemansburg Borough jointly hire an engineer to save them from years of worsening storm water flooding resulting from increased development in the area
- Recent arrests and incidents make clear the Lehigh Valley joins the nation in combating an epidemic of sex trafficking

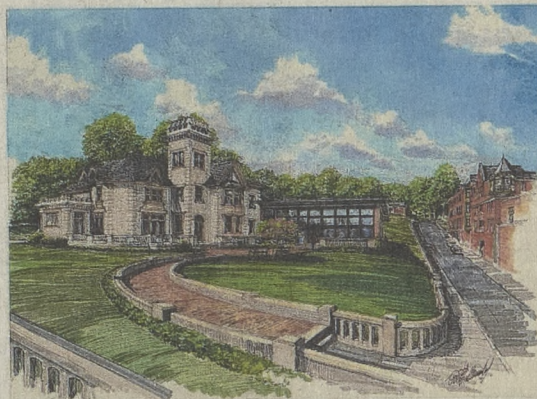
October

- Bethlehem Township opens a bid for a construction manager to perform \$2.5 million



PRESS PHOTO BY DANA GRUBB

Residents throughout Bethlehem were spotted walking on nearly deserted city streets during the snowstorm that dumped nearly 32 inches of snow on the Lehigh Valley Jan. 22 and 23.



PRESS PHOTO COURTESY NOBLE AND ASHFORD

Developers John Noble and Bob Ashford announced that Wilbur Mansion will be converted into Class A office space while retaining many original features. The mansion was originally built by Elisha Packer Wilbur, who was president of Lehigh Valley Railroad, treasurer and board member at Lehigh University.



GRAPHIC BY DAVID ROWE AND BERNIE O'HARE

The congregation of the First Presbyterian Church of Bethlehem, which has existed for the past 141 years and includes 2,600 members, voted June 26 overwhelmingly (76 percent) to break away from the Presbyterian Church USA. It has opted to join the Covenant Order of Evangelical Presbyterian Church (ECO).

Pastor's Comments

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During a tiring journey, Jesus Christ asked a woman for a refreshing drink of water. As a Samaritan, she was surprised a Jew would ask her for a drink. Jesus sensed her spiritual emptiness and told her if she had known Who He was, she would have asked of Him and He would have given her "living water." He told her, "Whosoever drinketh of this water shall thirst again: But whosoever drinketh of the water that I shall give him shall never thirst; but the water that I shall give him shall be in him a well of water springing up into everlasting life." The woman eagerly responded "Sir, give me this water, that I thirst not" (John 4:13-15). Her spiritual thirst and dissatisfaction with the fleeting pleasures of life were apparent as Jesus revealed that she had five husbands and was living at the time with yet another man. She was astonished He knew this! Jesus revealed Himself to her as the Messiah, and she discovered that **He is the Well—the Source of the soul-satisfying water of life!**

Like this woman, you may be seeking what you will never find in illicit sex, drugs, or alcohol. Jesus knows our human longings and declares, "If any man thirst, let him come unto me, and drink" (John 7:37). For more on this see <http://www.naog.ws/thirsty.htm>. Jesus promises, "he that believeth on me shall never thirst" (John 6:35). He assures, "I will give unto him that is athirst of the fountain of the water of life freely" (Revelation 21:6). Believe Jesus and respond now to His invitation, "let him that is athirst come. And whosoever will, let him take the water of life freely" (Revelation 22:17). Just cry out to Him in prayer. Ask Him to forgive you of your sins and come into your heart. Drink of the "water of life" and you will never thirst again!

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PRESS PHOTO BY TIM GILMAN

Bethlehem's 275th anniversary celebration was held June 25 at the SteelStacks Campus on the city's Southside. The day-long celebration featured a variety of free activities centered around the Levitt Pavilion. A black-tie gala opened the 275th celebration in April at the Hotel Bethlehem.



PRESS PHOTO BY TIM GILMAN

A record-breaking \$125,867.37 was revealed April 30 at the BASD Mini-THON hosted by Freedom HS. The Mini-THON benefits the Four-Diamonds Fund at Penn State Hershey Children's Hospital, which provides care and assistance for young cancer patients and their families.



PRESS PHOTO BY TIM GILMAN

Olympic medal winners Ryan Crouse and Bethlehem Catholic alumnus Joe Kovacs proudly wave their flags after winning gold and silver medals respectively in the Aug. 18 shot put competition. Over 100 people gathered at the Bethlehem Municipal Golf Club to watch the event.



PRESS PHOTO BY CAROLE GORNEY

At home in Bethlehem, retired elementary school teacher Nancy Kembel displays the framed photos of her meeting with Mother Teresa, who was canonized a saint by the Roman Catholic Church Sept. 4.



PRESS PHOTO BY BERNIE O'HARE

Following a four-day trial in a crowded Northampton County courtroom, Royce Atkins, age 23, was convicted Nov. 3 in a hit-and-run accident that ended the life of 9-year-old Darius Condash, a fourth grade student at Sheckler ES in Catasauqua. Darius had visited the Hanover Township Wawa shortly before being struck after he dropped a piece of candy while crossing the road.

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Bethlehem Area Public Library: daily. Call 610-867-3761 (main) or 610-867-7852 (Southside) or visit www.bapl.org (main) or <http://www.bapl.org/ssmain.htm> (Southside); for the newsletter, visit <http://bit.ly/2bTICeZ>.
Moravian Book Shop: 428 Main St. Call 610-866-5481 or visit www.moravianbookshop.com.

Wednesday, January 4

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

Thursday, January 5

Lehigh Valley Charter HS for the Arts admissions open house. Doors open at 5:30 p.m. for tours, a 6:30 p.m. presentation at the school, Columbia Street entrance, 321 E. Third St. Visit www.charterarts.org.

Delaware-Lehigh Amateur Radio Club meeting, "Week at Quartzfest" by W3CE and W3ATC. 7:30 p.m. Bethlehem Township Community Center, 2900 Farmersville Road. Information: www.dlarc.org; KE3AW@ARRL.NET or call 610-432-8286. Hams and others interested are welcome.

Friday, January 6

First Friday, South Bethlehem, 6 to 10 p.m. between Third, Fourth and S. New streets. Call 610-841-5831.

Saturday, January 7

First time home buyers seminar in English, Community Action Committee of the Lehigh Valley, 8:15 a.m. to 1 p.m., CACLV, 1337 E. Fifth St. Information and/or to register, call 484-893-1038 or visit www.cacvl.org.

Wednesday, January 11

Positive psychology workshop, four step well-being class with Anna Gaitanos, M.Ed., life coach and professional counselor, 6 to 7:30 p.m. South Side branch, 400 Webster St. Bethlehem Public Library. Free; open to the public; registration required-visit www.bapl.org or phone 610-867-7852.

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MEETING BOARD

Wednesday, January 4

Historical Architectural Review Board, 4 p.m. city hall, 10 E. Church St.

Thursday, January 5

Northampton County Council, 6:30 p.m. 669 Washington St., Easton.

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

Monday, January 9

City Special Activity Q&A to answer questions or address any issues about upcoming special events for the public, 2 to 4 p.m. city hall, 10 E. Church St. Must RSVP: call 610-865-7079.

Bethlehem Housing Authority, 4:30 p.m. Monocacy Towers, 645 Main St.

BASD Board Facilities and Board Curriculum committees, 6 p.m. Education Center, Edgemoor Room, 1516 Sycamore St.

Fountain Hill Planning Commission, 7 p.m. 941 Long St.

Tuesday, January 10

South Bethlehem Historical Society, 7 p.m. Victory Fire House, 205 Webster St.

Hanover Twp. Supervisors, 7 p.m. 3630 Jacksonville Road.

Saucon Valley School Board, 7 p.m., Audion building, 2097 Polk Valley Road.

Wednesday, January 11

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

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PRESS PHOTOS BY DANA GUBB

A front end loader moves a steel plate into place late Wednesday afternoon to cover one of the areas excavated to deal with the utility leaks.

City's second gas leak in 3 months Residents evacuated

BY DANA GRUBB
Special to the Bethlehem Press

A passing newspaper delivery person alerted authorities around 3:30 a.m. Dec. 28 to a forming sinkhole and obvious natural gas leak. Bethlehem Fire Chief Robert Novatnack said the city's 911 center received the call and fire, police and UGI utility personnel were immediately dispatched to the scene in the 600 block of Hamilton Avenue near Elm Street.

About 25 residences in a two-block area were alerted and evacuated, with some going to a temporary shelter set up at the Northeast MS and others to the homes of friends or family. The American Red Cross staffed the temporary shelter providing services to those evacuated.



UGI crews work into the late afternoon making repairs to leaks in the Elm Street neighborhood natural gas mains. The Edgemoor Moravian Church is to the left.

City crews shut off natural gas service in water service in the order to determine the area and UGI shut off extent of damage, said

Novatnack, who said he observed a sinkhole about six to eight feet deep when he arrived on the scene.

While utility crews performed repairs to underground mains throughout the day, the Bethlehem Fire Department ventilated about 20 homes and the Edgemoor Moravian Church.

By late afternoon residents had returned to all but three homes immediately in front of the work site and UGI crews were still working on repairs as firefighters stood by.

This is the second major sinkhole and utility leak in Bethlehem in three months, after a major evacuation and condemnation of three structures in the 700 block of North New Street.

YEAR

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Northampton County complete 2017 budgets with no tax increases

Gracedale Nursing Home suffers a three-year reimbursement rating drop in response to a resident committing suicide. Administrators owned up to the mistake to the state Department of Health,

which accepted a plan for additional staff training

Twenty-three year-old Royce Atkins is convicted for the hit-and-run death of Catasaqua resident 9-year-old Darius Con-dash on Schoenersville Road a year earlier

Sands Bethlehem announces planned expansion, to include a new gaming floor with more than 1,000

seats, restaurants and restrooms

December

The African Children's Choir from Uganda performs at the First Presbyterian Church of Bethlehem during its 10-month U.S./U.K. tour

East Hills MS Band represents the BASD in the Philadelphia Thanksgiving Day parade

BASD Board President Mike Faccinnetto is elected president of the Pennsylvania School Board Association; Superintendent Joe Roy had recently been named Pa. Superintendent of the Year

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Carol Jane Kreitz, 70, of Bethlehem, died Dec. 18, 2016, at home. Born in Allentown, she was the only child of the late Paul J. Smith and the late Renae P. (Leibenguth) Smith. She was the wife of William C. Kreitz for 46 years.

She graduated from Parkland HS. She earned a bachelor's degree in elementary education and a master's degree in elementary guidance and Counseling from Kutztown State College.

She was an elementary teacher for 21 years at Governor Wolf ES and, prior to that, a homebound instructor for three years with the Bethlehem Area School District, from which she retired in 1998. She was earlier a teacher for six years at the New Hanover-Upper Frederick

ES, Boyertown School District.

She was a member of Bethany U.C.C., Bethlehem, since 1999. She was previously a member of the Evangelical Lutheran Church of the Holy Trinity, Northampton.

She was a member of the NEA, the PSEA-R and PASR. She was a member of the College Hill Moravian Tai Chi practice group and of a book club.

In addition to her husband, she is survived by cousins.

Contributions may be made to Animals in Distress, P.O. Box 609, Coopersburg, 18036; or to the American Cancer Society-Lehigh Valley Chapter or Bethany U.C.C. Church, both c/o the funeral home, 2119 Washington Ave., Northampton, 18067.

Arrangements were made by Schisler Funeral Home Inc., Northampton.

Mary H. Rush

worked at Western Electric

Mary H. Rush, 87, of Bethlehem, died Dec. 17, 2016, in Westminister Village. Born in Wilkes Barre, she was a daughter of the late Robert and Ethel (Kaiser) Hagenbach. She was the wife of the late Winwood Rush.

She worked at Western Electric, B. Braun Medical Inc. and Allen Urological Associates.

She was a member of the former St. Peter's U.C.C. Church, Rittersville.

She was a past member of the Bethlehem Steel Club Mespyr, and of the

ladies auxiliaries of the Rittersville Fire Company and of the former Elks Lodge BPOE #191.

She is survived by a son, Robert and his wife Gina of Bethlehem; two grandsons, Jeffrey Rush of Bethlehem and Aaron Rush of Philadelphia; and a great-grandson, Ethan Winwood Rush.

She was predeceased by eight brothers; and a sister.

Contributions may be made to Westminster Village, residents council, 803 N. Wahneta St., Allentown, PA 18109.

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

John F. Wehr Sr.

cost accounting employee

John F. Wehr Sr., 88, of Bethlehem, died Dec. 19, 2016, at Holy Family Manor. Born in Bethlehem, he was a son of the late Warren Joseph and Verna Catherine (Mutter) Wehr. He was the husband of the late Mildred I. (Paules) Wehr for 53 years.

He was a Bethlehem HS graduate.

He was in the U.S. Army during the Korean War.

He was retired from the Bethlehem Steel Corporation where he worked for 35 years in the cost accounting department. He then was a crossing guard for the Bethlehem Area School District.

He was an usher at Our Lady of Perpetual Help

Church.

He was a coach for the former East End Little League and was a manager in the city softball league.

He is survived by four children, Jack and his wife Mary Jo of Bangor, Debbie and her husband Bill Horvath of Florida, Ron and his fiancé Sherie Nichols of Florida and Lisa and her husband Jeff Anthony of Saylorsburg; 11 grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

He was predeceased by a daughter-in-law, Janet Wehr.

Contributions may be made to the Alzheimer's Association, 617 Main St., Suite A, Hellertown, PA 18055.

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

John L. Mies

St. Anne's Catholic Church member

John "Jack" L. Mies, 77, of Bethlehem, died Dec. 12, 2016, due to complications from leukemia. He was a son of the late Angela C. (Hoffstetter) and John F. Mies. He was the husband of Catherine "Fran" F. (Dwyer) Mies for 51 years.

He retired from the Bethlehem Steel Corporation's Homer Research Laboratories after having worked there for 42 years.

He was a member of St. Anne's Catholic Church.

He was a handyman.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by three children, John and his wife Wendy of Greens-

boro, N.C., Kathleen of Reading and Michael of Bethlehem; four grandchildren, Kyle and Shawn Kitzhoffer and John "Jack" E. and Robert "Rob" F. Mies; and two sisters, Adelaide and her husband Leonard Ortwein and Joan Andrews.

He was predeceased by a sister, Anna Marie Minarik.

Contributions may be made to Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center, 1275 York Ave., New York, N.Y. 10065.

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



PRESS PHOTOS BY ALLI POCZAK

The Grinch helps to advertise the tree toss outside of Mike's More Miles Automotive on Stefko Boulevard in his own mischievous way.

Tree tossing for a cause ... and a memory

BY ALLI POCZAK
Special to the Bethlehem Press

For years, Mike DeCrosta and his good friend Peter Kearns have been hosting a Christmas tree toss event at Mike's More Miles Automotive on Stefko Boulevard. Sadly, this year's event on Dec. 24 was missing one of its important founders with the passing of Peter Kearns.

DeCrosta and the Kearns family dedicated this year's toss as the "First Memorial Peter Kearns Christmas Tree Toss." Before the tossing began, DeCrosta spoke about his beloved friend.

"(Peter) did great things for his family and the community," he said, "and we want to continue his legacy."

Each year the toss collects donations from the participants and proceeds go to charities throughout the Lehigh Valley. For the past two years, the toss has benefited Turning Point of the Lehigh Valley, an organization working toward eliminating domestic violence. Lori Sywensky, executive director of Turning Point, came out to show her support for the event as well. After she



Steven White, husband of the women's division winner, Silagh White, takes a small leap as he launches his tree across the lot.



Jerson Marroquin, tree toss competitor launches one of the first throws of the day.

joined Turning Point in January 2016, this was Sywensky's first time at the toss.

"I was thrilled to come out to such a fun event," she said. "People are able to learn about Turning Point

and ... who doesn't want to throw a tree?"

The event officially kicked off at 11 a.m. with the first throw coming in at an excellent 18 feet 6 inches. Competitors included men, women and chil-

dren of all ages. Santa Claus and the Grinch were also on hand to spread some holiday cheer on that rainy Christmas Eve. The Kearns family also came to compete in the event, many wearing Irish colors to honor Peter and the tree toss tradition.

Winners who had the longest throws at the Tree Toss were awarded gift cards to either Human vs. Room or Lehigh Pizza. Winners included Dustin Rego, the returning champion from last year, for the men and Silagh White for the women.

The Bethlehem Christmas tree toss has also inspired others in the area as Allentown hosted its first tree toss this year. Todd Lerch came out as a competitor to represent Allentown and its tree toss host location, Custom Diesel Service Inc. He said he was excited to be part of the event in Bethlehem and is hoping to look at the possibility of a Bethlehem vs. Allentown competition to be set into motion next year.



Tree toss winner Silagh White tosses her tree in the competition. This year's toss raised \$1,100 for Turning Point of the Lehigh Valley.



Current two-time champion Dustin Rego, who threw close to 40 feet last year, lines up for his throw. He throw this year was just 27 feet, but enough to win the title.



A few special guests at the toss, including the Kearns family and wife of Peter Kearns, Mary Ellen Kearns, hold the Irish flag in memory of her husband.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Solidarity with Christian friends

In the Name of God, the Most Gracious, the Most Merciful
In light of the recent announcement of ISIS calling for targeting Churches in the United States the Muslim Association of Lehigh Valley (MALV) and the greater Muslim community in the Lehigh and Northampton counties extend support to the Christian community. We want to express our concerns and we stand in solidarity with our Christian friends and neighbors during this time. No one should fear for their lives or loved ones during their holiday gathering, in their houses of worship, or otherwise.

May peace and blessings of God be with you during this holiday season and throughout the year.

Sincerely,
Muslim Association of Lehigh Valley

POLICE

Theft

An East Raders Lane resident reported a theft from her home around 11 p.m. Oct. 7.

Lower Saucon Township police said the victim had permitted a contractor at her home to work when she went out for the evening. Once home she discovered her jewelry was gone.

Officers learned William Hill, 59, of Easton, took the items and sold them at a local gold exchange.

Hill is charged with theft and receiving stolen property.

DUI

A Lower Saucon Township police officer observed an alcohol-related traffic accident on Route 378 around 6 p.m. Nov. 18.

Police said Frank John Danyi III, 28, of Bethlehem, rear-ended another vehicle in his Mercedes. The officer was standing about 50 feet away on another traffic stop.

Danyi allegedly staggered out of his vehicle and failed field sobriety tests, and a tube with white residue, later found to be cocaine, was in his pocket.

Danyi is charged with following too closely, DUI, and possession of paraphernalia, and was remanded to Northampton County Prison.



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Brethren's House proposals OK'd

BY ED COURRIER

Special to the Bethlehem Press

Moravian College project manager Ade Adenekan, accompanied by Tracy Strickland of Derck & Edson, were granted a certificate of appropriateness by Bethlehem's Historical and Architectural Review Board to add a new portion of public walkway constructed of modular paving bricks to the Brethren's House at 89-91 W. Church St.

Marsha Fritz recommended pachysandra for the shallow planting beds adjacent to the historic stone building. A new sign with black lettering and new lighting also met with approval after HARB reviewed the plans and elevations at the Dec. 7 hearing. Board chairman Fred Bosnall complimented them, saying, "Very nicely presented."

Timothy Shannon was quickly given unanimous approval for replacing an existing electric exterior light with a gas lantern at the house he and Paige VanWirt own at 42 W. Market St. The proposed replacement copper lantern, much larger than the original, was considered by all present as historically appropriate for the time period of the structure.

After much discussion, the board granted Bruce Campbell a certificate of appropriateness to install two 9-foot by 8-foot garage doors at 129 E. Market St. on a building he co-owns with Kim Campbell. The tan overhead doors, with clear glass windows at the top, are designed to resemble carriage house doors. Since they would be a foot shorter than the garage opening, Campbell proposed to

BETHLEHEM HARB



PRESS PHOTOS BY ED COURRIER

Victor Willems and Barbara Pearson, with Plantique's Bruce Fritzinger, appear before HARB as walk-ins. Their plans for extensive renovations for the back and side yards to the house at 405 Center St. are examined by (left to right) Connie Potupack, Connie Glagola, Nancy Shelly, George Donovan, Fred Bonsall, Marsha Fritz and Beth Starbuck.



Moravian College project manager Ade Adenekan (left) and Tracy Strickland of Derck & Edson, explain a proposed public walkway constructed of modular paving bricks for the Brethren's House at 89-91 W. Church St. to HARB.

fill the gap with a wood beam. Although Marsha Fritz discouraged the addition of "fake hinges" to make the doors appear to swing out, the hardware decision was left up to the homeowners.

Barbara Pearson and Victor Willems, accompanied by Bruce Fritzinger from Plantique, appeared before the board as walk-ins. They provided plans for extensive renovations for the back and side yards of the house at 405 Center St. A new deck constructed of composite materials, six inches from the ground, to replace a rotted wood deck that had been one foot high, was proposed. Since it would be lower than the previous deck, no railings were required. Beth Starbuck suggested a smooth finish for the flooring, but was advised by others on the board that a raised wood finish would be less slippery.

HARB members looked over plans for replacing a stockade fence with a cedar fence and the addition of a new cedar arbor. Since the purview of the board only involved the deck, because it came in contact with the building, they granted their unanimous approval, leaving it to the owner's discretion whether to go with a smooth or textured finish.

Before adjourning the hearing, Fred Bosnall introduced Derrick Clark to the rest of the board. Clark, co-founder of Domachi, an online home décor retailer on 523 Main St., has expressed an interest in joining HARB.

HARB meets the first Wednesday of every month. See **HARB** on Page A6

BRIEFLY

BETHLEHEM

Annual wedding showcase Jan. 15

Historic Hotel Bethlehem's annual wedding showcase will be held from 5 to 8 p.m. Jan. 15 at the hotel, 437 Main St.

The event will feature more than 40 wedding coordinators and vendors.

This year's show will feature designs of Barbara Kavchok, owner and designer of Eugenia Couture. There will be hors d'oeuvres samples and tours of the hotel's ballrooms and guest rooms.

For tickets, call 610-625-2220 or 610-625-2213 or register online at www.hotelbethlehem.com/winter-wedding-showcase/.

PALETTE CLUB

Exhibit open

through Jan. 15

The Bethlehem Palette Club's members exhibition is open from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. weekdays through Jan. 15 at the Bethlehem Town Hall Rotunda Gallery, 10 E. Church St.

There will be a reception from 2 to 4 p.m. Jan. 15.

The award winners are: first place - Sandra Corpora, Carlotta; second - Sue Carnwath, Autumnal; third - Karen Dyche, Red Shutters; and fourth - Kara Coleman, Tree Rhapsody. Honorable mentions are: Ginny Attwell, Reaching; Arthur Burroff - Toaddie Land; and Deborah Walkowiak, Autumnal Cornstalk.

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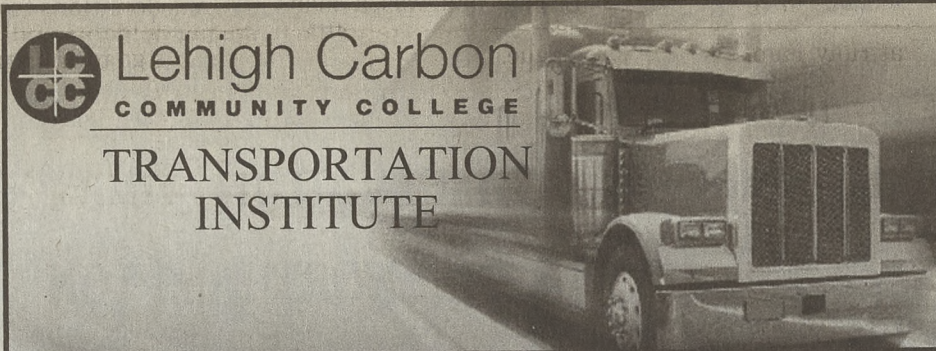
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Successful book sale ends year

The Bethlehem Area Public Library's final 2016 book sale Nov. 30 and Dec. 3 earned an additional \$10,909, taking the final tabulation for the year to \$60,042. All funds earned benefit the library. Book sale coordinator Laurel Stone credited an estate library collection that contained classics, Heritage press books and first editions for the successful sale. The next book sale and first in 2017 is scheduled for Jan. 25 and 28. Additional information on this and all book sales is available at www.bestbooksales.org and by calling 610-867-3761 ext. 235.



