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VALLEY COVID cases holding steady

BY KRISTINE PORTER
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Booster shots are becoming available, and it may be just in time.

Pennsylvania hasn't suffered as harshly with the delta variant as some states, in part due to its vaccination rate, but breakthrough cases are increasing.

Samuel Kennedy, director of corporate communications at St. Luke's University Health Network, said 81.5 percent of their patients with COVID-19 are unvaccinated.

"We are seeing a slightly higher rate of breakthroughs currently versus during the summer, when 94 percent of inpatients were unvaccinated," he said.

Lehigh Valley Health Network has similar circumstances.

Alex Benjamin, chief of Infection Control and Hospital Epidemiology at LVHN, said that currently, 80 percent of their patients testing positive for COVID-19 are not vaccinated.

"The number of hospitalized COVID patients is at its highest this current surge. It peaked around Sept. 7 and has been steady since then," he said.

Both Benjamin and Kennedy said the emergency departments are seeing more than 100 patients per day with COVID-19 symptoms at each hospital location. LVHN has nine hospitals and 20 Express Care sites. St. Luke's has 12 hospitals and 18 Care Now sites.

At LVHN, Benjamin said, "At the beginning of this current surge, the hospital ED's were seeing 40 to 50 people per day with COVID symptoms."

Now, their Express Care sites are also seeing increased patient volumes.

Benjamin said that in July, all of LVHN's 20 Express Care sites combined saw about 150 patients with COVID symptoms. Now, it's 800 to 900 people per day.

Drastic number differences have also been seen at St. Luke's.

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Bethlehem Police Chief Michelle Kott, Lieutenant Michael Leaser, and the Bethlehem mounted police patrol salute in unity during the remembrance event. More photos on page A2.

Bridles and Badges Open house marks 911

BY DANA GRUBB
Special to the Bethlehem Press

The fifth annual Bridles and Badges open house held Sept. 11 kicked off with a 911 remembrance ceremony on the exact 20th anniversary of the terrorist attack on the United States of America.

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About 200 people participated in the Bethlehem mounted police patrol event, which segued into a fun-filled family experience, in contrast to its initial solemnity.

The Freedom HS chorale, Liberty HS Grenadier pipers and

Bethlehem Police honor guard each participated.

Retired New York City mounted police officer Joseph Perno placed the memorial wreath at the foot of the flagpole on which the American flag waved at half mast.



Heads are bowed in a moment of silence during the 911 remembrance service.

CDC gives limited recommendations 'Breakthrough' cases not as simple as waning immunity

BY THERESA O'BRIEN
Special to the Bethlehem Press

On Sept. 17, the FDA Vaccines and Related Biological Products Advisory Committee (VRBPAC) rejected (16-2) Pfizer's supplemental biological license application (BLA) for a third COVID-19 dose for all Americans age 16 and older six months after completion of the primary series

COVID boosters

of shots. VRBPAC then voted unanimously (18-0) to expand the emergency use authorization (EUA) to include a third dose for individuals 65 years of age and older and for individuals at high risk of severe COVID-19.

On Sept. 22, FDA amended the emergency use authorization

(EUA) for the Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 Vaccine to allow for "use of a single booster dose, to be administered at least six months after completion of the primary series in individuals 65 years of age and older; individuals 18 through 64 years of age at high risk of severe COVID-19; and individuals 18 through 64

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PEOPLE SAY

BY DANA GRUBB

How does it feel to have Celtic Classic back live and in person?



"We're from Vancouver and haven't seen it before. Our daughter-in-law is with O'Grady Quinlan Academy of Irish Dance and my two youngest grandchildren danced in it yesterday and today. They're certainly excited that it's back."

Kristin Baillie
Vancouver, BC



"I'm super excited to have it back, because we didn't have it last year."

Eva Abeniagar
Allentown

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How does it feel to have Celtic Classic back live and in person?



"It's our first time here. It's phenomenal and I've found out about Scottish heritage, Clan Fraser."
Mike Maiellano
 Pavilion, NY



"It's a beautiful day, it's good to be out, and good to have a sense of normalcy again."
David Parry
 Williams Township



"It's absolutely wonderful."
Maria Parry
 Williams Township



"Phenomenal! This is where my history is, all the way."
Scott Ferguson
 Palmer Township

BETHLEHEM

Dwelling fire

At approximately 6:45 p.m. Sept. 20, 2021, the City of Bethlehem Fire Department responded to a multi-family dwelling fire at 1440 Johnston Drive. The fire reached three alarms. Approximately 30 people were displaced as a result of this fire.

The cause of this fire is currently under investigation. The status of the investigation is active and will be ongoing for at least several days. At this point in the investigation, there is no indication that the fire was intentionally set; however, the department is asking that anyone who has video or took pictures of the fire before the Police Department or Fire Department arrived on the scene contact them.

ELECTIONS

Attention General Election candidates

Our General Election coverage will run in our Oct. 27 issue. We invite all candidates in contested races to send us a photo with their 150-word response to the appropriate question:

Email responses to gtaylor@tnonline.com by Oct. 22

Candidate questions

Mayor: What is the biggest challenge facing the city/borough?

Council: What is the biggest challenge facing the city/borough?

School board: Should COVID vaccination be required for students and staff when the vaccines are formally approved by the FDA?

Township supervisors/commissioners: What is the biggest challenge facing your township?

County executive: How well do you think the county has handled the pandemic?

County council: What is the biggest challenge facing the county?

Magisterial District Judge: How will you keep your personal biases out of your decisions?

REMEMBERING SEPTEMBER 11, 2001



Joseph Perno, a retired New York City mounted police officer, lays a memorial wreath at the foot of a flagpole. Perno was at Ground Zero on day one, assisting.



Diane Mack, president of the Friends of the Bethlehem Mounted Police, welcomes attendees at the start of the 9/11 20th Anniversary remembrance service.



Saucon Valley HS sophomore Benjamin Brodhead plays Taps at the conclusion of the ceremony. Brodhead participates in both the concert and marching bands.



"We remember" via this display next to the Quadrant Private Wealth Stables.



Retired Bethlehem police lieutenant Timothy Stephens delivers the invocation.

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NORTHAMPTON COUNTY

COUNTY PRISON: The Director of Corrections reports that currently there are 16 cases of COVID-19 among inmates at Northampton County Prison (NCP). Since the start of the pandemic, 227 inmates have tested positive; 211 have finished their quarantine periods or are no longer at NCP. Four Department of Corrections staff and one vendor employee have also tested positive and are currently in quarantine.

Since March 2020, NCP has conducted 4,414 tests for COVID-19 on inmates. All new inmates are tested when they come into the facility and must show a negative result before they are transferred to General Population; residents are tested on a random basis. PrimeCare Medical does daily temperature checks, movement of inmates is restricted within the facility and meals are served in the housing unit. In-person visitation is prohibited and no volunteers are permitted in the facility. Cloth masks are provided and inmates must wear them whenever they leave their cells. Any inmate participating in work release or work programs within NCP must be vaccinated.

NCP has held 16 vaccination clinics this year and vaccinated 353 inmates. Currently, 288 inmates in the facility are fully vaccinated. Shots for inmates and staff are administered by PrimeCare Medical. The vaccinations are not compulsory and are only provided to those who request them.

There are currently 613 inmates in residence at NCP.

CORONER'S OFFICE: Between Jan. 1 and Sept 18, the Northampton County Coroner recorded 194 COVID-19 related deaths in Northampton County (160 residents/34 non-residents). The last COVID-19 related death was recorded Sept. 18. As of May 3, the Lehigh County Coroner reported 66 deaths of Northampton County residents. Between the two counties, 226 deaths of Northampton County residents from COVID-19 have been reported this year.

In 2020, the Northampton County Coroner reported 403 COVID-19 related deaths (359 Residents and 44 Non-residents). The Lehigh County Coroner reported 118 deaths for a total of 477 COVID-19-related deaths for Northampton County residents in 2020.

LEHIGH VALLEY

LVHN BOOSTER SHOTS: Lehigh Valley Health Network (LVHN) began administering a booster shot of the Pfizer COVID-19 vaccine Sept. 27, to population groups approved this week by the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

The FDA granted Emergency Use Authorization (EUA) for the Pfizer booster on Wednesday (Sept. 22) and the CDC gave its approval late Thursday (Sept. 23).

Based on the FDA and CDC approvals, the Pfizer booster can be given at least six months after completion of the initial Pfizer two-shot series for people:

Age 65 and older

Living in long-term care facilities

Age 50-64 with underlying medical conditions that increase their risk for COVID infection

Age 18-64 with underlying medical conditions. The decision to receive a booster should be based upon individual circumstances that impact their overall risk of infection.

Age 18-64 whose frequent institutional or occupational exposure to the virus that causes COVID-19 puts them at high risk for serious complications of COVID-19. This group includes health care workers, teachers and day care staff, grocery workers and those in homeless shelters or prisons.

Scheduling a booster is encouraged and can be completed through MyLVHN, the patient portal, at MyLVHN.org, or by calling the COVID-19 hotline at 833-584-6283 (833-LVHN-CVD). The hotline is open Monday-Friday, 8:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m. COVID-19 vaccinations will continue to be offered at LVHN's vaccination clinic locations in the region, including in Whitehall and Palmer townships. Walk-ins also are accepted.

PENNSYLVANIA

WORKING FROM HOME: In Pennsylvania, 25.5 percent of adults reported living in a household with at least one adult who teleworked because of the coronavirus pandemic in the past seven days (averaged over the survey weeks during which this question was asked: April 14 through July 5). Notably, this figure represents those who teleworked because of the pandemic, and not those that would have teleworked regardless. Out of all states, Pennsylvania reported the 19th most people living with at least one person who is working remotely because of COVID-19.

VACCINATION PAYMENT: MyBioSource.com, a biotechnical products distribution company, conducted a survey (3,000) to gauge how much the general public thinks that the unvaccinated should be incentivized in order to get a jab. Pennsylvanians, on average, agree that the unvaccinated should be paid a substantial \$153 each! This is lower than the national average of \$182.

AROUND TOWN

Following the directives established by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention to limit public gatherings, several of the following meetings / activities might be changed, canceled, streamed or online. Masks may be required. Check websites and social media as available.

Community items

BASEBALL FIELD REPAIR: The Southside Little League baseball field was flooded when Hurricane Ida remnants moved through Pennsylvania. Southside Little League Coach Roy Ortiz created a GoFundMe page with a \$10,000 goal to clean up the field, replace damaged equipment and rebuild the team's concession stand that was destroyed in the flood.

Visit the GoFundMe link at <https://gf.me/v/c/gvs/southside-little-league>. For additional information, visit www.bethlehem-pa.gov/Recreation/Recreation-Activities/Youth-Organizations/Youth-Softball-and-Baseball

BURNSIDE SATURDAYS: Visit Burnside Plantation from 10 a.m. to noon on Saturdays through November. There will be barn, house and kitchen tours. Meet the gardeners, peek inside the House and See **TOWN** on Page A4

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"On July 12, we had a mere three inpatients for COVID," Kennedy said. "That's as close to zero as we have gotten since the start of the pandemic."

Benjamin said, "Currently, there are 20 to 30 people every day being admitted to the hospitals for COVID."

Most of these patients are adults, but five children have also been admitted to the hospital with COVID-19 in this recent surge, he said.

Despite the number of patients being admitted for COVID, the total only amounts to 8 percent of LVHN's current inpatients. The percentage of beds filled with COVID patients in the intensive care unit is higher, but there are still plenty of beds for other patients needing an ICU care.

"There are 31 COVID patients in the ICU, which is approximately 20 percent of our total ICU beds," Benjamin said. "21 of the 31 ICU patients are intubated."

According to the state Department of Health's

COVID-19 early Warning Monitoring System Dashboard, the highest rate of positive cases in the area from Sept. 10 to 16 was in Carbon County at 14.4 percent. Monroe County was 13.3 percent, Schuylkill at 12.8 percent, Northampton at 10.3 percent and Lehigh at 9.8 percent.

Northampton and Lehigh counties also have the highest rates of vaccination at 62.5 percent and 65.6 percent respectively, according to the state DOH. Carbon County is next at 55.7 percent, Schuylkill County at 54 percent and Monroe County at 52.4 percent.

In the five-county region, Schuylkill County leads in the number of deaths from COVID-19 at 303.5 people per the common denominator of 100,000 people. The actual number is 429 people.

Carbon County is second highest in deaths with 288.2 people per 100,000 people. The actual number of deaths is 185 people.

Northampton and Lehigh counties are third and fourth with 245.3 people and 242.9 people

per 100,000 respectively. Actual number of deaths is 749 people and 897 people.

Monroe County had the lowest, with 202.6 people per 100,000, and an actual number of deaths at 345 people.

The Food and Drug Administration Advisory Committee approved booster shots for adults 65 years old and older, and people at high risk for serious complications from COVID-19 on Sept. 17.

On Friday, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices recommended booster shots of the Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 vaccine for certain populations at least 6 months after their primary series. Those populations include:

• people who are 65 years and older and residents in long-term care settings;

• people aged 50 to 64 years with underlying medical conditions;

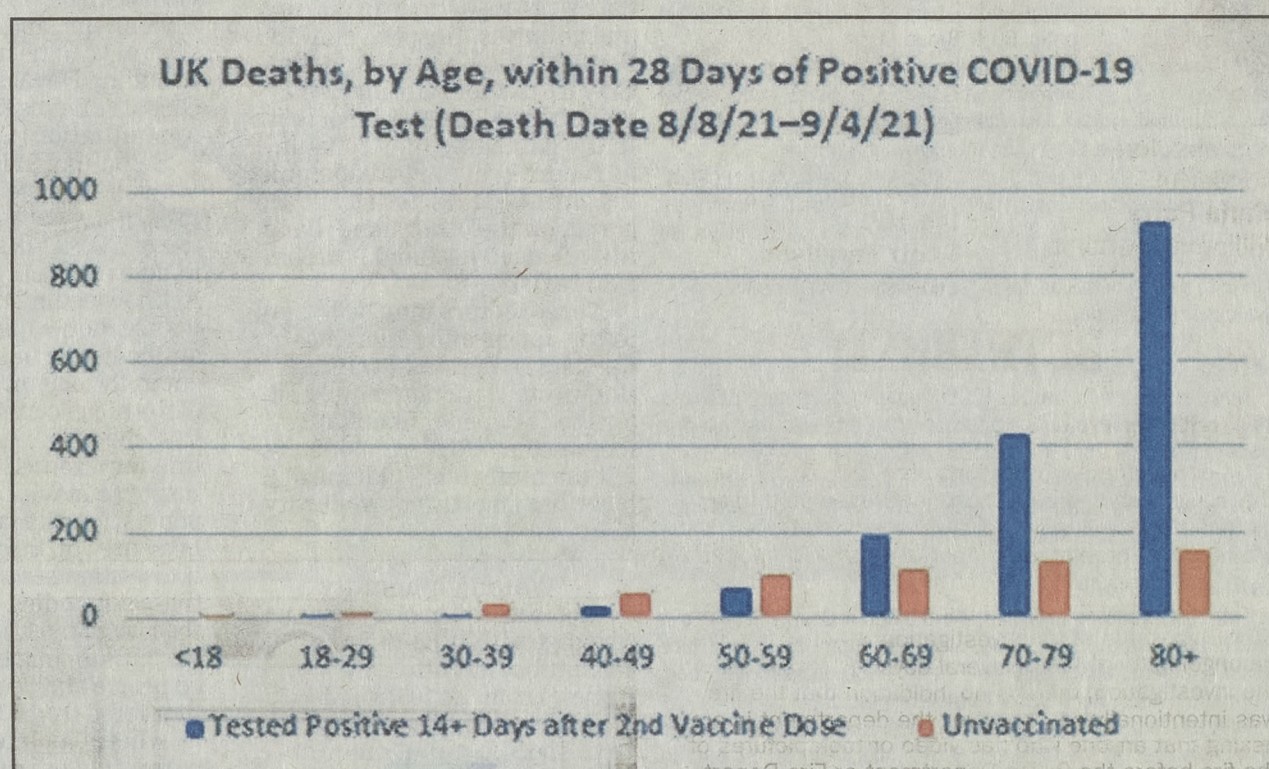
• people aged 18 to 49 years with underlying medical conditions may also want to consider getting the booster shot,

depending on their individual benefits and risks, and;

• people aged 18-64 years, who are at an increased risk of COVID-19 exposure and transmission due to their occupational or institutional setting, may want to get the booster shot, based on their individual benefits and risks.

The underlying health conditions include: cancer, chronic kidney disease, chronic lung diseases, dementia and neurological conditions, diabetes, Down syndrome, heart conditions, HIV infection, immunocompromised state (a weakened immune system), liver disease, overweight and obesity, pregnancy, sickle cell disease, smoking (current and former), solid organ or blood stem cell transplant recipients, stroke or cerebrovascular disease, substance use disorders.

More information can be found at <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/need-extra-precautions/people-with-medical-conditions.html>.



DATA FROM PUBLIC HEALTH ENGLAND. GRAPHIC BY THERESA O'BRIEN

Nearly 70 percent of the COVID-19-associated deaths from Aug. 8, 2021, through Sept. 4, 2021, reported by Public Health England Sept. 9 were people who had received their second vaccine dose more than 14 days prior to being diagnosed with COVID-19. Roughly 80 percent of U.K. residents age 16 and over were fully vaccinated by Sept. 9, according to the BBC.

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years of age whose frequent institutional or occupational exposure to SARS-CoV-2 puts them at high risk of serious complications of COVID-19 including severe COVID-19."

On Sept. 23, the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP), part of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), issued formal recommendations for a third dose of the Pfizer product in people who have already received two Pfizer doses who are 65 or older, or who live in long-term care facilities, as well as people ages 18 and up who have underlying medical conditions that make severe disease more likely for them.

ACIP chose not to recommend a third dose for people who do not have underlying medical conditions themselves, but face greater potential exposure to viruses through their work. Late that night, CDC Director Ro-

chelle Walensky overruled ACIP and issued a recommendation for the high-exposure, healthy group as well.

Paucity of data

Both meetings (VBRPAC and ACIP) were fraught with frustration as committee members grappled with poor or missing data about vaccine efficacy against variants, antibody levels in double-dosed and triple-dosed individuals, and immunological factors correlated with protection against disease.

VBRPAC members struggled to reconcile data presented by Dr. Sharon Alroy Preis and Dr. Ron Milo from Israel - which appeared to show that individuals who have had two Pfizer shots are at nearly the same risk of hospitalization as unvaccinated individuals - and CDC data that seem to show Americans with two Pfizer shots have a greatly reduced risk of hospitalization compared with their unvaccinated counterparts.

Data from Israel suggest that people who have had two

Pfizer shots may be as likely to contract the novel coronavirus, and nearly as likely to be hospitalized, as unvaccinated people. Roughly 80 percent of Israelis have received two shots, mostly of the Pfizer product; 60 percent of hospitalized coronavirus patients in Israel have received two shots. Recent death data from Public Health England paint a similar picture, as shown in the accompanying chart.

However, the CDC has consistently reported significantly lower odds of hospitalization among Americans who have received two shots of the Pfizer product, a data point highlighted in an editorial published Sept. 14 in The Lancet, co-authored by two high-ranking FDA staff who quit the agency - according to insiders - over what they viewed as an overly politicized vaccine approval process. "[V]accination appears to be substantially protective against severe disease from all the main viral variants," Marion Gruber and her

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- In East Penn and Salisbury Township: Debbie Galbraith at dgalbraith@tnonline.com
- In Whitehall Township, Catasauqua, Hanover Township and Coplay: Kelly Lutterschmidt at klutterschmidt@tnonline.com
- Also in Northampton County, Northampton and other municipalities in the Northampton School District and North Catasauqua: Kelly Lutterschmidt at klutterschmidt@tnonline.com
- In Northampton County, Bethlehem, Bethlehem Township, Fountain Hill, Hanover (NORCO) Township; Freemansburg and Hellertown: George Taylor at gtaylor@tnonline.com

experience the Summer Kitchen. There will be children's activities and crafts.

You Point, We Pick organically grown produce, herbs and flowers from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. (cash or credit card donations), Oct. 20. This is not a pick-your-own. Bring bags, baskets or buckets. Produce is first-come, first-served.

The plantation is dog-friendly. Parking is available on site at 1461 Schoenersville Road. For more information, visit <https://historicbethlehem.org/saturdays-at-burnside/>

Bethlehem Area Public Library, 11 E. Church St. Visit www.bapl.org/events/categories/virtual-events/. Buildings are open. General information: visit www.bapl.org (main) or at www.facebook.com/paBAPL or www.bapl.org/ssmain.htm (south side).

Wednesday, September 29

Adult Bible study, 11 a.m. Women's Ministries, film: "The Story of Pearl Buck," 1 p.m. Salvation Army, 521 Pembroke Road. Call 610-867-4681 for details.

Thursday, September 30

Chair Exercises: 9:30 a.m. to 10:15 a.m. Program: Klaudia Zhelezny: "Messiah in the Fall Feasts of Israel." Seniors 50 and up, 10:45 a.m. Salvation Army, 521 Pembroke Road. Call 610-867-4681 for details.

Northampton Community College third annual Giving Day 24-hour fundraising challenge in support of NCC students and their educational goals. Information on challenges and matches, ways to get involved, or make a gift, Visit Northampton.edu/ncc-giving-day.

Artist led tours with David Sommers: free Resident Artist annual exhibition. 6 p.m. Crayola Gallery, Banana Factory, 25 W. Third St. www.bananafactory.org/event/11411/artist-led-tours-resident-artist-annual-exhibition/

October 1 to 30

Historic Downtown Bethlehem second annual Scarecrow Showdown, along Main and Broad streets. Information: www.facebook.com/events/142262817976981/?event_time_id=142262871310309

Oktoberfest presented by Lehigh Valley International Airport at SteelStacks, 101 Founders Way.

Friday, October 1

Let's Talk: conversation about making Bethlehem a walkable city. 2 to 4 p.m. Front patio, 60 W. Broad St.

Greenway ArtsWalk Celebration, Thinking Through Drawing" presented by Lehigh University Art Galleries. Includes works by Natalie Alper, Keith Haring, Jose Clemente Orozco, Yingyi Cao, Maurice Prendergast, George Segal, Anita Weschler and others.

MusicWalk: Ginger and the Schnapps at Venture X; Doug Kaetz at Five Maidens Cider Company, 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. The Reconnect at F&A Grog house, 7 to 9 p.m. Chelsea Lyn Meyer at Dinky's Ice Cream Parlor, 8 to 10 p.m.

First Friday, SouthSide. Information: visit <https://southsidearts-district.com/first-friday/>

Saturdays, October 2, 9, 16

Make a Maywood bag at Northampton Community College's Fab Lab. Bag converts from a backpack to a tote with the pull of a strap. Classes are from 9 a.m. to noon Oct. 2, 9 and 16 at Fowler Family Southside Center, 511 E. Third St. Cost. To enroll, visit www.northampton.edu/fablab. Class code is FABS306. For more information, call 610-332-8665.

Saturday, October 2

Fall Fest, Hanover Township, Northampton County. Noon to 4 p.m. Pirate theme. Music, food, hayrides, pumpkins, candy, face painting, ponies, pirate ship and show. 3660 Jacksonville Road. Information: email RecDirector@hanovertpw-cc.org

Harvest Fest, vendors, sidewalk sales, specialty foods, entertainment stages at Broad Street, Smithy site, Main St. 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. between Main and Broad streets. Information; live music schedules, visit <https://getdowntownbethlehem.com/harvest-fest/>

Sunday, October 3

Pet blessing: The First Presbyterian Church of Bethlehem will hold the fourth annual "Blessing of the Animals" at 3 p.m. on the church's front lawn, 2344 Center St. The public is invited. Physical distancing and masks are required for the humans. Each pet will receive a personalized blessing. Donations of pet items such as food, toys and supplies are accepted. The items will be shared with Meals on Wheels of the Greater Lehigh Valley 'Ani-meals' program. In case of bad weather, a 'drive through' blessing option will be offered on the same time and date.

Tuesday, October 5

Civil War Roundtable, Eastern Pennsylvania, Lehigh Brigade. "Surrenders of the Civil War" presented by Robert Dunkerly, park ranger at Richmond National Battlefield Park. 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Center 100 Hotel, (formerly the Holiday Inn), 7735 Adrienne Drive, Breinigsville. Call 610-253-4549, email Duffysocwk@aol.com or visit www.cwrteasternpa.org. For zoom meetings, information and registration, visit www.cwrteasternpa.org/calendar-1

Bridge players, 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. Salvation Army, 521 Pembroke Road. Call 610-867-4681 for details.

Wednesday, October 6

Adult Bible study, 11 a.m. Women's Ministries program: 1 p.m. Salvation Army, 521 Pembroke Road. Call 610-867-4681 for details.

Kellyn Foundation's mobile locally grown fresh produce market, Mechanic Street 3 Lot between Taylor and Polk streets. 3 to 6 p.m. weekly.

The Bethlehem Press calendar listings are, to the best of our knowledge, correct at the time of printing. We are not responsible for the accuracy or reliability of information submitted by external parties.

MEETING BOARD

MUNICIPAL ITEMS

NORCO SHREDDING EVENT: free household document shredding events, 10 a.m. to noon, Oct. 16, rain or shine, 2801 Emrick Blvd. Paper waste will not be accepted from any business or organization.

There is a limit of three boxes or bags per vehicle with a 25 pound weight limit per box or bag. Accepted items include accounting records, canceled checks, pay stubs, financial statements, investment transactions, legal documents, medical records, tax forms, etc. Unacceptable materials include junk mail, magazines, catalogs, photographs, negatives and X-rays. Staples, paper clips, rubber bands and folders are okay. Ring binders, metal strips, and plastic sheet protectors or coverings will be refused.

