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DEP issues drought watch for entire state

The Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection has declared a statewide drought watch. While not required, residents and businesses are encouraged to voluntarily conserve water by reducing their nonessential water use.

Rainfall is predicted this week, but officials say that won't be a cure.

"Although this week has brought some welcome rain to much of the state, it's not enough to make up for the lack of rainfall this spring, following a winter that brought little snowfall in many areas," said DEP Acting Secretary Rich Negrin.

Residents asked to conserve after low rainfall, little snow

"As a result, we're seeing lowered stream flows, dropping groundwater levels, and persistent precipitation deficits. Water conservation, always a good practice, is especially helpful now as it'll lessen potential future impacts on water supplies if rainfall continues to be scant this summer."

Residents and businesses are encour-

aged to reduce their nonessential water use by 5 to 10 percent.

For more tips for residents as well as fact sheets on how businesses such as lawn care services, landscapers, hotels and restaurants can reduce water use, see the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Drought and Water sense Web page.

Drought watch, warning and emergency status declarations aren't based on one indicator alone, such as precipitation. DEP assesses information provided by public water suppliers and data on four

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PEOPLE SAY

BY DANA GRUBB

Summer officially begins this week. What is your favorite summertime activity?



"We love to go up to the Adirondacks. That's our favorite family time together."
Debbie Behnke
Wyckoffe, NJ



"Swimming in the backyard pool."
Mike
Bartonsville

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BASD Board reviews school plans

BY JENN RAGO
Special to the Bethlehem Press

June 12 the Bethlehem Area School Board Curriculum meeting started off with recognizing and awarding four students who participated in the Steel workers Scholarship program. This program is unique to Bethlehem as the focus of the student's essays is on the steel industry in Bethlehem.

The meeting continued with Chief Facilities and Operations Officer Mark Stein. He explained the pre-design, design and site survey and topographical studies that are part of the process for Fountain Hill ES construction project. Target completion is 2027. Superintendent Dr. Joseph Roy explained that the board will be reviewing and voting on each step of the process.

"The pre-design and design authorization is the very first steps of this process," he said.

Board President Michael Fascinetto added, "This is a large capital project that will benefit the students and the community."

Discussion items included the BASD Success Team. The Success Team concept is teachers coaching teachers to maximize their joint knowledge to improve student outcomes. It also facilitates teacher growth through collaborative decision-making.

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Families sat on colorful mats to listen to Mayor J. William Reynolds read. The table to the right held a selection of books for the mayor to choose from.

PRESS PHOTOS BY LANI GOINS



Elyse listens closely as Bethlehem Mayor J. William Reynolds reads "The Creepy Carrots."

Story time WITH THE mayor

BY LANI GOINS
Special to the Bethlehem Press

Over 20 families attended "Story-time with Mayor Reynolds" at the Bethlehem Area Public Library Main location on Church Street, as a part of the library's Summer Reading programming.

Mayor J. William Reynolds greeted the families, telling the children he was delighted to read for them. He recalled attending story time at the library himself, though it was on the first floor then.

"I grew up here in Bethlehem with my four brothers and sisters," he said. "We went from

Thomas Jefferson ES to Northeast MS to Liberty HS."

Reynolds read five stories to the children. Coloring activities followed for those kids who preferred to color.

Story time began with a picture book about a construction site, apropos since the area outside the library is still under construction.

Reynolds' years of public speaking served him well, as he proved to be an engaging reader.

Though he initially declined to read a book about mayors, the final story he read was "LaRue for Mayor."

PPL moves to downsize headquarters

PPL Corporation announced June 5 that it will relocate its corporate headquarters to Two City Center in downtown Allentown, as the company looks to downsize its real estate space.

"We have been proud to call Allentown home for a century and, with the signing of a 20-year lease, plan to remain part of the

city's growth story for years to come," said PPL President and Chief Executive Officer Vincent Sorgi.

"As we look to the future, we've decided to move from our current location to optimize our use of real estate and to reduce overall costs for our customers," Sorgi. "While the PPL Building

and surrounding office complex have served our needs well for decades, we believe Two City Center is better suited to support our current and future workforce needs."

PPL expects to move this fall to Two City Center, which is located at 645 Hamilton St.,

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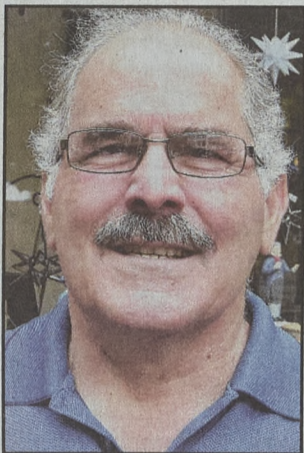
"Going to Jacobsburg Park."
Brentley DiMenichi
Bethlehem



"Going to Ocean City, New Jersey."
Donna DiMenichi
Bethlehem



"Kayaking along the Chesapeake Bay."
Melanie Quain
Bartonsville



"Going sailing on Lake Nockamixon."
Mike DiMenichi
Bethlehem

POLICE

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Homicide

A Bethlehem man was stabbed to death in Allentown Sunday morning, according to Lehigh County Coroner Daniel Buglio.

Kevin Tarafa, 29, was attacked around 2:55 a.m. in an altercation at the Synergy Hookah Lounge Union Boulevard. He was pronounced 4:45 a.m.

Police arrested Isiah Yeager, 23, of Allentown, on one count of homicide.

Buglio said this is the 12th homicide in the city

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specific targeted decision-making, use of data and teacher reflection.

Another discussion topic was the Framework categories and classifications of student misconduct as well as the disciplinary action sequence.

The board discussed Policy 130 regarding homework. This policy was first adopted in 2004. Much of the language needed to be updated and greater sensitivity expressed regarding home environments. The policy changes convey the importance of homework reinforcing classroom learning.

Lastly, the board discussed the purchase of curriculum for the 2023-24 school year. The board specifically talked about purchasing reading material for K-6 from Acadience, and 7-8 from Voyager Sopris. They also talked about purchasing Lexia Power up Literacy from Lexia Learning Systems.

A special meeting June 19th finalized and adopted the 2023-24 budget. The next regular school board meeting will be June 26.



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Three merged congregations begin gathering as Blessed Trinity Lutheran Church June 4 as tenants in the former Light of Christ Church.

Blessed Trinity begins new journey

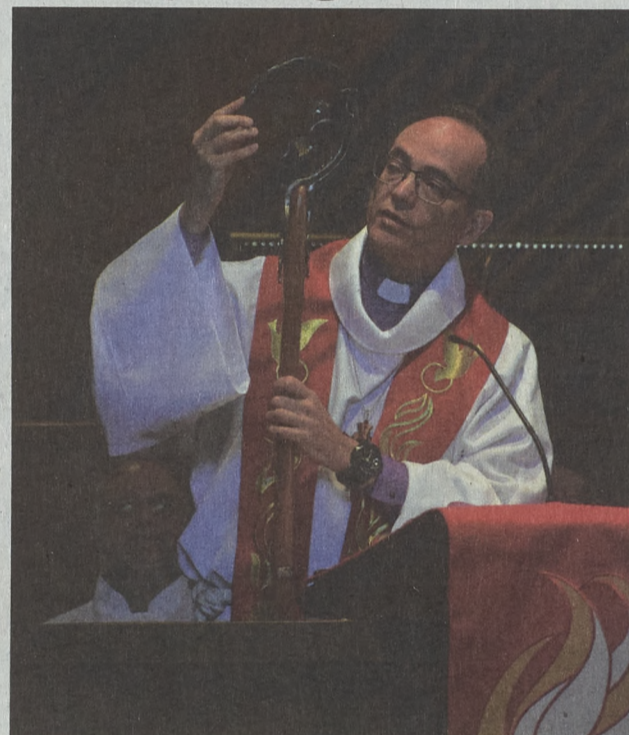
BY ED COURRIER
Special to the Bethlehem Press

Having held three leave-taking services at their respective churches, the newly-merged congregations forming the Blessed Trinity Lutheran Church, started their journey forward June 4 at 2020 Worthington Ave. The week previous, this place of worship was known as "Light of Christ."

Bishop Christopher deForest of the Lutheran Synod of North-eastern Pennsylvania delivered the sermon for the inaugural service.

"It was designed to be reflective of all parts of our synod," said deForest as he explained the symbolism reflected in his crozier, a walking stick depicting his status as a bishop. The carved hardwood staff was crafted from local trees with the curved top of steel infused with coal dust to pay tribute to the area's industrial heritage.

Images on the staff and forged metal hook reference the mountains



Visiting Bishop Christopher deForest describes the meanings behind the symbols on his crozier during his sermon at the Blessed Trinity's inaugural service June 4.

and rivers of this region, as well as several symbols reflecting their religious beliefs.

As the bishop pointed to the Tree of Life carving on the staff, he

quipped, "Yes, it's a bit of a pun on my name which is deForest so, can't see the forest for the tree."

Pastor Otto Dreydoppel Jr. served as supply

pastor. He was aided by Joe Bleier serving as assisting minister. Gene Luft served as lector.

Organist Linda Maule, the church choir, Chris Knauss on baritone sax, along with trumpet players Brent Hepner and Tommy Williams from Liberty High provided music for the livestreamed service.

The Worthington Avenue building, along with St. John's Windish at 617 E. Fourth St., and its parking lot across the street, and St. Peter's Evangelical Lutheran Church at 474 Vine St. are now owned by Lehigh University. The three historic places of worship were sold to Lehigh as a package deal.

Blessed Trinity Lutheran members will continue to gather here as tenants until they have found or built a new church. There is \$3.5 million in funds available for that purpose.

For information, visit blessedtrinitybethlehem.org.

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and will occupy about 107,000 square feet of space in the new lo-

cation. The move will coincide with PPL's plans to bring over 400 headquarters employees back to the office.

PPL's current head-

quarters complex is located at 2 North Ninth St., Allentown, and includes the 24-story PPL Tower Building. The company will initiate

a process to sell and repurpose the current complex.

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CHAMBER CONCERTS: Suds n' Roses series presented in partnership with the Bethlehem Chamber and City of Bethlehem. Sponsored by Zoellner Arts Center. Craft Beer festival. Live music. 2:30 to 5:30 p.m. Rose Garden bandshell, Eighth Avenue and Union Boulevard. Visit web.lehighvalleychamber.org/events/Suds-N-Roses-Bethlehem-839042/

LIVE IN THE GARDEN free concert. Rose Garden bandshell, Eighth Avenue and Union Boulevard. Visit www.bethlehem-pa.gov/Events/Recreation-Events-Arts-in-the-Park

PEACE CAMP- LEPOCO - Young People Making Peace, sponsor: LEPOCO Peace Center. For kindergarten to eighth grade; songs, stories, crafts, games, other activities. Sliding scale fees. Camperships available. 9 a.m. to noon daily, July 24 to 28, at First Presbyterian Church, 3231 Tilghman St., Allentown. To register, call 610-691-8730 or visit lepoco.org. Registration suggested by July 7.

MUSIC IN DIMMICK PARK - Hellertown-Lower Saucon Chamber of Commerce and Steel Club. Food trucks and adult beverage vendors. Live music 6 to 8 p.m. sponsored by Heintzelman Funeral Home Inc. Brian Dean Moore, July 16; Lucky 7, Aug. 27. Dimmick Park, 570 Durham St., Hellertown.

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.

DORNEY SWIM LESSONS: Dorney Park & Wildwater Kingdom announced that it will be joining hundreds of water parks, aquatic centers and swim schools across the country for the 14th annual World's Largest Swimming Lesson.

The event will be June 22 at 9:30 a.m. at the Wave Pool in Wildwater Kingdom.

Thousands of children around the globe are participating this year to help beat the number one cause of death of children ages 1-4 and second leading cause for children 5-14.

For more ticket information or to see the full event and entertainment schedule, visit dorneypark.com.

LLALV SCHOLARSHIP BRUNCH: The Latino Leadership Alliance of the Lehigh Valley hosts its 2023 Nuestro Futuro scholarship brunch Saturday, June 24 at 11 a.m. to celebrate those local Latino students who are receiving scholarship funds raised this past year by the LLALV gala event. Held at Northampton Community College.

This year's keynote speaker, Victoria Montero, executive director of the Hispanic Center of the Lehigh Valley, will also be honored as the recipient of the inaugural LLALV Distinguished Alumni award.

For further information, please contact Beatriz Messina at bmessina@northampton.edu or at 610-861-4145.

YOUTH HOUSE TOURNAMENT: Valley Youth House expresses its gratitude to the companies and individuals who supported the 38th annual John E. Watson, Jr. Memorial Golf & Pickleball Tournament, presented by Service Electric cable TV & Communications. Through the kind contributions of its supporters, Valley Youth House successfully raised \$330,958 to bolster the agency's essential programs, which have continued to provide assistance to vulnerable youth and families within Lehigh Valley communities for the past 50 years.

Funds raised from this special event will directly support Valley Youth House's lifesaving programming, and allow the organization to provide vital services such as life-skills training, emergency shelter, LGBTQ+ services, street outreach, and treatment/therapeutic services.

This year's tournament was chaired by John T. Yurconic, CEO, The Yurconic Agency.

ROTUNDA GALLERY EXHIBIT: The Lehigh Art Alliance will be exhibiting their 2022 Exhibition Award Winners at the Bethlehem City Hall Rotunda Gallery from July 5 to Aug. 11. This mixed media exhibition comprises work by some of the finest artists in the Lehigh Valley. As an organization devoted to the promotion of all types of fine art, Lehigh Art Alliance artists show a wide range of styles and methods. This exhibition provides a vibrant, colorful, and textural experience.

There will be an artists reception Sunday, July 9 from 2 to 4 p.m. The Rotunda Gallery is located at 10 E. Church Street. Gallery hours are Monday to Friday from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

The exhibition is sponsored by the Bethlehem Fine Arts Commission (bfac-lv.org).

WRITERS' GROUP MEETING: Greater Lehigh Valley Writers' Group (GLVWG) will hold its monthly meeting from 10 a.m. - noon, Saturday, June 24. The meeting is offered in a hybrid format—in-person at the Palmer Branch of the Easton Library, 1 Weller Place, Palmer, and online via Zoom.

From 11 a.m.-noon, Bart Palamaro will present "Tips and Tricks with Your Android." Learn how to compose a message with your voice, email a message, email it to yourself and take it to MS Word, and both join a Zoom meeting and share your phone screen. There is no fee for the morning program. Registration is recommended but not required.

All attendees must be 18 years or older. Email glvwg.vebmeister@gmail.com to receive the Zoom link. For more information or to register for the events, go to greaterlehighvalleywriters-group.wildapricot.org/event-5259703.

CAPTAIN TAYLOR'S SWORD: In partnership with the Grand Army of the Republic Civil War Museum of Philadelphia, Historic Bethlehem's museums and sites, and the Bethlehem Area School District, the Civil War Round Table Eastern Pa. Inc. is working to raise the \$9,000 needed to acquire Bethlehem resident Captain Jonathon Taylor's sword, which Taylor was reportedly holding when mortally wounded on Dec. 13, 1862, during the Battle of Fredericksburg.

Born in Carbon County in 1842, Taylor and his family moved to Bethlehem in 1858. When war came, Taylor enlisted in Co. A, 1st Pa. Volunteers on April 12, 1861, and served at the rank of private. He would later be among the early responders in 1862 to President Lincoln's call for more men.

If this effort is successful, Taylor's sword will become the focal point of a larger display that will be located at Nitschmann MS in Bethlehem.

For more information, contact Ed Root at sartilly@hotmail.com or 610-417-6673.

TRANS-BRIDGE EXPANDS SERVICE: Trans-Bridge Lines is expanding service on all of its schedules. The company has been actively recruiting motor coach drivers amid a nationwide driver shortage in order to provide additional routes.

Commuters and early morning travelers who utilize the Allentown/Clinton/New York schedules will enjoy two new east-bound runs, both beginning with pickups at 6 a.m., as well as two westbound routes from New York. There will also be changes in stop locations on various routes to allow quicker arrival times to destinations. Additionally, routes that were previously Friday service only, are now transitioning to Monday

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NOTRE DAME HS - JUNE 4



Notre Dame's Class of 2023 official portrait.

From Crusaders to alumni

BY MICHAEL HODGSKIN
Special to the Bethlehem Press

Notre Dame's class of 2023 members have gone through a lot together. They learned how to adapt to virtual learning when the pandemic shut our school down. They were pushed outside of their comfort zone having to make new friends after coming back from quarantine, and they watched all of the fun Notre Dame activities like Mini-THON and dances like Homecoming and Prom go away and then come back again.

Now, after all of these years, it was time for the class of 2023 to say goodbye to the family they had just become used to being a part of.

On Wednesday, May 31, a senior picnic was organized outside of the building by the track for all of the seniors and their families to come together and celebrate the end of the year over a well-prepared meal. Then, the following day, a short practice for both the baccalaureate Mass and the graduation ceremony was arranged in the auditorium, where the graduation would be held. All of the seniors came for the practice, and after it was over, they collectively watched a short video made by the valedictorian Amber Unger sharing highlights of their time



PRESS PHOTOS COURTESY MICHAEL HODGSKIN
Class of 2023 members lining up before processing into the Notre Dame Auditorium for graduation ceremonies.

at Notre Dame.

At 6 p.m. June 2, seniors all arrived at St. Jane Frances de Chantal Roman Catholic Church in their caps and gowns, received their stoles, and then processed into the Church for the baccalaureate Mass. The Bishop of the Diocese of Allentown, Alfred Schlert, was there to say the beautiful Mass and then express his most personal congratulations to all of the graduates, as he is a Notre Dame Alum

himself. Once the mass concluded, classmates went home to prepare themselves for the moment they've been anticipating for the past four years: graduation.

Seniors gathered June 4 in the school cafeteria with their caps decorated and their gowns on, ready to say one last goodbye. Each senior had four auditorium tickets reserved for their family members. Anyone else who wanted to come was seated in

the gymnasium, where a giant screen played a live feed of the ceremony. At 4 p.m., the seniors marched through the gym where their families were able to see them and cheer for each and every one of them as they headed into the auditorium.

Once in the auditorium overflowing with the families of the graduates, Notre Dame Chaplain Father Guey Isaac offered an opening prayer and the ceremony began.

Awards were announced and given to the students who earned them, followed by speeches given by Jaelyn Friel, the principal; Dena Farrell, the vice principal; Emma Zambo, the salutatorian; Amber Unger, the valedictorian; and finally, Bishop Schlert, who then administered the diplomas to students as they were called up alphabetically by the one who organized the whole ceremony, Cheryl Fenton.

Once everything settled, seniors flipped their tassels to the other side of their caps, which they then threw high up into the air. Finally, after four years of being Crusaders, the Notre Dame class of 2023 were now alumni.



Giovanni Calon accepts his diploma from Bishop Alfred Schlert. Others on stage include Mrs. Farrell, Mrs. Friel and Mrs. Fenton announcing names at the podium.

WATCH

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hydrologic indicators: precipitation, surface water (stream and river) flow, groundwater level, and soil moisture.

DEP monitors the indicators in close partnership with the U.S. Geological Survey, which maintains gages in streams and wells in many locations across Pennsylvania.

There are normal ranges for all four indicators. DEP makes drought status recommendations after assessing departures

from these ranges and comparing this information to historical data.

For a map that's updated daily to show the status of each indicator for each county, see the USGS Pennsylvania drought condition monitoring website.

Dry conditions also bring an increased fire risk.

The Department of Conservation and Natural Resources said there have already been 1,400 wildfires reported statewide so far in 2023, compared to 1,036 in all of 2022. This year's wildfires have burned more than 8,500 acres,

compared to 2,700 acres in 2022.

"We've had an unprecedented year for wildfires in the Commonwealth, and we encourage all Pennsylvanians to act responsibly to prevent wildfires as dry conditions persist," DCNR Secretary Cindy Adams Dunn said.

"Pennsylvania wildfires pose a threat to public health because of the smoke they create. Though significantly smaller than the 10-million-acre wildfires in Canada, Pennsylvania wildfires still create the same hazardous air conditions in the areas

impacted."

DCNR reminds Pennsylvanians that 99% of wildfires are caused by people.

DCNR is encouraging residents to understand the factors that increase the risk of wildfires, including an available fuel source, such as dried grass or leaves; dry conditions, including low relative humidity; and an ignition source to start the fire, such as sparks from an automobile, machine exhaust, or burning trash.

AREA DEATHS

Joseph P. Bohar

worked at Bethlehem Steel



Joseph P. Bohar, 93, of Walnutport, died June 7, 2023, at home. Born in Cementon, he was a son of the late Frank and Anna (Pesta) Bohar. He was the husband of the late Sallie (Graumenz) Bohar for 59 years.

He was a private in the U.S. Army and was honorably discharged in 1950.

He worked at Western and Bethlehem Steel Corp. for a short time. He was an electrician for 32 years at Mack Truck.

He was a life member of the Hokendauqua American Legion Post 739.

He is survived by three sons, Joseph G. and wife Janet of Allentown, Gregory P. and wife Roseann of Florida and Craig J. and wife Cheri of Whitehall; two daughters, Laurie Ehlacher and husband Leo of Allentown and Robin Sperbaum of Walnutport; a sister, Maryann Nemchick of Bethlehem; 10 grandchildren; 12 great-grandchildren; and one great-great-grandson.

He was predeceased by four brothers; and two sisters.

Contributions may be made to Amedisys Hospice, c/o the funeral home, 2119 Washington Ave., Northampton, 18067.

Arrangements were made by Schisler Funeral Home Inc.

Donald K. Ache

plating line operator



Donald K. Ache, 88, of Bethlehem, died June 11, 2023, in his home. Born in Fountain Hill, he was a son of the late Willard and Alverna (Rolands) Ache. He was the husband of Catharine A. (DiMeglio) Ache for 68 years. He was in the United States Navy.