PRESS PHOTO BY DANA GRUBB

Gage Pieson gets real comfortable at the Bethlehem Area Public Library's final 2016 book sale reading a potential purchase. He attended with his mother Jen who said they regulars at the sales. Gage said he likes Garfield books and mom indicated that she is a "Stephen King junkie." The Chases are Bethlehem residents.

Taxes don't rise, but sewer rates do

BY BERNIE O'HARE

Special to the Bethlehem Press

At their final meeting of the year Dec. 19, Bethlehem Township commissioners approved a no-tax-hike budget for 2017 in a 4-1 vote. Michael Hudak was the sole dissenter. But they also unanimously approved a slight increase in the sewer rate.

What does this mean? If your home is assessed at \$100,000, you will continue to pay the same \$709 tax bill that you paid this year. Your sewer rate will also remain the same \$52.50 you pay each quarter unless you are using more than 6,000 gallons. If you do, you will see an increase of 0.00707 cents per gallon above the 6,000 gallons.

This budget is the product of several budget hearings and includes a structural deficit that is balanced by dipping into the general fund by about \$700,000. Manager Melissa Shafer

BETHLEHEM TOWNSHIP



PRESS PHOTO BY BERNIE O'HARE

'Melissa Shafer is starting her third year as Bethlehem Township's Manager.

had suggested a slight increase in the tax rate.

In her monthly report, Shafer also reports that the township received a \$400,000 grant from the state Department of Community and Economic Development for its \$3.9 million Brodhead Road repav-

ing project. In July, the Commonwealth Financing Authority denied a request for funding. Shafer continues to apply for state funding for this project, which may be completed in phases.

Shafer reminded the audience that the township has vacancies on

several commissions and boards, including the Zoning Hearing Board and the township authority.

Kim Jenkins reported that the township is spending \$10,600 for mobile speed signs along Bethman and Hecktown roads. Speeding along Bethman Road has been the source of complaints at several meetings this year.

Commissioners decided to put the brakes on an updated comprehensive plan as a result of recommendations made by the Lehigh Valley Planning Commission. A new hearing on this plan is scheduled for April 17.

As the meeting came to an end, President Pat Breslin remarked that he was happy that, once again, people can say "Merry Christmas!" Breslin was obviously referring to President-elect Donald Trump's contention that there has been a "war on Christmas."

Counties get conservation, recreation grants

Contributed article

Sen. Lisa Boscola has announced a total of \$757,000 in state grant funds for conservation/recreational projects in Lehigh and Northampton counties.

The projects include:

- **Northampton Co.**
- \$200,000 for Bethlehem Township to construct a hiking trail and pedestrian walkway at

LEHIGH/NORTHAMPTON

Housenick Memorial Park. The project will also entail landscaping, signage and ADA (Americans with Disabilities Act) access improvements;

- \$25,000 to the Wildlands Conservancy to restore the Saucon Creek in the Water Steet Park

located in Hellertown Borough and Lower Saucon Township. Work will include stream restoration, streambank stabilization and landscaping.

- **Lehigh Co.**
- \$190,000 to Salisbury Township to develop Lindberg Park. Work

will include constructing a splash pad, pickleball courts, pedestrian walkway, shade structure, landscaping, signage and storm water management system.

- \$142,000 to the Lehigh Valley Planning Commission to prepare a multi-county bicycle and pedestrian plan for Lehigh and Northampton counties.

CENTER FOR ANIMAL HEALTH & WELFARE

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



Dreamer is a medium energy dog who will need a semi-active person, a low to medium traffic home environment and preferably an adult-only home.



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VOLUNTEERS

SHARECARE FAITH IN ACTION, Bethlehem, is looking for volunteer drivers (18+ years) to help safely transport people who are elderly and/or disabled to and from doctor appointments and with grocery shopping in the Lehigh Valley. Contact Cheryl Wilson, 610-867-2177, sharecare8@aol.com.

AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY, Greater Lehigh Valley, needs volunteers (age 21+) to drive cancer patients to scheduled treatments. Contact Jennifer Washney, 570-562-9749, ext. 320, jennifer.washney@cancer.org.

CENTER FOR HUMANISTIC CHANGE, Allentown, is seeking reliable, friendly volunteers to act as receptionist on weekdays. Contact Angie Heiland, 610-443-1595, ahiland@thehc.org.

CENTER FOR VISION LOSS, Allentown, is looking for volunteers to be "Annie's Angels" to do home visits, read mail, and provide companionship. Contact Rita Lang, 610-433-6018, rita.lang@centerforvisionloss.org.

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

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PRESS PHOTO BY TIM GILMAN

Baby Jesus lies in a bed of freshly fallen snow after Bethlehem's first snowfall in mid-December. The life-size figure is part of the traditional Nativity scene on a platform under the 40-foot tree at Payrow Plaza. The Nativity is a holiday season attraction, especially for passing families, outside the Bethlehem Area Public Library and city hall. Besides the bed of snow, the frozen figure is partly covered with ice from the melting snow.

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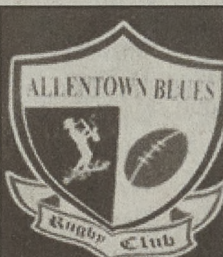
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HARB

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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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"I was happy with how I wrestled in the tournament. All in all, I thought I wrestled well ... I have things I need to work on, but this gives me more confidence heading into the rest of the season."

Luke Werner
LHS wrestler

▼ **BRIEFLY**

DERRICK WRUBLE FUNDRAISER

When Moravian College takes on DeSales University on Jan. 22, 2017, all proceeds from the game will benefit the Derrick Wruble Fundraiser. Wruble is a former Northampton ice hockey player who was injured in a car accident in 2016.

Admission is \$5 and start time for the game is 8:30 p.m. at the Bethlehem Municipal Ice Rink, located at 345 Illick's Mill Road in Bethlehem.

Raffle items will be available at 8 p.m. and will close at the start of the third period.

TROUT UNLIMITED

Fly-tying class

An eight-week fly-tying class will be conducted by the Hokendauqua chapter of Trout Unlimited on consecutive Saturdays from Jan. 7, 2017, ending Feb. 25, 2017. The class takes place from 9:30-11:30 a.m. at Northampton Middle School.

Classes include a manual, all materials, and in-class use of fly-tying tools. The cost is \$30 for the 8-sessions for those over 18, but is free for those under 18 and for active or disabled veterans. There is no greater feeling than catching fish on a fly that you tied yourself or that your son or daughter will tie for you.

For more information, search the internet for Hokendauqua Trout Unlimited or contact Dale Ott at 610-262-7598.

TROUT UNLIMITED

On Wednesday, Jan. 18, 2017, the Hokendauqua Chapter of Trout Unlimited will have a program featuring Dave Kinney of National Trout Unlimited, who will speak on "Advocating on Behalf of Wild Trout Streams."

The program will be held at 6:30 at Cataqua High School Room C219, located at 2500 Bullshead Rd., Northampton.

The public is invited to attend. Questions, call 610-262-7598.

Becahi freshmen show Hawks future

BY PETER CAR
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It was another Tony Iasiello Christmas City Wrestling Tournament, but it was the same result last week as the host Golden Hawks crowned five champions at their event, posting 279 team points en route to rolling to the team title.

While the Hawks got expected titles from Mikey Labriola (182), Jody Crouse (195) and Niko Camacho (HWT), two of their freshmen showed that no matter who graduates any given year, the Hawks always come back with a loaded stable of talent.

Kenny Herrmann (113) and Cole Handlovic (126) both showed

what Becahi fans can look forward to over the next four years, as they grabbed their first Christmas City titles, led by a stellar come from behind performance by Handlovic during a 13-6 victory over East Stroudsburg South's Patrick Gould in the finals.

After falling behind 4-1 in the first period, Handlovic ended the second and third periods on high notes, getting back points at the end of each period to post an impressive victory over one of the districts top light weights.

After coming into the tournament unseeded with a 5-4 record, Handlovic may have turned

the corner with his championship performance.

"Yeah, that was probably the best match I've been apart of so far in my high school career," said Handlovic, who certainly had the most entertaining bout of the finals against Gould. "After falling behind [4-1], I knew I had to push the pace because our team conditioning is great. I never had any doubt after falling behind and, if anything, this shows me that I can compete with the best in Pennsylvania."

Herrmann scored a 5-1 decision over Blair Academy's Kaya Sement to capture the first gold medal of the tournament

for the Golden Hawks.

Coming in as a freshman, it was important for Herrmann to have a good showing at his first TI tourney.

"It's always tough wrestling a Blair kid," Herrmann said. "I knew I had to step my game up and I think I'm doing better now, but there's still a lot I have to work on."

"It was a goal of mine coming into the tournament to win, so I'm happy I was able to achieve that."

Labriola continued his torrid start to the season, pinning Tyler DeLorenzo of East Stroudsburg South in 1:56 in the 182-pound title.

Crouse followed with a 4-3 decision over Devin Evans of Susquehanna Township in the 195 final, giving the Hawks back-to-back wins in their upper weights.

Niko Camacho finished things off with a fall over David DeGroat of Wallenpaupack in 1:07.

Dillon Murphy (106) and Jarred Papcsy (138) each took home silver medals, as Becahi had seven finalists on the night. Mikey Lewis (145), Ryan Zeiner (160) and Tavion Banks (170) all took third place. Zach Glenn took fourth at 120, while Andrew Balukas (220) finished in fourth. Luke Carty (132) took sixth as well.



PRESS PHOTO BY PETER CAR

Luke Werner took second at the Holiday Classic.

Luke Werner settles for second place

BY PETER CAR
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The Bethlehem Holiday Wrestling Classic is always a chance for wrestlers to gauge where they're at just before the new year and for Liberty's Luke Werner, that's exactly what he took away from his runner-up finish at 120-pounds.

Werner lost to Central Dauphin's Chris Wright by a 5-4 decision in last Thursday's finals, giving him his third straight silver medal in his home event to lead the Hurricanes medal performance.

Liberty finished seventh in the team standings with 130 points and had seven wrestlers medal.

For Werner, though, it was a tournament to see where he's at a month into the year.

"I was happy with how I wrestled in the tournament," said Werner. "All in all, I thought I wrestled well. I beat [Nazareth's] Ryan [O'Grady], who beat me in our dual meet, and I knew Wright was going to be tough after wrestling him at states last year. I have things I need to work on, but this gives me more con-

fidence heading into the rest of the season."

Joining Werner on the podium included Matt Maloney (106, fourth); Tal-Reese Fleming (113, fifth); Travis Brown (126, eighth); Anthony Emig (160, fourth); Gunner Anglovich (170, seventh) and Damen Moeyer (182, fourth).

Maloney lost to Stoughton's (WI) Hunter Lewis by a 5-1 decision in the third place bout, while Emig fell to Northwestern's Caleb Clymer 5-0 in the same round. Moyer was the only other Hurricane to battle in the third place round, See LHS on Page 8

Liberty boys top Parkland

BY PETER CAR
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Starting fast and executing late have been two areas of play that Liberty's basketball team has struggled with this season, but the Hurricanes hit on both those areas during the opener of the Parkland Holiday Scholastic Play-by-Play classic last Tuesday.

Liberty jumped out to a 22-8 first quarter lead on the hosts and held on for a 72-64 victory last Tuesday night. The Hurricanes couldn't sustain that momentum the following night against a talented Harrisburg squad, falling 86-51.

However, gaining a valuable East Penn Conference victory over the Trojans pushed Liberty (4-4, 3-2) back to the .500 mark in the league and the contest with Harrisburg gave them the type of game against a talented out of area opponent that head coach Chad Landis always looks for.

"This was the first time this year we got off to a really fast start and that's obviously huge for us," Landis said. "It felt good to play like that early and have that continue throughout the rest of the game."

"It's hard to win games when you start bad and end bad and we just needed to stop committing the live ball turnovers. The kids are sick of hearing me talk about live ball turn-

overs, but we did a good job of not committing those in the last five minutes."

Jeremy Johnson scored a career-high 31 points in the win over Parkland, handing the Trojans their third straight defeat on the year, as Parkland chipped away at the deficit to pull within 56-55 with five minutes left, but Liberty went on a 7-0 spurt over the next two minutes to open up a cushion, as they kept Parkland at bay from the free throw line the rest of the way.

"You always try and play well over the holidays and coming out you hope this can catapult you," said Landis. "To get a holiday tournament win and a league win serves as a bonus for us."

Freedom won both of their holiday tournament games last Friday, topping Dallas 62-54 in the first of their double-header and then following up with a 60-43 win over Southern Lehigh in the nightcap.

Nick King led the way for the Patriots on both nights scoring 22 in each contest to push Freedom to 7-3 on the season.

Bethlehem Catholic (6-2) split their two games in York last week, defeating Danville 67-54, but losing to York Catholic in the championship 60-54.

Freedom girls get past the Hurricanes

BY KATIE MCDONALD
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The Freedom Patriots felt their eight point halftime lead against Liberty was not enough, so they made a few adjustments, resulting in a 46-27 victory over the Hurricanes on Dec. 22 at Liberty.

"We ran out of that locker room," said Freedom senior guard, Meckenzie Herman. "We sprinted."

Patriot forward, Hailey Silfies, opened the second half with two points, but Kristina Polak, Kathryn Wescoe, and Jackie Arthur combined for six straight points to keep the score close.

"They were playing zone, and we needed to pull them out," said Silfies. "We were taking too many outside shots,



BY ROB MERCHANT

Kyra Jefferson and the Pates were able to extend their lead against Liberty.

and we needed to drive more."

So, that's what the Patriots did when Kaitlyn Swint got her own

rebound to score, and intercepted a pass for a layup.

Freedom's lead was still only eight points to start the fourth quarter, but the Patriots were able to hold Liberty to three points on a shot by Corinne Lee, while scoring 16 points of their own.

"Oh my goodness, it feels so awesome. We've never beaten Liberty in my entire life. I can finally say we beat Liberty," Herman said.

Last year, the Patriots came close, so the time was now, if nothing else, for bragging rights.

"We should have won last year," said Silfies, "but we came in today knowing we were the better team, and if we played our game, we'd win."



PRESS PHOTO BY DON HERB

Jeremy Johnson and the Hurricanes knocked off Parkland.

Outdoors: Know hypothermia symptoms

BY NICK HROMIAK
Special to the Press

Despite the cold weather, there are some avid kayakers and paddlers who refuse to let the temperature stop them from enjoying their beloved sport. And for those new to the sport or those who received a kayak or canoe for a holiday gift and are dying to test it out, beware of the cold water.

BoatUS, the national boat owners association with over a half-million members, says you should wear thermal protection be it a dry or wet suit while paddling. They say a long-assumed guideline that is meant to help paddlers make the right decision is sometimes known as the "120-degree rule," however it may instead put paddlers in danger.

The 120-degree rule is a formula that adds together the air and water temperatures to determine when thermal protection is needed. It assumes that the total is above 120 F, so no dry or wet suit is needed.

"Using this simple formula, a paddler could

mistakenly believe that if air temperature is in the low 70s (which it isn't in January) and water temperature is hovering around the low 50s, that thermal protection is not needed," said Ted Sensenbrenner, BoatUS Boating Safety director. "That could not be father from the truth."

Sensenbrenner says that warm fall, winter, spring days give paddlers a false sense of security. "Water temps that have plunged, but the warm sun on your face hides the reality that accidentally going overboard during these chilly times could quickly lead to trouble."

According to BoatUS research, sudden cold-water immersion can kill in several ways: involuntary gasp reflex and hyperventilation, cold incapacitation, and immersion hypothermia. And not wearing a life jacket compounds the risk of drowning.

So you may recognize them, here are the four stages of cold water immersion that can lead to hypothermia, according to BoatUS.



PHOTO COURTESY OF BOATUS

If going afloat during cold weather days, know the symptoms of hypothermia.

Cold Shock: Falling into cold water provokes an immediate gasp reflex. If your head is underwater, you'd inhale water instead of air and it's unlikely you'll resurface if you're not wearing a life jacket (PFD). Initial shock can cause panic, hyperventilation and increased heart rate leading to a heart attack. This stage, says BoatUS, lasts 3-5 minutes and at this point you should

concentrate on staying afloat with your head above water.

Swimming Failure: In just 3-30 minutes, the body will experience swimming failure. Due to loss of muscle coordination, swimming becomes a struggle and the body tends to go more vertical in the water making any forward movement difficult. That's why it's not recommended to swim

for help, but remain with the kayak/canoe or something that floats while keeping your head above water while awaiting rescue. In this regard, it's always advisable to paddle with a partner if possible.

Hypothermia: True hypothermia sets in after about 30 minutes. Most victims never make it to this stage since 75-percent of individuals succumb and die

in the earlier stages or cold water immersion. At this stage, regardless of your body type, size, insulation of clothing, acclimatization and other factors, your body's core temperature gets dangerously low. Your survival chances are greatly lessened at this stage. Victims are usually rendered unconscious in this stage.

Post Rescue Collapse: A rescued victim must be handled very carefully. When a person is removed from cold water, the body will react to the surrounding air and the body position. Blood pressure often drops, inhaled water can damage the lungs and heart problems can develop as cold blood for the extremities is released into the body core. Proper medical attention is essential to rewarm the body safely.

So if you are going afloat during these cold days, heed these factors and take appropriate measures to not become a victim.



PRESS PHOTO BY LINDA ROTHROCK

Jaleesa Lanier and the Hawks beat Liberty and recently knocked off Easton.

Becahi girls knock off the Red Rovers

BY KATIE MCDONALD
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For some, it was the emotion associated with Christmas Past, and for others, it was that of Christmas Present which propelled the Hawks to a 65-47 victory over Easton on Dec. 22 at Bethlehem Catholic High School.

"This was emotional for me and passionate for me," said Becahi junior, Hope Brown.

Brown is a transfer from Phillipsburg High School who knows all too well the rivalry between Phillipsburg and Easton, and although Easton is not Becahi's main rival, it has the ability to be a major threat.

"We honestly came in believing it would be a close game, but it shows how good our execution was, and we knew their sets," Brown said. "I am

so proud."

Executing with rarely a miss for the Hawks was freshman, Taliyah Medina, especially in the first quarter.

Medina scored 13 of her 21 points in the opening eight minutes, seemingly one after another, including two baskets on her own steals and a three pointer toward the end of the period.

"Last year, I remember sitting on the bench for this game with my dad [Becahi coach Jose Medina], and this year, we won, and it's Christmas, and it feels really good," Medina said. "From the start of the game, we were focused. Both teams were 5-0, and I'm glad we got this. It was a big achievement."

By halftime, the Hawks led 35-20, but there is no point spread comfortable enough when competing against

the Red Rovers, especially when Easton's Gabby Bloshuk started the third quarter with two threes, in addition to the two she already made earlier in the game.

"We talked about going into a zone and locking up on Gabby," said Medina.

Early in the fourth quarter, it looked as if Easton was bringing the game back to within reach, but too many missed shots made that improbable. In the meantime, Becahi's Morgan Orloski hit a three pointer while Tessa Zamolyi and Neila Luma sank foul shots to put the game neatly away.

"We thought it would be closer, but we had to play every minute," said Brown. "It was a different energy and chemistry. We were better this game."

Kyle Stoll in the medal round.

For DeLoach, it was an opportunity for self-evaluation as well.

"I was a takedown away from being in the finals, so I was happy with how I did," said DeLoach, who lost in the semifinals to Northern Lebanon's Luke Funk by a 4-3 margin. "This tournament was a small goal I set coming in, but

Hershey is the main goal for me and I'm just using an event like this as preparation for the post-season."

Both programs get back into East Penn Conference action this week as Liberty hosts Stroudsburg on Wednesday, while Freedom hits the road for a meet with Dieruff. The Hurricanes also wrestle Allen on Thursday night.

Around the Horn - IronPigs news and notes

In anticipation of the upcoming tenth anniversary season, the IronPigs will debut a series of state-of-the-art HD videoboard for the 2017 campaign at Coca-Cola Park, highlighted by an enormous 43 x 73 foot main HD videoboard that will be the largest in Minor League Baseball to incorporate a 16:9 HD aspect ratio and 2nd-largest overall.

In addition to the main videoboard upgrade, seven other videoboard enhancements are scheduled for Coca-Cola Park this off-season, including the addition of a new 130-foot wide ribbon board above the left field signage, among the widest displays in professional sports. Upon installation, the main video board (3,162-square feet) will be greater than triple the square footage of the current 20 x 50 foot display (1,000-square feet) and contain 1,897,490 LED bulbs. Interestingly, the main videoboard is so big that it could contain roughly 306 pigs standing next to and on top of each other within its dimensions.

The brand-new HD videoboard - supplied by industry-leader Daktronics - represent the largest capital improvement campaign in Coca-Cola Park history. They also incorporate cutting-edge technology for superior brightness, contrast and viewing angles and the same industry-leading 15 mm HD resolution as the primary videoboard at Citizens Bank Park in Philadelphia. The new videoboard will often operate in unison to enhance the game day experience and magnify key moments, like home runs, strikeouts or on-field fan contests. The ribbon board will enhance Coca-Cola Park's game presentation by providing in-game scoring, out-of-town scores, upcoming promotions and enhanced statistical information.

Coca-Cola Park's

playing surface is set to receive a complete makeover as the field turf is replaced for the first time since the ballpark's inception in the fall of 2007. The field renovation will provide numerous essential upgrades including a better-quality playing surface, improved drainage along with cosmetic enhancements. The installation is being completed by King Sports Turf, which recently installed a similar playing surface at Oriole Park at Camden Yards.

Approximately 95,000 square feet of grass area at Coca-Cola Park will be replaced with brand-new sod that will travel 101 miles from Tuckahoe Turf Farms in Hammon, NJ. The new sod consists of 100-percent Kentucky bluegrass and the new-field will be entirely sod-based. The new grass will be shipped by approximately 12 tractor trailer loads which equates to 400 tons of new sod.

The three week process includes many intricate steps and begins by stripping out the current grass at Coca-Cola Park. USGA-quality clean sand is then installed and laser-graded before being tilled. After another round of laser-grading takes place, the new 3/4-inch cut of sod of Kentucky bluegrass is finally installed. Upon completion, the brand-new grass surface will be on par with other Major League Baseball grass surfaces.

The Lehigh Valley IronPigs and Philadelphia Phillies announced a four-year extension of their Player Development Contract, maintaining the two clubs' affiliation through at least the 2020 season.

The four-year extension is the maximum permitted under the agreement between Major League and Minor League Baseball.

A remarkable 19 members of the Phillies current roster, including recent stars like

3B Maikel Franco and RHP Jake Thompson, are among a collection of 109 players that have made the leap from "The Pigs to the Bigs" since the IronPigs' inception in 2008. To date this season, the IronPigs have sent 18 players to Philadelphia.

The IronPigs once again surpassed the 600,000 attendance mark during the 2016 season and remain Minor League Baseball's per game attendance leader since their debut season, with an all-time average of 8,978 fans per game. The Pigs have surpassed 600,000 fans annually since 2008, the longest active streak in Minor League Baseball. In total, 611,015 fans frequented Coca-Cola Park during the 2016 regular season.