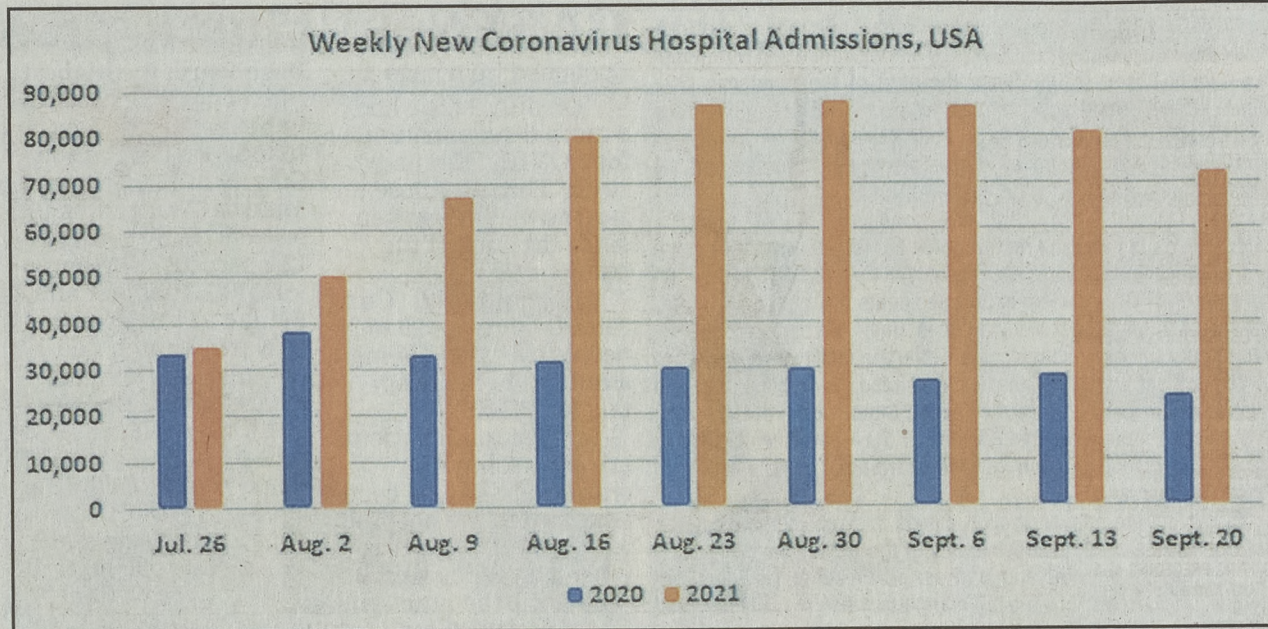
NORCO SAMPLE BALLOTS: The Northampton County Elections Office has posted sample 2021 Municipal Election ballots on its webpage, www.northamptoncounty.org/CTYADMIN/ELECTNS/Pages/default.aspx; voters are encouraged to review their ballot before voting in the 2021 Municipal Election Nov. 2.

NORCO BALLOT BOXES: The Northampton County Elections Office announces that it will install a secure ballot drop-off box for mail-in ballots in each of the county's four districts. The boxes will be available as of Oct. 4 until 8 p.m. Nov. 2. Accessing the drop-off boxes does not require going through security. The locations and drop off times are:

Rotunda of the Government Center, 8:30a.m. to 8 p.m. Monday through Friday, 669 Washington St., Easton.

When dropping off a ballot, voters can park for free in the

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DATA FROM OURWORLDINDATA.ORG. GRAPHIC BY THERESA O'BRIEN

Weekly new hospitalizations in the U.S. in August and September have been between double and triple the figures from the same week in 2020. During the year-ago period, no American had been vaccinated against the novel coronavirus; by Sept. 9, 2021, 53.4 percent of Americans had received two mRNA shots or one adenovirus-vectored shot. Experts offer several theories to explain these data.

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colleagues assert ([https://www.thelancet.com/journals/lancet/article/PIIS0140-6736\(21\)02046-8/fulltext](https://www.thelancet.com/journals/lancet/article/PIIS0140-6736(21)02046-8/fulltext)).

Reports on breakthrough infections of fully vaccinated Americans from the federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) use data from a pastiche of states and counties. Hospital staff in Pennsylvania have found that COVID-19 shot information is often unavailable or incorrect in the databases they consult, as reported in the Philadelphia Inquirer Sept. 12. Israel and England, on the other hand, have fully-fledged national vaccination registries.

Three factors may be at play in the appearance of breakthrough infections—waning immunity, viral variants, and antibody-dependent enhancement—and VRBPAC members felt uncomfortable placing a large bet on waning immunity, at least at present.

Waning immunity

As discussed in our previous coverage of COVID-19 shots and antibodies (<https://www.lvnews.com/20210518/did-your-coronavirus-shot-work/>), virus-specific, circulating antibodies decrease over time. The duration of high antibody levels for the three COVID-19 vaccines distributed in the U.S. is not known.

Two vocal believers in the theory that waning immunity is driving coronavirus hospitalizations in vaccinated people are Dr. Anthony Fauci, director of the U.S. National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases (NIAID), and current Israeli "coronavirus czar" Professor Salman Zarka. As reported Sept. 3 in the Jerusalem Post, Israel changed the definition of a "fully vaccinated" person from someone who has received two doses of the Pfizer mRNA product, to someone whose two Pfizer doses were within the past six months, or a person who has received a third mRNA shot more recently.

Israel also considers people who have recovered from COVID-19 in the past six months, or who recovered more than six months ago but received a single mRNA shot after recovery, to be "fully vaccinated." Zarka has even hinted that a fourth shot may be coming for Israelis in the near future.

'Escape variants'

Coronaviruses like SARS-CoV-2, the virus that causes COVID-19, have four different proteins as part of their structure. The current vaccines cause the body to produce antibodies against the spike protein, often called "S." An antigen is a molecule or molecular structure that can be bound by an antigen-specific antibody or an antigen receptor. There are multiple antigens on the S protein. These antigens can change shape (mutate), which means that the spike protein does not, on a molecular level, look the same in viral samples collected many months apart.

In other words, it is an oversimplification to say that a person has produced "antibodies to the S protein." In reality, the person has produced antibodies that bind to some of the many antigens on the two subunits of the S protein.

"Antigenic drift" is the term virologists use to describe the process by which viral proteins gradually change their shape. "Antigenic shift" involves gene

reassortment between variants within a host co-infected with more than one variant, resulting in more significant changes. Both types of changes may be occurring in SARS-CoV-2.

One of the most vocal critics of the COVID-19 mass vaccination campaigns has been Dr. Geert Vanden Bossche. He has a degree in veterinary medicine from the University of Ghent and a PhD in virology from the University of Hohenheim, and has worked for several vaccine manufacturers, including Novartis, as well as the Global Alliance for Vaccines and Immunization (GAVI).

Beginning in February 2021, Vanden Bossche began publishing arguments against the mass use of COVID-19 shots in the middle of the current pandemic. Acknowledging that these shots induce the recipients to generate antibodies against antigens present in the original Wuhan strain of the novel coronavirus, Vanden Bossche asserted that inducing this very limited kind of immune response in wide swaths of the population will create "immune pressure" on the virus, helping it to mutate in ways that evade these antibodies, increasing the risk of infection with future variants among both vaccinated people and people who have recovered from COVID-19.

When a high percentage of the population has an immature immune response, Vanden Bossche argues, antigenic drift preferentially favors variants that are successful in breaking through the immature and highly specific (to the antigens of an old variant) immune response in vaccinated people. The result is a reduction in the number of circulating variants, with the persistent variants being the ones that the population's antibodies do not neutralize.

During the Sept. 18 meeting, VRBPAC members asked why Pfizer has not offered a variant-specific dose in addition to, or instead of, a third dose of the original product. Dr. Cody Meissner of Boston Children's Hospital inquired, "For a booster vaccine, shouldn't we try to match the predominant strain as closely as we can, which is right now, the Delta strain? So why did Pfizer decide on BNT162b2? Because if a new variant emerges, don't we want to match the new strains that are most likely to circulate, as closely as possible?"

No one from Pfizer offered a response at the VRBPAC meeting; it is not clear whether the trials Pfizer had planned to initiate in August have even begun.

Antibody-dependent enhancement

Prior to the EUA of any COVID-19 vaccine, some researchers raised the alarm that previous attempts to create vaccines against coronaviruses had created "antibody-dependent enhancement" (ADE) in recipients. In other words, the vaccine made them sicker than they would have been without it. In March 2020, the Journal of Virology published an article from a team of scientists based in the United States and in China, including two employees of the Wuhan Institute of Virology, noting that ADE was observed during the attempts to create vaccines for Middle East Respiratory Syndrome (MERS) and Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome (SARS), two other coronaviruses. The researchers explain that neutralizing antibodies induced by vaccination binds to the surface spike protein of coronaviruses, triggering "a conformational change" of the spike protein, and helping the virus to enter a cell.

In Dec. 2020, researchers Jing Zhao et al sounded a warning about vaccines that use the full S protein: "Due to the taxonomic and structural similarities between SARS-CoV, MERS-CoV, and SARS-CoV-2, ADE is an issue that should be considered seriously in designing MERS-CoV and SARS-CoV-2 vaccines, particularly those with a full-length S protein. Neutralizing epitopes could elicit a more robust protective immunity but less or no ADE side-effects." (The Pfizer and Moderna products instruct the body of the recipient to manufacture the full S protein; the J&J product introduces the S protein into the body via an adenovirus vector.)

Where we are now

VRBPAC member Dr. Hayley Gans, who is a professor of pediatrics at Stanford University, captured the concerns voiced by many advisory committee members with her comments toward the end of the day-long meeting.

"I am struck by FDA asking us to look at the totality of evidence," Gans said, "when there's several key points that we're lacking right now. One of them is the very strong safety data that we could have, actually, with one million third doses that have been given [to immunocompromised Americans under the existing EUA...] That's a really missed opportunity and something that should be considered when FDA considers that these 300 people [from trial data submitted by Pfizer with its supplemental BLA] is not a large enough study."

Gans continued, "Along with Dr. [James] Hildreth, [I believe] another missed opportunity that I think FDA could have asked for is looking at both humoral and T-cell immunity. We really could [...] have the answers, and to be told that 'they're complicated assays' or 'it's up and coming' is ... feels that we're making decisions when there's data out there that we're not [being given]."

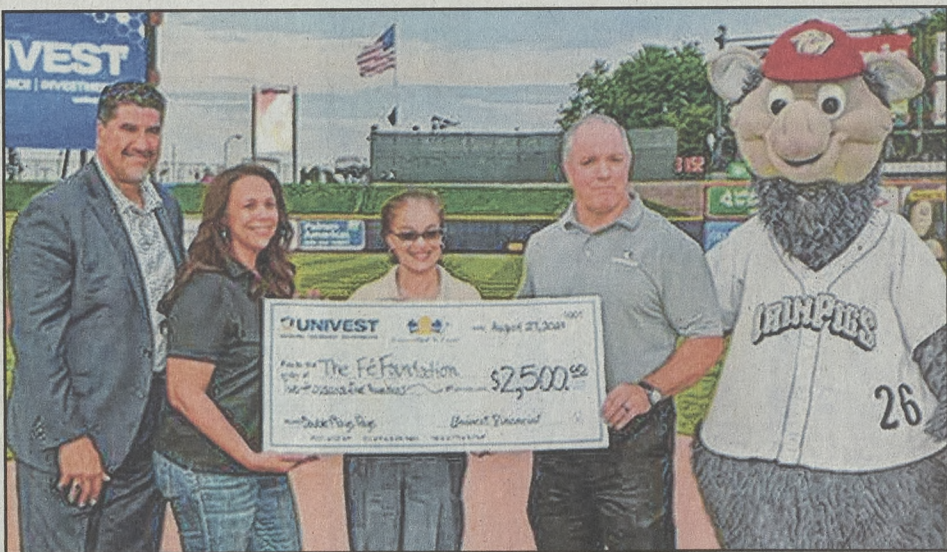
From a practical standpoint, doctors continue to contend with the challenge of treating patients hospitalized with COVID-19, regardless of vaccination status. Dr. Hamid Merchant, pharmaceutical scientist and subject leader in pharmacy at the University of Huddersfield in U.K., spoke with the Press about the inadequacy of hospital treatments. An analysis he and his colleagues performed (published Feb. 11, 2021, in Expert Review of Respiratory Medicine) showed that 97 percent of fully vaccinated subjects who died were aged 50 years or older. This figure shows virtually no change in doctors' ability to treat hospitalized COVID-19 patients. Prior to the vaccine rollout in the UK, 98 percent of COVID-19-associated deaths were also in individuals aged 50 years or above.

Merchant tells the Press that the elderly population is still at the most risk of severe coronavirus disease and death despite vaccination, and that this group still needs protection. He recommends that public health authorities look beyond vaccines to protect the most vulnerable in society, citing therapies such as antiviral drugs or monoclonal antibodies (mAbs) to be considered within 24 hours of catching the virus in all high-risk individuals, regardless of vaccination status.

Merchant also suggested that doctors consider giving mAbs to all high-risk populations as a form of passive immunization. On Sept. 16, the U.S. FDA expanded its EUA for a duo of mAbs, bamlanivimab and etesevimab, to include post-exposure prophylaxis in certain high-risk groups.

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Univest Financial recently presented the Fé Foundation with a check for \$2,500 earned through the Lehigh Valley IronPigs "Double Plays Pay" sponsorship. Each time the IronPigs made a double play, Univest made a \$25 donation to the Fé Foundation. The Fé Foundation has been delivering educational and community development programs of the Hispanic Chamber of Commerce of the Lehigh Valley since 2009. The foundation's leading program, Futuros Empresarios, or FE, has been bringing together students, university faculties, and local businesses and organizations in an attempt to introduce comprehensive life skills and entrepreneurial training to high school students of the Lehigh Valley. Univest Financial has participated in the IronPigs "Double Plays Pay" sponsorship since 2009, helping a different nonprofit each year.

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AREA DEATHS

Thomas Seier

oil company truck driver

Thomas Seier, 79, of Northampton, died Sept. 23, 2021, at Gracedale Nursing Home, Nazareth. Born in Northampton, he was a son of the late Frank Seier Sr. and the late Bernadine (Rowe) Seier. He was the husband of the late Marlene (Gable) Seier.

He was a truck driver for Northampton Oil & Heating Co. for over 32 years before retiring in 2010.

He was a member of St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church, Bath.

He was a life member of the Alliance Volunteer Fire Company and the Raccoon Club, both of Northampton.

He is survived by two daughters, Donna M. and her husband Martin Beal of Bath and Lori A. and her husband Mark Werner of Dalzell, South Carolina; two brothers, James Seier and his wife Maureen and Daniel Seier and his wife Diane, all of Bethlehem; a sister, Monica and her husband William Swanson of Lake Forest, California; four grandchildren; and two great-granddaughters.

He was predeceased by a son, Thomas A. Seier; a daughter, Lisa A. Seier; a grandson, Devon Seier; and a brother, Frank Seier Jr.

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

Cathie A. Sommers

1976 FHS graduate



Cathie A. Sommers, 63, of Effort, died Sept. 24, 2021, at Lehigh Valley Pocono Hospice House. Born in Bethlehem, she was a daughter of the late Louis and Marion (Peters) Hegedus. She was the wife of Paul N. Sommers for 10 years.

She was a 1976 graduate of Freedom HS.

She was a regional supervisor for Hudson News for many years.

In addition to her husband, she is survived by two children, David and his wife Jennifer of Chapman and Tiffany Barbara and her husband Roy of Florida; a brother, Keith Hegedus and his wife Carol of North Carolina; five grandchildren, Lindsey, Riley, Emily, R.J. and Violet; and two nieces and nephews.

Contributions may be made to Peaceable Kingdom, 1049 MacArthur Road, Whitehall, 18052.

Arrangements were made by Brubaker Funeral Home Inc., Coplay.



John Wilson Bennett

BASD fifth grade teacher

John Wilson Bennett, 89, of Whitehall, died Sept. 22, 2021, in his home. Born in Northampton, he was a son of the late William F. and Florence I. (Frederick) Bennett. He was the husband of Nancy Ann (Baron) Bennett for 52 years.

He was a 1950 graduate of Northampton HS.

He earned a B.S. in education from Kutztown State Teachers College in 1957. He was in the U.S. Army Medical Corps during the Korean Conflict.

He was a fifth grade teacher in the Bethlehem Area School District for 25 years. He was an assistant manager of the Coplay PLCB Liquor for a total of 28 working years.

He was a member of Saint John's U.C.C., Fullerton, and was confirmed at Grace U.C.C., Northampton.

He was a life member of Fullerton American Legion Post 367. He received numerous awards for his many lifesaving efforts.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by a son, Jonathan William and his wife Jolene (James) and their daughters Jillian and Jaylynn; a daughter, Beth Ann and her husband Gary D. Neitz and their daughters Bailee and Brinlee; a sister, Ruth I. Bennett; nieces; nephews; and extended family.

He was predeceased by a brother, Byron Bennett; and three sisters, Kathleen Hugo, Evelyn Hower and Leonore Fehnel.

Contributions may be made to Saint John's U.C.C., Fullerton, 575 Grape St., Whitehall, PA 18052; 2; or to the family for future cemetery care.

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Michael R. Packard

worked for city streets department

Michael R. Packard, 68, of Bethlehem, died Sept. 18, 2021, in his home. He was the husband of Pamela (Quier) Packard for 47 years.

He attended Freedom HS.

He worked for the City of Bethlehem Streets Department for most of his life until he retired.

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

In addition to his wife, he is survived by a son, Michael R. Jr. and his wife Misty of Macungie; seven grandchildren, Ian Hiatt, Annie Hiatt, Evan Hiatt, Dylan Packard, Abigail Packard, Christopher Smith Jr. and Tyler Smith; and loving friend Melissa Sweeney.

He was predeceased by a daughter, Corrina Marie Packard; and six siblings, Carl Packard Jr., James Packard, Walter Packard, Charlotte Willever, Jeanette Youngkin and Marjorie Walters.

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Wednesday, September 29

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

Friday, October 1

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Monday, October 4

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

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

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

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Tuesday, October 5

Northampton County General Purpose Authority, 8:15 a.m. Northampton Co. Courthouse, 669 Washington St., Easton.

Northampton County Farmland Preservation Board, 7 p.m. Northampton Co. Courthouse, 669 Washington St., Easton.

Bethlehem Council, 7 p.m. City hall, 10 E. Church St. Current See **BOARD** on Page A8



PRESS PHOTO BY DANA GRUBB

The Historic Hotel Bethlehem is located in the Bethlehem Historic District and has been a fixture on Main Street since it was built in 1922.

Hotel Bethlehem tops Readers Choice

Historic Historic Hotel Bethlehem has been named the #1 Best Historic Hotel in the Country by USA TODAY for its 10BEST 2021 Readers Choice Awards. This is the third year that the hotel has been nominated for this annual national recognition. In 2019 the hotel was named #3; 2020 #2; and being recognized as #1 for 2021.

Historic Hotel Bethlehem was one of 20 Hotels once again nominated by a panel of experts based on their expertise of historic hotels. Historic Hotel Bethlehem was the only hotel nominated from Pennsylvania. The top 10 hotels were then chosen by popular vote and awarded the 10 Best Readers Choice Award.

"What a fitting tribute for all of us to achieve this distinction during our 100th anniversary celebration," says Bruce A. Haines, managing partner for Historic Hotel Bethlehem. "This recognition is

a tribute to my dedicated partners and hotel staff that have persevered to restore this Grand Dame to its original 1920s grandeur over the past 22 years."

"Historic Hotel Bethlehem deserves this recognition as they have demonstrated their leadership in hospitality, as evidenced by their 2019 award by Historic Hotels of America #1 Best Hotel (76-200 rooms)," says Larry Horwitz, executive vice president of Historic Hotels of America and Historic Hotels Worldwide.

Voting started July 19 and was open to the public for four weeks of daily voting. With the help of the Lehigh Valley community, loyal guests and staff, they were able to maintain #1 Best Historic Hotel throughout the entire voting period. The Peabody Hotel in Memphis, Tenn., has traditionally held the #1 Best Historic Hotel position. "The Historic Hotel Bethlehem

was built in 1921 as a Community Hotel for Bethlehem at the vision of Bethlehem Steel founder, Charles M. Schwab. He wanted a Grand Hotel to host his customers to compete with U.S. Steel's Pittsburgh hotels. Schwab would be very proud to know that his vision was achieved 100 years later."

The Top 10 Hotels

1. Historic Hotel Bethlehem - Bethlehem, Pa.
2. The Peabody Memphis - Memphis, Tenn.
3. Grand Hotel Golf Resort & Spa - Point Clear, Ala.
4. Deer Path Inn - Lake Forest, Ill.
5. Hotel Trundle - Columbia, S.C.
6. Grand Hotel - Mackinac Island, Mich.
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City man in custody after standoff

BY TERRY AHNER
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A man wanted for attempted homicide in Bethlehem was taken into custody following a several-hour standoff last Wednesday in Slatington.

Slatington Borough police Chief Dave Rachman said the man was wanted from Bethlehem on a warrant for attempted homicide for an incident a few weeks back.

Rachman said police responded around 8 a.m. to the home at 455 W. Church St., where after a several-hour standoff, they took Timothy Barr II, 29, Germansville, into custody.

"The marshal service had been here to the house a couple weeks ago and tried, but were unsuccessful, getting the guy to come to the door," Rachman said. "They had new information he was probably back in the house again today."

As a result, Rachman said they went back that morning with the marshal service.

"It was apparent he wasn't going to come outside, at that point we activated emergency response team, Bethlehem City was notified, they contacted us, prepared a search warrant for the suspect, and the emer-



PRESS PHOTO BY TERRY AHNER

Slatington Police Department took a man wanted for attempted homicide from a prior incident in Bethlehem into custody following a several-hour standoff last Wednesday in Slatington.

gency response team was notified and tried to get him to come out and surrender on several occasions," he said. "We deployed gas in the house, he still didn't come out, and eventually (after) more negotiations, he came out and surrendered."

Rachman said the man was taken into custody without incident.

He said there were no injuries, and the man was alone in the house.

Rachman said traffic was diverted throughout the incident, and school bus traffic was diverted as well.

"It was resolved

peacefully, which was obviously our goal," he said. "He's in custody, and nobody was hurt."

Rachman said the man faces no charges from Slatington police.

He said Barr was taken into custody, brought back to the Slatington Police Station, and transferred to Bethlehem City Police.

Rachman said also assisting at the scene were the Lehigh County Emergency Response Team, Lehigh County EMA, Slatington Fire Department and Slatington fire police.

At 8:45 a.m. Aug. 30, the City of Bethlehem

Police Department responded to a home in the 800 block of Main Street, Bethlehem, where a woman said the father of her children, Barr, was threatening to shoot her and their children.

The woman said Barr discharged a gun toward her. Earlier that day, Barr texted the victim and threatened to harm their son, and arrived later that day and the two began to argue over the court-issued custody of their children. The woman said Barr threatened to shoot her and her children.

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In early September, seniors at Traditions of Hanover began collecting gently used items for donation to Nine Lives Thrift Store in Coopersburg. The store's mission is to help local cat rescues, with a percentage of the profits given to the organization chosen for the quarter.

Through the sale of items, Nine Lives Thrift Store brings attention to these local animal rescues, some of whom the community may be unaware of.

Joanne Weiner, a resident of Traditions of Hanover, was happy to give up her stuff. "You don't hear enough about good causes like this," she said.

Resident Herb Repsher was willing to part with some baking items. "I don't bake anymore and wanted to pass these on to someone who could use it," he said.

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Wednesday, October 6

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Deante' Crawford

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Hawks get by Hurricanes

BY PETER CAR
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It may have been a bumpier road than expected, but Bethlehem Catholic didn't care at the end of 48 minutes of action Friday night at BASD Stadium.

The Hawks overcame a Liberty surge in the second half to pull out a 28-21 victory over Liberty in a classic Bethlehem city rivalry contest.

The win was a huge momentum boost for the Hawks (2-3), who clawed their way back to a game under .500 in a game they desperately needed.

Jared Richardson's 43-yard touchdown pass to Jaiden Ellis-Lahey with 28 seconds left capped a wild fourth quarter that saw Liberty (1-4) come back from a 14-point deficit, only to see the Hawks steal it at the end.

"I think it should let them know that this is how you have to play week in and week out," said head coach Kyle Haas. "The one thing we've been battling all season long is that the kids wanted to the big things, like Friday night, but they didn't want to do all the little things leading up. You saw it happen against Northampton, Whitehall and Nazareth. The



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Stephen Hattala looks to put pressure on Liberty quarterback Thomas Mason.

message was if we could take what we did over 28 minutes against Nazareth or just play hard, maybe we'll improve as a football team. The way they battled tonight showed progress."

After leading 7-0 at halftime, the Hawks

looked like they were going to cement the victory in the second half, building a 21-7 lead with 8:06 left in the fourth quarter following a five-yard TD run by Zyaire Morris.

Liberty, however, battled back on the ensu-

ing drive with a 68-yard TD strike from Tommy Mason to Josh Farrell to draw within a score. The Hurricanes then evened the game at 21 apiece when Karim Brice caught a three-yard TD pass from Mason with 3:31 left in the game.

After blowing a 41-14 lead the previous week against Nazareth, trepidation could have set in for the Hawks, but instead they decided to prevail.

"We've been through so much adversity this

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Pates gets a win over Nazareth

BY KATIE MCDONALD
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Freedom and Nazareth traded touchdowns for two quarters before the Patriots decided to throw a little less and run a little more on Friday night at Andrew S. Leh Stadium in Nazareth.

"With the quarterback situation, [Brian Taylor] was down, and Ethan Neidig, our other quarterback, had an X-ray this week on his wrist, so at halftime, we didn't know where we were going," said Freedom head football coach Jason Roeder.

Taylor re-entered the game, and where the Pates went was to a 38-21 victory over Nazareth as senior running back Deante' Crawford, who rushed for 201 yards on 44 carries, scored three touchdowns in the second half.

"It feels good to come back from a loss and

then to win. We knew it was gonna be a dog fight, so we took it play-by-play," Crawford said. "It was surprising because I never got that many carries before, but I had to do what it takes. Big talk at halftime. We had to change a couple plays and get ready to work in the second half."

The Patriots scored on their first possession of the third quarter after Taylor connected with wide receiver Jalen Fletcher at the 15-yard line. Crawford carried on four plays before scoring to break the 14-14 tie.

An interception by Connor Stofanek led to a field goal by Zeyad Ragab that put the Pates ahead 24-14.

Nazareth committed another turnover when the ball was knocked out of quarterback Sammy Sasso's hands and fell into the arms of Freedom junior Kyle John-

son.

Crawford's subsequent 13-yard sprint to the end zone widened Freedom's lead, 31-14.

"We had to get our offense going and we handled our business and went play-by-play," said Taylor. "Our defense has been great. All credit to them, making stops, all these turnovers to give our offense a chance to score. [Deante'] was reeling off yards and he was going, so why not stick with it?"

With 7:49 remaining in the game, Sasso's pass was again intercepted, this time by Neidig, and Crawford scored with just under two minutes left to play.

"Usually our turnover margin is, I think we were minus four coming into this, and Freedom doesn't win games that way, so we knew we had to protect the football better and take it away a

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PRESS PHOTO BY KATIE MCDONALD

Deante Crawford rushed for over 200 yards against Nazareth last week

Liberty wins EPC golf title, Vital second

BY MIKE HAINES
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The Liberty golf team won Monday's East Penn Conference Golf at Olde Homestead Golf Course, beating second-place Emmaus by 10 strokes behind Matthew Vital's runner-up finish and three Hurricane players in the top four places.

After an undefeated regular season, the Hurricanes did what they have done all season to win Monday's title.