He was a plating line operator for Apollo Metals for most of his life until he retired.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by two daughters, Donna Mutchler and her husband Terry of Bethlehem and Sharon Kurtz and her husband Robert of Emmaus; a sister, Carol Bellins and her husband Richard of Georgia; four grandchildren, Dr. Matthew Mutchler and his wife Alison, Megan Mutchler Price and her husband Abraham Price, Amanda Kurtz and Sara Kurtz Posipanko and her husband Alexander Posipanko; four great-grandchildren, Nathan Mutchler, Nicholas Mutchler, Abigail Price and Maya Posipanko; nieces; and nephews.

He was predeceased by a grandson, Eric Kurtz.

Contributions may be made to the Wounded Warrior Project, P.O. Box 758516, Topeka, Kansas 66675-8516.

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

Dennis C. Frantz

worked at David and Wayne Auto Service

Dennis "Dan" C. Frantz, 70, of Allentown, died June 1, 2023, in his home. Raised in Nazareth, he was a son of the late Charles Frantz Sr. and the late Shirley (Shafer) Frantz. He was the husband of Bonnie D. (Hess) Frantz for 27 years.

He worked at David and Wayne Auto Service, Bethlehem, for 35 years and retired in 2013.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by a son, Kelly of Slatington; a daughter, Nicole and husband Jonathan Souders of Northampton; five brothers, Robert and wife Lisa Frantz, Charles Frantz Jr., Dale and wife Terri Frantz and Gary Frantz and wife Roxanne, all of Northampton, and George Frantz of Philadelphia; two sisters, Peggy Frantz of West Virginia and Linda Giensinger of Whitehall; a nephew, Kevin Hess of Allentown; and three grandchildren, Kyle, Hailey and Aiden.

Contributions may be made to the American Lung Association - Lehigh Valley Chapter, c/o Schisler Funeral Home Inc., 2119 Washington Ave., Northampton, 18067.

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

Rita M. (Kuhlhamer) Kline

worked for Western Electric

Rita M. (Kuhlhamer) Kline, 84, died June 5, 2023, at home in Whitehall. She was the wife of the late Richard W. Kline Sr.

She was a daughter of John and Anna Kulhamer of Whitehall.

She was a 1956 graduate of Whitehall HS. She worked for Western Electric.

She was a member of Saint Elizabeth of Hungary Catholic Church.

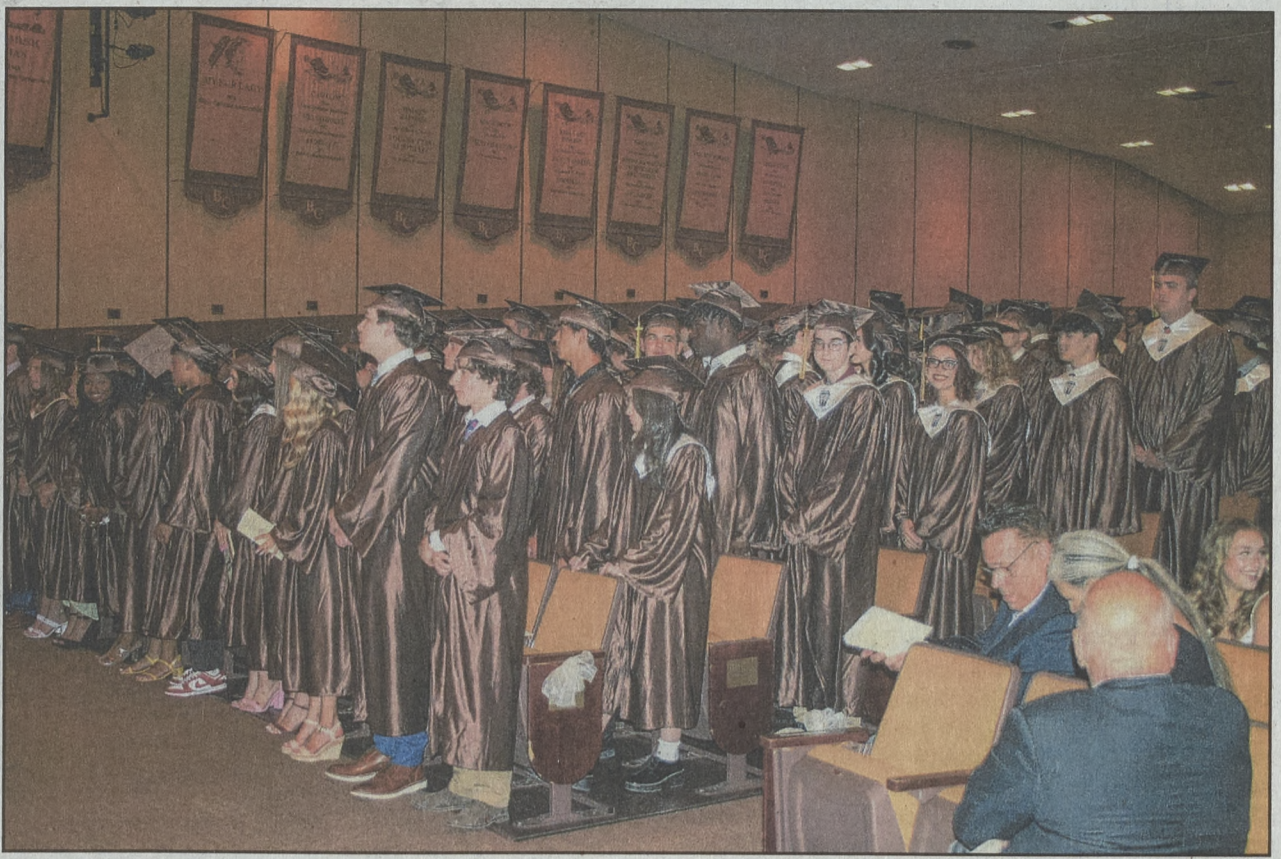
She is survived by two sons, Richard (Patricia) Jr. and Robert (Sarah); two daughters, Renee Horlacher and Rochelle (Gary) Sapienza; five grandchildren, Richard W. (Katherine) Kline III, Gabrielle Sapienza, Ryan Kline, Paige Sapienza and Kasey Kline; a goddaughter, Stacey Page; a sister, Vivian Moran of Salem, Ore.; a brother, Robert (Maryann) Kulhamer of Whitehall; nieces; nephews; and extended family.

She was predeceased by two brothers, John Kulhamer of Bethlehem and Vince Kulhamer of Whitehall; and a son-in-law, Kurt Horlacher of Whitehall.

Contributions may be made to St. Elizabeth of Hungary Catholic Church, 618 Fullerton Ave., Whitehall, 18052.

Arrangements were made by Gilbert Funeral Home Inc., Whitehall.

BETHLEHEM CATHOLIC HS - JUNE 7



PRESS PHOTOS BY NATE JASTRZEMSKI

The class of 2023 files into the Bethlehem Catholic auditorium and stands eagerly as the long-awaited commencement begins.

Forever golden moments

BY CHRISTINA SANTO
Special to the Bethlehem Press

Amid the smoldering air from Canada's wildfires June 7, 127 students became Bethlehem Catholic alumni. Class of 2023 valedictorian and salutatorian were Armaan Makwana and Cara Magliochetti, respectively.

Makwana will attend Nova Southeastern University's BS/DO program to become a doctor of osteopathic medicine. Magliochetti plans to study history and psychology at Furman University.

Student speaker Sydney Bennett reflected on the children's book character Miss Rumphius who completes her three goals in life: travel the world, live in a cottage by the sea, and make the world more beautiful.

"We each have a purpose, specifically designed for us by God," said Bennett.

God doesn't give out useless tools, and everyone uses those tools to make the world more beautiful through our purpose.

"We are all given an opportunity in this moment. How are you going to use it? ... I encourage you to make it beautiful," Bennett said in closing.

Bennett was awarded a \$235,000 scholarship to the United States Military Academy at West Point later in the ceremony; West Point



Student speaker Sydney Bennett says everyone's path in life is different, but meant to be no matter individual challenges. "Wherever we fall, it is good. Not all important lessons happen in the classroom." Bennett earned a number of accolades and in the fall will attend the U.S. Military Academy at West Point.

has an 11 percent acceptance rate.

Many other students were recognized for their academic and athletic achievements. Emily Alonge received the Jenna Rose Pastel-yak memorial award for

portraying a positive attitude and exemplifying Christian values.

Cael McIntyre was awarded the Bernard J. Gallagher memorial scholarship award for outstanding achievements in academics and

athletics.

Both Margaret Burke and Francesca Oberholzer were honored with the school spirit award.

Marissa Calantoni, the second student speaker, chose to focus on golden hour, the period of time after sunrise and before sunset.

Many people say golden hour is the most beautiful time of day as it evokes memories of happiness and bliss. Calantoni questioned if we could have a golden hour in our day-to-day lives?

She said some students may choose to focus on the big moments in high school, such as making the varsity team, but it is truly about the little moments like laughing with friends at lunch.

Calantoni will always cherish the times I sat with my friends and the teachers who have encouraged me, celebrating all of my achievements.

"These moments will forever be golden in my heart," she said.

She closed by saying we can certainly have not one, but many golden hours, calling her time at Bethlehem Catholic as her "Golden Hawk hour."

Magliochetti, class president, and Alonge, class vice president, presented the class of 2023's gift, funds for electric door access to make their school safer.



Dean of Students Barry Schultz proclaims the class' requirements for graduation fulfilled and asks knowingly for a hold of applause while each senior takes the stage.



Student speaker Marissa Calantoni, a proud third-generation Golden Hawk, says, "I will always remember my friends and the teachers' life lessons."

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through Friday service.

On the company's Doylestown/Flemington schedules, week-end service will resume for the first time since October 2022, with one eastbound and one westbound run.

On its Wall Street schedules, Trans-Bridge Lines is introducing two added runs geared for commuters who require a slightly later arrival to Lower Manhattan and alternately, a slightly later return. The runs will operate Monday through Thursday.

On the more aesthetic side of things, schedules have been revamped for a cleaner, easier-to-read look, and run numbers on the Allentown/Clinton/New York Schedules have been renumbered for consistency.

Last, but not least is the return of pier transportation to Cape Liberty Cruise Port in Bayonne.

YOUTHLEADERSHIP CAMP: YLEAD is a summer youth leadership camp for high school students in the Lehigh Valley. Participants develop critical leadership skills while working to support nonprofit organizations through service projects. This year, the camp will be offered two different weeks. All programming will be held at the Volunteer Center's office at 25 W. Third Street, Bethlehem (Banana Factory second floor). Dates: JULY 10 - 14, 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. and JULY 24 - 28, 2023 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.

There is a fee. Contact: YOUTH@VOLUNTEERLY.ORG

CELTIC SCHOLARSHIPS: The Celtic Cultural Alliance (CCA) has announced that several thousand dollars will be awarded in scholarships this year to students studying a Celtic art such as music, dance, visual arts, literature or history. Each of these awards will be presented at Celtic Classic, Sept. 24. For more information about the scholarship program or to apply, go to <https://celticfest.org/scholarships/>.

PCFLV SCHOLARSHIPS: The Lehigh Carbon Community College (LCCC) Foundation has agreed to create a fund to match any Pediatric Cancer Foundation of the Lehigh Valley (PCFLV) scholarships for students who are attending LCCC.

PCFLV offers local pediatric cancer warriors a one-time, \$3,000 scholarship to college or trade school. They also offer one-time, \$1,500 scholarships to local children who lost a sibling to cancer. For those who choose to attend LCCC, they will receive a matching donation thanks to a new fund called the Pediatric Cancer Foundation Fund. The match will go toward tuition, books or fees.

For more information about PCFLV's Scholarship Program, please contact Michelle Zenie at 484-221-9294.

FIESTA 2023: The Hispanic Center Lehigh Valley is pleased to announce FIESTA 2023: Ecuador. Please save the date for this year's gala, which will be held at Wind Creek's newly renovated Foundry Ballroom Friday, June 23 at 5:30 p.m.

This year's FIESTA will be an elegant night of Latin music, dinner, silent auction, awards, and much more! Hosted by dedicated community advocate and friend of HCLV, Dr. Leonardo Claros, this year's event will honor two vital HCLV partners for their leadership and commitment to our mission, vision, and community:

• President's Award - Michael J. Perrucci and Christine Hurst Perrucci

• Community Leadership Award - Wind Creek Bethlehem

DEMENTIA SUPPORT GROUP: The Division of Area Agency on Aging hosts a Dementia Support Group at the Dept. of Hu-

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Maintenance, expenses addressed

BY CHRIS HARING
Special to the Bethlehem Press

The Saucon Valley School Board addressed several regular business items at its May 23 meeting.

Supervisor of Campus Operations James Deegan began by delivering a comprehensive report on the district's Summer facilities and transportation projects. He highlighted various initiatives, including roof repairs, safety and security measures such as room number decals on external-facing windows, and the replacement of flooring and

windows in the high school.

After Deegan's update, Solicitor Mark Fitzgerald took the podium in a rare moment to provide an in-depth review of the district's long-standing contract with his law firm, Fox Rothschild LLP, and propose its renewal. Following approximately 20 minutes of discussion, the board unanimously voted in favor of a one-year extension.

There was some concern regarding a clause

in a quote from Center Stage Lighting & Rigging, Inc. that outlined the cost of a high school auditorium theater system, requesting a 90 percent down payment in advance of the total \$42,503.00 bill.

Several directors expressed hesitation and requested that Fitzgerald inquire with the provider about the necessity for such a substantial deposit before approving a deal.

In other noteworthy news, Superinten-

dent Jaime Vlasaty announced Jessica Friday, a dedicated high school Social Studies teacher with the district for over 20 years, was accepted to the National Humanities Center's Teacher Advisory Council for a prestigious yearlong term.

Vlasaty emphasized the significance of Friday's role within the nonprofit organization's 20-person team, as she will contribute to the development, evaluation, and promotion of its educational materials and projects.

Board hears trash pickup concerns

BY BILL LEINER JR.
Special to The Press

At the May 17 Hanover Township, Lehigh County, Council meeting, two residents approached council to complain about garbage pickup by JP Mascaro.

Hanover Township is contracted with Mascaro to provide garbage and recycling pickup for its residents. Garbage and recycling are reportedly to be picked up separately and not combined in a single pickup.

The residents said Mascaro was picking up garbage and recycling at the same time with the same truck. The residents recorded a video of the pickup and contacted the township office.

Township Manager Melissa Wehr reported several other garbage pickup complaints had been received by the township office. She fol-

lowed up with Mascaro, which explained how they pick up recycling. The company reportedly assured Wehr they pick up garbage and recycling on different pickup runs. Wehr said she also video-recorded the non-contractual, dual refuse pickups.

When the Mascaro representative was informed of the video, they "profusely apologized" for the situation and pledged to correct matters, according to Mascaro. The representative did ask Wehr to inform residents that if there is any garbage, even a small amount, in their recycling bin, Mascaro must dispose it as garbage, not recycling.

The two residents also requested the township website be updated. Wehr said she is in the

process of improving the township website.

Additionally, Wehr noted National Police Week was May 14-20. Letters of appreciation were sent out to local law enforcement departments thanking them for their service to keep communities safe.

She added National Public Works Week was scheduled for May 21-27. The Hanover Township Public Works Department, Wehr said, has collectively 99 years of successfully serving the township.

Wehr concluded her report saying the township continues to seek a third code enforcement officer. Interested applicants can contact the township office at 610-264-1069.

There was a discussion on the River Cen-

tral draft plan that is currently out for public comment. It is expected the comprehensive plan developed by five municipalities will be finalized and adopted late this summer. Wehr noted the draft plan can be found online at plannercentral.org.

Council Chairman Bruce Paulus requested a paper copy be provided to all council members. Paulus recommended interested residents access the plan on the River Central website to learn about or provide any comments they might have.

Council held a hearing on bill 2023-03, an ordinance amending chapter 16 of the township statutory code to add a new section that establishes rules and regulations for the use of the portion of the D&L Trail located in

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

VETERANS SUPPORT: 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. third Monday of the month, State Rep. McNeil's district office, 1080 Schadt Ave., Whitehall. Information on education, health care and death benefits. For appointments with an American Legion Service Office representative, call 610-266-1273.

Wednesday, June 21

Wednesday Dance with Johnny K. Free. 1 to 3 p.m. Singles and couples welcome. Cost includes light refreshments. Lehigh Valley Active Life, 1633 W Elm St. Allentown. Call 610-437-3700.

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

Thursday, June 22

Hoover Mason Trestle Gardening Day: 6 p.m. Bethlehem Environmental Advisory Council. For in-person location, zoom link and other information, visit www.bethleheameac.org

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

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

Tunes At Twilight; along Main, Broad St. Visit visithistoricbethlehem.com/events/series/tunes-at-twilight/

Sabor Latin Festival, June 23 to 25. Free admission. Family friendly celebration of Latin heritage and Hispanic culture music, food and fun. ArtsQuest and partners Highmark Blue Shield and media's La Mega Radio. SteelStacks, 101 Founders Way. Visit steelstacks.org/festivals/sabor-latin-festival/

Friday, June 23

Annual Puerto Rican Flag Raising Ceremony, Highmark Blue Shield Community Stage on the Air Products Town Square with the U.S. and Puerto Rican National Anthems and community speakers. The Puerto Rican flag will be displayed all weekend long. 6 p.m. Live music: Lehigh Valley Urban Latin Orquesta, 6:30-8 p.m. Herencia Jibara, 8-10 p.m. Hector Rosado and His Group, 10 p.m.-midnight. SteelStacks, 101 Founders Way. Visit www.steelstacks.org/festivals/sabor-latin-festival/

Sculpture Garden concert, "Flirtin' With The Mob." Bethlehem Fine Arts Commission series. 6 to 8 p.m. East side of City Hall, 10 E. Church St. Inclement weather location: Cohen Room, Bethlehem Area Public Library, 11 W. Church St. Visit bfac-lv.org for information.

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

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Summer concerts, events begin

BY ED COURRIER
Special to the Bethlehem Press

Chairperson Janine Santoro provided members of the Mayor's South Side Task Force with news from the Mayor's Office at the May 30 hybrid meeting held in the NCC Fowler Center.

Santoro announced free smoke alarm installations are continuing on the Southside. Bethlehem's fire department is assisting with the American Red Cross Sound the Alarm program. Around 150 free smoke detectors were installed May 6 in Bethlehem homes in the Southside through this initiative.

Fire Chief Warren Achey jumped in to say volunteers will help with installing more of these safety devices June 7 from 6-9 p.m. Achey repeated what he had said at a previous task force meeting that in more than 30 years, he has not experienced fatalities in fires where the structures had working smoke detectors.

According to Achey, an ambulance has been added to the fire station on the Southside to shorten response times.

Continuing with her updates, Santoro said the Community Recovery Fund deadline closed and applications are in review. Grants will be awarded sometime in

SOUTHSIDE TASK FORCE

the fall. The Sister City Search survey is in and the conversation goes on.

A Juneteenth Flag Raising is scheduled for June 11 at 3 p.m. by Juneteenth Lehigh Valley.

The Live in the Garden Saturday concert series continues through July 1 in the Bethlehem Rose Garden.

Southside Arts District Downtown Manager Erin Zebertavage said Live on the Greenway continues to June 11. The Sunday Concert Series at Harmony Pavilion runs 1-4 p.m.

She promoted the annual Bethlehem Sip & Slide Summer Cocktail Crawl happening June 17 from 1-5 p.m. The ticketed event featuring live music and tropical cocktail sampling is for adults 21 and over.

Christine Wieder from the Bethlehem Area Public Library Southside Branch announced a Queer Book Tasting on June 10 where attendees can "taste" various books on LGBTQ subjects by reading descriptions, observing the cover art, and skimming a few paragraphs in honor of Pride month.

There are several

kids activities scheduled for June. These include a Puzzle Piece Painting where children and accompanying adults can paint giant floor puzzle pieces June 14 from 5-6 p.m.

The library is seeking recipes for a community cookbook.

Southside Community Police Officer Sean Landis mentioned a Cops 'n' Kids Juneteenth event for June 14 at the NCC Fowler Center from 11 a.m. - noon

Attending remotely, CADCB Southside Community Organizer Samantha Mravlag spoke about CA Development Bethlehem's monthly Southside Community Cleanups. The next two are scheduled for June 17 at Martin Luther King, Jr. Park (433 Carlton Ave.) and July 8 at Yosko Park (Sixth and Atlantic streets) from 10 a.m. - noon. A free screening of "Disney's Lightyear" will be held at Yosko Park Aug. 2 at 6 p.m. She mentioned they are looking for vendors for the upcoming Back to School event in mid-August.

Toni Fernandez from Northampton Community College mentioned the Holy Infancy Multicultural Fest starts June 16

at Holy Infancy School on Thomas Street.

Prior to the monthly meeting, Santoro distributed event flyers to members. These include the Hispanic Center Gala 2023: Fiesta Ecuador for June 23 at 5:30 p.m., a D&L Trail Ride on June 28 departing from the Ice House at 6:30 p.m., and Bethlehem's Summer Park Program that runs from June 19 through July 27. Programming is scheduled on various days at Yosko Park, Friendship Park, L.G. Stewart Park, and the Rose Garden.

The Lehigh Valley Disc Club is seeking new members. City of Bethlehem clinics are scheduled for June 21 and July 27 at South Mountain Disc Golf Course from 5:30 - 7:30 p.m. with discs provided.

Santoro provided members with a link to City of Bethlehem Community Health Needs Assessment, and to open positions in Pool and Recreation, as well as other city jobs.

Attendees said goodbye to community fellow Kevin McNulty. He has completed his city hall internship.