Since 2008, the IronPigs have drawn 5,593,412 fans to Coca-Cola Park and averaged 8,978 per regular season home game - a number that actually exceeds Coca-Cola Park's fixed seating capacity of 8,089. Every seat in the ballpark has been sold for 436 of the 623 (70.0%) all-time regular season games - including 47 times in 70 home dates this season - with 145 all-time capacity crowds of 10,000 or more.

The 2017 Lehigh Valley Barrel-Aged Beer Festival - an indoor event featuring tastings from highly sought-after wood and barrel-aged beers - debuts on Saturday, Jan. 21 from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. on the climate-controlled Club Level at Coca-Cola Park. Attendees each receive a commemorative tasting glass, 20 barrel-aged beer tasting tickets and complimentary appetizers. The festival also includes live acoustic music from Kyle Baker and a cigar bar from Cigars International. Interested parties are encouraged to purchase their tickets today as only 400 tickets will be sold for this exclusive event.

LHS

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losing to Freedom's Ryan DeLoach 9-2.

DeLoach led Freedom's contingent of medalists with his third place performance, as Ben Huber (138) was the only other Pate to medal, taking away a seventh place performance following a fall in 2:29 over Delaware Valley's

DARTS

Suburban Dart League Standings

Christ UCC	30	12	.714
Dryland	24	12	.667
Salem Luth	28	17	.622
Emmanuel	21	21	.500
Ebenezer	21	21	.500

St. Stephen's	22	23	.489
St. Paul's	17	19	.472
Bath Luth	21	24	.467
Messiah	19	23	.453
Salem UCC	14	25	.359
Farmersville	11	31	.262

Ebenezer (3-1) at

Emmanuel (1-0, 6-2)
Em - Jim Hill 5-12 HR,
Joey Hoffert 4-11.
Eb - Carl Fraley 4-11, Kim
Deetz 4-12, Charlie Costanzo HR.
Salem Luth (5-3, 7-4, 10-2) at Farmersville

SL - Scott Hoffert 9-15,
Bryan Frankenfield 9-16,
Bill Hoke Jr. 6-10, HRs -
Tyler Frankenfield, Austin
Hoffert.
F - Dave Campbell 6-11,
Tom George 5-12, Kyle
Campbell HR.

Christ UCC-Dryland
postponed
Salem UCC-St. Paul's
canceled
St. Stephen's (3-2) at
Bath Luth (9-0, 6-3)
BL - Jordan Meixsell 5-11,
Todd Flyte 5-13.

SS - Brian Conner 4-11.
Bye - Messiah

Holiday market hits record attendance

BY NATE JASTRZEMSKI
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Christkindlmarkt just ended its 24th season, and with an expanded array of artisans and vendors supplementing the city's already extensive holiday offerings, ArtsQuest announced the number of visitors broke last year's record and reached almost 70,000.

Among the enhancements this year were the addition of two new shopping tents, one of which featured an all-new home for the event's popular St. Nicholas; major enhancements to the event's holiday decor; and the addition of new children's attractions such as the holiday craft activities presented by Banana Factory artists and the opportunity to meet the Just Born PEEPS® Chick on select Saturdays. From Dec. 8-11, more than 19,000 people strolled Christkindlmarkt's aisles while looking for unique gifts for family and friends, the most ever for a single weekend in the event's 24-year history.

"As a community-based arts and cultural organization, ArtsQuest has long been committed to using our programming and events as tools for urban revitalization, as well as supporting tourism and economic development in our city and region," says ArtsQuest President and CEO Kassie Hilgert. "Over the past two years, we have made Christkindlmarkt one of our top priorities, dedicating additional resources to expanding and promoting the event with the goal of attracting even more people to Bethlehem at Christmastime."

"We're thrilled that so many Lehigh Valley residents and out-of-town guests visited Bethlehem this year, not only to experience Christkindlmarkt, but also to enjoy many of the other events and attractions the city has to offer."

Those attractions include local businesses and private vendors.

Dennis Costello, general manager of the historic Hotel Bethlehem, said the hotel has definitely seen an increase in visitors this year. "This has been the best Christmas season in our 94-year history," Costello said. "Our occupancy is up over five percent and our room revenue is up 20 percent. Foot traffic into the hotel is also up and the trolley between the North and South sides is a real hit with guests. They love how easy it is to go from one side of the city to the other. We're thrilled that so many Lehigh Valley residents and out-of-town guests visited Bethlehem this year, not only to experience Christkindlmarkt, but also to enjoy many of the other events and attractions the city has to offer."

Hedge Sefcovic, owner of the Emmaus-based A Natural Alternative Soaps & Toiletries, who has been attending Christkindlmarkt for 16 years, said, "I know that the national draw of ArtsQuest events such as Christkindlmarkt is the reason why a small, local artisan such as myself can have such a nationwide customer base."

"My business philosophy of selling locally and sourcing supplies locally means that I rely on events such as Christkindlmarkt to be the backbone of my business. The large draw of the event means I can count on it providing 15 percent of my yearly sales, as well as residual sales throughout the year from the event's patrons."

"Although I only travel 100 miles or less from my home for arts and crafts events, I have shipped orders to 35 states this year," Sefcovic said.

"The holiday season is one of the busiest and most important times of the year for our merchants here in the city," says Bethlehem Mayor Robert Donchez. "Thanks to attractions like Christkindlmarkt, Historic Bethlehem's nighttime bus tours and beautiful Central Moravian Church, Bethlehem has become known as one of the premier destinations in the United States to celebrate the holidays. While many people visit the Christmas City for Christmas, the real benefit to our city is that many of them will return throughout the year to patronize our businesses, shopping districts and restaurants."

A one-of-a-kind family event that brings the spirit of Bethlehem alive with the season, Christkindlmarkt has twice been named one of the best holiday markets in the U.S. by Travel + Leisure, as well as one of the top holiday markets in the world by Condé Nast Traveler and USA Today Travel.

County residents cast votes



PRESS PHOTO BY BERNIE O'HARE

Pennsylvania's Electoral College includes 20 electors. Amazingly, three are from Northampton County, and they are all women. Peg Ferraro, Lee Snover and Mary Barket cast their votes for Donald Trump in December from the House floor of the Pennsylvania General Assembly in Harrisburg. Governor Tom Wolf, who invited the electors to join him later for lunch, said, "[w]e don't need armies, we don't need uprisings or violence to change our country's leadership. All we need is 538 people in rooms just like this, all across the country, doing what you're doing today." Ferraro, from Bushkill Township, is a Northampton County Council member. Snover chairs the county GOP and the Bethlehem Township Planning Commission. Barket, from Nazareth, is a member of the Republican State Committee.



Gen. George Washington, portrayed by John Godzieba, inspects the troops.

PRESS PHOTOS BY BERNIE O'HARE

Revisiting Christmas Day 1776

BY BERNIE O'HARE
Special to the Bethlehem Press

On Christmas Day 2016, a huge crowd of about 10,000, brought out by mild weather, left their homes to watch or participate in a re-enactment of what is known as Washington's Crossing, a daring raid on a Hessian encampment at Trenton. This event took place at Washington Crossing Park, located on both sides of the Delaware River, less than an hour's drive from Bethlehem.

Gen. George Washington, whose army of 20,000 had disintegrated to a scant 2,400, gambled everything on the success of this attack. "Victory or Death!" was the password.

On Christmas Day 1776, starting at 4 p.m.,



Washington's colors, white stars on a blue field, accompanied him everywhere.

Washington led those troops across the river, along with 18 cannons and 50-75 horses. His army arrived at Trenton after sunrise the next day, having marched another 10 miles without sleep. Some of them really were barefoot, leaving bloody imprints in the snow. They were starving, yet they de-

feated the world's most feared mercenary force in an hour.

This was just the first of three battles that Washington would fight, and win, in a series of 10 days. No less a person than Frederick the Great would say, "The achievements of Washington and his little band of compatri-



One of the re-enactors made the crossing barefoot in homage to the soldiers whose bloody footprints left a trail from the Delaware to Trenton.

ots between the 25th of December and the 4th of January, a space of 10 days, were the most brilliant of any recorded in the annals of military achievements."

BRIEFLY

BOY SCOUTS

Christmas tree recycling Jan. 7,

Boy Scout Troop 318 will hold a Christmas tree recycling from 9 a.m. until noon Jan. 7 and 14.

The minimum donation fundraiser will benefit the summer camp program.

For curbside pickup, email troop318bsa@gmail.com with name, address, phone number and choice of pick up date. Pick up will be confirmed by return email.

CACLV

Home buyer seminars Jan. 7

The Community Action Committee of the Lehigh Valley will hold two first-time home buyers (in English) seminars from 8:15 a.m. to 1 p.m. on both Jan. 7 and 14 at CACLV, 1337 E. Fifth St.

The sessions are conducted by a CACLV staff and representatives of local mortgage lenders, insurance agents, realtors and other experts. Topics include preparation for homeownership, the importance of good credit, how to purchase a home, the current housing market, loan products, predatory lending and consumer rights.

For more information and/or to register, call 484-893-1038 or visit www.cacvlv.org.

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The 52 members of the Boys and Girls Club who attended the steak and burger dinner gather for a group photo with several club staff members prior to dinner.

'Anything is possible for you' Steaks & burgers

BY DANA GRUBB

Special to the Bethlehem Press

The 24th annual Steak and Burger Dinner benefiting the Boys and Girls Club of Bethlehem was held in late October at the Historic Hotel Bethlehem.

Fifty-two current club members, and nearly 90 sponsors and guests were feted in the hotel's main ballroom, which was decorated with a Hollywood movie

theme in honor of keynote speaker Dan Roebuck, a Bethlehem native who is an actor, director and producer.

Boys and Girls Club Executive Director Gary Martell said the event, where young people are served steak dinners and sponsors have hamburger dinners, is one of the organization's largest fundraising events.

Roebuck, who attended with

his father John, told the young club members, "Anything is possible for you," and complimented Boys and Girls Club staff and sponsors for making a difference in the young members' lives.

Roebuck related that he had once been a Boys and Girls Club member and recounted performing in a play at the Northeast Club facility in 1983.



Club member Skylah marvels at the sleight-of-hand performed by magician Joe Keppel.

Actor, director, producer and Bethlehem native Dan Roebuck, a member of the Boys and Girls Club in his youth, was the keynote speaker. Roebuck told the audience, "Anything is possible for you." He attended with his father John.



Demetri Herron, owner of the Herron Funeral Home, pours some lemonade for club member Jean.



PRESS PHOTOS BY DANA GRUBB

Members of the Boys and Girls Club of Bethlehem arrive for the steak and burger dinner at the Historic Hotel Bethlehem, traveling in style courtesy of Trans-Bridge Lines.



Club member Bryanna tells Hotel Bethlehem marketing coordinator Brynn Levine how beautiful the hotel looks.



Juan Carlos DeLeon helps club member Soriahlynn cut her steak. DeLeon, who now works at Just Born Inc., was a Boys and Girls Club member when he was younger.



Boys and Girls Club board member Chris Eline and his wife Adrin host several club members at a table sponsored by her Inspired Movement Pilates business.



Banquet server Rowena Wiggins delivers a dinner to club member Zayda.

Thomas Koons

Notre Dame HS

Grade: 12

Family members: My parents are Michael and Beth Koons. My siblings are Michael, John and Katie.

Favorite subject: My favorite subject is chemistry. I like this class because I enjoy the labs and experiments.

Activities: I am currently the senior class president. I am also the treasurer for the Key Club and am a member of NDHS. I am also on the varsity cross country and track teams.

Next steps: I hope to either attend a U.S. service academy or participate in ROTC in college.

Career goals: My career goals are to serve in the U.S. Air Force as a pilot.

Heroes: My dad is my hero because he has been such a wonderful role model for me and has taught me everything I know about the military.

Hobbies: I enjoy reading and learning new things. I also enjoy hanging out with my friends and teammates.

Current job(s): I have worked at Bounce U in Easton for a little over a year.

Volunteer/community work: I have served St. Jane Frances de Chantal Parish as an altar server for eight years and as a Mass lector for three years. I also participated in the NDHS



Four Diamonds mini-THON 24-hour dance marathon for three years.

Likes: I like learning new things and enjoy driving my truck.

Dislikes: I dislike large crowds, such as at a party or in a big city. I also dislike it when people don't know to listen.

Greatest accomplishment (so far): The accomplishment I am most proud of is winning the 4x100m championship with my teammates at the 2016 Colonial League championships.

Advice for peers: My advice for my peers would be to prioritize your future over having too much fun.

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



PRESS PHOTOS BY TIM GILMAN

Donegan ES Singers, directed by Kyle Hummel, perform popular holiday season songs in front of the Christmas tree.

Holiday in the Park

The fourth annual Holiday in the Park tree lighting celebration at Tranquility Park in South Bethlehem attracted a crowd of about 100 adults and children Dec. 9. Bundled up for the cold weather, the Donegan ES Singers performed at the celebration on Fourth Street hosted by the Community Action Development

Corporation of Bethlehem and sponsored by Northampton Community College. Mayor Bob Donchez, who was born and raised on the Southside, welcomed attendees and praised CADCB for its partnership with the community during Bethlehem's 275th anniversary. The live Christmas tree was provided by the city

and will be transplanted at the Bethlehem Municipal Golf Course. The annual storefront decorations contest winners for businesses between Polk and Hayes streets selected by the community were announced: Urban Varieties at 507 E. Fourth St. and Gifted Hands Salons at 625 E. Fourth St.

ANOTHER VIEW

By Bryton Altenbach, Liberty HS

Reducing stress

Stress is experienced every day, from when you are riding rollercoasters or taking an exam. Adults and teens alike experience tremendous amounts of stress around holidays, particularly Christmas and New Year. Students should have it easier though, since they are given two weeks of break, right? Wrong.

Many teen students feel as much, if not more, stress than imaginable during the holiday season. The amount of stress pivots around the work given students during the holiday break.

As one Liberty senior said, "If there's work to do, it can make our break highly stressful, because some of us already have a booked break; family vacation, work, family time-since it's basically one of the few days we can spend with them without the interruption of work or school."

Tea Wask, a Liberty junior says, "... people want to enjoy an actual 'break'. Which in most people's definitions includes not finishing any school work."

These feelings are mutual among virtually all students, but then the question becomes what can be done to lessen the stress of students, especially during their breaks?

In response, junior Aiden Nodoline said, "Students should be given more time after break to get ready for tests instead of focusing during the break. Also, we shouldn't be given homework during the break." This proposition emphasizes the need to complete more school work during the time before and after break instead of during break.

Wask also illuminates the fact that, "In this day and age, students are pushed to their max. Between the emphasis on sleep, sports, clubs, work, homework, standardized tests, etc. every task seems so important."

Students certainly understand the importance of school and maintaining what they have learned, but you can devalue an activity by partaking in the activity too often. The imperative becomes the search for a balance, logically, between periods of intense learning and cultivation worldly aspects.

School, in the modern sense, can no longer be dominated by passively sitting for eight hours. It should be remodeled to hone every skill set that makes a human being. School, as seen through the students, should be a preparation for every facet of life: taking care of themselves and others; maintaining a home; balancing checkbooks; or making appointments. Thus, knowledge of the world alleviates some stresses and perchance makes the transition from high school to college less daunting.

The task at hand begins with the understanding of teens' need for freedom and not coddling teens' and should be understood by those who manage the school system and create schedules. Perhaps a revision of the school system and schedule will mitigate teen stress. Has it come time to step away from the agrarian school calendar? If so, to whom should the nation look toward as an example for schooling? The focus should shift to these questions and the improvement of society, starting with the excessive stress the school system causes.



Altenbach



Miguel Ortiz and Jose Garcia from the nearby Hispanic Center wear wise men costumes and play holiday music during the event. Tony Cruz was the third magi.



Donegan ES Singers Stana Fernandez, Alyssa Nonnemacher and Yaksaury Espada (center/back) perform Christmas carols during the tree lighting ceremony.



Estefania Perdomo, outreach coordinator for the Community Action Development Corporation of Bethlehem, with Santa Claus, played by volunteer Albert Nieves, a longtime South Bethlehem resident and owner of Nieves' Groceries on Fourth Street.



The DeJesus children – Aiden, Marcos and Alexander – with Santa Claus at Tranquility Park. The children were with their parents Alexis and Michelle DeJesus.



Maria Rivera and her son Ezekial are bundled up for the cold weather. Mrs. Rivera, a South Bethlehem resident, said they came to see a friend's daughter in the Donegan Singers.



Anna Smith, Community Action Development Corporation of Bethlehem director, welcomes the crowd of adults and children who braved the cold weather.

SCHOOL NEWS

Charter Arts: Open house set for Jan. 5

The Lehigh Valley Charter HS for the Arts will hold an admissions open house Jan. 5 at the school (use Columbia Street entrance), 321 E. Third St.

Doors open at 5:30 p.m. for tours, with a 6:30 p.m. presentation by school administrators and question and answer times.

The event is open to prospective students and their families. Reservations are not required. For information, visit www.charter-arts.org.

To get your news item in SCHOOL NOTES, send the information to George Taylor at gtaylor@tnonline.com or mail the information to SCHOOL NOTES, Bethlehem Press, 1633 N. 26th St., Allentown, PA 18104.

GRADUATION

Coastal Carolina University

Tyler Earle, of Bethlehem, earned a bachelor of science in business administration in marketing degree and graduated during commencement exercises on Dec. 16 and 17, at Coastal Carolina University.

Coastal Carolina University is located in Conway, S.C.

York College

Abigail Reagan, of Bethlehem, graduated from York College of Pennsylvania on Dec. 21. She earned a bachelor of science degree in nursing.

Submit graduation items to gtaylor@tnonline.com, fax 610-740-0947 or mail it to College graduates, c/o Bethlehem Press, 1633 N. 26 St., Allentown, PA 18104.

YOUR LOCAL WEATHER

7 Day Forecast	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday
	Mostly Cloudy	Partly Cloudy	Mostly Cloudy	Partly Cloudy	Partly Cloudy	Mostly Sunny	Mostly Sunny
	46 / 22	32 / 21	30 / 16	26 / 11	25 / 9	25 / 4	27 / 5
	6-11 mph W	5-8 mph W	6-8 mph E	8 mph NE	5-8 mph E	3-7 mph SE	Light winds

FORECAST FOR LEHIGH VALLEY PENNSYLVANIA

Today we will see mostly cloudy skies with a slight chance of showers, high temperature of 46°, humidity of 55%. The record high temperature for today is 63° set in 1982. Expect partly cloudy skies tonight with an overnight low of 22°. The record low for tonight is -8° set in 1950. Thursday, skies will be partly cloudy with a high temperature of 32°, humidity of 42%. Skies will be mostly cloudy Thursday night with a 30% chance of snow, overnight low of 21°. Expect mostly cloudy skies Friday with a high temperature of 30°. Skies will become partly cloudy Saturday with a high temperature of 26°. Partly cloudy skies will continue Sunday with a high temperature of 25°.

Weather Trivia

Does the sun always give off the same amount of energy?

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BRIEFLY BETHLEHEM

Winter restaurant week Jan. 22-28

Historic Bethlehem Winter Restaurant Week will be held Jan. 22 through 28 in historic downtown Bethlehem. Participating restaurants will offer fixed menus for lunch and dinner; restrictions apply.

There will be a contest to win a gift certificate for two to every restaurant participating in the event.

Advance reservations are recommended; contact the restaurants directly. For more information, visit <http://web.lehigh-valleychamber.org/events/Historic-Bethlehem-Winter-Restaurant-Week-835010/details>.

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Council grants raise to employee flagged for some ethics questions

BY BERNIE O'HARE
Special to the Bethlehem Press

Northampton County Council, at its final meeting of the year Dec. 15, voted unanimously to give the county's new emergency management services director, Todd Weaver, a 22 percent raise.

They did so with no advance notice to the public. Weaver had been serving as director for just one day. No public announcement of that appointment had been made, either. Council brushed aside concerns raised by Controller Steve Barron that Weaver may be violating the state Ethics Act. They also ignored their own policy of requiring that personnel requests be vetted by council's personnel committee before going to the full council.

Emergency Management Services exists to keep the county in a state of readiness for disasters of all kinds, from chemical spills on Route 33 to hurricanes.

Former Director Bob Mateff left for an emergency management services job with the state, and Weaver was acting director while the county attempted to find a new department head.

Weaver, who as acting director had been earning \$76,351.81 per year, will now receive a \$91,051 salary. At the beginning of next year, his wages will shoot up another two percent to \$92,872. Thanks to Northampton County Council, a county employee in possible violation of the state ethics act will see his wages increase by \$16,520, or 22 percent, in just two weeks.

Council's agenda was only published on Dec. 14, the day before the meeting. It indicated that council would consider a "Director of Emergency Management Services Resolution," but no further detail was provided.

NORTHAMPTON COUNTY

No COLA for retirees

BY BERNIE O'HARE
Special to the Bethlehem Press

Instead of a COLA (cost of living adjustment), Northampton County's 1,200 or so retirees will be getting a lump of coal this Christmas.

According to Council President John Cusick, a COLA was voted down at the most recent retirement board meeting. Retirees have no representative on the board, despite having presented three names to Executive John Brown in October. Former Executive John Stoffa had been serving retirees, but was forced to step down for health reasons.

The last time retirees received a COLA was in 2013, Stoffa's last year in office.

The resolution itself was never attached to the agenda. Thus, the public was unaware either that Weaver had been named director or that he was being proposed for a major wage hike.

A call to the council clerk's office revealed that Executive John Brown had just appointed Weaver as director of Emergency Management Services, and was seeking a significant increase in salary for him. A few more calls, including one to Controller Steve Barron, revealed that Weaver is in possible violation of the state ethics act.

Every year, Northampton County spends about \$100,000 for training in emergency services. That's the result of a contract with Northampton County Fire School Association, Inc. Though Brown enters into the contract, it is the director of emergency services who approves or denies invoices. It is the director who decides to approve or deny training, and the groups who will be paid to provide it. As acting director, Weaver had been making those decisions since May 2015.

Here's the possible ethic violation: Todd's

father, former NorCo council member Rick Weaver, is the director of the fire school, a private nonprofit corporation. He's also an instructor, as is Todd Weaver himself. The secretary of this corporation is Aundrea Weaver, who is Todd Weaver's daughter. Todd Weaver's wife is also a food vendor during these training sessions.

For the past 18 months, Weaver has been approving invoices submitted by his father and that benefit a business in which he, his father, wife and daughter are all involved. He may have even been approving his own invoices.

This appears to be a conflict of interest in violation of the state ethics act.

The state legislature has said that "public office is a public trust" and "any effort to realize personal financial gain through public office other than compensation provided by law is a violation of that trust." On the surface, it appears Weaver may have violated that public trust when he authorized payments to his father in a business with which he and

members of his immediate family are involved.

According to the state ethics act, a conflict or conflict of interest occurs whenever a public employee uses the authority of his office for the private pecuniary benefit of himself, a member of his immediate family or a business with which he or a member of his immediate family is associated.

Controller Barron raised this issue with council. He suggested a brief delay in the wage hike so he could further investigate. Having learned of the appointment just a few hours before the council meeting, he had limited time to review the records. He found invoices to Weaver's father that Todd Weaver approved, although he found none to Todd himself.

The controller was thanked for his diligence and politely ignored.

Executive John Brown said there is no conflict because he approved the contract. But it is Weaver, not Brown, who approves or denies the invoices, as well as requests for training. Thus it appears that Weaver may have been engaged in a conflict for 18 months with no safeguards.

This conflict has never been publicly disclosed.

Interestingly, Todd Weaver was a member of the selection committee that was unable to find a new director from the outside.

It is just two years ago that former Bethlehem City Council member Karen Dolan was forced to resign for using her public office to benefit a nonprofit in which she was involved. The state ethics act applies to county employees as well as elected officials.

BRIEFLY FOOD BANKS

Donations given by local group

The Guardian Life Insurance Company of America donated more than 14,000 non-perishable meals to several Lehigh Valley food banks on Dec. 15. The United Way of the Greater Lehigh Valley assisted the Guardian employees.