"We've been look-

ing forward to playing Emmaus again, not just Emmaus but Nazareth and Central too," said Vital. "Those were close matches in the regular season. We knew we had to come out and prove ourselves today. A few of us played well enough to make sure that we beat them."

The Hurricanes had three players in the 70s with Vital's even-par 72, followed by Matt Ronca in third place overall with a 77 and Jase Barker (79) taking fourth

place overall. Only four golfers broke 80 in the event, played on a windy day in New Tripoli. Three of those players were Hurricanes.

Michael Vital rounded out Liberty's five-man team score of 311 with an 83, which was good for seventh place overall. Jimmy Barker shot 84 in the event and placed ninth.

Emmaus had one player in the 70s in Matt Zerfass, who also shot 72 and beat Matthew Vital on the first playoff hole.

The Hornets finished at 321, followed by Central Catholic (339) and Nazareth (345).

Matthew Vital and Zerfass were part of the first group out in the event and had a back-and-forth match going throughout the day.

A birdie on the first hole put the Hurricane ahead when Zerfass made three-straight bogeys on holes 3-5, Vital was in command. A triple bogey on number 6 closed the game and

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Matthew Vital took second but he and his teammates captured the EPC title.

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Freedom's Avaline Fihlman, right, shown here at DeSales, recently took first place at a recent meet.

Hurricane runners notch another sweep

BY KATIE MCDONALD
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A faster cross country course meant faster times for Bethlehem Catholic, Freedom, and Liberty harriers, and the Hurricanes registered their second undefeated week after defeating Stroudsburg North, and East Stroudsburg North.

"Our course is a faster course," said North's head cross country coach Christopher Corso. "The first mile is mild up hill and finishes with a steep incline. The second mile is flat and runs around our elementary school campus. The third mile is a repeat of the first. It's a grass course that starts and finishes on a baseball field."

Bethlehem Catholic's girls won against East Stroudsburg North, and Freedom's girls won against North and East Stroudsburg South. North, however, did not have enough girls to field a team.

Freedom sophomore Avaline Fihlman took first place in the girls race with a time of 19:45.82, followed by Liberty teammates Maddie Mumma and Mikailyn Matacavage.

In the boys race, Freedom senior Alex Heidemann came in first with a time of 15:52.58. Liberty's Jacob Orrico placed fourth overall but first for the Hurricanes.

Becahi's boys defeated South, and Freedom's boys defeated South and North.

GIRLS TOP 10
1. Avaline Fihlman

(F) 19:45.83, 2. Maddie Mumma (L) 19:54.34, 3. Mikailyn Matacavage (L) 20:58.40, 4. Deandra Young (SBG) 21:07.91, 5. Drew Bigley (SBG) 21:10.02, 6. Katherine Amundsen (SBG) 21:11.56, 7. Margaret Burke (B) 21:22.54, 8. Aubrey Yeager (F) 21:23.97, 9. Ella Scott (L) 21:29.12, 10. Rylee Davis (SBG) 21:30.73

BOYS TOP 10
1. Alex Heidemann (F) 15:52.58, 2. Liam Davis (ESS) 16:19.31, 3. Liam McLaughlin (SBG) 16:35.54, 4. Jacob Orrico (L) 18:56, 5. Nathan Reish (SBG) 16:56.30, 6. Andrew Huntsberger (SBG) 17:02.29, 7. Owen Reilly (L) 17:07.38, 8. Dylan Boyle (F) 17:07.83, 9. Cole Ruhf (L) 17:27.66, 10. Jacob Rivera (L) 17:40.00

Patriots regroup after first loss

BY PETER CAR
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Freedom's volleyball team has gotten off to a great start this season, but the Patriots suffered their first setback last week when they fell in four games to Parkland.

It was the first time since their opening match with Bethlehem Catholic where the team was pushed to the brink and head coach Donna Roman hopes the lessons learned pay dividends down the road.

"I have a couple takeaways from our Parkland match," said Roman. "First, we can compete with anyone. Parkland is easily one of the top teams in the state. We pushed them and competed with them throughout the match. Another takeaway is we have to focus on our stamina. We rely on our



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Elizabeth Barnes and the Patriots are off to an 8-1 start this season.

starters for most of our play, and the majority of our defense and offense. We need those players to

make it through those four and five set matches."

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FHS girls blank LHS

BY KATIE MCDONALD
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Freedom's girls soccer team expected Liberty to come out hard, but the Patriots came out harder in their 3-0 victory over the Hurricanes on Monday night at Freedom.

Senior Evangelia Hahalis scored the Patriots' first goal in just under five minutes of play under the lights in the first of two matches this season between Bethlehem rivals.

"It felt so good," said Hahalis of her second goal of the year. "You don't really know if it's gonna go in until the last second, and then when you see it go in the back of the net, the feeling's amazing. And I scored one like that versus Parkland too, so doing it twice just feels so good."

Hahalis's first goal came on Saturday in the Patriots' 2-1 loss to Parkland.

Grace Joseph scored on an assist by Hahalis with 6:19 remaining in the first half when Liberty goalie Sophia Albino came out of the net, and Joseph tapped it



PRESS PHOTO BY KATIE MCDONALD

From left to right, Evangelia Hahalis scored Freedom's first goal, Anya Johns had an assist, and Grace Joseph scored twice in the Patriots' 3-0 victory over Liberty on Monday night.

into the left corner.

The Patriots continued to control the game into the second half with 15 shots on goal compared to three for the Hurricanes.

Johns scored her second goal in the 41st minute on an assist by Anya Johns.

"I chopped it back to

the center and Grace ran onto it and shot it," Johns said.

Also on Monday night, Freedom's boys defeated Liberty, 2-0, at Liberty.

Sebastian Garces had a goal and an assist, Peter Tichy had a goal, and Corey James had an assist.

Becahi girls fall to Central Catholic

BY KATIE MCDONALD
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A goal in the 67th minute cost Bethlehem Catholic an even game to that point when Allentown Central Catholic freshman forward Dee McMullen scored on an assist by Josselin Muto to win the match, 1-0, last Friday at Becahi.

"It's very frustrating," said Bethlehem Catholic girls soccer head coach Brad Kratzer. "It's just little mistakes. We just have to clean up little mistakes. We just have to expose the wide areas, and we didn't do that very well."

The Vikettes had 15 shots on goal, and Becahi goalie Gabby Amato made nine saves. Olivia Shiffert, who replaced Amato for a few minutes in the first half after Amato was elbowed in the head, made one save.

"We like to press a lot which generally generates a bunch of shots," said Central head coach Rob Spatzer. "They're not always going to be quality shots, necessar-

ily, but we did feel like our spacing was a little bit off. We talked at half-time about spacing a little better so we could get better shots off."

The Hawks also discussed spacing at half-time.

"They took away the middle of the field. We tried to move some players wider," Kratzer said. "It worked and then the girls were playing slightly out of position so they didn't feel 100 percent comfortable. They went back to their natural positions, and then we were back in the same boat."

McMullen's goal was the first of her high school career.

"It was really exciting," she said. "I knew the goalie was coming near post so I looked far post, and I was trying to keep it low on the ground so I wouldn't hit over."

McMullen's goal went to the far left corner.

"Dee's pretty consistent with running in far post, so I knew to get a good cross, and she was

there," said Muto. "It was awesome. She plays so hard every game, and it was a great finish on her part."

The Vikettes were determined to tally more, but Amato knocked down two shots by Meredith Eisenmann after the Central midfielder went one-on-one with Amato but kicked it wide.

"One of the things we struggle with is scoring," said Spatzer. "We've dominated possession but it hasn't always generated goals, so we're hoping with repetition the goals will start to come."

Beca is having its struggles too, having been on the wrong side of several close games.

"We have to start working on more control around the box," Coach Kratzer said. "We just have to control the final third."

The Hawks had four shots on goal, and Central keeper Armani Brickhouse made three saves.

Freedom tops Hawks

BY KATIE MCDONALD
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Well after the Freedom Patriots defeated Bethlehem Catholic, 2-1, in a recent girls soccer game, Freedom junior Tess Zalutsky was still in shock over her game-winning goal less than three minutes into overtime last Wednesday at Freedom.

"Hannah (Heidemann) won the ball from their keeper, and I saw the ball, and I figured the keeper wasn't in the net, so I went up and took the shot, and I was really hoping it would go in. I was holding my breath," Zalutsky said. "That's all I really know because I'm still in shock and relief that it went in and that it was so quick into the overtime."

Just as quick was Julie Wright's goal for the Hawks on an assist by Summer Hill that tied the game just a couple of minutes into the second half.

"We made some adjustments at halftime to create the space that allowed for more balls to

be played through," said Becahi head coach Brad Kratzer.

But a red card put the Hawks at a clear disadvantage for the rest of the match.

"They're just a very aggressive team," said Zalutsky. "I just know we had to be aggressive back with all the cards in that game."

Freedom junior Grace Joseph scored the first goal of the game on a cross to the middle in the first half of play.

"I think we connected more passes than they did, but they were pretty tough," said Joseph. "They pressured us. They did pretty well, I'd say. We had to win, and it was Beca. We had to beat them."

Neither team had the advantage of depth, but both made the best out of their circumstances on Wednesday.

"We're not very deep, and we have a lot of girls who are injured, so it was a matter of the 11 that were in there giving their best effort as long as they could. Fortunately, we got a break

and had a good shot for a goal," said Freedom head coach Bob Eaton. "I think we'll need to work on our first touches, and, to an extent, our set plays and our opponents' set plays."

While the Patriots tallied a huge win over Wilson days earlier, Freedom was Becahi's first opponent of the season.

"It made it difficult to know exactly where we're going to be in competitive situations. We adjusted well at half yesterday and we need to just keep pushing possession-based attack," said Coach Kratzer. "Because we are a smaller school, we do not have the subs necessary, so to combat that we concentrated on fitness levels. That truly showed yesterday playing in the warm conditions through overtime and being down a player. I am also very happy with our defensive shape. Once we get through the difficult opening period of games, we should settle and put together an incredible season."

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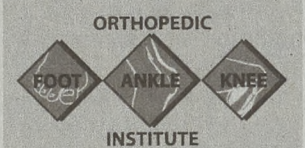
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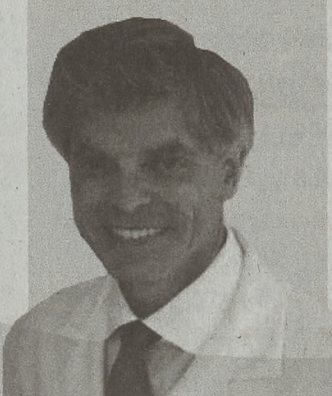
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Richardson, Hawks experience dejaavu

BY JEFF MOELLER
Special to the Press

For Jared Richardson, it was a state of dejaavu.

Two years ago, Richardson connected with Matt Stianche on a 30-yard touchdown with 50 seconds left that lifted Bethlehem Catholic for a 27-22 victory.

Just over two years later, Richardson replayed the feat, this time when his team really needed a lift.

Richardson hit Jaiden Ellis-Lahey with 28 seconds remaining that gave the Golden Hawks a 28-22 victory over Liberty last Friday night.

The Golden Hawks' season (2-3) was revived from a 42-41 loss to Nazareth the previous week when they blew a 27-point lead.

"That was probably the most memorable game in my career," noted Richardson of the game two years ago. "This was a big one for us.

"We can bounce back and still have a lot of football left to play."

Head coach Kyle Haas is confident his team can bounce back beginning at Emmaus Friday night.

"We played a competitive game this week," said Haas. "We never quit. Liberty played an outstanding game, and it was what you would expect in a city rivalry game. We are getting kids back to health. We need to build on this win and gain momentum into the last five games of the regular season."

Richardson completed 19 of 27 passes for 244 yards with a pair of touchdowns. He also rushed for a score. Ellis-Lahey had nine receptions for 131 yards with a pair of scores. Zyaire Morris led the Golden Hawks with 84 yards on 25 carries.

For the season, Richardson has completed 83 of 123 passes for 950 yards with six touchdowns and two interceptions. He has rushed for 224 yards with five scores.

Haas, who has returned since his previous interim status, quickly realized Richardson's potential.

"Jared has been a great leader for us ever since I arrived at Beca," said Haas. "He worked extremely hard in the offseason to prepare himself after a season-ending shoulder injury in 2020.

"He has been a real pleasure to coach."

Richardson has been preparing for his current status since his early youth. He has molded his style after Randall Cunningham and Russell Wilson as well as relishing the play of Patrick Mahomes.

His father, John, was a major influence in his career.

"I have been playing quarterback since I was seven," he recalled. "I played running back, but I knew I was always going to be a quarterback. My dad has been working with



Jared Richardson and Hawks were able to get by Liberty last week.

me since I was little.

"Coach Heinrich was a big influence on me, and Phil Dorn has a lot to do with where I am today. I got more and more confident with the position as I got older. I want to be able to do a number of things, and I believe I have.

"Playing quarterback came naturally to me. I have been working on my time in the pocket, and I have learned to run if I see an opening. I also feel more comfortable and confident reading defenses."

Richardson hasn't yet committed to a college choice, and he likely will pursue a career in the health care field. He will play basketball in the winter, and plans to join the track team in the spring.

"It's 100-percent wide open," stressed Richardson about his future. "I want to try and see what will be the best situation for me."

PREDICTION: Emmaus is coming off an 84-0 whitewashing of hapless East Stroudsburg North in which they led 63-0 at halftime. Quarterback Josiah Williams has stopped up his game and Tylik Jarvis has sparked the Green Hornets' running game. They were shutout, 21-0, by Central Catholic two weeks ago. There are some whispers about their legitimacy as an EPC contender.

Meanwhile, whispers of team dissension at Becahi have died down. But the Golden Hawks are still at the crossroads of being an EPC contender as well as their district plans. They have proved they can score points, but they have allowed 64 points in their last two games after 35 in their first three. Beca again has to prove itself this week in another close one, and they can give themselves a significant momentum boost. Richardson will be the best playmaker in the stadium. Don't forget the hot dogs, coach Haas. GOLDEN HAWKS, 28-24.



PRESS PHOTO BY DON HERB

Central upset Parkland and is now on top of the poll.

Pete's Top-10 Central is at the top

BY PETER CAR
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A new king is crowned this week, as Central Catholic makes its way to the apex after stunning Parkland last week. Vikings head coach Tim McGorry is showing everyone that he is one of the best coaches in the area with what he's been able to do with that program.

Now, can he do it again this week against Freedom?

Parkland clashes with its backyard rivals, Whitehall, this week, while Northampton has its first meaningful game since Week 1.

There's also a battle of unbeatens with major District 11 4A ramifications on the line when Northwestern and Wilson face each other this week.

Things are getting spicy in Week 6, so let's see who can handle the heat.

1. Central Catholic (4-1)
Last week's rank: #7

Central spikes to the top after upsetting Parkland, but I think they come back down to earth this week.

The Pick: Freedom 24- Central Catholic 14

2. Parkland (3-1)
Last week's rank: #1
I guess Parkland proved they're mortal. Trojans get back on track this week.

The Pick: Parkland 28- Whitehall 7

3. Emmaus (4-1)
Last week's rank: #3
Hornets will be too strong for Becahi.

The Pick: Emmaus 31- Bethlehem Catholic 21

4. Freedom (3-2)
Last week's rank: #4
Biggest game of the week on the EPC calendar.

The Pick: Freedom 24- Central Catholic 14

5. Nazareth (3-2)
Last week's rank: #2
Blue Eagles continue Liberty's skid.

The Pick: Nazareth 35- Liberty 20

6. Easton (2-2)
Last week's rank: #5
Rovers are fortunate to have an easy one after their Whitehall

game was canceled.

The Pick: Easton 49- Allen 7

7. Whitehall (3-1)
Last week's rank: #6
Classic rivalry week for the Zephs, but they won't have enough up front to stop Parkland.

The Pick: Parkland 28- Whitehall 7

8. Northampton (5-0)
Last week's rank: #8
Does ESS relinquish their North supremacy this week?

The Pick: East Stroudsburg South 24- Northampton 21

9. Northwestern (5-0)
Last week's rank: #9
An unexpected battle between Colonial unbeatens with Northwestern and Wilson on tap. Tigers have the pedigree for this one.

The Pick: Northwestern 35- Wilson 21

10. Notre Dame (5-0)
Last week's rank: #10
Crusaders will bomb away Tamaqua this week.

The Pick: Notre Dame 41- Tamaqua 16

Last week's pick: 5-1
Season records: 31-6

'Canes hope to learn

BY PETER CAR
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It was a rough patch in Liberty's schedule last week in field hockey and the Hurricanes took their lumps in a tough four game stretch.

The Hurricanes (6-4) lost three of four games last week, all to the top teams in the East Penn Conference, to make it a learning experience for Jill Dorn's squad.

After dropping games to Nazareth, Parkland and Pocono Mountain East by a combined 9-0 margin, Dorn wanted her team to keep their heads up.

"The takeaway from last week is that we had tough opponents but we were resilient in our play," she said. "Moving forward, the experience has helped us to

improve. The overall message is to not lose their sense of competitiveness just because another team may score on them. They have the fighting spirit, but then we have the job of finding the back of the net ourselves."

Liberty ended their three-game skid with a 5-0 win over Freedom on Saturday, giving them a boost coming into the week with contests against Owen J. Roberts and Bethlehem Catholic.

"Goals for the week are to reset and recharge," said Dorn. "We play Bethlehem Catholic [on Tuesday] and are going to take a day to get caught up on work. Having the mindfulness to continue to treat ourselves well and not burn out is imperative. The goal is to use the

time we have that isn't packed with games to reconnect.

The Hurricanes appear to be the only city team in the hunt for district contention this year, as Freedom (1-10) and Bethlehem Catholic (3-6) have struggled to find their footing.

The Pates have lost nine straight games coming into the week, including Monday's 3-0 defeat to Northampton. They look to pick up a win on Thursday when they travel to East Stroudsburg South (2-3).

Becahi has won two of their last three games to give them some life, knocking off Allen and East Stroudsburg North. They play Liberty and Whitehall this week in a difficult two-game EPC slate.

Vital made two bogeys, one double and one triple in his round, offset by the seven birdies.

Freedom's Jacob Grillo was the next-best Bethlehem finisher Monday, taking 18th place with an 86. Patriot teammate Krish Patel also competed in the tournament, shooting a 105. Bethlehem Catholic's Case Kelly represented the Golden Hawks Monday, carding a 110 at the event.

ie. On 18 we both made good pars. All day it was a battle going on."

The playoff went to Olde Homestead's par-five first hole. Zerfass parred and Vital made bogey.

"I played well," he said. "I just had a few holes where I hit out of bounds or hit into a hazard and took a big number. Besides that I had seven birdies. I played pretty well. I can't be mad."

GOLF

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eventually Zerfass got the lead.

Vital birdied the 16th to get one stroke back, and both players birdied the 17th and parred the 18th.

"We had a battle going on," said Matthew Vital. "On 17 he made a huge putt, really good putt, like 50 feet over a hill for birdie. Then I topped it with a bird-

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season that I was hoping that everything we've been through this season, our kids we're going to keep fighting," Haas said. "We were tied and all we had to do was get into field goal position, but Jared scrambled and found Jaiden Ellis-Lahey, who I think is going to be a big time football player."

Mason and Richardson had themselves a duel, as the Liberty signal caller was 16-of-30 for 232 yards and two

scores. Richardson completed 19-of-27 for 244 yards and two scores, along with an interception.

Ellis-Lahey lived up to his billing, as he hauled in nine balls for 131 yards and two scores.

The loss marked the fourth straight for Liberty after a season-opening win against East Stroudsburg South, as they now head into a clash with Nazareth (3-2) Saturday night at BASD.

Becahi now faces a tough matchup on the road with Emmaus (4-1)

Friday night, but for one night, they could celebrate an emotional win over a city rival.

"Basically, what you had was two programs that are trying to establish what they want to do," said Haas. "My hat's off to Shawn [Daigault] and the Liberty staff. They're doing a great job over there and I'm just proud of our kids because they could have folded when this thing got tied late, but they kept fighting and for us, as coaches, that's a huge step."

FHS

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little more," said Coach Roeder. "It's the way the game kind of went there, trying to milk the clock at the end. Brian (Taylor) made some key plays, no doubt. We protected on the outside, and obviously some receivers made some plays on the outside."

On a fourth-and-16,

Taylor completed a pass to Neidig in the end zone for the Patriots' first touchdown of the game.

"My line was blocking, my receivers were making all the catches, and that's not me. That's them. They set that up," said a humble Taylor.

Nazareth was first on the scoreboard early in the first quarter after Sasso completed two passes, the first to Jake

Hilarcyk and the second to Nolan Lobb for 17 yards, when Tyler Rohn plunged to the end zone.

The Blue Eagles were also last on the scoreboard on a Sasso throw to Broc Bender with two seconds left.

Freedom's next opponent is Allentown Central Catholic on Friday, also Freedom's Homecoming, at 7 p.m. at BASD Stadium.

VBALL

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Freedom (8-1) recovered quickly after the Parkland loss to sweep Liberty last week and now have a week with two matches against Northampton (6-3) and Pocono Mountain East (8-3).

With two battles expected, Roman is hoping to keep the team focused heading into the second half of the season.

"The message this week is focus and rejuvenation," she said. "We have a two-match week, coming off a four-match week and going into another four-match week.

It is important we play our best point-by-point as we are closing out the first half of the season. Coming off a week where we played Parkland, and crosstown rival Liberty, it could be easy to lose the focus on our goals. It is important that we are focusing on teamwork, strong defense, and aggressive front row play."

Liberty (4-4) is staying in the district postseason hunt, despite losing three out of their last four.

The Hurricanes have a chance to give themselves a cushion this week with three matches against Easton (4-6), Allen (2-8) and Pocono

Mountain West (4-6). It's an opportunity to gain some momentum heading into the stretch run to position themselves for a postseason berth.

Bethlehem Catholic (7-2) are winners of six straight heading into a week where they should extend that to eight games.

The Hawks face Whitehall (3-5) and East Stroudsburg South (0-6) this week in two matches they should win, as they continue to try and stay near the top of the District 11 3A power ratings.

They currently sit in third behind Pottsville (6-0) and Southern Lehigh (8-0).



Elaine Johnson Thomas takes out fresh cupcakes for the display case out front.



Summer Howard, owner of Film Cakez Bakery decorates a cake for a special occasion.

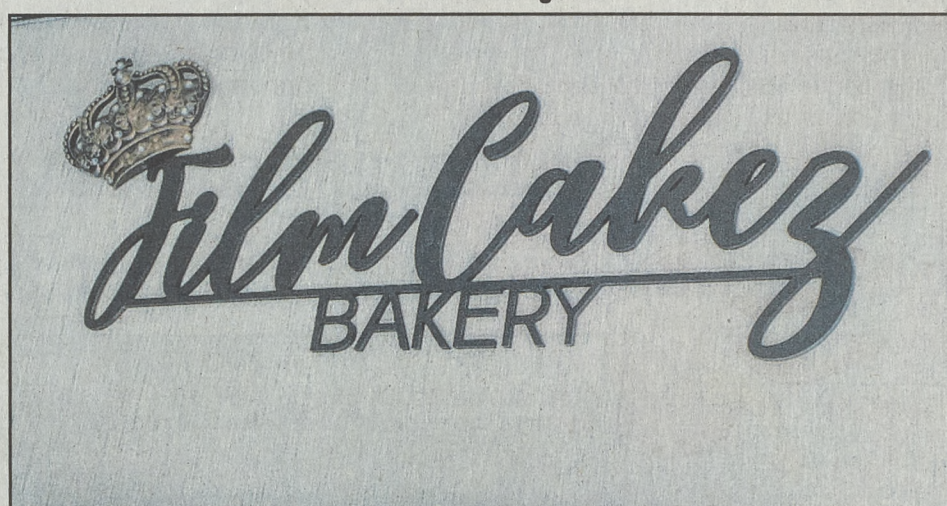
There's a new bakery in town

BY LAKISHA BONNELL
Special to the Bethlehem Press

Summer Howard says her new bakery, Film Cakez, at 1401 High St., is a community and family-based establishment. She has been a part of the Bethlehem community for the last 25 years. For Howard, baking has always been a family affair.

Her bakery specializes in cake mapping, which is a process that brings five-tier cakes alive through technology by projecting images and patterns on to the cakes. Most cakes will have a Hollywood theme. The concept is new to the Lehigh Valley.

Howard first started baking as a child with her grandmother, "Nana." Her grandmother sold food plates for friends and family and Summer was her best helper.



Film Cakez, at 1401 High St., is a community and family-based establishment.

Nana was also a baker. Over the years, Howard picked up a host of culinary skills helping her grandmother. Baking became her passion, which led to plans to open her own bakery with her mother and grandmother. When her grand-

mother passed, Howard began to bake more and more. And even though her mother did not live to see the opening of the bakery either, Howard has a dedication to the women in the bakery so that "they are always with me in the bakery."

Customer can see videos of cake mapping and a catalog of Howard's cake art on the website filmcakz.com.



Special mementos of Howard's mother and grandmother are on display to remind her they are still baking with her.

Kutztown Folk Festival October events planned

The Kutztown Folk Festival will be hosting a series of smaller, in-person events this fall.

The following is a listing of scheduled events.

- Quilt Barn Store on Main Street, Oct. 13-17.

- Open for in-person sales and viewing.

- Storefront located on Main and Noble streets in Kutztown.

- Passport to Downtown Kutztown Oct 13-17.

- Visit select merchants downtown and have your passport stamped.

- Take it to the Quilt Barn Store and submit your completed passport for a chance to win a quilt of your choice.

- This is a ticketed event.

- Farm to Table Dinner Event at Rodale Institute 4:30-8:30 p.m. Oct. 14.

- Includes a wagon ride to the Garden Pavilion where Blue Mountain Vineyards will be hosting a wine tasting at 5 p.m.

- Stroll back to the Barn for dinner.

Local artists and craftsmen will be available to demonstrate and sell their products.

Complete with a take-home dessert and optional time at the fire pit.

- This is a ticketed event.

- Square Dancing on Main Street, 7-9 p.m. Oct. 15.

- Lester Miller and his family of square dancers along with Keith Brintzenhoff will entertain Friday.

- Visit local restaurants for dinner and enjoy a wine and beer garden on Main Street.

- Enjoy some of your favorite Festival desserts.

- Dutch Hex Sign Bike Tour on Oct. 16.

- DIY Bike Tour originating at the PA German Cultural Heritage Center includes a map of backroads you can ride and see the beautiful hex sign art.

- Swag Bag included.

- This is a ticketed event.

- Fall Day Fest on Oct. 16.

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LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE is hereby given that sealed bids will be received by the Borough of Freemansburg for a Five (5) year Contract for Garbage Collection, including Recyclable Materials, within the Borough of Freemansburg on or before 4:00 P.M. local time, October 22, 2021 at the Borough Office at 600 Monroe Street, Freemansburg, PA 18017. Bid documents are available for pick-up during normal business hours at the Borough Office, or, on the Borough's website: www.boroughoffreemansburg.org.