The Mayor's South Side Task Force regularly meets on the last Tuesday of the month.

TRASH

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Hanover Township. It prohibits the use of motorized vehicles, fire, cooking, consumption of alcoholic beverages, obstructions, entering or

exiting at unauthorized points, solicitation, weapons, disorderly conduct, environmental disturbance, regulates animals, special events and fixes penalties for rules violation.

Council introduced

bill 2023-04, which, if adopted, deletes the conflicting 30-day and 120-day maximum periods for special sign permits and establishes a 60-day maximum period for an individual permit.

The next Hanover

Township, Lehigh County, Council meeting is set for 7 p.m. June 7 at the municipal building, 2202 Grove Road. The meeting is in-person only.

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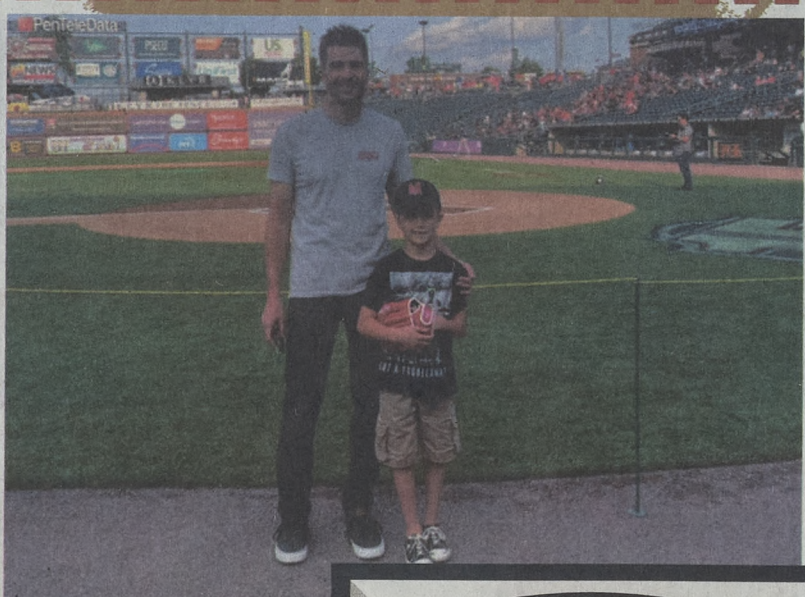
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Fire Chief Simkovic set to resign

HELLERTOWN

BY CHRIS HARING
Special to the Bethlehem Press

The Dewey Fire Company in Hellertown is looking for its next chief, as Matt Marcincin announced the verbal resignation of Matthew Simkovic at the June 5 borough council meeting.

Although his last day as chief will be at the end of the month, Simkovic is not leaving Dewey altogether and will remain a firefighter, the councilor said. Simkovic has been with the department since 2016, serving as chief since 2021.

Council President Thomas Rieger reminded the council that although they will eventually appoint a new fire chief at the department's recommendation, the borough code requires the position occupied at all times. For that reason, he said it's likely that the council will have to appoint an interim chief at its June 19 meeting.

Councilor Liz Thompson relayed concerns from various residents about tenants facing eviction from apartments owned by the Borough Water Authority. Mike McKenna, a councilor who also serves as



CONTRIBUTED PHOTO

Dewey Fire Co. Chief Matthew Simkovic, as seen in 2018, has verbally tendered his resignation, councilor Matt Marcincin announced.

the Authority's assistant secretary, verified that this is due to the department's decision to sell the properties that

need extensive repairs. When pressed on the decision by Thompson and fellow councilor Earl Hill, McKenna reiterated that the Au-

thority's board "sat down, took a look at the properties and whether we wanted to refurbish them or get rid of them," adding "everybody had an input." McKenna said that the Authority's board meetings are open to the public and that the unfortunate consequences had nothing to do with the council.

In other business, Douera 1, LLC's Kate Durso explained a petition asking the borough to vacate a portion of Clauser St. north of Hemlock St. that bisects two of the company's properties. An official traffic arrow sign currently directs traffic away from the block, which sits behind the Star Pre-Owned car dealership at the Interstate 78 exit. The council unanimously approved the request.

Council President Thomas Rieger announced that barring any new developments that might necessitate reversing the decision, July and August will only feature one council meeting each. With each respective month's first scheduled meeting tentatively canceled, the summer's only two remaining dates are July 17 and Aug. 21.

Saturday, June 24

Suds n' Roses concert. Live music. Craft Beer festival. 2:30 to 5:30 p.m. Rose Garden's bandshell, Eighth Avenue and Union Boulevard. Visit web.lehighvalleychamber.org/events/Suds-N-Roses-Bethlehem-839042/ for tickets and information.

Live in the Garden free concert. Pale Fang and Cnidarian. 6 to 8:30 p.m. Rose Garden bandshell, Eighth Avenue and Union Boulevard. Visit bethlehem-pa.gov/Events/Recreation-Events/Arts-in-the-Park

Saturday Night Dance. 7 to 10 p.m. "KATO." Cost per person includes light refreshments. Singles and couples welcome. Lehigh Valley Active Life, 1633 W Elm St. Allentown. Call 610-437-3700.

Sabor- events: The Kings of Salsa (Los Reyes de la Salsa) screening, Frank Banko Alehouse Cinemas, noon; Fabricio Orihuela, 4-6 p.m.; Kiltro, 6:30-8 p.m.; Little Johnny Rivero and His Salsa Band, 8-10 p.m. Pancho Bongo y su Orquesta, 10 p.m.-midnight.

Sunday, June 25

Live in the Garden free concert. Dave Neith Orchestra 7 to 8:30 p.m. Rose Garden bandshell, Eighth Avenue and Union Boulevard. Visit bethlehem-pa.gov/Events/Recreation-Events/Arts-in-the-Park

Monday, June 26 to Friday, June 30

Burnside Farm Summer Camp. Ages six to 12. Discover what it was like to be an early farmer, explore what farmers do today and learn all about taking care of animals. In partnership with Sunset Boarding Stables, LLC. 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. 1461 Schoenersville Rd. Visit historicbethlehem.org/programs/farm-summer-camp/ for information or store.historicbethlehem.org/farm-camp/ to register.

Wednesday, June 28

Karaoke with Bobby James. Free. 1 to 3 p.m. Singles and couples welcome. Lehigh Valley Active Life, 1633 W Elm St. Allentown. Call 610-437-3700.

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Northampton Council talks term limit referendum

BY CHRISTINA SANTO
Special to The Press

Northampton County Council met June 1 to discuss three amendments to the home rule charter.

Each of the three proposed amendments would add a referendum question to the 2023 general election ballot regarding

term limits for county council, the executive and the controller.

According to the proposed amendments, county council members would not be able to serve more than three four-year terms in succession. Both the county executive and controller would be lim-

ited to two successive terms.

Potential debate and voting will be held at council's next meeting.

Council also approved a \$127,151 LSA grant to be awarded to Recovery Revolution, Bangor.

Executive Director Jana Morris said the

money will be used to update its second-floor fire escape, seal its parking lot and update three rooms that are not well used.

County council will next meet 6:30 p.m. June 15 at the county council building, 669 Washington St., Easton.

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Music from the Emmaus Public Singing Society filled the air on opening day.

Garden market connects community

BY DANA GRUBB
Special to the Bethlehem Press

The Bethlehem Rose Garden farmers market opened on June 3 for the 2023 season. The market will run each Saturday from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. through Oct. 14. Organizer Mary Toulouse was

pleased with opening day. "It's more than buying healthy food," she said, "it's people coming here because it connects the community."

Food vendors, food trucks, informational stands and musicians were spread under the tree

canopy at the south end of the park while volunteers maintained the nearby rose garden beds. Visit the Bethlehem Rose Garden Farmers Market Facebook page for weekly updates on vendors, activities and entertainment.



Bethlehem resident Ben Richter dances with his son, Everett, to a song by the Emmaus Public Singing Society.



Volunteers Emily Miller and Jen Wescoe are busy maintaining the garden beds at the Rose Garden on June 3.



Bethlehem Food Co-op general manager Eric Shamis answered questions at the co-op's information stand.



Bethlehem residents Cheryl Dugan and Marianne Madeira chat with Mary Jane Frick, owner of Coopersburg based Frick Family Farms, at the Frick produce stand.

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Aviles finally gets the call, scores two TDs



PRESS PHOTO BY DON HERB

Becahi's Will Aviles had a great game in the McDonald's All-Star Classic last week.

BY JEFF MOELLER
Special to the Press

Will Aviles waited to receive a text confirming his spot on the Gold roster for the 52nd Annual Lehigh Valley All-Star Football Classic June 15 at Nazareth's Andrew S. Leh Stadium. It never came.

Teammates Izzy Ramos-Dobbins, Troy Miller, and Rahmel Terry all received texts. The recently graduated Bethlehem Catholic senior was frustrated, but he was happy for his teammates.

"I was a little disappointed," recalled

Aviles. "I waited two weeks to get a text. I thought I didn't work hard enough. But I was excited for everyone else to be part of the game."

Finally, a call came from Gold and Bangor head coach Paul Reduzzi, and Aviles was in.

The recently graduated senior made the most of his efforts, as he caught touchdown passes of 13 and 20 yards and had a team-high 72 yards receiving in the Gold's 21-20 victory.

Ironically, Aviles was converted to a wide receiver for the game, playing either a defen-

sive back or safety for the Golden Hawks this past season. He confirmed it was his first time on the other side of the ball on a consistent basis since his freshman year. Aviles didn't catch a pass this season.

Aviles saw a smooth transition.

"It was just hard to get some chemistry," he said. "When you're an athlete, you should be able to play anywhere. It really wasn't a big challenge to make the move, and I would have gone anywhere."

Aviles' older sister, Alyssa, was a cheer-

leader at the game a few years, and he remembered wanting to always play in the game in his youth.

He stated that it was an awesome experience that became emboldened when he told former coach Kyle Haas that he was going to score two touchdowns in the game.

"He was there for me after the game," said Aviles about Haas. "Coach Haas was more than a coach for us; he was a father figure. He was our go-to person for everything. It was tough. See AVILES on Page A10

Becahi summer soccer off to a hot start

BY KATIE MCDONALD
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Bethlehem Catholic girls, the defending Lehigh Valley Summer Soccer League champions, began the new season with three straight victories this summer at Lehigh University's Goodman Campus.

Becahi's season opener resulted in a 5-2 victory over Saucon Valley, last summer's runner-up, on May 31.

Becahi went on to defeat Bangor, 6-1, on June 5 and Notre Dame, 9-2, on June 12.

"We have a full roster so that is optimistic," said Becahi head coach Brad Kratzer. "A lot of cautious optimism for this team going into fall."

Players include rising seniors Gabby Mutis, Lia Logaivau, Maddie Nichelson, Makenzie Davis, and Summer Hill and rising juniors Joanne Bozzi, Molly Ludwig, Sarah Gowell, and Tealyn Boyle.

Rising sophomores are Audrey VanHaute, Ella Troxell, Jaon Lee, Kristen McMenimen, Miranda Sedor, Sophia Arvelo, and Tallia Hill, and rising freshmen include Abbey Dieterich, Anna Truscott, Rio Stoudt, and Vivian Dieterich.

Rising eighth grader Tyleigh Boyle is also on the team.

Becahi's upcoming matches are scheduled for June 14 against Stroudsburg, June 19 against Jersey Dogs, June 21 against Catasauqua, and June 26 against Palisades.

Start times vary between 6 p.m. and 7:15 p.m. For a complete schedule, the website for the Lehigh Valley Summer Soccer League is lvssl.org.



PRESS PHOTO BY KATIE MCDONALD

The Lehigh Valley softball Carpenter Cup team poses for a photo during scrimmages last week. The tournament begins this week.

Cup team preps for tournament

BY KATIE MCDONALD
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Lehigh Valley's Carpenter Cup softball team played to two 2-2 ties in a doubleheader scrimmage against the Patriettes 23U team on June 14 at Patriots Park in Allentown in preparation for this week's tournament at FDR Park in Philadelphia.

"I'm super excited," said Lehigh Valley head coach Brian Fehnel. "We have a bunch of hitters and five pitchers. I think we have a talented team this year. We'll see how we do."

Lehigh Valley had five hits in the first scrimmage, including an RBI triple to left field by Ariana Castillo (Liberty), a double to right center by Alina Weaver (Nazareth), and singles by Sydney Frantz (Palmerston), Karlye Teman (Palisades), and Addison Sabo (Liberty).

Castillo and Autumn Held (Emmaus) had doubles in the second scrimmage.

"I think they're starting to warm up to each other tonight," said Fehnel of his players. "They're joking around. They all play on tourna-

ment teams, so there's that bond."

Lehigh Valley has six returners from last year's team which was eliminated in a semifinal by Mid Penn.

"Mid Penn's pitcher is back this year. I'm sure, at some point, if we have to play Mid Penn, we'll see her," Fehnel said.

But with considerable interest from high school players and a lot of input from their coaches this year, Fehnel is confident that Lehigh Valley will see much success this week.

"Before the high school season started, we sent out emails to all the high school coaches to get back to us with who they thought they would like to nominate for us to come watch play," said Fehnel. "We went and watched everyone play throughout the whole season. I saw more high school softball than I'd ever seen in my life. We saw everyone play three or four times, and then we selected the players we wanted."

Lehigh Valley's first game in the Carpenter Cup Softball Classic is scheduled for June 21 against Inter-AC.

Stingrays top Whitehall Waves

BY KATIE MCDONALD
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The Bethlehem Stingrays summer swim team opened their season with a 372-209 victory over the Whitehall Waves on June 15 at Memorial Pool, Bethlehem.

"First meet of the year, good stuff. I'm pleased with where we're at," said Stingrays head coach Evan Kocon. "As far as the balance of our age groups, we have a lot of kids who shuffled

groups. Some moved up and now some of their friends went with them and some are still in the younger groups. Things worked out, but I also told them, there's a lot of little stuff, which comes with summer. We've only had four practices, so it'll come, technique things, starts and finishes."

In the 8 & Under races, first place finishers for Bethlehem were Amelia DeBalko, Raya Brandes, Abigail Yerk, and Finley Ogara in the 100 freestyle relay (1:37.12), Yerk in the 25 butterfly (26.54), Brandes in the 25 backstroke (29.15), James Krakowski in the 25 back (23.97), and Landon Black in the 25 free (19.91).

In the 9-10 races, first place finishers for Bethlehem were Liana Brandes, Alexandra Yerk, Camila Wilson, and Marguerite Guerin in the 100 medley relay (1:27.29), Logan Lech, Theo Collins, Greyson Geiger, and Bradley Bobsein in the 100 medley relay (1:25.67), Yerk in the 25 breaststroke (20.00), Collins in the 25 breast (22.97), Wilson in the 25 fly (20.21), and Yerk in the 25 back

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(19.38) and the 25 free (15.51).

"Our youngest age groups are massive," said Kocon. "I'll let a four-year-old on if they can make the length of the pool. Most of them are five or six when they start."

Bethlehem's winners in the 11-12 age group were Elena Bays, Liliana Fink, Emma Pellegrino, and Lena Blazure in the 100 medley relay (1:20.69), Desmond Murray, Charles Wilson, Jack Amato, and Darren Nguyen in the 100 medley relay (1:14.15), Diana Genao in the 50 breast (48.65), Murray in the 50 breast (45.78), Amato in the 100 IM (1:32.03), Nguyen in the 50 fly (36.50), Blazure in the 50 back (37.90), Amato in the 50 back (38.40), Blazure in the 50 free (35.28), and Nguyen in the 50 free (32.00).

"Going from 25 to 50, one thing you see is that they breathe way too much in strokes they don't need to," Kocon said. "In butterfly and freestyle, they're breathing on almost every stroke. You just have to have a plan going into it."

Bethlehem's 13-14 winners were Kimura Dixon in the 50 free (35.25), Matthew Gould in the 50 free (32.75), Leah Onia in the 50 breast (39.89), Everett Collins in the 50 breast (44.13), Onia in the 100 IM (1:23.28), Andrew Bays in the 100 IM (1:19.85), Leo Negron

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Becahi athletes headed to college

BY PETER CAR
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Bethlehem Catholic recently held a signing ceremony for their graduating seniors heading to college to participate in athletics.

Wrestling leads the list with five seniors heading to the next level on the mats, while football had four players moving on.

The complete list of student-athletes is below:

- Ashton Campbell (Bloomsburg University, Wrestling)
- Leah Chladny (Moravian University, Softball)
- Shannyn Duffy (University of Scranton, Competitive Spirit/Cheer)
- Yarian Fernandez (Moravian University,

- Basketball) Mekhi (Springfield College, Football)
- Andrew Harmon (United States Air Force Academy, Wrestling)
- Petros Hrousis (Northampton Area CC, Baseball)
- Riley Hughes (Bloomsburg University, Wrestling)
- Cael McIntyre (American University, Wres-

- ting) Beckham McNally (Catholic University of America, Baseball)
- Zyair Morris (Wilkes University, Football)
- Mark Mulhern (Bucknell University, Football)
- Landon Muth (Virginia Military Institute, Wrestling)
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The Third Annual Jess Fin Fest will take place Saturday, July 22, 2023, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the North Catawauqua Park, 701 Grove St.

Jess Fin Fest is a volleyball and cornhole tournament.

Jess Finlayson was an 8th grade math teacher and the Northampton girls volleyball varsity coach. She graduated from Emmaus in 2010 and Lebanon Valley College in 2014. She played in many adult volleyball leagues and tournaments throughout the Lehigh Valley.

Jess lost her 2 1/2 year battle to brain cancer in January 2021 at the age of 28.

To honor Jess, and the sport she loved, there will be an adult



volleyball tournament (competitive and social) and adult social cornhole tournament on 22 July.

Proceeds go to the Jess Fin Foundation, which exists to raise

funds for brain tumor research, help others locally who have been diagnosed with brain cancer and provide support to the Jess Finlayson Memorial Scholarship fund (providing scholarships to Northampton senior volleyball players each year).

The Jess Fin Fest will have volleyball and cornhole, a basket raffle, T-shirts, DJ Johnzy, music, food/drinks/beer and the Inside Scoop Ice Cream Truck.

Sign up below for volleyball teams, ordering T-shirts, donating, being a sponsor, or volunteers: <https://jessfinfoundation.org>.

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Stingrays set for season

BY KATIE MCDONALD
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The Bethlehem Stingrays summer swim team opened their season on June 15 when they hosted the Whitehall Waves at Memorial Pool for competition in the Suburban Swim League of the Greater Lehigh Valley (see story on page A9).

"We are fortunate to once again have quite a large team, around 145 swimmers, with a nice breakdown of numbers between all age groups," said Stingrays head coach Evan Kocon, who is entering his 11th season.

Kocon will be assisted by Diana Kocon, Laurie Muller, Chris Black, and Sammy Taylor. Kocon's wife Elyssa will assist on occasion as she is taking care of her and Evan's two small children.

"I am very pleased with the high numbers that we have, especially in the 10 & Under and 8 & Under age groups," said Kocon. "This bodes well for not only the future of our team, but more importantly, the fu-

ture of the sport of swimming in the Lehigh Valley."

The Stingrays, who range in age from elementary school through high school, recently had their first outdoor pool practice to get ready for the season.

"This year's team has started with a few indoor and evening practices to get kids moving and prepared for the season," Kocon said.

Home meets are scheduled for June 19 against the Palmerton Porpoises, June 26 against the Lower Macungie Lazars, and July 10 against the Soleco Stingrays with 6 p.m. start times.

Other teams in the league are the Quakertown Dolphins, the Northampton Kids, and the Macungie Bears.

Bethlehem will also host the Silver Champs meet on July 19 for swimmers who don't qualify for the Championships meet.

Swimmers who do qualify for Championships are scheduled to compete on July 22 at Northampton.

LEHIGH TO TAKE ON NORTHWEST

The District 20 All-Star Tournament game schedule was announced last week.

Lehigh's 11/12 team's first game will be at Northwest on Friday, June 23, at 6 p.m.

Lehigh's 9/10 team's first game will be at Northwest on Saturday, June 24, at 1 p.m.

BUNKE HONORED

Lebanon Valley College's Lauren Bunke of Bethlehem, Pa., and member of the women's track and field team, was named Middle At-

lantic Conference First Team in the 1500m run and 4x800 relay, after a standout Spring 2023 season.

Bunke, a graduate

of Bethlehem Catholic High School, is pursuing a doctor of physical therapy in physical therapy at Lebanon Valley College.

HABERSTUMPF HONORED

Moravian University freshman Jake Haberstumpf (Freedom HS) has been selected to the 2023 to the NCAA Division III PING All-Region 3 Team announced by the Golf Coaches Association of America.

Haberstumpf paced the Greyhounds this year with a scoring av-

erage of 73.11 over 19 rounds. He competed in 14 events, earning medalist honors seven times.

In the 2023 Landmark Conference Men's Golf Championships, Haberstumpf tied for fifth overall with a score of 153 to make the All-Conference First Team. He carded a 72 in the sec-

ond round, improving by nine strokes over his first-round total.

Haberstumpf is the second Greyhound to earn GCAA All-Region honors, joining Brian Bergstol '07, who was a four-time honoree during his playing career at Moravian.

SWIM

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in the 50 fly (36.93), Andrew Bays in the 50 back (36.26), and Onia in the 100 free (1:15.01).

Lilah McClarin, Natalie Brezinsky, Amelia Paxton, and Onia combined to win the 13 & Over 200 medley relay (2:23.45), and Bays,

Malcolm Collins, Wade Wu, and Gould won the same event for the boys (2:10.32).

Paxton and Angelina Dechert tied for first in the 15 & Over 50 free (31.03), and Wu won the 50 free (27.31).