UPS Freight transported the containers and the meals to area food banks, which included Bethlehem's New Bethany Ministries and the Salvation Army.

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Former CIA officer Scott Uehlinger will speak at a free Lehigh Valley Tea Party meeting at 7 p.m. Jan. 5 at the Starlite Ballroom, 1221 S. Front St., Allentown.

Future speakers will be Larry Pratt on Feb. 2, Shaneen Allen, Joshua Prince and Charles and Mary Strange.

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deadline Jan. 20

The Lehigh Valley Harmonizers, Allentown-Bethlehem chapter, is hosting the annual high school and college young singers quartet contest winners at 2 p.m. Jan. 22 in the Lipkin Theatre, Kopecek Hall on the main campus of Northampton Community College. The entry deadline is Jan. 20.

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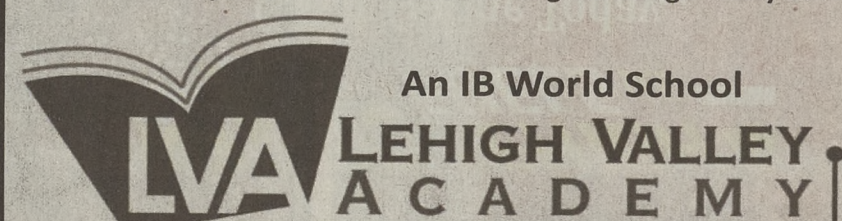
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By Paul Willistein
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To power-phrase, it was the best of times and it was the best of times in Lehigh Valley regional theater in 2016.

There didn't seem to be a down side to the up side of theater in the Allentown, Bethlehem and Easton area, which continued with a robust mix of the innovative and familiar in-locally-produced shows, plus national touring productions that stopped in the Valley.

It seems that Valley residents who are theater-goers and those who travel to the Valley to see theater couldn't get enough.

The Pennsylvania Shakespeare Festival (PSF) set box office records in its 25th season.

Muhlenberg Summer Music Theatre (MSMT), in its 36th season, took a chance with Lin-Manuel Miranda's "In The Heights" and took it to the heights.

The national touring production of "Rent" paced sold-out shows at the State Theatre for the Arts, Easton, celebrating "90 years of Wow."

Children's theater and other stage shows continued at Miller Symphony Hall, Allentown, a venue that goes back some 117 years.

Officials at Civic Theatre, Allentown, which launched a \$5.5-million capital campaign, say attendance for its 89th season was better than ever.

It was a year when community theater in the Lehigh Valley became regional theater.

Think about it. How many regions have the depth and breadth of theater as does the Lehigh Valley? In Pennsylvania, for example, does Reading, Wilkes-Barre-Hazleton, Harrisburg, York, Lancaster or Erie? The number of theaters, venues and stage shows in the Valley is probably only surpassed by Pittsburgh or Philadelphia.

There seemed to be a bit more diversity on Valley stages. The contrast of old-school Latino and contemporary Latino themes was evident with PSF's "West Side Story" and MSMT's "In the Heights." Allentown Public Theatre's "The Island" and the guest-artist production of "Aliens, Immigrants, and Other Evildoers" for Touchstone Theatre's 35th anniversary season, added to the diversity, as did the shows of Sing for America.

Other theater groups were also adventure-some: Crowded Kitchen Players, with its original



Above: Civic Theatre "The Next Act" Capital Campaign leaders, from left, Sharon Lee Glassman, Co-Chair; Greg L. Butz, Co-Chair; Zachary Jandl, Honorary Co-Chair; Christine Taylor, Honorary Co-Chair, Jane Heft, Co-Chair, and Dr. Barry Glassman, Co-Chair, at Nov. 15, 2016, campaign launch at Lehigh Valley Trust Building, Allentown. Left: From left: Pennsylvania Shakespeare Festival Associate Artistic Director Dennis Razze and PSF Producing Artistic Director Patrick Mulcahy, seen here in the seating area of the Main Stage theater, had a recording-breaking 25th anniversary season for productions on the Main Stage and in Schubert Theatre, Labuda Center for the Performing Arts, DeSales University, Center Valley.

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play, "Pints, Pounds and Pilgrims," and staging at the new Unicorn Theatre, Catasauqua; Global ImpActors Group, "Proof," Macungie Institute, Macungie, and Star of the Day Productions, "Sweeney Todd: The Demon Barber of Fleet Street," McCoole's Arts & Events Place, Quakertown.

Valley stalwarts, Pennsylvania Playhouse, in its 51st season, with Christopher Durang's "Vanya And Sonia And Masha And Spike," and MunOpCo, in its 89th season, with Mel Brooks' "The Producers," continued to expand their repertoire.

Bucks County Playhouse, in its 77th year after closing in 2010 and reopening in 2012, unveiled a renovation-expansion project as officials announced record-breaking attendance.

In 2016, the Focus section of the Lehigh Valley Press newspapers and web sites published reviews of 39 plays and musicals. That's up from 38 reviews in 2015 and 31 reviews in 2014. And it's in addition to the many advance features about area theater productions.

By reviewer, the 2016 theater review tally is: Deb Boylan, 1; Ashleigh Strange, 2; Ellen Wilson, 3; Carole Gorney, 8, and Paul Willistein, 25.

Based on the area theater shows that I saw in 2016, with input from Focus reviewers, here's the 11th annual ABE Awards, as in Allentown Bethlehem Easton. Passages quoted are from 2016 Focus reviews.

REGIONAL THEATER

Producer: Civic Theatre. The \$5.5-million "The Next Act" capital campaign to return "the historic 19th Street Theatre to its original splendor as a landmark arts facility and focal point of Art Deco architecture" was launched in late 2016. Civic again produced a season rich with the traditional and edgy on its main stage, and, in a return, in Theatre514. Kudos to Civic Artistic Director William Sanders, Associate Artistic Director-Production Manager Will Morris, Managing Director John Hedges and the entire Civic staff and board.

Musical: "Assassins," Civic Theatre. The stunning Stephen Sondheim musical about assassins and would-be assassins of United States' presidents kept you riveted in your seat. Technical Director Alexander Michaels utilizes a scrim lowered at the conclusion on which the Zapruder film of the Kennedy assassination is projected, a chilling reminder that, while

we are watching a play, it's based on real events too horrific and too frequent to imagine.

Original Musical: "Steve Brosky: The Musical - Living Here in Allentown."

Presented at the Charles A. Brown Ice House, Bethlehem, the musical about the singer-songwriter's roots also received an ABE in this category for its 2015 world premiere production in Quakertown.

Actress, Musical: August Fegley, "Carrie: The Musical," Civic Theatre.

In the title role as Carrie is an amazing August Fegley, who manages an extraordinary range of emotions, all the more impressive because she is portraying a character of her own age. Among standout songs: "Open Your Heart," a duet sung beautifully by Fegley and Tracy Ceschin (Margaret, her mother); "Dreamer in Disguise," a duet by Fegley and Thomas Riley (Tommy, a student); a duet by Fegley and Kristen Stachina (excellent as Miss Gardner, the gym teacher) in "Unsuspected Hearts," and Fegley and Ceschin blending wonderfully in "I Remember How Those Boys Could Dance."

Actor, Musical: Jarrod Yuskas, "Assassins," Civic

Theatre. "Assassins" is book-ended by the 1865 assassination of President Abraham Lincoln by John Wilkes Booth (brilliantly portrayed by Jarrod Yuskas) and the 1963 assassination of John F. Kennedy by Lee Harvey Oswald (portrayed with impressive accuracy by Matt Meckes). The performances of Yuskas and Meckes pace the show. Yuskas opens the show in splendid voice with "Everybody's Got the Right," which, in a reprise, concludes the musical.

Ensemble, Musical: "The Little Princess," Sing for America. The Gilbert Family, driving force behind Sing for America, celebrating its 10th anniversary, showcases not only their own incredible talents, but those of area performers, many of them children and young adults. This is a Gilbert family affair. Tasia Gilbert is director. Taryn, Tasia and Tera Gilbert are choreographers. Tera Gilbert is costume designer. Jewel and Jorne Gilbert are set designers. Mom, Gina Gilbert, is production manager. Dad, Bruce Gilbert, plays a lead role as Captain Crewe. Dance is as integral to this production as song and there are several interpretive dance pieces and large-

scale numbers featuring the ensemble.

Director, Musical: William Sanders, "Assassins," Civic Theatre. The Civic production does "Assassins" justice. Director William Sanders explores the context of the text and the psychology of the lyrics, revealing insights into the psyches of the assassins and would-be assassins, and the American psyche. It's American psychos meets American psyche. Sanders keeps many of the actors on stage in character, as if ghosts. The use of fun-house mirrors and the actors donning their costumes lends a jarring yet oddly reassuring sense that, yes, this is a play. Sanders keeps the emphasis on the songs and the subjects, with the actors playing it straight.

Choreography: William Sanders, "Carrie: The Musical," Civic Theatre.

It's a rousing, well-paced, song-filled (11 songs in Act I and 12 songs in Act II, including three reprises) big entertainment. Music Director Steve Reisteter leads the seven-piece pop-rock band, which plays the songs, with music by Michael Gore and lyrics by Dean Pitchford, in a bouncy and compelling manner. The production is paced by superb performances by a mostly young, high-energy cast. The students, hailing from Muhlenberg College, Emmaus High School, Parkland High School, Lehigh Valley Charter High School for the Performing Arts and Bethlehem Catholic High School, among other area schools, bring believability to "Carrie: The Musical." They, after all, have lived or are living the story that this production so capably tells.

Play: "The Miracle Worker," Pennsylvania Playhouse.

The drama, based on Helen Keller's 1903 autobiography, "The Story of My Life," focuses on the often tumultuous battle of wills between Helen (Hannah Kurczeski) and Sullivan (Jenna McBreen). The scenes require immense energy and both actors are up to the task. In their complex characterizations, Kurczeski and McBreen compellingly manage the transition from purely physical conflict to intensely sensitive expressions of utter despair and pure joy of discovery. There's an impressive cast of a dozen supporting actors. Jim Long as Captain Keller, Helen's bombastic father, dominates most of the scenes, just as his character dominates the Keller family. Makenna Masenheimer is charming as Helen's

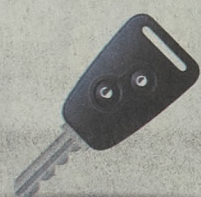
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indulgent mother, adequately evoking the right balance between compassion and frustration, while maintaining the decorum of a Southern wife. Brett Mathews is convincing as Helen's half-brother. Director Clair Freeman capitalizes on the intimacy of the Playhouse space, allowing audience members to become close observers.

Original Play: Ara Barlieb, "Pints, Pounds & Pilgrims." **Crowded Kitchen Players.** The world premiere of "Pints, Pounds & Pilgrims," a comedy written and directed by Ara Barlieb, is not only near nonstop laughter, it's near nonstop nose snorts. "Pints, Pounds & Pilgrims" is paced by a blisteringly funny script and two superb lead-role performances by Brian McDermott as Simon Wexler, director of an Irish theater group, and David Oswald as Benjamin Foolscap, director of a Hoboken, N.J., dinner theater, as well as a fine supporting performance by Dan Ferry as Michael, head of the Inishbofin, Ireland, theater festival. Barlieb directs with the assuredness of a coach who pushes his team to achieve its best. And achieve they do in a comedy that could itself be presented at theater festivals. To echo the play's dialogue of encouragement to the actors: "You have what it takes when the curtain rises." The same can be said of the Crowded Kitchen Players and "Pints, Pounds & Pilgrims."

Actress, Play: Kathleen Oswalt, "God of Carnage," Civic Theatre. Kathleen Oswalt (Annette Raleigh) is magnanimous, to a point. When that point is crossed, she goes ballistic in one of the play's most startling scenes. Oswalt puts the C in "Carnage." Welcome to the "emotional cul de sac." This is an actors' and director's tour de force. Director Will Morris and the cast of Holly Cate (Veronica Novak), Chis Egging (Alan Raleigh), Robert Trexler (Michael Novak) and Oswalt don't disappoint. The ensemble delivers one hour and 20 minutes of verbal (and some physical) mayhem, nasty looks and even nastier laughter.

Actor, Play: Barry Glassman, "On Golden Pond," Civic Theatre. It's time for the Thayers to undrape the furniture and reopen the house for their 48th New England summer at Golden Pond. Norman Thayer, Jr. (Barry Glassman) trundles down the living room staircase one step at a time and takes the short little steps of the elderly to the screen door. Glassman captures the irascibility of Norman in a way that is charming and amusing. Glassman gives a commanding performance as understated as it is powerful. Plus, he has superb timing. That's key because Norman has many of the best laugh lines.

Ensemble, Play: "The Island," Allentown Public Theatre. The setting for "The Island" is Robben Island, South Africa, where Nelson Mandela was held. John (Ryan Fields) and Winston (Jamil Joseph) are prisoners. Two dancers, Chiedu Mbonu and Theophilus Timothy, and a drummer, Vernon J. Mobley, augment the dialogue. "The Island," written by Athol Fugard, John Kani and Winston Ntshona, is directed by Anna Russell, APT artistic director. Fields plays the role



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Civic Theatre's "Assassins" cast, from left, Kirk Lawrence, Alex Michaels, Kristen Stachina, Jarrod Yuskas, Will Morris, Tracy Ceschin and Robert Trexler.



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Barry Glassman, left, portrayed Norman Thayer, Jr., and Rebecca Engborg, right, portrayed his wife, Ethel in "On Golden Pond" at Civic Theatre, Allentown.



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August Fegley, left, portrayed Carrie, and Tracy Ceschin, right, portrayed Carrie's mother, Margaret, in Civic Theatre's production of "Carrie: The Musical."

of John with the right touch of levity. Joseph plays Winston with deep bitterness and resignation. Their underlying dramatic tension is compelling under Russell's fine direction.

Director, Play: George B. Miller, "Vanya And Sonia And Masha And Spike," Pennsylvania Playhouse. The production of Christopher Durang's "Vanya And Sonia And Masha And Spike" does the playwright proud. If Durang could make the drive from his Bucks County residence to Bethlehem to see the production, he would be immensely impressed with the cast's performances and the direction by George B. Miller of the zingy comedy that opens the Playhouse's 51st season. Miller understands the nuances in the Durangian wit, which is propelled by bewilderment, resignation and hope, often in "Vanya," in that order. Miller elicits wonderful performances from the

"Vanya" cast. Miller dedicates the Playhouse production to Matthew Stitzer, a Lehigh Valley actor who died Jan. 21, 2016.

Costume Design: Kate Scuffle, "Vanya And Sonia And Masha And Spike," Pennsylvania Playhouse. The "Vanya And Sonia And Masha And Spike" costume design by Kate Scuffle is character-appropriate with the costume party outfits a hoot.

Scenic Design: Alexander Michaels, "On Golden Pond," Civic Theatre. The easy-going (for the most part) production is enhanced by the cozy set design by Alexander Michaels, working with scenic artist Jan Joyce, with a wonderful tree-silhouetted backdrop; suffused with indirect lighting by Will Morris.

Lighting Design: "A Christmas Carol," Civic Theatre. Will Morris merits triple kudos for his very functional set design, prop-

er Victorian costuming for 120 cast members, and superb lighting effects. The two-tiered set provides visually interesting movement for actors during street scenes, and an observation point from which Scrooge and his ghosts can look down on Christmases past, present and future. Morris' lighting effects wonderfully illuminate the mysterious visitation of shadowy specters, and just as perfectly transform scenes of holiday gaiety into ones of darkest gloom.

Sound Design: Helene Confer, "The SantaLand Diaries," Civic Theatre. Director Will Morris sets the stage, along with Helene Confer, Sound Designer, and Deena Linn, in charge of Props, creating a hubbub of anticipation with Christmas songs (including The Carpenters' "Merry Christmas, Darling") and recorded public address announcements ("Store opens in five minutes. Get ready. Ho, ho, ho.") in the "SantaLand" break room, with

its schedule calendar, clothes rack with costumes, coffee station with working microwave (the better to heat those "Hot Pockets"), table and chairs, Santa throne and big red star.

Tim Roche Memorial "Meanwhile" Award: "Vanya And Sonia And Masha And Spike," Pennsylvania Playhouse. Playwright Christopher Durang's "Vanya And Sonia And Masha And Spike," set in a Bucks County family manse, grows in stature with repeated viewings, no more so than in this remarkable Pennsylvania Playhouse production. Durang's smart send-ups of pop culture (the 1978 movie "California Suite") and celebrity (the TV show "Entourage"), as well as local shout-outs ("What kind of name for a town is Upper Black Eddy?") and theatrical asides ("It was all rather Pirandellian.") are great fun. Director George B. Miller elicits wonderful performances from the "Van-

ya" cast. Each makes us laugh with their antics, even as each brings pathos to his or her part.

PROFESSIONAL THEATER

Producer: Pennsylvania Shakespeare Festival. With three plays by Shakespeare, a musical based on Shakespeare, a classic British comedy, and two plays for children, Pennsylvania Shakespeare Festival celebrated 25 seasons, and set attendance and ticket revenue records for the second year in a row. The 2016 PSF season's estimated 39,750 patrons and \$1.2 million in ticket revenues topped 2015's 38,567 patrons and \$1.1 million in ticket revenues, a 3 percent and 4 percent increase, respectively. The season's opening "Luminosity Gala" also set records in attendance: 514 people, and revenue: \$150,000-plus. "West Side Story" was the second most attended production in PSF's history, just 1 percent less than the record holder, 2015's "Les Misérables." "The Little Mermaid" set an attendance record for a children's show, at more than 9,700. "Julius Caesar" played to more than 90 percent capacity. PSF employed a record 44 members of Actors' Equity Association, the union of professional stage actors and stage managers. After nearly 150 performances in just under 10 weeks, the season closed Aug. 7, 2016. PSF's 25th anniversary season, dedicated to its founder Father Gerard J. Schubert, couldn't have been a more fitting tribute. Kudos to Producing Artistic Director Patrick Mulcahy, Associate Artistic Director Dennis Razze, Managing Director Casey Gallagher and the entire PSF staff and board.

Director, Musical: Dennis Razze, "West Side Story," Pennsylvania Shakespeare Festival. If you think you know "West Side Story," either from having seen a previous stage production or the 1961 movie version, think again. Until you've seen the Pennsylvania Shakespeare Festival's production of "West Side Story" directed by Dennis Razze, you don't know "West Side Story." The classic 1957 musical leaps, jumps and sings with excitement.

Musical: "West Side Story," Pennsylvania Shakespeare Festival. PSF's production is Broadway-caliber on every level. It gleams like a switchblade, is as unforgettable as a favorite song and resonates with ripped-from-headlines reality thanks to its brilliant 36 actors and gifted technical artists.

Original Musical: "Bhudo," Touchstone Theatre. "Bhudo," created by Jp Jordan, Christopher Shorr and the Touchstone Ensemble and directed by Jordan, had its world premiere in Touchstone's 35th anniversary season. The musical is paced by good songwriting, by turns comedic, romantic and philosophical, written by Jordan and Shorr, and with fanciful costumes by Lisa Jordan. The premise is that Araman, the Royal Grand Vizier (Bill George), is being challenged in an election by Maj (Mary Wright) and Deryn (Emma Chong). There are some great rhymes and word play and excellent three-part harmonies by George, Wright and Chong, who accompany themselves on ukulele. The one-act play is immensely engaging, chiefly because of the calibre of the three performers, aka Touchstone's all-stars. "Bhudo" is not unlike

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"In The Heights," Muhlenberg Summer Music Theatre.

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a comic opera. The audience is in on the joke via "Bhadoo Beans" (pocket-size boxes of Just Born "Ike and Mike" candy). The "bean-counter" pun is not lost. And so goes the vote.

Choreography: Stephen Casey, "West Side Story," Pennsylvania Shakespeare Festival. The choreography, based on the original Broadway production Jerome Robbins' choreography, by Stephen Casey, working with Fight Director Michael Rossmly, moves the massive dance ensemble with the precision of a military drill sergeant (10 Jets, 10 Sharks, six Jet Girls and six Shark Girls, who sometimes seem to be on stage all at once) and the balletic grace of Balanchine buoyancy, and in unison yet. The Ballet Sequence, leading to the "Somewhere" solo and concluding in the "Procession and Nightmare," is a sizzling example of stagecraft of the highest order by top-notch actors as directed by Dennis Razze and Casey.

Actress, Musical: Ryah Nixon, "The Rocky Horror Show," Bucks County Playhouse. The musical's concept is to create a live version of a 1950s-to-early 1960s "Science Fiction Double Feature," and the opening number does so from the outset with incredible energy paced by the powerful singing and dancing of Ryah Nixon (Magenta), a real belter dominating every scene she's in.

Actor, Musical: Justin Guarini, "Cake Off," Bucks County Playhouse. Justin Guarini is a triple-threat in more ways than one, playing three characters (with the emphasis on "characters") in "Cake Off": Jack DeVault, a smooth-talking host of a televised cooking contest, the Millberry Cake Off, and hilarious support-stock roles as Lenora Cass and Nancy DeMarco. Guarini, who proves a great comedic actor, is in fine voice in the solo spotlight, "You Think Millberry." Bucks County Playhouse gets back to its roots with "Cake Off." The Playhouse, originally a grist mill, Hope Mills, burned down in 1790 and was rebuilt as New Hope Mills, thus giving New Hope its name. With "Cake Off," the flour has still not settled.