All interested persons shall attend a Pre-bid Conference on October 13, 2021 at 1:00 P.M. local time at the Borough Offices, to Pick-up bid specifications.

Deadline for Bid Submission – October 22, 2021, at 4:00 P.M., Freemansburg Borough Municipal Building.

The Borough of Freemansburg reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids and to waive technicalities and informalities in any bid for the best interest of the Borough of Freemansburg.

Jonathan Itterly, Borough Manager

Engelbert Humperdinck
Thu., Oct. 7
7:30 PM - \$75/\$65/\$55
Sponsored by
Brown-Daub Family of Dealerships
and 790 WAEB

Postmodern Jukebox
Thu., Oct. 21
7:30 PM - \$75/\$50/\$40
Sponsored by
Norris McLaughlin, P.A.
and WDIY 88.1 FM

THE DAILY SHOW WRITERS COMEDY TOUR

Haunted Illusions

The Daily Show Writers Comedy Tour
Fri., Oct. 22
8 PM - \$29 Age 16+
Sponsored by 95.1 ZZO

Haunted Illusions
Magic of David Caserta
Sat., Oct. 23 - 7 PM - \$22/\$12 child 12 & under
Sponsored by lehighvalleylive.com + The Express-Times

Beyond the Eats
Alton Brown: LIVE!
Wed., Oct. 27 - 7:30 PM - \$67/\$57
Sponsored by B104 and 95.1 ZZO

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State Theatre

453 Northampton St.
Easton, PA
610-252-3132
1-800-999-STATE
www.statetheatre.org

Walking bridge discussion public meetings Oct. 1



A long ongoing discussion regarding the possible construction of a walking bridge over the Lehigh River, running parallel with the Fahy Bridge, continues with public input at the listed date and times. See the website included for additional details.

FALL HAPPENINGS

Following the directives established by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention to limit public gatherings, several of the following meetings / activities might be changed, canceled, streamed or online. Check websites and social media as available.

October 1 to 30

Historic Downtown Bethlehem second annual Scarecrow Showdown, Oct. 1 through 30 along Main and Broad streets. Winner announced Nov. 1. Information: www.facebook.com/events/142262817976981/?event_time_id=142262871310309

Oktoberfest

Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays, Oct. 1 to 3 and 8 to 10. Visit steelstacks.org/festivals/oktoberfest for more information.

Saturdays and Sundays, Oct. 2, 3, and 9, 10

Wienerdog Parades, Oktoberfest Arena, PNC Plaza. 12:30 p.m. Free to participate; no pre-registration required. Dog sign-up at noon on parade day. Visit www.steelstacks.org/festivals/oktoberfest/oktober-festivities/

Wienerdog Races, Oktoberfest Arena, PNC Plaza. Saturdays: 1:30, 3, 4:30 p.m. Oct. 3: 1:30, 3 p.m. Oct. 10: 1:30 p.m. Free to participate; no pre-registration required. Check in noon on parade day. Race registration fee, information and ticket sales: visit steelstacks.org/Oktoberfest.

Saturday, October 2

Arts Quest PierogiPalooza, 2 p.m. Passports may be purchased (lower price in advance of the event) by visiting www.steelstacks.org. Passport holders receive their choice of any six pierogis at stations along the SteelStacks campus stations, 101 Founders Way. Pierogies may be purchased individually.

Oktoberfest Hot Glass Experience: Fridays, 5 to 9 p.m., Saturdays, noon to 8 p.m., Sundays, noon to 4 p.m.

Make a solid glass pumpkin or an acorn; work one on one with ArtsQuest Glass staff. Pieces need to cool for about 24 hours, participants must return to either the festival or Banana Factory to pick up their work. Banana Factory, 711 E. First St. Visit www.bananafactory.org/event/11438/oktoberfest-hot-glass-experience/ for exact dates and times.

Sundays, October 3 and 10

State Steinhilfing Championship, 11th annual Oktoberfest hosts the Pennsylvania State Steinhilfing Championship competition, presented by Lehigh Valley International Airport (ABE). The championships are produced in partnership with the U.S. Steinhilfing Association and presented by Samuel Adams. Semi-finals at 5 p.m. Oct. 3 and the finals at 3 p.m. Oct. 10.

The Bethlehem Press calendar listings are, to the best of our knowledge, correct at the time of printing. We are not responsible for the accuracy or reliability of information submitted by external parties.

ANOTHER VIEW

Support Meals on Wheels

BY FREDERICK JERANT

Special to the Bethlehem Press

Thanksgiving Day is just a few weeks away, and we're all anticipating a table loaded with enough food to feed an army. This time of year, it's important to recognize that thousands of people in the Lehigh Valley won't have that kind of meal.

Whether through age, infirmity, or economic situations, purchasing and cooking food for many presents challenges. Twelve hundred meals a day, five days a week along 84 delivery routes, Meals on Wheels of the Greater Lehigh Valley (MWGLV) fulfills its mission.

Until recently, our community was served by two separate groups — Meals on Wheels in Lehigh County and Meals on Wheels in Northampton County. Following the retirements of Lehigh's executive director Pam Bechtel in 2017 and Northampton's JoAnn Nenow in 2018, the organizations merged.

Contrary to popular belief, Meals on Wheels is not a "program of last resort." The majority of clients are in a low-income bracket and use the service for extended periods, but others are served for a short time.

"On one hand, we may have someone who's at home convalescing from surgery. On the other, an individual may need nutritional support longer term due to limited mobility or other factors," explains CEO Vicki Coyle.

Meal delivery also provides a bit of personal interaction for clients, helping to offset the effects of social isolation.

"Medically, being alone can affect your health the way smoking 15 cigarettes a day could," Coyle says. Drivers generally have the same routes each day and are alert to changes in a client's condition or behavior. Their feedback to the MWGLV office often results in a follow-up call to a family member.

Speaking of "family members," Meals on Wheels looks after companion animals as well. "Our 'Ani-meals' program provides pet food or cat litter to about 25 low-income clients each month. Having a pet can help you live longer, and we want to be sure our clients eat their full meals and not share them with a pet; that's not good for either of them," she says.

Unopened/unexpired pet food contributions are welcome. Learn more, donate, or volunteer at www.mowglv.org.

BETHLEHEM AREA SD MS auditorium named after former principal

BY JENN RAGO

Special to the Bethlehem Press

Little discussion was needed at the Sept. 20 Bethlehem Area School District board meeting, and all the votes were unanimous with the exception of the naming of the Broughal MS auditorium. That vote passed 5-2 in favor of naming it after Joseph Santoro, the building's former principal, who passed away in 2020.

Board member Winston Alozie clarified that the nay votes were not a reflection on Mr. Santoro but rather a problem with the policy process for naming new or improved facilities, which the board will be

examining.

Committee reports included Dr. Dean Donaher indicating Northampton County Community College President Dr. Mark Erickson's recently announced retirement in the summer of 2022.

Dr. Kim Shively reported the special education program was approved with zero errors.

Board President Mike Faccinnetto reported that the PSBA conference will be virtual again this year and the foundation for the BASD has included a diversity and inclusion policy.

The board's next regular meeting is scheduled for Oct. 11.



PRESS PHOTO BY JENN RAGO

Student Representatives Star Stauffer from Liberty HS (left) and Emma Lazo from Freedom HS debut at their first regular school board meeting of the year. Freedom will be performing "Miracle on 34th Street" and Liberty will be performing "Pride and Prejudice." Both girls reported that students were overall pleased to be back in person and peers are excited for the upcoming school year.

HELLERTOWN COUNCIL

Fire police captain, officer approved

BY CHRIS HARING

Special to the Bethlehem Press

The Dewey Fire Company celebrated the reinstatement of its Fire Police division, as a new captain and officer were sworn in at the Sept. 20 Hellertown Council meeting. To kick off the brief ceremony, Chief Matthew Simkovic introduced Brandon Miller as the new officer, with Mayor David Heintzelman doing the honors of swearing in Miller.

Next, Simkovic introduced incoming fire police captain and current fire lieutenant Chris Miller, a department veteran of two years whom the chief credited with helping see the restoration of the division to fruition. Miller was unable to be present due to concurrent department-related activities.

"As you can see over the past six months, we've got a sizable fire police squad now ... we have five active members at this time," Simkovic said, adding that the department is hoping to keep growing. The council unanimously approved both nominees.

Noelle Kramer with the Hellertown Area Library joined the meeting to provide a brief update on its 2020 annual report. With COVID-19



PRESS PHOTO BY CHRIS HARING

Mayor David Heintzelman swears in new fire police officer Brandon Miller. Chris Miller, a department veteran of two years whom the chief credited with helping see the restoration of the division, was introduced as the incoming fire police captain and current fire lieutenant.

affecting library operations for the majority of the year, she reported a 30 percent decrease in physical interactions with patrons, but about the same increase in on-line and virtual patronage. She reminded the council that September is Library Card Sign-Up Month and welcomed the community to come and see what the HAL has to offer.

The previous meeting's proposal from owner Cleto Landis of the Star Pre-Owned car dealership, in which he asked the borough to consider vacating the portions of Oak Al-

ley and Hemlock Street which sit behind his business, appeared on the evening's agenda as promised.

Landis wishes to fully integrate into his dealership the recently purchased parcel which falls between the two streets, he said. After some debate due to a nearby resident's traffic concerns, only council President Thomas Rieger voted against moving forward with the motion. The proposal will now be publicly advertised and a subsequent hearing will be held before further action is taken by the council.

Council members also approved the appointment of Liz Thompson to the borough's planning commission, upon their recommendation. The term, left vacant due to the August death of commissioner Dave Kuhns, expires at the end of 2024.

Thompson is an eight-year resident of Hellertown and works as a senior client/project manager for Educational Testing Services. Her background includes eight years in the U.S. Marine Corps and degrees in electrical engineering and education.

LEHIGH CO. COMMISSIONERS

DeSales medical studies gets \$1M grant

BY DOUGLAS GRAVES

Special to the Bethlehem Press

Lehigh County Commissioners approved a \$1 million grant from the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania under the Redevelopment Assistance Capital Program to assist with DeSales University's Medical Studies Building project in Lehigh County.

The vote was 7-1, with Commissioner Percy Dougherty voting against the pass-through grant. Commissioner Zakiya Smalls was absent from the hybrid in-person and online meeting.

The grant mechanism is frequently referred to as a "pass-through grant" because the money was not part of the Lehigh County budget process, but was approved by the state. Nevertheless, it requires Lehigh County approval.

According to an announcement from Pa. State Senator Pat Browne, the building will be a 40,000-square-foot facility, which will house the doctor of physical



CONTRIBUTED PHOTO

Lehigh Commissioners appointed David S. Jones, Sr. to the Lehigh Valley Planning Commission. Jones is a former Lehigh County Commissioner.

therapy and speech language pathology programs.

The building will contain labs needed for hands-on instruction for both DPT (Doctor of Physical Therapy) and SLP (Speech Language Pathologist), as well as administrative and faculty offices, a lecture hall, classrooms, a student lounge and storage areas.

Department of Community and Economic Development of Lehigh County, in conjunction with Capital Blue Cross, has applied for and been awarded a \$1 million grant from the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania under the Redevelopment Assistance Capital Program to assist with the Harrisburg insurer new \$4 million building called Capital Blue Cross Connect at 1221 Hamilton Street in Allentown.

In other business, Lehigh Commissioners appointed David S. Jones Sr. to the Lehigh Valley Planning Commission. Jones is a former Lehigh County Commissioner.

Northampton Community College**Free dental cleanings offered**

Dental hygiene students are now available to provide multiple oral assessments, cancer screenings, dental cleanings, radiographs, fluoride treatments and dental screenings. The students are supervised by licensed hygienists and dentists. The clinic is open Monday, Wednesday and Friday at the Litwak Dental Clinic, Fowler Southside Center.

Dental cleanings are free for all NCC credit students. There is a cost for the public. Contact Michelle at (610) 861-5442 to schedule an appointment.

Sandy Hook fathers' presentation Nov. 2

Fathers who lost children to the Sandy Hook Elementary School shootings in 2012 will give a virtual talk, "Reflections of Sandy Hook: Four Fathers, Four Journeys," presented virtually by Northampton Community College (NCC) on Tuesday, Nov. 2, 7 p.m. The fathers will discuss grief, loss and hope after tragedy. Students, staff, faculty and community members are welcome to access the talk.

The fathers: David Wheeler is on the board of directors of Sandy Hook Promise and an advisory member of the board of Ben's Lighthouse, a community organization named in honor of his son Ben. Mark Barden leads policy and outreach efforts for Sandy Hook Promise since the loss of his son Daniel and has dedicated himself to bringing people together to find sensible solutions that will help prevent future tragedies. Ian Hockley leads Dylan's Wings of Change full time, a foundation named after his son Dylan, who had autism and attended Sandy Hook due to the quality of its special needs program. The fourth father was Jeremy Richman, who co-founded the Avielle Foundation with his wife in honor of their daughter Avielle. Richman tragically died by suicide in 2019. As part of the original circuit, the fathers honor his memory in keeping the program name.

To access this event, visit <https://bit.ly/nccfourfathers>. For questions, email fbosshell@northampton.edu.

View Online: <http://northampton.meritpages.com/news/NCC-to-Present-Virtual-Talk-by-Fathers-of-Sandy-Hook-Victims/21707>

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

DEAN'S LISTS**Lehigh Carbon Community College**

Angelina Dias and Amariyllis Rivera of Bethlehem and Alexandra Bosco of Hellertown have been named to the Lehigh Carbon Community College summer 2021 semester dean's list. The students earned an academic grade point average of at least 3.50 to be included.

Seton Hall University

Bethlehem area residents Noah Joseph and Amanda Rachwal were named recently to Seton Hall University's spring 2021 dean's list.

GRADUATION**Bloomsburg University**

10 Bethlehem area residents received their academic degrees the weekend of May 14-16 from Bloomsburg University of Pennsylvania. The overall grade point average necessary for honors distinction is as follows: cum laude (with distinction) 3.5 - 3.74 overall average; magna cum laude (with great distinction) 3.75 - 3.94 overall average; and summa cum laude (with highest distinction) 3.95 - 4.0 overall average.

The graduates are Matthew Donchez, Business Administration*Marketing; Lauren Epright, Cum Laude, Speech Pathology and Audiology; Adrian Gonzalez, Health Sciences; Tyler Hafner, MED Business Education; Samuel Hasselbusch, Environmental - Geographical - Geological Sciences; Daniel Healey, Languages and Cultures; Jacob Iacovone, Communication Studies; Justin Kapcsos, Digital Forensics; Shane Simononis, Professional Sales and Marketing; and Ashley Jae Weinberg, Magna Cum Laude, Early Childhood (PK-4).

FROM THE DESK OF...**State Senator Lisa Boscola**

The Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency (PCCD) approved \$655,848 in grants to local governments and organizations that address violence and delinquency prevention, response to the opioid epidemic as well as gun violence reduction.

The funding awards were approved through the State Violence and Delinquency Prevention Program Funds, Federal State Opioid Responses (SOR) Funds, State Opioid Response Funds and Gun Violence Reduction Grant Program.

State Violence and Delinquency Prevention Program Funds:
 • Wilson Area LINC's Family Center: \$150,000
 Federal State Opioid Responses (SOR) Funds:
 • Valley Youth House Committee, Inc. for its Life Skills Training at Easton Area Middle School: \$98,346
 • Colonial Intermediate Unit #20 for its Total School Improvement Project: \$31,571
 State Opioid Response Funds:
 • Northampton County for its Northampton County Recovery Court Initiative: \$152,631
 Gun Violence Reduction Grant Program:
 • Promise Neighborhoods of the Lehigh Valley to implement its Cure Violence Model: \$223,300.

Also, on the eve of the 34th year of the Celtic Classic Highland Games & Festival, she has secured \$50,000 in state funding for the Celtic Cultural Alliance in support of the internationally known event that brings over a quarter million people to Bethlehem for the three-day event.

State Rep. Steve Samuelson

Rep. Samuelson hosted a Pennsylvania House public hearing Sept. 1 regarding fair funding. Pennsylvania regularly falls at the bottom nationally when it comes to adequately funding basic education. The hearing included discussion on how the fair funding formula could help better serve students and the economy. Education investments ultimately result in economic returns to the state in the form of a more prepared workforce and productive citizens. Level Up funding from the current fiscal year was also discussed. Sean Brandon, budget analyst for the House Appropriations Committee, began his presentation noting the importance of that constitutional commitment and shared how the Fair Funding Formula and budget practices allocate funds to school districts across the state.

Joseph Roy, Bethlehem Area School District Superintendent, and Karen Beck-Pooley, Bethlehem Area School District Director, shared a district-level perspective of how they use the state funds received, noting challenges with charter school reimbursements and rising special education costs. Communities of color are disproportionately impacted by a lack of equitable state education funding. Regional tax capacity often determines the quality of education students receive. Beck-Pooley called attention to the unfortunate statistic that Pennsylvania remains the state with the largest per pupil spending gap between richest and poorest districts.

Samuelson was joined by Policy Committee Chairman Ryan Bizzarro and members of the House Democratic Policy Committee.

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PRESS PHOTOS BY MARGE HOPKINS

Girl Scout Gold Award recipients Amelia Seibel, of Allentown, Christian Roach, of Easton, Ella West, of Allentown, Kimmy Moser, of Hellertown, Brooke Labenberg, of Fogelsville, and Ashley Westgate, of Macungie, share some time together before U.S. Rep. Susan Wild arrives.

U.S. Rep. Susan Wild visits Mountain House Day Camp



U.S. Rep. Susan Wild, D-7th, toured the only Girl Scout camp in the 7th District and held a Q&A with young women who've earned the Gold Award and other achievements of merit Aug. 5. **Above:** Jennifer Allebach, chief mission delivery officer, Carla Hickey, director of governance and advocacy, Cecily Macy, head of fund development, and Day Camp Director Kristin "Clicky" Leiby await the arrival of U.S. Rep. Susan Wild, D-7th, to Mountain House.



Rep. Susan Wild takes a seat around the fire pit with the Girl Scouts for a question-and-answer session. Representatives at Mountain House addressed some issues at the camp, including the lack of flushable toilets. Currently the camp has two four-stall latrines.



Carla Hickey and State Rep. Peter Schwyer, D-22nd, exchange a laugh during the tour of the 15-acre property in Salisbury Township.



Girl Scout Ambassador Christian Roach presents a gift from the scouts to U.S. Rep. Susan Wild, D-7th.



U.S. Rep. Susan Wild and state Rep. Peter Schwyer visit Girl Scouts of Eastern Pennsylvania's Mountain House Day Camp, located on West Rock Road in Salisbury Township. The Aug. 5 visit included a tour of the secluded 15-acre campus which dates back to the 1940s. Mountain House is one of six operated by GSEP, the ninth largest council in the organization and hosts girls from kindergarten through high school. Some of the most popular activities at the site include archery, crafts, the GaGa pit - a gentle form of kickball, a Slip'n Slide and walking trails. The Girl Scouts of America organization currently has over 1.7 million scouts.

YOUR LOCAL WEATHER

7 Day Forecast

Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday
Mostly Sunny	Mostly Sunny	Sunny	Mostly Sunny	Partly Cloudy	Few Showers	Mostly Cloudy
69 / 49 5-9 mph NW	67 / 45 4-10 mph N	68 / 46 3-9 mph WNW	69 / 48 3-8 mph NW	70 / 50 4-8 mph NW	69 / 47 2-5 mph NE	71 / 51 1-2 mph S

FORECAST FOR
LEHIGH
VALLEY
PENNSYLVANIA

Today we will see mostly sunny skies, high temperature of 69°, humidity of 51%. Northwest wind 5 to 9 mph. The record high temperature for today is 86° set in 1929. Expect mostly clear skies tonight, overnight low of 49°. Northwest wind 2 to 5 mph. The record low for tonight is 32° set in 2000. Thursday, skies will be mostly sunny, high temperature of 67°, humidity of 54%. North wind 4 to 10 mph. Thursday night, skies will be clear, overnight low of 45°. North wind 3 to 7 mph. Friday, skies will be sunny, high temperature of 68°, humidity of 55%. West northwest wind 3 to 9 mph. Friday night, skies will be mostly clear, overnight low of 46°. Northwest wind 3 to 6 mph. Saturday, skies will be mostly sunny, high of 69°, humidity of 56%.

Weather Trivia

What are cirrus clouds?

Answer: High-level clouds on average of 16,000 feet or more.



Conservation District receives grant

LEHIGH COUNTY

The Lehigh County Conservation District recently announced it was awarded an Urban Agriculture Conservation grant through a partnership with the National Association of Conservation Districts, the U.S. Department of Agriculture and Natural Resources Conservation Service to boost technical capacity nationwide.

"At Lehigh County Conservation District we educate about preserving soil and water resources because we know that these are the building blocks of healthy people, a healthy community, and a healthy environment," remarked Bill McFadden, district man-

ager. "Thanks to the Urban Agriculture grant from NACD, the District will be able to provide expanded assistance to Allentown and Lehigh County schools through the release of our Urban Agriculture Curriculum."

Lehigh County Conservation District Education Coordinator Jolie Chylack offered her comment.

"While learning how to grow our own food no matter where we live, exploring traditional and innovative careers in the agriculture industry and discovering how growing

sustainably can enhance our environment and our life, this curriculum is meant to extend the many benefits of urban agriculture to teachers and their students," Chylack explained.

LCCD was one of 20 conservation districts across 14 states to receive funding.

NACD and NRCS established the Urban Agriculture Conservation grant initiative in 2016 to help conservation districts and their partners provide much-needed technical assistance for agricultural conservation in developed or pre-

dominantly developing areas.

Since July of 2016, NACD and NRCS have awarded three rounds of grants, totaling \$4 million to 81 conservation district projects across 34 states.

"As Americans move to urban areas, conservation districts are adapting, with a majority of today's conservation districts now providing urban technical assistance," NACD President Brent Van Dyke said.

Read the district's project description, as well as the other awardees' project descriptions, on NACD's 2019 Urban Agriculture Conservation Grant Recipients webpage.

FOLK

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A mini-Folk Festival along Whiteoak and Main streets, with craftsmen, artists, food vendors and entertainment. Restaurants and downtown merchants will be open.

Art Studio Tour sponsored by Kutztown Community Partnership on Oct. 17. This is a ticketed event.

Quilt Auction Pre-

view Week Oct. 19-25 located at the Hampton Inn and Suites, Kutztown. View a selection of quilts that will be available in the online quilt auction on Oct. 25.

Online Quilt Auction Oct. 25. This third online auction will be held through Zettlemoyer Auction Company.

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FALL PREVIEW

Third year for Touchstone 'Festival UnBound'

CURTAIN RISES



By Kathy Lauer-Williams

Bethlehem's Touchstone Theatre opens its 2021-22 season with the third edition of its "Festival UnBound."

The five-day celebration of visual arts, music, dance, original theater and community dialogue runs Sept. 29 to Oct. 3 at venues throughout Bethlehem.

The first year of "Festival UnBound" in 2019 marked the 20th year after Touchstone presented "Steelbound," an original theater piece staged in 1999 in a former foundry. Steel-making ended in 1995 at the Bethlehem Steel Corp. southside plant. Bethlehem Steel went out of business in 2003.

In its first year, "Festival UnBound" was a 10-day festival centered on themes of diversity, sus-



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Anne Labovitz guides the making of a Community Quilt during Touchstone Theatre's "Festival UnBound," Sept. 29 - Oct. 3.

tainability, health, youth leadership and interconnectedness.

Last year, the festival continued, adapted for COVID-19 safety with outdoor and live-streamed events.

This year's festival is all in-person, although

many of the events are outdoors, in the form of plays, discussions, dance parties and jam sessions by Touchstone members, local artists, guest artists from beyond the Lehigh Valley and a community art project led by festival artist in residence Anne

Labovitz.

Minnesota artist Labovitz will bring her "I Love You Institute" to all of the festival events, where she'll guide audience members through the creation of squares for a Community Quilt, inspired by the prompt of "What are you grateful for?"

Labovitz says "I Love You Institute" is her long-term social practice project using art-making and relational listening to normalize saying "I Love You" as an alternative to conflict. After its unveiling at the closing ceremony, the quilt will remain in the permanent collection of Touchstone Theater for display and celebrations.

"It's fulfilling to see the various initiatives started in year one of the festival grow and take shape in different and deeper ways in the third year," says Touchstone Theatre Artistic Director Jp Jordan.

"You can look at the

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'Body Language' speaks volumes at Baum



PRESS PHOTO BY ED COURRIER

Emily Strong with "Gestalt" (2021; Oil on canvas, 60 in. x 72 in.) at Sept. 16 opening reception of her exhibition, "Body Language," The Baum School of Art, Allentown.



By Ed Courrier



The Baum School of Art presents "Body Language," featuring the recent figurative realist paintings of Emily Strong continues through Oct. 21 with a closing reception from 6-8 p.m., David E. Rodale and Rodale Family Galleries. October's "Third Thursday" event will include an artist talk and a Turning Point of Lehigh

Valley presentation.

Strong's "Gestalt" (2021; Oil on canvas, 60 in. x 72 in.) is one of her larger and bolder figurative landscapes. The artist worked with a male and female model to create this Gordian Knot of arms, legs and hands. As with most of her works, the entangled flesh in this painting cannot be identified by gender.

The artist makes strongly-lit photos of her models. She then works in multiple thin layers to manipulate color, lighting and arrangement while creating her human landscapes.

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Allstars: Bakithi Kumalo & the South African Allstars, 8 p.m. Oct. 2, Godfrey Daniels, 7 E. Fourth St., Bethlehem. Kumalo, legendary bass player for Paul Simon's "Graceland" (1985) album, including "You Can Call Me Ali," for which he wrote the bass part, and Simon's tours, is a Grammy award-winning bassist, composer and vocalist. The South African native lives in Bethlehem. Kumalo presents collegiate, community and middle to high school music mentorship and arts-education programs. www.godfreydaniels.org, 610-867-2390. Attendees must show proof of vaccination. If not vaccinated, proof of negative COVID test within 48 hours of concert must be shown at the door. Attendees must wear face masks.

The right way to save seeds at end of season

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Saving seeds at the end of the gardening season is economical and can ensure access to your favorite plant varieties.

You might ask, "Why would anybody go to the trouble of saving seeds?"

Sometimes, seeds are in short supply, such as they were in spring 2020 when many people decided to try gardening for the first time because of the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic shutdown.

Or, maybe there is one particular variety that you really like, but you have trouble finding it each year.

Saving seed is easy

and you will always have a supply of your favorite flower or vegetable varieties.

So why not experiment? What do you have to lose except a few seeds? And isn't experimenting with different plants (or seeds) a part of gardening?