Brezinsky was first in 50 breast (37.93) along with Collins (32.00). Brezinsky also won the 100 IM (1:16.35) and the

50 fly (32.59) along with Collins (30.03).

Wu was first in 50 back (31.19), and Dechert placed first in 100 free (1:09.86).

The boys crescendo relay was won by Bethlehem's James Krakowski, Desmond Murray, Ben Raineri, Andrew Bays, and Nathaniel Krakowski (2:15.27).

AVILES

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when he left, and it came out of nowhere."

Aviles has cherished Haas' contributions and guidance as well as assistant coach Bob Rigali, who worked with him since his freshman year. He started playing foot-

ball at the age of five, and will always remember his 80-pound playing days when he made a game-saving tackle to win a championship.

Next fall, Aviles will continue his football career at Springfield College, where he will pursue a degree in exercise science. He will begin in

the program as a defensive back.

"I always wanted to work in exercise science," he said. "I want to stay in sports as long as I can. I really feel comfortable in it."

Once the All-Star game began, Aviles played pretty comfortably in the game, too.

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BASD: The Bethlehem Area School Board will not meet in July.

CITY OF BETHLEHEM COUNCIL LINKS ARE CHANGED: City Council Meetings as of May 2023: youtube.com/@cityofbethlehemcouncil9913/streams; others: youtube.com/channel/UC4HYHr4C6mVbfrRXhWYXajw is for the Planning Commission, HCC, HARB, and Zoning Meetings.

Wednesday, June 21

Hellertown Borough Zoning Hearing, 6:30 p.m. 685 Main St., Hellertown.

Hanover (LeCo) Twp. Council, 7 p.m. 2202 Grove Road. Allentown

Thursday, June 22

Bethlehem Redevelopment Authority, 5 p.m. City Hall, 10 E. Church St.

Hanover (Norco) Twp. Zoning Hearing, 7 p.m. 3630 Jacksonville Road.

Friday, June 23

Norco Spotted Lanternfly Control Committee, 1 p.m. Northampton Co. Courthouse, 669 Washington St., Easton.

Monday, June 26

BASD Regular Board. 6 p.m. East Hills MS, 2005 Chester Road.

Tuesday, June 27

Saucon Valley School Board, 7 p.m., Audion building, 2097 Polk Valley Road. Visit svpanthers.org/Domain/572

Wednesday, June 28

Bethlehem Parking Authority, 4 p.m. 85 W. North St.

Bethlehem Zoning Hearing Board, 6 p.m. City hall, 10 E. Church St.

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

Lehigh County Commissioners, 7:30 p.m. Gov't. Center, 17 S. Seventh St., Allentown.

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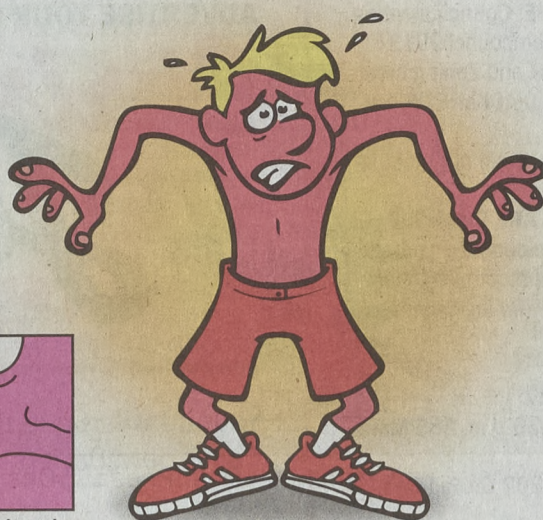
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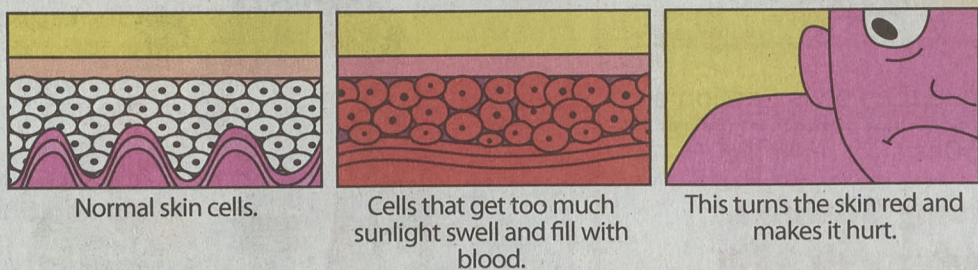
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Different skin types

Tanya has a lot of melanin in her skin. Andy and Melody have a little. Amy has very little. Some parts of Amy's body make more melanin than others. These dark spots are called freckles.

Everybody needs to protect their skin from the sun. Even people with lots of melanin will burn. Their skin won't burn as fast as Amy's, but it will burn.



Lifesaver Letters

What should you look for when you are getting too much sun? Cross out every letter that is printed twice on the innertube. The five letters left spell your answer!

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Standards Link: Reading Comprehension: Follow simple directions; identify common sight words.

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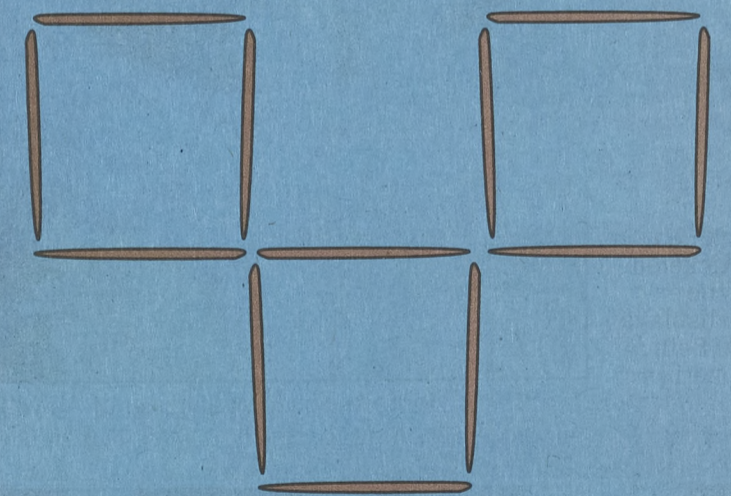
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Using 12 toothpicks, try this puzzle. Lay out the toothpicks as shown below. Can you make **four** squares by moving only **three** toothpicks?



Standards Link: Math: Problem solving. Make a model to solve a puzzle.

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TINY
HURT

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

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

SAFETY TIP:

STEP 1

STEP 2

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This week's word: PROTECT

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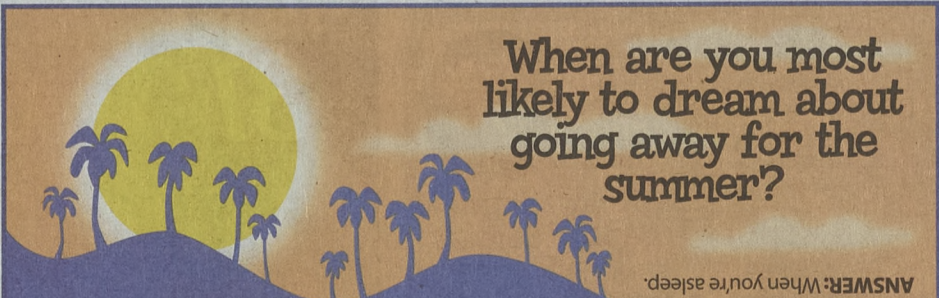
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This grouping of mannequins showcases six fanciful gowns: Phoenix, Oasis, Olive, Venus, Camelia, and Papillion Fantome.

Bringing art to fashion

BY LANI GOINS
Special to the Bethlehem Press

The relationship between fashion and fine art has been tenuous at best. Fashion is what one wears to a Fine Art show, for example. But a new exhibition at the Banana Factory shows with brilliance what happens when fine art and fashion come together. The exhibition, "An Uncommon Thread: Fashion as Fine Art," brings art to fashion through magical, fanciful and thought provoking gowns.

The artist whose vision inspired the show is designer Barbara Kovchak, whose lovely, more traditional wedding gowns may be purchased at her atelier in Bethlehem, or at a number of bridal shops around the United States.

Kovchak has 21 years of experience making wedding gowns. "My mom had her own collection and studio in Bethlehem, Eugenia's Couture," she said. "I was doing metals and illustrations and was working with her. In 2016 I started my own shop."

Kovchak's first location did not have a trying-on area, so customers would dress in her office. She found customers enjoyed seeing her work areas. Her current atelier is Barbara Kovchak Couture at 701 West Broad Street in Bethlehem. "So, when we moved to this location, we have a little luxe space for guests but it's not removed from the workroom. People love that. They can see dress forms, the cutting table, the mannequins."

Kovchak graduated from Bethlehem Catholic High School. She was one of a just a few high school students who were chosen to take an advanced course at the Banana Factory. "The BECCA art teacher was so good, if not for him I wouldn't have been in the Arts at all. I was sorry he could not come to see the exhibit."

Kovchak's gowns are priced according to labor and time. While no new materials were used for the gowns in the exhibition, some of the pieces are among her highest priced gowns. "In this collection, one of the gowns took two weeks to construct, and is worth over \$15,000. The beaded gowns are worth over \$20,000. The gowns are all hand sewn." The least expensive gown Barbara has ever made was priced under \$1,000.

Barbara and her team produce hundreds of gowns annually. "We make two collections of gowns a year, with some new designs in between, for brides here and across the country. All are made here in Bethlehem. There are three of us, (working full time on gowns) we can each do about two gowns per week. The work ebbs and flows. There are five of us total, some are



Press photos by Lani Goins. This marvelous decorated bird cage was a favorite for selfies at the People's Ball. This and all of the floral designs were created by artist Rachel Bell.

part time. In the Fashion show at the People's Ball, the contestant in the white jumpsuit, Katie Hogan was once one of my team members. I'm very proud of her."

The exhibition also includes a selection of paintings of models in the gowns. Kovchak explained, "I haven't painted in quite a while. The people at the Banana Factory were really excited about the fashion aspect of the exhibition, but I said I would do the illustrations to match. At Christmas it became clear I had to make these paintings. I was a little rusty. Not all of the gowns were represented by painting. There are 10 paintings. I was always so much more self-conscious about painting fine art and was really self-critical, and decided this was not a good career choice for me. Fashion I grew up in and I didn't take criticism as personally."

Balancing work and family is a challenge for Barbara, just as it is for many parents. "I have a nine year old child. We have a full schedule of activities, volunteering, it's only gonna get more insane as they get older. I don't have a lot of hobbies. It's mostly work-kids-exercise. My husband has lots of vacation time, but we rarely use it. We shouldn't feel guilty as working moms but we do. I would never want to live in another time, this time is the best it has ever been for women. Still, you really can't have it 'all' at the same time."

"Part of the purpose of the exhibition is to encourage self-expression through fashion, as another form of Art. As someone who came from a fine art background, I didn't even see it as fashion. I had an epiphany back in 2020, and approached the Banana Factory about doing something

unique. The People's Ball and the fashion show were born from this idea of people being able to participate in wearable art, and to "Think of fashion and give it its due credit."

From idea to the exhibition's start was two and a half years of creating. Kovchak's regular design work continued. She said "The dresses were created throughout as a side project." The shredded Phoenix and green tiered gowns spawned the collection. "The Phoenix has been on many style shoots, it really been everywhere." The theme was about the dichotomy of natural and artificial worlds. During the COVID lock downs, Kovchak was struck by the video footage of Times Square completely empty. It made her think of the 90s film "12 MONKEYS." "In the film the world was dystopian, the planet was consumed by vegetation. While we thought of it as

fantasy in the 90s, 2020 proved this was not that far-fetched." As the creation of the exhibit progressed, "the idea of nature taking over, positives and negatives, morphed with technology, AI, and evolved as the work went on."

Eve 2.0 was one of the last pieces created for the exhibition. Kovchak is "very much intrigued by the concept of AI. People are afraid of what will happen if AI gets out of control." The highly detailed gown is lined in red fabric, representing "the idea of blood dripping down, humanity coming through, that AI does not have."

For the gallery exhibition, ArtsQuest bought the mannequins. Barbara chose the mannequins, and gave exact lengths. "The mannequins will stay with ArtsQuest. They were so accommodating, they had never done a fashion exhibition, so I had to explain a few things but they were wonderful, and continued to make it exactly what I envisioned. "I want the exhibition to grow and go multiple places, and this was the best start to new exhibition, I am so grateful beyond words."

Every mannequin sports some accessories. The impressions of shoes grace all the pieces. Some have headgear, one has a necklace, and most have carefully designed headwraps, some with color coordinated braids. "We had done a couple of headwraps, but we needed something extra. All the gowns needed something. I was finishing up to the day before the exhibit."

The exhibition opened on First Friday in May, immediately followed the next evening by the inaugural People's Ball. The ticketed event featured the exhibition, floral displays by artist Rachel Bell, a D.J., catered appetizers and a bar the highlight See ART on Page A14



Madam Eve wears a bounty of bright yet subtle floral.



The bountiful floral skirt of Utopia in White is complimented by a floral arrangement by artist Rachel Bell.



Eve 2.0 is Barbara Kovchak's vision of AI, with humanity bleeding through.

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Shoe un-crazy

As I have said before, I am not a shoe crazy girl. Recently, my older son, Erick, needed shoes for an upcoming trip. Erick had developmental issues as he was growing up. One of the results is he has very small feet. Like kid sized. So he orders most of his shoes online, both to avoid shopping in the children's section, and because the selections online have better dress shoe styles for him. So he found shoes he liked, checked the size chart, and ordered.



By Lani Goins

Unfortunately when the shoes arrived, they were way too big for him. He was disappointed, and a little concerned that a re-order might not arrive before his journey. My not-very-helpful response was he should try shopping in stores.

My youngest, James, was confused when I said we were going to a shoe store. He mainly wears sneakers, and we get them at big box stores. So I explained shoe stores, going back to my childhood visits to Len's Shoe Box for corrective shoes. (No wonder I'm not shoe crazy).

So off we went, first to drop off the online return to UPS, then for restorative coffee, then to the shoe store. My first order of business was to give Erick space. So James and I looked at shoes ourselves. Erick was able to find a single pair he liked, and he was shocked at the much lower price he was able to pay in-store.

We tried one more shoe store. Erick decided he had had enough. We found James a new pair of sneakers, and surprisingly his feet had grown a half size. I cringed internally, remembering two summers ago when he grew through three sizes in one summer.

On the way home we had a conversation about homelessness and dogs. It brought back bad memories. We can't have a dog in our current apartment. Someday.

We finished with a quick stop for a pool noodle and a floaty ring. Side note: we LOVE Memorial Pool on Illick's Mill Road. If you haven't been there, it's well worth a visit. My skin is still healing and I don't go in the water yet. But lots of parents don't, and there are plenty of lifeguards. James is having lots of fun. There is a nice little park just down the road, too. I am healing, and hoping I will be comfortable in the water before summer ends.

LETTER

Congratulations

George, congratulations to you and others for the awards I see reported in today's issue. So good! And today's issue is a great example of the good work. The BP is what I call a "Happy Newspaper." I always smile picking it up and unfolding it. Lots of color, pictures, local faces, local info – and always kids to seniors. Truly a community work.

A tip o' the hat to all of you.

Edward J. Gallagher
Bethlehem

MUNICIPAL NEWS

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NORTHAMPTON COUNTY

'OUTSTANDING' NOMINATIONS: Northampton County will hold its Annual County Festival Oct. 14 and the festivities will include an awards ceremony for outstanding residents in the categories of: Outstanding Municipal Employee and Outstanding Volunteer, Youth, Business, Veteran, and Emergency Personnel.

To nominate a deserving volunteer, youth, business, veteran, or emergency personnel, please send an email to dtomaino@norcopa.gov with a request for the nomination form. Submissions are due by 5 p.m. Sept. 15. Nominations for outstanding city and municipal employees will be submitted by their respective municipalities.

DEER LICENSE: The Northampton County Department of Fiscal Affairs announced changes for purchasing antlerless deer licenses for this year's hunting season.

The new antlerless license purchasing process will no longer accept mail-in applications. Hunters must purchase 2023-2024 antlerless licenses online at HuntFish.pa.gov or any in-store hunting license issuing agent. The Northampton County Revenue Division is an authorized issuing agent located on the 2nd Floor of the Northampton County Government Center (669 Washington St., Easton).

The first day of antlerless license sales for residents is Monday, June 26. Nonresidents can begin purchasing antlerless licenses Monday, July 10. The 2023-24 Deer Season starts on Sept. 16 and will end Jan. 27, 2024.

LANTERFLY: The Northampton County Conservation District is offering free spotted lanternfly banding materials to Northampton County residents (I.D. required) through October 1 (or until supplies run out). To arrange a pick-up time and date (14 Gracedale Ave., Nazareth), call 610-829-6284 or email dcampbell@norcopa.gov; no walk-ins.

ART

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of the evening was a fashion show featuring local artists, with categories including best handmade design, best thrifted design, best overall look, and best emerging design. Kovchak judged the fashions along with fashion designer Veena Chauhan, salon operator and Master Stylist Skye Greene, and designer and owner of Lawson Accessories in Bethlehem, Shelby Lawson.

An Uncommon Thread: Fashion as Fine Art runs through Aug. 20 at the Crayola Gallery at the Banana Factory. For more information visit BananaFactory.org. To see more of Barbara Kovchak's designs, or to make an appointment, contact barbakovchak.com.

FREEDOM HS - JUNE 8



PRESS PHOTOS BY DANA GRUBB

Friends Teagan Ryan, Sven Oraczewski, Zach Franges, Dayanara Marrero-Allen and Jerry Rivera will be heading in a number of directions. Ryan will attend Penn State University to major in speech pathology; Oraczewski has enlisted in the U.S. Marine Corps; Franges will attend Northampton Community College to study psychology; Marrero-Allen will study architecture at Mount Holyoke College; and, Rivera will attend Princeton University to major in electrical engineering.

'Show what it means to dream'

BY TAMI QUIGLEY
Special to the Bethlehem Press

"Class of 2023, you have never looked better than tonight," Freedom HS Principal Laurie Sage said June 8, when the class of 2023 poured into Stabler Athletic and Convocation Center, as 438 graduates gathered together as a class for likely the last time before setting sail into the world outside the walls of what is now their alma mater.

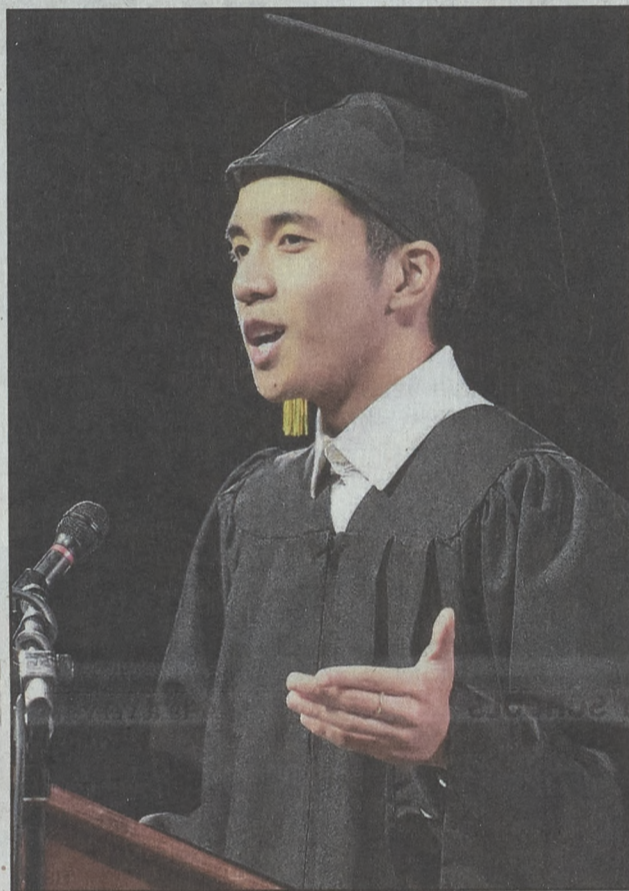
"Every graduate sitting on the floor tonight has an individual journey that has gotten him or her to this milestone achievement," Sage said in her welcoming remarks. "Tonight is the time to celebrate and recognize each one of you for your 13 years of schooling, with an eye on your past four years at Freedom."

Three student speakers chose the theme "Dreamer, Builder, Explorer" for their remarks: Jayrold Veneracion, student chosen class speaker; Lauren Humphrey, faculty chosen graduation speaker; and Prajeet Santra, senior class president.

"This day feels like a dream to me," Veneracion said, noting he has kept the trait of being idealistic from his childhood days.

"Chasing our dreams that may seem different or irrational but used to fuel our ambitions for a future that gives us purpose – that's the trait of the human spirit," Veneracion said.

"Let's show this world what it means to dream."



"We should all recognize the diversity in our class," says class selected speaker Jayrold Veneracion.

Humphrey expressed gratitude to families, faculty and classmates for helping graduates over 13 years of education to reach this point.

Humphrey was confident each graduate could think of a faculty member who has made an impact on their lives, and highlighted the "unconditional love and sacrifices" of parents, guardians and families, who she cited as students' "constant pillars of strength" as graduates were building, creating and shaping their future.

"Congratulations class of 2023 – our jour-

ney has just begun."

"I saw you grow for 13 years. I'm so proud of you and I'm so proud that my last graduation will be your high school graduation," Roy, who is retiring in July after 13 years at the helm of the school district, said.

Roy especially expressed gratitude for the support of parents in the district during his tenure.

Bethlehem School Board President Michael Faccinetto said graduates were all different and unique, and that Freedom, "helped mold and ripen you into what you are today, leaving to go out into the world."