Ensemble, Musical: "In The Heights," Muhlenberg Summer Music Theatre. "In The Heights" by Lin-Manuel Miranda ("Hamilton") leaves you slack-jawed in astonishment at not only the lyrical alacrity of Miranda, but the physical dexterity of the actors' singing and performances as directed by James Peck. It triumphs with the talent of a predominantly young, vibrant Latino cast, with demanding choreography by Samuel Antonio Reyes, which incorporates salsa and merengue. Gabe Martinez, in the lead male role of Usnavi, right from the opening number, sings the "rap-sody" with a rapid-fire intensity that seems impossible. Martinez relaxes into the quieter side of Usnavi in "It Won't Be Long Now," with Tiffany Byrd (Vanessa) and Zach Jackson (lively and humorous as Sonny), and "Champagne," with Usnavi's love interest, Vanessa, with Byrd again in splendid and soaring voice. Bree Ogaldez (Nina) has most of the spotlight numbers: "Breathe," with

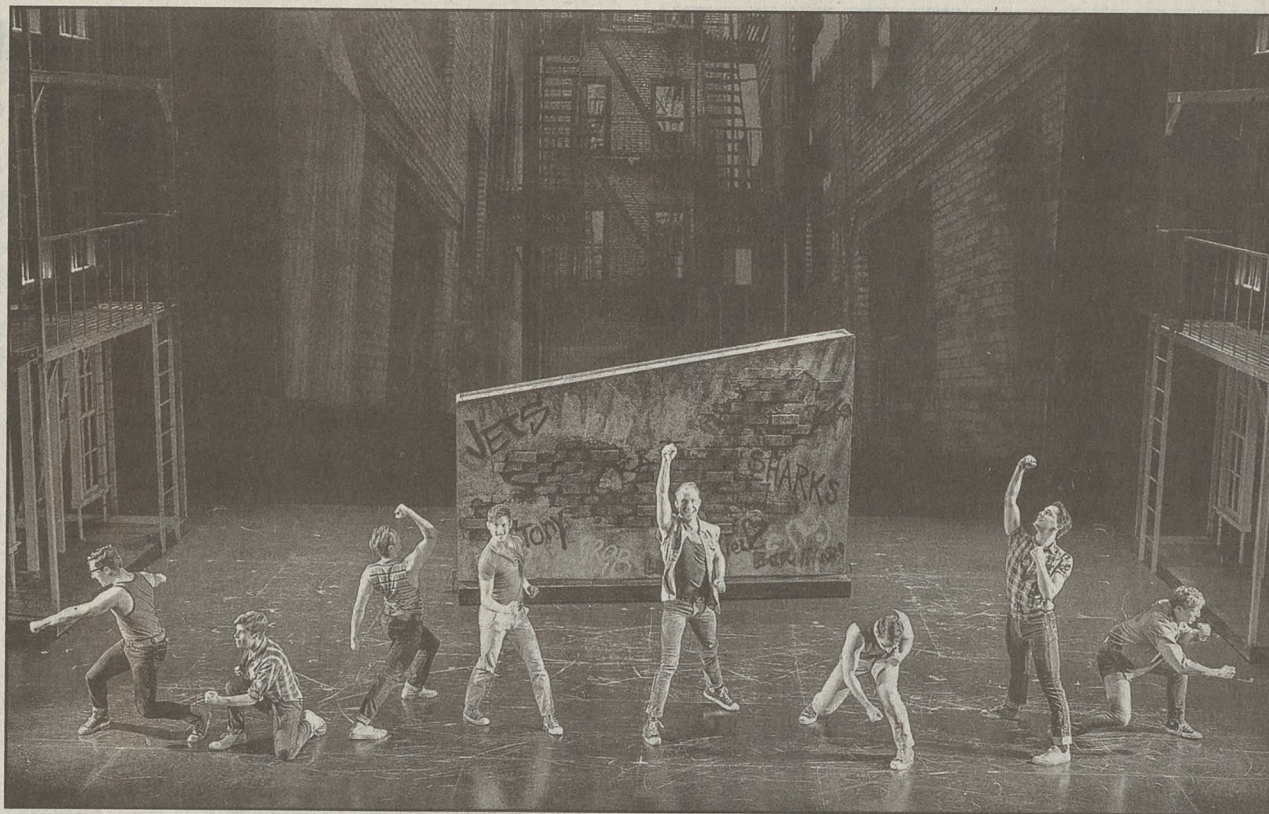


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"West Side Story" opened The Pennsylvania Shakespeare Festival 25th anniversary season.

her crystalline voice immediately impressive, and with her love interest, Benny (the always impressive Jakeim Hart), in "When You're Home," "Sunrise," "Everything I Know" and "When the Sun Goes Down." At the center of the cast is Roberta Meek (a cheerful "Abuela" Claudia), whose resonant voice embraces all in "Patience and Faith" and "Hundreds of Stories." Memorable in supporting roles are Robert Torres (Kevin, car service owner), noteworthy in "Useless," and Wilma Rivera (Camila, his wife), a show-stopper in "Enough." Proving there are no small roles is Eric Thompson (Piragua Guy) in the comedic number "Piragua." Supporting-role comic-relief standouts

include Victor Abreu, Jr. (Graffiti Pete), Jamie McKittrick (Daniela, salon owner) and Emily Spadaford (Carla, salon employee). The Ensemble includes Nicolle Amico, Tim Canali, Dianna Cortoreal, Vivian Cruz-Rivera, Gabrielle Hines, Ricardo Negron, Nathaniel Rosario and Jarred Rosario-Riche.

Play: "Blithe Spirit," Pennsylvania Shakespeare Festival. The Pennsylvania Shakespeare Festival production of the Noël Coward classic of couples behaving comically has the proper balance between "blithe" ("showing a casual and cheerful indifference considered to be callous or improper") and "spirit" (double-entendre here: "the nonphysical

part of a person that is the seat of emotions and character; the soul" and "those qualities regarded as forming the definitive or typical elements in the character of a person"). Talk about "ecto-plasmic manifestation": Broadway is manifest at the Pa. Shakespeare Fest.

Original Play: Mary Wright, "Mae Swe," Touchstone Theatre. "Mae Swe" (pronounced "May Sway" and Burmese for "My Friend") is based on Mary Wright's early years in Burma where she was born to parents who were Baptist missionaries, as well as stories she gathered from 30 interviews she did with family members, and refugees from Myanmar (pronounced

Me-yan-ma, and formerly known as Burma) who emigrated to the United States and now reside in the Lehigh Valley. In the one-woman show, eight years in the making, Wright, a Bethlehem resident and Touchstone Ensemble member, plays several characters, using figures from Burmese history and folktales, Burmese puppets, music, lacquerware and Burmese attire. Jennie Gilrain, a Touchstone Theatre veteran, directs "Mae Swe." It's an extraordinary manifestation of a journey in the search for belonging.

Actress, Play: Eleanor Handley, "Blithe Spirit," Pennsylvania Shakespeare Festival. Eleanor Handley as Elvira channels (as

befits a dear-departed) the sass of Jean Harlow in her tart-tongued delivery and the slinky substance of Marlene Dietrich as she swans across the stage like a sylph. She leans back. She lounges. She prances. She dances. Blonde-topped and red-lipped, hands firmly on hips, she gives a drop-dead stare in a gray gown. No one has a ghost of a chance in her presence.

Actor, Play: Ian Merrill Peakes, "Blithe Spirit," Pennsylvania Shakespeare Festival. Ian Merrill Peakes as British novelist Charles Condomine bustles with nervous energy, internal consternation and the supercilious capacity of the overly self-assured. This is a masterful performance.

Ensemble, Play: "Julius Caesar," Pennsylvania Shakespeare Festival. Patrick Mulcahy directs the cast like a chess master calculating his moves on the white-board stage design by Steven TenEyck. In Mulcahy's keen and meticulous direction, Julius Caesar is Christ-like and without blemish. Keith Hamilton Cobb, an imposing figure, strides the stage like a colossus ("This man has become a God," Cassius marvels-warns) and yet he's likable, humble and the least wrath-filled God this side of the universe. Each of the lead actors has his day in the soliloquy spotlight. Thanks to Mulcahy's precision, each fires off lines with force, understanding and meaning. Mulcahy is careful to assuage relationships between the leads, especially Cassius and Brutus. You sense the characters are well aware their roads are not less traveled and lead straight to hell. Greg Wood says an "in-your-face" Cassius, at once wheedling and powerful in a tightly-wound, intense, eye-focused, full-battle mode performance. Henry Woronicz presents a thoughtful, steadfast and patrician Brutus in a sympathetic manner unlike the reputation that preceded him. Spencer Plachy is a dashing Marc Antony, portraying a lean, forthright, yet intelligently duplicitous leader. Christopher Patrick Mullen creates a feverish, rueful and cantankerous Casca, who would stoop to conquer. Other standouts in the some 19-member cast include Rosalyn Coleman (Calpurnia), commanding the stage as Caesar's wife; Grace Gonglewski (Portia), vulnerable as Brutus's wife; Jacob Dresch (Decius Brutus), and Steven Dennis (Cicero).

Director, Play: Anne Lewis, "Blithe Spirit," Pennsylvania Shakespeare Festival. In the charming production, director Anne Lewis elegantly balances the very attributes of the brilliant title inspired by Percy Bysshe Shelley's poem ("To A Skylark") in the cast (has there ever been assembled a more perfect ensemble at PSF?). Lewis mines the mnemonic devices at the core of Noël Coward's brilliant comedy, given its first staging in 1941 in London's West End and New York City's Broadway, with a sure-fire plot that is simplicity personified in its complexity. Lewis carefully stages this impeccable production with lovely attention to letting the actors go word-to-word (with some references in the script to the words of Shakespeare) and the lovely felicity of language and keen observation that is Coward. "It's discouraging to think



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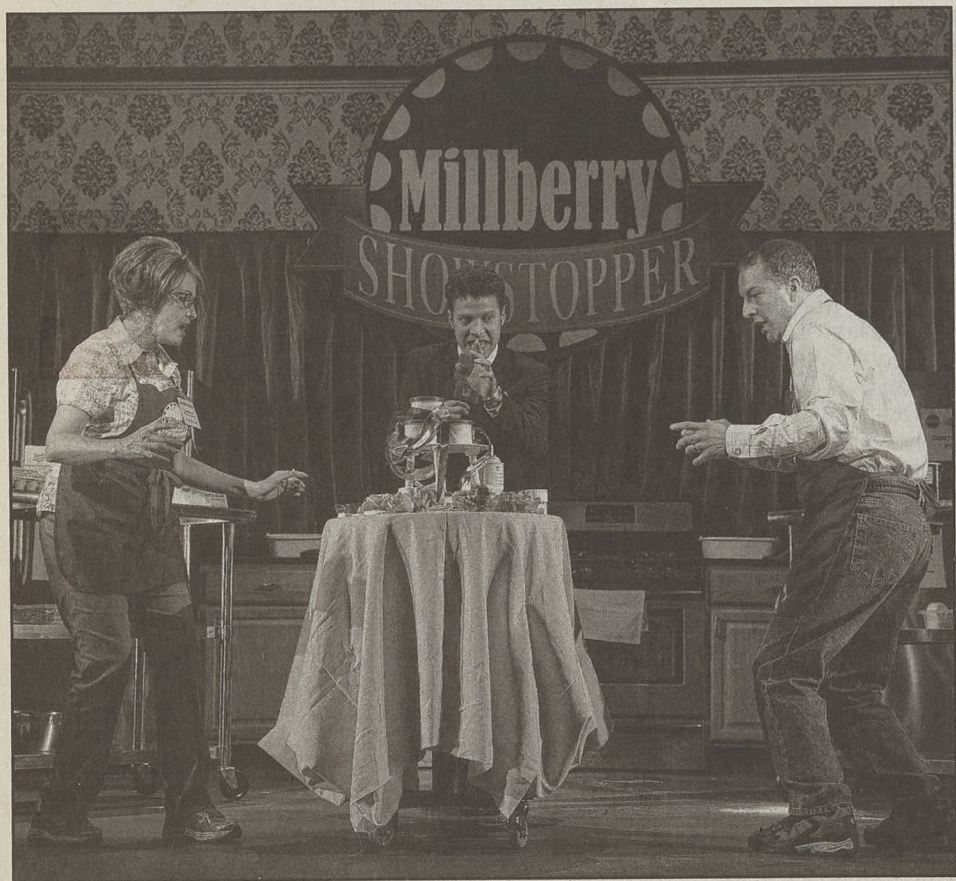
"Blithe Spirit," The Pennsylvania Shakespeare Festival, Main Stage, Labuda Center for the Performing Arts, DeSales University.



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From left, Bill George (Royal Grand Vizier), Emma Chong (Deryn) and Mary Wright (Maj) in the world premiere of "Bhadoo" for Touchstone Theatre's 35th anniversary season.

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Justin Guarini, center, in "Cake Off" at Bucks County Playhouse.

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how many people are shocked by honesty and how few by deceit."

Costume Design: Michael McDonald, "West Side Story," Pennsylvania Shakespeare Festival. Costume Designer Michael McDonald eschews the leather look for preppy ties and shirts for the Jets (the Caucasian gang), chooses purple hues (Prince homage?) for the Sharks (the Puerto Rican gang), and dresses the women in lovely dresses.

Scenic Design: David P. Gordon, "Blithe Spirit," Pennsylvania Shakespeare Festival. The set (baby grand, fireplace, mantle, mirror, columns, bookshelf,

drapes, lamps, sumptuous sofa and chairs) by Set Designer David P. Gordon is exquisitely detailed.

Lighting Design: Travis Michale, "The Rocky Horror Show," Bucks County Playhouse. Christmas tree lights, purple hues and clever effects dominate in the Lighting Design by Travis Michale. The entire stage is used to give the impression of a dark and stormy night. Call it Yard-Sale Gothic.

Sound Design: Patrick Moren, "In The Heights," Muhlenberg Summer Music Theatre. Sound designer Patrick Moren and Music director-conductor Ed Bara and a nine-piece band recreate the sounds and music of Washington Heights, a Manhattan, New York City, N.Y., neighbor-

hood where Lin-Manuel Miranda, who wrote the music for "In The Heights," was born. The sheer energy of the piece spills off the stage and carries over to the heads, hands and hearts of the audience. "In The Heights" is irresistible. It cajoles, charms and cashes in on its dynamic score. "In The Heights" is an exuberant exhortation of a lively locale and lives, not only of Washington Heights, about two hours east of Allentown, but of a closer neighborhood, about 15 blocks east of Muhlenberg College.

What were your favorite plays, performances, actors, directors and artists from the 2016 theater season in the Lehigh Valley? email: pwillistein@tnonline.com

'Bach at Noon' concerts resume in Bethlehem

The Bach Choir of Bethlehem presents its 85th "Bach At Noon" concert, noon Jan. 10, Central Moravian Church, Main and Church streets, Bethlehem.

Admission is free and no tickets are required. A free-will offering will be received. It's recommended attendees arrive early to be sure of a seat. Doors open at 11:30 a.m.

The program, conducted by Greg Funfgeld, Bach Choir artistic director, includes J.S. Bach's Cantata 96, "Herr Christ, der einge Gottessohn" ("Lord, Christ, the only son of God") with soloists Katherine Kaiser, Barbara Hollinshead, Charles Blandy and Christopheren Nomura. Tricia Van Oers, soprano recorder, paints an image of Christ as the Morning Star.

Also on the program is Music for the Nativity, including "Lo! How A Rose E'er Blooming"

by Max Drischner & Hugo Distler; "Joseph, lieber Joseph, mein" by Johann Walther and "Geistliches Wiengelielied" ("Sacred Lullaby") by Johannes Brahms with Loretta O'Sullivan, cello, and Greg Funfgeld, piano.

The Winter-Spring "Bach at Noon" series continues:

Feb. 14
Warren Martin (1916-1982), "The True Story of Cinderella" for 12 solo voices, narrator, piano and chime. Members of The Bach Choir of Bethlehem with Thomas Goe-mann, piano, and Greg Funfgeld, narrator.

March 14
J.S. Bach (1685-1750), Concerto in A Major for Oboe d'amore, BWV 1055, with Mary Watt, oboe d'amore;

Cantata 32, "Liebster Jesu, mein Verlangen," with soloists Rosa Lamoreaux and William Sharp.

April 11
Antonio Vivaldi, Concerto for Two Trumpets

in C Major, RV 537, with Lawrence Wright and Brian Kuszyk, trumpets; J.S. Bach, Cantata 66, "Erfreut euch, ihr Herzen"

"Bach at Noon" is an arts and community development initiative that has been acclaimed regionally and nationally. It was launched in 2005 with seven performances a year in Central Moravian Church January-April and September-November.

In 2015, "Bach at Noon" was expanded to include an Allentown "Bach at Noon" series at St. John's Lutheran Evangelical Church in center city Allentown, which now includes three performances in June, July and August.

The Bethlehem and Allentown series regularly attracts capacity audiences for a total of more than 8,000 people annually.

Information: BACH.org; 610-866-4382, ext. 115 or 110

event in honor of Griffin King, diagnosed with Acute Lymphoblastic Leukemia in September 2014 at 19 months old. Griffin is now 3-years-old and has been diagnosed as being in remission.

Prizes will be awarded for the top fundraising team and the team that rides the most miles.

LLC, founded in 1949, has chapters throughout the United States and Canada. The Information Resource Center is LLC.org; 800-955-4572.

To register: steelfitathon.org.

'Jackie's tour to Camelot

What "Jackie" concentrates on, and does so very well, is the days after the Nov. 22, 1963, JFK assassination when the Kennedy Administration "Camelot" was manufactured by Jacqueline Bouvier Kennedy with the implicit and complicit cooperation of Theodore H. White, who wrote about the myth for Life magazine.

Apparently, JFK liked to sit around the White House, listening to Richard Burton's Sprechgesang version of "Camelot" from the 1960 Lerner and Loewe musical, notably the lyric: "Don't let it be forgot, that once there was a spot, for one brief shining moment, that was known as Camelot."

"You make him sound like royalty," Jackie is told. Indeed, Jackie burnished the image and provided the legacy.

"Jackie" is powered by its careful documentary-style, impressionistic elements and an astounding seeming true-to-life, and a certain Oscar actress nominee and strong front-runner performance by Natalie Portman as Jackie.

Portman (Oscar, actress, "Black Swan," 2010) "is" Jackie. While her arms appear to be shorter and her stature less statuesque, "Jackie" Director Pablo Larraín ("Neruda," 2017; "The Club," 2015) keeps the camera in tight and close and angled to capture Portman's large, expressive eyes, lips of troubled consternation and a stoicism that has to be stoked by her aide de camp (a fine Greta Gerwig) for Jackie's Emmy-winning "A Tour of the White House" (1962) television broadcast (the reality TV of its day) seen by some 80 million viewers.

"Jackie" uses an effective series of flashbacks, mixing supersaturated color scenes with recreations of the black and white TV show White House tour footage.

The 1963 interview scenes between Jackie and the interviewer (Billy Crudup), said to be based on Theodore White, at Hyannis Port, Mass., are fascinating for their contretemps. "So, this will be your own version of what happened," Jackie is asked. The ground rules are clear from the outset.

It wasn't just the historically-accurate make-over of the White House, lavish state dinners, concerts by the likes of Pablo Casals that secured Jackie Kennedy's ownership of her role as First Lady and became the gold standard for her successors. There was something more. And that had

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to do with her stage-managing, or directing, of the eight-block JFK funeral procession.

The Dealey Plaza Dallas, Tex., assassination of JFK is graphic, perhaps too much so, even though we understand the director wants to convey the sheer shock and horror of what Jackie Kennedy experienced.

There's a sympathetic portrayal of Robert Kennedy (a great Peter Sarsgaard), apparently at Jackie's side throughout the ordeal.

Caspar Phillipson as JFK is eerily close in resemblance. Scenes with a priest (John Hurt) present the belief context, or lack thereof, for Jackie.

The production design and art direction in the use of cars, interior design, furniture, clothes and hairstyles of the era, is impeccable. Jackie's pink Chanel suit and pillbox hat are indelible.

Composer Mica Levi's film score is emotionally chilling and adds to the sense of displacement and loss.

Jackie Kennedy, in the hands of Larraín, screenwriter Noah Oppenheim, director of photography Stéphane Fontaine, production designer Jean Rabasse, costume designer Madeline Fontaine, and Portman, doesn't come off as particular likable. And yet, why are you crying at least halfway through and on to the end of the film? Talk about "Profiles in Courage."

"Jackie" is no mere portrayal of the "behind every great man" shibboleth. Rather, it is a consideration of a time, of a place, and of a mood, now seemingly so long ago, pre-reality TV, pre-Twitter-verse and pre-social media contracts, when there, in retrospect, did seem to exist a powerful, elegant and intelligent presidential administration that, for however many flaws, "for one brief shining moment" (actually two years, 10 months and two days for the Kennedy administration) seems to have outshone all who went before and followed after.

Such is the myth of the Kennedy Administration as "Camelot." Such is the stuff of "Jackie," a must-see for Baby Boomers and others who lived through it, and also for those who need to be aware of this fascinating, important and tragic chapter in American history.

"Jackie," MPAA rat-

ed R (Restricted. Children Under 17 Require Accompanying Parent or Adult Guardian.) for brief strong violence and some language; Genre: Biography, Drama; Run Time: 1 hr., 40 min.; Distributed by Fox Searchlight Pictures.

Credit Readers Anonymous: "Jackie" was filmed in Washington, D.C., and Studios de Paris, La Cite du Cinema, Paris, France.

Box Office, Dec. 30: Box office results for the Dec. 30 weekend were not available at deadline for the Focus section because of the New Year's weekend.

Box Office, Dec. 23: "Rogue One: A Star Wars Story" continued at No. 2 over the three-day Christmas holiday weekend for two weeks in a row with \$96.1 million, \$318.1 million, two weeks, keeping "Sing" opening at No. 2, with \$54.9 million, weekend, \$75.5 million, since opening, one week; "Passengers" opening at No. 3, \$22.6 million, weekend, \$30 million, since opening, one week, "Why Him?" opening at No. 4, with \$15.5 million, one week, and "Assassin's Creed" opening at No. 5, with \$14.8 million, weekend, and \$22.2 million, since opening, one week;

6. "Moana," \$12.5 million, \$185.5 million, five weeks; 7. "Fences," \$11.6 million, \$11.7 million, two weeks; 8. "La La Land," \$9.2 million, \$17.1 million, three weeks; 9. "Office Christmas Party," \$7 million, \$44 million, three weeks; 10. "Collateral Beauty," \$6.3 million, \$17.1 million, two weeks.

Unreel, Jan. 6: "Underworld: Blood Wars," R: Anna Foerster directs, Kate Beckinsale, Theo James, Tobias Menzies and Lara Pulver in the horror film about a vampire death dealer, Selene (Beckinsale), who fights to end an eternal war between the Lycan clan and the Vampire faction that betrayed her.

"Amityville: The Awakening," PG-13: Franck Khalfoun directs Jennifer Jason Leigh, Cameron Monaghan, Bella Thorne and Jennifer Morrison in the horror film about a single mother who moves with her three children into a haunted house, unaware of its history.

"A Monster Calls," PG-13: J.A. Bayona directs Sigourney Weaver, Felicity Jones, Lewis MacDougall and Liam Neeson in the fantasy film about a boy who seeks the help of a tree monster to cope with his single mom's terminal illness.

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Moravian Book Shop Jan. events

Events at the Moravian Book Shop, 428 Main St., Bethlehem, include: Storytime, 2-4 year-olds, 10:30 a.m. Wednesdays.

Fiction Discussion Group, Mary Pat Beebe, host; January's Book: "The Natural Way of Things" by Charlotte Wood, 10 a.m. Jan. 6.

Book Signing: Dr. Maryann P. DiEdwardo and Patricia Pasda, "American Women

Writers, Poetics, and the Nature of Gender Study," 1-3 p.m. Jan. 7. Proceeds of book sales support a local soup kitchen and crisis centers for domestic abuse.

Mystery Discussion Group, Mary Pat Beebe, host; January's Book: "Woman with a Blue Pencil" by Gordon McAlpine, 10 a.m. Jan. 20.

Bethlehem Bookworms; January's Book:

"Lilac Girls" by Martha Hall Kelly, 6:30 p.m. Jan. 21.

Book Signing: Shonda Moralis, MSW, LCSW, "Breathe, Mama, Breathe: 5-Minute Mindfulness for Busy Moms," 1-3 p.m. Jan. 28.

The SciFi Fantasy Book Club of Fantastical Awesomeness, Sara Domonkos, host; January's Book: "House of Leaves" by Mark Z. Danielewski, 3:30 p.m. Jan. 29.

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Benefit to honor Griffin King

The 2017 Steel Fit-A-Thon, to benefit the Leukemia & Lymphoma So-

ciety (LLS), will be held 9 a.m. - 2 p.m. Jan. 15, Steel Fitness Premier, 250 Cetrionia Road, Allentown.

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GIRL SCOUTS 'Cookie Crunch' benefit planned

The third annual "Girl Scout Cookie Crunch," to benefit Girl Scouts of Eastern Pennsylvania and ArtsQuest Art Education Fund, will be held 1-3 p.m. Feb. 26, ArtsQuest Center, SteelStacks, 101 Founders Way, Bethlehem.

Chefs and restaurants create dishes made with Girl Scout Cookies. Attendees can sample the culinary creations, as well as vote for their favorites.

Participants include Cindie Feldman of 29 Cooks Catering + Culinary Center, Macungie, a recent winner of the Food Network's "Cooks vs. Cons."

Other restaurants include: Bethlehem

Dairy Store, Bethlehem; Forks Mediterranean Deli, Easton; Iron Lakes Country Club, Ore-field; Parkhurst Dining Services, Cedar Crest College; Sagra Bistrot, Hellertown; Shankara Vegan Restaurant, Bethlehem; The Steel Pub, Bethlehem; Trixie's Treats, Allentown, and Vince's Cheesesteaks, Allentown.

Tickets: steelstacks.org; 610-332-3378

ANNIVERSARY

Dougherty Couple celebrates 50th wedding anniversary

Anne (Zinn) Dougherty and Percy Dougherty recently celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary.