It is important to know that not all vegetable varieties are suitable for seed saving. If the variety you want to save is a hybrid, seeds from that plant will not produce genetically true fruits. Most likely, the plant will produce a fruit that resembles one of the plants used to create that hybrid.

To avoid this, choose heirloom varieties, ones that have been around since grandma's time or earlier. These include varieties such as Brandywine or Amish Paste tomatoes (both were de-



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If you put your seeds in envelopes, store the whole collection in a tightly-covered jar or other sealed container.

veloped in Pennsylvania), Kentucky Wonder or Blue Lake green beans (both date back to the mid-1800's), Green Arrow peas, and Danvers Half-Long

carrots.

Heirlooms will produce offspring that are identical to the parent.

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"Companion": Garrison Keillor, 5 p.m. Oct. 3, Mauch Chunk Opera House, 13 W. Broadway, Jim Thorpe. Doors open at 4 p.m. Keillor, founder of NPR's "A Prairie Home Companion," typically presents a two-hour performance. Keillor did "A Prairie Home Companion" for 40 years, talking about a fictional town, Lake Wobegon "where all the children are above average." Keillor has written a memoir and book of limericks and does "The Writers Almanac," sent out daily free to internet subscribers. www.mcohit.com, 570-325-0249



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Learn to accept, believe, a compliment

Dear Jacquelyn,
I started a new job several weeks ago and my manager complimented me on my first big project. I knew I did a good job but I said, "You really think so?" After the words came out, I realized that I totally devalued what I accomplished. I spent hours working on the project and knew I gave it my all. How do you accept a compliment so that you don't dismiss your abilities or, worse yet, look self-promotional?

Dear Reader,
For most people, giving a compliment is much easier than graciously accepting one. People tend to either clam up, make excuses

RESPECTFULLY YOURS

By Jacquelyn Youst



or redirect the conversation. If we are uncomfortable, we may opt out by devaluing our accomplishments.

When you do a good job at work and are paid a compliment, resist the temptation to negate praise.

You point out this is a new job, so my guess is you are still feeling your way around and possibly suffering from impostor syndrome.

Impostor syndrome is the feeling that you aren't good enough and you haven't earned the right to high accolades. Keep in mind you were

hired because the employer feels you can and will make positive contributions. You don't want to send the message you aren't confident in your work and you do not have the qualities they thought you did.

Make it a new habit not to dismiss compliments. Try changing the way you respond to the compliments you receive.

To accept a compliment with grace, you can simply say, "Thank you, I appreciate the positive feedback." You might find that when you stop undervaluing yourself, you will hear the encouraging voices of others that get drowned out by the critical voice in our own mind.

Bottom line: You work hard, so why dis-

miss a compliment that comes your way?

The best thing about learning to accept compliments is that it'll give you the chance to see yourself as others see you, which is probably pretty amazing.

When you receive a compliment, believe it. You're receiving a well-deserved honor, a verbal pat on the back.

Respectfully Yours,
Jacquelyn

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Is it fair to stereotype roles?

As I watched my husband fix a problem I was having with my watch, I thought once again how happy I am that he is good at fixing things.

More than a decade ago when David and I announced we were getting married, my friend Kay was it was an added plus that David was an engineer. "Engineers are especially good at fixing things and solving problems," she said.

As I watched him through the years, I found Kay's assessment was right on.

I often admire that in addition to his technical know-how, he has incredible patience. When he can't easily figure out how to fix something or come up with a solution, he doesn't give up until he does it.

The other day we needed to carry a heavy piece of machinery to his truck. I didn't think the two of us could move something that heavy.

The engineer in David figured out how to use two boards and leverage to help us move the heavy piece of equipment.

That's something I admire about David and every other man who is mechanically inclined.

My friend Linda puffs up when I say that. She reminds me that plenty of women have that same mechanical aptitude. She is one of them.

When my TV didn't work, I said I was going to call a repairman. Linda scoffed and quickly had the set working again.

When I ask how she learned so many mechanical skills, she says she had to.

"When you don't have a man around to do it for you, you have two choices. Pay someone to do it or learn to do it yourself. If you don't have money to hire others, you have to learn to be a do-it-yourselfer," she said.

She did it well. I've watched her drywall a room, put in new tile throughout her house and fix a broken door.

I'm in awe of women like Linda but I know I'll never be that handy. I have very little mechanical ability. When I do manage to fix a problem, I'm elated. But it doesn't happen often.

My husband believes we should both work together on house projects. When he insisted I cut the ceramic tile he was putting in the bathroom, I broke so many pieces that we were in danger of running out. He finally had to concede it was smarter to do it himself.

One day, when I was complimenting him on another of his fix-it projects, I asked him if he ever got tired of having to be the one that fixed everything.

I was surprised when he said yes. "It isn't fair that everything falls on me," he said.

I guess what he was saying is that it isn't fair for a couple to have stereotypical roles. The guy shouldn't have to be the only one asked to fix things.

WARMEST REGARDS

By Pattie Mihalik
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Well, to counter that, is it fair that I as the woman of the house am expected to cook every single meal? Planning a menu, doing the food shopping and cooking meals is all part of my responsibility.

If I am at a meeting that runs late while I'm driving home, my mind is reeling, trying to think of something to make for dinner that wouldn't take a lot of time.

Even when I was recovering from surgery and needed a wheelchair to get around, I was still expected to cook all the meals. David's idea of "making a meal" would be to make a sandwich.

On the other hand, a day seldom goes by that he doesn't praise what I made for dinner.

We each have different skill sets. Granted, those skills are along stereotypical roles but I don't see anything wrong with that. If my talent is cooking and his talent is repairing something, we each are contributing what we do best.

My daughters and their friends strongly disagree with what they call old-fashioned expectations. "That kind of thinking went out decades ago. Couples today work together to divide household tasks more fairly," they claim. "There is no reason why a guy can't help with the cooking and a woman can't help paint the walls."

It's always interesting for me to observe the different divisions of labor in each house. I know a few women who don't get near a stove. Their husband does all the cooking.

Guess who does the repair work?

For the most part, they call a repairman.

There seems to be more disposable income today than in previous generations. My dad lived on a tight budget and did everything himself. He fixed his own car, built our new bathroom, and took care of fixing everything. I remember how he kept trying to teach my brother how to do those things.

Years later, when I was married, I asked dad why he never tried to show me how to do anything.

"Because you're a girl," he said. "I knew you could rely on a husband to do those things."

He had a definite stereotypical mindset.

I think it's an age thing.

So, is stereotypical thinking a trap? Is it a violation of human rights, as some claim.

Or, is it something that works?

You tell me.

Contact Pattie Mihalik at newsgirl@comcast.net.

Helping granddaughter with move

Q: My son and his family are moving to Florida. Our granddaughter is starting her junior year in high school and is having a lot of trouble adjusting. What can I do to help?

This is a difficult time for a major change like this for your granddaughter, so whatever support you can give her will be helpful, according to the Family Project panel.

"Junior year in high school is a pivotal time in a teenager's development," panelist Denise Continenza said.

"Teens live in present, so it is hard for them to look ahead to the future and how things can be different," said Continenza.

"It is important that you acknowledge that the daughter is going through a big change," said panelist Mike Daniels.

"She will miss many milestones at her old school such as the prom and graduation and it is

THE FAMILY PROJECT

By Kathy Lauer-Williams



normal she will feel bad about that," said panelist Chad Stefnyak.

"This is a loss for her and you need to figure how much of a loss it is," Daniels said.

"Part of how you approach this move is how you frame it to her," Stefnyak said.

"Sell it that she will have to make new friends, just like she will when she goes to college. Tell her she will have a head-start and already know how to make new friends in college. Give it a positive spin," said Stefnyak.

"Emphasize all the positive aspects of the move," agreed Daniels.

"She's moving into a new lifestyle. There are things she can take advantage of in Florida," Daniels said.

"Talk to her about reinventing herself and frame this move as a 'new beginning,'" Continenza said.

"Plan visits for her to come and see you, and then she can also visit her friends at the same time. Let her maintain connections with her friends on her own terms," said Daniels.

Provide continuity by keeping in contact with her however you can through calls, texts, emails and Facetime, the panel agreed.

"Be there to provide support and just listen if she wants to talk," said panelist Pam Wallace.

She will get through this and will adapt to her new home, but it may be a bit of a bumpy ride, the panel agreed.

This week's panel: Pam Wallace, program coordinator, Project Child, a program of Valley Youth House; Denise Continenza, extension educator; Chad Stefnyak, school counselor, and Mike

Daniels, LCSW, Psychotherapist.

Have a question?
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Licorice, other drug interactions awareness

Q: Can licorice interfere with medication?

Some forms of licorice may increase the risk for digoxin toxicity.

Digoxin is used to treat heart failure and arrhythmias. Licorice may also reduce the effects of blood pressure medications or diuretic drugs (water pills).

These are a few of drug-related interactions that can occur in your body.

Drug interactions fall into three categories. There are drug reactions with foods and drink, dietary supplements and with other drugs.

When you start any medicine, don't be afraid to throw a lot of questions about it at your doctor, nurse or pharmacist. The first question should be: Can this medicine interact with anything else I put in my body?

The following are some interactions we should all know about:

Alcohol: You should avoid alcohol when tak-

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ing medication. Mixing alcohol with certain medications can cause nausea and vomiting, headaches, drowsiness, fainting or loss of coordination. It also can put you at risk for internal bleeding, heart problems and difficulty breathing.

Alcohol can make a medication less effective or even useless. Or it may make the medication harmful or toxic to your body. Alcohol can also affect many over-the-counter medications and herbal remedies.

Grapefruit juice: You shouldn't consume grapefruit if you are on some statins, which are used to lower cholesterol.

Grapefruit juice contains a chemical that can interfere with the enzymes that break down

statins in your digestive system. This can be dangerous because it's uncertain what the effect would be on your total cholesterol.

Grapefruit juice can raise the level of some medications in the blood.

For example, grapefruit can cause higher blood levels of the anti-anxiety medicine buspirone, the anti-malaria drug quinine, and a medication used to treat insomnia, that of triazolam.

Antihistamines: Some Over-The-Counter (OTC) antihistamines taken for colds and allergies can increase the depressant effects of a sedative or tranquilizer. Antihistamines taken with blood pressure medication may elevate the blood pressure and may also increase the heart rate.

Chocolate: Eating chocolate and taking MonoAmine Oxidase (MAO) inhibitors could be dangerous.

MAO inhibitors treat

depression. Someone who eats an excessive amount of chocolate after taking an MAO inhibitor may experience a sharp rise in blood pressure.

The caffeine in chocolate can also interact with stimulant drugs such as Ritalin (methylphenidate), increasing their effect, or by decreasing the effect of sedative-hypnotics such as Ambien (zolpidem).

St. John's Wort: St. John's wort is an herb most commonly used for depression. This herb can reduce the concentration of medications in the blood. St. John's Wort can reduce the blood level of medications such as digoxin, certain statins and the erectile-dysfunction drug Viagra.

Vitamin E: Taking vitamin E with a blood-thinning medication such as Coumadin can increase anti-clotting activity and may cause an increased risk of bleeding.

Ginseng: This herb can interfere with the action of anticoagulants such as Coumadin and heparin. Combining ginseng with MAO inhibitors may cause headache, trouble sleeping, nervousness and hyperactivity.

Ginkgo Biloba: High doses of the herb Ginkgo biloba could decrease the effectiveness of medications to control seizures.

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'Macho,' macho man

Clint Eastwood is the movie screen's ultimate macho man.

From the Man With No Name in Italian filmmaker Sergio Leone's "Dollars" Trilogy of Spaghetti Westerns during the mid-1960s, to antihero cop Harry Callahan in five Dirty Harry films in the 1970s and 1980s, to the romantic hero of "The Bridges of Madison County" (1995) to the irascible old men of "Gran Torino" (2008) and "The Mule" (2018), Eastwood is a cinema icon as actor and director. A 91, Eastwood is a bona fide living legend.

With his latest film, "Cry Macho," Eastwood has 72 actor credits and 45 director credits.

Eastwood has delivered some of the most memorable lines in the history of the motion picture.

In "Dirty Harry" (1971), Harry Callahan said, "You've got to ask yourself one question: 'Do I feel lucky?' Well, do you, punk?"

In "Sudden Impact" (1983), Dirty Harry said, "Go ahead, make my day."

In "Cry Macho," it's a line that cannot be repeated in a newspaper and website of general circulation.

"Cry Macho" is humorous, romantic and ruminative.

"Cry Macho" is a road movie. With a road movie, there's usually a sidekick. So, it's also a buddy film.

Here for Mike Milo (Eastwood), it's Rafo (Eduardo Minetti, in his theatrical feature film debut).

Rafo is the teen-age son of Howard (Dwight Yoakim) and Leta (Fernanda Urrejola). Rafo

AT THE MOVIES

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has been living with his mother in Mexico and up to no good. His mother is also up to no good. Howard wants his son back with him in the United States.

In an Eastwood road movie, there's often a goofy animal.

It was Clyde the orangutan in "In Every Which Way but Loose" (1978).

In "Cry Macho," it's Macho the rooster. Macho is the cock-fighting rooster owned by Rafo.

Mike, long-retired from his rodeo days, abandons his old Chevy Suburban somewhere south of the border for an early 1960s' Ford Falcon and then for a mid-1960s' Ford Galaxy.

For a time, Mike and Rafo bunk in a shrine to Mother Mary and then at a house owned by Marta (Natalia Traven), who runs a cantina in a small Mexico town. Mike teaches Rafo the art of bronco-busting.

Mike strikes up a friendship with Marta. Rafo befriends Marta's granddaughter (Elida Munoz).

They enjoy an unlikely home life the likes of which none has apparently experienced in a long time, if ever.

Eastwood (Oscar recipient, picture, "Million Dollar Baby," 2005; picture, director, "Unforgiven," 1992) directs from a screenplay by Nick Schenk ("The Mule," 2018; "Gran Torino," 2008) and N. Richard Nash ("Porgy and Bess," 1959:



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From left: Clint Eastwood (Mike Milo) and Rafo (Eduardo Minetti), holding Macho the rooster in "Cry Macho."

"The Rainmaker," 1956), who wrote the novel on which the movie is based.

The southwest (subbing for Mexico) is captured magnificently by Ben Davis (Director of Photography, "Dumbo," 2019; "Captain Marvel," 2019; "Three Billboards Outside Ebbing, Missouri," 2017; "Avengers: Age of Ultron," 2015; "Guardians of the Galaxy," 2014; "The Best Exotic Marigold Hotel," 2011). Everything looks like it's covered with dust, including Eastwood.

The music by Mark Mancina ("Training Day," 2001) is elegant and unobtrusive.

As Mike Milo, Eastwood is stripped down to the essentials of humanity. Gradually, not unlike Walter Huston in "The Treasure of the Sierra Madre" (1948), Mike finds his real treasure, a sense of place, of home, of self. He gradually coaxes a smile out of himself. There's nothing better than when Eastwood smiles.

Eastwood revisited the western genre in "Unforgiven," regarded as one of the best-ever westerns, as a cowboy past his prime.

In the final scene of "Cry Macho," Mike Milo (Eastwood) dances off into the sunset to a Spanish song, twirling gingerly the señorita Marta in her Mexican cantina.

With "Cry Macho," Eastwood seems to be saying, "Adios, amigos," perhaps not only to westerns.

A deserved send-off would be lots of Oscar nominations for "Cry Macho," including an actor nomination and win for Eastwood.

"Cry Macho," MPAA Rated PG-13 (Parents Strongly Cautioned. Some material may be inappropriate for children under 13.) for language and thematic elements; Genre: Drama, Thriller, Western; Run time; 1 hr., 44 min. Distributed by Warner Brothers.

Credit Readers Anonymous: During the "Cry Macho" closing credits, Will Banister sings "Find A New Home," written by Mark Mancina, composer, "Cry Macho." The film was made in Belen and Polvadera, N.M.

Theatrical Movie Box Office, Sept. 24-26: "Shang-Chi and the Leg-

end of the Ten Rings" spun at No. 1 for a fourth week in a row, with \$13.2 million, in 3,952 theaters, \$196.4 million, four weeks, as "Dear Evan Hansen," based on the Broadway musical which received six Tony Awards, opened at No. 2, with \$7.5 million, in 3,364 theaters, one week, and "Free Guy" dropped one place to No. 3 with \$4.1 million, in 3,175 theaters, \$114.1 million, seven weeks.

4. "Candyman" stayed in place, \$2.5 million, in 2,556 theaters, \$56.8 million, five weeks. 5. "Cry Macho" dropped two places, \$2.1 million, in 4,022 theaters, \$8.3 million, two weeks. 6. "Jungle Cruise" moved up one place, \$1.7 million, in 2,065 theaters, \$114.8 million, nine weeks. 7. "Malignant" dropped two places, \$1.5 million, in 2,534 theaters, \$12.2 million, three weeks. 8. "Copshop" dropped two places, \$1.2 million, in 3,005 theaters, \$4.4 million, two weeks. 9. "PAW Patrol: The Movie" dropped one place, \$1.1 million, in 1,995 theaters, \$38.7 million, six weeks. 10. "Love Story," \$971,000, in 300 theaters, one week.

Box office information

from Box Office Mojo as of Sept. 26 is subject to change.

Unreel, Oct. 1: "The Addams Family 2," PG: Greg Tiernan, Conrad Vernon and Laura Brousseau direct the voice talents of Oscar Isaac, Charlize Theron, Chloë Grace Moretz and Nick Kroll and the animation in the Comedy. It's a sequel to the 2019 animated feature film.

"The Many Saints of Newark," R: Alan Taylor directs Alessandro Nivola, Leslie Odom Jr., Jon Bernthal and Michael Gandol in the Crime Drama. Here's how New Jersey gangster Tony Soprano became Tony Soprano.

"Old Henry," No MPAA rating: Patsy Poncioli directs Tim Blake Nelson, Scott Haze, Gavin Lewis and Trace Adkins in the Western. A farmer, a wounded man with a satchel of cash and a posse reveals a gunslinger at heart.

Theatrical movie opening dates from Internet Movie Database as of Sept. 26 are subject to change.



BAUM

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"I will say that for working from photographs, it does allow me to play with the composition more. It allows me more freedom to really sit with the images and try out different ways of abstracting it even further," says Strong.

She prefers oils for the "luminous quality," as well as the ability to work and rework the images since the paint dries slowly.

Strong finds beauty

and inspiration with a diversity of body types, unrestricted by age, gender or race. The artist's "Transformation" (2021; Oil on canvas, 36 in. x 72 in.) is a case in point. "I was so struck with the image and I was so struck with the model's words, that it just came to me," she says of her complicated subject which was finished within a week's time.

Beside the visual stories being presented, Strong interviewed her models and posted their excerpts from their re-

sponses alongside the works, either in printed excerpts or QR (Quick Response) codes accessible by smartphone.

"I think that we have a lot to learn from the neurodiversity and the physically diverse community. The ways in which they form thriving mechanisms, not even just survival mechanisms, but the way they are able to make meaning in life," says the model who posed for "Transformation."

The couple who posed

for "Gestalt" are artists and have a child. Yet each has a distinctive life experience, especially when it comes to gender identity.

Strong is a 2015 Moravian University graduate with a BA in studio art and psychology. While a student at Moravian, Strong began working on what she calls her "Corporeal Landscapes" series.

Strong's recent work is funded by a 2020 grant from the Elizabeth Greenshields Founda-

tion.

The Bethlehem resident works out of her Catasauqua art studio in the historic Dery Mansion. The palace-like building, once home to silk mill mogul George Dery, is being renovated by French restaurateur Herve Rousseau.

Strong is a curator and Baum School employee.

David E. Rodale and Rodale Family Galleries, The Baum School of Art, 510 Linden St., Allen-

town. Gallery hours 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. Monday, 9 a.m. - 9 p.m. Tuesday - Thursday, 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. Friday, Saturday, Closed Sunday. www.baum-school.org; 610-433-0032

"Gallery View" is a column about artists, exhibitions and galleries. To request coverage, email: Paul Willistein, Focus editor, pwillistein@tnonline.com

PSO, Camerata present pianist

Llewellyn Sanchez-Werner performs a solo piano recital, 7:30 p.m. Oct. 2, First Presbyterian Church, Cedar Crest Boulevard and Tilghman Street, Allentown.

The concert is presented by the Pennsylvania Sinfonia Orchestra and Camerata Singers.

Critics have praised Sanchez-Werner, 25, for his "mesmerizing artistry and extraordinary ability to communi-

cate," and described his interpretations as "poetic, electrifying."

He has been named a Gilmore Young Artist, an honor awarded to the most promising American pianists. He was the youngest person ever admitted to the Juilliard School of Music.

The program includes works by Schumann, Liszt, Chopin, Bach and Rachmaninoff.

The venue requires face masks. Seating will be socially-distanced.

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At age 9, Llewellyn Sanchez-Werner was the youngest admittee to The Juilliard School, where he earned a Bachelor's Degree at 14 and Master's Degree at 18. Now just 25, Mr. Sanchez-Werner has been lauded for performances that have stirred the intellect and humanity of his audiences on five continents.

He performed at the White House and Kennedy Center for the 2013 Presidential Inauguration. In 2014, he was named a Gilmore Young Artist, an honor awarded every two years to the most promising American pianists of the new generation.

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Good Shepherd Rehabilitation Network breaks ground in Upper Saucon for \$70-million rehabilitation hospital

BY DOUGLAS GRAVES
Special to The Press

Good Shepherd Rehabilitation Network broke ground on a new \$70-million rehabilitation hospital at 3350 Center Valley Parkway, Upper Saucon Township.

The hospital will be a four-story, 76-bed facility that is expected to employ more than 300 people. The beds will be private, according to information provided by Good Shepherd.

Construction on Good Shepherd's new rehabilitation hospital is scheduled to begin later this year. Officials did not offer an estimated date of completion for the project.

The 123,000-square-foot building is on a 45-acre site across from The Promenade Shops at Saucon Valley.

Corn stalk stubble had been scrapped away and an open-sided tent was erected for the Sept. 22 ground-breaking ceremony. New shovels were at the ready. Folding chairs were set out for attendees with reserved seats for dignitaries.

A huge yellow-tracked backhoe provide a backdrop. Caterers passed out snacks and provided water. Wine was stocked for post-ceremony toasting.

"Today marks the start of a transformational event for Good Shepherd and a special moment for the greater Lehigh Valley," said Good Shepherd Rehabilitation Network President and CEO Michael Spigel.

Spigel said the new facility will be the only hospital in the area "focused solely on rehabilitation."

It will have the space to "develop and accel-



Good Shepherd Rehabilitation Network President and CEO Michael Spigel.

erate ideas, create new therapeutic interventions, develop innovative rehabilitative and assistive devices, and introduce new independence solutions to our patients and community members."

A dramatic highlight at the ceremony was provided by Good Shepherd spinal cord injury patient Ruth Aragon, who is mobility-constrained. Strapped into an exoskeleton and, with the robotic machine's assistance, she walked along a raised platform to the speaker's microphone.

The new hospital will feature "The Experience Center" and outdoor therapy and activity gardens.

The Experience Center will offer disabled people and others "with mobility challenges an environment to explore the latest advancements such as 3-D printing, robotics, wearables, artificial intelligence and smart home and personal assistance devices.

Moravian University has, according to



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Artist's rendering of Good Shepherd Rehabilitation Network \$70-million rehabilitation hospital to be built in Upper Saucon Township.



Ruth Aragon in exoskeleton with safety monitor therapist Amanda Clark.



PRESS PHOTOS BY DOUGLAS GRAVES

Officials at Sept. 22 groundbreaking for Good Shepherd Rehabilitation Network hospital.

information provided, entered a partnership with Good Shepherd to create the Good Shepherd-Moravian University 3-D Experience in the new hospital.

"Moravian University rehabilitation science people will come here to do research and hands-on learning," said Jennifer Pagliaroli, Moravian University Associate

Director of Enrollment Communications.

FCA (Francis Cauffman Architects) of Philadelphia is project architect. IMC Construction of Malvern is

the construction company. KRN Development of Memphis, Tenn., is project manager. Pennoni of Philadelphia is engineering consultant.

TOUCHSTONE

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accomplishments of Unbound's Homecoming and Latinx Leadership Committees to see how these recurring events can really bring people to the table and build a stronger community," Jordan says.

"It's also very exciting to bring new partners into the fold, such as our first of hopefully many collaborations with the Indian American Association of the Lehigh Valley," says Jordan.

The festival kicks off at 8 p.m. Sept. 29,

Charles A. Brown Ice House, 56 River St., Bethlehem, with "The Frontera Project," a bilingual, interactive experience by guest artists from Mexico and the United States, that uses theater, movement and music to engage in a conversation about the U.S.-Mexico border.

Members of the Indian American Association of the Lehigh Valley lead the audience in learning Bollywood and Garba folk dance in "East Meets West: An Evening of Indian Dance," 7 p.m. Sept. 30, Barrio Stage, outdoors, Touchstone Theatre, 321 E. Fourth St., Beth-

lehem. A community jam session with food, friendship and fiesta is "Bombazo," a celebration of Latinx culture, 7 p.m. Oct. 1, Barrio Stage.

Touchstone partners with the Bethlehem Food Co-op, friends from Afros in Nature, and youth from the Bethlehem Area School District for "Mending the Food Chain," a morning of performance and conversation, 10 a.m. Oct. 2, Esperanza Garden, between Taylor and Webster streets, South Bethlehem Greenway.

From 1 - 4 p.m. Oct. 2 at Charles A. Brown Ice House, is "(re)Making

Our World," art inspired by the intersectional disability arts movement, including films about Kinetic Light, an acclaimed dance ensemble that features disabled dancers; a visual arts exhibition, and a theater performance examining questions of aging and independence.

"Homecoming: Black Women Speak" is at 5 p.m. Oct. 2, Barrio Stage.

A "Devotional Gathering" for those of any religion or no religion featuring poetry, music and words of gratitude, is at 10 a.m. Oct. 3, Barrio Stage.

The festival's "Closing Celebration" will

feature conversations with local farmers, organizers and others about what is sustainable; a joyful noise celebration by community singers, and a closing procession to the Lehigh River at 2 p.m. Oct. 3 at Sand Island Park, 56 River St., Bethlehem. The finished Community Quilt will be carried to Sand Island and suspended from the Sand Island Bridge.

There's a discussion series, noon Sept. 29 - Oct. 1, Cafe the Lodge, 427 E. Fourth St., Bethlehem. Food is available for purchase. The series is moderated by Moravian University Professor and Touchstone Ensem-

ble Member Christopher Shorr.

"Festival Unbound" events are free. Reservations are encouraged. Donations are accepted.