The commencement ceremony included Lamp of Knowledge recipients being honored for earning an A or A equivalent in every course of their high school career.

Freedom's National Honor Society began a new tradition by donating \$1,000 for the creation of the Altruism Award as its class gift. The award was given to four students who embody the four pillars of the National Honor Society: scholarship, service, leadership and character.

Graduates who are enlisting or are already enlisted in the armed forces were also recognized during the evening.

The ceremony included musical selections from the band and choir.

Arun Chhugani was valedictorian.



"Collectively, all of us have played an integral role in our journey," says Lauren Humphrey, the faculty selected speaker.



"We, the Class of 2023, are dreamers," says class president Prajeet Santra

DISTRICT

SUPERVISOR OF EQUITY INITIATIVES TO SPEAK:

BASD Supervisor of Equity Initiatives Eric Fontanez will be the Keynote Speaker at the Festival. The Festival runs from June 23 to 25 at Steel Stacks. Fontanez will deliver his speech at 6 p.m. June 23. Visit Steelstacks.org/festivals for more information.

ENGINEERING CAMP FOR MS GIRLS: Lehigh University will hold a one week Engineering Camp for girls. Spots are limited and scholarships are available. For more information, contact clw219@lehigh.edu

FREE GLASSES/SCREENINGS: New Bethany Ministries's Vision to Learn Mobile Clinic will take place July 7. To register, contact Community School Coordinator Nancy Ettwein at Thomas Jefferson ES, at nettwein@basdschools.org.

FIT FOR LIFE PROGRAM: Fit for Life is offering four weeks of summer programming for students entering grades 5 and 6. From June 19 to July 21, 9 a.m. to noon daily. Locations are Northeast MS and Broughal MS. All students will receive breakfast and lunch and a Fit for Life T-shirt. To register, visit forms.gle/B38ubxkW69XWdoLg8

MINI PATES CHEERLEADING CAMP: For students entering grades K-8. Camp will run from June 27 to 29 from 4-6 p.m. To register visit forms.gle/TBsRY-JhYV5h1crkQ8 Send questions to fhscheerbooster-club@gmail.com

SOCCER CAMP 2023: The Liberty HS Soccer Club will host camps for students who will enter grades 1-7 in the fall. Camps will be held at Nitschmann MS. There will be morning camps from June 19-22. Evening Camp will be from July 17-20. Cost for each week is \$50. For more information visit basdschools.org, or email LHSC@ptd.net

SECONDARY SCHOOLS

BAVTS STUDENTS VISIT GERMANY: Follow their journey on the Bethlehem Area Vocational-Technical School page on Facebook.

FREE WORKOUTS FOR TENS: Students age 14 to 19 can work out for free at Planet Fitness throughout the summer. Plus there is a grant contest for your school! Pre-registration is required. Visit basdschools.org for more information.

NEW GRADING SYSTEM: Bethlehem Area School District is updating their report card grading system for Grades 6-12 beginning in the 2023-24 School Year. "The updated report card represents our primary aim: to improve our communication about student achievement toward learning goals with you." For more information on the report card updates, visit our BASD website at Educational Programs Office site: pa50000490.schoolwires.net/page/95

FOOD DISTRIBUTION AT NORTHEAST MS: On the second Saturday of each month, from 10 a.m. to noon, there will be a drive through food distribution at Northeast MS 1170 Fernwood St. The distribution is open to families of BASD students. The next distribution date is July 8.

STUDENT VACCINATIONS: Vaccinations are required for all students, with specific vaccinations needed for students entering the 7 and 12 grades. To schedule a vaccination for your child, contact the Bethlehem Health Department at 610-865-7083.

ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

GOLF TOURNAMENT: Fountain Hill ES is looking for sponsors and golfers for its Holes on the Hill Golf Tournament. The Tournament will be Aug. 18 at 8 a.m., at the Southmoore Golf Course in Bath.

GARDEN HELPERS NEEDED: The Spring Garden ES PTO is looking for volunteers to take care of the Garden Club's vegetable garden watered and weeded over the summer. To volunteer, visit the Spring Garden PTO page on Facebook. Or email Springgardenp-to@gmail.com

FREE FRUIT AND VEGETABLE DISTRIBUTION: BASD and the Bethlehem Food Co-op will offer free fresh fruits and vegetables at Thomas Jefferson ES on the following dates from 8:30 a.m. to 10 a.m.: June 28, July 26 and Aug. 26. Afternoon times will be from 1:30 to 2:45 p.m. July 12 and Aug. 2. "We will have opportunities for fresh fruits and vegetables throughout the summer," said Community School Coordinator Nancy Ettwein.

COLLEGE GRADUATIONS

Bucknell University

Griffin Lombardi, of the Bethlehem area, graduated from Bucknell University May 14, 2023.

East Stroudsburg University of Pennsylvania

Several local residents earned degrees from East Stroudsburg University of Pennsylvania during three commencement exercises May 5 and May 6.

The graduates are, from Bethlehem: Michael Almack, Gunner Anglovich, Jonathan Anthony, Natalie Biery, Erinni Binikos, Olivia Blackstone, Annette Bon Lore, Isaiah Brabham, Matthew Brogan, Jessica Brunell, Rachel Cain, Alejandra Castaneda, Madeline Comp, Rebecca Coriell, Tyler Cramsey, Kathleen Dubicki, Samantha Engelhardt, Taj Falconer, Hannah Gold, Tatiana Guzman-Carides, Timothy Hanks, Kristen Hassler, Kelsey Hoffner, Timothy Jones, Mikayla Jones, Kayla Jones, Lindsey Joseph, Bridget Keglovics, Christina Lessig, Thomas Manos, Anna Marando, Meridith McCormick, Ashley McMullen, Sarah Memon, Ariana Ortiz, JaiFene Ortiz-Gordils, Yadshira Pagan Ortiz, Sarah Pammer, Rheannon Parker, Melissa Pertschuk, Benjamin Piripavel, Eissie Powell, Augustus Reed, Galina Reilly, Christina Remache, Maribel Rivera, Jayleen Rodriguez, Jorge Rojas, Zyanna Rosado, Steven Rose, David Schultz, Kaliyah Scott, Jadyen Seaforth, Jessie Stavrou, Tyler Szaro, Tyler Tasillo, Daeshawn Teague, Yesenia Torres, Bradley Turocy, Brendan Ungar, Nicholas Voorhees, Mackenzie Warnke, Shania Womer, Akari Yamamoto and Ryan Zeiner;

From Fountain Hill: Kelsey Morrison and Zachary White; and from Freemansburg: Tatyanna Davis-Headley and Raechel Locadia.

Kutztown University

Several area residents were awarded degrees for the 2022 fall semester and 2023 winter session. The cumulative grade-point average necessary for honors distinction is: with honor (cum laude) 3.40; with high honor (magna cum laude) 3.60 and with highest honor (summa cum laude) 3.80.

Students who have requested privacy (FERPA) are not listed

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PRESS PHOTOS BY TAMI QUIGLEY

Chase Orinski on the concourse at Coca-Cola Park, where he works as a part-time Game Day Production Staff at the Lehigh Valley IronPigs in the press box on game days. "It's a great job to have," Orinski said, as the junior at Liberty HS and chapter secretary of Liberty's Future Business Leaders of America wants to pursue a career in the business side of professional sports.

Liberty student gets promoted with Future Business Leaders

BY TAMI QUIGLEY
Special to the Bethlehem Press

Chase Orinski is taking care of business. Literally.

The rising senior at Liberty HS participated in the Future Business Leaders of America State Leadership Conference April 17-19 in Hershey, where scoring second place in the business plan event advanced him to the FBLA National Leadership Conference slated for June 25-30 in Atlanta, Georgia. Orinski will be the first Liberty student in many years to participate in nationals.

"FBLA is a very important club to me. I get to develop leadership and professionalism as part of the club," Orinski said. He noted there was much discussion at SLC this year about how FBLA is a community, and Orinski agrees. "The FBLA community is great, and I want to be a part of it as long as possible."

At states, Orinski was also inducted into the Pennsylvania chapter of the National Business Honor Society — the first Liberty Hurricane to do so since the 2013-14 school year — and received one of five highly coveted Keystone Leadership Awards from Pa. FBLA. He was recognized at states for two "Business Achievement Awards" as well as having contributed 197 hours of community service to Pa. FBLA's "Big 33" community service project in 2022.

Orinski was one of three Liberty students to make the trip to states. The other two participants were juniors Grace Daja and Isabel Goldstein, who competed as a team in the Public Service Announcement competition while Orinski competed in the Business Plan event. Daja and Goldstein finished eighth in the state in their event, but did not qualify for nationals.

Because of Orinski's participation in states, he plans to spend his senior year building Liberty's FBLA next year to put it on a path to becoming bigger and better in the years to come. He is chapter secretary this year and hopes to be chapter president next year. As president, Orinski has his eyes on chapter awards for Liberty, and wants to help the school



CHASE Orinski shows his business plan for "College Town Sudz" laundry centers.

earn awards such as biggest member increase, most community service hours by chapter and chapter with most fundraising for the PA State Project.

"At SLC I saw a lot of chapters win awards for things I know Liberty could win," Orinski said. "I want to make Liberty FBLA a big, active chapter so that we compete for those awards next year. I would also like to make it back to SLC and hopefully NLC again."

"FBLA has taught me that hard work pays off," Orinski said. "In my first two years in FBLA, I competed in other events but didn't go to states because I didn't work hard enough. This year, I was determined to go to states, so I started researching and writing my business plan in June. I worked on my plan for six months and it paid off with a trip to states and now nationals."

Orinski's business plan consisted of two parts. Students began by writing a 15-page business plan for a business that didn't yet exist or that has been in operation for less than 12 months. The plan had to have financial forecasts, a market competition analysis, an overview of operations, and other pieces expected to be included in a traditional business plan.

The plans were submitted for state judging in December 2022, with the top 15 plans in the state selected for an in-person performance at SLC. This consisted of a seven minute

presentation about the plan and a three minute question-and-answer session. The Top 10 were recognized on stage with plaques, with the top four in the state eligible to go to nationals.

Orinski centered his business plan on a fictitious business he named "College Town Sudz," a string of laundry centers with modern amenities located around all of the Lehigh Valley's local colleges targeted specifically at college students. His first location would open around Lehigh University, then he planned to open one location a year around the other area colleges.

"The Lehigh Valley has a dense college population with a lot of college students. Everyone needs to clean their clothes and many do this in a laundromat. College Town Sudz directly targets that subset of customers," Orinski said in his presentation.

Big 33 is PA FBLA's annual community service goal of 33,000 community service hours for all of its 9,900 plus members. All members submit their community service hours monthly to PA FBLA for tabulation.

Orinski logged 197 hours in 2022 across many different local organizations, including the Bethlehem Public Library, Lehigh Valley International Airport's Junior Navigator Program, and Greater Lehigh Valley Athletics' basketball program. Last year, Orinski finished third in the state

in the Big 33 contest with 247 hours. This year he did not finish in the Top 10, but received a certificate and commendation letter for his 197 hours in 2022.

Orinski said there is a lot of opportunity to get involved in FBLA for every member, such as earning business achievement awards by completing online classes, community service and the Big 33 competition, and competing in tons of different events. "It has a lot to offer everyone."

As Orinski strives to hit it out of the park with FBLA, he has a game plan focusing his future career on sports management, and his part-time job with the Lehigh Valley IronPigs is a home run in helping prepare for that.

Orinski wants to study sports management at the University of Georgia or Ohio State University after graduation. He has set his cap to one day work as a general manager in professional baseball.

He is in his third season of working as a part-time Game Day Production Staff with the IronPigs in the press box on game days. His duties include the line score — which is the scoreboard in the stadium — and in-stadium replay.

"I love working for the Pigs. It reinforces that I want to have a career in the business side of professional sports," Orinski said. "FBLA has taught me professionalism, leadership, teamwork and other skills which I bring to my job with the Pigs."

FBLA is a family affair in the Orinski household. Orinski's father, Dave Orinski, was in FBLA in high school and still volunteers as a judge for the state of Arizona. "Chase continuing with FBLA makes me very proud. FBLA means quite a lot to him so he works very hard at doing well," Dave Orinski said.

Dave Orinski qualified for nationals in an event in 1997 but didn't attend. "Chase attending is a wonderful achievement. I was president of my chapter in 1997, so Chase wanting to become president of his chapter is a great passing of the baton."

"I am a competitive person, so part of me wanted to advance to See CHASE on Page A16

YOUR LOCAL WEATHER

7 Day Forecast	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday
	Mostly Cloudy	Few Showers	Scattered T-storms	Few Showers	Few Showers	Few Showers	Few Showers
	77 / 56 7-13 mph E	76 / 62 12-14 mph ENE	81 / 65 8-10 mph ESE	83 / 66 9-13 mph S	82 / 67 7-9 mph SSW	79 / 61 5-14 mph SSE	78 / 62 5-11 mph SSE

FORECAST FOR LEHIGH VALLEY PENNSYLVANIA

Today we will see mostly cloudy skies with a high temperature of 77°, humidity of 54%. East wind 7 to 13 mph. The record high temperature for today is 98° set in 1923. Expect mostly cloudy skies tonight with a slight chance of rain, overnight low of 56°. East northeast wind 7 to 12 mph. The record low for tonight is 45° set in 1968. Thursday, skies will be mostly cloudy with a 30% chance of showers, high temperature of 76°, humidity of 61%. East northeast wind 14 mph. Thursday night, skies will be mostly cloudy with a 40% chance of showers, overnight low of 62°. East wind 8 to 12 mph. Friday, skies will be mostly cloudy with a 50% chance of showers and thunderstorms, high temperature of 81°, humidity of 73%. East southeast wind 10 mph.

Weather Trivia

What is the name of a scientist who studies weather?



Answer: A meteorologist.

CHASE

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nationals because my dad did also," Orinski said. "Now, I get to go to nationals. He was also president of his chapter, which I am hoping to be next year. It is really nice to have that guidance and support from him through each event I participate in with FBLA."

Orinski's hobbies include learning how to fly. He has been taking flying lessons for two years and actually has solo'd an airplane before he could solo a

car. He hopes to get his private pilot's license as soon as he turns 17 when he is eligible to get it.

"Flying is my passion and it is something that I love to do as a break from school and other things," Orinski said. "I don't plan to do it as a career, but I want to keep flying as a hobby through college."

Orinski is on the varsity golf team at Liberty, and also takes classes at Northampton Community College. He is a member of Liberty's National Honor Society, Science Olympiad and

DECA clubs. DECA prepares emerging leaders in entrepreneurship, marketing, finance, and hospitality and management for careers around the globe. High school chapters get to participate in local, regional, and national competitions through their club chapter. Orinski was recently named Bethlehem Area School District Student of the Week because of his accomplishments.

Orinski is joined at Liberty by his two stepsisters, Abby and Jordan Thompson, both juniors.

GRADUATIONS

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publicly.

They are, from Bethlehem: Katherine S. Anderson, Bachelor of Arts in History/Paralegal Studies; Jakeline Cano, Bachelor of Science of Business Administration in Management (Summa Cum Laude); Erica Ann Carr, Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice; Erin L. Rizzetto, Bachelor of Arts in Art History (Summa Cum Laude); Tony Santuan Williams, Bachelor of Fine Arts in Art (Summa Cum Laude); Jaymee Lee Griffin, Master of Education, Initial Certification Pre-K-4; Kristin Letty Kaleycik, Master of Business Administration; Sarah Jane Lambert, Master of Education, Initial Certification Pre-K-4; Keegan R. Lerch, Master of Education in Music Education; Scott J. Matthews, Master of Business Administration; Emre P. Shively-Ertas, Master of Science in Computer Science; and from Freemansburg: Isabel Ellett of Bachelor of Science in Psychology.

DeSale University

DeSales University recently conferred degrees to several local residents. The new graduates and their degrees are Jamie Dickey, magna cum laude, bachelor of arts in biology; Beyza Eren, bachelor of arts in biology; Fernando Ramirez, bachelor of arts in biology; Kalsang Yangla, bachelor of arts in biology; Erin Jackson, bachelor of arts in business administration and marketing; Juliana White, bachelor of arts in business administration; Alexandria Wismer, summa cum laude, bachelor of arts in business administration; Shea Elliott, summa cum laude, bachelor of arts in theology; Jared Gunkle, bachelor of arts in TV/film; Jason Kovacs, bachelor of science in computer science; Robert Fiedler, magna cum laude, bachelor of

science in finance; Daniel Lynn, bachelor of science in health care administration; Nathaniel Righi, summa cum laude, bachelor of science in management of information technology; Sarah Keany, bachelor of science in marketing; Jareb Keyock, bachelor of science in marketing and health care administration; Bradley McAllister, summa cum laude, bachelor of science in marketing; Nicole Somers, summa cum laude, bachelor of science in medical studies; Molly Buehler, cum laude, bachelor of science in psychology and biology; Nina Morris, bachelor of science in psychology; Lores Reyes-Arias, bachelor of science in psychology and Spanish; Daniele Repsher, bachelor of science in sport and exercise physiology; Nikolett Aravich, bachelor of science in nursing; Ashley Riegel, bachelor of science in nursing; Gabriela Roman, bachelor of science in nursing; Robert Hinchin, MBA in finance; Tara Reilly, MBA in management; Ryan Bartelt, MBA in project management; Caitlin Gillard, master of education in higher education; Matthew Woodward, master of education in higher education; Aliana Martinez Lopez, master of education in secondary education and Wyatt Evans Gartley, master of science in cyber security, all of Bethlehem; Magdalena Schutler, master of education in secondary education and Matashwarie Gomanie bachelor of science in marketing, both of Fountain Hill; and Thalia Roe, magna cum laude, bachelor of science in nursing, of Freemansburg.

University of Alabama

Brendan Dwyer, of Bethlehem, earned Bachelor of Science in Human Environmental Sciences degree from The University of Alabama.

Washburn University

Dolores Suzansky from Bethlehem graduated with a Certificate in Post Graduate - PMH Nursing from Washburn University in the spring 2023 graduating class.

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OFF MY WAVE.

Ocean Beach native and local surf legend Steve Bettis was diagnosed with MS in 2006. Although surfing is still central to his life, he hasn't been able to get out on the water in 10 years. For a man whose daily routine always included a few waves, more than a decade out of the surf is just too long. This is why the National MS Society teamed up with his buddy Robert "Wingnut" Weaver and used virtual reality to get Steve back on his wave. See their experience and find out how you can share yours at WeAreStrongerThanMS.org.

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Linda Kistler

40th Year A 'Valley Vivaldi' for all seasons

Since 1983, the Pennsylvania Sinfonia Orchestra (PSO) "Valley Vivaldi" has been a wonderful staple for summer classical music in the Lehigh Valley.

The Baroque chamber music series of concerts in June, July and August is of small ensembles of PSO musicians.

In its 40th year, the summer 2023 "Valley Vivaldi" begins at 7 p.m. June 25, Christ Lutheran Church, 1245 Hamilton St., Allentown, featuring the music of composers Francesco Geminiani, Alessandro Marcello, Georg Philipp Telemann and, of course, Antonio Vivaldi.

CLASSICAL VIEW

By Karen El-Chaar



The PSO, founded in 1982, celebrated its 40th anniversary season, which concluded in May.

Dr. Allan Birney, Founder and Director of "Valley Vivaldi," says, "While I do select the program, 'Valley Vivaldi' musicians have the opportunity to recommend chamber music pieces and perhaps be the featured soloist."

The June 25 program

includes:

Geminiani's "Violin Sonata in C Minor, Op. 4 No. 9" with PSO Concertmaster Simon Maurer as featured soloist;

Marcello's "Oboe Concerto in D Minor, S. D935" with oboe soloist Nobuo Kitagawa; and

Telemann's "Recorder Concerto in C Major TWV 51:C1" with recorder soloist Rainer Beckmann.

"This year, we will perform all four of Vivaldi's 'Seasons,' featuring one season per concert," says Birney.

"During the June 25th concert, violin soloist Linda Kistler will perform Vivaldi's 'Concerto No.

1 in E Major, Op. 8, RV 269, Spring,' followed by Inna Eyzerovich's performance of the "Concerto No. 2 in G Minor, Op. 8, RV 315, Summer' during our July 23rd concert.

"The chamber ensemble's final summer concert is August 20th and will feature Concertmaster Simon Maurer's performance in Vivaldi's 'Concerto No. 3 in F Major RV 293, Autumn.'

"You might ask 'what about Vivaldi's fourth season?,' Birney continues. "Well, as would be appropriate, we will perform Vivaldi's 'Concerto No. 4 in F Minor, Op. 8, RV See **VIEW** on Page B2

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The Bohemian Trio, 3 p.m. June 25, Foy Hall, Moravian University. The Chamber Music Society of Bethlehem presents the New York-based Bohemian Trio for the Society's final 2022-23 concert of its 70th anniversary season. The Trio, which blends classical, jazz and world music, is pianist-conductor Orlando Alonso, cellist Yves Dhar and saxophone player Yosvany Terry. Members of the Bohemian Trio are graduates of Cuba's Escuela Nacional de Arte, Juilliard, Yale University and Manhattan School of Music. The trio has won international competitions and major awards, including Grammys, and collaborated with artists such as Branford Marsalis, Joshua Bell and Itzhak Perlman. Tickets: Chamber Music Society of Bethlehem, P.O. Box 4336, Bethlehem, Pa. 18018-0336; 610-435-7611; <https://cmsob.org/>

NCC Summer Theatre travels to 'South Pacific'

CURTAIN RISES

By Kathy Lauer-Williams



The classic Rodgers and Hammerstein musical "South Pacific" comes to Northampton Community College Summer Theatre's Lipkin Theater, June 28 to July 9.