Anne is originally from Springfield, Delaware County, and Percy is from Kennett Square, Chester County, but they have lived in Shepherd Hills, Lower Macungie Township, for 30 years.

They met in dance class at West Chester University and visited Longwood Gardens on their first date.

Anne and Percy were married at Immaculate Conception Church, Elkton, Md.

The 50th anniversary festivities were held at St. Thomas More Hall with 124 friends and family attending.

During cocktails and appetizers, guests viewed poster boards with photos from every year of the couple's marriage.

After a sit-down dinner, participants danced the night away to music by deejay Freddie Frederick Jr.

The day following the reception, the Doughertys were joined by their family on a cruise to the Caribbean.

Percy is a retired Kutztown University professor. He teaches wine classes at Northampton Community



Mr. and Mrs. Percy Dougherty

College and is a Lehigh County commissioner.

Anne is retired from Day-Timers, where she managed 25 agents.

They have two sons, Tom and Bob Dougherty.

Tom and his wife, Susan, live in Ohio. Bob and his wife, Robin, live in Alburtis and are parents of Anne and Percy's two grandsons, Aidan and Samuel Dougherty.

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'Legacy of King' slide-lecture

A slide-lecture, "March to Freedom: The Legacy of Martin Luther King, Jr.," and a birthday party will be held Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, at 1 p.m. Jan. 16, Lehigh Valley Heritage Museum 432 W. Walnut St., Allentown.

"This is a program for all people," said Joseph Garrera, Executive Director of the Museum. Garrera. "We've placed Dr. King at the pinnacle because, despite facing challenges and crippling discrimination, King remained focused on nonviolence. He is a hero to America and free people everywhere around the world."

The program will use historical images and accounts to explore King's inspirational rise to historical prominence.

The Museum's galleries, closed on Mondays, will be open 11:30 a.m. - 2 p.m. Jan. 16. The Research Library will remain closed.

Information: lehighvalleyheritagemuseum.org, 610-435-1074

Slow down and savor your days

Ready or not, here comes another new year.

Every time I flip the calendar to another month, I feel like time is passing all too fast.

So of course I wasn't ready to throw out the 2016 calendar. That simple act signifies another year has passed as time relentlessly marches on.

The older we get, the faster time flies. While science tells us the passage of time is the same for everyone, those of us who qualify for AARP membership know that isn't true.

And for us retired folks, time passes far faster than it did when we were working.

Back then, when we were still consumed with our jobs, we all thought that once we retired we would have "all the time in the world" stretched out before us. We envisioned long, perfect days of doing what we want.

Well, retirement did indeed give us perfect days to use as we please. But forget the "long days" part. Most retirees will tell you that's a myth. Our days seem to be getting shorter, not longer.

Wasn't it only a few months ago that we had to remember to write 2016 on our checks instead of the previous year?

I tried living in denial that 2017 was around the corner. It's easier to do that while living here in the land of perpetual sunshine.

But not paying attention to the calendar had its consequences for me when I ended up looking like I was more than a bit daffy. I'm sure some of my fellow shell club members think I've been hit with Alzheimer's.

When I saw photos on our shell club's Facebook page of an interesting looking craft class, I wondered why no one told me we were holding classes in the summertime.

Then a story about the first club meeting of the year jolted me into realizing we are in the midst of a new club year. Only in my mind is it still summer, as I first insisted.

In my defense, I tell people that as long as I can swim in my pool, I think it's summer. I didn't have my last goodbye swim of the season until Oct. 20.

Then, and only then, would I acknowledge what season the rest of the world was in.

I've learned that the only way to cope with change is to welcome it. So in that spirit, I will welcome the new year, acknowledging that while time is passing, seeing the start of another year is a gift.

Each new day, as well as each new year, is a gift — a gift we should hold dear.

As we get older we realize more and more the importance of not squandering a single day.

You can afford to do that when you're young. You can afford

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to take for granted you will be have years to reach your goals and years to improve your own little world.

When you're young, you can squander a day by living through that day with a mind filled with your present anxieties.

We all have anxieties at every age. But when we get older I think we do a better job of not letting them consume us.

We replace some of that anxiety with a thankfulness for each day of life.

Most of all, when we get older, we realize the importance of making every single day count.

When we get to a certain age, we stop yearning for material things. Instead, we start yearning for more meaning, not more things.

If we are the introspective type, and I certainly am, we think about how we are living our days.

When I get up in the morning, I realize that while I may not know how many more days I will be given, I do know that I have the present day — and I want to make it count.

I don't want to waste a day by being mindless to the joys of a simple day. Nor do I want to waste it with negative feelings.

There are plenty of ways we can waste a day. We can fail to heal a rift that may separate us from family.

We can fail to take the first step, thinking someone else should do it. Or thinking you have plenty of time.

We can waste a day by harboring a grudge and holding it close to our chest as if we were holding onto something precious instead of something destructive.

This week, in talking to someone decades younger than I am, she talked about being filled with hate for someone. I told her hatred harms the one who holds it, not the one who is hated.

I don't think she believed me. Perhaps it isn't until you're older that you realize some basic truths.

There are a few things that the passage of time has taught me:

Don't give any toxic person free rent in your head.

If you can pass on anything, pass on a legacy of love.

At the end of life, it's not important how much you have accumulated. It's important how much you have loved.

The start of a new year is like a waving flag that says: Do it now. Do it while you can.

Slow down and savor your days.

That's the only way you can control the passage of time.

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Top area baby names listed for 2016

Each year at this time, national outlets publish lists of most popular baby names of the year. According to a list published by Baby Center (babycenter.com), the top girls' names in 2016 were, in order of popularity, Sophia, Emma and Olivia, while the top boys' names were Jackson, Aidan and Lucas.

Of the more than 4,100 babies born at Lehigh Valley Hospital-Cedar Crest in 2016, many of the names chosen followed these national trends. Still, there are some interesting local differences.

This summer, as the new Family Birth and Newborn Center opens at Lehigh Valley Hospital-Muhlenberg, expect the newest community members to have names derived from past generations and the latest entertainment trends.

The Top 10 boys' baby

names at LVH in 2016 were:

1. Mason
2. Liam
3. Tied: Alexander, Jacob
4. Tied: Noah, Owen
5. Tied: Benjamin, Logan, Oliver
6. Ryan
7. Aidan
8. Tied: Ethan, John, Lucas
9. Tied: Cameron, Connor, Isaac, Jackson, Jayden, Julian, Matthew
10. Tied: Dylan, Gabriel

The Top 10 girls' names at LVH were:

1. Emma
2. Isabella
3. Ella
4. Tied: Ava, Charlotte, Sophia
5. Olivia
6. Abigail
7. Madison
8. Tied: Elizabeth, Grace, Mia
9. Riley
10. Aubrey

According to weddingvendors.com, in 2016, the top female names were: Mary, Helen, Dorothy, Margaret, Ruth, Mildred, Anna, Elizabeth and Frances. The same year, the most popular male names were: John, William, James, Robert, Joseph, Charles, George, Edward, Frank and Thomas.

Both locally and nationally, the most popular names have clear ties to pop culture. Mason, the most popular boys' name in 2016 is also the name of reality star Kourtney Kardashian's son. The name first appeared on national popularity lists a year after his birth and debut on TV's "Keeping Up with the Kardashians."

Emma, which ranks No. 1 in the region and No. 2 nationally, appeared on popularity lists for the first time

in 2002, the same year Jennifer Aniston's character on "Friends" gave birth to a baby girl who she named Emma. While "Friends" aired its series finale in 2004, the name's continued popularity likely is because of Harry Potter's leading actress, Emma Watson.

Liam has been popular nationally for the past three years, coinciding with the pop music reign of boy band One Direction and their member turned solo star, Liam Payne.

A newcomer to the list, Alexander, may have been influenced by the hit Broadway musical, "Hamilton," about one of the United States' founding fathers, Alexander Hamilton.

Isabella and Ella round out the remaining top three female names in the area. While Isabella has been popular nationally for the past decade, the Lehigh Valley may be leading a trend with the shortened variation, as Ella has not yet appeared in the Top five nationally.

The popular names of 2016 bare close resemblance to classic names of the past. LVHN design coordinator, Erin Parrish, mom of 16-month-old Ella Louise and 4-year-old Nora Elizabeth, said she named both of her daughters after their great-grandmothers in a nod to family legacy and tradition.

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LV WRITERS GROUP

Participants invited to 'Writers Cafe'

The Greater Lehigh Valley Writers Group (GLVWG) will hold its Writers Café Craft Discussion with Read & Critique, 7 p.m. Jan. 12, Palmer Branch, Easton Area Public Library, 1 Weller Place, Palmer

Township,

Participants are invited to bring written pieces of about 500 words to read to the group in any genre, fiction or non-fiction, poetry, screenplays or memoirs.

The meeting is free and open to persons 18 years of age or older.

Information: greaterlehighvalleywritersgroup.wildapricot.org

St. Luke's appoints Critical Care Director

The leadership of St. Luke's Center for Critical Care has appointed Thomas Zanders, MD, Medical Director of the Medical Intensive Care Unit at St. Luke's University Hospital, Bethlehem.

Dr. Zanders, a native of the Lehigh Valley and graduate of Muhlenberg College, joined St. Luke's Pulmonary and Critical Care Associates in 2013 after serving in the Army as a Medical Officer in multiple capacities, which included deployment to Afghanistan for Operation Enduring Freedom.

While in the Medical Corp, Dr. Zanders completed his Internal Medicine as well as a Pulmonary and Critical Care Fellowship at San Antonio Uniformed Services Health Education Consortium, San Antonio, Tex.

He was subsequently stationed in San Antonio where he served in many leadership roles, including Medical Director of the Medical Intensive Care unit, assistant fellowship director and officer in charge of respiratory therapy department at Brooke Army Medical



Dr. Thomas Zanders

Center, one of the largest military hospitals on the continental United States, 2010-'13.

Dr. Zanders lives in Center Valley with his wife Melissa and four children.

LV WRITERS

January meeting

The Greater Lehigh Valley Writers Group (GLVWG) will hold its January meeting, 10 a.m. - noon Jan. 28.

Palmer Branch, Easton Area Public Library, 1 Weller Place, Palmer Township.

The 10 a.m. business meeting is followed by an 11 a.m. presentation by Kate Moretti on "Openings: Hooks and

Lines. What makes a good novel opening?"

The program is free and open to the public 18 years or older.

Information: greaterlehighvalleywritersgroup.wildapricot.org

How to prevent athlete's foot

Q. What's the best way to get rid of athlete's foot?

As a victim of athlete's foot, I've had a lot of experience battling that nasty nuisance so I can add some personal notes on this subject. I've had the most success treating my athlete's foot with an Australian remedy. I'll get to that later.

Athlete's foot is caused by tinea, a fungus that can also cause jock itch and ringworm. You can catch it from another person, from animals or wet surfaces such as the floors of public showers.

Athlete's foot symptoms include dry skin, itching, burning, scaling, inflammation and blisters. If blisters break, tissue becomes exposed and this can be painful.

Athlete's foot usually shows up between the toes, especially the last two toes. Tinea thrives on feet because they are usually in shoes, which are perfect for fungus. Shoes are warm, dark and humid.

The fungus can spread on the feet. It can also travel to other parts of the body if you scratch your feet and then touch elsewhere.

Before attempting to treat what you think is athlete's foot, you should have your feet examined by a doctor. Symptoms you assume are from athlete's foot could be from eczema, psoriasis or other maladies such as a skin reaction to shoe dyes.

For a mild case of athlete's foot, your doctor may recommend an over-the-counter or pre-

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scription preparation. There are antifungal sprays, powders, creams and lotions. If you have a severe case of athlete's foot, your doctor may prescribe an oral medication.

After the medication works, athlete's foot recurs in some people because they are prone to get it. The tendency to get athlete's foot repeatedly is a genetic condition.

This brings us to a remedy that works better than any I've tried since my first of many cases of athlete's foot about 40 years ago. It's tea tree oil. You can get it in health food stores.

Tea tree oil is an essential oil distilled from the leaves of *Melaleuca alternifolia*, an Australian plant. For many years, the leaves of the plant were used for treating cuts, burns and infections.

A randomized controlled trial examined the use of 25 percent tea tree oil solution, 50 percent tea tree oil solution, or placebo in 158 people with athlete's foot. After twice daily applications for four weeks, the tea tree oil was found to be significantly more effective than placebo.

I have used many over-the-counter products on athlete's foot. A few did not work at all. A few were effective after several weeks. I applied 100 percent tea tree oil

twice a day and my athlete's foot was gone in a week. I've continued to apply it once a day to prevent a recurrence.

Do not apply tea tree oil to your feet without consulting a physician. There are possible side effects that include allergic rash, redness, blistering and itching. I experienced a mild burning sensation when I applied the undiluted tea tree oil, but had no other problems.

There are ways to prevent getting athlete's foot. The best general advice is to keep your feet clean and dry. Here are some good specific tips:

When you can, remove your shoes.

Change your socks at least once daily.

Avoid walking barefoot in public areas. Wear sandals or flip-flops in communal showers.

Never borrow other people's shoes.

Dry carefully between the toes after showering.

Apply anti-fungal foot powder daily to feet and inside shoes.

Wear shoes and socks made of natural materials that breathe.

Don't wear the same shoes two days in a row. Give shoes a chance to dry out.

Have a veterinarian check your pets for fungus.

Have a question? Email: fred@healthygeezer.com. Order "How To Be A Healthy Geezer," 218-page compilation of columns: healthygeezer.com

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Three Kings Celebration, 2-6 p.m. Jan. 8, ArtsQuest Center, SteelStacks, Bethlehem

Three Kings Celebration returns to Bethlehem

El Dia de los Reyes (Three Kings Celebration), a cultural and religious tradition in many Latin American countries, will be presented 2-6 p.m. Jan. 8, ArtsQuest Center, SteelStacks, 101 Founders Way, Bethlehem.

The event, which is free and open to the public,

For many Christians, especially in Central and South America, the holiday season continues through the 12th day of Christmas, when it is believed in their faith that baby Jesus was visited by the Three Kings, also known as the three

Wise Men or Magi. According to the Biblical story, the Three Kings, Gaspar, Melchior and Balthazar, followed a star across the desert for 12 days to ancient Bethlehem, travelling by horse, camel and elephant to present Jesus with gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh.

The Three Kings will arrive at the start of the festival to spend time with children and their families, presenting gifts donated by PPL Corp., B. Braun Medical Inc. and West Side Hammer Electric to children ages 10 and younger. Plus, they'll share the

story of the Three Kings in Spanish and English with La Ola Radio hosts Matthew Braccili and Alfa Lopez. Children are encouraged to dress up like The Three Kings.

The festivities include a scavenger hunt and crafts where children can make their own crowns and Three Kings figurines. There's also music by local Latin bands Herencia Jibara and Los Pleneros USA in the Musikfest Café. Latin food prepared by Holy Infancy Catholic Church will be available for purchase.

Information: steelstacks.org

LCCC

Workers affected by layoffs eligible

Lehigh Carbon Community College (LCCC)'s Employment Retraining Opportunities (ERO), including a tuition waiver, is designed for those who have recently been affected by area layoffs and will help them find resources to get back on a career track.

To be eligible for funds, applicants must have been laid off from a full-time position within the past 12 months and be a resident of Lehigh, Carbon or Schuylkill counties, or have been

working for an employer in those counties.

Applicants should complete an ERO application, submit a letter from the former employer and complete the Free Application for Federal

Student Aid (FAFSA). Approved applicants may register for classes anytime. LCCC's spring semester begins Jan. 13. Information: lccc.edu; 610-799-1575

ARTPOP

Winners chosen

in billboard contest

The third annual ArtPop Billboard Competition, sponsored by Adams Outdoor Advertising and ArtsQuest, will display art chosen by a juried competition on major thoroughfares in the region starting Jan. 2 and continuing through December.

Among the eight winners is Liberty High School junior Olivia Lunger, who will have her work on a billboard for all of 2017 and is receiving a \$1,000 scholarship to a Kutztown University art program by the Kutztown University Foundation.

ArtPop 2017 winners are: Melissa Perhamus, Easton; Susanna Parker, Bethlehem; Cathy O'Connor, Orefield; Keith Shepard, Easton; Michael Brolly, Bethlehem; Erin Anderson, Riegelsville; and Olivia Lunger; Michelle Neifert, Bethlehem

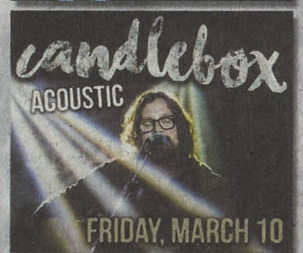
Be a part of this!

Celebrate Franz Kline's 1946 mural coming to Allentown by supporting the Kickstarter campaign. Help restore this gem and get a magnet, mug, or your name in the video by pledging before January 22.



Photo (detail) by Joshua Finsel

For complete details go to AllentownArtMuseum.org and click the Kline banner, or go to Kickstarter.com and search "Kline mural"



www.shermantheater.com

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25th & Livingston Streets
Allentown, 610-435-0712
8:40 a.m. Morning Prayer
9 a.m. Holy Communion
10:15 a.m. Church School & Adult Bible Class
Wed. 10 a.m. Healing Service
Rev. Joseph S. Falzone

ST. THERESE ANGLICAN CHURCH
1031 Linden St., Ste. 203, Allentown
Holy Communion 9:30 a.m.
All Welcome
Bible Study/Sun School 11 a.m.
Father Harold Minor
610-653-9832
Father Joseph F. Marakovits
610-262-7390
Handicapped Accessible

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NORTHAMPTON ASSEMBLY OF GOD
3449 Cherryville Road
Northampton 610-262-5645
www.NAOG.ws
Daniel E. Lundmark, Pastor
Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
Sunday Worship 10:45 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer & Bible 7:30 p.m.

VALLEY CHURCH
Meets in Roxy Theater,
2004 Main St., Northampton
610-984-4904
Pastor Phil Miller
10 a.m. Every Sunday
Refreshments

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3749 Route 309 North
Orefield, 610-395-4970
James E. Barr, Pastor
Sunday Services 9:30 a.m.
10:45 a.m. and 6 p.m.
Wed. Service 7:30 p.m.

LEHIGH VALLEY BAPTIST CHURCH
4702 Colebrook Ave.
Emmaus
610-965-4700
Pastor Roland Hammett
Bible Discovery Groups, S.S. 9 a.m.
Sunday 10:15 a.m. & 6 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Mtg. 7 p.m.
www.lvbaptist.org

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2096 Independent Road
(Rt. 863 S. at New Smithville)
Breinigsville 610-225-2235
Rev. Hal Hopkins, Pastor
www.LighthouseBaptist.org
9:15 a.m. Sunday School for all ages
10:30 a.m. Worship/Children's Church
Thurs. Prayer & Bible Study 1 & 7 p.m.
Handicapped Accessible

BIBLE FELLOWSHIP

BETHANY BIBLE FELLOWSHIP CHURCH
3300 Seventh Street
Whitehall, 610-434-8661
www.WhitehallBFC.org
Timothy Schmoyer, Sr. Pastor
9 a.m. Sunday School
10:30 a.m. Morning Worship
6 p.m. Bible Study
7 p.m. Youth Group

EPISCOPAL

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Snack & Chat 9:45 a.m.
Worship 10:15 a.m.
Rev. Ken Kalisz
hopecommunitychurch.org

EVANGELICAL FREE

GRACE COMMUNITY CHURCH
7343 Gun Club Road
New Tripoli 610-298-8028
Rev. Kenneth Spence
Sunday School 9:15 a.m.
Sunday Worship 10:30 a.m.
www.gcnc.org

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3436 Winchester Road
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Sunday Children's Church 10:30 a.m.
Wed. Service & Children & Youth 7 p.m.
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calvarytemplepa.org
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CEDAR LUTHERAN CHURCH
3419 Broadway, Cetrionia
610-395-6332
Rev. Gordon Camp
9 a.m. Worship
(Communion - 1st & 3rd
Sunday of each month)
Handicapped Accessible

CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH
13th & Hamilton Sts., 610-433-4271
Rev. William Maxon, Senior Pastor
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Whitehall, PA 18052
(610) 435-0451
8 & 10:30 a.m. Worship
9:15 a.m. Sunday School
The Rev. Michael J. Bodnyk
www.faithlutheranwhitehall.org
Handicapped Accessible
Hearing Devices Available

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Sunday Worship 8 & 10:30 a.m.
Sunday School 9:15 a.m.
(Ages 2-Adult)
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Rev. Samantha Drennan
610-966-3325
www.gracemacungie.org
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Irvin & Church Roads Statin
gton near Saegerville
610-767-4740
9:45 a.m. Faith Formation, all ages
11 a.m. Worship
Handicapped Accessible/AC
www.heidelberglutheran.org
Interim Pastor Ginny Goodwin

HOLY TRINITY MEMORIAL LUTHERAN CHURCH
Fourth & Pine Sts.
Catasauqua 610-264-2641
Pastor Don Hayn
7:30 a.m. Spoken Communion
9 a.m. Sunday School
9 a.m. Holy Communion

HOPE LUTHERAN CHURCH
4131 Lehigh Drive, P.O. Box 1030
Cherryville (610) 767-7203
www.hopecherryville.org
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The Rev. Brian Rajcok, Asst. Pastor
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1707 Church Road
Allentown, PA 18103
610-797-6933
Rev. Kathleen Coleman
8:30 a.m. Adult Bible Study
9 a.m. Sunday School
10:15 a.m. Worship

JORDAN LUTHERAN CHURCH
5103 Snowdrift Road
Orefield 610-395-5912
8:00 & 10:30 a.m. Worship
9:15 a.m. Sunday School
Holy Communion
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Rev. James Bowers, Assoc. Pastor
Sunday Holy Communion
7:30, 8:45, 10:45 a.m.
"Cafe Worship 9:50 a.m."
Rejoicing Spirits..
Special Service for develop-
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2nd Sunday each month at 2:30 p.m.

NATIVITY LUTHERAN CHURCH
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John P. Minnick, STM, Pastor
Communion
1st & 3rd Sunday & every Saturday
Saturday Worship 6 p.m.
Sunday Worship 8 & 10:30 a.m.
9:15 a.m. Sunday School
www.nativityallentown.org

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1904 Main Street
Interim Pastor Bruce MacLaughlin
610-261-1812

ST. JOHN'S EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH
A Reconciling in Christ Congregation
37 S. 5th St., Allentown
610-435-1587
Worship : Saturday, 5:30 p.m. and
Sunday, 8 a.m. & 10:45 a.m.
Sunday School 9:15 a.m.
Website: www.stjohnsalentown.org
Pastor Lori Kochanski

ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN CHURCH
5th & Chestnut Sts.
Emmaus 610-965-9885
Elizabeth Vaughn, Music Min. Director
www.stjohnsemmaus.org
Worship 8 & 10:30 a.m.
Sunday Church School
for All Ages 9:15 a.m.

ST. JOHN'S EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH
1028 Church Street
Fogelsville 610-395-5535
Rev. Nelson Quinones
Sunday School 9 a.m.
Worship 10:30 a.m.
(Handicapped Accessible-Elevator)
www.stjohns-fogelsville.org

SHEPHERD OF THE HILLS LUTHERAN CHURCH
4331 Main St., Whitehall 610-262-1600
Rev. James W. Schlegel
Wheelchair accessible
8 & 10:15 a.m. Sunday Worship
Communion every Sunday 8 a.m.
Every 1st, 3rd & 4th Sun. 10:15 a.m.
Education Hour 8:50 a.m.