Information:
<http://www.touchstone.org>

"Curtain Rises" is a column about the theater, stage shows, the actors in them and the directors and artists who make them happen. To request coverage, email: Paul Willistein, Focus editor, pwillistein@tnonline.com

Next week:
Fall Preview, Part 4
State Theatre

GREEN

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To harvest seeds, wait until the fruit is ripe and the seeds are mature. Tomatoes are easy. Everyone knows when they are ripe. But fruits of some vegetables are enjoyed before they are fully ripe.

For example, we eat cucumbers when they are green. To harvest seeds, let them turn yellow.

Most peppers tend to turn red when they are fully ripe.

Be selective about which fruit you use to save seed. It will be tempting to eat that big, juicy tomato, but that is the best candidate for seed saving.

The jalapeno plant that keeps producing no matter how many peppers you pick is another prime candidate. Save seeds from only the best plants or fruits.

For dry fruiting

plants, such as peas and beans, preparing the seeds for saving is simply a matter of separating the seed from the fruit and letting them dry.

Allow the pods to dry on the plants until they turn yellow and rattle. Open the pods and allow the seeds to dry before storing them.

Some people, when they start saving seeds, spread the seeds on sheets of folded newspaper. However, some seeds can be lost to mold because moisture can be retained by the newspaper under the seed.

It is best to dry your seeds on small frames with nylon mesh screen. The screen allows air to circulate freely around the seeds. Let the seeds sit in a cool, dry area for about one week before storing.

For lettuce, herbs and flowers, allow the seed-head to turn brown and dry before harvesting. When dry, use a pair of

scissors to carefully remove the dried flower head or pods. Cut several stalks and tie them together. Place them upside down in a paper bag in a dry location for several days. As the seedheads dry, the seeds will drop to the bottom of the bag.

You can collect seeds from certain perennial flowers such as cosmos, coreopsis, sunflowers, purple coneflower, yarrow and poppy. However, most perennials that grow in your garden are cultivated varieties. In order to get a true "duplicate" of the plant, you have to divide the plant or take a cutting.

What is referred to as "wet seeds" requires slightly more work. Fruit such as tomatoes and cucumbers have wet seeds. Wet seeds become less viable and can quickly rot.

To save tomato seeds, collect fruit when slightly over-ripe but not rotting. Fully ripe dis-

ease-free tomatoes are the best candidates for seed saving. Cut the tomato in half and scoop out the seeds. Remove the fleshy tissue and place pulpy seeds in a bowl of water and allow to set at room temperature for one day.

The "good" seeds sink to the bottom and the "non-productive" seeds and pulp float to the top and can be skimmed off.

Or you can try to save the seed by squeezing them out onto a paper napkin and then air-drying them.

Fermentation is a better route. To ferment, squeeze the seeds and any surrounding gel or pulp from very ripe fruits into a jar with enough water to cover the seeds. Swish the seeds and water around for a minute or two, then place the jar in a cool location to settle.

Continue to shake the jar a few times a day for three to four days. After three to four days, strain

the solution through a fine mesh, leaving the seeds. Rinse to wash away any remaining gel. "Wet seeds" should then dry for at least one week.

It is important to collect seeds at the right time for the best results. A good time is usually after the peak vegetable and flower season. It is best to collect seeds from healthy plants on a dry, sunny day.

When plants have seedheads, it is important to collect them after they have dried. If the seeds are not mature and dry, the embryo inside the seeds will not be fully formed and cannot finish development when removed from the plant. Therefore, the seeds will not be productive when planted.

Stored seeds continue to carry on their life processes even while dormant, though at a very low rate. They need to be protected from moisture, heat and insects. Sealed, moisture-proof

containers are the best place to keep seeds but only if the seeds are thoroughly dry before being put in the containers. The only exception is peas and beans which are best stored in rolled up bags rather than airtight containers.

Next spring before planting, test your saved seeds for germination by placing a few between two wet paper towels. Roll up the towels and place them in a plastic bag to prevent drying and store in a warm place. After several days, it is important to check to see if the seeds germinated.

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

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Jerusalem Church holds chance basket raffle



Jerusalem Evangelical Lutheran Church of Eastern Salisbury, 1707 Church Road, Allentown, held its chance basket raffle with a twist Sept. 17 and 18. Attendees could put tickets in baskets for a chance to win over 145 baskets and over 30 gift cards. No refreshments were served this year due to COVID-19 protocols. ABOVE: Baskets and gift cards are ready for attendees to take a chance.



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A table filled with special items is available for attendees to take a chance. Items included lottery tickets, a money tree, a Longaberger basket, a large basket of snacks, insulated bags and more. Another special item included a complete turkey dinner for one lucky winner.

To have your religious services listed in The Press contact Joie Jackson Wenner at 610-740-0944 Ext. 3703

INVITATION TO BID
NUMBER: Coplay Borough, Lehigh County, PA
TITLE: Borough Building Roof Replacement
AVAILABLE DATE: September 22, 2021
CLARIFICATION DEADLINE: November 18, 2021
DUE DATE: December 2, 2021
BID TYPE: Fixed Fee Contract

Coplay Borough, Lehigh County, PA will receive single prime bids online via the PennBid Program (www.PennBid.procureware.com) , until 2:30 PM, prevailing time on December 2, 2021 for the construction of its "Borough Building Roof Replacement" Project to be located at 98 South 4th Street, Coplay, PA. All bids will be publicly opened and posted.

The project will be awarded under one (1) Prime Contract. Plans, specifications, information for bidders and forms for proposals are available at no cost on PennBid (www.pennbid.procureware.com).

A Pre-Bid Meeting shall take place at 10:00 AM Friday, November 5, 2021 at the project site. Attendance at this meeting is highly encouraged.

Bids must be submitted electronically via the PennBid Program on the forms furnished by the Owner and must be accompanied by a certified check or bid bond issued by a Surety licensed to conduct business in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, in the amount of at least five percent (5%) of the total price bid made payable to the Owner. Certified checks to be submitted to the office of the Architect.

The successful Bidder will be required to furnish and pay for satisfactory Performance and Payment Bonds, each in the amount of one hundred percent (100%) of the Contract Price with a corporate surety approved by the Owner.

The Bidder's attention is called to the fact that this project is governed by The Borough Code of the State of Pennsylvania and that various State labor and administrative requirements apply, as noted in the Bid Documents, including the requirement that all wages paid are consistent with the Pennsylvania prevailing wage structure.

Questions and inquiries should be addressed through PennBid's "Question" tab. Bidder Inquiry Deadline is 11:00 AM Friday, November 18, 2021.

Award of Contract will be to the lowest responsible bidder, but the Coplay Borough reserves the unqualified right to reject any or all bids and to waive any informalities in awarding the contract in the best interest of Coplay Borough.
Sept. 22, 29

PUBLIC NOTICE
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Zoning Hearing Board of the Borough of North Catasauqua, PA will hold a public hearing on Wednesday October 6, 2021 at 6:00 PM in Borough Hall located at 1066 Fourth Street, North Catasauqua, PA 18032. The subject of the hearing will be the request of:

APPEAL No. 2021-02 Anthony R. Villani and Scott J. Strausberger are appealing a decision by the Zoning Officer of the Borough of North Catasauqua and are asking for a zoning variance requiring for them to appear before the Borough of North Catasauqua Zoning Hearing Board, a variance which if granted would allow a shed to be placed in a designated front yard area. The property is located in the RO (Open Space Residential Zoning District). The front yard is found in the North Catasauqua Zoning Ordinance, **Article 6** (General Regulations); **Section 605** (Corner Lots and through Lots), ...all yards abutting a street with a minimum cartway of width 24 feet shall be treated as front yards.... This dimensional setback prohibits the placement of a 12' x 8' Shed in the actual rear yard of the property along Howertown Road at 1300 Woodmont Lane. Placement of the shed requires a variance provided that all the standards and criteria are satisfied with approval & authorization granted by the North Catasauqua Zoning Hearing Board.

The applicants placement of the shed within guidelines set forth in **Article 6** (General Regulations); **Section 601**(Accessory Structures); 3. Accessory Structure erected in rear yard shall be that distance from a side or rear lot line within which district it is located, **District, RO** (Distance)**10 Feet**. A variance must be requested before the Borough of North Catasauqua Zoning Hearing Board as per Borough of North Catasauqua Zoning Ordinance Z.O. Article 11; Section 1110 Zoning Hearing Board Function; (1.) Variances. At the hearing, the board may require any or all the conditions and/or additional conditions that they deem necessary for approval.

The applicant(s) and/or their representatives are required to attend said hearing and present testimony regarding this matter. All other interested parties may attend. A copy of the aforementioned application can be reviewed at the Borough Hall during established business hours.

David J. Kutzor
Zoning Officer
Keystone Consulting Engineers, Inc.

Sept. 22, 29

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the Lowhill Township Zoning Hearing Board will conduct a public hearing on **Tuesday, October 19, 2021**, starting at **7:00 P.M.**, being held physically at the Township Municipal Building at 7000 Herber Road, New Tripoli, PA 18066 (still a COVID-19/Zoom hearing), so limited attendees (socially distanced) at the Township Building. The Zoning Hearing Board will consider the following Appeal:

Case No. 180, Appeal No. 21-5. A hearing in the Appeal of Applicant, Core5 Industrial Partners (equitable Owner pursuant to an Agreement of Sale with existing Owner, John Johnson III, d.b.a. Johnson Investments), seeking zoning relief for a variance from Section 544 of the Lowhill Township Zoning Ordinance in the RV Zone for relief from the maximum height of thirty-five (35) feet with centralized water and on-lot sewage, but fifty (50) feet if centralized water and sewer is provided. Applicant proposes centralized water, but proposes that they cannot provide public sewer, so a variance is requested from Section 544 to permit a fifty (50) foot high building as outlined in the Application. The variance will exceed the maximum height requirement of Ordinance Section 544, and a variance from said Section is the requested relief. The subject property is owned by John Johnson III d.b.a. Johnson Investments, 5150 Hoffmansville Road, Orefield, PA 18069-2340. The Applicant, Core5 Industrial Partners, who is the equitable owner pursuant to an Agreement of Sale with the location of the property being 7503 Kernsville Road, Orefield, PA 18069 in Lowhill Township within the Rural Village (RV) Zoning District.

The parcel identified for the Owner is 7503 Kernsville Road, Orefield, Lowhill Township, Lehigh County, PA 18069 with a mailing address of 1250 N. Mountain Road, Harrisburg, PA 17112, identified as PIN 545714601391 1 (Document ID 2012001812).

The above-referenced property is located in Lowhill Township, Lehigh County, PA. Copies of the Appeal Application, plans, and supporting documents filed with the Appeal Application, are available for public inspection at the Township Municipal Building during regular business hours. All interested parties are invited to attend and be heard.

In light of the Corona Virus (COVID-19) and resulting health concerns, the within hearing is being advertised as a public hearing but the hearing will be conducted via Zoom online as well as advertised at the Township Building to allow for all interested parties, objectors and witnesses to testify via either phone through the advertised number or direct participation via Zoom (there will be limited number of socially distanced spacing/seating at the Township Building), the Applicant and their counsel will be testifying via the advertised Zoom online and can be cross examined via Zoom or via phone on said date of hearing. Please contact Lowhill Township for further information pertaining to the online Zoom account and/or the call-in number which will be posted and advertised at the Township Building as well as the requisite online account and phone-in will be provided upon request to the Township.

NEIL D. ETTINGER, SOLICITOR
LOWHILL TOWNSHIP
ZONING HEARING BOARD

Set/ 29, Oct. 6

PUBLIC NOTICE
SALISBURY TOWNSHIP, LEHIGH COUNTY, PA
PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING
TUESDAY OCTOBER 12, 2021 at 7:00PM

The Salisbury Township Planning Commission will hold a public meeting on Tuesday, October 12, 2021 at 7:00 PM in the Township Municipal Building located at 2900 South Pike Avenue, Allentown PA 18103. The meeting will be to discuss the following items:

1860 E. EMMAUS AVE - PRELIMINARY LAND DEVELOPMENT (NO. 21-0014)

Review of Preliminary site plan for the land development at 1860 E. Emmaus Ave submitted by Crossroads Baptist Church. Project proposes to construct a 2,023 sq. ft. addition and raze three existing accessory structures. The property is located within the C2, Neighborhood Commercial zoning district.

1033 S. CEDAR CREST BLVD/1022 AMERICUS AVE - PRELIMINARY/FINAL LOT LINE ADJUSTMENT (NO. 21-0315)

Review of Preliminary/Final site plan for the lot line adjustment and request for waivers between 1033 S. Cedar Crest Blvd and 1022 Americus Ave submitted by 1033 Cedar Crest, LLC and John R. Zayaitz and Kate R. Hart Zayaitz. Project proposes to convey 2,837 sq. ft. from 1022 Americus Ave to 1033 S. Cedar Crest Blvd. 1022 Americus Ave will become 9,605 sq. ft. and 1033 S. Cedar Crest Blvd will become 235,7545 acres. 1033 S. Cedar Crest Blvd located within the C1, Office-Laboratory zoning district. 1022 Americus Ave is within the R3, Medium Low Density Residential zoning district.

2159 OVERHILL RD - PRELIMINARY/FINAL MINOR SUBDIVISION (NO. 21-0267)

Review of Preliminary/Final site plan for the minor subdivision and request for waivers at 2159 Overhill Rd submitted by Samuel Brill, Trustee of the Separate GST Trust for Samuel Brill. Project proposes to subdivide one existing residential lot of 99,776 sq. ft. into three parcels (30,069 sq. ft., 30,048 sq. ft., & 39,643 sq. ft.) for the development of one single-family detached dwelling on each lot. The property is located within the R1, Rural Residential zoning district.

All applicants and interested parties must attend in-person. Requests for more information, and to review the files in advance, should be directed to Kerry Rabold, Planning & Zoning Officer, at krabold@salisburytownship.pa.org or (484) 661-5825.

Sept. 29, Oct. 6

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE is hereby given that the Whitehall Township Board of Commissioners, at their October 11, 2021 public meeting, to be held at 7:00 PM in the public meeting room of the Whitehall Township Municipal Building, 3219 MacArthur Road, Whitehall, PA 18502, and which can be viewed and participated in by the general public through this link, <http://www.whitehalltownship.org/index.html>, will be having a second reading and consider for adoption the following proposed amendments to the Whitehall Township Zoning Ordinance (the "Ordinance").

SUMMARY OF ORDINANCE
WHITEHALL TOWNSHIP BILL 30-2021

The Proposed Ordinance Is Titled "An Ordinance Amending Chapter 27 (Zoning) of the Whitehall Township Zoning Ordinance of 1989 By Adding Conditional and Permitted Uses in the C-2 Regional/Community Commercial District, Including The Use of the Coordinated Commercial Development to Section 27-80.D; And Providing Criteria for the Coordinated Commercial Development Use in Section 27-80.G; Adding Additional Permitted Uses to Section 27-80A; Adding Definitions of Words to Section 27-94A."

The purpose of the Proposed Ordinance is to add regulations to allow for Coordinated Commercial Development by allowing for two (2) or more commercial structures, of which each structure may contain one (1) permitted use, in a Coordinated Commercial Development, provided such structures are permitted uses as defined by the Ordinance, that the lot size be a minimum of five (5) acres, that the parking provided is sufficient pursuant to the Institute of Transportation Engineers or the Urban Land Institute calculations, and that the site plan contain all references for all uses and contain the appropriate materials for review as defined in the Ordinance. Additionally, provided the Coordinated Commercial Development meets the relevant criteria as defined in the Proposed Ordinance, and the Coordinated Commercial Development provides Outdoor Amenities which exceed twenty-five percent (25%) of the land area, said Coordinated Commercial Development may be able to receive modified dimensional land use provisions as defined in the Proposed Ordinance. Finally, the Ordinance has added several permitted uses to the C-2, Regional/Community Commercial District.

A copy of the entire proposed Ordinance is available for the public upon request via first class mail and is also available at the following link: <http://www.whitehalltownship.org/forms/C2RegionalCommDist.pdf>.

Prepared by John F. Gross, Esquire, Solicitor for Whitehall Township.
Sept. 22, 29

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PUBLIC NOTICE
PLAN SLATE BELT MULTI-MUNICIPAL COMPREHENSIVE PLAN – Oct. – Dec. 2021 Meetings

Public Notice is hereby given pursuant to sec. 709 of the Sunshine Act that the location of the Plan Slate Belt Multi-Municipal Comprehensive Plan Steering Committee meetings scheduled for Oct. 6, Nov. 3, and Dec. 1 at 7 pm are changed from 25 S. Main Street, Pen Argyl, PA 18072 to 6480 Sullivan Trail, Wind Gap, PA 18091. Members of the steering committee include appointed/elected officials and designated representatives of these Northampton County Communities: Bangor, East Bangor, Pen Argyl, Portland, Roseto and Wind Gap Boroughs, and Lower Mount Bethel, Plainfield, Upper Mount Bethel and Washington Townships. The purpose of all business by the Slate Belt Multi-Municipal Comprehensive Plan Steering Committee shall be to create the Slate Belt Multi-Municipal Comprehensive Plan in accordance with sec. 301 of the PA Municipalities Planning Code. Interested persons are invited to attend.
Sept. 29

Conceptis Sudoku

By Dave Green

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Difficulty Level ★★★

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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

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Difficulty Level ★★★

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Today's Cryptoquip Clue: L equals Q

See answers on Page B8

PREMIER Crossword

By Frank A. Longo

TAKEN IN

- ACROSS
- 1 Alabama city
6 Change to fit
11 Kind of port on a PC
14 Seizes the attention of
19 Follow behind
20 First half of an album
21 Salada drink
22 Roll back to 0
23 "Hitchin' —" (1970 hit)
24 U.S. version of a cue sport
27 Argonauts' quest
29 Screening airport gp.
30 Lead-in for Rooter or tiller
31 Israel's main airline
32 Motorist's 180, slangily
33 Common seabird with black wingtips
36 Doc wielding a penlight
38 Chou En —
40 "— la vista!"
41 — Aviv
42 Chess piece four squares from the king at the start of the game
47 Alternatives to inns
49 Wife's father, e.g.
50 Left on the dinner table
52 Arid African expanse
56 Small drinks
57 Keep — profile
58 Egypt's Anwar
61 Experts
62 Mooing herd
64 Cars move up and down in it
68 Fleur-de —
69 "Yes, yes!" in Spain
71 Land in the ocean, to Yvette
72 Iraq's locale
73 Group of two
74 Certain injury from an arachnid
78 Gives 10% to the church
80 See 96-Down
81 Dragster fuel
82 Guesses at JFK or SFO
84 Iowa city
86 Printed notice with no pictures
89 Newly capped tire
91 Makes a sock, say
92 Old buddies
95 Inmate who's broken out
97 African cobra
100 Staples Center, e.g.
101 "Aw, shucks!"
102 Pantry pest
103 Baby who doesn't need a pacifier, perhaps
106 Actor Mineo
108 Spoken
112 Sorvino of "Mimic"
113 I love, to Livia

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- 114 It connects to a car engine's water pump
118 People who do what's at the ends of nine answers in this puzzle
121 Barbera's collaborator in cartoons
122 Borden's "spokescow"
123 Actor Romero
124 Common bellybutton
125 Rear- — (car accident)
126 Banana oil or benzoate
127 Secret U.S. govt. group
128 Big name in insurance
129 Deck out
- DOWN
- 1 Rocket part
2 Flynn of old Hollywood
3 Boxer Ali
4 Iraq's locale
5 Sheltered from the wind
6 "Have — trip"
7 How faint memories are recalled
8 "Zip- — -Doo-Dah"
9 Father, in French
10 Chinese calisthenics system
11 Thespian great Hagen
12 Popular Nissans
13 Certain guitar player
14 Miracle- —
- 15 Corporate shake-up, for short
16 Invite on a date
17 Scarab, e.g.
18 Leisurely walk
25 2.0 grade
26 French edict city of old
28 Granola bits
34 "Help Me, —" (1965 hit)
35 Fancy party
37 Boise-to-Spokane dir.
38 Lerner's collaborator in musicals
39 Wanted-poster abbr.
42 Grafton's "— for Quarry"
43 Single-wheeled circus prop
44 U.S.-Mex. border city
45 Gives a judgment about
46 "Dogtown" singer Yoko
47 Paradise
48 Persian king
51 "The Hollow Men" poet
53 Scholastic
54 Simply won't
55 Apropos of
57 Et — (and others)
59 Week- — glance
60 Mexican dish
63 Baking qty.
65 Petrol quantities
66 Jacob of social reform
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- 70 "Here Comes the Hotstepper" singer — Kamoze
75 Campus mil. group
76 Hair highlight
77 Gaggle birds
79 Like direct combat
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93 Liselotte of the LPGA
94 Revenues
96 With 80-Across, Silicon Valley city
97 PIN money?
98 Hucksters' helpers
99 Stickler
101 The "e" of e.g.
104 Ike's wife
105 Screw up
106 Glossy fabric
107 Bewildered
109 Concerto part
110 Actor Ed
111 Get versed in
115 Sp stylishly
116 Lacks being
117 Emu relative
119 Slangy suffix with "two"
120 Gp. for tooth drillers

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is given that the following Ordinances shall be considered, and if appropriate, adopted by the Board of Supervisors of Upper Macungie Township at its regularly scheduled meeting to be held on Thursday, October 7, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. in the Upper Macungie Township Municipal Building, 8330 Schantz Road, Breinigsville, PA 18031.

Ordinance #2021-10: Proposing to amend Chapter 1 (Administration and Government), Part 1 (Township Officials) and Part 3 (Authorities) of the Township of Upper Macungie Code of Ordinances regarding meeting times, compensation of township supervisors, as well as other amendments, all of which are set forth more fully in the body of the Ordinance.

Ordinance #2021-11: Proposing to amend Appendix H-101, et seq. of the Township of Upper Macungie Code of Ordinances, to add thereto a vacation of a portion of the south side of Lehr Street having a total area of approximately 5,780.32 square feet; said vacation being in accordance with The Second Class Township Code, 53 P.S. Sections 67304, 67305(a) and (b) and 67311.

Copies of the proposed Ordinances shall be on display at the Upper Macungie Township Municipal Building at the address indicated above, between the hours of 7:30 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding holidays, and on file at The Parkland Press, Allentown, PA, where it may be inspected.

Kalman Sostarecz, Township Secretary

Sept. 29

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE is hereby given that the Whitehall Township Board of Commissioners, at their October 11, 2021 public meeting, to be held at 7:00 PM in the public meeting room of the Whitehall Township Municipal Building, 3219 MacArthur Road, Whitehall, PA 18502, and which can be viewed and participated in by the general public through this link, <http://www.whitehalltownship.org/index.html>, will be having a second reading and consider for adoption the following proposed amendments to the Whitehall Township Zoning Ordinance (the "Ordinance").

SUMMARY OF ORDINANCE
WHITEHALL TOWNSHIP BILL 21-2021

The Proposed Ordinance Is Titled "An Ordinance Amending Chapter 27 (Zoning), Article VII (Definitions and Limitations of Uses), Article IX (Schedule of Permitted Uses, Article XVI (Definitions of Words) to Reduce the Negative Impact of Commercial Cooking Operations in Residential Neighborhoods".

The purpose of the Proposed Ordinance is to add regulations to allow for more appropriate usage of commercial cooking operations in Whitehall Township by creating a definition for outdoor commercial cooking operations, prohibiting outdoor commercial cooking operations, in any zoning district, from operating within five hundred feet (500') of a residential zoning district or lawfully occupied residence and explicitly permitting outdoor commercial cooking operations in the C-2A Local Commercial District and the C-2 Regional/Community Commercial Districts.

A copy of the entire proposed Ordinance is available for the public upon request via first class mail by calling 610-437-5524 x1149, and is also available at the following link: <http://www.whitehalltownship.org/forms/C2RegionalCommDist.pdf>.

Prepared by John F. Gross, Esquire, Solicitor for Whitehall Township.
Sept. 22, 29

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Whitehall Township Board of Commissioners will hold a virtual Regular Public Meeting on Monday, October 11, 2021 via Webex to discuss and take action on the below listed legislation. PLEASE NOTE THAT, THE BUILDING IS CLOSED TO THE PUBLIC. If you would like to provide comment or attend the meeting remotely, please see the Township Website ([whitehalltownship.org](http://www.whitehalltownship.org)) for your options.

ORDINANCES

1. BILL NO. 21-2021 (SECOND HEARING)

TITLE: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 27 (ZONING), ARTICLE VII (DEFINITIONS AND LIMITATIONS USES), ARTICLE IX (SCHEDULE OF PERMITTED, ACCESSORY, SPECIAL EXCEPTION AND CONDITIONAL USES), ARTICLE XVI (DEFINITIONS OF WORDS), TO REDUCE THE NEGATIVE IMPACT OF OUTDOOR COMMERCIAL COOKING OPERATIONS IN RESIDENTIAL NEIGHBORHOODS.

2. BILL NO. 29-2021

TITLE: AN ORDINANCE DEFERRING THE REQUIRED INSTALLATION OF CURBING AND SIDEWALKS ALONG THE MACARTHUR ROAD AND SPRING MILL ROAD FRONTAGES OF 4124 and 4128 SPRING MILL ROAD AS REQUIRED IN CHAPTER 21, SECTION 21-16 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF WHITEHALL TOWNSHIP. (DEVELOP)

3. BILL NO. 30-2021 (SECOND HEARING)

TITLE: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 27 (ZONING) OF THE WHITEHALL TOWNSHIP ZONING ORDINANCE OF 1989 BY ADDING CONDITIONAL AND PERMITTED USES IN THE C-2, REGIONAL/COMMUNITY COMMERCIAL DISTRICT, INCLUDING THE USE OF CO-ORDINATED COMMERCIAL DEVELOPMENT, TO SECTION 27-80.D AND PROVIDING CRITERIA FOR THE COORDINATED COMMERCIAL DEVELOPMENT USE IN SECTION 27-80.G; ADDING ADDITIONAL PERMITTED USES TO SECTION 27-80A; ADDING DEFINITIONS OF WORDS TO SECTION 27-94A. (PLANNING)

4. BILL NO. 31-2021

TITLE: AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF A PROPOSAL FOR PURCHASING GRANULAR SODIUM CHLORIDE TREATED WITH LIQUID MAGNESIUM CHLORIDE FOR THE PUBLIC WORKS BUREAU OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WHITEHALL IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 3.20 OF THE HOME RULE CHARTER WHICH REQUIRES AUTHORIZATION OF ACQUISITIONS IN EXCESS OF \$25,000 BY ORDINANCE (PUBLIC WORKS)

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

/s/Thomas Slonaker

FOR THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
TOWNSHIP OF WHITEHALL

Sept. 29

PUBLIC NOTICE
TOWNSHIP OF WHITEHALL
ZONING HEARING BOARD
PUBLIC HEARING

Due to the Pandemic Emergency, the regular monthly meeting of the Whitehall Township Zoning Hearing Board will be held on **October 19, 2021 at 7:00 p.m.** via Webex.com (Please see [whitehalltownship.org](http://www.whitehalltownship.org) for further details), to hear the following appeals:

DOCKET # 2014 - Warner Art Glass - 603 Eighth Street, Whitehall, PA 18052. **Location: 603 Eighth Street, Whitehall, PA 18052, PIN 549890648236**, the subject property is located in a C-2 Regional/Community Commercial Zoning District. Applicant is requesting a variance to Sec. 27-161 of the Zoning Ordinance regarding maximum size of a wall sign: 150 sq. ft. limit, 200 sq. ft. proposed. Continued to this meeting at the request of the Applicant.