The musical based on Bucks County's James A. Michener's Pulitzer Prize-winning 1947 novel, "Tales of the South Pacific," is set in an island paradise during World War II, where Nellie Forbush (Jenny Brady), a wide-eyed nurse, and Joseph Cable (Jacob Greening), a promising young Marine

lieutenant, discover love and must confront their own prejudices.

"South Pacific" is composed by Richard Rodgers, with lyrics by Bucks County's Oscar Hammerstein II, and book by Hammerstein and Joshua Logan.

Rodgers and Hammerstein believed they could write a musical based on Michener's work that could be successful while sending a strong progressive message on racism.

The work premiered in 1949 on Broadway and was an immediate hit, becoming the second-longest running Broadway musical at that time. The musical won the Pulitzer Prize for Drama in 1950. Its racial theme provoked controversy for which its



Jenny Brady



Jacob Greening

authors were unapologetic.

The plot centers on Americans who are stationed on a South Pacific island. Nellie falls in love with a middle-aged expatriate French plantation owner (Ken McMullen), but struggles to accept his mixed-race children.

A secondary romance between Joe Cable and a young Tonkinese woman (Jane Lui), explores his fears of the social consequences should he marry an Asian. The issue of racial prejudice is explored throughout the musical, most controversially in See **NCC** on Page B3

'Little Mermaid' a deep dive

AT THE MOVIES

By Paul Willistein
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"The Little Mermaid" is big on entertainment in the movie theater.

The movie musical romantic comedy is paced by stellar performances, wonderful songs and spectacular cinematography.

"The Little Mermaid" is big fun for nearly the entire family, from elementary school children to their parents-guardians and grandparents.

The movie has an emotional story that will have you cheering for the protagonists, booing and fearing the villain, and departing the movie theater having seen a superbly-made movie, enjoying



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Halle Bailey (Ariel), "The Little Mermaid."

an exciting journey and with a happy feeling in your heart and mind.

Look for several Oscar nominations for "The Little Mermaid," including the categories of best mov-

ie, best animation movie, best actress (Halle Bailey), director, score and song.

The movie brings back the Disney magic of classic feature movies from

"The House of Mouse," such as "Swiss Family Robinson" (1960), "The Parent Trap" (1961), the original "Mary Poppins" (1964) and the pop culture phenomena of "Toy Story" (1995) and "Frozen" (2013).

"The Little Mermaid," as with "Frozen," draws on a fairy tale by Hans Christian Andersen, in this instance, "The Little Mermaid," a Danish fairy tale written in 1837.

"The Little Mermaid" is a live-action remake of the 1989 Disney animation feature movie musical with music by Alan Menken and lyrics by Howard Ashman. The new version has additional lyrics and songs by Lin-Manuel Miranda ("Hamilton," 2015; "In The Heights," 2005).

At its heart, "The Lit- See **MOVIES** on Page B4



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Three Dog Night, Chris Trapper, 8 p.m., Penn's Peak, Jim Thorpe. Doors open at 6 p.m. From 1969 - 1974, the pop-rock band dominated the music charts. Hits include "Mama Told Me (Not To Come)," "Joy to the World," "An Old Fashioned Love Song," "Easy to be Hard," "Eli's Coming," "Shambala," "Never Been to Spain" and "One." The group had 21 consecutive Top 40 hits, including three No. 1 singles. The lineup is: founder-vocalist Danny Hutton, along with Paul Kingery, vocals, guitar; David Morgan, vocals; Howard Larave, keyboards; Timothy Hutton, bass, and Pat Bautz, drums. The band's name refers to native Australian hunters in the outback who huddled with their dogs for warmth on cold nights; the coldest being a "three dog night." Tickets: www.ticketmaster.com; Ticketmaster: 800-745-3000; Penn's Peak box office, 325 Maury Road, Jim Thorpe. Information: <https://www.pennspeak.com/events/all>; 866-605-PEAK (7325)



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The Fab Faux, 7:30 p.m. June 23, State Theatre Center for the Arts, Easton. The Fab Faux is a tribute band to The Beatles (known as the "Fab Four"). The band does not impersonate The Beatles, but instead covers the group's hits. The lineup is: Jimmy Vivino, guitar, keyboards, vocals; Frank Agnello, guitar, vocals; Jack Petruzzelli, keyboards, guitar, vocals; Will Lee, bass, keyboards, vocals, and Rich Pagano, drums, vocals. Tickets: State Theatre box office, 453 Northampton St., Easton; <https://statetheatre.org>; 1-800-999-STATE (7828)

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THEATER REVIEW

'In The Heights' raises the bar at Pennsylvania Shakespeare Festival

BY PAUL WILLISTEIN
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The view of "In The Heights" is clear at the conclusion of the musical drama, through July 2, Pennsylvania Shakespeare Festival (PSF), DeSales University.

It's spectacular. The PSF production of the Tony Award-winning show, with music and lyrics and conceived by Lin-Manuel Miranda, and book by Quiara Alegria Hudes, is top-notch in every department. Nine of the 12 lead actors are Actors Equity Association members and key production personnel are also professionals. It's Broadway in Center Valley.

Director Valeria Cosu pays attention to detail. When actors are in a main scene, other actors make busy on the side in the salon, bodega or fire escape.

Cosu carefully modulates the story of Jackson Heights, New York City, Latino-Americans dealing with the day-to-day, dreams sparkling like champagne in their eyes, hope harbored in their hearts.

Choreographer Michael Anthony Sylvester, with Latin Assistant Choreographer and Dance Captain Hector Flores Jr., has the 11-actor Ensemble flow in waves, a few at first, then filling the stage, bodies in motion, locking, leaping, spinning, running, and, in tango and salsa, dancing up a storm that echoes lead characters' emotions. Everything is brisk, precise and on point. You don't know where to look. And there's a lot to



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

look at. The production reverberates with propulsive Latin rhythm, with Musical Director Walter "Bobby" McCoy conducting a 10-piece Orchestra while one of two keyboard players. There are bristling blasts of trumpets gold, irresistible beats of drums and percussion, as well as gentle acoustic guitar. Sound Designer is Hayat Dominguez. (I would pay to hear a concert by the Orchestra before the production departs PSF).

The set and props by The Music And Theatre Company, with original set design by Anna Louizos, is a marvel. The George Washington Bridge symbolizes a way out. Lighting Designer Max Doolittle creates intimate spaces and, in one scene, turns the stage into a discotheque. Costume Designer Jeanette Christensen gives

each character a distinctive look that shouts personality. "In The Heights," essentially an operetta, has dialogue scenes can be counted on the fingers of one hand (including the thumb). The story is told in song. And what a story it is. The PSF production wows from the opening number, "In The Heights," with Ryan Reyes (Usnavi, bodega owner), in scintillating rap, along with the Company, setting a vibe of excitement. Reyes is The Bard of the Bodega.

Reyes is solid as narrator and, as bodega owner, has humorous moments. Reyes portrays a sentimental side in scenes with Chelsea Zeno (Vanessa, aspiring fashion designer) for "It Won't Be Long Now," with Luis-Pablo Garcia (Sony, bodega employee, providing comic relief). Reyes and Zeno, in

grand voice throughout, get Page Six romantic in "Champagne." Zeno, Ariana Valdes (Daniela, salon owner); Gabrielle Villarreal (Carla, salon employee), and Daisy Marie Lopez (Nina, back from Stanford University) are bodacious and charming in The Salon scene, "No Me Diga." Valdes has an astounding voice, especially in "Carnaval Del Barrio," with the Company.

Lopez reveals vulnerability in lovely voice for "Breathe," with the Company. Lopez segues into "Benny's Dispatch," with Solomon Parker III (Benny, taxi company employee).

Lopez and Parker are superb in duet, including "When You're Home," with the Company, and "Sunrise," with the Ensemble, and "When The Sun Goes Down." Lopez's solo spotlight,

"Everything I Know," is rendered with an aching yearning.

Danny Bolero (Kevin, taxi company owner) is a standout in his solo, "Inutil (Useless)."

Tauren Hagans (Camila, Kevin's wife) is remarkable in her solo, "Enough," a showstopper.

Jacquelin Lorraine Schofield (Abuela Claudia, neighborhood matriarch) is the story's spiritual core, exemplified in "Paciencia Y Fe (Patience and Faith)," as her voice soars, with the Company, another showstopper.

Kevin Matthew Solis (Piraguero, selling piragua, shaved ice dessert), is in strong voice and humorous in "Piragua."

Ralphie Rivera de Jesus (Graffiti Pete) is hilarious.

Reyes, Parker, de Jesus, Garcia, Zeno, Valdes, Villarreal, and Company bring it full-

force for "96,000" and the "Finale."

The Ensemble of incredible dancers and singers includes Hugo Brument, Matthew Carter, Alessandra Casanova, Hector Flores Jr., Miguel Flores, Anjali Kanter, Yoaldri Messina, Alex Osorio, Oscar Antonio Rodriguez, Fran Tapia and Marina Vidal.

In the show, The Heights is jokingly called "Gilligan's Ghetto Island." Some are trying to get off the island. Others realize it's not such a bad a place to be. All you need is patience and faith.

"In The Heights" is aspirational. It's as American as mom, tacos, the lottery and low-rider Chevrolets. It's a paean to merchants, higher education and small "c" capitalism. And why not? Ain't that America. Even, and especially, "In The Heights."

Pennsylvania Shakespeare Festival's "In The Heights" not only raises the bar for productions of musicals; it raises The Bard. Don't miss it.

"In the Heights," 7:30 p.m. June 14-17, 21-23, 28-30; 2 p.m., 7:30 p.m. June 18, 24, July 1; 6:30 p.m. June 20, 27; 2 p.m. June 25, July 2, Pennsylvania Shakespeare Festival, Main Stage, Labuda Center for the Performing Arts, DeSales University, 2755 Station Avenue, Center Valley. Tickets: 610-282-9455, <http://pashakespeare.org>

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297, Winter' during our 'Winter Vivaldi' concert in February 2024."

Concerning chamber music, Birney says, "Music of the Baroque era, 17th and 18th centuries, has different qualities than music which

came before and after. "It requires different interpretation, for example, 'ornamentation' ... things like trills and grupettos (i.e., turns).

One needs to understand how they were performed during that time period.

"Another difference is the sound. Today, we use modern instruments, which have a totally different sound than the old Baroque instruments.

"Back then, some instruments were made of wood whereas today they may be made of metal alloy or other materials. As such, the musician seeks to adjust and interpret accordingly.

"As an aside, depending upon the piece, Simon Maurer has on occasion performed on his personal Baroque violin, which has a very distinct sound."

Concertmaster Maurer concurs: "It is not easy to mix the Baroque sound with modern instruments. But when I play with Rainer Beckmann [recorder], I often-times use my Baroque instrument. It is a great match with the sound of the recorder."

"Valley Vivaldi" features the talents of many

of the principal players of the Pennsylvania Sinfonia Orchestra with the occasional addition of special guests.

The series offers outstanding players the opportunity to perform a wide range of music, from works by little-known composers, whose pieces are not readily available in the United States, to the more familiar repertoire, including audience favorites such as Vivaldi's "Four Seasons" and Pachelbel's "Canon in D."

Tickets: Pennsylvania Sinfonia Orchestra, No. 3, 1524 Linden St., Allentown; 610-434-7811; <https://www.pasinfonia.org/>

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Care for annuals now and enjoy until frost

Annual flowers include some of the most colorful plants in home gardens.

With a little extra care during early and mid-summer, you can keep them attractive right up to frost time.

The first rule in keeping annual flowers blooming is to cut off dead flowers so they won't go to seed.

True annuals die after setting seed. Plants that don't die will be reduced in vigor.

The second rule is to cut back and fertilize plants when they become tall and leggy.

Petunias, pansies, sweet alyssum and ageratum continue to grow and flower at the tips of their shoots.

As a result, plants spread out and after a while become thin and unattractive. When this starts to happen, you can use a knife or shears to cut them back to the small side shoots that occur low on most stems.

At the same time that you cut back plants, give them some fertilizer and a good soaking. Use ei-

GROWING GREEN

By Diane Jean Dorn



ther a soluble fertilizer and apply it according to the label. Or dissolve about one-third or one-fourth cup of garden fertilizer (5-10-10) in three gallons of water. Give each plant a good soaking.

You can use the same treatment for plants in hanging baskets that have become ungainly.

Though they work well for late summer blooms, these treatments won't be effective enough to give you a good fall display of annuals. For fall blooms, it's better to start new plants to replace over-aged specimens.

Petunias started now will be ready to set out in late August or the beginning of September. They will grow vigorously until frost. The brilliance of their flowers will be unequalled by plants blooming in the summer heat.

Consider starting

plants that thrive best in cool autumn nights. Calendulas, for example, don't like the summer heat, but plants started now will give flowers until frost.

Cosmos, including the tall types in mixed colors, and the smaller orange and yellow flowered kinds, bloom best in late summer.

It's time to divide your iris to relieve crowding. Clumps of bearded iris are the highlight of many early summer gardens. They give a colorful display between spring bulbs and summer annuals.

Best of all, they are nearly maintenance-free if established in a well-drained, sunny location. Most bearded iris need to be divided about every five years to relieve crowding and improve performance.

Divide them soon after blossoms have faded so new plants will have a chance to get established before winter. Here are some basic steps:

Cut leaves to about one-third their height, dig underneath and lift the entire clump. Wash

away soil with the hose so you can see the root structure clearly.

Using a sharp knife, cut rhizomes into sections so that each has one or two growing points or fans of leaves, a few inches of healthy firm rhizome, and a number of strong feeder roots.

Plant in full sun where the soil is well drained. Add compost or peat moss to improve drainage and a little 5-10-5 fertilizer in poor soils. Mix thoroughly.

Prepare a shallow hole and place each rhizome or clump on a slight cone of soil so that the top of the rhizome is just at or slightly above ground level and roots are spread below and around it. Place clumps about 18 inches apart. Fill the hole and water immediately.

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

When a father is your hero

My Aunt Mary had a big personality, a big laugh and most of all, a big heart.

She might have been a bit pushy but I was grateful for that because it changed my life.

When I was 10 my parents got a divorce and my beloved father moved far away, building a new life in another city.

What a contrast that was from the father who delighted in taking me everywhere with him.

He took me along when he met his buddies at the fire company.

He took me along when he walked in the woods, when he went to the movies, when he went fishing and when he went with his buddies to a football game.

I remember his buddy Jack complaining about it, asking my dad why he took me everywhere with him.

"Because it's more fun with her along," he said.

At night, my dad and I read together, with sports magazines for him and comic books for me.

My mom told everyone my dad was a rotten husband but he was an extraordinarily good dad.

He truly enjoyed being with me.

So why did he go away and never see me again after the divorce?

I never asked that question of my mother because it was clear she had enough problems trying to support us with absolutely no money from my dad.

No one ever asked me how I coping without my dad until my Aunt Mary asked me if I missed him.

I told her the truth. My dad's absence left a big gaping hole in my heart and I cried a lot when I was alone at night.

My Aunt Mary managed to contact my dad to tell him how much his daughter needed him.

I don't know how she did it because in those days there was no internet and no cellphones. My dad moved to another state without leaving a trace.

We had no idea where he was.

Because of my Aunt Mary's pursuit, my dad came back to see me.

He bought me a small sturdy suitcase, telling me it was for the trips we would have together.

He told me he stayed away because he was feeling like a failure after the divorce and thought I would be better off without him.

What child is better off without the father she loves?

Fortunately, that was the last dumb thing he said.

He went back to being a devoted father, taking me to spend summers with him and staying in touch.

That little blue suitcase he brought me got a lot of use over the years as my dad and I made precious memories together.

Whenever I had something special going on like a role in a

WARMEST REGARDS

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play he made sure he was there for me.

While I always thought my father was my hero, when I grew older and wiser I realized the unrecognized hero was my mother. She was crushed by the divorce but she never stopped me from spending time with my dad.

She kept saying he divorced her, not me.

There are complexities in every family. Our family was strange in that after both parents remarried I had two fathers and two mothers. While that's common today it certainly wasn't back when I was growing up.

I remember being reduced to tears at a 14th birthday party when the birthday girl said I had no parents. "I'm supposed to be nice to you," she said, "because you don't have anyone to love you."

I'll never forget my father's reaction. He told me I was luckier than most kids because I had four parents to love me, not two.

His words made me see myself not as a pathetic child of divorce but as a kid with four people to love me.

Both stepparents did prove to be a wonderful addition to my life and I knew how blessed I was to have them.

Both my mom and dad each went on to have a daughter. Mary-Ann and Cindy have added so much to my life.

I tell people struggling with blended families to give them a chance. Every new person in your life can be a new blessing if you maintain the right attitude.

I never let anyone say Cindy and Mary-Ann were my stepsisters. They were and are true sisters of my heart.

Once when I was at a news conference I met a mother who had brought along her 12-year-old son. She told me she was divorced from the boy's father but said he didn't need a father when he had her.

Later the boy talked with me about the pain of not being allowed to see his dad. I tried without success to change his mother's mind.

I am forever grateful I had a loving father in my life. Those memories of bobbing along in a boat with dad while we talked and talked will always remain precious to me.

Thanks to my Aunt Mary, I have those wonderful memories instead of a hole in my heart that never healed.

To all the fathers out there, remember your role in your children's lives is the most important role to which you were entrusted.

And to all those lucky enough to still have their father, enjoy your time together.

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To go to doctor for intestinal concerns

Q. I seem to get diarrhea more often now than I used to when I was younger. Any ideas why?

Before I offer you some general information about diarrhea, I urge you to see a doctor for a diagnosis. As I tell everyone who writes to me, I'm a journalist, not a physician.

Diarrhea is caused by bacteria, viruses, parasites, certain foods, medicines and diseases. Diarrhea is a common malady that usually lasts a day or two and goes away without treatment.

Here's a question for you: Ever notice how often diarrhea is mentioned as a side effect in the package inserts for medicines?

Seniors often get diarrhea from medicine. This is a complex subject.

The first issue is that seniors take a lot more medicine than younger people. The average older person takes more than four prescription drugs and two over-the-counter drugs daily. The high intake of medicine increases the odds that one or more of these medicines could give you diarrhea.

HEALTHY GEEZER

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Older people have more health problems, and these add to the mix of potential causes of diarrhea. Older bodies process drugs slowly so that they tend to stay in our bodies longer. And some drugs work differently on older people.

Then there are the problems of drug-drug interactions and overdoses because we take so much medicine and retain it in our systems.

Diarrhea can be much more than an inconvenience.

Diarrhea causes dehydration, which can be lethal to older people. With the fluid you lose from diarrhea, you also lose salts that your body needs. Diarrhea can make a victim pass more than a quart of watery stools a day.

Dehydration symptoms include thirst, reduced urination, dark urine, dry skin, fatigue, dizziness and fainting.

You should see a doctor if your diarrhea lasts more than two days, or

if you have dehydration symptoms, severe abdominal or rectal pain, a fever of 102°F or higher, or blood in your stools.

In many cases of diarrhea, the only treatment needed is replacing lost fluid and salts.

Adults should consume broth, non-citrus fruit juices, flat ginger ale and ice pops.

As your condition improves, you can start eating bananas, plain rice, boiled potatoes, toast, crackers, cooked carrots. Smaller meals are recommended because they're easier to digest.

When you have diarrhea, avoid dairy products, fat, high-fiber foods, sweets, spicy foods, carbonated beverages, chewing gum, caffeine and any food or beverage that is hot.

It is common to get diarrhea when visiting a foreign country. It's so common that the medical community has a name for it: traveler's diarrhea.

The following are some tips for avoiding diarrhea away from home.

Don't:
* Drink tap water
* Use ice cubes made from tap water.

* Drink unpasteurized milk or dairy products made from it.

* Eat raw fruits and vegetables

* Eat meat or fish unless it is well-cooked and served hot

* Eat food sold by street vendors.

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the lieutenant's song, "You've Got to Be Carefully Taught."

"We are still seeing the same themes today as in the 1940s when Rodgers and Hammerstein II wrote 'South Pacific,'" says Head of the NCC Theatre Department and NCC Summer Music Theatre Producing Artistic Director Bill Mutimer, who is directing the musical.

"Lt. Cable sings the hauntingly beautiful 'You Have To Be Carefully Taught,' which talks about how children are blank slates

and as adults we teach them to hate and fear.

"It is hard for Nellie to get past that Emile's children are of mixed race. Her fear and upbringing could cause her to lose the chance for true love."

Supporting characters, including a comic petty officer (Matthew Wainstein) and the Tonkinese girl's strong-willed mother (Shuga Henry), tie the stories together.

Many of the show's songs, including "Bali Hai," "I'm Gonna Wash That Man Right Outa My Hair," "Some Enchanted Evening," "There Is Nothing Like a Dame," "Happy Talk,"

"Younger Than Springtime" and "I'm in Love with a Wonderful Guy," have become standards.

The original Broadway production, which won 10 Tony Awards, including Best Musical, Best Score and Best Libretto, is the only musical to win Tony Awards in all four acting categories.

The show, with its original cast album a best-selling record of the 1940s, has enjoyed many revivals, as well as a 1958 movie. The 2008 Broadway revival won seven Tony Awards, including Best Musical Revival.

The cast includes Justin Ferguson, Isaiah Elleby, Aidan King,

Max Wetherhold, Mason Wold, Jim Long, Josh Crowley, Cade Kocher, Janae Gray, Lydia Walker, Michael J Sheridan, Andy Van Antwerp, Connor Sternberg, Isaiah Ellebeby, Marcell McKenzie, Tessa DeJesus, Sianna Rahatt, Myriam Zamy, Mina Price and Faith Stack.

For the Independence Day performance, there is a cookout, 3 p.m. to 5 p.m., prior to the show.