UNION EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH
5500 Rt. 873, Schnecksville
610-767-6884
Worship Service 9:00 a.m.
Handicapped Accessible
All Welcome, Ucliv.org
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Special service for develop-
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WEISENBERG LUTHERAN CHURCH
7645 Weisenberg Church Rd.
New Tripoli, PA 18066
610-298-2437
Pastor Ray Hand
Worship 9 a.m.
Sunday School 10:15 a.m.
Holy Communion 1st Sunday
Wheelchair accessible

ZIEGELS LUTHERAN
9990 Ziegels Church Road
Breinigsville, PA 18031
Phone: 610-285-6157
www.ziegelschurch.org
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Worship 11:05 a.m.
Handicapped Accessible
Rev. Andrew Meckstroth,
Interim Pastor

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146 Main St., Emmaus, PA 18049
610-965-6067
Rt. Rev. Christian Giesler, Pastor
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10:30 a.m. Worship
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610-756-6676
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Family Worship 10 a.m.
Nursery Available
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10 a.m. Arabic Worship in the Chapel
10:15 a.m. Trad. Worship Sanctuary
12:15 a.m. Chin Worship, in the Chapel
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Emmaus 610-967-5600
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Nursery care provided
11:15 a.m. Sunday School
www.faithchurchemmaus.org
office@faithchurchemmaus.org

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF HOKENDAUQUA
3005 S. Front Street
Whitehall, PA 18052
610-264-9693
Worship 10 a.m.
Email: hokeypres@gmail.com
Web: www.hokeypres.org

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH CATASAUQUA
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Rev. P. Douglas Cronce, Pastor
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9:30 a.m. Sunday School
Nursery available
All Are Welcome!
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LEHIGH VALLEY FRIENDS MEETING
4116 Bath Pike, Bethlehem, PA
1/2 mi. North of US 22 on PA 512
610-691-3411
Meeting for Worship 9:30 a.m.
Everyone welcome
Child care provided
Web: LehighValleyQuakers.org

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JERUSALEM WESTERN SALISBURY CHURCH
3441 Devonshire Road
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Rev. Homer E. Royer Jr., Sr. Pastor
8 and 10:30 a.m. worship
9 a.m. Sunday School

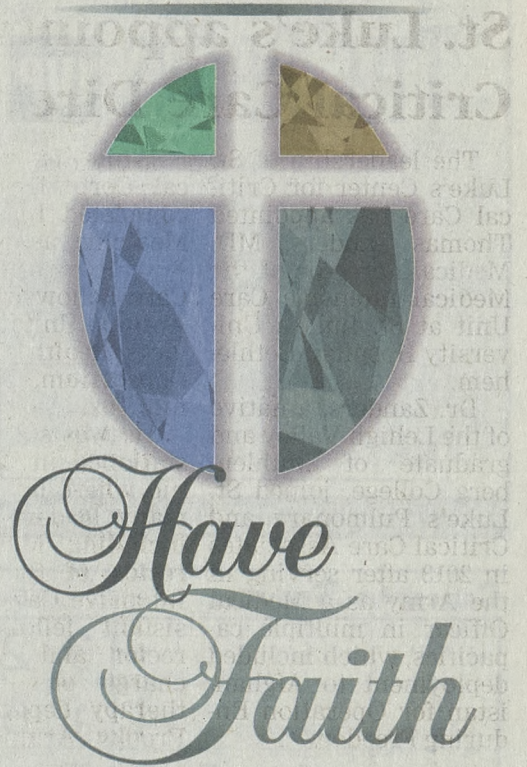
CEDAR U.C.C.
3419 Broadway
(2 blks. W. Cedar Crest Blvd.)
610-395-6332
Pastor Lee Schleicher
10:30 a.m. Worship
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75 E. Market St., Bethlehem
610-865-6555
www.christucc.org
9:15 a.m. Faith Formation
10:30 a.m. Worship
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610-966-2991
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10:00 a.m. Worship
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Route 143, New Tripoli
610-298-8000
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9 a.m. Sunday School (Ages 3-103)
10:15 a.m. Worship Service
Nursery Available
Handicapped Accessible

GRACE UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST
902 Lincoln Ave.
Northampton, PA 18067
The Rev. Heather N. Kurtz
610-262-7186 graceuccchurch.com
9:15 a.m. Sunday School
10:30 a.m. Worship
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Irvin & Church Roads
Slatington near Saegerville
Pastor Karen Yonney 610-76
7-4740
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9:45 Faith Formation, all ages
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www.uccheidelberg.org

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1031 Flexer Ave., Allentown
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10:15 a.m. Traditional Worship
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9:15 a.m. Sunday School for all ages

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52 E. Susquehanna St. Allentown
610-797-0181
Rev. Gerald Smith
Sunday School 9 a.m.
Worship 10 a.m.
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ST. PAUL'S UCC OF INDIANLAND
767 Almond Road
Walnutport (Cherryville)
610-767-5751
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10:15 a.m. Traditional Worship
8 a.m. Contemporary Worship,
2nd & 4th Sunday
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Northampton 610-261-2910
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610-264-4091
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9 a.m. Sunday School
10 a.m. Sunday Worship
8:30 a.m. Adult Sunday School
Handicapped Accessible
Nursery Available

UNION U.C.C.
5550 Route 873
Neffs, PA 18065-0066
610-767-6961
www.unionucc.org
8 a.m. Heritage Worship
9:15 a.m. Education Hour (Sept.-May)
10:30 a.m. Horizon Worship

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An open house and tree lighting ceremony celebrate church renovations



PRESS PHOTOS BY C. RICHARD CHARTRAND

Concordia Lutheran Church, Macungie, recently hosted an open house and tree lighting and caroling event to welcome and present to visitors and the community the new renovations and other improvements made to the church. ABOVE: Church members and visitors gather for a tree lighting ceremony at the church.



Preschool classrooms also were expanded in the renovation effort. ABOVE: Students try out the new space.

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Conceptis Sudoku

By Dave Green

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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

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

Difficulty Level ★★★

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NORTHAMPTON COUNTY SENIOR MENUS

Wednesday, Jan. 4: Barbecue pork croquette with gravy, mashed potatoes, Capri blend vegetables, wheat bread with margarine, fruit cocktail.

Thursday, Jan. 5: Chicken corn chowder, beef Stroganoff, extra wide noodles, oven roasted cauliflower, wheat bread with margarine, dark sweet red cherries.

Friday, Jan. 6: Chicken pot pie, peas and carrots, tossed salad with French dressing, wheat bread with margarine, citrus breeze.

Monday, Jan. 9: Baked meatloaf with gravy, scalloped potatoes, red beets, wheat bread with margarine, tapioca pudding.

Tuesday, Jan. 10: Baked chicken breast in supreme sauce, white and wild rice blend, chopped broccoli, wheat bread with margarine, chilled peaches.

Wednesday, Jan. 11: Pork rib-B-Q, cabbage and noodles, fresh Waldorf salad, wheat bread with margarine, raspberry filled cookie.

Thursday, Jan. 12: Tuscan vegetable soup, baked ziti, Italian blend vegetables, tossed salad with Italian dressing, Italian bread with margarine, chilled pears.

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Wednesday, Jan. 4: Beef tips with gravy, scalloped potatoes, glazed carrots, banana.

Thursday, Jan. 5: Herbed pork loin, mashed yams, braised red cabbage, oatmeal cookie.

Friday, Jan. 6: Tilapia, whole-grain pilaf, beets, fresh fruit.

Monday, Jan. 9: Swedish meatballs, whole wheat pasta, Capri blend vegetables, fresh fruit.

Tuesday, Jan. 10: Baked ham with glaze, whipped sweet potato, Brussels sprouts, angel food cake.

Wednesday, Jan. 11: Barbecue chicken, brown rice, green beans, pineapple tidbits.

Thursday, Jan. 12: Meatloaf with gravy, whipped potatoes, peas and carrots, Jello.

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Whitehall Township Legal & Legislative Committee will hold its next meeting on Wednesday, January 11th, 2017, at 7:00 p.m. at the Whitehall Township Municipal Building, 3219 MacArthur Road, Whitehall, PA.

Jan. 4

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE OF AMENDMENT CHANGING NAME
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a Certificate of Amendment was filed with the Department of State of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, at Harrisburg, Pennsylvania on December 28, 2016 pursuant to the provisions of the Pennsylvania Limited Liability Act of 1994. The purpose of the amendment is to change Revolutionary Vapes LLC name to Graduate Solutions LLC.

Jan. 4

PUBLIC NOTICE

INDIVIDUAL FICTITIOUS NAME NOTICE
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, pursuant to the provisions of Act 295 of 1982, as amended, of intention to file, or the filing of, in the Office of the Secretary of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, at Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, a certificate for the conduct of a business in Pennsylvania, under the assumed or fictitious name, style, or designation of: Name: **Entrylevelgrads.com**, with its principal place of business at: 3375 Fairland Dr, Schnecksville, PA 18078. The name and address of the person owning or interested in said business: Corey J. Dewart, 3375 Fairland Dr, Schnecksville, PA 18078.

Jan. 4

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Borough of Alburtis will hold a Planning Commission Meeting on January 17th at 7:00 p.m. at Alburtis Borough Hall, 260 Franklin Street, Alburtis, PA 18011. The Alburtis Borough Hall is accessible to the physically handicapped. If you need any reasonable accommodations for a disability, please call 610-966-4777 to make arrangements.

Jan. 4

PUBLIC NOTICE

ALLEN TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS MEETINGS
The General Meetings of the Board of Supervisors for the year 2017 are scheduled for the second Thursday and fourth Tuesday of every month. All meetings will begin at 7:00 P.M. and will be held at the Allen Township Municipal Building, 4714 Indian Trail Road, Northampton, Pennsylvania.

ALLEN TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION MEETINGS
The Allen Township Planning Commission will hold regular meetings on the third Monday of each month for the year 2017. All meetings will begin at 7:00 P.M. and will be held at the Allen Township Municipal Building, 4714 Indian Trail Road, Northampton, Pennsylvania.

Ilene Eckhart, Manager
ALLEN TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS

Jan. 4

PUBLIC NOTICE

ESTATE NOTICE
Notice is hereby given that in the estate of the decedent set forth below, the Register of Wills of Northampton County has granted Letters Testamentary to the person or persons named below.

All persons having claims against said estate are requested to make known the same to them or their attorneys, and all persons indebted to said decedent are requested to make payment without delay to them or their attorneys.

Decedent: **Lawrence J. Brown**
aka: none
late of: Bethlehem Borough (Bethlehem)(Northampton County)
Executor: Madeleine A. Brown
care of attorney: James J. Ruggiero, Jr.
Ruggiero Law Offices, LLC
16 Industrial Blvd., Suite 211
Paoli, PA 19301-1609

Jan. 4, 11, 18

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that, in the estate of the decedent set forth below, the Register of Wills has granted letters testamentary to the person(s) named. All persons having claims or demands against said estate are requested to make known the same and all persons indebted to said estate are requested to make payment without delay, to the executors or administrators or their attorney named below:

SUPP, MARIAN A. a/k/a MARIAN A. SUPP, dec'd.
Late of North Whitehall Township, County of Lehigh and Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executor: Charles D. Supp, c/o Karl F. Longenbach, Esquire, 425 West Broad St., P.O. Box 1920, Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, 18016 1920.

Attorney: Karl F. Longenbach, Esquire, 425 West Broad St., P.O. Box 1920, Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, 18016 1920 (610) 867 8150.

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CRYPTOGRAM

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K Z H M T Z D X J: "V R R S D M Q T H A M."

See solution on page B9

Today's Cryptoquip Clue: A equals G

PREMIER Crossword

By Frank A. Longo

LAST WISH

ACROSS

- 1 "You ... over there ..."
- 5 Significance
- 12 Wee bits
- 16 Pine-
- 19 Bi- + hexa-
- 20 "My —" (Willa Cather novel)
- 21 Panache
- 22 Kin of mono-
- 23 Very hot shrubby wasteland?
- 25 Law firm aide, in brief
- 26 Mutt's threat
- 27 Stuff making a big bang
- 28 Harem room
- 29 45s' cousins
- 30 Average desert drainage basin?
- 32 Reaction to inhaling element #2?
- 35 Without a — (very poor)
- 36 Painful things to touch
- 37 They may hold gold
- 38 Big blue body
- 39 Goldfish doing a funny circus act?
- 42 Literary critic Connolly
- 44 "C'mon, help me out here"
- 47 Accept an insult humbly
- 50 Paunch from overdoing it on Mexican food?
- 53 Hellenic "T"
- 54 Brit's lav
- 55 "You, over there!"
- 56 Jersey's largest city
- 59 Mink coat taken by a thief?
- 62 Vamoose
- 64 Actor Mueller-Stahl
- 67 Vast time span
- 68 Plains home
- 69 One given a water shaft as a gift?
- 73 Sports show summary
- 77 Jackie's Onassis
- 79 Waterfall nymph
- 80 Tasty bits
- 82 Steers a ship's front right or left?
- 86 Otter cousin
- 89 Yalie's nickname
- 90 '50s prez
- 91 Grafton's — for Alibi
- 92 Twisted wit used by a film's actors?
- 95 Character
- 98 Dressed like many a Scot
- 99 Small ducks
- 103 Forward thrust in water polo?
- 105 U.S. soldiers
- 108 "I cannot tell —"
- 109 "Need —?" (driver's query)
- 111 Dads
- 112 Fine dishes that have been split?
- 115 Brush off a bishop's hat?

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- 118 Nanny's cry
- 119 Gold, in Peru
- 120 Chill (out)
- 121 Pal, to Pierre
- 122 Norse god
- 123 Message spelled out by the 12 added letters in this puzzle
- 126 Mil. rank
- 127 Feat of skill
- 128 Winds off a spool
- 129 "— boy!" ("All right!")
- 130 H.S. subject
- 131 See 75-Down
- 132 Brand of Irish cream
- 133 Sonnet, e.g.

DOWN

- 1 After this, to a logician
- 2 Set design
- 3 Country's — Brothers
- 4 Black gunk
- 5 Little candies with shells
- 6 Hold the interest of
- 7 One "A" of NCAA: Abbr.
- 8 Festive 53-Downs
- 9 Like many smartphone game purchases
- 10 Tiny peevish
- 11 Exclamation of frustration
- 12 Indiana university
- 13 Jai follower
- 14 Comic Roseanne
- 15 Is testy with

- 16 Many a placebo
- 17 One way to eat pastrami
- 18 Former Italian coins
- 24 Debtor's slip
- 30 Hoodwink
- 31 Byron, e.g.
- 33 "That so?"
- 34 Limerick's rhyme scheme
- 35 Do in
- 39 Mil. rank
- 40 In the vicinity
- 41 Reason
- 43 Advice-giving Ann
- 45 Perpetually, in verse
- 46 Acid's counterpart
- 48 Small deer
- 49 Boatload
- 51 Co. biggie
- 52 Repetitive cry of pain
- 53 Song
- 55 Prez elected in '48
- 56 Wring (out)
- 57 Puppy's bark
- 59 Bill with Abe
- 60 Major rainfall
- 61 Bills with Washington
- 63 College VIP
- 65 Nutrition amt.
- 66 Unassuming
- 70 Seth's eldest son
- 71 Edict
- 72 Islamic chief
- 74 Third letter

- 75 With 131-Across, listening intently
- 76 Tire inflation abbr.
- 78 Toothpaste brand of old
- 81 Yoko —
- 82 Advice tidbit
- 83 Short guitar, for short
- 84 Lifting again
- 85 Iranian cash
- 87 U.S. 10, e.g.
- 88 Gnat relative
- 92 Smokes
- 93 Heady quaff
- 94 "You betcha"
- 96 Carpet area meas.
- 97 Make obsolete
- 98 Trunk knot
- 100 Aware of and interested in
- 101 Striped
- 102 Big name in whiskey
- 104 Topples
- 106 "I wish that were true!"
- 107 Accent
- 109 Maxim
- 110 Unit of light
- 112 Island off the Italian coast
- 113 Jacket flap
- 114 Bovine beast
- 116 Mind product
- 117 Arena part
- 118 "Munich" star Eric
- 123 Nerve center
- 124 "— haw!"
- 125 Talk noisily

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The Board of Commissioners will consider the foregoing Ordinances at a public meeting on January 19, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. at the Township Municipal Building, 3400 Brookside Road, Macungie, PA. Copies of the full text of these Ordinances are available to any interested party for inspection and/or copying at the Township Municipal Building, 3400 Brookside Road, Macungie, PA, or for inspection during normal business hours at the offices of this newspaper, East Penn Press, 1633 N. 26th Street, Allentown, PA 18104 and the Lehigh County Department of Law, Room 440, 17 S. 7th Street, Allentown, PA 18101. All interested parties are invited to attend this public meeting.

The Lower Macungie Township Municipal Building is accessible to the physically handicapped. Any person that requires special assistance to understand the nature of the business conducted at the above meeting because of visual, hearing, or other impairment is requested to contact Renea Flexer, Township Secretary, at least five days prior to the scheduled hearing to arrange for the necessary assistance.

Jan. 4, 11

Renea Flexer, Township Secretary

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Jan. 4, 11

Renea Flexer, Township Secretary

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Zoning Hearing Board of Lower Macungie Township will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, January 24, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. at the Township Municipal Campus, 3400 Brookside Road, Macungie, Pennsylvania 18062-1428.

Appeal No. 27-2016 of Robert A. Bosak, Jr. 801 N. Broad Street Allentown, PA. 18106. Property located in a C-Commercial Zoning District. Tax ID. No. 547555575143. Applicants are requesting a Variance to Ordinance 1998-11, Part 3, Section 27-1002, Section 27-1007 and Section 27-1008 regarding use, lot area, width and setbacks for the proposed five (5) unit apartment complex and any other relief that may be required by the Lower Macungie Township Zoning Ordinance.

Appeal No. 28-2016 of Dries Building Supply Company 3580 Brookside Road, Macungie PA. 18062. Property located in a Urban Residential Zoning District. Tax ID No. 548400346497. Applicants are requesting a Variance to Ordinance 1998-11, Part 3, Section 27-303 4.A. Part 19, Section 27-1904, Part 3, Section 27A-301, Section 27A-302, Part 4, Section 27A-402 2. D.E.F. and Part 4, Section 27A-404, 2,3,4 regarding an interpretation of the ability to use the 100 year flood zone rather than the Township 500 year flood zone, a determination from the Zoning Officer or appeal to the Zoning Hearing Board not to require written approval and/or in the alternative, a Variance to allow fencing, walls, berms and parking within the 500 year flood zones and any other relief that may be required by the Lower Macungie Township Zoning Ordinance.

All applicants must appear at the hearing. Any interested persons are invited to appear before the Board at 7:00 p.m.

The Lower Macungie Township Municipal Building is accessible to the physically handicapped. Any person that requires special assistance to understand the nature of the business conducted at the above hearing because of visual, hearing or other impairment is requested to contact the Township Secretary at least five (5) days prior to the scheduled hearing to arrange for the necessary assistance.

Jan. 4, 11

Carl L. Best, Zoning Officer

PUBLIC NOTICE

MEETING NOTICE:

COPLAY BOROUGH PLANNING COMMISSION, BOROUGH OF COPLAY, LEHIGH COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

The Coplay Borough Planning Commission has set the following time and day of the week to hold their regular monthly meetings for 2017 in council chambers at the Coplay Municipal Building, 98 South 4th Street, Coplay, PA 18037 at 7:00 PM on the fourth Tuesday of the month.

COPLAY BOROUGH PARK AND RECREATION BOARD**BOROUGH OF COPLAY, LEHIGH COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA**

The Coplay Borough Park and Recreation Board has set the following time and day of the week to hold their regular monthly meetings for 2017 in council chambers at the Coplay Municipal Building, 98 South 4th Street, Coplay, PA 18037 at 7:00 PM on the fourth Wednesday of the month.

COPLAY BOROUGH LIBRARY BOARD**BOROUGH OF COPLAY, LEHIGH COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA**

The Coplay Borough Library Board has set the following time and day of the week to hold their regular monthly meetings for 2017 in council chambers at the Coplay Municipal Building, 98 South 4th Street, Coplay, PA 18037 at 7:00 PM on the second Thursday of the month.

Sandra A. Gyecsek, Borough Administrator

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Board of Supervisors of Heidelberg Township, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania shall hold a public hearing on January 19, 2017 at 7:25 P.M. in the Heidelberg Township Municipal Building located at 6272 Route 309, New Tripoli, Pennsylvania shall review for approval an Ordinance which is summarized as follows:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HEIDELBERG, LEHIGH COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA; PROVIDING FOR THE AMENDMENT OF THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HEIDELBERG, AS CODIFIED AT PART THIRTEEN AND PART TWENTY SEVEN OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HEIDELBERG; PROVIDING FOR PURPOSES AND FINDINGS OF FACT RELATED TO THE ADOPTION OF THE AMENDMENT; PROVIDING FOR DEFINITIONS; ESTABLISHING CERTAIN GENERAL AND SPECIFIC STANDARDS RELATING TO THE LOCATION, PLACEMENT, CONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE OF COMMUNICATIONS TOWERS AND COMMUNICATIONS ANTENNAE; PROVIDING FURTHER FOR THE REGULATION OF SUCH FACILITIES WITHIN THE PUBLIC RIGHT-OF-WAY AND OUTSIDE THE PUBLIC RIGHTS-OF-WAY; PROVIDING FOR THE ENFORCEMENT OF SAID REGULATIONS; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE

The Board of Supervisors shall consider the Ordinance for adoption at the regular public meeting on January 19, 2017 at 7:30 in the Municipal Building. Copies of the full text of the Ordinance are available for public view during regular business hours at the Heidelberg Township Administration Office, located at the municipal building and at this newspaper.

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Jan. 4, 11

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PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE OF CATASAUQUA ZONING HEARING HEARING #1-17 JANUARY 18, 2017

The Catasauqua Zoning Hearing Board will hear the following appeals on Wednesday, January 18, 2017 at 7:30 P.M. in the Municipal Complex, 18 Bridge Street, Catasauqua, PA 18032.

Approval of the minutes of the July 12, 2016 meeting.

Re-organization of the Board.

APPEAL #1-17: The appeal of Hartzell's Pharmacy, 300 American Street, Catasauqua, PA 18032, for a variance from Section 280-54b(1) of the Catasauqua Zoning Ordinance relating to number of principal uses per lot. Specifically the Appellants are requesting a variance to establish a second principal use, a specimen collection facility for Health Networks Laboratories, to be located within an approximately 160 square foot room in the existing pharmacy. The property is located in an R2-Medium Density Residential Zoning District.

APPEAL #2-17 The appeal of William O. Ritter, IV, 1740 Chester Road, Bethlehem, PA 18017, for a special exception permit, and variance, to convert the property at 38 Second Street, Catasauqua, PA 18032, from a commercial use on the first floor with an apartment on the second floor, to a two (2) unit residential structure. The property is located in an R3-High Density Residential Zoning District in which conversions are only permitted as a special exception if limited to buildings with a minimum indoor heated living floor area of 3,000 square feet. The applicant is also requesting a variance of up to four (4) vehicles, from the parking requirements of Section 280-38a.

Any other business that comes before the Board.

Applicants must be present for their hearing. Parties interested in a scheduled hearing may review the application and supporting documents at the municipal building during regular business hours.

Dec. 28, Jan. 4

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE IS GIVEN THAT The Allen Township Board of Supervisors of Northampton County are considering adoption of Ordinance #2017-01. Public input will be heard at the General Supervisors Meeting scheduled for January 24, 2017 at 7:00 P.M. at the Allen Township Municipal Building located at 4714 Indian Trail Road, Northampton, Pennsylvania. Summary of the proposed Ordinance 2017-01 is as follows:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF ALLEN, NORTHAMPTON COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, AMENDING AND REVISING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF ALLEN TOWNSHIP BY REVISING CHAPTER 15 (VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC), SECTION 15-402 (PARKING PROHIBITED AT ALL TIMES IN CERTAIN LOCATIONS) TO PROHIBIT THE PARKING OF ALL MOTOR VEHICLES IN LOCATIONS, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO, SIDEWALKS, RAILROAD TRACKS, INTERSECTIONS, AND CROSSWALKS; AND REPEALING ALL OTHER ORDINANCES AND PARTS OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT WITH THE PROVISIONS CONTAINED HEREIN.