DOCKET # 2013 - BETHLIN, LLC by Mr. Abraham Atiyeh - 1177 Sixth Street, Whitehall, PA 18052. **Location: 215 Quarry Street, Whitehall, PA 18052, PIN 640812367096**, the subject property is located in a R-5A High Density Residential w/o Apartments Zoning District. Applicant is requesting variances and special exception to Sec. 27-199 1 F (2) Parking area setbacks from on-site buildings and from surrounding streets may be reduced, and screening requirements may be reduced if providing screening is impracticable due to site configuration and existing nonconformities. Determination by Zoning Hearing Board required that parking setbacks are impracticable; Sec. 27-104 A One Principle Use Required, Two Principal Uses Proposed: Adaptive Reuse for Multifamily Housing and Commercial Storage; Sec. 27-147 D Number of Required On-Site 12'x35' truck loading spaces: 2 on-site truck loading spaces required. One on-site loading dock truck space proposed plus one existing nonconforming loading dock truck space partially overlapping Quarry Street provided; Sec. 27-60 D (6) Change of Nonconforming Use from Warehouse / Manufacturing to Commercial Storage proposed; Special Exception Application has been submitted separately.

Copies of plans, applications and supporting documents are available for public inspection at the Township Municipal Building. Comments and questions may be submitted to CGittinger@whitehalltownship.com.

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

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

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

The Whitehall Township Zoning Hearing Board has an obligation to affirmatively further fair housing and to review all land use and zoning applications in accordance with federal civil right statutes. This includes taking meaningful actions that overcome patterns of segregation and foster inclusive communities free from barriers that restrict access to opportunity based on protected characteristics.

The Zoning Hearing Board, in its land use and zoning decisions, does not discriminate against persons based on race, color, national origin, religion, sex, disability, or familial status and reviews all land use and zoning applications in accordance with federal civil rights statutes. Public comments made on the basis of bias and stereotype concerning people within these protected classes will not be taken into consideration by the Zoning Hearing Board in its deliberations.

Christopher W. Gittinger
Zoning and Code Enforcement Officer

Sept. 29, Oct. 6

PUBLIC NOTICE
WHITEHALL TOWNSHIP
PUBLIC MEETING

The Whitehall Township Civil Service Commission will meet on Thursday, October 7, 2021, at 4:00 p.m. via virtual meeting. PLEASE NOTE THAT THIS MEETING WILL BE CONDUCTED REMOTELY. If you would like to provide comment or attend the meeting remotely, please see the Township Website ([whitehalltownship.org](http://www.whitehalltownship.org)) for your options.
Sept.29

PUBLIC NOTICE
NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that Myers Emergency Power Systems, 44 South Commerce Drive, Bethlehem, Pennsylvania 18017, phone 610-868-3500 intends to submit an application to the Department of Environmental Protection for a National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Individual Permit for the discharge of stormwater in a manner that meets Department's requirements, from its facility located in Hanover Township, Northampton County. This is for an existing discharge of stormwater to a tributary of Monocacy Creek.

The application is made under the provision of the Clean Streams Law, the Act of June 22, 1937, PL 1987, as amended. Persons desiring additional information or who wish to provide comment concerning this permit application, should contact the Company as indicated above, or the Department at the following address: Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection Clean Water Program, 2 Public Square, Wilkes-Barre, PA 18701-1915, phone (570) 826-2511 after approximately September 30, 2021
Sept. 29, Oct. 6, 13 20

PUBLIC NOTICE

Hall, Jerry C., dec'd
Late of Northampton, Northampton County, PA
Administratrix: Kate M. Hall
c/o April L. Cordts, Esquire,
391 Nazareth Pike, Bethlehem, PA 18020
Attorney: April L. Cordts, Esquire,
391 Nazareth Pike, Bethlehem, PA 18020
Sept. 15, 22, 29

PUBLIC NOTICE

Fictitious Name Registration
Notice is hereby given that an Application for Registration of Fictitious Name was filed in the Department of State of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania on July 16, 2021 for **JANNET LOPEZ MAKEUP ARTIST** at 1621 Rader Ave. Bethlehem, PA 18015. The name and address of each individual interested in the business is Jannet Lopez Rivera at 1621 Rader Ave. Bethlehem, PA 18015. This was filed in accordance with 54 Pa.C.S. 311.41
Sept. 29

PUBLIC NOTICE

Fictitious Name Registration
Notice is hereby given that an Application for Registration of Fictitious Name was filed in the Department of State of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania on March 16, 2021 for **Under God's Protection** at 1016 Sequoia Ln. Breinigsville, PA 18031. The name and address of each individual interested in the business is Doreen Quinn at 1016 Sequoia Ln. Breinigsville, PA 18031. This was filed in accordance with 54 Pa.C.S. 311.417
Sept. 29

PUBLIC NOTICE

Fictitious Name Registration
Notice is hereby given that an Application for Registration of Fictitious Name was filed in the Department of State of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania on May 07, 2021 for **Mijita** at 1816 W Union St. Allentown, PA 18104. The name and address of each individual interested in the business is Rebeca Lugo at 1816 W Union St. Allentown, PA 18104. This was filed in accordance with 54 Pa.C.S. 311.417
Sept.29

PUBLIC NOTICE

Fictitious Name Registration
Notice is hereby given that an Application for Registration of Fictitious Name was filed in the Department of State of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania on July 07, 2021 for **Thompson Catering Solutions** at 318 East Mosser Street Allentown, PA 18109. The name and address of each individual interested in the business is Tyheem Thompson at 318 East Mosser Street Allentown, PA 18109. This was filed in accordance with 54 Pa.C.S. 311.417
Sept. 29

PUBLIC NOTICE

Fictitious Name Registration
Notice is hereby given that an Application for Registration of Fictitious Name was filed in the Department of State of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania on May 11, 2021 for **Marte Enterprise** at 1215 Olympic Cir., Apt. 6, Whitehall, PA 18052. The name and address of each individual interested in the business is John Marte at 1215 Olympic Cir., Apt. 6, Whitehall, PA 18052. This was filed in accordance with 54 Pa.C.S. 311.417
Sept. 29

PUBLIC NOTICE

Fictitious Name Registration
Notice is hereby given that an Application for Registration of Fictitious Name was filed in the Department of State of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania on May 04, 2021 for **Perfect Pathways Flooring** at 2157 Kecks Road Fogelsville, PA 18051. The name and address of each individual interested in the business is Matthew B. Baringer at 2157 Kecks Road Fogelsville, PA 18051. This was filed in accordance with 54 Pa.C.S. 311.417
Sept. 29

PUBLIC NOTICE

Fictitious Name Registration
Notice is hereby given that an Application for Registration of Fictitious Name was filed in the Department of State of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania on June 03, 2021 for **Temporarily Not Famous** at 7385 Cedar Road Macungie, PA 18062. The name and address of each individual interested in the business is Brittany Minnes at 7385 Cedar Road Macungie, PA 18062. This was filed in accordance with 54 Pa.C.S. 311.417
Sept. 29

PUBLIC NOTICE

Fictitious Name Registration
Notice is hereby given that an Application for Registration of Fictitious Name was filed in the Department of State of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania on May 07, 2021 for **J Square Cleaning Services** at 107 S Main St. Apt.9 Alburtis, PA 18011. The name and address of each individual interested in the business is Ebony Smith at 107 S Main St. Apt.9 Alburtis, PA 18011. This was filed in accordance with 54 Pa.C.S. 311.417
Sept. 29

PUBLIC NOTICE

Fictitious Name Registration
Notice is hereby given that an Application for Registration of Fictitious Name was filed in the Department of State of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania on June 17, 2021 for **Marshae's Enterprise** at 2023 Vine St. Apt. 8 Allentown, PA 18103. The name and address of each individual interested in the business is Antwanette Monique Walker at 2023 Vine St. Apt. 8 Allentown, PA 18103. This was filed in accordance with 54 Pa.C.S. 311.417
Sept. 29

PUBLIC NOTICE

PRIVATE DETECTIVE LICENSE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on July 12, 2021 a petition, being the application of Neil Valois, of Scorpio Global Solutions, LLC for a Pennsylvania Corporation Private Detective license, was filed under CP-39-MD-0001523-2021 in Lehigh County Court of Common Pleas in accordance with the Pennsylvania Private Detective Act. The Court has set a hearing for October 7, 2021 at 3:00 p.m. in courtroom 2D before the Honorable Anna-Kristie M. Marks for said petition. All persons interested in this matter may appear and show cause, if they have any, why this applicant for a private detective license should not be granted.
Sept. 29

PUBLIC NOTICE

FICTITIOUS NAME REGISTRATION

An application for registration of the fictitious name **Financial Freedom Coaching, 1092 Spring White Dr., BREINIGSVILLE, PA 18031** has been filed in the Department of State at Harrisburg, PA, File Date **06/08/2021** pursuant to the Fictitious Names Act, Act 1982-295. The name and address of the person who is a party to the registration is **BRUCE E COMLY, 1092 Spring White Dr., BREINIGSVILLE, PA 18031**.
Sept. 29

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Whitehall Township is currently considering purchasing a Stationary Compactor that will be used to prepare recyclables. This compactor will be stored and utilized at the Township's Recycling Center, located at Eberhardt and Range Road, Whitehall, PA, 18052. The Township is applying for a PA DEP Act 101, Section 902 Recycling Grant to fund the purchase of this equipment. Interested parties on the purchase of said equipment may submit comments to John Rackus, Director of Public Works, 3219 Macarthur Road, Whitehall, PA.18052-2900 within 30 days of the publication of this notice.
Sept. 8, 15, 22, 29

PUBLIC NOTICE

Estate of CORINNE L. REILY, Deceased, late of Catasauqua Borough, 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:

Colleen L. Fritz, Executrix

c/o her attorney:
JOHN M. ASHCRAFT, III, ESQUIRE
Address: 20 North 5th Street, Suite #1
Emmaus, PA 18049-2406
Sept. 15, 22, 29

PUBLIC NOTICE

ESTATE NOTICE

Estate of JANET NINNO Deceased, late of Upper Nazareth Township, 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:

Debi L. Becker, Executrix

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Sept. 15, 22, 29

PUBLIC NOTICE

ESTATE NOTICE

Estate of Walter J. Amante, deceased, late of Allentown, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania.

Letters of Administration 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

Josue Amante II

(Administrator of the Estate of Walter J. Amante)
3811 Crest View Drive
Allentown, PA 18103
or his attorney: Marc Kranson, Esquire
523 Walnut Street
Allentown, PA 18101
Sept. 22, 29, Oct. 6

PUBLIC NOTICE

ESTATE NOTICE

Estate of HELEN A. FABIK, late of the Township of Whitehall, County of Lehigh and Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the 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 claims or demands to present the same without delay to:

Executor: LEE ANN SMITH
c/o JOSEPH F. LEESON, III, ESQUIRE
70 East Broad Street
P.O. Box 1426
Bethlehem, PA 18016-1426
Sept. 22, 29 & Oct. 6

PUBLIC NOTICE

ESTATE NOTICE

Estate of Doris L. Green, late of the Township of Bethlehem, County of Northampton, and Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the 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 claims or demands to present the same without delay to:

Wayne A. Werner, Executor
c/o JOSEPH F. LEESON, III, ESQUIRE
70 East Broad Street
P.O. Box 1426
Bethlehem, PA 18016-1426
Sept. 22, 29, Oct. 6

PUBLIC NOTICE

ESTATE NOTICE

Estate of Carolyn K. Gerencher, late of the City of Bethlehem, County of Northampton and Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the 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 claims or demands to present the same without delay to:

Executor: Carol Ann Grow
c/o JOSEPH F. LEESON, III, ESQUIRE
70 East Broad Street
P.O. Box 1426
Bethlehem, PA 18016-1426
Sept. 15, 22, 29

PUBLIC NOTICE

ESTATE NOTICE

Estate of Madeline E. Bedard late of the Township of Upper Saucon, County of Lehigh and Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the 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 claims or demands to present the same without delay to:

Executor: Colette Leclerc
c/o JOSEPH F. LEESON, III, ESQUIRE
70 East Broad Street
P.O. Box 1426
Bethlehem, PA 18016-1426
Sept. 22, 29, Oct. 6

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the Upper Macungie Township Board of Supervisors has scheduled a Public Hearing on Thursday, October 7, 2021 at 6:45 p.m. in the Upper Macungie Township Municipal Building, 8330 Schantz Road, Breinigsville, PA 18031. The purpose of this hearing is to receive testimony, evidence, input, and comment from interested parties and the general public concerning the proposed vacation of an approximate 5,780 square foot portion of Lehr Street which is situated to the south of Main Street.
Sept. 22, 29

PUBLIC NOTICE

SOUTH WHITEHALL TOWNSHIP
PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the South Whitehall Township Board of Commissioners will meet in **Budget Workshop Sessions** at the Township Municipal Building located at 4444 Walbert Avenue, Allentown, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania from 4:00-7:00 p.m. on **Monday, October 11th; Thursday, October 14th; Tuesday, October 19th; Tuesday, October 26th**. The purpose of these Workshop Sessions is for the review of the proposed Annual Budget of Programs and Services for fiscal year 2022 and any other business which may come before the Board. See www.southwhitehall.com for additional details.

SCOTT BOEHRET, Director of Finance
Sept. 29

PUBLIC NOTICE

ESTATE NOTICE

Estate of Dorothy E. Pavlinski, deceased, of City of Bethlehem, Northampton County, Pennsylvania. Letters Testamentary have been granted to Michael J. Pavlinski and Dorothy P. Zimmerman, 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 **Michael J. Pavlinski and Dorothy P. Zimmerman, Co-Executors**.
c/o Lori Gardiner Kreglow, Esquire
18 East Market Street
P.O. Box 1961
Bethlehem, PA 18016-1961
Sept. 29, Oct. 6, 13

PUBLIC NOTICE

ESTATE OF THOMAS H. NERVINE, deceased, late of Catasauqua, 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:

James A. Nervine

c/o Steckel and Stopp LLC
Executor or to his Attorney, Steckel and Stopp LLC, By: Keith W. Strohl, Esquire, at 125 S. Walnut Street, Suite 210, Slatington, PA 18080
Sept. 15, 22, 29

PUBLIC NOTICE

ESTATE OF VALANCE M. KRESGE, deceased, late of Slatington, 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:

Eric S. Wassum

c/o Steckel and Stopp LLC
Executor or to his Attorney, Steckel and Stopp LLC, By: Leith W. Strohl, Esquire, at 125 S. Walnut Street, Suite 210, Slatington, PA 18080
Sept. 15, 22, 29

PUBLIC NOTICE

ESTATE OF LAUREN L. LaCESA, deceased, late of Macungie, Lehigh County, PA. Letters of Administration have been granted to the undersigned, who requests all persons having claims or demands against the estate of the decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the decedent to make payments without delay to:

Sherry Libbie Devine

c/o Steckel and Stopp LLC
Administratrix or to her Attorney, Steckel and Stopp LLC, By: Leith W. Strohl, Esquire, at 125 S. Walnut Street, Suite 210, Slatington, PA 18080
Sept. 15, 22, 29

PUBLIC NOTICE

ESTATE NOTICE

Estate of Helen J. McCauley, late of Macungie, 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 **Joanne Mancini**, c/o The Roth Law Firm, 123 North Fifth Street, Allentown, PA 18102 or her Attorney, Robert B. Roth, Esquire, The Roth Law Firm, 123 North Fifth Street, Allentown, PA 18102.
Sept. 22, 29, Oct. 6

PUBLIC NOTICE

TRUST NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that **Stanley K. Gutekunst**, the surviving settlor of The Gutekunst Family Trust Under Agreement Dated 10-05-2000, as Amended, has died, and no personal representative has yet been appointed for said decedent's estate. 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 successor trustee, **Lisa G. Lawson**, c/o The Roth Law Firm, 123 North Fifth Street, Allentown, PA 18102, or her attorney, Larry R. Roth, Esquire, The Roth Law Firm, 123 North Fifth Street, Allentown, PA 18102.
Sept. 22, 29, Oct. 6

PUBLIC NOTICE

ESTATE NOTICE

Estate of JAMES H. JORDAN, deceased, late of Allentown, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Letters Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who requests all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to

Mary P. Halliday, Executrix

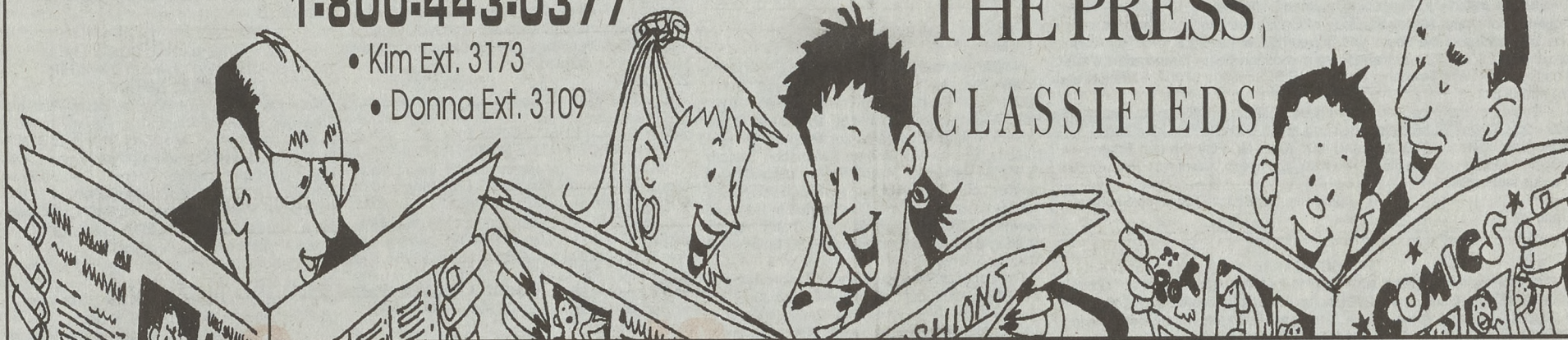
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James C. Flexer, Administrator
c/o his attorney:
JOHN M. ASHCRAFT, III, ESQUIRE
Address: 20 North 5th Street, Suite #1
Emmaus, PA 18049
Sept. 22, 29, Oct. 6

PUBLIC NOTICE

ESTATE of Kenneth Harold Petrakian, deceased, late of Allentown, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania.

Letters of Administration have been granted to the undersigned, who requests all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to

Deborah Roberts
14D Betsy Ross Lane
Whiting, NJ 08759
or his attorney: Marc Kranson, Esquire
523 Walnut Street
Allentown, PA 18101
Sept. 22, 29, Oct. 6

PUBLIC NOTICE

ESTATE of BRANDON HEIST, deceased, late of Nazareth Borough, Northampton County, Pennsylvania.

Notice is hereby given that Letters of Administration on the above named estate have been granted to the undersigned who request all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to **JEFFREY LUKE HEIST, ADMINISTRATOR,** c/o Frank W. Yandrisevits, Esq., 24 W. 21st Street, Suite 105, Northampton, PA 18067 or to their Attorney, **FRANK W. YANDRISEVITS, ESQ.,** 24 W. 21st Street, Suite 105, Northampton, PA 18067.
Sept. 15, 22, 29

PUBLIC NOTICE

ESTATE of Denise Vazquez, deceased, late of Northampton County, Pennsylvania. Letters of Administration have been granted to the undersigned, who requests all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to:

Administrator: Hector Luis Vazquez, Jr.
478 eenwood Ave.
Bethlehem, PA 18017
Attorney: Louis F. Tumolo, Esquire
The Beasley Firm, LLC
1125 Walnut Street
Philadelphia, PA 19107
Sept. 22, 29 & Oct. 6

PUBLIC NOTICE

PUBLIC NOTICE OF ESTATE of Janet L. Conaway a/k/a Janet Conaway, Deceased, late of Allentown, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Letters Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who requests all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to **Joel E. Conaway, Executor** C/O Pamela N. Zetterberg, Esquire, Attorney for the Estate, 4461 Kohler Drive, Allentown, PA 18103.
Sept. 22, 29, Oct. 6

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:
MURIEL MARGARET CORRADO a/k/a MURIEL G. CORRADO, dec'd.
Late of the City of Easton, County of Northampton and Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Executor: John T. Hindmarch c/o Karl F. Longenbach, Esquire, 425 W. Broad Street, Bethlehem, Pennsylvania 18018
Attorney: Karl F. Longenbach, Esquire, 425 W. Broad Street, Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, 18018-1920, (610) 867-8150.
Sept. 29, Oct. 6, 13

PUBLIC NOTICE

PUBLIC NOTICE OF ESTATE of Joan C. Noggle a/k/a Joan Noggle, Deceased, late of Allentown, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Letters Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who requests all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to **Christine Applegate and Jan L. Joyce, Co-Executors** C/O Robert N. Rust III, Esquire, Attorney for the Estate, 4461 Kohler Drive, Allentown, PA 18103.
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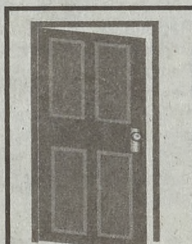
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Simple ways to incorporate reclaimed wood in your home

Homes come in many sizes and styles. But whether your home is a palatial postmodern masterpiece or a cozy farmhouse, reclaimed wood can be utilized to create an awe-inspiring interior.

Reclaimed wood serves both aesthetic and practical purposes. Visually stunning, reclaimed wood also is a great way to make use of old-growth forest wood. Why is that significant? According to the United States Forest Service, just 3 percent of old-growth forest has survived into the second decade of the 21st century. Old-growth forest wood like that from longleaf pine trees has long been touted as excellent building material, but the pine utilized today comes from trees that are cut down when they're young. Reclaimed wood taken from old or demolished homes built with old-growth forest wood offers access to this highly valued building material while also providing the environmental benefits that come with reusing existing materials.

Reclaimed wood can be incorporated into a home's interior rather easily, and the results are often stunning.

Accent wall: Transforming a wall into an accent wall with reclaimed wood is a simple project that won't affect the existing design of a home's interior. A living room or home office can be given a whole new look with the addition of an accent wall made from reclaimed wood. Homeowners who want

their bedrooms to give off the vibe of a rustic retreat can consider adding an accent wall made of reclaimed wood.

Furniture: Reclaimed wood also can be put to use, or reuse, as furniture. A home office desk made from reclaimed wood can be both stunning and sturdy, while end tables and coffee tables made from reclaimed wood can add some unique character to a living room.

Kitchen islands: Homeowners who aspire to have a farmhouse kitchen can consider reclaimed wood when creating their kitchen islands. Reclaimed wood can be used to make the body of the island, complete with cabinets and drawers, that sits beneath the countertop where cooks will prepare their meals.

Storage beds: Guest rooms tend to be smaller than other rooms in the house, and that means little room for furniture like dressers. Rather than cramming lots of furniture into a small room, homeowners can utilize reclaimed wood to create storage bed frames. The frames won't take up extra space in the room, reassuring guests that they won't be spending a weekend in cramped quarters. And the rustic look of reclaimed wood storage beds can be an instant stunner when guests arrive.

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How to maintain hardwood floors

Hardwood floors have long been sought after by home buyers. In its 2019 "Remodeling Impact Report," the National Association of Realtors® revealed that new wood flooring was the fourth most popular project to attract buyers.

Of course, hardwood floors aren't just for buyers. Homeowners who already have hardwood floors know just how impressive these floors can be, especially when they're well maintained. Maintaining wood floors is not necessarily as straightforward as it may seem, and homeowners may benefit from a tutorial on how to keep the floors under their feet looking good.

To polish or not to polish?

Polishing floors is an inexpensive way to keep them looking good. But the home improvement experts at BobVila.com note that not all floors can be polished, and determining which ones can depends on the finish. Floors with waterproof barriers such as urethane will benefit from routine polishing. However, floors with penetrating finishes like tung oil will need to be waxed rather than polished.

What finish is on the floor?

The Hardwood Distributor's Association recommends a simple



way for homeowners to determine which type of finish is on their hardwood floors. Homeowners are advised to rub a finger across the floor. If no smudge appears, then the floor is surface sealed. If a smudge is created, then the floor has been treated with a penetrating seal.

The HDA also notes that recently installed wood floors are likely surface sealed.

How often should floors be polished or waxed?

Wood flooring professionals recommend polishing floors that can be polished once every few

months. Waxing wood floors does not need to be done as frequently, and most can benefit from a fresh coat of wax every 12 to 18 months.

What can I do on a daily basis?

Some simple tricks and daily maintenance can help wood floors maintain

their impressive look.

Utilize floor mats. The HDA notes that floor mats near entryways can reduce the time it takes to clean hardwood floors and reduce the wear and tear they endure. For example, tiny particles like dirt can scratch the floor and contribute to

the kind of minor damage that adds up to significant scarring over time. Floor mats near entryways ensures that most of that dirt never makes it to the wood floors.

Vacuum without a beater bar. Some vacuums contain beater bars, which are designed to pick up human hair, dog hair and other things that conventional vacuums may not be able to pick up. The HDA advises vacuuming without the beater bar, as it can contribute to small scratches in the floor. Sweeping with a high-quality broom or microfiber cloth is another way to pick up dirt without damaging floors.

Use manufacturer-recommended cleaning products. Local home improvement stores sell a host of hardwood floor cleaning products, but the HDA notes that many flooring manufacturers now sell their own hardwood floor cleaners designed specifically for their floors. These products are likely homeowners' best bets. Homeowners who can't find them can seek recommendations from a local flooring retailer.

Hardwood floors are attractive for many reasons. And they look even more stunning, and last much longer, when homeowners make an effort to maintain them.

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Exploring different backyard structures

Designing an ideal backyard space requires forethought and an eye for style. Knowing which features to include in a yard often boils down to what homeowners want to achieve in the space. Will it be a relaxing oasis or a central entertaining focal point?

People often look to various structures to add height and visual interest to outdoor spaces. Homeowners will likely come across structures like arbors, gazebos, pergolas, and even trellises as they wade through the variety of features they can incorporate into backyard plans. Each of these structures can add appeal, but they also can offer shelter from the sun and privacy when enjoying the yard. There are significant differences between each structure, so here's an in-depth look at what sets them apart.