The menu is all-you-can-eat hamburgers, hot dogs and veggie burgers, with all of the fixings, salads and sides, plus an ice cream sundae bar. The cookout will be in the Quad, the outdoor area adjacent to Kopecek Hall. July 4 tickets are available with or without the cookout.

"In this day and age, I see that many Americans forget what sacrifices were made for our freedom and liberties," Mutimer says. "This is a way to help us take a moment to remember and give thanks. Which makes our 4th of July presentation a little more poignant."

"South Pacific," 7:30 p.m. June 28-30,

July 1, 5-8; 2 p.m. July 2, 9, 5:30 p.m. July 4, Lipkin Theater, Northampton Community College, 3835 Green Pond Road, Bethlehem Township. Tickets: 484-484-3412, <https://www.northampton.edu>

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LCCC JEDI Center receives PPL grant

Lehigh Carbon Community College (LCCC) received a PPL Foundation \$7.500 grant for the Justice, Equity, Diversity and Inclusion (JEDI) Center, set to open during the fall 2023 semester.

"We are grateful for the generosity of the PPL Foundation for helping to ensure that this new center at LCCC can provide programming for our students," said Dr. Ann D. Bieber, LCCC president, at the June 1 pre-

sentation, adding, "Our student body is richly diverse, and we want to celebrate and reinforce that with a broad perspective on racial and social justice."

The JEDI Center, Academic Resource Center, LCCC main campus, Schneeksville, will host events and activities about social justice, to celebrate diversity, provide space for traditionally underrepresented groups and promote a college-wide cul-

ture embodying diversity, equity and inclusion.

Students who complete the full calendar of activities will receive a JEDI certificate that denotes their commitment to diversity, equity and inclusion, and their leadership in the quest for social justice.

Information on JEDI Center: Mitzta Morales, LCCC director of student engagement and inclusion: mmorales24@lccc.edu



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LCCC staff, members of the JEDI Center team, students, LCCC president Dr. Ann D. Bieber, center left, and Jane George, regional affairs director with the PPL Foundation, center right.

MOVIES

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tle Mermaid" is a tale right out of "Cinderella" (1950), one of Disney's animation masterpieces. There's a princess, Ariel, and a Prince, Eric. "The Little Mermaid" is a variant of another Disney classic in feature animation, "Beauty and the Beast" (1992), only in this case "the creature" is not the male character, but rather a mermaid.

Underwater scenes in "The Little Mermaid" recall the animation film artistry of "Fantasia" (1940), especially the choreographed "Under the Sea" catchy calypso number sung by Sebastian the Crab (voiced wonderfully by Daveed Diggs).

"The Little Mermaid" is a "fish out of water" story with Princess Ariel (played with total charm by Halle Bailey), the mermaid who longs for the "above the sea" world of humans. Ariel's pals, in addition to Sebastian, are Flounder (voiced cutely by Jacob Tremblay), a damselfish, and Scuttle (voiced by Awkwafina), a seabird. They are akin to Dorothy and the trio of Scarecrow, Tin Man and Cowardly Lion in "The Wizard of Oz" (1939).

Ariel's aspirations are opposed by her father King Triton (an impressive Javier Bardem, playing it straight), ruler of the Merpeople in Atlantica.

When Ariel encounters Prince Eric (the irresistible Jonah Hauer-King), it's infatuation at first sight.

Ursula, the evil sea witch, is played with gleeful malevolence by Melissa McCarthy, channeling Cruella de Vil from the original "101 Dalmatians" (1961).

Notable in supporting roles are Noma Dumezweni (Queen Selina, Prince Eric's stepmother), Art Malik (Sir Grimsby, Prime Minister of Selina's kingdom) and Jessica Alexandra (Vanessa, Ursula's human alter ego).

Overall, though, it's on the back of "The Little Mermaid," Halle Bailey, that the film is carried. Bailey brings a wide-eyed innocence to the role, a lovely acting style and a big voice that wraps around you with joy. This is a breakthrough movie role for Bailey and well-deserved.

"The Little Mermaid" is directed intelligently and creatively by Rob Marshall (director: "Mary Poppins Returns," 2019; "Into the Woods," 2014; "Pirates of the Caribbean: On Stranger Tides," 2011; Oscar nomination: director, "Chicago," 2002) from a terrific screenplay by David Magee ("A Man Called Otto," 2022; "Mary Poppins Returns," 2019; "Miss Pettigrew Lives For A Day," 2008; Oscar nominations: adapted screenplay: "Life of Pi," 2012, and "Finding Neverland," 2005).

In addition to "Under the Sea," memorable songs include "Part of Your World" (sung by Bailey), "Kiss the Girl," "Poor Unfortunate Souls" and four new songs by Menken and Miranda not in

the original animation feature film, including a rap-style song, "The Scuttlebutt," by Diggs and Awkwafina, who are great in the number.

"The Little Mermaid" is billed a live-action film. And there is a lot of action in the film, including a shipwreck. There's also a lot of Computer Generated Imagery, especially for the characters of Sebastian, Flounder and Scuttle, who blend naturally in scenes with themselves and with the actors. Kudos to costume designer Colleen Atwood for the resplendent mermaid costume tails.

Be prepared to laugh, cry and be hooked by "The Little Mermaid." It's a deep dive into a beloved story that's well worth the trip to the movie theater. This is what going to the movies is all about. Don't miss it.

"The Little Mermaid," MPAA Rated PG (Parental Guidance Suggested: Some material may not be suitable for children.) for action, peril and some scary images; Genre: Animation, Musical, Comedy, Romance, Adventure, Fantasy, Family; Run time: 2 hours, 15 minutes. Distributed by Walt Disney Studios Motion Pictures.

Credit Readers Anonymous: "The Little Mermaid" was filmed in Pinewood Studios, England, and on the island of Sardinia, Italy. The end credits state that the movie is dedicated to Howard Ashman (May 17, 1950 - March 14, 1991).

At The Movies: "The Little Mermaid"

was seen in the digital format at Frank Banko Alehouse Cinemas, ArtsQuest Center, SteelStacks, Bethlehem.

Theatrical Movie Domestic Box Office, June 16-18: "The Flash," the DC Comics superhero, sped to No. 1 with \$55.1 million in 4,234 theaters, as "Elemental," the Disney-Pixar animation film, opened at No. 2 with \$29.5 million in 4,035 theaters.

3. "Spider-Man: Across the Spider-Verse" dropped one place, \$27.8 million in 3,873 theaters, \$280.3 million, three weeks.

4. "Transformers: Rise of the Beasts" dropped three places from No. 1 with \$20 million in 3,680 theaters, \$100.6 million, two weeks. 5. "The Little Mermaid" dropped two places, \$11.6 million in 3,480 theaters, \$253.5 million, four weeks. 6. "The Blackening," opening, \$6 million in 1,775 theaters. 7. "Guardians of the Galaxy Vol. 3" dropped three places, \$5 million in 2,260 theaters, \$344.3 million, seven weeks. 8. "The Boogeyman" dropped three places, \$3.8 million in 2,140 theaters, \$32.7 million, three weeks. 9. "Fast X" dropped three places, \$2 million in 1,550 theaters, \$142.4 million, five weeks. 10. "Asteroid City," opening (limited release), \$790,000 in six theaters.

Movie box office information from Box Office Mojo as of June 18 is subject to change.

Theatrical Movie Domestic Box Office, June 9-11: "Transformers: Rise of the Beasts" opened at No. 1 with \$61 million in 3,678 the-

aters, swatting "Spider-Man: Across the Spider-Verse" from its one-week No. 1 perch to No. 2 with \$55.5 million in 4,332 theaters, \$225.5 million, two weeks, as "The Little Mermaid" dropped from No. 2 to No. 3 with \$23.1 million in 4,320 theaters, \$229.1 million, three weeks.

4. "Guardians of the Galaxy Vol. 3" stayed in place, \$7 million in 3,175 theaters, \$335.6 million, six weeks. 5. "The Boogeyman" dropped two places, \$7.1 million in 3,205 theaters, \$24.9 million, two weeks. 6. "Fast X" dropped one place, \$5.2 million in 2,822 theaters, \$138.2 million, four weeks. 7. "The Super Mario Bros. Movie" dropped one place, \$2.2 million in 1,789 theaters, \$570.2 million, 10 weeks. 8. "About My Father" dropped one place, \$2 million in 2,464 theaters, \$8.7 million, two weeks. 9. "The Machine" dropped three places, \$1.7 million in 2,409 theaters, \$8.6 million, two weeks. 10. "Kandahar" dropped three places, \$750,133 in 1,737 theaters, \$4.2 million, two weeks.

Movie box office information from Box Office Mojo as of June 11 is subject to change.

Theatrical Movie Domestic Box Office, June 2-4: "Spider-Man: Across the Spider-Verse" opened at No. 1 with \$120.6 million in 4,313 theaters, dropping "The Little Mermaid" from No. 1 to No. 2 with \$41.3 million in 4,320 theaters, \$186.9 million, two weeks.

3. "The Boogeyman," opening, \$12.3 million in 3,205 theaters. 4. "Guardians of the Galaxy Vol.

3" dropped one place, \$10.6 million in 3,580 theaters, \$323.1 million, five weeks. 5. "Fast X" dropped three places, \$9.5 million in 3,467 theaters, \$128.8 million, three weeks. 6. "The Super Mario Bros. Movie" dropped two places, \$3.3 million in 2,344 theaters, \$566.2 million, nine weeks. 7. "About My Father" dropped one place, \$2 million in 2,464 theaters, \$8.7 million, two weeks. 8. "The Machine" dropped three places, \$1.7 million in 2,409 theaters, \$8.6 million, two weeks. 9. "You Hurt My Feelings" dropped one place, \$769,814 in 912 theaters, \$3 million, two weeks. 10. "Kandahar" dropped three places, \$750,133 in 1,737 theaters, \$4.2 million, two weeks.

Movie box office information from Box Office Mojo as of June 4 is subject to change.

Unreel, June 23 (wide release)

"Asteroid City," PG-13: Wes Anderson directs Jason Schwartzman, Scarlett Johansson, Tom Hanks, Jeffrey Wright, Tilda Swinton, Bryan Cranston, Edward Norton, Adrian Brody, Liev Schreiber, Hope Davis, Maya Hawke, Steve Carell, Matt Dillon, Hong Chau, Willem Dafoe, Margot Robbie and Jeff Goldblum in the Comedy Romance Drama. A youth group stargazer convention has a close encounter of the alien kind.

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CONTRIBUTED PHOTOS
Zachary Ritter receives his Eagle Scout recognition in a Court of Honor ceremony at Concordia Lutheran Church, Macungie, June 3.



Zachary Ritter joins his mentor, the Rev. Waldemar Vinovskis, senior pastor, for a photo at Concordia Lutheran Church.

BSA Wescosville Scout earns Eagle honor

CONTRIBUTED ARTICLE

Zachary L. Ritter of Troop 131, Wescosville, was awarded the rank of Eagle Scout at a Court of Honor held at Concordia Lutheran Church June 3.

For his Eagle project, Ritter installed a 16-by-24 foot paver patio at the back of the church.

In Scouts, Ritter earned a total of 28 merit badges and held the positions of assistant patrol leader and patrol leader. In 2021 he successfully completed a seven-day high adventure trip to Summit Bechtel Reserve in West Virginia.

Outside of Scouting, Ritter was a member of the Emmaus High School Green Hornet Marching Band and Symphonic Band, as well as National Honor Society, the chess team and the mock trial team.

The son of David and Tammi Ritter, of Macungie, Ritter will attend Pennsylvania State University at University Park in the fall.

King Classic Sudoku

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LEHIGH COUNTY SENIOR MENUS

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Thursday, June 22: Hot: Smothered pork, Brussel sprouts, oven roasted potatoes, whole-wheat dinner roll, Jello. Lite: Turkey and cheddar sandwich, broccoli salad, whole-wheat roll, crackers, fresh pear.

Friday, June 23: Hot: Meatloaf, mashed potatoes, carrots, whole-wheat dinner roll, banana bread. Lite: Egg salad sandwich, cucumber salad, whole-wheat sandwich roll, fresh orange.

Monday, June 26: Hot: Italian chicken, buttered vegetable blend, garlic buttered rice, fresh orange. Lite: Deli chicken & cheddar sandwich, beet-cucumber-onion salad, pretzel roll, fresh pear.

Tuesday, June 27: Hot: Steak patty w/ sour cream, broccoli, buttered noodles, fresh apple slices, oatmeal cookie. Lite: Chef salad w/ turkey, salad vegetables, whole-wheat roll, fresh orange.

Wednesday, June 28: Hot: BBQ Chicken patty sandwich, beef and peppers soup, vegetable blend, whole-wheat sandwich roll, strawberry-banana applesauce. Lite: Harvest chicken salad, salad vegetables, whole-wheat dinner roll, fresh melon.

Thursday, June 29: Hot: Stuffed peppers, mashed potatoes, buttered carrots, whole-wheat dinner roll, vanilla Greek yogurt. Lite: Roast beef and cheddar sandwich, broccoli salad, whole-wheat roll, pineapple.

NORTHAMPTON COUNTY SENIOR MENUS

Many Northampton County Senior Centers are now open. Visit www.northamptoncounty.org/HS/AGING/Pages/Senior-Centers.aspx or call 610-829-4540 for information, locations, closings and current updates. (subject to change without notice)

Wednesday, June 21: Mixed green salad w/ sweet Vidalia onion dressing, chicken pot pie w/ warm biscuit, green beans, pineapple tidbits.

Thursday, June 22: Herbed pork loin w/ apricot glaze, mashed sweet potatoes, balsamic glazed vegetable, tropical fruit cup, wheat bread w/ margarine.

Friday, June 23: Home-style meatloaf, mashed potatoes and gravy, broccoli cuts, iced banana cake, cranberry juice.

Monday, June 26: Baked tilapia, scalloped potatoes, crinkle cut carrots, corn bread, seasonal fruit.

Tuesday, June 27: Swedish meatballs, egg noodles, seasoned broccoli florets, fruit cocktail, wheat bread w/ margarine, apple juice.

Wednesday, June 28: Spinach w/ hot bacon dressing, roast beef w/ gravy, mashed potatoes, beets, diced pears, cranberry juice.

Thursday, June 29: Herbed baked chicken breast w/ gravy, cheesy mashed potatoes, Italian blend vegetables, fresh fruit cup.

Friday, June 30: July 4 meal: Hot dog on a bun w/ kraut, baked beans, macaroni salad, watermelon, chocolate brownie.

CRYPTOGRAM

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Today's Cryptoquip Clue: P equals T

See solutions on Page B8

PREMIER Crossword

By Frank A. Longo

RE-SOUNDING DUOS

ACROSS

- 1 Gourd-shaped rattle
7 Cognizant
12 -mo replay
15 Alaskan island
19 Greeting in Apple ads
20 Gourmet mushroom
21 Paddle-propelled surfboards
23 BOX + BISCUITS
25 Family of writer Ralph Waldo
26 Main character on "Saved by the Bell"
27 MARRY + WIDER
29 Yearned (for)
32 - Jima
34 Basil-based sauces
35 SHANTY + OWNERS
40 Suds maker
44 Golf bag peg
45 That, in Peru
46 Grain staple
47 Winnie-the-Pooh creator
50 Fix the spine of, as a book
53 CLONK + BUNGLE
57 "Rashomon" director Kurosawa
58 Rate - (be judged as perfect)
59 Vamooses
60 Annoy
61 CLEANSER + SCOW
64 Norway's biggest city
65 Positive votes
66 Je ne sais -
67 Finish
69 Prime draft status
71 Prefix with sphere
74 Radiance
77 PIGGY + CONCH
83 Siouan tribe
84 Successor of mono
86 - Reader (magazine)
87 Fool in the opera "Pagliacci"
88 SWAT + SCOURGE
91 Gives a lift to
92 Ancestry
93 Punk/folk singer DiFranco
94 Hamm of soccer
96 Bar "rocks"
97 Flimflam
98 OFFICIATED + IGNITE
103 Hammy actor
107 Turn - dime
108 Prenatal test, informally
109 BARBARIAN + FARM
115 Poetic foot
117 Fire-resistant material
118 ANISTON + J.M.
123 Repelled by
124 Animator Tex
125 Boston hockey team

18x18 crossword grid with numbers 1-129 indicating starting positions for clues.

- 126 Nimble
127 Survey info
128 "Let's wager on that"
129 Game venues

DOWN

- 1 1997 sci-fi spoof, briefly
2 Pal, in Paris
3 Sprinted
4 Bowled over
5 Quebec's home
6 "Ride On" rock band
7 "Better Call Saul" channel
8 "Yippee!"
9 Duncan of Obama's Cabinet
10 Wetland plant
11 Snow queen in "Frozen"
12 Stockholm citizens
13 Ovine babies
14 Plain to see
15 Booth or Oswald, notably
16 Defeated by decision in boxing, for short
17 Fork point
18 World power until '91
22 Slangy ending for switch
24 Slips on sleet, say
28 "Weekend Edition" airtel
29 Of the stars
30 Insolently bold
31 - jeebies

- 33 "Man" (1994 hit for Salt-N-Pepa with En Vogue)
36 Flanders on "The Simpsons"
37 Recline lazily
38 Pops
39 LAX guesses
41 Song from the '50s, e.g.
42 "It's the end of -"
43 Big wheel's benefits
47 Rock-clinging mollusk
48 Praline nut
49 Followers of lambdas
51 Baghdad citizen
52 Half of Mork's "Bye!"
54 That woman
55 Sgt., e.g.
56 "ER" figures
58 Texas or Kansas city
62 Pooch's ID
63 Suffix with depend
65 "Yippee!"
68 Hip-hop dance of the 2010s
70 This, in Peru
71 Copies a wolf
72 Moral tenet
73 2016 Disney film
75 No. like "first" or "third"
76 Spider snare
78 Suffix of 75-Down numbers

- 79 2015 Marvel film
80 Naval officer
81 Chinese nut
82 Be beaten by
84 Jamaican pop music
85 Snowman in "Frozen"
89 Gravesite site
90 Having one flat, musically
91 Nasty
95 Grant- (financial subsidy)
98 Yankees' rival
99 Fumble
100 Cause injury
101 Actress Hedy
102 Stain or soak
104 Jumble
105 Writer Joyce Carol -
106 Govt. bond
109 Sheep cries
110 Abbr. on an invitation
111 Rival of Lyft
112 Take - at (criticize sarcastically)
113 Actress Campbell
114 News site for techies
116 "Dancing Queen" group
119 "Science Guy" Bill
120 - Tin Tin
121 Stuck - rut
122 Suffix with lion

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PUBLIC NOTICE Regular Board Meeting Notice

The Northampton County Housing Authority will hold a regular monthly board meeting on Monday, June 26, 2023 at 4:15 p.m. The meeting will be held in person at 129 Mill Street, Bath, PA in the community room or join via ZOOM, login details to be published on the website. Topic: Northampton County Regular Board Meeting Time: Monday June 26, 2023, 04:15 PM Eastern Time

Please contact Ms. Didden at (610) 759-8488 for further inquiries. Gwendolyn F. Didden, MHS, PCHA Executive Director/President June 13, 2023 Jun 21-22

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Hanover Township Northampton County Planning Commission meeting previously scheduled for July 10, 2023, will now be held at 7:30 pm on July 11, 2023, at the Hanover Township Community Center 3660 Jacksonville Rd. Bethlehem, PA 18017. Jun 21-22 28-29

PUBLIC NOTICE

MEETING NOTICE The Emmaus Borough Council Parks and Recreation Committee has rescheduled their July meeting to be held on Wednesday, July 5, 2023, at 4:45PM via Zoom. Meeting ID: 819 2422 5943 Passcode: 072538 Shane M. Pepe Borough Manager Jun 21-22

PUBLIC NOTICE

Fictitious Name Registration Notice is hereby given that a Registration of Fictitious Name was filed in the Department of State of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania on May 17, 2023, for Gracie May with a principal place of business located at 3243 Old Post Rd., Slatington, PA 18080 in Lehigh County. The individual interested in this business is Amy Romberger, also located at 3243 Old Post Rd., Slatington, PA 18080. This is filed in compliance with 54 Pa.C.S. 311.417 Jun 21-22

PUBLIC NOTICE

BIDS WANTED Sealed electronic bids will be received by the Lehigh County Schools Joint Purchasing Board, until 2:00 p.m., July 20, 2023 for the following: Athletic Winter Spring Supplies All bids will be exclusively received and processed through the ESM Source application process at www.esmsolutions.com; the failure to follow this process (no paper submissions will be considered) will disqualify the bid submission. Bid instructions and specifications can be obtained from Ms. Kay Paul at 610-799-1337 or paulk@lcti.org. Bids will be opened at 2:00 p.m. on July 21, 2023. Holly J. Keller, LCSJPB Board Chairperson Jun 14-15, 21-22, 28-29

BUYING? OR SELLING? Your market is in the classifieds. Includes an image of a house for sale.

PUBLIC NOTICE

ESTATE NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that in the estate of the decedent set forth below the Register of Wills has granted Letters of Administration to the persons named below. All persons having claims or demands against said estate are requested to make known the same, and all persons indebted to said estate are requested to make payment without delay to the Co-Administrators or their attorney named below.

ESTATE OF: **NANCY JANE SCHRADER**

DATE OF DEATH: **MARCH 15, 2023**

Late of Bethlehem, County of Northampton

CO-ADMINISTRATORS

David B. Nemeth

2942 Mallard Court

Nazareth, PA 18064

Pam Solomon

3686 Lehigh Drive

Northampton, PA 18067

ATTORNEY:

James Martin Connell, Esquire

251 East Broad Street

Bethlehem, PA 18018

Jun 7-8,14-15,21-22

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

South Whitehall Township is soliciting bids for the following:

BID #2023-08 REBID for the Water Storage Tanks Maintenance Contract

A mandatory pre-bid meeting shall take place at 9:00 a.m. on June 26, 2023, at the South Whitehall Township Municipal Building, 4444 Walbert Ave, Allentown, PA 18104. This meeting is mandatory for a bid to be considered.