Copies of the full text of the proposed Ordinance may be examined at the Allen Township Municipal Building, located at 4714 Indian Trail Road, Northampton, Pennsylvania.

Ilene Marie Eckhart, Manager
ALLEN TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS

Jan. 4

PUBLIC NOTICE

PASSED ORDINANCES

The Whitehall Township Board of Commissioners, at a regular Public Meeting on Monday, December 12th, 2016, held in the Public Meeting Room of the Whitehall Township Municipal Building, 3219 MacArthur Road, Whitehall, PA, approved the following legislation:

ORDINANCE NO. 3063

TITLE: AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WHITEHALL IN THE COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA, ADOPTING THE 2017 ANNUAL BUDGET AND APPROPRIATING SPECIFIC SUMS ESTIMATED TO BE REQUIRED FOR THE SPECIFIC PURPOSES OF THE TOWNSHIP GOVERNMENT, HEREINAFTER SET FORTH, DURING THE 2017 FISCAL YEAR. (ADMIN)

ORDINANCE NO. 3064

TITLE: AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WHITEHALL IN THE COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA, ESTABLISHING A FEE SCHEDULE FOR THE COLLECTION OF MUNICIPAL SOLID WASTE BY THE TOWNSHIP OF WHITEHALL (ADMIN).

ORDINANCE NO. 3065

TITLE: AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WHITEHALL IN THE COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA, FIXING THE REAL ESTATE TAX RATE FOR THE YEAR 2017. (ADMIN)

ORDINANCE NO. 3066

TITLE: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 15, SECTION 11 OF THE 2006 CODIFIED ORDINANCE OF WHITEHALL TOWNSHIP, ESTABLISHING A 25 MPH MAXIMUM SPEED LIMIT FOR FORNACIARI DRIVE BETWEEN MACARTHUR RD/SR 145 AND MAIN ST/SR 329 IN THE TOWNSHIP OF WHITEHALL, LEHIGH COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA. (BOC)

The above Ordinances are available for review by the public in the Administration offices at Whitehall Township Municipal Building, 3219 MacArthur Road, Whitehall, PA, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.

Jan. 4

PUBLIC NOTICE

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

The regular monthly meeting of the Whitehall Township Zoning Hearing Board will be held on January 17, 2017, at 7:00 p.m., in the Public Meeting Room of the Municipal Building, at 3219 MacArthur Road, Whitehall, PA 18052, to hear the following appeals:

DOCKET # 1864 - PVC Third Street, L.P. and Quarry Street Whitehall Development, L.P. - 1177 Sixth Street, Whitehall, PA 18052. Applicants are challenging the validity of Whitehall Township Ordinance 3061, and are requesting that the Zoning Hearing Board issue a written Decision (1) holding that Ordinance No. 3061 is substantively invalid; (2) enumerating the defects in the Ordinance that render it substantively defective; and (3) make recommendations for amendments to the Ordinance to cure the defects found as required by Section 916 (c) (5) of the Municipalities Planning Code and Sec. 27-50 C (5) of the Zoning Ordinance of Whitehall Township. A copy of the Substantive Validity Challenge of Applicants as filed on November 18, 2016, including all attachments thereto, are available for public examination at the Township Municipal Building.

DOCKET # 1865 - Eberhart Properties, LLC - 770 State Road, Parryville, PA 18244. Location: 2800 Eberhart Road (Eberhart Road and Seventh Street), Whitehall, PA 18052, PIN 549847458266, the subject property is located in a C2 Regional/Community Commercial Zoning District. Applicant is requesting a variance to Sec. 27-161 A (1) and Sec. 27-156 A of the Zoning Ordinance regarding number of permitted wall signs and exceeding 3 SF area of a directional sign.

Copies of plans, applications and supporting documents are available for public inspection at the Township Municipal Building.

The decisions of the Township of Whitehall Zoning Hearing Board are made without regard to race, color, national origin, familial status and disability status of the Applicant.

The Whitehall Township Municipal Building is accessible to the physically handicapped. Any person that requires special assistance to understand the nature of the business conducted at the above meeting because of visual, hearing or other impairment, is requested to contact Melissa A. Wehr, Zoning Administrator at least five (5) days prior to the scheduled meeting to arrange for the necessary assistance.

Applicants, and all interested parties MUST appear at this hearing to be considered.

MELISSA A. WEHR, Zoning Administrator

Dec. 28, Jan. 4

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Whitehall Township Board of Commissioners will hold a regular Public Meeting on Monday, January 9th, 2017 at 7:00 p.m., in the Public Meeting Room of the Whitehall Township Municipal Building, 3219 MacArthur Road, Whitehall, PA, to discuss and take action on the following legislation:

BILL NO. 22-2016

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

BILL NO. 1-2017

TITLE: 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 - Charles J. Fonzone, Solicitor

RESOLUTION NO. 2931

TITLE: A RESOLUTION FOR SEWAGE FACILITIES PLAN REVISION FOR NEW LAND DEVELOPMENT OF LIDL US OPERATIONS, LLC, LOCATED AT MACARTHUR & EBERHART ROADS, WHITEHALL TOWNSHIP, LEHIGH COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, INDEX #1876-15 (DEVELOP)

RESOLUTION NO. 2942

TITLE: A RESOLUTION CONDITIONALLY APPROVING THE MAJOR SUBDIVISION/LAND DEVELOPMENT PLAN OF PROPOSED COMMERCIAL DEVELOPMENT - MCDONALD'S, LOCATED AT 2998 MACARTHUR ROAD, WHITEHALL TOWNSHIP, LEHIGH COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, INDEX #1862-14. (DEVELOP)

RESOLUTION NO. 2946

TITLE: A RESOLUTION CONDITIONALLY APPROVING THE MAJOR SUBDIVISION/LAND DEVELOPMENT PLAN OF PROPOSED GROCERY STORE, LOCATED AT 2945 MACARTHUR ROAD, WHITEHALL TOWNSHIP, LEHIGH COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, INDEX #1878-15. (DEVELOP)

RESOLUTION NO. 2959

TITLE: A RESOLUTION REAPPOINTING DEAN WOTRING TO THE WHITEHALL TOWNSHIP ZONING HEARING BOARD. (BOC)

RESOLUTION NO. 2960

TITLE: A RESOLUTION REAPPOINTING VELLO VILBAS TO SERVE ON THE WHITEHALL TOWNSHIP BUILDING CODE BOARD OF APPEALS. (BOC)

Copies of the full text of the proposed legislative items may be examined by any citizen in the Administration office of the Township of Whitehall, PA, on any business day between 8:00 am and 4:00 p.m. The Whitehall Township Municipal Building is accessible to the physically handicapped. Assistance for the visually and/or hearing impaired is available upon request at least five (5) working days prior to this meeting.

/s/ Thomas Slonaker

FOR THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
TOWNSHIP OF WHITEHALL

Jan. 4

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THAT HAS AN AWKWARDLY THIN
SHAPE: "ODD LANK SIGN."

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the Planning Commission of South Whitehall Township will meet in the Township Municipal Building located at 4444 Walbert Avenue, Allentown, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania, on Thursday, January 19, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. for an agenda review, and at 7:30 p.m. for the purpose of conducting a public meeting to discuss the following:

ST. GEORGE ORTHODOX CHURCH PROPOSED CHURCH COMPLEX MAJOR SUBDIVISION #2016-106

REQUEST FOR SKETCH PLAN REVIEW

An application to consolidate and develop the properties located at 3110 Orefield Road, 3210 Orefield Road and Orefield Road PIN 547884777887. The plan proposes the consolidation of the three lots and the construction of a 15,400 square foot place of worship, a 4,500 square foot administration building, an 8,000 square foot classroom/daycare building, an 800 square foot chapel, a 7,600 square foot fellowship hall, a 29,200 square foot social hall, a 7,500 square foot pavilion and a 376 space parking lot on the 15.43-acre tract. The subject property is zoned RR-2 Rural Residential-2. St. George Antiochian Orthodox Church is the equitable owner and applicant.

HAMILTON ANIMAL CARE MAJOR SUBDIVISION #2016-102

REQUEST FOR PRELIMINARY/FINAL PLAN REVIEW

An application to develop the property located at 4570 West Tilghman Street. The plan proposes a 9,600 square foot two-story veterinarian facility and a 46-space parking lot on the 1.3358-acre parcel. The subject property is zoned HC-1 Highway-Commercial Special Height Limitation. Polaris Corner, L.P. is the owner and applicant.

ZONING ORDINANCE 2.0

Proposed final draft of the new South Whitehall Township Zoning Ordinance (also known as Zoning Ordinance 2.0).

SUBDIVISION AND LAND DEVELOPMENT ORDINANCE UPDATE

Proposed final draft of the new South Whitehall Township Subdivision and Land Development Ordinance.

All properties are located in South Whitehall Township, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Copies of plans, applications and supporting documents are available for public inspection at the Township Municipal Building.

Gregg Adams
Planner, Community Development Department

Jan. 4, 11

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE OF DEFAULT AND FORECLOSURE SALE - WHEREAS, on December 09, 2005, a certain mortgage was executed by Isabel Roque and Virgilio Roque, as mortgagor in favor of Seattle Mortgage Company as mortgagee and was recorded in Office of the Recorder of Deeds of Lehigh County in Mortgage Document Number 7313627 ("Mortgage"); and

WHEREAS, the Mortgage encumbers property located at 812 South Armour Street Allentown, PA 18103, parcel number 640668303996-1 ("Property"); and WHEREAS, the Property was owned by Isabel Roque and Virgilio Roque, husband and wife, by virtue of deed dated September 6, 1996 and recorded September 6, 1996 in Public Map 1571; Page 698; and WHEREAS, Virgilio Roque Sr. died on February 17, 2016. By operation of law title vests solely in Isabel Roque. Isabel Roque died on June 3, 2016 intestate and is survived by her heirs-at-law, Rosselyn Schultz, Virgil Roque, Linda Sneddon and Stephen Roque; and WHEREAS, the Mortgage is now owned by the Secretary of the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development ("Secretary"), pursuant to an assignment recorded on July 29, 2013 in Instrument Number 2013028599, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds of Lehigh County, Pennsylvania; and WHEREAS, a default has been made in the covenants and conditions of the Mortgage (paragraph 9 (a)(i)), as Isabel Roque died on June 3, 2016, and that upon her death the entire principal balance becomes due and owing, and that no payment was made, and remains wholly unpaid as of the date of this Notice; and WHEREAS, the entire amount delinquent as of September 19, 2016 is \$131,135.40 plus interest, costs and other charges through the sale date; and WHEREAS, by virtue of this default, the Secretary has declared the entire amount of the indebtedness secured by the Mortgage to be immediately due and payable; NOW THEREFORE, pursuant to powers vested in

PUBLIC NOTICE
ESTATE NOTICE

Estate of Rose M. Tucker a/k/a Rose Tucker, late Allentown, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Letters Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who request all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to Joshua I. Tucker and Mae Gunn, c/o The Roth Law Firm, 123 North Fifth Street, Allentown, PA 18102 or their Attorney, Robert B. Roth, Esquire c/o, 123 North Fifth Street, Allentown, PA 18102.
Jan. 4, 11, 18

PUBLIC NOTICE
ESTATE NOTICE

Estate of Eleanor L. Frederick, late Allentown, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Letters Testamentary have been granted to Harold Fatzinger, who requests all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to David M. Roth, Esquire c/o, 123 North Fifth Street, Allentown, PA 18102.
Dec. 28, Jan. 4, 11

PUBLIC NOTICE
ESTATE NOTICE

Estate of PELLEGRINO P. CALLISTO, late of Bethlehem, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Letters Testamentary have been granted to Francesca Ohl, who requests all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to David M. Roth, Esquire c/o, 123 North Fifth Street, Allentown, PA 18102.
Dec. 21, 28, Jan. 4

PUBLIC NOTICE

ESTATE OF FREDERICK F. LEIDERMAN III, late of the City of Bethlehem, County of Lehigh and Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, deceased. **NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that Letters Testamentary on the above named estate have been granted to the undersigned. All persons indebted to the said estate are requested to make immediate payment, and those having claims or demands to present the same without delay to: **TIFFANY A. KOCHER**
FREDERICK F. LEIDERMAN IV
Co-Executors
c/o GAIL WEINER SHEARER, ESQUIRE
or to: GAIL WEINER SHEARER, ESQUIRE
70 E. Broad Street
PO Box 1426
Bethlehem, PA 18016-1426
Jan. 4, 11, 18

PUBLIC NOTICE

Estate of REVEREND JOSEPH J. CAMPION AKA JOSEPH J. CAMPION, late of Bethlehem, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Letters Testamentary have been granted to the person(s) named below, who request(s) all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to: **EXECUTOR: THOMAS J. CAMPION**
c/o James R. Wishchuk, JD
2310 Walbert Avenue, Suite 103
Allentown, PA 18104-1360
or to his Attorney: James R. Wishchuk, JD
2310 Walbert Ave., Suite 103
Allentown, PA 18104-1360
Dec. 28, Jan. 4, 11

PUBLIC NOTICE
TRUST NOTICE

Trust of **JULIA F. GUARDINO** Deceased, Settlor, late of Allentown, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Trustee, **MARIE A. PLESSL LENNOX**, requests all persons having claims or demands against the Trust of the Settlor to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the Settlor to make payments without delay to: **MARIE A. PLESSL LENNOX**, Trustee
c/o James R. Wishchuk, JD
2310 Walbert Avenue, Suite 103
Allentown, PA 18104-1360
or to her Attorney: James R. Wishchuk, JD
2310 Walbert Ave., Suite 103
Allentown, PA 18104-1360
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PUBLIC NOTICE

Estate of MELVIN T. DEISENROTH, late of Allentown, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Letters Testamentary have been granted to the person(s) named below, who request(s) all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to: **EXECUTOR: TED W. DEISENROTH**
c/o James R. Wishchuk, JD
2310 Walbert Avenue, Suite 103
Allentown, PA 18104-1360
or to his Attorney: James R. Wishchuk, JD
2310 Walbert Ave., Suite 103
Allentown, PA 18104-1360
Dec. 28, Jan. 4, 11

PUBLIC NOTICE

Trust of **MELVIN T. DEISENROTH**, Deceased, Settlor, late of Allentown, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Trustee, **TED W. DEISENROTH**, requests that all persons having claims or demands against the Trust of the Settlor to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the Settlor to make payments without delay to: **TED W. DEISENROTH, Trustee**
c/o James R. Wishchuk, JD
2310 Walbert Avenue, Suite 103
Allentown, PA 18104-1360
or to his Attorney: James R. Wishchuk, JD
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Allentown, PA 18104-1360
Dec. 28, Jan. 4, 11

PUBLIC NOTICE
SOUTH WHITEHALL TOWNSHIP

Notice is hereby given that a joint meeting will be held between the South Whitehall Township Board of Commissioners and the South Whitehall Township Board of Authority. The meeting will be held at the Township Municipal Building located at 4444 Walbert Avenue, Allentown, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania, on Wednesday, January 11, 2017, 6:00 p.m. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss general operational matters and to conduct any other business which may come before the Boards.
HOWARD L. KUTZLER
Township Manager

Jan. 4

PUBLIC NOTICE
SOUTH WHITEHALL TOWNSHIP
PENSION COMMITTEE MEETING

Notice is hereby given that the South Whitehall Township Pension Committee will meet on Thursday, January 12, 2017, at 10:00 a.m., at the Township Municipal Building, located at 4444 Walbert Avenue, Allentown, Lehigh County, PA.
RENEE C. BICKEL, SPHR
Assistant Township Manager

Jan. 4

PUBLIC NOTICE
YEARLY MEETING NOTICE

The Lehigh County Housing Authority Board Meeting will be held on the third Wednesday of each month at 12:00 noon at East Penn II, 643 Broad Street, Emmaus, PA 18049. Notification of any changes will be advertised.
Please contact Ms. Feiertag if there are any questions at: 61-10-965-4514, ext. 212.
Christina Feiertag
Deputy Executive Director

Jan. 4

PUBLIC NOTICE
YEARLY MEETING NOTICE

The Northampton County Housing Authority Board Meetings will be held on the fourth Monday of each month at 4:00 p.m. at Oliver Border House, 15 South Wood Street, Nazareth, PA 18064. Notification of any changes will be advertised.
Please contact Ms. Feiertag if there are any questions at: (610) 965-4514, ext. 212.
Christina Feiertag
Deputy Executive Director

Jan. 4

PUBLIC NOTICE

ESTATE OF FRANK J. KLUCSARITS, deceased, late of 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: **Daniel J. Klucsarits**
c/o Steckel and Stopp, LLC
125 S. Walnut Street, Suite 210
Slatington, PA 18080
Executor, or to their Attorney, Steckel and Stopp, By: Stephen A. Strack, Esquire, at 125 S. Walnut Street, Suite 210, Slatington, PA 18080.
Dec. 21, 28, Jan. 4

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Estate of **Lois R. Mason-Hackman**, deceased, late of Walnutport, Northampton County, Pennsylvania. Letters Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who request all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to: **JOHN C. STROUP**
C/O CHARLES W. STOPP, ESQUIRE
STECKEL AND STOPP, LLC
125 S. WALNUT STREET, SUITE 210
SLATINGTON, PA 18080
Jan. 4, 11, 18

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PUBLIC NOTICE

ESTATE OF WILLARD G. RUCH, deceased, late of Whitehall, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Letters Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who requests all persons having claims or demands against the estate of the Decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to: **DAVID L. LAKATOSH, JR., Executor**
c/o CHARLES W. STOPP, ESQUIRE
STECKEL AND STOPP, LLC
125 S. WALNUT STREET, SUITE 210
SLATINGTON, PA 18080
Jan. 4, 11, 18

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PUBLIC NOTICE

ESTATE OF LYDA M. BYERS, deceased, late of Zionsville, 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: **JOYCE B. DOYLE**
c/o CHARLES A. WATERS
STECKEL AND STOPP, LLC
125 S. WALNUT STREET, SUITE 210
SLATINGTON, PA 18080
Dec. 28, Jan. 4, 11

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PUBLIC NOTICE

ESTATE OF Theresa F. Sutton, late of Emmaus, Lehigh County, PA. Letters Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who requests all persons having claims or demands against the estate of the decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the decedent to make payments without delay to: **MICHELLE A SEEL**
C/O CHARLES W. STOPP, ESQUIRE
STECKEL AND STOPP LLC
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STECKEL AND STOPP LLC
125 S. WALNUT STREET, SUITE 210
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PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a Certificate of Organization for a Domestic Limited Liability Company has been filed with the Department of State of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, at Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, for the purpose of creating a Limited Liability Company under the provisions of the Limited Liability Company Law of 1994, P.L. 703, No. 106.

The name of the Limited Liability Company is: **KLOCK & PATTERSON, LLC.**
The Certificate of Organization was filed on December 12, 2016.
FRANK W. YANDRSEVITS, ESQ.
24 W. 21st Street, Suite 105
Northampton, PA 18067
Jan. 4

PUBLIC NOTICE

North Whitehall Township
NOTICE OF ZONING HEARING MEETING
Public Notice by the North Whitehall Township Zoning Hearing Board is hereby given for a Zoning Hearing to be held January 18, 2017 at 7:30 p.m. in the North Whitehall Township Building, 3256 Levens Rd., Coplay, PA 18037.
Zoning Appeal 2-17-01 Thomas Bolger, 155 Mickle Road Whitehall Pa. 18052 is requesting a Special Exception of the NWT Zoning Ord. section 306 B. for uses in the Light Industrial/Business District. The applicant is proposing a restaurant to be located at 3752 Pa Route 309, Orlefield PA. 18069. Tax parcel #5468 5741 0903.
Jeff Bartlett, NWT Zoning Officer
Dec. 28, Jan. 4

PUBLIC NOTICE

2017 SIX TOWNSHIP MEETING NOTICE
Heidelberg / Lowhill / Lynn / N. Whitehall / Washington / Weisenberg

All meetings are at 8:00 AM
at each designated Township.

3/13/2017	Lowhill Twp
6/12/2017	Lynn Twp
9/11/2017	North Whitehall Twp
12/11/2017	Washington Twp

Brenda Nordor, Secretary
NORTH WHITEHALL TOWNSHIP
Jan. 4

PUBLIC NOTICE

Estate of ROSE J. ERVIN, deceased, late of Bethlehem, 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: **Kevin S. Ervin, Executor**
c/o YOUNG & YOUNG
Rebecca M. Young, Esq.
Lia K. Snyder, Esq.
119 E. Main Street
Macungie, PA 18062
Or to his Attorney: YOUNG & YOUNG
Rebecca M. Young, Esq.
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119 E. Main Street
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PUBLIC NOTICE
TRUST NOTICE
Jennifer I. Patterson Living Trust established March 29, 1995, restated in full December 30, 2003.
Late of Macungie, Lehigh County
Settlor: Jennifer I. Patterson, a/k/a Jennifer Ivora Patterson
Trustee: Matthew J. Patterson

Notice is hereby given that the settlor of the revocable trust set forth below has died. All persons having claims or demand against said decedent are requested to make known the same and all persons indebted to said decedent are requested to make payment without delay to the trustee or the trustee's attorney as named below: **Matthew J. Patterson, Trustee**
c/o YOUNG & YOUNG
Rebecca M. Young, Esq.
Lia K. Snyder, Esq.
119 E. Main Street
Macungie, PA 18062
Or to his Attorney: YOUNG & YOUNG
Rebecca M. Young, Esq.
Lia K. Snyder, Esq.
119 E. Main Street
Macungie, PA 18062
Jan. 4, 11, 18

PT temp clerical position for a Whitehall Township employer, a min of 2 years' office experience req, proficient knowledge of Microsoft Word, Excel, adding machine and good typing skills. Answer phone calls for customer service. Ability to follow oral and written instructions. Good math, organizational skills, ability to adhere to prescribed routines and work independently. Box 3, TIMES NEWS, 594 Blakeslee Blvd. Dr. W., Lehighton, PA 18235.

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KATRINA HEEBNER of 320 Spring St., Bethlehem, PA, has filed an Application for Registration of Fictitious Name in PA and will be conducting business as **CRAFTY KITSUROU** at craftykitsurou.com
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40 LOST & FOUND

LOST - Men's adj. candy cane shaped, silver/black handle cane. Left in shopping cart in Walmart's at Mill Creek Rd. Allentown Fri. 12/16/2016. One doctor away from confirming MS. PLEASE PLEASE return. Helps hold me up when I walk. 610-730-4824

80 FOR SALE

SEASONED FIREWOOD. Starting at \$200/chord. 1/2 chords \$110. 610-393-7056 or 610-395-1544
LIONEL TRAIN - Outfit No. 1485WS. Freight train w/extras. 610-428-7062

150 WHO CAN DO IT

Your Honey-Do Handyman - From changing a light bulb or faucet to remodeling your bathroom or kitchen, refinishing your basement or building your deck - I can do it all! Prompt, professional, courteous, ethical service. Fully insured. PA# 056562 (610)837-7445

220 ARTICLES WANTED

OLD BOOKS, OLD TOYS, FURNITURE, GLASSWARE, etc Call Linda 610-837-0960

345 YARD SALES

Indoor Flea Market, Sun. Jan. 8, 8am-1pm Mahoning Valley Fire Co., 2358 Mahoning Dr. W., Lehighton. Vendors Wanted. Inside tables \$10 ea. Outside space \$15 ea. Set up 7am FMI call Chuck 570-401-9474.

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