Arbor: An arbor is one of the more simple garden structures. It is usually a frame that is arched or square-cornered. Most homeowners use it as an entryway to a garden or even the front of the home. Those with green thumbs may cover the arbor with climbing and trailing plants. The Spruce says arbors date back to early Egyptian and Roman gardens and were used throughout Europe by the late 16th century.

Pergola: The words arbor and pergola are often used interchangeably, but to suggest the two structures are the

same would not be accurate. Pergola comes from the Italian word "pergola," which means "projection." Pergolas were once projected from exterior walls and supported on one side by pillars or columns. Today, arbors are usually freestanding units with two or four posts. Pergolas may be connected on one side to a home or another structure. Some are freestanding units supported by four posts. Pergolas tend to be larger and offer more privacy and shade than arbors.

Gazebo: Gazebos are more defined garden buildings, states the contractor referral site Network. Gazebos are freestanding units that can be built in various shapes. Some are octagonal, others are square. Like a pergola, a gazebo is supported by columns and may have low railings or built-in benches. Gazebos also may have a more solid roof than arbors or pergolas, providing sun and other weather protection. The roof may have added architectural appeal, like a cupola.

Trellis: A trellis is a simple, geometrically-shaped structure that provides a surface for climbing plants. A trellis also may support fruit-bearing trees. Trellis work may be used in conjunction with an arbor or pergola, or be installed on fencing.

Incorporating structures into backyard designs can provide functionality and appeal.

FALL The Season of Planting

Crisp, cool weather, hoodies and sweaters, and the sense of shorter days are what come to mind when we think of fall. Luckily for gardeners and growers, it's time for one final HooRah in the growing season before we put the beds to rest. There's a misconception that spring is the only season for planting, but I'm here to tell you that fall is "the" season to start planting!

It all begins with the basics of botany: roots. Roots are a plant's lifeline to water, nutrients, and ultimately growth. For trees and plants to receive optimal amounts of nourishment, their roots need to be securely established in its soil environment. This is extremely important especially when the trees are young. Why? Because new and young plantings have more of a chance to succumb to unpredictable weather conditions such as bitter cold, early frost, strong winds, extreme heat, and drought. Their strongest defense is to have a firmly established root system.

Weather conditions in fall, before frost and hard freezes arrive, are ideal for establishing new plants and trees. In the fall, there is less transplant shock caused when settling a plant or tree into its new environment. Seasonal rain and even snow help to provide water and settle into the soil around the roots. Even when the air gets cool, the soil retains the sun's heat. The roots will still grow and settle in until the ground eventually freezes.

Another great reason to take advantage of fall planting is dormancy. What does this mean? And why is it so important? Perennials have their own winter hibernation, much like bears, when their systems take a hiatus for a restorative rest. That's dormancy! When perennial plants and trees go dormant, their sap goes down, they harden off, they don't take in as much nutrients, and their leaves may even drop. The plants will rest, and they rely on the cooler weather of fall in order to go dormant - and stay dormant.

Simply put: Fall is warm, but not too warm, and cool, but not too cool. This combination of weather provides us the perfect opportunity to get our plants and trees into the ground while the soil temperature is favorable. Take advantage of fall sales and PLANT! When the warm breezes and bird chirps announce the arrival of spring, you'll have some very happy additions to your landscape.



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What to know before planting around your property

When planning a landscape, it's tempting to pick the most colorful, vibrant plants. An eye-popping property filled with yellows, purples, pinks, and other bold colors is sure to catch anyone's eye. However, the right plant for a property is not always the most colorful.

Gardening novices can easily be overwhelmed on a trip to their local garden center, where employees may ask a host of questions that have little to do with homeowners' preferences and everything to do with the growing conditions around their properties. Those questions may seem a little intense, but they're well-intentioned. Successful gardening is more about soil conditions and access to sunlight than it is about the plants themselves. An awe-inspiring hydrangea bush will only impress if it's planted in a location where it can thrive.

The Landscape, Nursery and Urban Forestry program at UMass Amherst Extension advises homeowners to learn about the following site conditions, and ultimately share that knowledge with local garden



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den center representatives, before they pick and plant anything around their properties.

Hardiness zone: The Plant Hardiness Zone Map from the U.S. Department of Agriculture is designed to help gardeners determine which plants are most likely to thrive where they live. The map can be found on the USDA website at www.usda.gov.

Light availability, intensity, and duration, from full sun to deep shade: Prior to planting, homeowners can document this information in a notebook or on their smartphones. Do so for a long enough period of time that you can get an accurate of idea of the conditions in which plants will have to grow, and then take that information with you to the garden center where you will buy your plants. Employees can then use this info to help you find the right fit given the light conditions.

Water availability, both quantity and quality, as well as ease of access

Exposure to wind and temperature extremes

Exposure to weather events, snow loads, erosion, and flooding: Garden center employees can likely recommend plants based on traditional weather patterns in a given area.

Soil type, drainage and compaction: Homeowners can take note of any areas of their property where water pools or the ground feels especially soggy after rainfall. Share this information with garden center employees prior to picking plants for such areas. If soil appears compacted, aeration prior to planting may be necessary.

Competition from existing vegetation, keeping in mind the roots underground that you can't see

Above ground wires or obstructions: Trees will grow up, and the presence of power lines or other obstructions may threaten the trees or prove dangerous if trees eventually grow into or hang over power lines.

Knowledge of various conditions prior to planting can save homeowners the cost of replacing plants and the hassle of dealing with plants that don't take.

DID YOU KNOW?

Leaves that fall from trees can be a marvel to behold.

But leaves can stain exterior surfaces when they eventually settle on vehicles, concrete driveways, patios, and other surfaces, become wet and/or are not cleaned away in a timely fashion. Leaf stains are caused by tannins in the leaves.

The pigments can be absorbed by porous materials like concrete and leave stains behind.

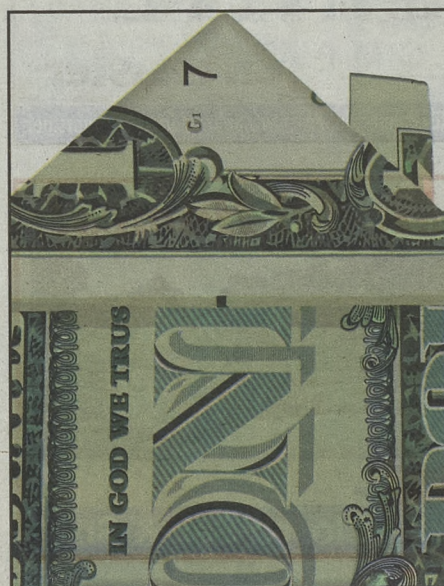
While these stains may wash away over time, homeowners may

prefer a faster way to get rid of unsightly stains.

To remove moderate leaf stains, mix oxygen bleach with hot water and apply to stains using a scrub brush.

Dark stains may require a tougher cleanser, such as one that contains trisodium phosphate.

Some homeowners find success using a pressure washer to clean away leaf stains, while others rely on commercial leaf-stain removers.



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How to help houseplants survive a long winter

As fall gradually gives way to winter, gardeners expend ample energy preparing their flowers and plants for the months ahead. Plants may be pruned to increase the likelihood that they will return in full bloom come the spring, while lawns may be aerated so cool-season grasses can get the nutrients, water and oxygen they need when the temperatures dip. But what about houseplants? Do indoor houseplants need the same type of pre-winter TLC that outdoor plants need before winter arrives?

As the seasons change, so, too, do the conditions outside. And those conditions affect indoor houseplants much like they do lawns, gardens and trees. So it's vital that people with houseplants do not overlook the need to keep houseplants going strong as fall gives way to winter.

Location

Hours of daylight shorten in winter, which means some houseplants won't get as much sun as they were accus-

tomed to over the last several months. That means plants may need to be re-

located closer to windows where they can make the most of each day's sunlight. However, it's important that there's ample distance between the plant and the window, especially when winter temperatures get especially cold. If

the plants are too close to a window on cold days, they could freeze. Keep them close enough to the windows to get ample sunlight but far enough away so they don't get too cold. In addition, keep plants away from drafty windows as well as heating vents, as extreme temperatures are not conducive to healthy houseplants.

Watering

Watering needs also may change when the temperatures drop. The indoor plant experts at Pistils Nursery in Oregon note that all houseplants need less water in winter. In fact, overwatering in winter can be especially harmful to indoor plants. Plant owners

can try decreasing the frequency of their watering by half each winter and see how the plants respond.

Cleaning

Cleaning plants is another way to help them survive a long winter.

Dust settles in many homes in win-

ter, when windows tend to remain closed for months on end and fresh air isn't circulating around the house as much as it is in spring and summer.

Pistil's Nursery notes that dust inhibits a plant's ability to photosynthesize, thus compromising its ability to make it through a winter unscathed.

Better Homes & Gardens recommends using a soft-bristle paintbrush, a toothbrush or pipe cleaner to remove dust from African violets and other fuzzy-leaved plants.

Gently washing plants with a paper towel or cloth that's been moistened with water can remove the dust.

Oils and polishes should not be used to make leaves shine, as these substances can block pores on the plant.

Houseplants may need some extra attention in winter as hours of daylight dwindle and indoor conditions make it hard for plants to survive.

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Fresh veggies are not exclusive to spring and summer

Spring and summer may be the seasons most often associated with gardening. But people who love to grow their own vegetables can do so even when the weather outside is frightful.

Various vegetables thrive in cool temperatures. The home and garden experts at HGTV note that some winter vegetables are hardy. That means they can handle frosts in temperatures as low as 25 F without being damaged. Others are even sturdier in the face of all that winter can throw at them, capable of tolerating temperatures that dip into the high teens.

Growing vegetables in winter requires a different approach than growing in spring and summer, as gardeners must be ready to prevent damage from frost if temperatures get especially chilly. For example, the experts at Michigan State University Extension note that gardeners may need to utilize floating row covers to protect sensitive crops from frost. Gardeners interested in planting winter vegetables can speak with a local garden center professional about which crops to plant and what to do if temperatures push winter vegetable gardens to the brink.

Though it's up to gardeners what they want to plant, the following are some popular winter vegetables that can make for wonderful, fresh additions to any dinner table even after the traditional gardening season has come and gone.

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An analogous scheme using cool colors will give rooms a calming and soothing look, while a warm analogous scheme will create an energizing effect.

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- Test all smoke alarms at least once a month.
- Current alarms on the market employ different types of technology including multi-sensing, which could include smoke and carbon monoxide combined.
- Today's smoke alarms will be more technologically advanced to respond to a multitude of fire conditions.
- A smoke alarm should be on the ceiling or high on a wall. Keep smoke alarms away from the kitchen to reduce false alarms. They should be at least 10 feet (3 meters) from the stove.
- People who are hard-of-hearing or deaf can use special alarms. These alarms have strobe lights and bed shakers.
- Replace all smoke alarms when they are 10 years old.



FACTS

- A closed door may slow the spread of smoke, heat, and fire.
- Smoke alarms should be installed inside every sleeping room, outside each separate sleeping area, and on every level. Smoke alarms should be connected so when one sounds, they all sound. Most homes do not have this level of protection.
- Roughly 3 out of 5 fire deaths happen in homes with no smoke alarms or no working smoke alarms.



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Signs of septic system malfunction

Homeowners recognize that their work is never done. Homes require maintenance that runs the gamut from daily tasks like cleaning kitchen countertops to more significant undertakings like replacing roofs. For many homeowners, keeping their homes running smoothly involves tending to septic systems.

Estimates from various sources indicate that roughly one in five homes in the United States has a septic system. Homeowners who live in areas with regional sewage systems may not give much thought to the operation and maintenance of their wastewater and disposal system. But that responsibility typically rests squarely on the shoulders of homeowners whose homes have septic systems. Learning to maintain septic systems so they operate safely and efficiently is essential. Homeowners should know that recognizing signs of septic system malfunction is vital to avoiding potentially cost-

ly, messy accidents that can put the health of humans and local wildlife in jeopardy.

What happens when a septic system malfunctions?

The Washington State Department of Health notes that a malfunctioning septic system is a threat to the health of both humans and animals as well as the environment. When a septic system is malfunctioning, untreated sewage can be released and end up in places where it shouldn't be, such as groundwater, surface water and marine water. That's true even if it's not visible to the naked eye. Humans and animals are in danger when septic systems malfunction because untreated sewage contains pathogens and other contaminants that can make them sick.

What are the signs of a malfunctioning septic system?

The DOH of Washington State notes that properly maintained septic systems should provide re-

liable service for many years. Part of that maintenance is keeping an eye out for these signs that suggest a system is malfunctioning or failing:

- Water and sewage from toilets, drains and sinks is backing up into the home
 - Bathtubs, showers, and sinks drain very slowly
 - Gurgling sounds are coming from the plumbing system
 - Standing water or damp spots near the septic tank or drain field
 - Bad odors around the septic tank or drain field
 - Bright green, spongy lush grass over the septic tank or drain field, even during dry weather
 - Algal blooms in nearby ponds or lakes
 - High levels of nitrates or coliform bacteria in water wells
- Homeowners with septic systems should make tending to those systems part of their routine home maintenance.

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How to recognize when to stop mowing

Each weekend in spring, summer and fall, millions of homeowners fire up their mowers and cut the grass in their yards. A few hours spent mowing the lawn can be a great time to get some sun and some exercise in the great outdoors.

As fall gradually transitions to winter, homeowners may wonder when to stop mowing their lawns. Each lawn is different, and when to stop mowing may depend on a host of factors, including local climate and the type of turf. In addition to climate and turf, homeowners can keep an eye on these conditions to determine when the time is right to put their mowers away for the winter.

Frost: Warm-season grasses typically go dormant after a couple of significant frosts. Homeowners can jot down each frost during fall. Frosts are most noticeable in the early morning hours, so be sure to check lawn conditions each morning as the weather begins to grow cold. Frost may be noticeable without even going outside, but homeowners may need to go outside to check on chilly mornings or on days when the previous night was especially cold. If you must go outside, stay off the grass to protect it. Two or three frosts might be enough to make warm-season grasses go dormant for the winter. Cool-season grasses may keep growing and require mowing even after a few frosts, so it's imperative that homeowners determine which type of grass is in their yards.

Soil temperature: If it's hard to determine if frosts have occurred, homeowners can try checking the temperature of their soil to decide if they need to keep mowing. The lawn care experts at Pennington recommend homeowners continue mowing warm-season grasses so long as they

keep growing. Lawns may not grow as quickly in fall as they do in spring or summer, and growth may not be as visible to the naked eye during this time of year as it is in other times. Homeowners can routinely check soil temperature to determine if their grasses have stopped growing. Warm-season grasses tend to stop growing once the soil temperature is consistently at 55 F or below, while cool-season grasses tend to stop when temperatures are 45 F or lower.

Falling leaves have long been a barometer

used by homeowners to determine if they need to keep mowing their lawns. That's not necessarily a reliable metric, as grass can still keep growing even if leaves have been falling for weeks. In addition, using a mulching mower when leaves begin falling is a great way to provide the lawn with nutrients it can use throughout the winter. Some trees shed their leaves more quickly than others, but it's a good rule of thumb that lawns will need to keep being mowed if trees are still retaining more than half their leaves.

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Understanding pruning and when to do it this fall can help gardeners lay a strong foundation for their gardens that will benefit them next spring

Pre-winter perennial pruning pointers

Foliage and football might be two things people instantly associate with fall, but there's more to this beloved season than brightly colored leaves and action on the gridiron.

Gardeners know that spring is an ideal time to plan and plant their favorite flowers and most flavorful fruits and vegetables. However, seasoned gardeners know that gardening is a year-round commitment. Pruning is one of the keys to keeping perennials coming back for years to come, and fall is an ideal time to take on this important task.

Pruning perennials in the fall is not a one-size-fits-all endeavor. According to the Old Farmer's Almanac, some perennials can be cut down after the first killing frost, while others can be left to benefit wildlife, including birds and insects. Understanding pruning and when to do it this fall can help gardeners lay a strong foundation for their gardens that will benefit them next spring.

Why should some perennials be pruned?

The College of Agricultural Sciences at Pennsylvania State University notes that perennials that have become diseased or infested with insects are pruned to prevent those problems from resurfacing in the spring. In addition, according to the Old Farmer's Almanac, many herbaceous perennials have old foliage and dying stems after several hard frosts. If dead foliage or dying stems aren't pruned, disease, slugs and other pests can overwinter in the plants. Cutting these plants down to the ground after several hard frosts allows the base of the plant to remain dormant over the winter but makes the plant less hospitable to disease and insects.

Which perennials should I prune?

The first step to pruning perennials is to recognize which need to be pruned and which can be left in-

tact for the winter. The Old Farmer's Almanac notes that bee balm and phlox are prone to powdery mildew and should be cut back once they're gone. Hostas harbor slug eggs, so they, too, should be pruned after a hard frost. Hosta leaves that have fallen on the ground should be removed as well. There's no need to cut back certain perennials if they're healthy. For example, hardy geraniums do not require pruning in the fall, and Penn State Extension notes that hardy perennials like garden mums are more likely to survive a cold winter if they're left intact. That's because the tops of such plants will collect leaves and snow for insulation and moisture over the course of winter. Gardeners who are unsure about fall pruning can speak with their local gardening center for additional advice regarding which plants to cut back before winter.

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How to prepare your garden for winter

Gardens provide an idyllic escape from the hustle and bustle of everyday life. In fact, many gardening enthusiasts typically cannot wait for the spring thaw so they can spend the next several months tending to their plants under the warm sun. But a gardener's work is never truly done, and the work to make gardens stun in the spring actually begins during the preceding fall.

Preparing gardens for winter is an important step that can help homeowners ensure their gardens return to full strength in the spring. The tasks necessary to prepare gardens for winter may depend on what homeowners are planting, but the following are some general maintenance suggestions that can keep gardens safe this winter.

Remove weeds and debris. Weeds and debris are unsightly and detrimental to plant life in spring, but they also can be harmful in the winter. Weeds and

debris left to linger in gardens through the winter provide overwintering spots for insects and can contribute to disease. So it's imperative that weeds and debris are removed before the ground hardens in winter. Don't wait until the ground hardens, as that can make it hard to remove the roots of weeds, adversely affecting the garden as a result.

Prepare the soil. The Farmer's Almanac advises homeowners to gently till the soil in their gardens so they can expose any insects before they settle in for the winter. Once garden soil is exposed, add a layer of compost, leaves, aged manure, and, if necessary, lime, gently tilling it into the soil. According to the North Carolina Cooperative Extension, the only accurate way to determine if lawn or garden soil needs lime is to test it. Lime makes soil less acidic and reduces soil pH. Low soil pH makes it hard for certain plants to grow, but acidic

soil is ideal when growing blueberries. Test the soil for lime and amend it depending on what you hope to grow in the spring so it's ready to thrive when winter ends.

Remove dead or diseased plants. Dead or diseased plants should not be left in the garden through the winter. These plants can attract insects and are vulnerable to disease, which can make it hard for the garden to thrive in the spring.

Protect fruit trees. If you have fruit trees, install mouse guards around the base to prevent mice and voles from killing the trees over the winter. If left to their own devices over the winter, mice and voles may eat the bark of fruit trees, killing the trees as a result. The Farmer's Almanac notes that mouse guards made of fine mesh hardware cloth can effectively protect fruit trees from hungry mice and voles over the winter.

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When to prune perennials

Gardeners need not rush to prune perennials in the fall. Diseased or infested plants can be pruned at the first sight of disease or infestation, but gardeners can wait until several hard frosts have occurred before they prune healthy perennials. In gardening parlance, a hard frost refers to when temperatures drop below 28 F. Several hard frosts kill the uppermost growth of most perennials, making this an ideal time to prune them.

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Craftsman homes may be in need of some renovations that make them more functional in modern times without sacrificing their historic beauty.

Craftsman home renovation ideas

Craftsman homes trace their roots to the late 19th century. An architectural style inspired by the Arts and Crafts movement that flourished in Europe and North America for roughly 40 years between 1880 and 1920, the American Craftsman home has endured into the 21st century thanks to its beauty and the unique feel its homes inspire.

Many craftsman homes were built nearly a century ago if not even earlier. That means these homes may be in need of some renovations that make them more functional in modern times without sacrificing their historic beauty.

Siding: Craftsman homes are instantly recognizable from the street. Homeowners who want to maintain that authentic craftsman feel must carefully consider their choice of material when replacing the siding on their homes. The siding manufacturer Allura notes that fiber cement siding can be a great option for homeowners who want to replicate the original design of craftsman homes built with sported board-and-batten siding. Fiber cement siding gives the appearance of wood when installed and does not fade quickly or require significant maintenance.

Exterior color: Homeowners need not feel beholden to certain colors when replacing siding or repainting their homes' exteriors. Nautical color schemes featuring navy blue exteriors with white accents can highlight features that are unique to craftsman homes, but more understated colors and

tones can work just as well.

Porches: An expansive, welcoming front porch that makes for the perfect place to relax and read when the outdoors beckons is a telltale feature of craftsman homes. Furniture options abound when homeowners are looking to upgrade the living spaces just outside the front door of their craftsman homes. Adirondack chairs can make a porch a relaxing place to enjoy a morning coffee or post-dinner digestif, while wicker furniture can help homeowners establish a relaxing vibe for summer. A porch swing or hammock can make that relaxing vibe resonate even more.

Real wood cabinets: Cabinets are a popular avenue homeowners look to when they want to give their kitchens a new look without breaking the bank. When upgrading cabinets in a craftsman home, the home renovation experts at HGTV note that craftsman-style kitchen cabinets often feature straight lines and minimal ornamentation. Cabinets are typically made from heavy woods like quartersawn oak, hickory, cherry, or maple. HGTV notes that updating the cabinets in a craftsman home often requires custom cabinetmakers, so the project may be more expensive than it would be if replacing the cabinets in a different style of home.

Craftsman homes are instantly recognizable thanks to many of their unique features. There are various ways to renovate craftsman homes yet still maintain their authentic feel.

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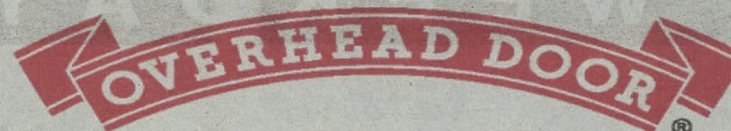
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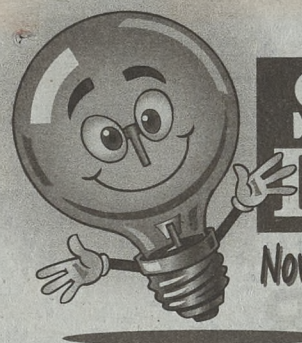


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Homes are empty of furniture and decorative items like photos and art on the walls when new homeowners move in. That makes it easy to see the interior of a home as a blank canvas. But that's not always so easy in the garden or the yard, where brush, overgrown plants or trees and other eyesores might have been left behind by the previous owners. A landscape must be cleared out before it can be seen as a blank canvas. Though clearing land may seem like a straightforward process, no one knows what lies beneath overgrowth or neglected areas of a yard or garden. Do-it-yourselfers can typically clear land on their own, but some safety strategies should be kept in mind to ensure the process goes smoothly.

Wear appropriate PPE. Personal protective equipment should be worn when clearing land. The appropriate PPE when clearing

land includes attire and other gear that many homeowners likely already have on hand. A long-sleeve shirt, puncture proof pants and gloves and slip-resistant work boots should be worn when clearing land. Homeowners also may want to invest in a hard hat if they will be cutting branches off of trees or cutting trees down. A face shield also may be a good bet depending on the scale and potential dangers of the project.

Contact your utility company. Overhead power and telephone lines are visible to the naked eye, and homeowners should be conscious of those lines as they cut any high branches. But underground lines are not visible, and that can make clearing land dangerous. Homeowners are urged to contact their utility companies before they begin to clear any land so they can determine if any underground lines are beneath areas they intend to clear out.

Get a lay of the land. Carefully inspect the area to be cleared prior to starting the project. Inspections can reveal the density of any vege-

tation that may need to be removed and reveal if there are any harmful plants like poison ivy growing. Many DIYers can remove small trees on their own, but a professional tree service may be necessary for large trees or those located close to the house. Homeowners won't want to cut down a tree, even a small one, if it can potentially fall onto the house. In addition, homeowners who are unfamiliar with chippers or stump grinders may be better off hiring a tree service to clear trees.

Don't go it alone. No one should clear land alone. Even small projects are best tackled by at least two people. Should someone get injured during the project, the presence of another person ensures someone can immediately call for help. In addition, clearing land can be more difficult than it appears, and having at least two people to pull old shrubs or carry tree branches reduces the risk of injury.

Safety should be the utmost priority as homeowners prepare to clear land on their properties.

Tips before deciding to do a DIY demolition

Home improvement projects can range from relatively inexpensive undertakings to complex endeavors that cost homeowners thousands of dollars. In an effort to make expensive projects more affordable, homeowners may look for ways to pitch in, and do-it-yourself demolition is a common way to cut costs.

Due to geographical fluctuations in price as well as the scale of a project, it's hard to pinpoint just how much homeowners can save by doing demolition work themselves. HomeAdvisor estimates that the average small interior demolition project costs just over

\$3,000, though more significant demolition projects can cost considerably more than that. Given the cost, it's no surprise that so many homeowners volunteer to do demolition on their own. Though it's possible to do so safely, homeowners can take steps to determine if it's in their best interest to take on a DIY demolition or leave it to the professionals.

Conduct a cost analysis. Demolition projects seem simple, but they often require the use of equipment most homeowners don't have on hand. Rentals can be considered in such instances, but the cost of renting equipment can reduce

the amount of money homeowners are saving by going it alone. For example, homeowners may be able to pull up vinyl or tile flooring on their own, but not all floors are installed the same. Some floors may have been glued more effectively than others, making it hard and/or time-consuming to pull them up by hand. A walk-behind floor scraper can make it easier to remove such floors, but that equipment must be rented. A cost analysis comparing the contractors' demolition cost estimate and the cost of DIY, complete with equipment rental projections, can give a more accurate picture of how much

money homeowners will save by going it alone. If the savings of DIY are negligible, homeowners should probably let the contractor handle the demo.

Speak with your contractor. Prior to saying they'll do the demo work on their own, homeowners should speak with their contractors to get an accurate idea of what the project will entail. Demolition projects may seem simple enough, but contractors can illustrate the correct way to do things so as to minimize potentially costly damage. Some contractors may offer to help homeowners start the demo project and then leave them to their own devices once

they get a knack for what to do. Once homeowners see what it will take, they can then decide if DIY is best for them.

Enlist help. No DIY demo should ever be done alone. The risk for accident and injury is simply too great for homeowners to go it alone. Homeowners who can't enlist some volunteers to pitch in should leave the job to the professionals.

DIY demolition can save homeowners a lot of money. But such projects are not necessarily as simple as they seem. Homeowners should take steps to see exactly what they're getting into before they volunteer to take on demo duty.



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