Sealed online bids shall be submitted through the PennBid Program until 10:00 a.m. on July 5, 2023.

On July 5, 2023, at 10:00 a.m., South Whitehall Township will receive sealed bids online and will be publicly opened.

Copies of the bid documents, including plans and specifications, may be viewed, and obtained online for no cost at PennBid - <https://pennbid.procurement.com>

Bid security in the amount of ten percent (10%) of the bid price shall be submitted with the bid. A performance bond of one-hundred percent (100%) shall be submitted within ten (10) days after the date of the Notice of Award.

The Township reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to accept, either in whole or in part, any one bid or combination of bids and to accept the bid which it determines in its best interests. The Township also reserves the right to waive or permit the curing of any informalities or irregularities in a bid as permitted by law.

Donna Zacker, Purchasing Agent

Jun 14-15,21-22

PUBLIC NOTICE

SALISBURY TOWNSHIP

The Salisbury Township Planning Commission will hold a public meeting on **Wednesday, June 28, 2023 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 item:

1350 East Susquehanna Street (No. PZ-23-0002) - Review of the land development project submitted by Bedminster Building Company which proposes to construct and 8-unit garden apartment building with supporting site improvements on the property at 1350 East Susquehanna Street. The property contains 1.09 acres of unimproved land and is located within the R4, Medium Density Residential zoning district.

1301 Black River Road (No. PZ-23-0004) - Review of the major subdivision project submitted by Salisbury Township which proposes to subdivide the property at 1301 Black River Road (aka Franko Park) into two parcels. Parcel one will be 75.23 acres and Lot 2 will be 18.40 acres. The property contains 93.63 acres, is improved with a public park, municipal yard waste center, and cellular tower, and is located within the CR, Conservation Residential zoning district.

1301 Black River Road - Proposed Lot 2 (No. PZ-23-0005) - Review of the land development project submitted by Salisbury Township which proposes to construct a police training facility on the proposed lot 2 of the property at 1301 Black River Road (aka Franko Park). The proposed subdivided lot will contain 18.40 acres, is improved with a municipal yard waste center and cellular tower, and is located within the CR, Conservation 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.org or (610) 797-4000 ext. 5825.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

DOCUMENT 001113 - ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

INVITATION TO BID

NUMBER: Coplay Borough, Lehigh County, PA

TITLE: 6th Street Paving Improvements

AVAILABLE DATE: June 6, 2023 @ 11:00 AM

CLARIFICATION DEADLINE: June 22, 2023

DUE DATE: June 28, 2023 @ 2:00 PM

Coplay Borough, Lehigh County, PA will receive single prime bids until 2:00 PM, prevailing time on June 28, 2023, for the roadway improvements for the 6th Street Paving Improvement project in Coplay, PA. All bids will be publicly opened and posted.

The project will be awarded under one (1) Prime Contract. Printed copies of the Plans and specifications are available for pick up at the Coplay Borough Municipal Building located at 98 South 4th Street Coplay, PA or electronic copies can be delivered via email by contacting Emily Schallich at eschallich@acela-ae.com at Acela Architects + Engineers PC.

Bids must be submitted SEALED and marked "6th Street Paving Improvements" to the Coplay Borough Municipal Building 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 Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and that various State labor and administrative requirements apply, as noted in the Bid Documents. Prevailing Wages shall apply.

Questions and inquiries should be addressed to Emily Schallich at eschallich@acela-ae.com.

Bidder Inquiry Deadline is 11:00 AM Thursday, June 22, 2023.

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.

June 21

PUBLIC NOTICE

BOROUGH OF COPLAY

LEHIGH COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

ANNUAL AUDIT AND FINANCIAL REPORT NEWSPAPER REPORT YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022

ASSETS	
Cash & investments	\$ 4,424,456
Other debts	11,313,480
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 15,737,936
LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY	
LIABILITIES	\$ 6,026,261
FUND EQUITY	9,711,675
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY	\$ 15,737,936
REVENUES	
Taxes	\$ 2,132,455
Licenses & permits	63,753
Fines & forfeits	14,905
Interest & rents	131,438
Intergovernmental	439,244
Charges for services	543,594
Other	777,333
Total Revenues	4,102,722
EXPENDITURES	
General government	757,550
Public safety	816,961
Health	7,501
Public works - sanitation	453,375
Highways, roads, streets	373,482
Culture & recreation	289,167
Community development	99,701
Debt service	323,172
Other	599,746
Total Expenditures	3,720,655
Revenues and Other Financing Sources	
Over/(Under) Expenditures and Other Financing Uses	\$ 382,067

Above is a concise financial statement of the Borough of Coplay for the year ended December 31, 2022. The audit of the accounts is performed by Certified Public Accountants. The full report, including various schedules and notes, will be available at the Borough's offices upon completion of audit.

June 21

PUBLIC NOTICE

Estate of Althea L. Seeds, Deceased. Late of Allentown City, Lehigh County, PA. D.O.D. 3/6/2023. Letters of Administration on the above 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 payment without delay to Risa Krohn, Administratrix, 1641 E. Greenleaf St., Allentown, PA 18109. Or to her Atty.: Kenneth C. Russell, Russell Law, P.C., 3500 Reading Way, Huntingdon Valley, PA 19006 Jun 14-15,21-22,28-29

PUBLIC NOTICE

ESTATE OF Barbara A. Ballato, 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 Kymberley Ballato, Executrix, c/o The Roth Law Firm, P.O. Box 4355, Allentown, PA 18105 or her Attorney, Robert B. Roth, Esquire, The Roth Law Firm, P.O. Box 4355, Allentown, PA 18105. Jun 7-8,14-15,21-22

PUBLIC NOTICE

ESTATE OF Darlene Rita Hermony, deceased, late of 1263 South Cedar Crest Boulevard, Salisbury Township, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Letters Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who requests all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to Duane Jones, c/o The Roth Law Firm, 123 North Fifth Street, Allentown, PA 18102. Jun 21-22,28-29,Jul 5-6

PUBLIC NOTICE

Estate of Paul Franklin Hertzog, Jr., a/k/a Paul F. Hertzog, Jr., late of Macungie Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Letters Testamentary have been granted to the below named personal representatives, 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 Kelly L. VanDerheyden and Paul F. Hertzog, III, Co-Executors, c/o The Roth Law Firm, P.O. Box 4355, Allentown, PA 18105 or their Attorney, Robert B. Roth, Esquire, The Roth Law Firm, P.O. Box 4355 Allentown, PA 18105. Jun 14-15,21-22,28-29

PUBLIC NOTICE

Estate of Helen Weltknecht, deceased, late of 4391 Green Tree Lane, South Whitehall Township, 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 Jill Proscia, c/o The Roth Law Firm, 123 North Fifth Street, Allentown, PA 18102, or her attorney, David M. Roth, Esquire, The Roth Law Firm, 123 North Fifth Street, Allentown, PA 18102. Jun 21-22,28-29,Jul 5-6

PUBLIC NOTICE

Estate of Thomas W. Loetzbeier, late of Moore Township, Northampton County, Pennsylvania. Letters of Administration have been granted to Ilsa Jane Loetzbeier, 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 Ilsa Jane Loetzbeier, c/o The Roth Law Firm, P.O. Box 4355 Allentown, PA 18105, or their Attorney, Larry R. Roth, Esquire, The Roth Law Firm, P.O. Box 4355 Allentown, PA 18105. Jun 7-8,14-15,21-22

PUBLIC NOTICE

ESTATE OF Ruth B. Zanders, late of Upper Macungie, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Letters Testamentary have been granted to Penny A. Zuber, 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 Penny A. Zuber, c/o The Roth Law Firm, 123 N. Fifth St. Allentown, PA 18102 or their Attorney, Larry R. Roth, Esquire, The Roth Law Firm, 123 N. Fifth Street, Allentown, PA 18102. Jun 14-15,21-22,28-29

PUBLIC NOTICE

Estate of Dawn M. Wetzel, late of Whitehall, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Letters of Administration have been granted to the below named personal representative, who requests all persons having claims, or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to David M. Roth, Esquire, Administrator, c/o The Roth Law Firm, P.O. Box 4355, Allentown, PA 18105 or his Attorney, David M. Roth, Esquire, The Roth Law Firm, P.O. Box 4355, Allentown, Pa 18105. Jun 21-22,28-29,Jul 5-6

PUBLIC NOTICE

Estate of DIANNE L. WENDLING deceased, late of Schnecksville, 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 Mark A. Wendling, Executor c/o YOUNG & YOUNG Rebecca M. Young, Esq. Lia K. Snyder, Esq. 119 E. Main Street Macungie, PA 18062 Or to his Attorney YOUNG & YOUNG Rebecca M. Young, Esq. Lia K. Snyder, Esq. 119 E. Main Street Macungie, PA 18062 Jun 21-22,28-29,Jul 5-6

PUBLIC NOTICE

Estate of FRANKLIN H. WENDLING, JR., a/k/a FRANKLIN WENDLING deceased, late of Schnecksville, 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 Dawn C. Kelly, Executrix c/o YOUNG & YOUNG Rebecca M. Young, Esq. Lia K. Snyder, Esq. 119 E. Main Street Macungie, PA 18062 Or to his Attorney YOUNG & YOUNG Rebecca M. Young, Esq. Lia K. Snyder, Esq. 119 E. Main Street Macungie, PA 18062 Jun 21-22,28-29,Jul 5-6

PUBLIC NOTICE

Estate of Katie M. Bear a/k/a Katie Marie Bear, Deceased. Late of Allentown City, Lehigh County, PA. Letters Testamentary on the above 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 payment without delay to JoAnn Marie Segner, Executrix, c/o Andrew S. George, Esq., 2640 Westview Dr., Wyomissing, PA 19610; Or to her Atty.: Andrew S. George, Kozloff Stoudt, P.C., 2640 Westview Dr., Wyomissing, PA 19610 Jun 14-15,21-22,28-29

PUBLIC NOTICE

Estate of Dorothy V. Tiffany, Deceased. Late of Whitehall Twp., Lehigh County, PA. D.O.D. 3/6/23. Letters Testamentary on the above 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 payment without delay to Shirlianne T. Crider, 6 Windward Dr., Barto, PA 19504 & Donna T. Grater, 316 Kemp Road, Barto, PA 19504, Executrices. Or to their Atty.: David A. Megay, OWM Law, 41 E. High St., Pottstown, PA 19464 Jun 14-15,21-22,28-29

PUBLIC NOTICE

ESTATE NOTICE Estate of ROBERT J. KISLOW, III, late of the Township of Moore, County of Northampton and Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, deceased. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Letters of Administration 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: Administrator: ROBERT J. KISLOW, JR. c/o JOSEPH F. LEESON, III ESQUIRE 70 East Broad Street P.O. Box 1426 Bethlehem, PA 18016-1426 Jun 14-15,21-22,28-29

PUBLIC NOTICE

ESTATE NOTICE Estate of CRAIG D. HUFF, late of the Township of Moore, 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: PATRICIA B. HUFF c/o JOSEPH F. LEESON, III, ESQUIRE 70 East Broad Street P.O. Box 1426 Bethlehem, PA 18016-1426 Jun 7-8,14-15,21-22

PUBLIC NOTICE

ESTATE NOTICE Estate of Edward C. Creitz, deceased, of Palmer Township, Northampton County, Pennsylvania. Letters Testamentary have been granted to Regina K. Creitz, 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 Regina K. Creitz, Executrix. c/o Lori Gardiner Kreglow, Esquire 18 East Market Street P.O. Box 1961 Bethlehem, P.A. 18016-1961 Jun 14-15,21-22,28-29

PUBLIC NOTICE

ESTATE OF JOHN E. ENGLERT deceased, late of North Whitehall Township, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Notice is hereby given that Letters Testamentary 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 PAMELA ZECHMAN, Executor, 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. June 7, 14, 21

PUBLIC NOTICE

EXECUTORS NOTICE ESTATE OF JANE E. HALDEMAN, late of 3927 E. Grant Street, Slatedale, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania, Deceased. Letters Testamentary on the above estate having been granted to the undersigned, all persons indebted to the Estate are requested to make payment and those having claims to present the same, without delay to: Lisa M. Bernet, Executrix c/o Miller Thielen, P.C. 101 S. Richmond Street Suite B Fleetwood, PA 19522 Or to the Estate's attorney, Amy J. Miller, Esquire Miller Thielen, P.C. 101 S. Richmond Street Suite B Fleetwood, PA 19522 Jun 7-8,14-15,21-22

PUBLIC NOTICE

ESTATE REGISTRATION NOTICE NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, in the Estate of the Decedent set forth below, the Register of Wills has granted Letters Testamentary to the person named. All persons having claims or demands against said estate are requested to make known the same, and all persons indebted to said estate are requested to make payment, without delay, to the executors or to their attorneys named below: Decedent: JOHN M. MCHALE Date of Death: April 26, 2023 Late of: Lower Macungie, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania Executor: Joseph J. Gribbin c/o William W. Matz, Jr., Esquire 211 W. Broad Street Bethlehem, PA 18018-5517 Attorney: William W. Matz, Jr., Esquire 211 W. Broad Street Bethlehem, PA 18018-5517 Jun 21-22,28-29,Jul 5-6

PUBLIC NOTICE

ESTATE NOTICE Estate of SHIRLEY J. HERMANVITCH, deceased; late of Lower Macungie Township, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Letters Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who requests all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to Doreen L. stair, Executrix Dawn C. Kelly, Executrix c/o YOUNG & YOUNG Rebecca M. Young, Esq. Lia K. Snyder, Esq. 119 E. Main Street Macungie, PA 18062 Or to their Attorney YOUNG & YOUNG Rebecca M. Young, Esq. Lia K. Snyder, Esq. 119 E. Main Street Macungie, PA 18062 Jun 21-22,28-29,Jul 5-6

PUBLIC NOTICE

ESTATE OF Alberto Cortez, deceased, late of the City of Allentown, 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: Jessica A. Manjarrez, c/o her attorney, Stephen W. Wiener, ESQ., Wiener and Wiener LLP, 512 Hamilton Street, Allentown, PA 18101 Jun 7-8 14-15 21-22

PUBLIC NOTICE

ESTATE OF Deborah L. Rundle, deceased, late of the Borough of Wind Gap, Northampton 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: Laurie J. Weingarten, c/o her attorney, Stephen W. Wiener, Esquire, Wiener and Wiener LLP, 512 Hamilton Street, Allentown, PA 18101. Jun 7-8,14-15,21-22

PUBLIC NOTICE

ESTATE NOTICE Estate of Dolores M. Kutianski, deceased, late of Walnutport, Northampton County, Pennsylvania, Letters Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who requests all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to: Stephanie K. Muschlitz, Executrix c/o Stephen A. Strack, Esquire Steckel and Stopp LLC 125 S Walnut Street, Suite 210 Slatington, PA 18080 Jun 14-15,21-22,28-29

PUBLIC NOTICE

ESTATE OF ELIZBETH A. FROMMER deceased, late of Whitehall Township, Whitehall, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania, Letters Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who requests all persons having claims or demands against the estate of the decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the decedent to make payments without delay to: Lois A. Steward c/o Keith W. Strohl, Esquire Steckel and Stopp, LLC 125 S. Walnut Street, Suite 210 Slatington, PA 18080 Jun 7-8 14-15 21-22

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ESTATE OF Doris M. Betzenberger, deceased, late of Borough 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: JUDY M CHIES AND JILL STANLEY, CO-EXECUTORS c/o KEITH W. STROHL, ESQUIRE Steckel and Stopp LLC 125 S. Walnut Street, Suite 210 Slatington PA 18080 Jun 21-22,28-29,Jul 5-6

PUBLIC NOTICE

ESTATE OF Melba M. Bisko, deceased, late of Borough of Walnutport, Northampton 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: DAVID C. BISCO, EXECUTOR c/o STEPHEN A. STRACK, ESQUIRE Steckel and Stopp LLC 125 S. Walnut Street, Suite 210 Slatington PA 18080 Jun 14-15,21-22,28-29

PUBLIC NOTICE

ESTATE NOTICE Estate of Ethel Mary a/k/a Ethel Glass, deceased, late of Allentown, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania, Letters Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who request all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to: Pamela Ann Gerancher a/k/a Pamela Gerancher c/o Steckel and Stopp LLC Executrix or to their Attorney, Steckel and Stopp, By: Keith W. Strohl, Esquire at 125 S. Walnut Street, Suite 210, Slatington, PA 18080. Jun 7-8,14-15,21-22

PUBLIC NOTICE

ESTATE OF Paul D. Fogely, Sr., deceased, late of Emmaus, 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: Emily A. Zettlemoyer, Esquire a/k/a Emily A. Pojanowski, 53 North Third Street, Emmaus, PA 18049 or to her attorney: Emily A. Zettlemoyer, Esq. 53 North Third Street, Emmaus, PA 18049 Jun 14-15,21-22,28-29

PUBLIC NOTICE

ESTATE NOTICE NOTICE OF ESTATE OF Georgia C. Corvino a/k/a Georgia Corvino, 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 Michelle Bellesfield and Deana Zosky, Co-Executrices. C/O Robert N. Rust III, Esquire, Attorney for the Estate, 4461 Kohler Drive, Allentown, PA 18103. Jun 21-22,28-29,Jul 5-6

PUBLIC NOTICE

TRUST NOTICE Notice is hereby given that the settlor of the revocable trust set forth below has died, and no personal representative has been appointed within 90 days 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 trustee or the trustee's attorney as named below: Edward Deitz and Patricia Deitz Joint Revocable Trust U/A 4/9/2002 Settlor: Patricia Deitz Scott E. Deitz and Holly E. Deitz, Successor Trustees c/o Eric R. Strauss, Esquire WORTH, MAGEE & FISHER, P.C. 2610 Walbert Avenue Allentown, PA 18104 Jun 14-15,21-22,28-29



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PUBLIC NOTICE

Estate of Tina Louise Lynam, Deceased. Late of Adamstown Borough, Lehigh County, PA. Letters Testamentary on the above 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 payment without delay to Lisa Toalton, Executrix, c/o James J. Ruggiero, Jr., Esq., 16 Industrial Blvd., #211, Paoli, PA 19301. Or to her Atty.: James J. Ruggiero, Jr., Ruggiero Law Offices, LLC, 16 Industrial Blvd., #211, Paoli, PA 19301
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ESTATE NOTICE
Estate of Elizabeth A. Hauler, a/k/a Elizabeth Ann Hauler of the City of Emmaus, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania.
Executor: Richard J. Hauler, Executor
c/o Christopher P. Coval, Esquire
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Five Neshaminy Interplex, Suite 315
Trevose, PA 19053
Phone #: (215) 639-4070
Attorney: Christopher P. Coval, Esquire
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**PUBLIC NOTICE
PASSED ORDINANCES**

The Whitehall Township Board of Commissioners, at a regular Public Meeting on Monday, June 12, 2023 held in the Public Meeting Room of the Whitehall Township Municipal Building, 3219 MacArthur Road, Whitehall, PA, approved the following legislation:

- ORDINANCE NO. 3314**
TITLE: AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF A PROPOSAL FOR THE SALE OF WHITEHALL TOWNSHIP REAL PROPERTY LOCATED ON MACARTHUR ROAD IN WHITEHALL TOWNSHIP, LEHIGH COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 3.20 AND 3.24 IN THE HOME RULE CHARTER WHICH REQUIRES AUTHORIZATION OF THE CONVEYANCE OF LAND FROM THE TOWNSHIP BY ORDINANCE
- ORDINANCE NO. 3315**
TITLE: AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF A PROPOSAL FOR PURCHASE OF A NEW HYDRAULIC DETACHABLE GOOSENECK TRAILER 35 TON PAVER SPECIAL FOR THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 3.20 IN THE HOME RULE CHARTER WHICH REQUIRES AUTHORIZATION OF ACQUISITIONS IN EXCESS OF \$25,000 BY ORDINANCE. (PUBLIC WORKS)
- ORDINANCE NO. 3316**
TITLE: AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF A PROPOSAL FOR PURCHASE OF A 2023 FREIGHTLINER DAY CAB TRACTOR HEAVY HAULER FOR THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 3.20 IN THE HOME RULE CHARTER WHICH REQUIRES AUTHORIZATION OF ACQUISITIONS IN EXCESS OF \$25,000 BY ORDINANCE. (PUBLIC WORKS)

The above Ordinances are available for review by the public in the Administration offices at Whitehall Township Municipal Building, 3219 MacArthur Road, Whitehall, PA, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.
Jun 21-22

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Board of Commissioners of Bethlehem Township, Northampton County, Pennsylvania, will consider for adoption at a public meeting to be held at 7:00 P.M. on the 3rd day of July, 2023, at the Bethlehem Township Municipal Building, 4225 Easton Avenue, Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, an Ordinance requiring the mandatory recusal of public officials in matters that they hold a financial interest, to ensure that public officials use their positions to act in the best interest of the Township rather than for personal interests, and that the Board of Commissioners does not treat anyone preferentially under any circumstances.

The public meeting will be open to the public and, in addition, the meeting will also be held electronically through Zoom or call in by phone. To access the meeting through your computer go to <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89634227953> and enter Meeting ID: #896 3422 7953. To access the meeting by one tap mobile dial +12678310333,89634227953# US (Philadelphia).

Copies of the full text of the proposed Ordinance are available for review at the Bethlehem Township Municipal Building located at 4225 Easton Avenue, Bethlehem, Pennsylvania during normal business hours and on the Township's website.

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